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PAC marches.
A few hundred PAC supporters held a peaceful anti-Republc Day march in a deserted central Cape Town on Monday. In a memorandum, handed to a representative of the President, the PAC called for the holiday's abolition.
HOMELESS: A Crossroads resident, with a suitcase of belongings salvaged from her burnt shack, sets out to find somewhere to spend the cold winter night.


Tension rising in Crossroads

Staff Reporter

THE Defence Force and police have intensified patrols in Crossroads because of mounting tension which police believe is being fanned by a leadership power struggle.

Yesterday a man was gunned down in Section Four where several incidents of automatic gunfire, arson and assault have been recorded.

A police spokesman said another major cause of friction was one group's support for a move from Lower Crossroads while the area is upgraded and another's opposition to it.

Additional Internal Stability Unit squads were brought in from Paarl today to help combat the violence while a "hands-on" police planning team is monitoring the situation constantly, according to the spokesman.

"A big problem patrols have is the inaccessibility of the area. Bad or non-existent roads among shacks make it impossible to penetrate the area," he said.

The spokesman said at least five homes were razed yesterday, leaving several families homeless.

Attacks: Army, police may link

Staff Reporters

POLICE are considering co-ordinating Defence Force and police patrols on the N2 freeway after complaints that attacks on motorists are being ignored.

Police spokesman Colonel Raymond Dowd said soldiers were issued mainly with "sharp point" ammunition and were probably more reluctant to open fire than police who used rubber bullets and could react more easily.

Colonel Dowd said stonings flared up on the N2 near Khayelitsha at the weekend. Several motorists and a bus carrying schoolchildren were attacked.

There was no evidence of a link between attacks on the freeway and fighting in townships next to the N2.

Colonel Dowd said some motorists used firearms in self-defence when groups of youths stoned their cars, but no injuries had been reported.

Colonel Dowd said anyone with complaints was invited to call him at 262 2660 to discuss the problem.

He said if problem areas were identified they would be addressed immediately.

Major Hesta van Straten of the SADF said the army's role in preventing stonings on the N2 was to arrest culprits if they could be found.
Distraught

The police and doctors were quite taken aback when the body of the infant was brought into the morgue. The parents were devastated and in shock. The entire town was in mourning.

The coroner ruled that the death was accidental. An inquest was held, and the coroner ruled that the infant had died of suffocation due to neglect. The parents were found guilty of negligence and were referred to a social worker for further evaluation.

The community came together to support the parents and the child's family. A fund was set up to help with the funeral expenses and to support the family financially.

The incident sparked a debate about the importance of early intervention and the need for better resources for struggling families.

Bus Stopped on N2

The bus driver noticed a child crying on the bus and stopped to ask if everything was okay. The child explained that they had lost their mother and were on their way to the hospital. The driver called the police, and the child was reunited with their family.

The incident highlighted the importance of community support and the need for more resources to help families in crisis.
STONES thrown on N2
STONE throwers on Cape Town's N2 highway attacked a luxury bus carrying 210 kids, schoolchildren and seriously injured a woman passenger in a car on Monday (2.15).
Peace talks reduce violence

ROGER FRIEDMAN, Staff Reporter

A solution to growing violence in Kraalfontein and its satellite squatter settlements in the past six weeks could be in sight after a "more than cordial" meeting involving farmers, squatter leaders, police and peacemakers.

Since the meeting last week, police report a reduction in violent incidents. Adel216793.

Peace Committee spokesman Hannes Siebert said good relationships were struck at the meeting and there were "serious intentions to solve the problems". The prospects for establishing a local peace structure were very good.

Farmer Wilhelm Jördens said the meeting gave a clear indication of the worries and fears of all the parties. "In the future I see much better and friendlier relations with our neighbours."

Police community relations officer Major Attie Laubscher said "definite ties of friendship" had been established at the meeting.

Violent incidents had dropped to virtually nothing since the meeting.

Kraalfontein ANC leader Dorius Neewat promised to "leave no stone unturned" in efforts to solve problems in the area.

She confirmed that the meeting was "positive" and conveyed appreciation to the farmers for their efforts in convening it.
Woman loses eye after N2 stoning

Staff Reporters

A YOUNG woman has lost an eye in a stoning incident on the N2 and a row has erupted over the failure of the huge security force presence on the freeway to prevent attacks on motorists.

Miss Deldre Langenhoven, 23, of Fairways, a Medical Research Council dietician, was injured by a stone which shattered the window of the car in which she was travelling near D F Malan Airport about 4pm on Monday.

The stone broke her sunglasses, severely damaged her left eye and fractured her cheek bone. The eye was later removed.

In a spate of attacks on the N2 on Monday, Western Province surfing team members Glen Drysdale and Andre Kowalski were attacked near Khayelitsha on their way home from an interprovincial contest at Victoria Bay.

They were stoned by a group at the side of the road and the driver nearly lost control of the car.

Meanwhile a row has broken out over the alleged failure of soldiers to act against stonethrowers, with Democratic Party MP for Wynberg Mr Robin Carlisle warning that once the politically criminal element was aware security forces were unlikely to take action, they would get bolder and turn out in larger numbers.

He said the failure of the heavy SANDF presence on the N2 to deter stonethrowers was a matter of the gravest concern.

This was aggravated by allegations that SANDF personnel “failed to intervene even after stonethrowers were pointed out to them”.

Defence Force spokeswoman Major Hesta van Straten said the SANDF’s role in preventing stonings was to arrest culprits if they could be found.

Troops were not allowed to shoot, but this ruling could be reviewed.

Mr Carlisle said co-operation between the SANDF and police in protecting motorists on the N2 freeway “leaves much to desired”.

Meanwhile, highway violence has spilled from the freeways on to busy city arteries.

A Table View couple counted 15 half-bricks and rocks in their car after they were attacked by about 200 youths in Vanguard Drive, Epping, last Thursday.

Stonings:
R5 000 reward

JOHAN SCHÖNEN
Crime Staff

A R5 000 reward has been offered by police for information leading to the arrest and conviction of people responsible for attacks on motorists on the N2 and other freeways.

In addition, a motorcycle police unit would also patrol the N2 to enhance reaction time when attacks slow down traffic and block roads.

District Commissioner in the Western Cape General Nic Acker said today the problems on the N2 were social ones which had been “thrown into the lap” of the police.

General Acker blamed local authorities, which had “constantly” been informed since 1985 about the security problem of informal settlements such as squatter camps encroaching on freeways.

He strongly criticised the proposed new De Noon informal housing settlement on the N7 near Table View.

“Our freeways are the vital jugulars of our cities and authorities should, at all costs, prevent them from becoming soft targets for the perpetrators of violence.”
Caught in bitter battle between two groups, residents in fear of lives
**Schools set alight**

EXTENSIVE damage was caused to two schools that were set alight on Monday night. Seven classrooms and the administration block of the Ellof Primary School near Delmas in the Eastern Transvaal were destroyed.

Only two classrooms could be saved. The second school, near Port Alfred in the Eastern Cape, was extensively damaged after three classrooms were set on fire.

**Couple murdered**

ANOTHER white couple have been murdered on their smallholding. The bodies of 56-year-old Mr. Francis Roos and his 33-year-old wife Gertrude were found in a store-room on their Stukenboskop smallholding near Witbank on Monday night. Both were shot in the head.

**Two shot dead**

THE badly charred bodies of two men in their early 20s, both with a single bullet wound to the head, were found at Westridge in Mitchell's Plain on the Cape Peninsula on Monday.

Residents in the area told police they heard two shots and investigation saw three men run to a kombi and drive off. Police found two 9mm bullets and a spent 7.65 casing at the scene as well as a bottle which could have contained petrol. — Sapa.

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**Mcerwa**

FORMER president of the Azanian Youth Organisation Mr. Thami Mcerwa has been awarded R15,000 in an out-of-court settlement in an action against Law and Order Minister Hermus Kriel.

The settlement followed Mcerwa's acquittal on charges of allegedly resisting arrest and assaulting police in his Dlamini, Soweto, home in February last year.

Mcerwa later laid charges against the police for unlawful arrest and assault. He had to suspend his studies in Britain to attend to the case. He is due to fly back later this week to write examinations.

The matter was settled last Friday.
Mandela wants SAP majoor removed

ANC meeting... ANC President Mr Nelson Mandela, attended by hundreds of cadres, addressed members in Salt River yesterday.

TAXI MEETING... ANC President Mr. Mandela addressed hundreds of Cadre members in Salt River yesterday.

Press: Kenny Godfrey

President Mr. Mandela yesterday.

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Residents baffled by barricades

JOSEPH ARANES
Staff Reporter

POLICE and residents of Tafelsig and Eastridge in Mitchell's Plain were baffled when youths erected about a dozen burning barricades in a main road in the area.

Police spokesman Captain John Sterrenberg said there had been several stoning incidents in the area in the past few weeks, but they were unable to establish why.

"About 4pm yesterday, about 40 youths again stoned police vehicles and set up barricades in A Z Berman Drive. They later stoned private and police vehicles for no apparent reason," Captain Sterrenberg said.

Residents were also unsure of the reasons.

"The youths are bored and are doing this because they have nothing better to do," said one.

BARRICADES: Youths man burning barricades in A Z Berman Drive.
Massacre commemorated

EAST LONDON. — The Highgate Hotel massacre in which five whites were killed here last month will be commemorated by the right wing tomorrow when Afrikaner Weerstands beweging leader Eugene Terre'Blanche and the head of the Committee of Generals, General Constand Viljoen, lay wreaths at the site.

The ceremony will start a day of campaigning by the newly-launched Afrikaner Volksfront and its associated Committee of Generals, which hope to use rallies in the Eastern Cape to gauge support. — Sapa.
N2 Heu Run: Stop stone-throwing, says ANC
The road to corporate offices is not just a means to get to work but also a place where the community interacts. These offices are often designed to provide a welcoming environment for employees and visitors alike.

In the recent past, there has been a shift towards sustainable and eco-friendly practices in office spaces. This has led to the adoption of green roofs, solar panels, and energy-efficient lighting systems. However, despite these efforts, the impact on the environment remains a concern.

The increasing popularity of telecommuting has further complicated the situation. While it reduces the need for physical office space, it has also led to a decrease in public transportation usage, further exacerbating the issue.

As we move forward, it is essential to balance the needs of the community with the demands of business. This requires a collaborative approach that considers the sustainability of both the environment and the economy. By doing so, we can create a more livable and productive environment for all.
Hooligans must be caught

Staff Reporter

MANY residents of Khayelitsha and Crossroads deplore the stone-throwing along the N2 and believe that those who are responsible should be brought to book.

In interviews with people from areas that lie along the N2, respondents said yesterday that those who were responsible were aimless hooligans with nothing to do.

An elderly Khayelitsha woman, based in Site C, said most incidents took place at night and were sporadic.

A 16-year-old Crossroads youth, who identified himself as "comrade", said what was happening had no political agenda and was carried out by youths who had nothing to do.

He said that such incidents should not be mistaken for the recent pupils' Barcelona and Bujuba campaigns, where government and related vehicles were targeted.

"Besides, our actions took place within the township and not on the freeway," he said.

Many others refused to speak, but the general feeling expressed was that the stone-throwers were unknown and their actions were despicable.

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Rule on NZ gun commuters

warn of gun

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SECURITY CHECK: A soldier warns children not to enter the complex close to the NZ part of the security compound to stop out the scope of criminals. After the kidnapping...
Troops may fire to stop stonings

Political Staff

TROOPS may open fire as a last resort to control stonings on the N2 freeway, Defence Minister Kobie Coetse has indicated.

Mr. Coetse said any decision to use weapons would depend on the specific tactical situation. The decision could be taken at the lowest level by an army section commander, if it was necessary according to his judgment or by individual members acting independently from the section.

Weapons could be used only where there was real danger to lives or property and where it was the only way of averting danger.

Defence Force intelligence controlling crowds included:

- A show of power — the mere visibility of SADF members prevented many potential crimes and deterred potential criminals.
- Verbal persuasion or warning and
- The use of non-lethal weapons such as teargas, stun grenades and thunder flashes before the use of live ammunition.

Mr. Coetse said the SADF supported the police when asked and the co-operation was co-ordinated.

SADF members were trained in rural and urban counter-insurgency and were armed according to this strategy.

Adaptations in this regard were being considered in the light of the SADF's role of supporting the police under the present circumstances, he said.
Taxi groups need peacemaker

By Sabata Ngcsei

A MEDIATOR is urgently required to intervene between rival taxi associations which have failed to meet and negotiate.

The Convention for Democratic Taxi Association (Codeta) says the killing of its members by a splinter group known as the “Big Eight” demands an urgent intervention of an impartial mediator.

But a spokesperson for the Peace Committee said in the current situation formal mediation was not possible because of the large number of killings and the tension between the two parties.

The spokesperson said this was not just a matter between Codeta and the “Big Eight”.

“The criminal elements are playing a destructive role in the situation and they have no intention at this stage of ending the conflict.”

The Goldstone commission and the Peace Committee were working together to find ways of resolving the conflict.

Codeta and the “Big Eight” have been at each other’s throats since Codeta was formed last year.

The tension dates back to before two rival taxi groups, the Western Cape Black Taxi Association (Webta) and Lagunya, merged to form one taxi body, Codeta.

The “Big Eight” broke from Webta over differences within the organisation.

Since the tension began nine Codeta members, including some executive members, have been gunned down.

Codeta complains that it has been struggling in vain to hold talks with the “Big Eight” to sort out their differences.

Codeta executive committee member Mr Reginald Malimba acknowledged that the “Big Eight” had sent letters to Codeta requesting meetings, but the organisation was “very busy” on the proposed dates.

A meeting was arranged by police in the mayor’s parlour a month ago after the “Big Eight” had forcibly tried to get into the Codeta offices.

But Codeta failed to attend saying that the “Big Eight” were Webta members and could not be recognised because Webta died when Codeta was formed.

“There is an urgent need for an impartial mediator to bring us together,” said Codeta executive member Mr Reginald Malimba.

“Every week Codeta people are gunned down by this shadow group.”

Malimba said although they were prepared to talk to the “Big Eight” they were also concerned about their safety. He said the “Big Eight” were “armed and dangerous”.

Although Malimba insisted that another taxi war was impossible, he emphasised it was imperative to find a solution to the problem soon.
By PETA KROST

SADF troops were given a crash course in the use of shotguns only hours before they were deployed on the N2 highway yesterday in an attempt to curtail the stoning of cars.

The senior staff officer in charge of operations, Colonel Johan Lourens, said the soldiers were working alongside others who were armed with .44 rifles. Their deployment on the highway was to support the police.

Minister of Defence Robie Coetzee said the soldiers would be entitled to fire live ammunition as a last resort.

The Administrator of the Cape, Robert Merina, has announced that senior government department representatives are to meet him tomorrow to discuss the N2 attacks.

Four members of Parliament have also been invited to attend.

The meeting has been called in the light of mounting pressure from tourism and business leaders for the authorities to stop passing the back and bring a rapid end to the stonings.

At least 25 vehicles have been attacked since April 14 on the N2, dubbed "The Hill Run", that connects Cape Town with the wine estate, D F Malan Airport and the Garden Route.

The Cape Provincial Administration claims there is no immediate solution.

"It is idealistic for us to say we could ever guarantee safety on this road, but we will do our best," said Frans van der Walt, the CPA member of the executive committee for roads, nature conservation and tourism.

To improve security, bushes on the verges are to be cleared and stronger fences, footbridges and streetlights are to be installed at a cost of about R1.5 million.

Politicians and the victims of last weekend’s attacks have accused the police and the defence force of being inefficient and failing to act.

In reply, the police have said they warned local authorities about these consequences if they allowed the informal settlements to mushroom along the N2, said senior police spokesman, Lieutenant-Colonel Raymond Dowd.

Troops, some on foot and others sitting on their vehicles, were visible every five kilometres along the highway from D F Malan airport this week.

Police cars patrolling the danger zone around the clock this week were stopping at any sign of trouble.

They have been joined by a police motorbike patrol team.

The tourist industry is up in arms about the N2 problem as it threatens Cape Town’s reputation as a destination.

Captor’s chief executive, Gordon Oliver, said the N2 stonings were of vital concern because "they seem to be worsening every day".

"As soon as they become an issue, we went to N1 to get the problem sorted out."

The Chamber of Commerce and Industry has echoed Captor’s demands.
Six people in violent deaths

Weekend shootings, stabbings

SIX people were murdered in the Peninsula and Boland over the weekend, police said.

Police spokesman Captain John Sterrenberg said off-duty prison warder Mr Paul Claesen, 27, of Bishop Lavis was shot and seriously injured yesterday morning when he intervened in a fight near his Nootgedacht Street home about 2.05am.

He said Mr Claesen was intervening in a fight between two men when a Mr Ernest Marinus allegedly shot him in the back at close range. Mr Marinus was about to fire again when Mr Claesen allegedly pulled out his firearm and fatally wounded him.

Three other men were injured in the incident and were admitted, together with Mr Claesen, to Tygerberg Hospital.

Capt Sterrenberg said that during a "gang-related" shooting incident in Clarks Estate, Elsie's River, on Saturday night, Mr Raymon Norton, 21, of Koelenhof Street was shot dead.

He and two companions were shot at by an unknown gunman. He died from wounds to the head and chest.

Capt Sterrenberg also said that Mr Zamekile Nondabula, 22, was shot dead and two others wounded during an attack on a shebeen in Mzimkhwe on Friday night.

Mr Goodman Samka was stabbed to death during a "drunken argument" in Site B in Khayelitsha on Saturday morning. Mr Michael Fisani, 25, of Nyanga East died of stab wounds during a brawl in the Samora Machel squatter camp in Khayelitsha on Saturday.

The body of an unidentified man was found with stab wounds in an open field near Ludo Street, Mitchells Plain, on Saturday morning.

Worcester churchman the Rev Diederick Griesel was attacked and stabbed in his home on Friday when he surprised an intruder.

A police spokesman said he was admitted to hospital and discharged after treatment.

A 26-year-old man has been arrested.

The spokesman said Mr Griesel, 53, had just unlocked the front door of his Hugenot Street home at 11am when he surprised a housebreaker who was in the process of ransacking his home.

The intruder lunged at Mr Griesel and stabbed him in the arm before fleeing with goods valued at R2,000.
Meiring set to ‘beef up’ N2

CP calls for white motorists to arm

Political Correspondent

THE Conservative Party yesterday called on all white motorists travelling on the N2 “hell run” to be armed — and to be prepared to use weapons against stone-throwing blacks.

The CP’s parliamentary study group on transport predicted that the escalating stone- and gun-attacks on motorists passing squatter camps would soon graduate to AK-47 attacks.

The CP chief spokesman on transport, Mr Joseph Choile, also predicted that recent “ground-to-air” weapon attacks on aircraft near Jan Smuts Airport would soon occur at other airports situated close to squatter camps.

The CP complained that it had not been invited to yesterday’s “crisis meeting” called by Cape Administrator Mr Kobus Meiring to discuss the security situation on the N2.

He said the N2 attacks on motorists were not an isolated problem, but had merely become “more acute”.

The Cape Provincial Administration’s traffic administration is also to be asked to assist with further patrolling of the road and to augment existing special police patrols.

Cape Administrator Mr Kobus Meiring said yesterday that the unacceptable situation on sections of the N2 had been discussed at a meeting of Members of Parliament, senior representatives of various government departments, and the CPA.

The Western Cape regional heads of the SAP and SADF also attended the meeting, which Mr Meiring chaired.

It is understood that either the SADF or the SAP is likely to provide the operation centre, which will keep in constant radio contact with patrol cars and with soldiers on the bridges.

Work has already started on clearing the meridian island of bushes, and from this morning teams of workers are to be sent out with pangas to clear the sides of the freeway as well.

The working committee, under the chairmanship of Mr Erik van Deventer, MEC for roads and traffic administration, will meet again on Thursday to discuss further what can be done in the short term to ensure safety on the road.

The committee will also give greater emphasis to capital projects on the freeway undertake.

In the medium-term, plans for the erection of fences, pedestrian bridges, lighting and concrete crash barriers on the meridian will continue to be implemented.

The solution in the long-term lay in the upliftment of the communities along the freeway.

Discussions have been held with the communities living alongside the N2 and these initiatives will be built upon by the working committee “in collaboration with the Administrator” to ensure full co-operation of the residents.

Mr Van Deventer’s committee will include members of the SAP and SADF.
‘Joint ops’ plan for N2

A joint operations centre could be set up by the provincial traffic department, Defence Force and police for swift action against N2 stone-throwers.

And provincial roads MEC Mr Frans van Deventer is to lead a working committee to investigate immediate action on safety on the N2.

This emerged from a meeting yesterday chaired by the Administration of the Cape, Mr Kobus Meiring.

Representatives of the Cape Provincial Administration, the Department of Transport, the Defence Force, the police and the regional tender board attended the meeting.

The committee is to ask traffic police to step up patrols on the N2 while a joint traffic, police and army operations centre could be set up.

Priorities for capital projects on the freeway will be set by the committee.

“The working committee will, in collaboration with the administrator, build on existing discussions to ensure full co-operation of the relevant communities,”

The CPA roads and traffic administration branch will continue clearing vegetation beside the road and on the centre island.

The regional tender board is to give priority to plans for fences, pedestrian bridges, lighting and concrete crash barriers.

Mobile Defence Force patrols were needed along the worst 15km stretch of the N2, said Hottentots-Holland Crisis Committee spokesman Mr David Gant.

Troops had patrolled the road sporadically, but these patrols had been “grossly inadequate and badly managed”.

Prevention and not mere reaction were needed to combat the stone-throwing problem.

“Troops must be mobile, and must not just stand on bridges,” Mr Gant said.

“It is really only along 15km of the road where motorists are subject to stone-throwing. A mass meeting of residents is to be held at a Somerset West hotel tonight.

Conservative Party spokesman Mr Joseph Chiole has warned of further ground-to-air attacks on passengers, aircraft from squatter camps near or next to airports.

Mr Chiole warned that the recent light arms fire on an aircraft taking off from Jan Smuts was not an isolated incident and similar attacks could be expected for the same reasons as the increase in stoneings on the N2.

Urgent attention should be given to this risk, he said.

His views were contained in a statement of protest over the CP’s exclusion from yesterday’s meeting on the N2 security situation.

Mr Chiole put the attacks down to a “revolutionary war” sparked by anti-white statements by the likes of “Mokaba” (sic) the ANC Youth League leader Mr Peter Mokaba.
Hell run bridge plan criticised

SOMERSET West residents have rejected plans by the Cape Provincial Administration to build a pedestrian bridge over the N2 freeway to curb accidents and attacks on motorists.

Other plans proposed by the CPA include cutting down trees next to the road east of the Cape Corps interchange and installing high-mast lights.

The proposals were put to about 250 Somerset West residents at a meeting last night between the Hottentots Holland N2 Crisis Committee and representatives of the Defence Force, police, and the CPA.

Residents said a subway would be more suitable because stones could be thrown from a pedestrian bridge.

CPA roads and planning chief engineer Mr Steve Fanner said stone-throwing was not the only problem on the N2.

Residents were angry when Mr Fanner said the bridge and lights would probably not be ready before April.

These projects still have to (Turn to page 4)

Hell run plan rejected

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be tendered for and this will take some time," he said.

A resident asked: "How many people have to be injured before the authorities see the urgency of the matter?"

Mr Fanner said his department was investigating the possibility of fencing to guide people towards the bridge — planned between Khayelitsha and the Swartkops interchange — and to discourage them from crossing the road.

Colonel Deon du Toit, police community relations regional head, said: "We are aware the problem is becoming very serious and are doing our utmost.

Police had two men on motorcycles patrolling the N2, especially at peak times, but from next week these would be increased to four.

Sixteen police manned two specially-equipped patrol vehicles to assist stranded motorists round the clock.

Colonel Du Toit said it was imperative that residents report every incident.
Stonings will not be tolerated

Political Correspondent

President F W de Klerk told Parliament yesterday the government would not tolerate incidents of violence like the stoning of motorists on Cape Town’s N2 highway. "This matter must be dealt with very firmly," he said, during State President’s question time in reply to a query from NP MP for Eersterus, Mr Patrick da Gama.

However, Mr de Klerk emphasised that apart from firm security force action the problem also needed to be addressed through radical social upliftment programmes. "There must also be a master plan at grassroots level to deal with the lost generation," he told MPs.

The ANC and civic organisations should become "deeply involved" in helping to resolve the problem, he said. "Far-reaching steps have been taken to address the problem in the short- and medium-term," he said.

He assured Parliament all the role players were being co-ordinated "to bring the situation to a satisfactory conclusion as soon as possible."
Wall may be built along N7 freeway

BY PETER DENNEHY
MILNERTON municipality is planning to build a pre-cast concrete slated wall almost 5km long between the proposed Du Noon settlement for former squatters and the N7 freeway, to lessen the likelihood of stone-throwing.

Provincial liaison officer Ms Melanie Dedekind said the wall would be similar to the one near the Marconi Beam site, off Koeberg Road.

The CPA would not be involved with the building of the wall, it would be covered by the R31 million or so loan Milnerton would be taking out with the National Housing Fund to develop Du Noon.

Assistant town administrator of Milnerton Mr Arno Vorster said the proposed wall next to the N7 was “one of several things on the table for negotiation”.

The Du Noon settlement would not be a squatter camp, he said.

“A squatter area does not have waterborne sewerage, roads, electricity, piped water, stormwater drains, school sites, taxi ranks, a bus terminus and a cemetery, but Du Noon will have all that.”

A detailed plan of the site showed there would be some 2 177 sites on 91ha of land.

The plan indicates there will be some residential plots beside the N7, despite an earlier statement from Province that Du Noon residents will not be sited alongside the N7. However, much of the boundary is taken up by sports fields, a school site, industrial land and open space.

Most of the Marconi Beam residents had indicated their willingness to move there, Mr Vorster said, though some did not wish to move “for political reasons”.

Angry Richwood residents — set to march on Saturday to try to prevent plans for 12 000 squatters to become their neighbours — said squatters were already filtering into the area and crime was on the increase.

In a Cape Times survey conducted yesterday at the newly-developed suburb next to the N7 and 200m away from the Du Noon development, irate residents criticised estate agents who sold them their property with “guarantees” that squatting would not become a problem.

“I feel scared,” said Richwood resident Mrs Margaret O’Dea. “There are squatters on the farm land next to us and already there are problems with house-breaking. Last week seven cars were broken into.”

And squatters at Marconi Beam who will be housed at Du Noon site are strongly opposed to the relocation. More than 30 Marconi Beam residents protested their “new-age apartheid forced removal” at the gates of Parliament yesterday.
PAC organiser slain in De Aar

Staff Report

DE AAR police are adamant that the murder yesterday of the town's Pan Africanist Congress branch organiser was not racially or politically motivated.

The body of Mr Norman Helebe, 27, was found lying in the street a few meters from his home in Nongiyakazi township close to midnight on Thursday by a police patrol, a Northern Cape police spokesman said yesterday.

He said Mr Helebe appeared to have been struck on the head with a blunt instrument and died instantly.

**Tension**

He was certified dead on arrival at De Aar Hospital.

"It was definitely not a racially motivated murder. There is absolutely nothing that points to that," the spokesman said.

He added that while De Aar was no less subject to racial tension than the rest of the country, it was not about to boil over with racial hatred: "like some towns."

Despite repeated attempts the PAC could not be reached for comment last night.
Squatter threat moves traffic to N1

Municipal Reporter
FEARS of being stoned by squatters living close to the N2 have led motorists to make increasing use of the N1.

This was confirmed yesterday by Cape Town’s traffic chief Mr Wouter Smit who said the shift to the safer road did not appear to have added "significantly" to existing congestion on the N1.

The chief traffic officer of Somerset West Mr G F W Willis said yesterday that it seemed to him that virtually his whole town had changed its travelling habits, especially at night.

"People just don’t travel on the N2, (towards or from Cape Town)," said Mr Willis. "I think that most people from here avoid it, and take an alternative route."

Most motorists went via Kuits River, while some took the Strandfontein road, he said.

"They take the old road to Bellville. Just past Kuits River you get on to the F300, and about six kilometres later you get onto the N1," he added.

Mr Willis described the route as about 10 or 15 minutes longer than it would take to go to Cape Town via the N2. He was not sure of the difference in kilometres between the two routes.

Meanwhile, travellers on the Black River Parkway, which links the N2 with the N1 on the city side of Pinelands, have reported a marked increase in the number of cars going in the direction of the N1, especially just before dusk.
Road committee may divert money to ensure safety on N2 'hell-run'

LIBBY PEACOCK
Weekend Argus Reporter

Money may be withdrawn from other road projects to make the N2 "hell-run" safe, says the new working committee formed to investigate action on safety on the road between Cape Town and Somerset West.

Committee chairman and member of the executive committee for Cape Provincial Administration (CPA) roads and traffic administration, Mr Frrik van Deventer, told Weekend Argus: "We want to create a situation where the public can use the road confidently and with peace of mind."

Although it was a "complete exaggeration" to call the N2 a "hell-run", he sympathised with motorists who felt unsafe.

The working committee has already launched their plans for the erection of fences, pedestrian bridges, lighting and concrete crash barriers on the centre island.

"To achieve this we are prepared to withdraw money from other projects to make the N2 safe," Mr Van Deventer said.

Not much could be done before the oleander bushes on the sides of the road and the centre island were removed, he said.

Most of the bushes along the CPA-controlled part of the N2 (between Cape Town and the R300 turn-offs) had already been removed and work was starting on the part under the control of the Department of Transport.

When the construction of the bridges and crash barriers started, more bushes would be removed.

Every attempt would be made to speed up the tender process. Reports by the consulting engineers, who had consulted the communities living next to the road about the erection of footbridges, were almost ready.

The police and army were "in contact" with the communities beside the road.

Now that talks over the "how and when" of the physical safety precautions had been finalised, he would have talks with community leaders.

"This thing is mostly the work of mischief makers. Maybe 10 percent is politically inspired," Mr Van Deventer was adamant that road safety should have high priority where the planning of new informal settlements were concerned.

"If people want to use violence, steps have to be taken against them," he said.

It was impossible to establish how many incidents of stone-throwing and violence had occurred on the N2 so far, as some were not reported.

Successful safeguarding of the stretch of road will not only depend on physical protection, but on communication with the leaders of the communities who live next to the road."

He stressed that "much stronger action" would be taken if the new measures did not work, but declined to elaborate.

The working committee will meet again on Thursday to discuss further short-term plans.

They will include the setting up of a joint-monitoring committee, consisting of members of the police, army and traffic authorities. The centre will be in constant radio contact with patrol cars and soldiers.

An information centre for road-users who wanted to check the safety situation would also be established.

"We can't do much more. It is impossible to cordon off the whole road."

Mr Van Deventer said he knew of incidents where stone-throwers waited for patrol vehicles to pass and then ran out of the bushes and stoned cars behind the vehicles.

The soldiers on the bridges and next to the road helped to increase motorists' peace of mind, but it was not a pleasant thing to need armed forces on one of the Cape's most important tourist routes.

He called on motorists to give the committee and everybody else concerned a chance to get the physical measures on stream and to negotiate with community leaders. He also appealed for calm.

However, it was not "surprising" that many motorists were arming themselves and were prepared to protect their own lives and property.

DF Malan airport manager Mr Neels van Rensburg told Weekend Argus there was "no question" of threats to aircraft passing over the Cape Flats or coming in to land over Crossroads.
A Marshall Plan for South Africa

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A YOUNG PAC supporter from Cugusi was shot and killed at Nyanga Railway Station after he and 16 other youths tried to catch a free train, police have claimed.

The youths, wearing PAC placards, were on their way home after apparently attending a PAC meeting.

They refused to pay for train tickets and when two conductors tried to stop them, getting on to the train, the youths attacked them," said police spokesman Captain Giesa du Plessis.

One of the conductors was stabbed and a member of the Cape Town Mobile Unit policeman, who saw the fracas, tried to stop the group by brandishing his gun.

While he was wrestling with one of the group, the gun went off and a youth, aged about 18, was shot in the chest," she said.

A 17-year-old was arrested on a charge of public violence.
Protesters held

THIRTY-ONE people were arrested in Mossel Bay yesterday when they tried `to` occupy empty houses and flats belonging to Mosgas. The activists are all believed to be members of the Mossel Bay Civic Association.
Two police shot in township attacks

Two policemen were wounded when shots were fired at their vehicles by unknown gunmen wielding automatic weapons in separate incidents in Nyanga at the weekend, police said.

"The attacks have upset policemen working in townships, who said they were "inadequately equipped", for dangerous areas.

Constable Julian Tarentaal of Guguletu police station was hurt in the legs when gunman shot at his patrol van in Old Kitshoffe Road on Saturday.

At 6am yesterday Const S.L. Marais of Nyanga police station was shot in the legs in New Way. Both policemen were in a stable condition yesterday, a police spokesman said.

But other policemen, who may not be named, expressed concern.

"We need bullet-proof vehicles. Bullet-proof jackets are not enough in places where we are being targeted daily," one policeman said.

A police spokesman said the issue would be investigated this week.

- A man died when an unidentified gunman shot at mourners leaving a Mamelodi funeral yesterday.
- Police held several of about 200 people who allegedly dug up and burned the body of an IFP leader at an Evaton cemetery on Saturday. - Staff Reporter, Own Correspondent, Sapa
ANC youth leader regional leader, 2 others held — and more arrests expected, say police

ANC link in Kimberley bomb attacks
MANENBERG peace body established

JOHN VILJOEN
Staff Reporter

MANENBERG residents have formed a peace committee in a bid to curb gang violence.

The troubled Cape Flats community has been hit by conflict between the Americans, Hary Living and Playboys gangs over the past fortnight.

At a meeting last night residents adopted a proposal by the African National Congress Manenberg branch to form the committee.

The committee will include religious leaders, community organisations, police, residents and gang members and should meet this week.

The aim is to end the violence by next month.

Community leaders told parents they could help bring peace to Manenberg by removing their children from the gangs and not getting involved in the violence themselves.

Parents had been seen helping gangs by giving them items such as pickaxe handles.

"It is time for parents to start behaving like parents," said Mr Irvin Kinnes of the ANC.

Ms Faldila de Vries of the Manenberg Civic Association said the community had gained a reputation for violence which extended far beyond Cape Town.

Mr Kinnes said gangsters facing prosecution arising from the violence were prepared to take a pledge of peace if charges were withdrawn.

Police were criticised for not ending the violence and for "standing aside" during fighting.

But they have rejected allegations of little or no reaction to gang fights in Manenberg and called on residents to help them fight crime.

Police spokesman Colonel Raymond Dowd said greater success could be achieved if people who had been victims of — or had witnessed — gang activity came forward and reported the incidents.
N2 GUARDS: Army and police keep an eye on freeway traffic at a new mobile police station on the N2 near Khayelitsha, while below Rifleman Cecil Prince stands guard outside one of the units set up to help motorists and protect them from attacks.

Mobile police units on N2

Crime Staff

TWO 24-hour mobile police units have been set up on the N2 freeway to help motorists and protect them from stone throwers.

The bright yellow caravans also charge offices and information points, are at the Duinefontein interchange between the Khayelitsha and Blue Downs turnoffs.

They are supported by the army, which provides round-the-clock surveillance and a radio vehicle.

Both caravans are highly visible during the day, flying several police flags. At night, they have rotating blue lights.

Although the units were set up because of stone throwing, Captain Erza Theron, crime officer at police district headquarters in Athlone, emphasised that they should also be regarded as mobile police stations.
Crowds attack Ceres police

Staff Reporters

POLICE fired birdshot, rubber bullets and teargas during pitched battles with crowds in Ceres yesterday, while many Peninsula workers joined the national stayaway.

Township schools shut down across the Peninsula and industry sources said about a third of commercial workers, whose employers had opened for business, stayed at home to mark Soweto Day.

Estimates of the total number of workers who stayed away from work varied between 30% to 80%.

Major Western Cape industries such as clothing and textiles and the motor industry gave their staff the day off.

About 100 people rolled drums in front of cars on the Touws River road in Ceres early yesterday morning and a truck was attacked.

Groups of people, sometimes 250-strong, erected barricades at Bella Vista in the town and attacked police patrols in the area, police said.

Attack on ANC

In two incidents at Mbekweni, near Stellenbosch, a vehicle was set alight and police were stoned.

Western Cape ANC chairman Dr Allan Boesak told a 3,000-crowd in Guguletu that by June 16 next year Mr Nelson Mandela would be South Africa’s president.

And at a PAC rally in Khayelitsha, PAC secretary-general Mr Benny Alexander launched a thinly veiled attack on the ANC, calling its support for a Transitional Executive Council a “sellout”.

Mr Alexander told a crowd of at least 4,000 PAC supporters that the TEC was “nothing but another Native Advisory Board” and added, “the PAC will never settle for any of that power-sharing nonsense”.

Azanian National Youth Unity finance officer Mr Andile Gusha said the size of the crowd, the largest to attend a PAC rally in the Western Cape, was a sign of the PAC’s growing support.
Massive stayaway in most areas of SA to commemorate June 16 1976

Accord is ‘toothless’

By Joslas Charle and Sapa

The National Peace Accord was toothless, South African Civics Association president Mr Moses Mayekiso said at a June 16 rally at Soshanguve yesterday.

The commemoration services yesterday coincided with a massive stayaway — close to 100 percent in several Pretoria areas.

The stayaway was almost complete in Atteridgeville, Mabopane, Soshanguve, Garankuwa and neighbouring areas, residents said.

Mayekiso, who described the National Peace Accord as “toothless”, said it should be given more powers.

The NPA was not doing enough to curb war talk, he said. Spokesmen for the Conservative Party and Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging were talking freely about killing blacks and nothing was being done about it.

Peace would not prevail until racist whites stopped threatening blacks. When blacks chanted slogans such as “Kill the Boer, kill the farmer” there was an outcry among whites.

Mayekiso said blacks would not stop or apologise for these slogans.

The Democratic Party and the National Party would not be stopped from campaigning in townships “but we will urge our people not to attend their meetings”.

Meanwhile, about 10 000 singing and dancing people gathered at the University of Venda Stadium yesterday at a rally organised by the Black Consciousness Movement and the Azanian Peoples Organisation.

The African National Congress, South African Communist Party and Congress of South African Trade Unions also took part.

Emphasis was placed on the time wasted during the current academic year at black schools.

June 16 in brief

Industry standstill

INDUSTRY in Port Elizabeth was effectively shut down yesterday as workers headed for services to commemorate the 1976 national uprising that started in Soweto.

PE Chamber of Commerce Director Anton Vlok said the major industries had ground to a halt. The African National Congress, Pan Africanist Congress and Azanian People’s Organisation held rallies in the Eastern Cape.

The stayaway was between 80 and 90 percent effective in the Western Cape yesterday. Peak towns from Khayelitsha and Mitchell’s Plain were reported to be about 20 percent full.

Big stayaway

In the Border region the majority of black people stayed away from work yesterday to commemorate the day. The East London municipality said 97 percent of its staff did not turn up for work.

Casual labour was employed for the day and all essential services were maintained. Rallies and marches held in other centres in the Border proceeded peacefully.

Barricades set up

POLICE foot patrols were deployed at Ceres in the Boland yesterday after barricades were erected and private and police vehicles were stoned.

A police spokesman said teargas was used to disperse a group who were setting up barricades on the road between Ceres and Prince Alfred hamlet.

Major businesses hit

THE Congress of South African Trade Unions reported an almost 100 percent stayaway at major businesses and factories around Durban and Maritzburg. The Durban Regional Chamber of Commerce said attendance figures varied but were generally very low.

Sapa.
Youths attack patrol on N2

By JACKIE CAMERON and DAN SIMON

About 30 youths hurled stones in a pre-dawn attack on soldiers patrolling the N2 near Khayelitsha yesterday and the government later announced new measures — including concrete fences — to improve security on the notorious Hell Run.

In a day in which it emerged that some motorists are now wearing full-face crash helmets in their cars on the N2...

- A soldier fired a shot to disperse the youths during the dawn attack.
- Police started a 24-hour motorists information hotline — 461 2161.
- The first meeting of the government's recently established N2 working committee decided that four pedestrian bridges should be erected over the highway.

The youths involved in the attack escaped after a soldier fired a shot into the ground. The incident is the first indication that large groups may be behind some of the recent N2 attacks on motorists.

- CPA MEC for Roads and Traffic Administration, Mr. Frrik van Deventer, said last night it was hoped the bridges would be completed before February next year.
- He said the CPA would also deploy four extra patrol vehicles along the route which would work closely with police and SADF units already patrolling the freeway.
Soldiers on N2 patrol attacked

SOLDIERS patrolling the N2 freeway near Khayelitsha have been stoned by youths.

One of the soldiers fired a shot into the ground to disperse them, but no-one was arrested.

A police spokesman said the incident yesterday indicated attacks on motorists were organised.

Concrete palisades were to be built on both sides of the 15km hell-run on the freeway and a concrete crash barrier would be built in the centre.

Four pedestrian bridges were to be built, the first two due for completion in February, and a special 24-hour helpline, 021 461 2161, was to be installed.

Other measures to prevent pedestrian road deaths and attacks on cars include a road-safety pamphlet blitz and souped-up radio communications between provincial, traffic police, the army and police.

Four extra provincial traffic vehicles would join the police in high-profile patrols.

This was decided at the first meeting of a joint working group chaired by roads MEC Mr Frik van Deventer and established to solve problems on the N2.

How far the concrete palisades would be positioned from the side of the road and where the four bridges would be, was yet to be decided.

One would be just west of the Borchers' Quarry interchange, and the other between the Swartkoppie and Khayelitsha interchanges.

Communities beside the N2 would be asked where they wanted the other two bridges.

Removal of bush on the airport route was almost complete, except for the vegetation on the 'centre island.'
Hot and cold on the N2, but Buti's tough!

Weekend Argus Reporter DALE KNEEN
spent much of a cold night this week getting to know an infantry soldier from Group 40, which patrols the N2.

Buti Phahlane is a 20-year-old from Kroonstad.
He’s been working in Cape Town for a few months but, apart from his colleagues, he doesn’t know many people in the city.
Back home, his mother Anna and his girlfriend Yvonne Tembali miss him and are concerned about his safety.

That’s because Buti is a rifleman in the Defence Force and he stands on the N2 highway in rain and shine, making sure it’s safer for you to drive.

For up to 12 hours every second day or night he walks next to the highway in an attempt to prevent hooligans from throwing stones at passing cars.

Temperatures plummet before dawn and it’s sometimes so cold it’s difficult for Buti to feel the end of his nose.
His breath clouds the night air before him and sometimes it gets so cold his legs ache.

There’s little beside the drone of passing vehicles and the occasional pedestrian on the highway to amuse Buti at night.
But he doesn’t mind.
He’s an infantry soldier and standing guard is part of his job. It’s tough, but it has to be done.

When he was a child Buti dreamed of becoming a soldier.
After completing his 11th year at the Regional School in Kroonstad, he set out to join the army.

“Like all mothers, mine wasn’t too keen on me becoming a soldier,” says Buti. “She was afraid I would be hurt.”

She persuaded him that being a soldier was what he wanted to do, he bid her and his friends farewell and headed for Cape Town.

He passed an entrance examination and was recruited to 9 Infantry Battalion at Valhalla Park, close to the N2.

Four months of “basic training” and four more learning military tactics in urban and rural areas followed.

A trimly uniformed Rifleman Phahlane left Cape Town in September last year and headed for the Transvaal, where he was “deployed” in Germiston.

He was transferred to Walvis Bay in February this year and returned to Cape Town last month when he started patrolling the highway.

About two weeks ago, just before the heavy rains, Buti spotted two men throwing stones at cars on the highway between Khayelitsha and the R300.

“I was part of a group patrolling in a Buffel (armoured vehicle). We dashed to the scene but the two stone-throwers disappeared between the shacks.

“Fortunately, they missed the cars and there was no damage and no one was hurt.”

But says it’s been quiet most other times he has been on the highway… except for the occasional car accident.

“In one accident a man was trapped in the car and we helped get him free.”

Though stones have been thrown at patrols, Buti says he isn’t scared.

“I’m not afraid of them. I’m confident that I’ll be able to cope. I’ve been trained well and I know what to do.”

Buti’s biggest battle on the highway is keeping warm. But he’s well armed.

He wears a uniform, a hooded coat, scarf, gloves, boots and helmet. When it’s raining he also dons a raincoat.

At night coffee with condensed milk is brought to the troops at 10pm and 4am and at midnight they get soup.

“Sometimes motorists stop and give us coffee and biscuits. That makes it all worthwhile, because then I know we’re appreciated.”

□ HELPING HAND: A motorist, above, whose car broke down on the highway, gets a helping hand from Rifleman Phahlane.

□ MONITORS: The police have a mobile “charge office” at either end of the 15km stretch of highway regarded as the most dangerous area. These stations constantly monitor the situation.
Walking victims of a nervy 200km/h dash

Weekend Argus Reporter

HE section of the N2 between Heidelberg and Khayelitsha can be called a "bell run" because of the high number of accidents involving pedestrians—not because of stone-throwing.

That's the view of Commandant Ernst Muller, the man commanding the many soldiers from Group 49 who have been attempting to stop the stone-throwing on the highway that began after the assassination of ANC leader Chris Hani.

About three pedestrians are killed on the highway each week by nervous motorists driving up to 200km/h. Stone-throwing incidents have been sporadic since April and rare during the past month.

"It's impossible to give a guarantee that nothing will happen to anyone driving on that road, but there are sufficient troops and policemen on the highway to keep it safe," said Commandant Muller.

Stone-throwers have always been youngsters and it has been uncommon for more than one or two of them to throw stones together. They always run out, throw stones, and run back into the bush or squatter camps.

Since soldiers spoke to people living along the highway at Boystown and Milners Camp a few weeks ago, no incidents of stone-throwing have occurred there.

No vehicles have been parked with stones near Khayelitsha for the past four weeks and there is no record of anyone being stoned travelling from Cape Town to Somerset West.

"Stonings have seldom taken place at night and incidents are almost always preceded by interest in the townships. It starts inside and then washes on to the highway," said Commandant Muller.

Troops are stationed on every bridge on the 15km stretch of the road where stone-throwing is most likely to occur. There are foot patrols as well as vehicle and helicopter patrols along the highway.

Weekend Argus Reporter

Said Commandant Muller: "I've been driving on the road six times a day, every day since April, and I've never seen any incident of stone-throwing. The problems on the road are reckless driving, pedestrians and animals."

A company of soldiers from Group 49 who have been trained at SAI Infantry Battalion at Valhalla Park are responsible for safeguarding the highway.

They patrol about 15km of road from just before the Eerste River bridge that leads to Valhalla Park to just beyond the Khayelitsha off-ramp.

Townspeople next to the highway along this area include Lusaka Camp, Milners Camp, Boystown, Khayelitsha and Driftsands.

Two armed soldiers, one with a radio link to the "tactical headquarters", are positioned on each of the five bridges along the stretch.

Buffels (armoured vehicles) are situated at the places where stone-throwing is most likely to occur.

There are "static patrols" at each Buffel and a platoon comprising about 40 soldiers conduct foot patrols between the Buffels.

The soldiers have a radio link to several towns and officers in the townships. Each soldier can decide whether it's appropriate to shoot.

On public holidays and weekends the number of troops in each patrol swells to about 60.

The police have two caravans on each end of the highway. These are also used as charge offices.

A police helicopter flies over the highway at peak hours in the morning and afternoon as well as between 1pm and 2am each day.

Police patrol cars drive along the highway between Athlone and Stellenbosch during the day and two or four plain-clothes policemen are on motorcycles.

Plain-clothes policemen also patrol the highway in green vans until 1pm every night and other detectives patrol in a police car.
Man dies, two injured in new Crossroads violence

Staff Reporters

A MAN was shot dead and two were wounded in overnight violence in troubled Crossroads, where more than 40 people have been killed since January.

The shootings happened hours after Nolwazi Nongwe, 18, son of controversial Crossroads leader Jeffrey Nongwe, and two schoolmates were shot and wounded at Nelson Mandela High School.

Nolwazi, a standard 7 pupil, Neliswa Mbulungwana, 16, and Lindile Shoilu, 24, were ambushed by youths as they left the school grounds for their lunch break.

The Western Cape Regional Peace Committee will discuss the crisis in Crossroads today.

The committee has also issued an eight-page pamphlet, produced in association with The Argus, on the situation in Crossroads. Aimed at getting the message of peace across to residents, it will be distributed in the township today.

Bringing peace to Crossroads is also the reason for a lunchtime march, to Crossroads by clergymen tomorrow.

In addition, a group called Mothers of Crossroads plan to hold a service in St George’s Cathedral at 3pm tomorrow to pray for peace.

Mr Nongwe said today that he feared for the lives of two more of his children after yesterday’s shootings.

He had not asked Nolwazi for details of the ambush because his son was in great pain.

“I think he was shot because he’s my son. I’m not safe myself. I don’t know what to do,” he said.

He called on the ANC to get the warring groups together for urgent talks.

A police spokesman said two men with 9mm pistols knocked at the door of a shack in Section 4, Crossroads, about 6.10 pm yesterday.

When the door was opened they barged in, shooting indiscriminately and hitting a man in the chest. Two others were wounded.

Police declined to link this attack to the shootings at Nelson Mandela High School.

“The motive for the attack is unknown at this stage. We will wait for the investigation to progress before we draw conclusions,” a spokesman said.

Meanwhile, fear stalks Nelson Mandela High School.

There was mayhem yesterday when the gunmen fired at the pupils as they filed through the gates. Screaming pupils ran into classrooms and offices. Others ran into houses.

Teachers hid the injured pupil in the staff room while they waited for an ambulance.

Some pupils waited for police to escort them home.

Principal Mr S Mkhonta was said to be “problematic and the sooner the matter is resolved the better”.

If the conflict did not end there would be no schooling in Crossroads, he said.
Peace prayers for Crossroads

The Western Province Council of Churches (WPCC) and the "Mothers of Crossroads" are to hold an ecumenical peace service in St George's Cathedral tomorrow, the WPCC said yesterday.

It will start at 9 am and prayers will be said for an end to the ongoing violence in Crossroads.

Before the service, church leaders will visit the area and hold a press conference at Brown's Farm at 2 pm.
Goldstone to act on squatter violence

DENNIS CRUYWAGEN, Political Staff

A COMMITTEE of the Goldstone Commission is to hold a public inquiry into violence in the squatter settlement of Crossroads, today described as the scene of the worst violence in the Western Cape.

Mr Justice Richard Goldstone, chairman of the commission investigating violence and intimidation, said the inquiry would begin in Cape Town on July 2 under the chairmanship of former Attorney-General Niel Rossouw.

Mr Justice Goldstone said continuing violence, resulting in widespread damage, injuries and deaths, had caused increasing general concern.
Forum meets on squatter violence

Staff Reporter

RIVAL squatter leaders faced each other at a historic forum yesterday which was called to end the violence in Crossroads.

The forum, organised by the Western Cape Regional Peace Committee, was attended by rival squatter leaders, the ANC, several peace structures, town councillors, SA Police, the CPA and mayor Mr Frank van der Velde.

The toll of violence in the area in the past five months includes more than 40 deaths and 105 families displaced.

And more than 420 victims have been traumatised, 39% of them children. There have also been 60 reports of arson and more than 100 gun attacks.

At the meeting chairman of the Goldstone Commission of Inquiry, Mr Justice Richard Goldstone, said a committee of the commission would hold an inquiry into the violence in July.

The ANC together with the CPA and controversial Crossroads squatter leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe agreed that when development in the area was first mooted, all the parties said that all removals to new developed sites would be optional.

But, in practice, since the completion of the first part of development, there have been numerous reports of harassment, attacks and counterattacks from both those who supported and rejected the removals.

The forum heard that other causes of the violence included allegations of police impartiality in the squatter wars.

The ANC — which said it had nothing to do with the violence — accused the CPA and squatter leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe of taking unilateral decisions in trying to develop the area.

But Mr Nongwe and CPA spokesman Mr Faan Naude said there had always been extensive consultation with communities before new developments began.

LEADERS ... Squatter leaders Mr Christopher Toise (wearing hat) and Mr Enoch Madywabe at a meeting on violence yesterday.

ANC regional secretary Mr Tony Yengeni said he had heard of police ignoring attacks on innocent people in the area and their property. But he said he had no proof of this.

SAP Colonel Leonard Kripe denied the allegation.
Goldstone to probe conflict

DENNIS CRUYFWAGEN
Political Staff

DETAILS of a little-publicised but bloody conflict in Crossroads have emerged at a meeting of the Western Cape Regional Peace Committee — and they reveal a frightening story.

It has been a silent war, mainly fought at night by men armed with knobkerries, guns and an assortment of other weapons of death and destruction, including firebombs. The casualties have been high.

So far, at least 46 people have died, there have been 60 arson attacks, 33 attempted murders and more than 100 armed attacks.

Now, as reported in The Argus yesterday, the Goldstone Commission is to investigate the war. And a wide spectrum of organisations, including the police, ANC and squatter leaders, have pledged to work for peace in Crossroads.

The pledge was made following a proposal by ANC (Western Cape) regional executive member Mr Vincent Diba at a meeting in Bellville where the conflict in Crossroads was discussed.

Mr Diba's proposal that a peace summit to discuss and find solutions to the problems of Crossroads be held within three weeks and that appeals be made for assistance to Crossroads refugees were also accepted.

Crossroads administrator Mr Piet Naude said the part of Crossroads where most of the violence had taken place had once housed 2,101 shacks.

Advocate Mr Niel Rosouw told the meeting a committee of the Goldstone Commission of inquiry, regarding public violence and intimidation would begin probing the Crossroads violence on July 2 at a venue still to be announced.

Anyone with information about the Crossroads fighting may submit it in writing to the Legal Officer of the Committee, Private Bag: X9126, Cape Town 8000, on or before Monday, June 28, or telephone Mr Rosouw at 021 235 5008.

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Goldstone sets up Crossroads inquiry

CAPE-TOWN — A committee of the Goldstone Commission is to hold a public inquiry into violence in the squatter settlement of Crossroads, scene of some of the worst violence in the western Cape.

Mr Justice Richard Goldstone, chairman of the commission, said the inquiry would start in Cape Town on July 2, under the chairmanship of former Attorney-General Niel Rossouw.

He said continuing violence, resulting in widespread damage, injuries and deaths, was causing increasing concern. The violence and culture of intimidation was hampering law enforcement and efforts at peace-brokering.

"In common with a number of bodies actively engaged in dispute resolution and mediation, the commission believes it has become necessary to hold a public inquiry," Goldstone said.

The committee's terms of reference were to inquire into the nature and causes of the violence and intimidation, murder and more than 100 armed attacks, Durand said.

The committee also had information which indicated that in the last few months, more than 100 people had been directly affected by acts of political or criminal violence. At least 30 of them were children. Violence had displaced 10,500 people, and many others had packed up and left.

Durand said the ANC in the western Cape and the local peace committee had not succeeded in ending the violence.

Yesterday Western Cape Regional Peace Committee chairman Professor Jaap Durand said Crossroads was the scene of the worst violence in the western Cape and that the situation was volatile.

He was speaking at an urgent meeting in Bellville to discuss the violence.

At least 41 people had been murdered, including several policemen, in Crossroads this year. There had been 60 arson attacks, 33 attempted murders and more than 100 armed attacks, Durand said.

The committee also had information which indicated that in the last few months, more than 100 people had been directly affected by acts of political or criminal violence. At least 30 of them were children. Violence had displaced 10,500 people, and many others had packed up and left.

Durand said the ANC in the western Cape and the local peace committee had not succeeded in ending the violence.

He hoped yesterday's meeting, attended by squatter leaders, the police, Cape Town mayor Frank van der Velde, Rossouw and members of political organisations, would result in public acknowledgement of the crisis in Crossroads.

Among squatter leaders at the meeting were Christopher Toise, who has been toppled as leader of the Brown's Farm settlement, and Jeffrey Nongwe, the Crossroads leader who has been blamed for much of the conflict.
Random attacks on the increase

By JAMES BRITAIN

FIFTY-FIVE motorists and passengers have been killed in random attacks — excluding hijackings — on South Africa’s roads so far this year.

This is just short of the total for the whole of last year, indicating the number of such murders has nearly doubled since 1992. The 55 people killed in the first six months of this year were among the victims of 1,011 road attacks.

The figure for the whole of 1992 was 69 people, dead in 1,245 attacks.

Now motorists are being warned to be extremely vigilant when travelling during the school holidays in the next few weeks.

In the most recent drive-by shooting, two men were wounded when gunmen in a passing car opened fire on them on the Beeste- kraal-Rustenburg road, north-east of Pretoria.

And last week, a passenger in a Translux bus and a policeman in a car escorting the vehicle were wounded when gunmen opened fire on them and threw a hand grenade at the bus from roadside bushes.

The bus was attacked just outside Graaff-Reinet while on its way from Pretoria to Port Elizabeth.

There have been so many attacks on this stretch of the N2 that tour buses and private vehicles are now routinely escorted by police after dark.

Other “hot spots” are:

• The N2 between Cape Town and Somerset West, especially up to DF Malan Airport, where seven vehicles were stoned on a single day last month. This stretch of road has been nicknamed the Hell Run by drivers.

• The Golden Highway between Johannesburg and Vereeniging.

• The N2 south of Dur- ban. Roads throughout the Transkei are also considered extremely dangerous, and tour bus operators have withdrawn their vehicles from these routes.

RISKING

Mr Christo Bester, executive manager of Coach Express, which runs daily buses between Dur- ban and Port Elizabeth, said bypassing the Transkei added nearly three hours to the journey.

Umhlanga Tours and Springbok Atlas are also travelling around the Transkei, through the Free State, to avoid risking the lives of their passengers.

While police and provincial administrations have acted to curb the violence, the chief director of the Transport Department, Mr Ed Pelzer, said South Afri- ca’s motorists were not facing a crisis.

“Thousands of people use these roads every day without incident. We shouldn’t blow the thing out of proportion,” he said.

In the Transvaal, however, road security is being investigated by new regional security commit- tees which include representa- tives of the SA De- fense Force, the SAP, and the provincial administration.

In the Western Cape and Natal, SADF troops patrol the DF Malan freeway and the N2 south of Durban.

MOTIVES

Two mobile police stations have been placed along the N2 at Cape Town and the provincial adminis- tration plans to line the road through the Crossroads and Khayelitsha squatter camps with con- crete barriers.

Lieutenant-Colonel Ger- briel Smit, of the SAP’s Centre for the Analysis and Interpretation of Crime Informa- tion, said it was “very difficult” to assign motives for attacks on vehicles.
Shots fired in tense Crossroads

Sunday Times Reporter

The Crossroads area was tense throughout yesterday with repeated automatic rifle and revolver fire coming from the area close to the home of squatter "whipcord" Jeffrey Nougwe. 20161155.

The reason for the shooting was not clear and reporters in the area were unable to get close to the scene after being warned by residents that it was not safe to enter the area close to the centre of Crossroads.

Residents who fled the area where the firing was coming from, were later yesterday congregating in the vicinity of the area’s police station, "for safety".

At one stage police, fearing that the police station was in danger, called for reinforcements from Guguletu, sources said.
Four are slain in weekend violence

Staff Reporter

FOUR people were killed and one injured in weekend violence in the Peninsula.

Police said the body of Mr. Kamodien Isaacs, 25, of Bigonia Street, Lambert's Bay, was found with his throat slit in Mitchell's Plain, early on Sunday.

A knife was found nearby. No arrests have been made. A family member said Mr. Isaacs had confided to neighbours that members of the Sexy Boys gang wanted to kill him.

Police also said the body of Ms. Charlotte Helona, 41, was found with a neck wound in Parow at 4 am yesterday on the Plattekloof Road. Police are searching for a man in connection with the killing.

Raped and killed

The body of Mrs. Charlotte Apollis, 22, was found with a neck wound at her Winklo Street home in Atlantis, police said.

She was apparently raped and killed after drinking with a man who stabbed her with a bottle around 11:30 pm on Saturday.

A police spokesman said police arrested a man in connection with the fatal stabbing of Ms. Sheila Majele, 24, of B1862 White City in Nyanga East on Saturday morning.

Ms. Majele was stabbed in the chest outside George's Tavern in Terminus Road.

- Police have arrested a 25-year-old Sea Point woman in connection with the attempted murder of her 39-year-old husband. They said the man was shot in the side during an argument at 2 am on Saturday.
One killed, four hurt in shooting

A MAN was shot dead and four other people were injured during an attack by unknown gunmen in Old Crossroads on Friday night, police said.

The shootings were on the day that an historic forum was held in the city between rival squatter leaders; the police, CPA and the ANC to end the violence in the area.

The forum was organised by the Peace Committee.

A police spokesman said Friday’s attack took place about 7.10pm in Section 4.

He said an internal stability unit foot patrol heard shots and went to investigate.

They came across four injured people, including a woman, who had all been shot in the legs. The body of an unidentified man was also found nearby.

The spokesman said the motive for the attack was unknown at this stage. He could not say if it was in any way related to tensions between rival squatter leaders or whether it was purely a criminal action.

A committee of the Goldstone Commission will investigate the violence in Old Crossroads next month, Mr Justice Richard Goldstone has said.
GOVERNMENT NOTICE

MINISTRY OF LAW AND ORDER
No. R. 1018 8 June 1993
PUBLIC SAFETY ACT, 1953
EXTENSION OF DECLARATION OF AREA TO BE UNREST AREA

Under section 5A (2) of the Public Safety Act, No. 3 of 1953, and with the approval of the State President, I, Hermanus Jacobus Kriel, Minister of Law and Order, hereby extend the declaration of the area mentioned in the Schedule, which area was declared by Government Notice No. R. 2655 of 17 September 1992 to be an unrest area, and which declaration was extended on 15 December 1992 by Government Notice No. R. 3378 and on 9 March 1993 by Government Notice No. R. 401, for a further period of three months.

SCHEDULE

The Magisterial District of Fort Beaufort, as demarcated and described in Government Notice No. R. 866 of 5 May 1989.

H. J. KRIEL,
Minister of Law and Order.

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No. R. 1018 8 Junie 1993
WET OP OPENBARE VEILIGHEID, 1953
VERLENGING VAN VERKLARING VAN GEBIED TOT ONRUSGEBIED

Kragtens die bevoegdheid my verleen by artikel 5A (2) van die Wet op Openbare Veiligheid, No. 3 van 1953, en met die goedkeuring van die Staatspresident, verleng ek, Hermanus Jacobus Kriel, Minister van Wet en Orde, hierby die verklaring van die gebied in die Bylae vermeld, welke gebied by Goewermentskennisgewing No. R. 2655 van 17 September 1992 tot onrusgebied verklaar is, en welke verklaring op 15 Desember 1992 by Goewermentskennisgewing No. R. 3378 en op 9 Maart 1993 by Goewermentskennisgewing No. R. 401 verleng is, vir 'n verdere tydperk van drie maande.

BYLAE


H. J. KRIEL,
Minister van Wet en Orde.
Boland town council sit-ins continue

SIT-INS at two Boland town councils continued today as the crisis in black local authorities deepened.

There was stalemate at Mfuleni and Kaya Mandi town councils as councillors rejected demands that they resign.

The sit-ins, staged by the ANC, the ANC Youth League and Cosatu, reached their sixth day today.

Demands include the resignation of councillors and town clerks, the appointment of administrators to run the townships and the transfer of rented houses to tenants.

A Cape Provincial Administration spokesman said the CPA would not force councillors to resign as long as services were running smoothly and there was no prima facie evidence of corruption.
Crossroads violence: Goldstone sets the date

Staff Reporter (275) Aug 23/69

The investigation by a committee of the Goldstone Commission into violence in Crossroads starts on July 2.

The committee, to be chaired by the vice-chairman of the commission, former Cape Attorney-General Mr. Niel Rossouw, is to inquire into the nature and causes of the violence and intimidation in the township, whether this was committed to achieve political objectives and what steps can be taken to curb or stop it.

People with information falling within these terms of reference are asked to submit it in writing to the legal officer of the commission, Private Bag X9120, Cape Town before Monday.

Mr. Rossouw can be contacted at 021 23-3566.

The commission has called on communities in the strife-torn area to remain calm and desist from any kind of confrontational conduct.
Upgrading stops at Crossroads

THE upgrading of Crossroads and development of serviced sites was suspended yesterday and will only be resumed when residents have agreed on the form it should take.

This was endorsed yesterday at an executive meeting of the WP Regional Peace Committee after an ANC proposal to this effect in last week's summit on Crossroads.

Yesterday's meeting, a follow-up to last week's historic forum in Bellville, was also attended by the ANC, CPA, squatter leaders and other organisations.

Decisions and forms in which upgrading and development took place in Crossroads were cited last week as the main reasons why violence continued unabated in the area, where more than 45 people have died since March.

RPC media relations officer, Mr Hannes Siebert, said a peace summit of all parties would be convened within the next three weeks. The chairman of the WP Council of Churches, Dr Sean Govender, will arrange the summit and prepare the agenda.

The Network of Independent Monitors says peace monitors have become targets of violence but will continue to work for peace in Crossroads.
Relative of Nongwe killed

BY RAMOTENA MABOTE

A NEPHEW of squatter leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe was shot dead on Tuesday evening, hours after his son was injured in Crossroads.

Two other people were injured in the same incident and another in a separate incident.

Condemning Tuesday's attacks, Mr Nongwe said yesterday his son, Xolile, 18, was recovering in Groote Schuur Hospital after being shot at school on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr Estom Xokwe, in his mid-40s, was killed when a balaclava-clad youth walked into the house of his neighbour Mr Robert Diayedwa in Unathi Section and fired indiscriminately.

Mr Diayedwa, 59, also recovering in Groote Schuur Hospital, said he and Mr Xokwe were chatting when the youth walked in.

"I ran to the bedroom after he hit me in the arm. He continued shooting, killing Xokwe and injuring a youth, Bobby Mgokodiana, in the left ear," said Mr Diayedwa, a father of six.

He thought the attack was connected to the ongoing fight for territorial control in Crossroads.

Another victim, also in the same hospital, Mr Alfred Zwennyane, 32, said he was shot a few hours later by two youths whom he claimed were the same ones who attacked Mr Diayedwa.
Summit to discuss violence urged as soon as possible
West Cape peace bid starts

The executive has decided to send a delegation led by a major politician to the region. Some government officials have expressed concern about the situation.

Dennis Cruywagen
R13m being spent to make N2 safer

Staff Reporter 25/6/93

SECPURITY and other measures taken to make the N2 safer for motorists were costing the CPA and the Department of Transport about R13 million, Mr Frik van Deventer, MEC for roads, said yesterday.

The CPA would pay out nearly R7m and the Department of Transport nearly R6m, as these two authorities were responsible for different sections of the same road.

The CPA’s money is going towards better lighting, provision of pedestrian bridges, fencing and bush-clearing. Discussions have also taken place about the possibility of building a wall on the freeway’s median strip.

However, the CPA spokesman declined yesterday to indicate the source of the funds now being used on the N2.

He merely indicated that the CPA’s R7m had been gleaned from various budget sources.
ANC planning to discipline unruly members in Crossroads

We've decided these people must be dealt with, says Boesak

DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Political Staff

DISCIPLINARY action will be taken against ANC members found to have been involved in the violence in Crossroads.

This pledge was given at a church service in St George's Cathedral yesterday by the movement's regional chairman, Dr Allan Boesak.

He said, "We've decided these people must be dealt with. We can't live like this."

He said Crossroads had a tradition of violence, poverty and misery.

"In a real sense it's the tradition of Cape Town. This city must be judged by what happens in Crossroads. If there's no peace in Crossroads there's no peace in Cape Town."

He pledged his and the ANC's continued support for the settlement, adding the movement was determined to tackle the root causes of the violence.

He was angry because the violence and problems which had hit Crossroads in the 1980s were still occurring today.

"In 1981 there were warlords in Crossroads. They are still there today. They need to be uprooted."

Poverty and inadequate housing also had to be tackled.

Picture: ANDREW INGRAM, The Argus.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE: ANC regional president Dr Allan Boesak, second from left, and his personal assistant Mr Calvin Smith, left, at a service for peace in St George's Cathedral yesterday.

Dr Boesak said Cape Town was too complacent about Crossroads, adding it was too easy to sit in the cathedral talking, about the settlement.

Another service should be held in the settlement "so that our people will descend on Crossroads and pledge their solidarity there."

And another reason was "so that the people causing violence will see us and we can call on them to pledge their commitment to peace publicly."

This undertaking should be given in front of residents and not only in Western Cape Regional Peace Committee meetings.

Political organisations should also be invited to Crossroads "so that the people can see them there."

He said the ANC would like all of Cape Town to support the Goldstone Commission's investigation of the violence in Crossroads so that the truth about what was really happening in the settlement could be uncovered.

"Why is it that there are people who have no money for food, but money for guns?"

He added: "My plea is that we do not only ask the peace committee to do this, but that we as citizens of Cape Town take it upon ourselves."

Peace committee spokesman Mr Hannes Siebert said it was unfortunate that "the mothers of Crossroads who were at our meeting last Friday were afraid to speak because they feared for their lives."

Lasting peace could be achieved in the settlement only if the community elected its own local authority, decided about housing for residents and had leaders who were fair, honest and had integrity.

Yesterday's service was convened by the Western Province Council of Churches at the request of a women's group calling itself the Mothers of Crossroads.
Nongwe accuses Press of lying in Yengeni report

DALE KNEEN
Weekend Argus Reporter.

CROSSROADS squatter leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe has accused the Press of inciting violence by publishing false information.

He labelled as "lies" reports that his supporters had forced African National Congress regional secretary Mr Tony Yengeni out of the township.

It was reported yesterday that Mr Yengeni fled from the township in a car after youths threatened that he "must not leave Crossroads alive".

Mr Nongwe said: "We all would like peace in Crossroads and Mr Yengeni is trying to bring peace here. It is not true that the youths wanted him out of the township."

He added that he had not seen Mr Yengeni in Crossroads yesterday and that he had merely met members of a tour organised by the Western Province Council of Churches and the Western Cape Regional Peace Committee.

"While I was talking to the church leaders I heard two shots being fired somewhere near Lansdowne Road.

Apparantly some youths had asked Mr Yengeni why he was holding a march in the township on June 19. I later told the youths that he was not bringing people to toyi-toyi, but he was bringing peace."
Apla's warlord speaks out

'If we lose five million out of 30 million, 25 million must be freed'

RUTH BHENGU
Argus Africa News Service

DAR ES SALAAM — Mr Sabelo Phama, Pan Africanist Congress secretary for defence and Azanian People's Liberation Army's commander, believes the armed struggle must be intensified rather than abandoned.

He calls those who have abandoned it "a bunch of opportunists".

Mr Phama, 44, born in Umtata, describes himself as the custodian of Apla unity. He sees it as his responsibility to ensure that the military policy of Apla is maintained, that the strategic objectives are clearly defined and that the military priorities of the movement are carried out.

According to Mr Phama it is necessary for the PAC to press on with the struggle even if more lives are lost.

"Even if we lose five million out of the 30 million, we must make sure that the other 25 million will be free. Then it will be a sacrifice worth making," he said here.

Asked whether the PAC's ideals had changed over the years, Mr Phama said: "As far as I know the PAC has not changed. That is why it is being accused of being rigid, militant and so on."

"It is simply because the ideals of decolonisation in the continent are still paramount."

"If you look at the strategic goals of the PAC, the issue of political power, the issue of land, there is no change."

"There has been a tactical change, however. For instance, when we had to have some of our cars in the urban areas because the enemy was pushing its own serious onslaught on the townships."

"So we had to push deterrent operations because we were at the time in a strategically defensive position."

"Our tactical offensive was still very weak. But, now we are moving towards a strategically offensive position because, we are moving straight into the countryside."

"This has always been our basic approach, because that is where the enemy is at its weakest and at we are able to replenish ourselves."

Mr Phama accused the media of not presenting a true picture of the political situation."

"For instance, when there was the euphoria of the unbanning of liberation movements many people, including the media, were saying that independence is just around the corner."

"But, it does not mean that when people are freed from the small prison of Robben Island and put in the bigger prison, South Africa, they are free."

"After a few months people were able to see from the actions of the enemy that there was absolutely no change in the lives of our people."

"Some people are saying 'We are going to be in parliament. Even if it is the kitchen of the parliament. They say it is better than being outside."

"We as Apla could say 'Let them go through with the charade only to say: You see? We told you'. But, to call those people again and ask them to take up arms would be a big problem."

"What we are going to do is maintain the pressure and let the minority who are prepared to accept crumbs go ahead as they did with the bantustans. Some of them even opted for independence, but there was no change. Instead, they moved from bad to worse."

"And others even refused independence, but continued to take crumbs from the master's table and that still did not work out."

Asked to explain the idea behind the Year of the Great Storm, Mr Phama said:

"This is called the stormy year because this is when people will see the serious clash between Apla and government forces and a clear polarisation of the reactionary, moderate line and the revolutionary, progressive one."

"Though some people were talking of an interim government, saying come 1992 we are going to have elections, there are no elections even this year and they are still a long way off."
Crossroads paper spreads news of hope

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By Edwina Booyzen

REPAIRING the shattered community of Crossroads is the aim of a new newspaper being distributed in the squatter camp.

The newspaper, called "Crossroads - Action for Peace and Justice", hopes to repair the breakdown of communications within the community. It is published by the Western Cape Regional Peace Committee (WCRPC).

In the past few months conflict in Crossroads has claimed at least 41 lives, involved more than 100 armed attacks and left at least 105 families homeless.

Chairperson of the WCRPC, Professor Jaap Durand, said that to bring healing to Crossroads and build a true community the process that leads to peace and justice needs to be transparent.

"This publication is for the people of Crossroads - all the people. Should the community wish this publishing initiative to continue we would like to know that," Durand said.

"With enough interest and support we will facilitate the creation of constructive communication channels."

Published in two languages, English and Xhosa, articles in the paper detail the ongoing conflict in Crossroads.

According to "Crossroads", the community does not trust the police. Among the reasons stated for this was that "police are not impartial when they react and/or respond during incidents of violence."

The paper also alleges that police "seem reluctant to go into the area during times of trouble. "Crossroads" says residents have language and communication problems, caused by the fact that "most, if not all officers they have to deal with" are white or coloured.

In response to the allegations, a spokesperson for the South African Police, Colonel Leonard Knie, said police were also traumatised by the violence.

Apart from informative articles detailing the history of the conflict and development initiatives in the area, "Crossroads" also features advertisements by the majority of the organisations negotiating for peace in the area.

Among these are the ANC, the South African National Civic Organisation, the Western Cape United Squatters Association, the Network of Independent Monitors and the Trauma Centre for Victims of Violence and Torture.
Policeman shot in face by gunmen

Crime Staff
A POLICEMAN was shot in the face by gunmen who raided a police guard post in New Crossroads with an AK-47 on duty.

A police spokesman said the assistant sergeant and four colleagues were inside a tent on a field next to a police station under construction when a car stopped in a road nearby.

He said the occupants apparently pretended their vehicle had broken down and were unloading it when they suddenly turned on the tent with an AK-47 and opened fire, hitting the sergeant in the face and shoulder.

The policemen exchanged fire and the men fled. Police picked up at least 15 spent AK-47 cartridges.

The injured policeman was taken to a military hospital in Wynberg, where his condition was described as stable.
Three die, many are wounded in Crossroads weekend shootings.
ANC regional secretary Mr Tony Yengeni claimed yesterday he had simply "left" a peace initiative meeting in Crossroads last Thursday and did not flee.

He said he had left of his own accord and had not been aware of being threatened during the tour by 20 clergymen.

The Cape Times reported that as Mr Yengeni entered Section Four, Mr Jeffrey Nongwe's stronghold, youths carrying weapons said "Here is the dog that is killing us, we must also kill him" and "he must not leave Crossroads alive".

Sanco's Mr Johnson Mphumulo said he advised Mr Yengeni to leave.

Mr Nongwe said his supporters did not chase Mr Yengeni away.
Three wounded in rampage

Gunmen went on the rampage in Crossroads near Cape Town at the weekend, leaving three people seriously wounded and three cars riddled with bullets. A man with a shoulder wound was found inside a minibus, while a woman who had been shot was sitting in a car. The attackers also opened fire on a passerby. No motive for the shooting has yet been established. — Sapa
ANC in Parow picket
outside police station

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Staff Reporter

MORE than 15 ANC supporters had a placard demonstration outside the Parow police station last night to protest against the right-wing occupation of the World Trade Centre last Friday.

Mr. Willie Hornevy, ANC regional assistant secretary, said the ANC had not decided where the picket outside the police station began, but was in protest against the occupation by law and order Minister Mr. Hermus Kriel's constituency and near his office.
Blast in centre of East London

JOHAN SCHRONEN, Staff Reporter

A POWERFUL explosion today ripped through a building housing municipal offices and a supermarket in the centre of East London.

There was extensive damage but no one was injured.

A police spokesman said the cause of the explosion at 11am, which blasted a hole in the sixth floor of the Oxford Street building, was not known.

There is a branch of Shoprite on the ground floor.

Police cordoned off the area while forensic and explosive experts investigated.

"It was quite a hell of a bang," said a man from a business across the road.

The complete side wall has been blown out from what seemed to be the municipal toilets.

The man, who declined to identify himself, said the explosion shook other buildings in the vicinity about 11am.

"Everything is back to normal again, but shortly after the blast police cordoned off the area and ambulances arrived," said another resident.
A man claiming to be an Azanian People's Liberation Army cadre today claimed responsibility for the ambush of a police van in Khayelitsha on Tuesday night.

Four policemen were seriously wounded when gunmen opened fire on the van taking them home after a shift at the Khayelitsha police station.

In a telephone call to The Argus just after noon today, the man said Apla, the PAC's armed wing, was responsible and more attacks on security forces could be expected.

He said he was a commander of Apla in the Western Cape.

PAC (Western Cape) co-ordinator Mr Siza Mbane said yesterday the PAC had investigated Tuesday's attack and it was definitely not the work of the PAC.
AWB flag burned in protest

DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Political Staff

YOUTHS set fire to an Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging flag in front of St George’s Cathedral today as hundreds of people gathered for a sit-down protest in Adderley Street.

Chants of “Kill the boer, kill the farmer” were heard as the red AWB flag burnt.

The lunchtime demonstration was organised by the ANC and its allies in protest against the rightwing occupation storming of the World Trade Centre in Kempton Park last Friday.

As the church bells tolled, ANC Western Cape chairman Dr Allan Boesak addressed the crowd from the cathedral steps, where he was joined by other leaders, including deputy mayor Mr Clive Keegan and former Black Sash national president Mrs Mary Burton.

“Today is a sign to those opposed to democracy and peace that we will not allow them to stop people getting their freedom,” he said.

South Africa would have a democratic general election next year, apartheid would end, “and Nelson Mandela will be president of the Republic of South Africa”.

Earlier, Peninsula Technikon rector Mr Franklin Sonn said the object of the demonstration was to protest against rightwing terrorism.

The Cape Teachers Professional Association interrupted its annual conference at the University of the Western Cape in Bellville to enable 600 delegates, including president Mr Archie Vergotine and his deputy, Mr Danie van Wyk, to take part in the demonstration.

Earlier confusion reigned in Peninsula townships over the day of action.

While the ANC-SACP-Cosatu alliance in the Western Cape did not call for a stayaway, some residents stayed at home because they believed there would be one.

Buses ran half-empty and it was quieter than usual at bus and taxi terminuses during the peak hour.

Up to 6am only trains between Cape Town and Khayelitsha appeared full.

Later train services to Khayelitsha were disrupted when angry mobs broke through fencing and placed heavy steel obstacles on railway lines at Nolungile and Nonquabela stations.

Trains were stopped at Goodwood station at 9.30am while police dispersed the mobs and allowed maintenance teams to remove the obstacles. The service resumed about 11am.
Violence rises: Policeman shot

AN off-duty policeman was shot in the neck by an unknown man last night near the Nyanga police station.

Police have launched a search for the man who they say must have recognised Assistant Constable Nyinjwa as a policeman.

Police are also searching for gunmen who wounded nine people when they opened fire on a crowd of people at Khayelitsha railway station on Wednesday.

In other incidents:

- One man was injured when at least three gunmen opened fire at a group of people near Cross Roads day hospital on Wednesday night.
- A 30-year-old woman was shot in the back when unknown gunmen opened fire at a police van in Nyanga.
- In Nyanga on Wednesday a minibus driver was injured when unknown gunmen fired at him with a shotgun.
- Police blamed the upsurge in violence yesterday in the city's townships on the "fight for space, the fight for money, the fight for everything".
- The charred body of an identified man was found by police in the East Rand township of Katlehong yesterday.
- Also on the East Rand, about 20 men fired on an SAP patrol with automatic weapons in Daveytown township.
- In Durban, a man was shot dead in his room in Umlazi's Gibeonlands Hostel on Wednesday night. — Sapa
Crowd’s chants aimed at ET

ROGER FRIEDMAN, Staff reporter

THE infamous “Kill the bear, kill the farmer” chant of the African National Congress Youth League has been amended.

As a crowd toy-toyed down Adderley Street after a lunchtime sit-down protest yesterday, the name Terre’Blanche was central to the controversial chant.

Earlier, youths set fire to a mock AWB flag outside St George’s Cathedral as the crowd gathered to protest against the rightwing storming of the World Trade Centre.

Pelicania Technical rector Mr Franklin Sonn told the crowd of about 1,000 “not all black people are good” and neither were all whites.

He said the federal leader Mr Lucas Mangope and AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche illustrated this point.

The gathering had been called to “show the rightwing terrorists that the people of South Africa want democracy and peace, and we want it now”.

In an address from the back of a truck, acting mayor Mr Clive Keegan said the protesters had gathered “to tell the country and the world we as a city are united in our condemnation of acts of violence”.

“The new South Africa will not be built with the blood of our people … only in an atmosphere of peace and love.”

Former Black Sash national president Mrs Mary Burton also addressed the crowd, including about 600 Cape Teachers Professional Association members who interrupted their annual meeting to take part in the sit-down.

Many Adderley Street shops closed for the duration of the protest but no unruly incidents were reported.

AMANDLA GENERAL: A youthful protester raises a clenched fist salute from the statue of General Jan Smuts during yesterday’s sit-in in Adderley Street.
Nongwe 'ordered kidnapping'

Staff Reporter

A 14-YEAR-OLD Crossroads schoolboy yesterday claimed at the Goldstone Commission of inquiry into Crossroads violence that he was kidnapped and interrogated on the instructions of ANC Crossroads chairman Mr Jeffrey Nongwe.

The boy said he was accosted by two men and bundled into a combi while he was walking across an open field near the N2 on May 22. He bears a scar where he was allegedly assaulted after being told he would be killed unless he lied to police by naming two men as responsible for shooting two policemen on May 20.

The committee, chaired by former attorney general Mr Niel Rossouw, heard how about 20 camouflaged policemen allegedly arrived at the shack behind Mr Nongwe's house and questioned the boy — who denied knowing anything about the police shooting — before leaving him with his assailants.

After the police left, he said he was told he was going to die. Mr Nongwe had then entered the shack and said that "I must not be killed, I must only be interrogated," the boy recounted.

Later, a group of grey-uniformed policemen collected the boy from the shack and took him to the Crossroads charge office where he said he laid a charge against his assailants.

The inquiry continues on Monday.
Nongwe: Boy tells of ordeal

Sensational evidence about Jeffrey Nongwe’s involvement in the abduction of a schoolboy has been given to the Goldstone Commission.

DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Political Staff

A PRIMARY school pupil who was abducted and taken to Crossroads has told how the settlement’s leader, Mr Jeffrey Nongwe, instructed two men to interrogate, but not kill, him.

The 14-year-old Standard 5 pupil, who may not be identified, was giving evidence to a committee of the Goldstone Commission investigating the cause of the violence in Crossroads.

Committee chairman Mr Niel Rossouw ruled that the youth should give evidence in camera, his name should not be published by newspapers and that reports be written in such a way that the witness could not be identified. He was referred to as Mr AA.

Before telling the committee, which began its probe at the University of the Western Cape yesterday, about Mr Nongwe’s instruction, the youth recounted how he had been threatened by a policeman in camouflage uniform.

He said a Mr Mapasa translated as a white policeman asked him whether he knew anything about the shooting of policemen in Crossroads.

He said he did not.

But a man standing behind him said: “When these cops leave, you are going to die.”

Mr AA asked the policeman then asked him about two houses in Unathi near Crossroads.

Before he left the settlement, the policeman who was with a group of about 20 policemen in camouflage uniforms, drew his finger across his throat.

He told Mr AA they would go to the two houses to look for the weapons with which they had interrogated him.

Asked by Mr Joey Moses, leading evidence for the commission, what he understood the policeman’s gesture to mean, Mr AA said: “I understand maybe he was going to cut my throat.”

Mr Moses: Were you not afraid that the policeman would carry out his threat?

Mr AA: I thought the police were connected with the law and could not do such a thing.

Earlier, the youth said he was abducted by two men near Crossroads one morning in May, forced into a minibus taxi at gunpoint and taken to Crossroads where he was held captive in a hall “next door to Mr Nongwe’s place”.

He said he previously had seen the vehicle at Nyanga taxi rank.

“I recognised the driver. His name is Small,” he said.

He said the vehicle passed a group of soldiers wearing brown uniforms.

“I screamed, trying to attract their attention. I tried to hit the vehicle’s window. The soldiers did not do anything. They saw me,” he said.

In the hall he was ordered to lie on his stomach.

One of the men in the hall said: “If you want to go out of here alive, you must speak the truth.”

Another interrogator said that if the cops come you must tell them you saw who shot the cops in Crossroads.

You must say you know them.”

He was kicked and hit when he said he did not know anything about the incident.

His interrogators also asked him where the Unathi group kept its weapons.

“They were hitting me. I was afraid and just called out a name. I said: ‘They are at No 1536.’”

During the questioning, one of the men cut the youth behind his neck with a sharp object.

Later, he was taken outside the hall where he saw camouflaged police, some of whom were leaning against Mr Nongwe’s house.

After the police left, he was taken back into the hall.

Some women entered.

“One woman introduced herself as Mr Nongwe’s wife.”

When the women left, he was with two men, one of whom was armed with an axe.

A man called Alson Nobe Khanyile joined them.

“One of the men asked Nobe if he knew me. He (Nobe) said I must not be killed. The men wanted to kill me. But Nobe said they should let me go.”

Advocate Mr Johnny de Lange said that if what Mr AA had testified was true it pointed to collusion between Mr Nongwe and the police.

The hearing continues on Monday.
ANC and civic clash in Bishop Lavis

By Chiwilile Remondela

The civic body, calling itself the
Civic Protection Organisation, said the ANC
was attempting to organize a rally in the area.

The Civic Protection Organisation said they were
organized to protect the community and prevent
ANC members from marching in the area.

The ANC members said they were organizing
a rally to show their support for the community.

The two groups clashed, resulting in injuries to
several people.

The police were called to the scene and
attempted to stop the conflict.

The situation escalated, and the police
had to use batons to dispersed the crowd.

No arrests were made, and the
police said they would investigate the
incident.

The community is divided on the
issue, with some supporting the ANC
and others the Civic Protection
Organisation.

The incident highlights the
continued conflict between the
ANC and other political groups
in the area.

They are calling for calm and
a peaceful resolution of the
issue.
Illegal occupation sparks violence fears

By MICHEL MULLER

Tenants are illegally occupying at least 2,000 serviced sites in Khayelitsha’s Town Three and Village Five, leading to fears that the area could become a flashpoint for violence “if and when” the rightful owners claim their land.

Authorities are powerless to act because the plots are held under freeholding title, and the owners cannot be traced to press charges or take possession of their land.

“Only 3,000 of the 4,200 sites are occupied by the people they were allocated to,” said Mr. Jolyon Nuttall, communications director at the Independent Development Trust.

Mr. Nuttall said, “The site’s owner - called Macassar - could become a flashpoint ‘if and when’ the rightful owners, wanted to claim their sites.”

A survey was being done in Macassar, “but it looks to me as if someone, who does not own the site, is going as far as selling them,” Mr. du Plessis said.

Mr. du Plessis said it was “not entirely impossible” that the missing owners could in fact constitute a list of false names.

“BUT applicants had to have proof of identification and sign the documentation,” he said.

The transfers were also registered at the Deeds Office.

Mr. Nuttall said the IDT funded the joint development between the Western Cape United Squatters Association (Wecusa) and a consortium of four developers after the Cape Provincial Administration had identified the land.

The IDT paid the developers a capital subsidy of R750 per site on behalf of the owners at the start of the project in 1982.

Mr. Gerritbas, acting Town Clerk of the Linglethi, West Town Council, said the allocation and selection of sites and applicants had been undertaken “entirely by Wecusa, through its agreement with the CPA and the IDT.”

Wecusa spokesmen declined to comment ‘over the phone’.
Shopping massacre: Five killed

WESSELSBRON.—Five people were shot dead and three wounded during a shootout in a Wesse
sbron supermarket in the Free State on Saturday night.

A police spokesman said four men entered the shop in Pi Kotze Street and ordered those inside to lie down.

A woman refused to lie down and a shooting broke out killing the shopowner’s wife, Mrs Fatima de Castro, Mr Andries Spakiel, Mr G C F Kleynhans, Mr H J van Nierk and Mr Johann Arnoldus Lourens, 41, who died on the way to hospital.

Fleeing

Three wounded were Mr Henk Viljoen, Miss Susanna Coetzee and Mr Johan de Castro.

The robbers stole R4,000 before fleeing in a bakkie.

Police have offered a R100,000 reward for information.

Meanwhile, robbers hijacked a minibus as the owner was parking it at a Rosebank, Johannes
zburg, restaurant on Saturday, police said.

And armed robbers shot dead a Fidelity se
curity guard on Saturday and grabbed about R200,000 in cash in a rob
bery in the southern Jo
hanneburg suburb of Ormonde, police said.

Staff Reporter

FOURTEEN people died in the Peninsula during what must have been one of the most violent weekends ever recorded, police said yesterday.

Two of the dead were off-duty policemen.

Police spokesman Captain John Sterrenberg said the body of Assistant Constable M S Juba, 30, was found with a stab wound in Town 2, Khayelitsha, early yesterday.

The bodies of Assistant Constable J Knoop and a friend, Mr Derek Adams, 31, were found with bullet wounds in the head at Eerste River early on Saturday. He said it appeared they had been chased and shot by a gang.

Captain Sterrenberg said the police found the bodies of Mr Siphiwo Kente, 20, Mr Sibulele Mkhumbazi, 19, and Mr David Mahlangu, 28, all of Khayelitsha. All had been stabbed.

Mr Peter Nkwoelo, 21, was stabbed to death in a fight in Guguletu early on Saturday.

At 3.30pm on Saturday, police found the body of Mr David Mgen, 33, of A301 Mau Mau squatter camp in Nyanga. Mr Mgen had been shot in the head.

At 7.30am on Saturday the body of Cedric van der Walt, 17, was found in an open field in Elstein’s River with a stab wound in the back.

About midnight on Saturday, Mr Abie Mosee, 22, of Matroofo fistine was shot dead from a car as he stood with friends in Erica Estate.

At 10pm on Saturday police arrested a Kleinwiel man for murder after he had stabbed his 27-year-old brother in the neck during an argument.

About the same time, the bludgeoned body of Mr Hermanus Claassen, 51, was found at his Sparrow Road, Bishop Lavis, home.

Captain Sterrenberg said the body of Mr Abraham Edwards was found in Lakeside Bush squatter camp at 10pm on Saturday. Mr Edwards had been stabbed with a broken bottle.

Captain Sterrenberg said three men had been shot and wounded in two separate incidents. In one, a 22-year-old man was arrested after shooting and injuring two men in an argument at the Carlsberg Hotel in Maitland on Saturday afternoon.

A man was also shot and wounded by police after he has broken into a Plumstead house early yesterday. A housebreaking suspect was shot dead and his accomplice was arrested after a housebreaking in Jordan Road, Manenberg, on Saturday night.
Crossroads ‘campaign of terror’

Staff Reporter

CROSSROADS leader and ANC member Mr Jeffrey Nongwe allegedly instigated a campaign of terror in Section 2 of Crossroads earlier this year to force residents unwilling to move to Lower Crossroads to flee from the area.

This evidence was given by 29-year-old SA Communist Party member and Section 2 resident known only as “Ms AC” who testified in camera yesterday before the Goldstone Commission’s inquiry into violence in Crossroads.

The commission is being chaired by former attorney-general Mr Niel Rossouw.

Evidence by the woman was also that police had allegedly transported residents of Section 4 to Section 2 in Casspits to set squatter shacks on fire.

The woman said her mother’s home and her sister’s home had also been destroyed during the violence.

The incidents allegedly took place in March and was allegedly Mr Nongwe’s response to Section 2 residents’ unwillingness to move to Lower Crossroads on his instructions.

The woman said she had left the ANC and joined SACP as Mr Nongwe was not carrying out his duties as an ANC official and branch chairman.

The hearing continues.
Local Inhabitants

Thursday, June 6, 1932

Supporters With Arson

Police helped Norwegian

Miss AC testifies to Goldstone Commission

John W. Olsen

Complaints Against

CITY

Caskets from which Norwegian ship's crew members were removed are placed in the churchyard in memory of the Norwegian sailors who perished in the tragic event.

Supporters from Section 16 organized a memorial service and placed flowers at the base of the memorial cross.

The Norwegian flag flies at half-mast in honor of the dead sailors.

Local Inhabitants

The Argus, Thursday, June 6, 1932

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Man dies from injuries

EAST LONDON.—The (Dinbaza)
chairman of the Biko-based Afri-
can Democratic Movement, Rich-
ard Mckenzie Sikondz, 46, has died
from injuries he received in an at-
tack on July 1. (275)

The movement claimed that Mr
Sikondo was hit with a heavy ob-
ject before he was doused with pet-
rol and set alight. — Sapa.
A man was wounded when a gang of manillers shot at him in Crossroads yesterday.

A police spokesman said Mr. Mhikazi, 36, of Old Crossroads, was wounded in the leg by gunmen who shot at him near Landsdowne Road around 11am.

Mr. Mhikazi was walking across a field when he was shot by gunmen, wielding 9mm pistols, who then ran away.

Mr. Mhikazi was taken to hospital for treatment.

No arrests have been made, the spokesman said.
Levies lead to violence

The alleged mandatory payment of levies by headmen who lacked accountability and the alleged forced removal of people by ANC squatter leader Mr. Jeffrey Nongwe were the chief reasons for Crossroads violence, a witness told the Goldstone Commission yesterday.

The witness, known only as "Miss AC", a Section 2 resident and SACP member, said her family's three squatter homes were allegedly destroyed by Mr. Nongwe's supporters.

She also alleged that police colluded with Mr. Nongwe in the recent upsurge in the violence.

"Miss AC" said that stopping the forced relocation of Section 2 residents to Lower Crossroads would stem the fighting.

The relocation had met with mass resistance from the residents and had allegedly sparked off vicious reprisals by Mr. Nongwe, who she claimed had publicly insisted that they make way for the area's upgrading.

She said that Section 1 residents had moved voluntarily as they were told they would be able to move back into their section once it had been upgraded, but Mr. Nongwe had broken this promise.

She said Crossroads residents were further dissatisfied at having to pay the section headman R25 to obtain a stand and R5 per month for "lawsyers costs". The people did not know how much money was actually spent, she said.

The inquiry continues.
Crossroads probe open again

AFTER three days of secret sittings to protect the identity of witnesses, the Goldstone Commission's inquiry into Crossroads violence will be open today.

A committee of the commission, chaired by former Cape Attorney-General Mr. Niel Rosey, is investigating the violence during sittings at the University of the Western Cape.

Three witnesses' evidence has been heard in camera. They have been referred to only as AA, AB; and AC.
Staff Reporters

AT LEAST seven people were shot dead and several vehicles torched as violence, apparently related to the taxi war, erupted in Peninsula townships overnight.

Residents claimed that a shadowy group known as the Big 8, whose members are alleged to live in Section 4, Crossroads, was involved in some of the shootings.

A peace worker, who asked not to be named, said “people on the scene saw them shooting at Zolani Centre (Nyanga).”

He said the group comprised former Western Cape Black Taxi Association members who were against unity in the minibus-taxi industry.

Two men were shot dead and another was wounded by gunmen who opened fire at the Zolani Centre opposite the taxi rank in Terminous Road, Nyanga.

Two men, aged about 26 and 34, were fatally shot in the head at a taxi stop in Landsdowne Road Extension, Khayelitsha.

Later the body of a man with a gunshot wound in the back was found nearby.

Two bodies with gunshot wounds were taken to the State mortuary in Salt River, one from Nyanga and the other from Khayelitsha.

Cars were burnt out and many were damaged by bullets during the violence.

Violence at the Zolani Centre erupted about 5pm, as mourners gathered for a memorial service for Mr Super Nkatazo, treasurer of the SA National Civic Organisation (Sanco), who was shot dead near Khayelitsha earlier this month.

Sanco assistant secretary (Western Cape) Mr Newton Adams was there when the shooting started.

“We were speaking to people who were complaining that they couldn’t find the keys to open the door when these shots started ringing out,” he said.

“We dived for cover. There were these volleys coming from the terminus.”

None of the attackers had been wearing masks or balaclavas, Mr Adams said — “They weren’t faceless.”

Mr Adams said at least two of the attackers had been identified and he questioned why they had not been arrested.

According to a Webta taxi owner who asked not to be named, fighting began in the afternoon in Site C, Khayelitsha when three Webta members in a bakkie were shot at by gunmen from a taxi rank.

He said about 5pm, “three Codeta people in three cars drove up Terminous Road from the direction of KTC.”
Democracy ‘key to peace’

Staff Report

There will never be peace in Crossroads until self-appointed, autocratic leaders are replaced by a democratically-elected residents' forum able to administer the area with legitimacy and openness.

This is the view of former security police captain Mr Philip du Toit, who was appointed Crossroads Administrator by the Cape Provincial Administration in February.

Mr Du Toit, yesterday was outlining the historical development of Crossroads to the Goldstone Commission's committee investigating Crossroads violence.
Taxi clash 'may be over levy'

A CITY taxi driver who was shot dead and two colleagues injured when 10 men opened fire on a group of drivers at the Nyanga taxi rank on Tuesday may have been involved in a conflict over an alleged "R10-a-day levy" on taxis, it was claimed yesterday.

In the attack by about 10 men, Mr Wellington Meta, 38, died and Mr July Thulani and Mr Milton Dymase were injured about 6.55pm.

All three are thought to be former Western Cape Black Taxi Association members.

Codetsa president Mr Kidwell Magwayi said yesterday: "We have heard that R10 per vehicle per day is collected at the Nyanga rank, which is the stronghold of the Big Eight (a disaffected group within Codetsa), to finance Mr Jeffrey Nongwe's side in the Crossroads conflict."

However, community leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe strongly denied yesterday that he was receiving any money from this source.
Another three hurt in township taxi violence

Staff Reporter

THREE people were injured, including a taxi driver who was shot in the leg, as taxi violence continued in the embattled townships.

Yesterday, a 28-year-old Khayelitsha woman narrowly escaped death when gunmen opened fire on a fully-laden taxi in Site C and a bullet grazed her left temple.

So far seven people have been shot dead and several injured since the notorious shadowy Big Eight gang started a reign of terror in Nyanga and Khayelitsha on Wednesday.

The woman, a city bank clerk, was on her way to work from the moving car. She said the gunmen were travelling in a sedan taxi when they attacked the minibus about 6pm.

One of his passengers, Mr Lawrence Mbebe of Nyanga, was badly bruised when he tried to escape in the taxi as the shots continued flying. He was hit by the bullet as he tried to duck under the dashboard.

"It seemed the attackers wanted to kill the driver but he was not hit and managed to drive away," he said.

The woman, who asked not to be named, was treated at Groote Schuur Hospital last night and discharged today.

In Nyanga, a sedan taxi driver was shot in the leg by a gunman who blocked the road and opened fire. One of his passengers, Mr Lawrence Mbebe of Nyanga, was badly bruised when he tried to escape from the moving car.
Privatisation caused violence

Staff Reporter

PRIVATISATION of Crossroads housing projects had resulted in fewer, costlier houses being built — and violent tension between squatters, the Goldstone Commission heard yesterday.

In evidence Cape Provincial Administration (CPA) Crossroads administrator Mr Philip du Toit concurred with the committee chairman, former attorney-general Mr Niel Rossouw, that this was the case.

Mr Du Toit denied that squatter leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe or the Western Cape United Squatters' Association had received "kickbacks" from the CPA or private developers for facilitating the removal of residents to Lower Crossroads in order for sections to be upgraded.

He said the current violence was waged between Mr Nongwe and his opponents but that mostly Section 2 houses had been destroyed, where nearly all the residents had defied Mr Nongwe.
Mourners shot at in new Cape taxi violence

CAPE TOWN's endemic taxi violence took a vicious twist this week when mourners attending the funeral service of a murdered civic leader were themselves fired upon.

In what seems a planned attack on high-ranking members of the taxi organisation, Codeta, two men died when gunfire sent men, women and children waiting outside Nyanga's Zolani centre on Wednesday evening running for cover.

Hours after the Zolani Centre attack, which claimed the life of an executive member of Codeta, another man died when shots were fired on a minibus taxi in Khayelitsha. Two more men died later when their car was fired on in Landisewe Road, Khayelitsha.

Suspicion of police and their apparent inability to arrest people perceived as sowing instability in Cape Town's townships is boiling over into civic anger.

Mourners were gathering for a service in memory of slain civic leader Super Nkatazo, 55, found shot head in Khayelitsha a day after he disappeared from Nyanga on July 27. Nkatazo is believed by ANC and civic leaders to have been killed by a gang called the Big Eight, whose members are said to include taxi drivers unhappy with Codeta's new dispensation.

Saxo's Newton said mourners were waiting outside the Zolani Centre when shots were heard. "When the shooting stopped I just saw people running towards us with guns."

When police and army troops arrived, "they thought we were the ones doing the attacking", Adams said. "I heard people shouting from the other side. 'It's them, it's them', but the guys with guns just shot back after five or six rounds of gunfire."

"They (police and soldiers) ran towards us, pointing their rifles at us, shouting 'Bly wakjulle is'. (Stay where you are).

Police and soldiers deployed after gunmen opened fire on mourners at a Nyanga memorial service focused on those under attack while their assailants - said to be members of a notorious balataqa gang dubbed the Big Eight - allegedly stood and watched.

By GAYE DAVIS

'It was total and absolute confusion - but what I do know is the attackers hadn't run away, they were still standing at the taxi rank. We told police we're not shooting, they're shooting - but they came inside the fence round the centre and stayed there. The police were more concerned about whether or not people inside the building had guns."

"Later, I could see a group huddled together in the terminus, like they were waiting for some of us... Every time a Casspir went in their direction, they'd move away - then slowly walk back to their original position."

Peace monitors had meanwhile identified some of the attackers and informed police, Adams said. No arrests were made, however.

Western Cape police liaison officer Captain John Sterrenberg dismissed Adams' account as "a wild allegation."

"In the midst of all the chaos one would have to start somewhere and that's where the bodies are lying," he said. "If people have information that there were any irregularities, they should put them in affidavit form and then we can investigate them."

He said he had no information to confirm or deny the involvement of the Big Eight, names of whom Codeta has given to police, along with affidavits.
Future District Six residents may face means test change

CLIVE SAWYER
Municipal Reporter

AMENDMENTS in the 1993 Income Tax Bill could mean that at least three-quarters of future District Six adult residents will have to earn R1 500 a month or less.

Section 10(1) of the present Act exempts a company, association or trust from tax where its sole aim is to get, hold, develop or improve land to enable members of low-income communities to buy or occupy land.

The present definition of a "low-income community" is one where at least half the members earn less than R1 000 a month.

When signed into law, the Bill will change the means test limit from R1 000 to R1 500, and the minimum percentage of the community earning this from 51 percent to 75 percent.

The Deputy Mayor and chairman of the District Six Steering Committee, Mr Clive Keegan, responded earlier this week to claims that residence in District Six would be limited to people earning R1 000 a month or less.

Mr Keegan said the Cape Town Community Land Trust would be a non-profit organisation holding land in trust for the provision of affordable housing. It would need exemption from the Commissioner of Inland Revenue.

"Since not all members of the community will be economically active, a degree of leeway exists for various income levels depending on household size."

Terms of reference for a future resident selection body are yet to be set.

More security for hospital

Political Staff

SECURITY at Guguletu Day Hospital will be beefed up with metal detectors and a police presence.

Half the staff reported for duty yesterday to reopen the hospital, which was closed two weeks ago after a shootout in which a man was killed and 10 were injured.

Security guards will also be employed under an agreement reached this week involving the provincial administration, hospital staff, the African National Congress, the South African National Civics Organisation and the Western Cape Civic Association.

The hospital would be fully operational from Monday.

Guguletu residents would meet on July 18 to discuss how they should help protect hospital staff.

Goldstone in talks with Crossroads leaders

Political Staff

The Goldstone Commission is to visit Crossroads today for talks with strongman Mr Jeffrey Nongwe.

The commission, led by chairman and former Cape Attorney General Mr Niel Rossouw, will talk to other squatter leaders and communities in the troubled settlement.

Western Cape Regional Peace Committee spokesman Mr Hames Siebert said members of the committee would accompany Mr Rossouw and commissioners Mr Fikile Bam and Mr Anwar Albertus.

"Mr Nongwe is happy to see the Goldstone Commission. He feels he'd like to state his side of the story," said Mr Siebert.

Mr Rossouw and his colleagues will talk to residents in Boys' Town, sections one, two and three, lower Crossroads, Brown's Farm and Vietnam, a settlement of people forced to flee Crossroads.

The South African National Civics Organisation (Sanco), which claims its leaders have become targets in a low intensity war, has appealed for peace in Cape Town's townships.

Spokesman Mr John Neels said: "Everybody's asking who is to blame for the violence, but we think it is far more important to call for peace."

He said Sanco firmly believed the country needed an interim government and an interim municipality to address housing backlogs and build more clinics.

"We'll also be able to isolate the dark forces — irrespective of whether they are from the right or left — in this manner."

Mr Neels said Sanco's leaders were taking precautions against being assassinated.
Nongwe says he'll testify

CROSSROADS leader and ANC member Mr Jeffrey Nongwe is prepared to testify before the Goldstone Commission of Inquiry, which is currently investigating the causes of violence in this troubled stronghold.

Mr Nongwe disclosed this yesterday following a media conference where he attacked the ANC-aligned SA National Civic Organisation for being behind much of the violence in Peninsula townships.

Mr Nongwe, who is chairman of the ANC-aligned Western Cape United Squatters Association was reacting to allegations made this week by witnesses that he was responsible for the violence in Crossroads.

Sanco chairman Mr John Neels said: "We have never blamed Wezusa for any violence, and we have always denied we are involved in violence."
'Nongwe too scared to leave his home'

JOHN VILJOEN
Staff Reporter

CROSSROADS leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe is 'a frightened man too scared to leave his home', according to Mr Philip du Toit, the administrator of the squatter settlement.

Mr Du Toit yesterday told the committee of the Goldstone Commission, investigating violence in Crossroads, that he did not think Mr Nongwe had much support left.

He was on 'wobbly legs', even in his traditional stronghold of Section Four, Mr Du Toit said. Many Crossroads residents did not see Mr Nongwe as a leader but as 'a stupid, stubborn man'.

The inquiry has been told that Mr Nongwe persuaded Section One residents to leave their shacks and move to the Stock Road or Lower Crossroads area for three months, with the promise of new homes when they returned.

According to evidence, the homes have not been built and Section Two residents were the targets of arson attacks when they refused to move to Stock Road on a similar promise.

Mr Du Toit said Mr Nongwe met him on May 18 and asked for permission to begin moving Section Three residents to Stock Road.

Mr Du Toit refused to allow this and he believed his decision "prevented full-scale blood-letting and slaughter".

Mr Du Toit said he was forced to deal with Mr Nongwe, because he was the settlement's only visible leader, even though he was 'an irritation' to a large number of Crossroads residents.

Mr Du Toit said he would like to deal with Mr Nongwe's opponents, but they were faceless and nameless.

The violence in Crossroads could be ended by the provision of serviced sites. But residents expected to be given houses, even though they had never been part of Cape Provincial Administration planning.

Mr Du Toit said he wanted to see 'calm and peace' in Crossroads, so that residents could farm, structures and solve the settlement's problems through negotiation.
Go to Goldstone, taxi drivers urged

Codeta's call on distinguished members after fresh upsurge in violence

Edward Moclonane

City/National

1983
Taxi war deaths rise to 9

THREE more people have died and two people been injured in the new flare-up of the city's taxi war, bringing the death toll to at least nine, a police spokesman said yesterday.

More than seven people have been injured in the taxi war which erupted again on Wednesday.

In the latest incidents, three people on the Cape Flats were shot dead: An unidentified taxi driver, taxi-driver Mr Mzini Mthathane and Ms Julia Bokani. Mr Michael Ndlunlu was injured.

Taxi-driver Mr Delfus Gilindolo and two passengers were injured when a group of men fired shots at them in Ntlangano Crescent, Nyanga.

When asked why police had told the media there had been no violence connected to the taxi feud on Thursday, spokesman Colonel Raymond Dowd said: "Problems are being experienced with obtaining immediate information from certain areas."

These incidents only brought to the attention of this office this (Friday) morning."
Not guilty, says Nongwe

Jeffrey Nongwe has been found not guilty of charges related to the "armed uprising" in 1988. He was charged with organizing a military coup and other related offenses.

In his defense, Nongwe claimed he was a member of the ANC and that his activities were in support of the organization's goals. He stated that he did not have any involvement in the actual coup attempt.

The court found that there was insufficient evidence to prove Nongwe's guilt in the case.

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Attempted murder charge after teachers' city protest

By Lofelle Bell and Shannon Neil

A CERES teacher was arrested last week and charged with the attempted murder of a policeman. The arrest came in the wake of a South African Democratic Teachers Union (Sadtu) motorcade through the streets of Cape Town on June 16.

Senior police spokesperson Colonel Raymond Dowd said it was alleged that Mr Daniel Wildschutt tried to run over a police official with his motor vehicle during an illegal march.

Wildschutt was called into the charge office and given the option of either appearing at a special court hearing on Tuesday night, or he could walk out of the charge office and later be formally arrested on a charge of attempted murder.

He went voluntarily to court where charges of attempted murder and failure to obey a police officer were read and the case was remanded to August 6.

Mr Wilmar Saville, chairperson of Sadtu Ceres branch, said Wildschutt was leading the motorcade when a policeman jumped in front of the car in an attempt to stop the motorcade.

"The motorcade was travelling at a pedestrian pace and Wildschutt simply drove around the policeman who was not hit," he said.

Wildschutt said, "After the march I was called into the charge office and asked to get those who participated in the march to go to the police."

"I refused and they then offered me the choice of arrest or voluntary appearance in court". He was apparently warned that if he chose to be arrested it would "happen at school in front of the children".

The arrest follows alleged police comments that "certain of the teachers in the area needed to be reined in and disciplined."

Police were unavailable to comment to this allegation.
Terror keeps Crossroads tight-lipped

Speak out to stop the violence was the message a committee of the Goldstone Commission took to the residents of Crossroads yesterday.

Committee chairman and former Cape Attorney General, Mr Niel Rossouw, accompanied by fellow committee members, Advocates Mr Fikile Bam and Mr Anwar Albertus, visited four different areas in the township where they met community leaders and encouraged them to speak out.

They were accompanied by members of the Western Cape Peace Committee (the regional structure of the National Peace Accord) and international observers from America, France and Denmark in what proved to be a low-key “tour”.

Mr Rossouw’s message was the same for all the groupings: “The violence in Crossroads has taken on such proportions that everybody is worried about it. We want to understand why there is violence so we can make recommendations on how it can be resolved.”

“But, we cannot do our work unless we have the co-operation of the people of Crossroads. We need people to support us, to tell us why the people are fighting,”

He urged the small gatherings to spread his invitation to other members of their communities.

On their Section 4 visit, the committee declined an invitation from Crossroads spokesman Mr Jeffrey Ngwegwe to be taken to the scenes of previous crimes, claiming limited time.

Mr Rossouw said the correct forum for such information was the official sitting of the committee which resumes on Thursday.

The recommendations of the Crossroads Crisis Committee will be presented to the local police committee for discussion at a meeting in Nyanga East at noon tomorrow.
Sanco probe into murder of treasurer

By Sabata Ngeai

THE WESTERN Cape branch of the South African National Civic Organisation (Sanco) is to appoint an independent investigating team into the mysterious death of its treasurer.

Mr Supervisor Mongameli Nkathazo, 50, was gunned-down by unknown assassins two weeks ago.

His bullet-riddled body was found by the police between Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain.

According to Sanco spokesperson Mr Welcome Zenzile, Nkathazo was last seen on June 27 when attending a branch meeting in Nyanga.

"While still searching, the police advised us to check on the unidentified bodies at the state mortuary in Salt River," Zenzile said.

"We found his body with bullet wounds in the head, chest and on the back."

Nkathazo narrowly escaped death in February last year with six other Sanco members while attending a meeting in Nyanga. During this incident shots were fired at them by unknown gunmen.

Zenzile said the incident added to "the on-going harassment" of the civic movement by the agents of the state.

Skathi co will be buried in Ekurhuleni on Saturday.

He leaves his wife and four children.

Police have reported 17 crime-related deaths in Cape Town since last weekend.

Ten of the 17 dead were residents of Nyanga, Gugulethu and Khayelitsha.

Police spokesperson Colonel Raymond Dowd said police had stepped up their patrols in the areas.

Dowd appealed to the community to co-operate with the police "to identify the culprits."
Crossroads residents urged to testify

Staff Reporter
MEMBERS of the Goldstone Commission of Inquiry investigating violence in Crossroads yesterday visited the troubled township to urge residents to come forward and testify.

The three-man commission consisting of advocates Mr Niël Rossouw, SC, Mr Anwar Albertus and Mr Fikile Bam, visited Unathi, Section 4; Lower Crossroads and Vietnam, where they met with locals.

While in Section 4, the commission met with controversial Crossroads leader and ANC member Mr Jeffrey Nongwe. The commission heard evidence this week that Mr Nongwe was allegedly behind a campaign of terror earlier this year to force residents of Section 2 to move to Lower Crossroads.

In outlining the commission's purpose, Mr Rossouw told residents that the commission was aware that people were afraid to come forward and testify.

Earlier in the day, CPA Crossroads administrator Mr Philip Du Toit told the commission that the conflict in Crossroads could end if Mr Nongwe were to "move from the area".

Anyone wishing to testify can make arrangements by contacting Goldstone Commission lawyer Mr Joey Moses at 22-6508.

The hearing resumes next Thursday.
Peace as taxi factions talk

Staff Reporter

A truce has been declared between opposing taxi factions following meetings with local peace committees and the mayor, Mr Frank van der Velde.

Codeta's city offices were the scene of lengthy discussions yesterday between Lieutenant-Colonel Leonard Kupke, co-ordinator of the special violent crime investigation unit, and Codeta president Mr Kidwell Magwayi and other officials.

Later about 13 detectives attached to the unit arrived at the Codeta offices where 11 eyewitnesses to Wednesday's Zolani Centre shootings gathered.

Both police and Codeta were tight-lipped about what had taken place.

Meanwhile, Mr Van der Velde said a "great deal" had happened between Wednesday's killings at Zolani Centre and yesterday when the death toll stood at eight.

"The parties have got together with the local peace committee and I have had discussions with the 'dissident' group in my office and we have also talked to Mr Magwayi on the telephone. I am hoping to go to the next step to bring the parties together. "Hopefully, there's a truce and we should not see violence this weekend," Mr Van der Velde said.
Addo arson after ANC march

PAT CANDIDO  
The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — A peaceful protest march in the tiny Eastern Cape village of Addo turned to chaos when a mob went on an arson and stoning rampage.

Yesterday about 500 supporters of the ANC-SACP-Cosatu alliance and the ANC Youth League marched from Zwelitsha township to the police station to hand in a petition.

Addo shopkeeper Mr Trevor Whittle said the march was peaceful but, on the way back, a group, mainly youths, stoned houses and cars. The windows of his shop were broken.

Earlier the group had passed the home of his father, Mr Ivan Whittle, where about 15 windows facing the street were broken.

They went to another house, climbed a 1.8m fence and set the building alight.

Two domestic workers escaped and a small table, a pair of shoes and a telephone were all that were saved.

The windows of three cars were smashed and a farm stall was set alight. The fire was put out by police.

In the evening a barn on Mr Frans Thijssen’s farm Delimaneel was burnt down.

Mr Thijssen said he had not heard or seen anyone, only the flames.

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Driver shot dead

Taxi truce broken

Crime Reporter

A TAXI-DRIVER was shot dead and two taxi passengers wounded in separate incidents related to a flare-up of the taxi war at the weekend.

The latest killing brings the death toll to at least nine since the taxi war erupted again on Wednesday and follows a truce declared between opposing factions on Friday.

Taxi-driver Mr Zwandile Luwani, 40, an ex-Webta member, was shot dead when he tried to flee after being forced off the road in Khayelitsha about 1am yesterday.

A police spokesman said Mr Luwani had been travelling along Bishop Tutu Road when the driver of another minibus taxi forced his vehicle to stop and opened fire with a 9mm pistol.

Mr Luwani had collapsed and died after being shot in the head, chest and legs.

In another incident two passengers had been wounded on Saturday after a minibus taxi-driver forced them out of a car taxi.

Mr Ajanda Majeki, 31, was in a serious condition in a city hospital after being shot by the taxi-driver around 5.30pm.

His brother, Mr Mxolisi Majeki, 42, had been taken to hospital with leg wounds.

The two brothers had been in a car taxi when it was forced to stop by the minibus taxi driver who demanded to know why they were not travelling in a minibus and ordered them into his own vehicle.

The taxi driver had opened fire on the men when they got out of his taxi in Site B.

Mayor Mr Frank van der Velde expressed regret at the killings but said he could not comment further until motives for the renewed hostility connected to the taxi war had been established.
Squatter leader Nongwe held

Crime Staff

POLICE have arrested squatter leader and Crossroads ANC chairman Jeffrey Nongwe and eight others in a township crime clampdown.

Charges of kidnapping, assault and illegal possession of firearms are being investigated against them.

A police spokesman said a team led by Colonel Leonard Knipe, of the new riot and violence investigation unit, followed up information during a three-hour operation last night and arrested the men in Nyanga.

Six firearms and live rounds were confiscated.

The nine are expected to appear in court today.
Taxi violence toll rises to 10

THE body of an unidentified man was found near the Nyanga terminus on Sunday night, bringing the death toll in the latest flare-up of apparently taxi-related violence in the past week to 10.

Police said the man’s death, at 7.45pm, appeared to be related to the taxi conflict. Seven 9mm cartridges were found at the scene.

Despite the mounting death toll, prospects for the restoration of peace between groups within the taxi association Codeta looked brighter yesterday with the news that both parties agreed in principle to meet each other.

A spokesman for the former Western-Cape Black Taxi Association (Webta) drivers operating from Nyanga terminus, Mr Solomon Petersen, said his group wanted a meeting with the Codeta leadership, with whom the Webta drivers are unhappy.

“We want peace, and we are trying our best to achieve it. None of our people have died from last week up to Sunday. We want to meet with Codeta and we have told the mayor so. “We will meet the Codeta leadership anytime and anywhere.”

He believed the latest violent flare-up had been caused by “people who just come here and shoot us” for no apparent reason.

Mr Kidwell Magwayi, president of Codeta, said yesterday he did not wish to accept a proposed meeting or turn it down before he had heard from the mayor.

“The mayor phoned me on Friday and said he would come back to me, so I am waiting for that.”

Thus far he had only had a meeting with SAP-Colonel Leonard Khipe, he said.

Mayor Mr Frank van der Velde said peace efforts were going on all the time. He had not had a chance to speak to Mr Magwayi yesterday, but he hoped the two opposing parties would be brought together “across the table” in the next two days.

Staff Reporter, Saps
Residents scared to testify

CROSSROADS residents, fearing for their safety, have failed to heed an urgent appeal made by the Goldstone Commission on Friday for witnesses to testify on the cause of violence in the area.

The commission believes the taxi violence is fuelling residents' fears of speaking out.

Counsel for the commission Mr Joey Moses said the committee had been "satisfied" after about 60 Crossroads residents braved torrential rain on Friday to attend meetings where the relevance of the commission was explained.

However, many of those who attended had asked about protection afforded to witnesses, saying they were scared to testify, Mr Moses said.

Although a 24-hour witness protection programme was in place, there was a "limited safety guarantee".

Mr Moses was concerned that the renewed taxi violence was "making the question of safety more relevant" and would increase people's reluctance to give evidence.

Only three Crossroads residents have testified since the inquiry opened on July 2.
Even as she's been serving as a Children's Crusade leader, one of the most visibleShockwave Anheuser-Busch, the national headquarters of the American National Council of Catholic Women (ANCCW), has been under fire from the council's own members. The council, which has been in existence since 1923, is a national organization of Catholic women whose mission is to promote the interests of Catholic women and their families. The council's headquarters is located in St. Louis, Missouri, and it has a national office in Washington, D.C.

Last week, the council announced that it would be issuing a statement on the issue of abortion. The statement was in response to a recent decision by the Supreme Court of the United States that overturned Roe v. Wade, the landmark abortion rights case.

The statement said that the council would continue to support the rights of all women, regardless of their religious beliefs. It also said that the council would continue to be a voice for Catholic women and their families.

The council's decision to issue the statement came after a series of protests and demonstrations outside its headquarters in St. Louis.

In addition to the statement, the council also announced that it would be hosting a series of events to mark the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. The events will be held throughout the country and will include discussions, workshops, and concerts.

The council's decision to issue the statement and host events follows a similar decision by the Catholic Church. In May, the Catholic Church released a statement expressing its support for the rights of all women, regardless of their religious beliefs.

The statement was met with mixed reactions from the Catholic community. Some members of the church praised the decision, while others expressed concern about the council's position on abortion.

Despite the controversy, the council said that it would continue to support the rights of all women, regardless of their religious beliefs.
Accusations fly in Crossroads

EDWARD MOLONYANE
Staff Reporter

MAYOR Mr Frank Van der Velde visited the troubled Crossroads squatter camp and heard conflicting accounts of the causes of the violence from several parties, including African National Congress branch chairman Mr Jeffrey Nongwe.

Mr Van der Velde was in a party that included representatives of the European Community, the United Nations observer mission and the Regional Dispute Resolution Committee. It visited Boys' Town and Lower Crossroads before meeting Mr Nongwe at the community hall.

Mr Van der Velde said his visit had been prompted by the concern of the people of Cape Town about violence in Crossroads.

The party heard accusations and counter-accusations from Mr Nongwe and those opposed to him.

Several allegations of police complicity in the violence on Mr Nongwe's side were made, but the most common cause of trouble was said to be promises of housing by Mr Nongwe.

In Lower Crossroads, where the first batch of residents have moved to pave the way for improvements to the squallid settlement, residents said they had agreed to move after being promised houses by Mr Nongwe in September 1991.

The party met residents who alleged that they had been abducted by members of the security forces and taken to Mr Nongwe's headquarters in Section Four.

A man who cannot be named for his own safety said: "Nongwe said we would stay here for only three months and return to newly built houses in Crossroads."

"The trouble started when this did not occur and we started asking questions at meetings."

When he met the party, Mr Nongwe was joined by Mr Christopher Toise, former ANC branch chairman at Brown's Farm, who fled to Crossroads because of power squabbles there.

Mr Nongwe told the group he believed a meeting of "all squatter leaders", the PAC and the ANC could assist in easing the conflict.

He and Mr Toise attributed the conflict to calls by the South African Civic Organisation (Sanco) for the Western Cape United Squatters Association (Wedusa) to disband. Mr Nongwe and Mr Toise are office bearers of Wedusa.
JOHN VILJOEN
Staff Reporter

CONCERTED efforts are being made today to bring peace to the Da Gamaskop township at Mossel Bay, the scene this week of one death and more than 200 arrests.

Police and civic and African National Congress leaders met Dr Andries Odendaal, of the Peace Secretariat, yesterday in an effort to bring calm to the area and another meeting is planned for today.

The ANC Western Cape assistant secretary, Mr Willie Hofmeyr, said the regional organis-

ing department head, Mr Cameron Dignmore, was in Mossel Bay to help the peace effort.

Da Gamaskop residents, who have been ignoring rates and electricity bills, plan to march at noon today in support of their demands, which include the scrapping of rent arrears and the start of "one city, one council" talks.

Mr Garth Kuldorff, 26, died on Tuesday from shotgun wounds in the head after police opened fire on protesters allegedly trying to petrol-bomb the township's police station.

The violence followed police action ending a sit-in by 300 protesters in the township housing office. The office was later destroyed as well as a municipal store and two municipal vehicles.

Da Gamaskop police station commander Captain Clive Kaptein said the situation was calm this morning.

Last night a petrol bomb was thrown at the police station. It did not cause any damage.

A petrol bomb thrown at the post office broke a window but burnt out without causing serious damage, Captain Kaptein said.
PORT ELIZABETH. — Tensions had eased in Mossel Bay's sealed-off townships yesterday wrecked by mob violence that saw a police station besieged for six hours, one man shot dead and at least eight injured in clashes the previous night.

A police spokesman said yesterday afternoon the situation in Da Gamaskop and D’Almeida townships had improved.

"The situation is not entirely normal, but it is better than yesterday. Right now there is a group of between 100 to 200 people marching up and down the street outside my station."

As part of an effort to defuse tensions there are no Internal Stability Unit vehicles on patrol in the area," he said.

Damage caused in the rioting, which simmered until about 1.30am yesterday, is estimated by Town Clerk Mr Willem van Heerden to be between R500 000 and R1m.
Nongwe in ‘bitter row’ with ANC

ANC Crossroads chairman Mr Jeffrey Nongwe is involved in a bitter public row with the ANC’s Western Cape leadership.

In an extraordinary statement, ANC regional vice-chairman, Mr Lerumo Kalako, said Mr Nongwe’s arrest on Monday for assault and kidnapping was justified in the light of the “very serious allegations” against the 68-year-old squatter leader.

Mr Kalako urged “serious consideration” in the granting of bail to Mr Nongwe and cited a Peace Accord clause “calling for the retention in custody of people accused of fomenting or being involved in violence”.

Mr Nongwe was granted R2 000 bail on Tuesday. Yesterday an ANC spokesman said the regional executive committee had been conducting an internal inquiry into Mr Nongwe, also chairman of the Western Cape United Squatters’ Association, for “some weeks”.

Mr Nongwe said yesterday it was ironic that the ANC was accusing him of working with the police on the one hand while on the other they were asking the police to search his house and arrest him.

Western Cape Peace Committee spokesman Mr Hannes Siebert said the Peace Accord section dealing with special criminal courts to expedite charges of violence had not been implemented by the Department of Justice.
Crossroads: Mayor told ‘don’t bother’

Staff Reporter
CROSSROADS residents yesterday scorned Cape Town mayor Mr Frank van der Velde’s efforts to improve relations between them and the police.

Residents told the mayor “not to bother” to call for a meeting with senior police officers but to simply call for the removal of police from Crossroads.

Mr Van der Velde said later he did not regard this as a snub but as an indication of the bitterness towards police in the area.

He was touring the violence-torn squatter camp with members of the United Nations, the European Community and the Western Cape Regional Peace Committee.

At Lower Crossroads, the site of development, residents, who refused to be identified, told Mr Van der Velde that police were harassing residents and were not protecting them during attacks by other factions.

The residents expressed their anger at plans by the police to build a police station in the area and threatened to take over the building upon completion and convert it to a day hospital.

“Children cannot go school, women and their babies cannot go to the Day Hospital in Section Four — and able men are afraid to go to work because they are being targeted, but the police still claim to be helping us,” said an elderly man.

In Section Four local chairman of the ANC, Mr Jeffrey Nongwe, who was arrested on Monday and released on bail, told the mayor that the people of Crossroads wanted peace.
Mossel Bay: Police kill man looting hotel

Staff Report

POLICE shot and killed a man after he and two others were caught looting liquor from a deserted hotel in the riot-torn De Gama's Kop township near Mossel Bay yesterday, police said.

This is the second death in the area in three days since riots erupted on Tuesday night after electricity to 94 houses in the area was cut off because of an accounts boycott.

Police spokeswoman Sergeant Virna Louw said two members of the internal stability unit patrolling the township saw three men running out of the Diaz Hotel in Blaze Street with a case of liquor.

The men refused to stop and a policeman fired a round of birdshot which hit Mr Wilfred du Plessis, 24, in the neck, killing him instantly. The other two men escaped.

Police said the Diaz Hotel appeared to be the main target of looters during the riots.

Police also said that residents of De Gama's Kop marched peacefully to the Da Gama's Kop police station, where they handed two memorandums to station commander Captain C R Kaptein.

One memorandum addressed to the town clerk, demanded free political activity, the resignation of the management committee, the scrapping of electricity arrears and the reconnection of electricity supplies.

A memorandum to the police called for the internal stability unit to be withdrawn from Mossel Bay and to be confined to barracks. Failing this, residents would demand the closure of the De Gama's Kop police station.

Police said about 15 men stoned the Diaz Hotel at 3am yesterday.
Police probe threats from defence units

Staff Reporter

THREATS by ANC-aligned defence units in Robertson to launch attacks on police within the next two weeks will be investigated by Western Cape deputy Regional Commissioner of Police Major-General Nick Snyman.

A police spokesman yesterday said the threats were being viewed in a "most serious light".

General secretary of the Robertson Advice Centre, Mr Ignatius Davids, yesterday claimed that policemen, dressed in plain clothes, had assaulted residents during drug raids on houses in the community.

"They carry pickaxe handles which are not legitimate police weapons and have assaulted residents," he said.

And he added there was deep anger within the community about several deaths.

Mr Davids said this related to the deaths of Mr Jacques de Bruin, 18, who was shot in front of a shop and Mr Johannes Jones, 21, allegedly killed by a policeman.

Other deaths included those of Gerhard Bailey, 14, who was shot from a policeman's house and Mr Arnold Demas who died of internal injuries after being held in a police cell in June 1990.

A police spokesman said the SAP was satisfied all the allegations were properly investigated. He said if there were no proceeds it was because there was insufficient evidence about the attacks and that the attorney-general had declined to prosecute suspects in some instances.

Mr Davids said community organisations had met with Lieut-tenant-Colonel Charles Brink of the National Peace Committee and the Commanding Officer of the Robertson police, Captain Nico Franken, on Tuesday.

"We demanded that within 14 days we receive reports about a number of cases that have been raised and that the Goldstone Commission hears evidence concerning them."

Capt Franken yesterday declined to comment.
Calls for closure of army base

Some 600 people marched on the SADF base in Site C, Khayelitsha, yesterday demanding the keys to the base, which they say serves no purpose in the community.

The marchers, representing civic organisations, were met at the gate by a line of armed soldiers.

The grievances of the residents are:

- No action has been taken by the SADF or the police in investigating attacks on two families.
- Although the base is next to the taxi rank, no security measures have been taken to maintain peace and order.
- Police and the SADF are searching residents' homes at night without search warrants.
- Base Commandant Gruber allowed a 20-member delegation into the base.
- A meeting will be held between the SADF and the residents next Thursday.

Waiting for the keys... Watched by soldiers, about 600 people in base in Site C, Khayelitsha, to demand the closure of the base. 

Pictu
Arms and the man

By BULEWA PAYA

Grahamstown

POLICE swooped on a Grahamstown township house in an arms bust, but found only imitation rifles used as theatrical props for the National Arts Festival.

The police's Captain W Hackert, who was in command of the operation, said this week police had received information that there were weapons in the house of Sox Leleki, a leader of the South African National Civics Organisation.

"When we entered the house one of the occupants jumped up and tried to hide a firearm. But when we looked at it we found that it was a metal imitation firearm."

He said police found another three similar weapons while searching the house.

Hackert said people in the house said the weapons were being used as props in a play.

Leleki, also a fieldworker for the Albany Council of Churches and a member of the local peace committee, said he had not been at home during the raid. There had been about 20 members of a Johannesburg theatre group staying there at the time.

Leleki said he regarded it as an attempt to discredit him. "All they are trying to do is to paint a picture of me as a peace initiator during the day and somebody who plans violence at night."

Hackert said the raid was launched after a woman phoned the police to say there were firearms in the house. A man had also reported that his gun had been stolen. "Given that kind of information we had to raid the house," he said. — Ana
‘False promises’ over houses in Crossroads

FALSE promises about housing and serviced sites by squatter leaders have contributed to violence in Crossroads, the Goldstone Commission was told yesterday.

A development consultant in the area and former head of housing policy Urban Foundation, Mr Colin Appleton, said squatter leaders had promised residents proper housing, which they could not provide.

Mr Appleton, policy head of the Serviced Land Project (SLP), said it was important that broader ways of consultation were considered.

He said the Western Cape United Squatters’ Association (Wecusa), to which Crossroads strongman Mr Jeffrey Nongwe belongs, had in the past wanted to run the show with development.

Former area chief, Mr Johnson Ngobobongwana, had promised people houses “and set expectations on the type of houses”, he said.

“But most residents couldn’t afford the houses when they were ready, and they had to be sold to people from ‘outside’, which angered residents.”

Mr Appleton criticised the CPA for “not taking into cognisance the changing political situation when it continued development with Wecusa, which had then quit the SLP.”

Wecusa had left the SLP because they were not prepared to deal with outsiders like the SA National Civic Organisation since Crossroads concerned squatters only.”

“This view was narrow”, he said, because one had to take into consideration satellite squatter areas around Crossroads and people from backyard shacks and hostels. The hearing continues today.
Give plots to all, violence probe told

Staff Reporter

PIECEMEAL development is a cause of conflict in Crossroads, a Goldstone Commission inquiry has been told.

Development would have to be done on an equitable basis in the future to prevent conflict, development consultant Mr Collins Appleton told the inquiry at the University of the Western Cape yesterday.

Plots had to be provided for every person, not only for some members of the community.

The piecemeal approach to development, along with poor communication with residents, had heightened tensions, he said.

For the first time since the inquiry began, about 30 Crossroads residents attended yesterday's session.

The commission is campaigning for Crossroads residents to come forward with evidence which can help the inquiry investigating the causes of violence in the troubled township.

Mr Appleton, project manager of the Serviced Land Project (SLP) and former Urban Foundation housing policy director, said squatters had fought a tremendous and courageous battle to retain their dwellings.

The squatters living on the land felt it was theirs and that they had earned it by overcoming the forces against them.

The inquiry continues today.
Nongwe ‘broke promises’

JOHN VILJOEN
Weekend Argus Reporter

THE Cape Provincial Administration could not be held responsible for any promises of houses that Crossroads strongman Mr Jeffrey Nongwe made to residents, a Goldstone inquiry into violence at the squatting settlement has heard.

The session heard that Mr Nongwe allegedly promised Section One dwellers homes if they moved to Lower Crossroads for what he said would be no longer than three to six months.

Witnesses said the promise was not fulfilled and Section One residents were still in Lower Crossroads 1½ years later.

The failure of Mr Nongwe to keep this promise has been cited as a cause of violence.

Residents of Section Two this year resisted Mr Nongwe’s call for them to move to Lower Crossroads, apparently because Section One dwellers did not get homes.

Their refusal to budge was followed by an outbreak of violence in May with Mr Nongwe accused of targeting dwellings in Section Two for arson attacks.

The CPA and Mr Nongwe struck an agreement on the upgrading of Crossroads, but this had not included the construction of houses, CPA regional director of community services Mr Faan Naudé told the inquiry yesterday.

The relocation of Section One residents to Lower Crossroads always was intended to be permanent.

The land which they vacated was to be used for the ‘de-densification’ of the settlement.

“This is the agreement that was struck with regard to the development of Section One. There could have been no misunderstanding,” said Mr Naudé.

It was never the intention of the CPA to build houses. For some time, it had only been possible to provide serviced sites, explained Mr Naudé.

“He made the promise off his own bat and I would not care to speculate what his motivation would have been.”

Inquiry chairman Mr Niel Rossouw remarked: “We will have to wait for Mr Nongwe to come and explain.”

The inquiry, which is being held at the University of the Western Cape, resumes on Monday.
There's no 'Big 8', says disgruntled driver

By Sabata Ngcai

There are no "Big Eight" gangsters disrupting the taxi business, only disgruntled former Western Cape Black Taxi Association (Webta) members, says taxi driver Mr Makhaya Tom.

Tom went to great pains to point out that the "Big Eight" is not a cause for tension in the townships. "I am told the name "Big Eight" came about because former Webta members had complaints against the 15 members, they elected to form the Convention for a Democratic Taxi Association (Codeta) last year.

He said the "Big Eight" name came from those eight Codeta executive members chosen at the time.

Tom, said to be a leading "Big Eight" member, came forward to SOUTH with two other former Webta members to respond to allegations about the existence of the mysterious gang.

He accused Codeta of not reporting back to its membership.

"We were not even invited to Codeta meetings. Former Lagunya (Langa, Guguletu and Nyanga Taxi Association) members were always updated about developments in Codeta," Tom said.

He said whenever the former Webta members arrived for meetings, Codeta executive members failed to turn up.

Tom said that when the former Webta members occupied the Codeta offices in May, the executive members still refused to talk to them.

He said the fact that the two former taxi rivals were still operating separately was one of the problems they wanted to address with Codeta.

Codeta chairperson Mr Kidwell Magwuya said he would not comment because a meeting between the two parties will be hosted by the mayor of Cape Town this week.

He said Codeta stood for peace and was prepared to listen to whatever the dissident group said.

"The mayor, Mr Frank van der Velden, confirmed the meeting was taking place.

Tom said: "We are not warmongers as we are portrayed to be, we want peace. If we wanted to fight, we would have done so long ago."

"We are being smeared by Codeta executive members because they see us as dissidents."
Mossel Bay residents battle police

By Rohana Rossouw

SOUTH Cape residents took to the streets this week in battles with the police after 135 people were arrested during a peaceful protest against electricity cuts in Mossel Bay.

A mentally retarded man, Mr Gert Kalder, 25, was shot dead in the violence on Tuesday and damage estimated at thousands of rand was caused when the housing office in Mossel Bay was gutted in a fire and official vehicles were stoned.

The ANC condemned the police actions and demanded an independent investigation into the incident.

On Wednesday, the situation in D'Almeida township was still tense as residents burned barricades and toyi-toiyed in the streets while police cordoned off the area.

The violence began on Tuesday afternoon after police arrested 135 people. The people had been occupying the Da Gamaskop municipal offices since Monday to protest against the cutting of the electricity supply to three homes, including that of the local ANC chairperson.

ANC spokesperson Mr Willie Hofmeyr claimed the police told a delegation that the occupiers would be allowed to leave voluntarily, failing which they would be arrested.

"However, before the delegation had even reached the municipal offices to report back, the police opened fire on the people outside."

"Up until this moment, all the occupation and the crowd outside had been entirely peaceful. We believe the security forces must take full blame for the violence that ensued."

A South Cape police spokesperson said birdshot, rubber bullets and a stun grenade was used against the demonstrators. Five policemen sustained minor injuries.
Too scared to go to school

Weekend Argus Reporter

TERRIFIED Crossroads high school pupils are staying at home because they fear for their lives as violence spreads through this embattled squatter community.

Weekend Argus heard from terrified teachers and pupils this week that morale at the school has reached a new low.

Teachers feel unsafe because feeding rival groups frequently turn the playground into a battleground.

When the third term began this week staff asked police to guard the school to ensure the safety of the pupils.

Last month classes were suspended after youths shot and wounded three pupils, including Xolile Nongwe, son of controversial ANC leader Jeffrey Nongwe.

The pupils were filing out the gates when the youths attacked. Mayhem broke out as the screaming pupils ran into the classrooms and several spent 9mm cartridges were found.

The three-month conflict, which has claimed more than 45 lives, broke out after residents objected to upgrading plans of the area designed by the Cape Provincial Administration and backed by Mr Nongwe.

As the violence grew, the residents accused Mr Nongwe of being central to the conflict, but the strongest man vehemently denied the allegations.

This week teachers, who asked not to be named, told Weekend Argus that the violence in the area contributed to a high failure rate.

To make matters worse, the feeding groups carry weapons in batches to prepare for battles.

Many pupils prefer to stay at home, often with their parents' consent, because they are scared to cross "territories", marked by parties engaged in the fighting.
Anger rife in Mossel Bay

VUYO BAYUMA
Weekend Argus Reporter

MOSSEL BAY — An uneasy calm has settled over Mossel Bay’s troubled frontier D’Almeida township after this week’s rampage that left two dead and more than 100 injured.

Gutted municipal offices, stones and burnt tyres barricading the township streets yesterday bore grim testimony to the angry mood of residents who said they could not pay municipal bills — now totalling R135 000 — because of general hardship.

Town clerk Mr Willem van Heerden said more D’Almeida defaulters could expect to have services suspended if they failed to pay.

During Tuesday’s erupting protests, 300 municipal vehicles, stoned and torched, were damaged and 150,000 residents were kept from their homes by a 24-hour curfew.

The two men who were shot dead were Mr Wilfred du Plessis and Mr Howard Gaf Kuijler.

According to police, Mr Kuijler was shot when he and others tried to attack the police station and Mr Du Plessis was shot when he tried to loot the hotel.

The men were supposed to be buried today, but their funerals have been postponed because their families want to consult pathologists.

Mr Charlton Lewenste, 26, said he was with Mr Kuijler on a street corner when a teargas canister was fired from a Casspir.

“We ran away but later regrouped to see where the Casspir had gone.”

Gaf (Mr Kuijler) was looking towards the Casspir and several shots were fired from the direction of the vehicle. Gaf fell on his knees and clutched his forehead. I picked him up and noticed that he had a swollen wound on his forehead.”

Mr Linden Baker, vice-chairman of the local African National Congress branch, described how Mr Du Plessis died. “Mr Baker said Mr Du Plessis was standing in front of the Diaz Hotel when ‘one of the policemen from inside the hotel opened fire, hitting Wilfred in the stomach. More shots were fired and the people ran for their safety.”

Amid the mourning residents vowed to intensify the week-long consumer boycott of white-owned shops in Mossel Bay.

Chairman of the Mossel Bay Crisis Civic Association, Mr Lewis Louw, said the source of the dispute was the municipality’s decision to cut off the electricity supply to 90 houses. However, some residents reconnected their electricity.

On Monday hundreds of residents occupied the municipal offices next to the police station.

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Peace Accord report to resolve Boland dispute

Staff Reporter CT 17/7/93

A REPORT trying to resolve the volatile situation in Robertson has been drawn up by a member of the National Peace Accord.

This week ANC-aligned defence units in the town threatened to launch attacks on police within the next two weeks to protest police behaviour.

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Brink, commander of the National Peace Accord's complaints investigation unit, yesterday said he had met community organisations and the commanding officer of the Robertson police Captain Nico Franken on Tuesday to try and resolve the situation.

The report will be handed to the deputy Regional Commissioner of Police on Monday.
Hopes grow for decrease in violence

By NAZEM HOWA

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The law as a tool to right social wrongs

By CATHY STAGG

GEOFF BULDENDER uses the law as a tool to right social injustices.

For the past 15 years, he has been with the Legal Resources Centre. And on September 1, he becomes the National Director of the organisation, taking over from one of South Africa's top lawyers, Arthur Chaskalson, SC.

"We have been very wasteful," he says, "Arthur has been doing fundraising and administration - something someone else could do and free him to spend more time in court."

That someone else is Mr. Budlender, a man who prefers to keep the conversation on the work to be done, rather than on who he is or how he will do it.

He joined the Legal Resources Centre in January 1970, and was the first full-time lawyer on the staff.

"We weren't sure it would last," he says of the organisation which has grown to be the largest privately-funded centre of its type in the world.
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Mr. Siebert said another major problem was the police-community relations in the area.

"We had in-depth meetings with the police around the involvement of the 'Big Eight' in violence... and police have now given us the assurance that the investigation is getting the attention it demands," he said.

The Goldstone Commission's investigation into the causes of violence in Crossroads is also crucial in stemming the tide of violence sweeping the Western Cape.

While the commission started off with very few witnesses coming forward, discussions between the local peace committee and representatives of the groups has now seen a greater willingness on the part of Crossroads residents to participate in the proceedings.
Monitors head for hot spot

Staff Reporter

PEACE monitors from the United Nations, the European Community and the Western Cape Regional Peace Committee are to begin a two-day visit to Mossel Bay today to try to facilitate peace in the town's volatile township.

A police station in Da
gamaskop was besieged for six hours, two people were killed and at least eight injured in clashes in the townships last week.

Peace committee spokesman Mr Hannes Siebert said yesterday the monitors would be joined by a delegation of the ANC/SACP/Cosatu alliance, the police and the local town clerk.

He said because the Conservative Party, to which members of the local town council belong, is not a signatory of the Peace Accord, the group was not going under the auspices of the peace accord.

He said the purpose of the visit was to facilitate the process of getting all parties involved talking to each other.
Wecusa to testify at Goldstone hearing

The controversial Western Cape United Squatter Association (Wecusa) has decided to give evidence at the Goldstone Commission, on the eve of the commission's final week. Since the commission started sitting two weeks ago, no one has come forward to testify on violence in the Western Cape.

Wecusa spokesman Mr Christopher Toise said yesterday a full report had been prepared and a delegate would be sent to the hearing at the University of the Western Cape “sometime this week” to present it.

A group of about 30 ANC supporters, an anti-Nongwe group from Lower Crossroads, briefly attended the hearing on Thursday.

Mr Toise said neither he nor Mr Nongwe would personally address the commission “for security reasons”.

Media spokesman of the Western Cape Regional Peace Committee, Mr Hannes Siebert, said the Peace Committee was responsible for convincing Wecusa officials to give evidence.
Man killed in Mossel Bay riot

JOHN VILJOEN, Staff Reporter

A MAN died and 194 people were arrested in a Mossel Bay township in a day of arson, stonings and attacks on police.

The turmoil in Da Gama's Kop was sparked by a breakdown in negotiations to end an electricity rates boycott.

The man, aged about 28 but so far unidentified, died last night when police opened fire on residents besieging the police station.

Tension has been building since June 22 when the Mossel Bay municipality informed the Mossel Bay Crisis Civic Association that power would be cut unless outstanding bills were paid by July 7.

On Monday six municipal electricians were sent to Da Gama's Kop under Internal Stability Unit escort to disconnect power to defaulters' homes.

After 94 homes had been disconnected a group of about 100 people gathered and police withdrew the electricians fearing for their safety, said Da Gama's Kop station commander Captain Clive Kaptein.

About 500 people occupied the township housing office and refused to leave until a meeting with the municipality was arranged while the meeting was held yesterday morning but ended in failure.

During the afternoon Da Gama's Kop residents stoned members of the police Internal Stability Unit who were preparing for action against the housing office sit-in.

'Police used rubber bullets, teargas and shock grenades to disperse the mob and made 194 arrests while clearing the building.'
Crossroads Violence

Crossroads section commander Lieutenant Jerry Grover told the Cold.

By Claire Bissett
City's taxi bodies agree to peace

DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Political Staff

CAPE TOWN'S warring taxi factions have agreed to cease hostilities which have claimed the lives of at least 13 taxi operators since January.

The agreement was reached at a meeting between the Convention for a Democratic Taxi Association (Codeta) and its dissident faction, brokered by mayor Mr Frank van der Velde.

Mr Van der Velde said today Codeta's leadership had agreed to meet its rank and file members as soon as possible.

He hoped members of the community would also attend the meeting so they can see what's going on and the dissidents' grievances can aired in public.

He did not know when the meeting would be, but he was "hanging" the two groups to meet, as soon as possible.

He said the factions had also agreed that "members from both sides would refrain from violence, while talks continue." This in itself was a positive step.

Although he was happy about the truce, Mr Van der Velde said it would be premature to speculate about achieving lasting peace in the taxi industry.
Sanco ‘cause of violence’

Staff Reporter

THE South African National Civic Organisation (Sanco) was responsible for Crossroads violence and the ANC had been ineffective in ending the carnage, squatter leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe said at a Goldstone Commission inquiry yesterday.

Mr Nongwe said Sanco wanted to kill him, and there was a R5 000 price on his head, because they felt that he retarded their housing plans for the township.

Mr Nongwe, the controversial Section 4 strongman, has been named as a kingpin in the Crossroads violence on evidence placed before the commission by the SAP, Cape Provincial Administration and Crossroads residents.

He denied yesterday that his supporters had engaged in any attacks in the township and said a lawless band of young "stoollies", armed with stolen automatic firearms and pangas, burnt the homes of residents who had accepted his housing strategy.

"In the resolution of all these matters the regional ANC leadership has achieved nothing.... I have on frequent occasions sought the help of their office to find a solution to the violence... but this has not been effective and has often met with no response whatsoever," he said in a written statement to the commission.

When asked to give his recommendations for ending the violence, Mr Nongwe suggested that a meeting be held of all Western Cape squatter leaders whom he believed would come to the same conclusion — "that Sanco was the problem".

However, he agreed with the commission that a representative civic structure was needed in Crossroads and said "it is also what the people want!"

In the same breath he said: "Nothing can happen in the community without me."

He said another cause of the violence was the attempt by young hooligans to overthrow the traditional headman system, of which he was the overseer, so 'they could sow mayhem and lawlessness in Crossroads.'
Taxi groups in peace talks

Staff Reporter

The leaderships of two rival township taxi groups held peace talks yesterday in the office of the mayor of Cape Town.

Both groups are still in Codeta, an umbrella association set up in an attempt to end conflict between what had previously been separate taxi associations.

At yesterday's meeting it was agreed that all members must maintain a truce while discussions are in progress.

Also, a mass meeting is to be called as soon as possible between the Codeta leadership and taxi drivers in general.

People affiliated to both sides have been killed by gunmen.

In an unrelated development yesterday Mr Yusuf Louw of Peninsula Taxis said that in the past two days 'six or eight' taxi operators, including one of his own drivers, had been taken to Caledon Square, held briefly, and then released with R400 fines, in a crackdown on taxis waiting for passengers in Adderley and Plein streets.

Assistant traffic manager Mr Noel van Booyen said five people had been taken to Caledon Square in the past couple of days, and one had been arrested, but this was part of normal law enforcement.
Stone-throwers hit two cars on N2

By EUNICE RIDER

TWO more motorists — one a pensioner — have fallen victim to stone-throwers on the N2 in the past two days, despite a lull of more than a month. Police yesterday warned motorists to stay alert for stone-throwers.

Mr J D Venter’s car was pelted with stones near the R300 offramp near Khayelitsha about 4.50pm on Wednesday while he was travelling home to Somerset West, and Somerset West pensioner Mr C Lucas’s car was hit while passing the Guguletu offramp with his wife at 11am yesterday.

A police spokesman said no one was injured. Damage to Mr Venter’s car amounted to about R50 and damage to Mr Lucas’s was estimated at about R250.

Police and army presence had not been decreased in recent weeks, he said.

Viljoen: Afrikaners ‘entitled’ to defence

Own Correspondent

PRETORIA. — The Afrikaner Volksfront was committed to a negotiated settlement but Afrikaners were entitled to defend themselves, Volksfront directorate chairman General Constand Viljoen said yesterday.

Speaking at a press conference, he said it was clear there would not be enough policemen to defend the whole of SA in the event of war and it would be up to Afrikaners themselves to “draw a blanket of self defence across the country”.

The Volksfront was committed to a peaceful, negotiated settlement, but if the current uneasy negotiations led to an unjust solution, he said, the Volksfront would revert to armed action.

The ANC could not criticise Volksfront calls for self-defence because they started the revolution, while government had allowed the security situation to deteriorate.

He warned if the defence force was called upon to defend the unfair negotiating process, “people in the defence force would have to make a very serious decision”.

The Concerned South Africans Group would first make a decision among themselves before committing themselves to continued negotiations.
G'stone hears of threat of force

Staff Reporter

VIOLENCE broke out in Section 2 of Crossroads this year only days after controversial ANC member and headman Mr. Jeffrey Nongwe had given residents the choice of moving voluntarily or being forcibly removed.

This was said yesterday before the Goldstone Commission hearing into violence in Crossroads by a former headman who served on Mr. Nongwe's committee, Mr. Amos Nyakatya N, 44.

Mr. Nyakatya N, of Boystown, said he and four other headmen had resigned from Mr. Nongwe's headman committee in 1991 because of the conflict stemming from the housing issue.

He said that in that year Mr. Nongwe promised the people of Section 1 that houses were to be built for them, but they first had to move to Lower Crossroads.

"After six months, no houses were built and people started asking questions. Some members of the headman committee wanted to speak to the people about this," Mr. Nyakatya N said.

He said that having realised that Mr.

Nongwe and his headman committee were undemocratic and unaccountable to the people, he and four other headmen resigned to form an SA Communist Party branch in opposition to Mr. Nongwe's rule.

During a meeting in March this year, Mr. Nongwe gave residents a choice of moving voluntarily to Lower Crossroads or being forcibly removed from Section 2.

"On Friday, March 5, the burning of houses and the shooting of people started," he said.

"It could only have been Mr. Nongwe and his people who did that because he threatened to remove the people by force," Mr. Nyakatya N said.

He said that on the night of March 17, his house was burnt down when four unknown men - two black and two white - arrived at his home.

He told the commission that two of the men fired shots at his home before "it started burning". He added that while his house was burning, he noticed two police vans and a Casspir parked nearby.

The hearing continues today.
SOLDIERS guarding the N2 freeway came under fire at the Vanguard Drive off-ramp on the city side of the airport today.

No one was injured but police sent reinforcements who waited for first light to comb the area for spent cartridges and to look for damage.

Tension has been mounting again on the N2 where motorists have come under sporadic attack this week, keeping police and army patrols on the alert.

About 6.30am three men from the South African Infantry Battalion on guard on the Vanguard Drive bridge heard “three single gunshots” from the direction of the offramp and they dived for cover.

The soldiers saw four cars speeding off the offramp in a northerly direction, but it was dark and they were unable to give police descriptions of the vehicles.

They radioed the police emergency caravan next to the N2 for backup, but the cars had already made their getaway.

Members of the police special investigation unit from Bellville South found nothing but a pair of bullet holes in the “Heideveld; Guguletu; Bellville Exit 10” signboard.

An investigator officer said it was uncertain whether the soldiers had mistaken a car backing up for gunshots.

They were also unable to find any bullet damage to the concrete structure of the bridge.

But the soldiers maintained they were well-trained and “certainly know what gunshots sound like.”

The soldiers said this was the first time they had come under fire on N2 duty but the incident would not deter them from their task.

Mr. C. Lukas of Somerset West was stoned between Guguletu and Heideveld yesterday. His car was damaged.

On Wednesday a motorist had a narrow escape when a group of youths pelted his car with stones at the R309 off-ramp near Khayelitsha.

Last week a Wynberg tow-truck driver was rushed to hospital with fractured ribs when a brick was thrown through a side window of his truck and hit him in the chest.

Mr. Niel Day, 35, of Hilmar Breakdown Service was towing a vehicle which had been damaged in an earlier stoning on the N2 when the youths stoned him near the D.F. Malan Airport turn-off.

Mr. Day was taken to Victoria Hospital where he was treated and discharged.

A Provincial Administration spokesman said today that clearing of vegetation next to the N2 was almost finished.

A tender for a median wall was due to be advertised today, while the tender for fences at the sides of the freeway would be advertised next Friday.

Two pedestrian bridges are to be built, one near the Swartkoppie interchange and the other near Miller’s Camp.
UNDER FIRE: The three 9 South African Infantry Battalion soldiers who had to hit the deck today when they heard gunshots from the N2 freeway. They were guarding the bridge at the Vanguard Drive off-ramp when they came under fire.

Violence after Crossroads leader’s warning to move

Police implicated in attacks, Goldstone committee told

BURNING of houses and shootings in Section 2, Crossroads, began only days after squatter leader Jeffrey Nongwe warned residents to move voluntarily or be forced out, the Goldstone Commission committee investigating violence in the settlement has heard.

The committee, sitting at the University of the Western Cape, decided yesterday to continue hearing testimony next week and to recall Mr. Nongwe.

In a statement handed to the committee, SA Communist Party organiser Amos Nyhakatyha said some people moved after Mr. Nongwe’s warning but the majority stayed.

On March 5, the attacks started. Homes were burnt and people were shot, said Mr. Nyhakatyha.

The attacks stopped only after a meeting between Mr. Nongwe and the ANC regional executive on Sunday, March 14.

That night, Mr. Nyhakatyha’s house was set alight and his friend, SACP organiser Zwelethu Ncemana, was shot in front of his house.

Mr. Nyhakatyha’s house was burning at the back, but he put out the fire with buckets of water.

He also implicated police in attacks on him.

Mr. Nyhakatyha said about 9.30pm on Wednesday, March 17, he saw a white Ford Sierra parked in front of his gates. He was standing near his neighbour’s house.

Staying out of sight, he saw two white men and two black men in the car. The black men got out and fired shots at his house, setting it alight.

He ran away and saw a yellow police van around the corner near the Sierra.

Later, a fire engine arrived to put out the fire, but a police Casspir—stepping on a wheel on the hose—stopped the water.

His house, two vehicles and spaza shop, from which he sold vegetables and fruit, were burnt down.

After a meeting on June 20 at the Philani Centre in Old Kiplfontein Road those who attended marched through Umthi, the brick house section of Crossroads.

On a big open space between the houses and some shacks, shots were fired from a Casspir and shacks in Section 4. Two people were shot, one of whom died.

More Casspirs arrived and further shots were fired from the shacks. The people scattered but Mr. Nyhakatyha stayed with the shooting victims.

He said he was facing the direction in which the police men had run for cover when a bullet hit him in the neck.

Mr. Nyhakatyha believed police shot him.

Police counsel Kosie Olivier asked for leave to call more witnesses because of Mr. Nyhakatyha’s allegations.

Committee chairman Niel Rossouw refused, saying the committee could not hold a trial.

“We are not a trial forum and cannot give judgement. We have to continue investigating the reasons of violence in Crossroads,” said Mr. Rossouw.

“We will refer Mr. Nyhakatyha’s allegations to the Attorney-General and the police supporting officer for further action.”

Mr. Olivier said the police reserved the right to question people who made allegations against them and details of the allegations would be handed to the newly formed internal investigation unit.
Housing used to gain ANC power

HENRI du PLESSIS
Staff Reporter

HOUSING was but one of the excuses used by leaders in Crossroads as they fought for power within the African National Congress, a witness told a committee of the Coldstone Commission investigating the violence in the township today.

Mr Conrad Sandle, director of development and housing of the Western Cape United Squatter Association (Wcusa), said a major power struggle was on the go in all the squatter areas in the Cape as the Western Cape Civic Association, the South African National Civic Organisation of the Western Cape and Wcusa fought for control.

He said they needed the control to jockey for better positions in future local government and in the ANC itself.

Mr Sandle said a perception that houses would be built in Section One at Crossroads was created by "certain people" in the Unathi brick house section of the settlement.

Asked by committee chairman Mr Niel Rossouw whether Mr Jeffrey Nongwe had started this rumour, he said Mr Nongwe knew there was no money for houses.

"The idea was to move people out of Section One, develop the area into serviced sites and move them back. He denied that any rentals had been discussed or that there were any plans for houses to be built.

Mr Sandle said Mr Nongwe, chairman of Wcusa, was his boss. He said violence was planned and executed mostly by the Western Cape Civic Association because they wanted to take over political control of the squatter areas.

One of the ways they did this was to recruit youths to fight the local leadership.

The fight for control not only meant local power, but the civic structure's membership was pivotal in the ANC.

The faction in Unathi, who had a relationship with the faction in the Boys Town section of Crossroads, wanted a plan to move squatters from Section Two to fall.

The plan was similar to that for Section One - to move people out, develop the area and move them back. The Unathi faction would gain from the failure of the plan by driving out the Nongwe leadership.

The perpetrators of the violence carried it out ruthlessly, he said.

The fighting between the organisations was fighting among different ANC factions for power in the ANC itself.

He said he was not against moving people to upgrade an area, but he was against the speed with which the Cape Provincial Administration wanted things done.

He claimed the CPA pressured leadership of Wcusa, using "foul play" to make lower educated people agree to their plans. There was an understandable reluctance among residents to break down their shacks and leave because they had lived there a long time and they did not believe the promises of development after so many pledges had proved unreliable in the past, he said.

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Teachers ready to strike again

Photo: Mike Marwood

Picture this on Tuesday: Teachers at the Cape Town Teachers' Centre in Observatory gathered to discuss their plans for strike action. Many of them wore red and yellow scarves as they listened to speakers from different organisations.

"We are not just fighting for a better salary," said one teacher. "We are fighting for the future of education in South Africa." The atmosphere was charged with determination and a sense of solidarity.

"We will not accept any solutions that do not address the root causes of our problems," said another speaker. "We are not asking for more money, we are asking for a system that works for all our children." The audience responded with cheers and applause.

Delegates from various organisations were present, including the National Education Labor Council (NELCO) and the Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU). They pledged their support for the teachers and their demands.

"We stand with the teachers," said the representative from NELCO. "We can no longer afford to have a system that fails our children."

"We are calling for more investment in education," said the representative from COSATU. "We are calling for a system that is accountable and transparent."

The gathering ended with a call to action. "We will not give up," said the leader of the delegation. "We will fight for our children's future."

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100 face charges after Sadiq demos

KISS THE BEAR: A performance piece turned into a toy story outside the Cape Town Town Hall.

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TEACHERS' STRIKE: The strike was not just about salaries. It was about the future of education in South Africa.
Gang war: peace body to intervene

By Christelle Terreblanche

The Regional Peace Committee is to be called in to help resolve the gangster crisis in Mitchells Plain.

Its first task will be to organise a meeting between the warring gangs. Three people have been killed in the past month in the war between the Dixie Boys and the Yuckies in the central business area, and dozens of people have been robbed.

"The situation has reached crisis proportions after the leader of the Dixie Boys was killed on Sunday," said Mitchells Plain South African Communist Party secretary Mr. Achmat Shiraz. "On Monday the police evacuated people from the town centre while the gangs were advancing on the area."

A meeting was then called between the SAP and organisations, including the ANC, the SACP, the Advice Office, Mrico, the Hawkers Association and the business sector.

Shiraz says that since the police are understaffed, the meeting resolved to call on the peace structures in order to persuade people to assist with investigations into the gangs.

"We want the Mitchells Plain Police and Community Liaison Forum to adopt the Peace Accord and transform itself into a local dispute resolution committee," he says.

ANC zone secretary Ms Brenda Leonard added that the community would invite the rival gangs to meet.

She said the Peace Committee would also be asked to address a meeting of residents to convince them to make a stand against gangsterism without fearing for their lives.

The SAP promised to set up a kiosk in the town centre to deal with the crisis.
Crossroads violence: Sanco leaders blamed

Staff Reporter

WELL-ORGANISED forces, systematically engaged in destabilising Western Cape squatter communities, have sustained Crossroads violence by supplying disenchanted youth factions with the material means to continue fighting, the Goldstone Commission heard yesterday.

This theory was put forward by Mr. Conrad Sandile, the Western Cape United Squatter Association's (Wecusa) housing director, who claimed that Crossroads violence was master-minded by three politically ambitious South African National Civic Association (Sanco) leaders.

Mr Sandile, who said his perspective was that of the Wecusa leadership, claimed that Sanco had instigated tactical violence in Western Cape squatter camps from as early as 1990 with the grand plan of deposing all squatter leaders and ensuring themselves positions of authority in future local and metropolitan government.

Mr Sandile provided the commission with the names of the three Sanco leaders Wecusa believes are directly responsible for Crossroads violence. The names were not made public to protect the witness.

Mr Sandile's theory of the violence came under harsh fire from the ANC counsel and the committee, especially as he could provide no plausible explanation for why Sanco leaders were being assassinated.
Dramatic turn as witness found

By RONALD MORRIS

THE inquest into the death of high-profile civic leader Mr Michael Mapongwana took a dramatic turn yesterday when a lawyer representing the family told the Wynberg Regional Court that a mystery witness to the slaying had been found.

Two witnesses have already been eliminated.

One witness, who was allegedly present when Mr Mapongwana's killing was planned, Mr Goodwill Ndongeni, was shot dead near the Nyanga taxi rank on January 24 this year.

A remaining witness to the killing, who may not be identified by court order has disappeared.

He has previously told the court in a closed-session that feared for his life and would not give evidence.

Mr Mapongwana was chairman of the Khayelitsha Civic Association and was involved in trying to achieve peace in a bloody war between rival taxi associations.

After a delay yesterday, Mr Selwyn Hockey, the Mapongwana family lawyer, told the court a witness had been located who may shed further light on Mr Mapongwana's death in a hail of bullets in Lansdowne Road on July 7, 1991.

'It is going to be important for the court to hear what he has to say. He is an eyewitness who may be able to identify the attackers,' Mr Hockey said.

He needed time to consult with the witness, take a statement from him and hand it to the court or the state and it was also important for the court to hear his evidence.

The magistrate, Mr S I van der Walt, granted a postponement till August 23.

Speaking later Mr Hockey said the inquest was very sensitive and there was great suspicion that Mr Ndongo's murder was directly linked to the inquest.

The disappearance of the second witness may also be because the attackers knew who he was, he said.

Regarding the mystery witness Mr Hockey said: 'There is a fear that he will also be eliminated because there are already people looking for him. I will take instructions from him and ask him if he is prepared to subject himself to the Witness Protection Programme of the Goldstone Commission,' Mr Hockey said.
None, we could have been held.
Commission into Crossroads violence

Bid by witness to put the blame on Sanco

HENRI DU PLESSIS
Weekend Argus Reporter

THE South African National Civics Organisation of the Western Cape (Sanco) has been accused of causing the violence in Crossroads.

This was shown in evidence to the Goldstone Commission by a "mystery man" witness.

Mr Conrad Sandile, director of housing and development of the Western Cape United Squatters Association (WCUSA), refused to divulge his sources in the hearing yesterday for reasons of personal security.

He claimed to have an MBA from a foreign correspondence university without having completed an undergraduate degree. He also refused to say from which university he had obtained the MBA.

Mr Sandile, a neat dresser who had a portable telephone with him in court, said Sanco had begun its process of eliminating traditional leadership from Crossroads around the time African National Congress president Mr Nelson Mandela had been released from prison.

"Their aim is to remove the original leadership, create a vacuum and then fill it with their own structures," he said.

Later, during cross-examination, Mr Sandile refused to name members of Sanco who he alleged had spearheaded the violence, because "not even the Goldstone Commission could guarantee my safety."

He was, however, forced to do so by commission committee chairman Mr Neil Rossouw, who told him the Act under which the commission operated forced witnesses to answer questions, even if they had to incriminate themselves.

Mr Sandile agreed on condition that he wrote the names on a piece of paper and that they were not made public.

When asked by the ANC's legal representative, Mr Johnnie de Lange, why so many Sanco leaders had been attacked and killed while none of the WCUSA executive had been killed, Mr Sandile said he could not answer.

"Quite a few groups in Crossroads were fighting as a response to the violence — the Unathi faction, the Nongwe and the Boys' Town group. But, they are used by outsiders," he said.

When asked by Mr Rossouw whether the Nongwe faction would defend one day and attack the next, he said:

"I cannot incriminate the Nongwe group."

Mr De Lange: You said the WCUSA was mostly a group of uneducated, illiterate people. Doesn't this make you stand out?

Mr Sandile: Yes.

Mr De Lange: The views you have expressed here today — are they your own or those of the squatter community?

Mr Sandile: Of the squatter community.

Mr Rossouw: You mean you stood here telling us the views of the squatter community while we called you here to hear your views?

Mr Sandile: There is no difference between my views and the views of the squatter community. I was influenced in the WCUSA. Mr De Lange asked why the WCUSA chairman, Mr Jeffrey Nongwe, did not express the same views he did.

"My views come from what I have experienced in the townships," Mr Sandile said.

The committee will sit again from Tuesday. Mr Sandile was told to appear again, as was squatter leader Mr Nongwe.
to be deployed

6,000 more cops

No Place to Hide

WANTED: CHURCH KILLERS — DETAILS PAGE 2
IN a unified and unprecedented show of revulsion and outrage at the perpetrators of Sunday night's Kenilworth church massacre, the government and the ANC yesterday moved to ensure the killers have "no place to hide".

Included in the all-out drive to apprehend the terrorists and clamp down on spiralling violence are:

- A government plan to deploy more than 6 000 extra "on-the-spot" policemen throughout the country at an estimated cost of over R150 million and a renewed push to combat gun-running in Southern Africa.
- A call by ANC headquarters in Johannesburg to ensure that the ANC in the Western Cape and its security trained cadres and township-based members would be deployed to "hunt the killers down".
- The release yesterday of two colour and three black-and-white identikit pictures of the church killers, including the man believed to have been the driver of the getaway car.

- The immediate mobilisation of ANC branches in the Western Cape and elsewhere to pass on any information about the church killers and other perpetrators of violence to the police and plans by the ANC to consider maximising its participation in Peace Accord structures.
- A call by President FW de Klerk to beef up punitive measures against transgressors of the National Peace Accord and a promise that actions to subdue violence would enjoy his "highest priority".

Yesterday Captain Craig Kotze, spokesman for Law and Order Minister Mr Hernus Kriel, said 3 000 ex-police will be re-employed to improve security. This initiative alone would cost about R64m. In addition, 4 000 civilians would replace trained police in administrative posts to free them to contain crime and violence.

More recruits

He also confirmed that the intake at police colleges is to be increased by 500 recruits.

Capt Kotze said his ministry was unaware of any initiative to involve international investigators in the police probe of the massacre.

Eleven police and 53 are injured when attackers threw two handgrenades into an evening service and opened fire on worshippers in St James church yesterday.

As local and international anger at the church slayings mounted yesterday, ANC Western Cape chairman Mr Allan Boesak said the ANC would launch an all-out drive to find those responsible for the "third round of price inflation and calculated execution with military precision by highly-trained people".

His deputy, Mr Tony Yengeni, said the killers needed to know the ANC would get them. "We will not allow them to turn up outside another Natal, Boesia or Somalia," he said.

'Dejected by violence'

Their comments came shortly after ANC PWV chairman Mr Tokyo Sexwala said the ANC was beginning to feel dejected by violence.

"We are failing to prevent the violence. We wanted to save the whole country," he said. "We are afraid that if we don't come to terms with what has happened, especially in Cape Town, we run the danger of the boat sinking."

"We have been warning the government that the conception that the violence - which has been eating the social fabric of this country - would be limited to the townships is wrong," he added.

Mr Sexwala said the attack was the "spectre of something new, a gorgon that is entering the social fabric of South Africa".

Reinforcing concerns expressed the day before by Mr De Klerk, he said if the country was allowed to sink into violence, the chances of holding free and fair elections on April 27 would vanish.

After Mr De Klerk met observers from the United Nations, European Community and Commonwealth yesterday, he said the discussions focused on monitoring, a possible expansion of the observers' role during elections, violence and steps to prevent it.

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SEVEN people were killed last night when men wielding AK-47 rifles burst into the crowded St. James church in Kenilworth, Cape Town, and opened fire on the congregation.

Two of the attackers were white and three were black.

An eyewitness said many people were hurt during the 7.45 pm service.

"I saw a man walk in through the side door and then heard a pop-popping sound. At first I could not comprehend that shots were being fired. I dived onto the ground and lay there until the shooting stopped and then ran out and got into my car and got as far away as I could."

—from the Sapa (2/15)
By Brendan Templeton

"If we cannot go to church in peace anymore, what hope do we have of going to the polls peacefully?"

That was the emotional reaction of Democratic Party Law and Order spokesman MP Robin Carlisle after visiting St James's Church last night. It lies in the heartland of his constituency and just 100 m from his mother's home.

Political parties expressed outrage that worshippers could be murdered in a church and were unanimous in condemning the killings. But none more so than Carlisle who rushed to the church as soon as he heard the news.

The scene that greeted him shocked him to the core: "Not so much because of the bodies, but because it happened inside a place of worship.

"Tell General Constand Viljoen and all those other bastards who are advocating violence to come to the church and see for themselves," he said.

He warned that this latest twist in the spiral of political violence could spark retributive killings by those who wished to use the massacre to further their political ends.

Law and Order Minister Hernus Kriel said the attack was one of the most shocking and callous crimes South Africa had yet seen.

"It is a crime made all the more horrific due to the fact that it was committed in a church of God."

ANC spokesman Carl Niehaus also condemned the attack and demanded that the killers be brought to justice as soon as possible.

Afrikaner Volksfront leader General Constand Viljoen said the killings justified his call last week that Afrikaners should arm themselves.

While he condemned the brutal massacre, he warned that such incidents would not stop until a political settlement which catered for all political parties was reached.

PAC spokesman Barney Desai said the massacre was perpetrated by people who wished to prevent a transition to a democratic South Africa.

He also called on all blacks to arm themselves because whites were so well-armed that it "boggles the mind."

The PAC would never attack a church, he said and he demanded that the killers be tracked down.

Kriel said the attack emphasised the "dire need for our entire society to unite with the police in combating such atrocities."

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Vigil . . . a worshipper watches over the body of one of the victims. Pictures: Jim McLagan

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De Klerk and Tutu denounce ‘evil’ deed

State President de Klerk and Archbishop Desmond Tutu denounced the “evil” nature of those who killed nine worshippers in Cape Town last night.

Archbishop Tutu called it a diabolical act — “a most foul, despicable thing imaginable”. De Klerk said he was shocked and horrified.

Undermine

"The attack on a church introduces a new and horrifying element into the cycle of violence which we are currently experiencing and points to the inherently evil nature of those involved in the perpetration of violence," a government spokesman quoted De Klerk as saying.

The President said: "The great majority of decent South Africans must not allow outrages such as this to undermine our common effort to achieve a peaceful and negotiated solution to the problems of our country."

Tutu said: "We in the Church of the Province extend our deepest condolences to the bereaved and our sympathies to the injured and all those of the Church of England in South Africa."

The Church of the Province is separate from the Church of England. Both have their own structures in the country.
Church terror attack
Church terror attack

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A Russian fisherman, Alexander Belko, said he saw one man wearing a balaclava toss the grenades into the church and then open fire.

He said: "I feel anger. You can't feel safe in South Africa, not even in a church."

Another worshipper, Bobby Nicolai, of Crawford, said: "How could they do this? Not in God's house. This is a place of peace."

Bishop Frank Relief, who arrived soon after the attack, said: "I feel very confused and bewildered. These were people at prayer and worship."

"We pray for all the people of this land, irrespective of their political affiliation. This seems to have been an attack of the lowest political order."

At the time of going to press no one had claimed responsibility.

- Law and Order Minister Helen Kriel today offered a R250 000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the gunmen. Describing the rifle and grenade attack as a callous and cold-blooded massacre, Kriel added the reward was the highest possible in such cases.

The shock and revulsion with which the entire community has reacted to yesterday's killings must not be allowed to manifest in over-reaction and even further violence.

I therefore appeal to all leaders to remain calm and refrain from statements and any action which could ignite a cycle of violence. This will only play into the hands of the perpetrators of last night's atrocities."

- Own Correspondent
Mystery men in Nongwe arrest

Staff Reporter

Claims that six men — including a white policeman — were arrested with controversial Crossroads leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe on Monday night, will be investigated if the informant makes a sworn statement, police said yesterday.

According to allegations made to a senior Cape Times journalist by a reliable township source yesterday, Mr Nongwe, a white policeman and five other men were arrested in Mr Nongwe's Crossroads home during a police operation in the area.

Police said Mr Nongwe, long accused by township residents of being in league with the police, was the only person arrested in connection with charges of kidnapping and assault. A black policeman or white man was arrested with him.

Police spokesman Captain Ciska du Plessis said others arrested during the same operation were wanted on charges of possessing illegal firearms.

She said the informant, who had made the allegations, should submit a sworn statement so that the internal stability unit could investigate the claims.

Mr Nongwe was released on bail of R2,000 in the Mitchells Plain Magistrate's Court on Tuesday and warned not to communicate with witnesses.
Stoning Cape road

THREE cars and a bus were stoned on the N2 "hell run" between Cape Town and Somerset West at the weekend, police said yesterday. No one was injured.
s Boesak • Plea to keep constitution talks alive

Massacre sparks massive outrage

Many organisations yesterday expressed outrage at the killing of 11 people in an attack on the St James' Church in Cape Town on Sunday.

Western Cape chairman of the ANC Dr Allan Boesak yesterday visited the survivors and President PW de Klerk and Law and Order Minister Mr Henris Kriel were also scheduled to visit them.

Boesak spoke to patients and prayed with Mr Noel le Clue of Rondebosch East, who had a shrapnel wound in the leg.

"Evil such as this stuns us. It may even threaten to take away the faith of some and bring out cynicism," he said.

He also prayed for people killed in the Transvaal and Natal, and for all parts of the country, where "parents are crying about children and children about parents".

The Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, Desmond Tutu, also visited the church yesterday.

He shook his head sadly, asking: "How could anybody want to do that?"

Tutu called for an effective peacekeeping law enforcement agency, saying most South Africans were tired of violence.

The Conservative Party expressed horror at the cold-blooded killings and called on the government to act harshly against "terrorists".

CP leader Dr Ferdi Hartzenberg said the massacre made it imperative that religious organisations implemented strict security measures.

The Azanian People's Liberation Army, the military wing of the Pan Africanist Congress, said the massacre was "not our sort of operation."

Commenting from Dar es Salaam, an APLA spokesman said the movement was still waiting for information from its forces on the ground.

The SA Council of Churches said: "It is shocking that violence could be taken to a place of worship. It is regrettable that violence has been left to grow to such proportions that attacks are even carried out inside the house of God."
Death toll in massacre rises to 12

CAPE TOWN — The death toll in the St James’ Church massacre in Cape Town rose to 12 last night.

The most recent deaths were Guy Javens (52), of Plumstead, and Valentin Viaraksa (49), an engineer on the Russian fishing vessel Zebr.

Among those killed on Sunday was a matric pupil, Richard O’Kill, whose parents recently emigrated and left him behind to complete his schooling. Others who died were: Richard O’Kill (17), Myrtle Smith (45), Wesley Barker (15), and his brother Gerhard (21), Denise Gordon (30), Marita Ackermann (46), and Russian sailors Oleg Karamzin (55), and Andrey Kayl (30).

Another two of the dead have not been identified.

— Russian sailor Dimitry Makagone (23), who was reported to have died after losing both his legs in the attack, is fighting for his life in Groote Schuur Hospital’s intensive care.

News Reporter

Hero took charge after St James raid

CAPE TOWN — Selfless and heroic, this is how witnesses described 21-year-old Andrew Wheatcroft’s actions after Sunday night’s massacre at St James Church in Kenilworth.

The Constantia youth leader helped at least seven injured people to safety after breaking two pew benches and using them as stretchers.

The first person he helped was 17-year-old Richard O’Kill, who died on the way to hospital. "There was big panic," he said. "A lot of people were running. I jumped over a couple of chairs and yelled at people to get down and stay down."

"I went to this guy. He was hit in the face and was bleeding. We tore off his clothes to try and stop the bleeding."

Then they ripped up a pew and used the cushioned bottom as a stretcher.

By then an ambulance had arrived to take the wounded man, who turned out to be an old friend, to hospital.

Using the same pew, Wheatcroft helped take three more injured people to safety.

With help, he ripped up another pew bench and continued to help the injured to ambulances.

One of them was a young woman who had been hit by shrapnel.

After about an hour, Wheatcroft took time to phone the family of one of the victims.

Then he went to several hospitals to check on victims and friends.

"He had no thought for himself," fellow youth leader Craig Newell said. "He was instantly aware of where all the injured were. Andrew just took control."

— Among the motives that police are investigating in the slaughter is possible discontent in Khayelitsha with a mission programme the congregation runs.

The attack on the church service came three months after an assassination attempt on a British missionary, Chris Tebbot, who was working at a church centre in Khayelitsha’s Site B squatter settlement, and a subsequent death threat against Laura Haas, the head of the centre.

No one was arrested and no motive could be established after a young gunman opened fire on Tebbot, hitting him in the face, chest and leg, in April.

Colonel Leonard Knipe, regional head of the Serious Crimes Unit, last night confirmed police were aware of the earlier incident and said it would be investigated. But police were "looking at all angles", he emphasised.
Slayings ‘bid to derail talks’

The cold-blooded killing of 12 Cape Town churchgoers was a clear attempt to derail negotiations, shocked political and church organisations have said.

Outrage at the killings has poured in from all quarters, and police have offered a reward of R250,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killers.

A number of fresh measures to strengthen the police are under discussion and the public could be assured that the police would have the capacity and the support to continue to maintain order, President F.W. de Klerk said yesterday.

Despite a number of claims, it is still not known who carried out the attack.

Two men purporting to be western Cape commanders of Apia — the PAC’s military wing — claimed responsibility in telephone calls to Sapa. However, another caller claiming to be Apia information officer Johnny Majozi from Tanzania earlier said Apia was not responsible.

In addition, an unknown group called “the People’s Cause” claimed responsibility in Cape Town.

There has also been speculation that the atrocity could be linked to discontent over a mission programme the St James Church runs in Khayelitsha. A missionary survived an assassination attempt three months ago.

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rants have offered a reward of R20,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killers of the family and son who were shot dead in their home last Sunday.

The family, who were said to be a morale booster for the community, were shot dead in a recent incident in the town.

The family included a mother, father, and two children, who were said to be active members of the community.

The reward was offered by one of the community leaders, who said they were tired of the killing and wanted to put a stop to it.

The killer was said to be a member of the community and had been active in the community for some time.

The community leaders said they were not surprised by the killing and had been preparing to offer a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killer.

The killing has caused shock and outrage in the community and has become a rallying point for community members to come together and speak out against violence.
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Five Killers’ Faces now clearer, more clues
Church to hold funeral for six

Staff Reporter

A MASS funeral service for six of the victims of the St James Church massacre will be held tomorrow at 2pm at the church in Third Avenue, Kenilworth, but an appeal has been made that attendance should be limited to relatives and close friends.

Mayor Mr Frank van der Velde has organised a special inter-faith service for peace in the City Hall for 1pm tomorrow to show solidarity with the bereaved. The first service will be led by Archbishop Desmond Tutu and the second by Bishop Frank Retail.

Urging Capetonians not to flock to the St James service, so family and close friends of victims are assured a place, Mr Van der Velde said the City Hall service "is also to show solidarity with people who have suffered in Crossroads and other violent places."

The gathering would move to the Grand Parade afterwards "to join hands in a circle of peace".

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He called on churches to ring bells at 1pm tomorrow and for everyone to observe a moment's silence after the noonday gun is fired.

St James clergy have announced a programme for the bereaved families and the injured who are suffering from post traumatic stress. The programme, co-ordinated by Dr Angelo Graziofi, will be conducted by psychologists of the police debriefing unit.

Dr Graziofi said it was "imperative" that people present at the church attack share their experiences and emotions in a small group.

"The ravages of post traumatic stress syndrome are avoided or greatly reduced when debriefing occurs within one, to seven days of the violence," he said. Bereaved family members and those who experienced the attack should telephone 61-1212.

Another Russian seaman injured in the attack, Mr Ferrel Veltev, died in the intensive care unit at Groote Schuur yesterday morning. This brings the total death toll to 11. The condition of the 20 patients still in hospital is stable, hospital staff said.

The four Russian seamen who died in the attack will be buried in Russia.
Russians condemn terrorism in SA

RUSSIA: France and the US joined in condemning the St James Church massacre yesterday.

The Russian Federation said yesterday that terrorism could never solve the difficult socio-political problems facing South Africa and could only undermine the entire negotiation process.

A statement released by the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs condemned the "senseless terrorist act" which claimed the lives of four Russian sailors and left 13 injured.

The four sailors who died are Mr O V Karamzin, Mr A V Kayl, Mr S V Varaksa and Mr P Valuev.

France said the attack, "made all the more atrocious by the fact that it was aimed at people gathered in prayer", appeared designed to scuttle constitutional reform.

The United States government said it deplored the Kemilworth church atrocity in the "strongest possible terms" and has called on the police to "aggressively" investigate acts of violence.
No race bias in police reward

A REPORT in yesterday’s Cape Times quoting the Commissioner of Police, General Johan van der Merwe, on the R280 000 reward offered for information leading to the arrest of the St James’s church killers, was interpreted by some readers to mean that a higher value was being placed on the lives of white people than on those of blacks.

This was due to ambiguous phrasing in the report, as was evident from the context of the article which also quoted General Van der Merwe’s statement that a similar amount was offered for information after the Sebokeng massacre.
Nongwe ‘met officials in Ciskei’ — claim

SQUATTER leader Mr. Jeffrey Nongwe, accompanied by two Western Cape United Squatter Association (Wecusa) officials, held urgent talks with the Ciskei military council in Ciskei at the weekend, having flown there at their own expense, the Gold- stone Commission was told yesterday.

This, was evidence, put to the commission yesterday by Wecusa's housing director Mr. Conrad Sandle, who said the meeting concerned squatter issues and the granting of dual citizenship to Ciskei who had acquired sites in Crossroads.

Mr. Sandle, dubbed the commission’s ‘foreign man’, because of his refusal to divulge the smallest personal detail, said he was approached last Wednesday by the Ciskei military council in Cape Town requesting urgent talks with the Wecusa leadership.

He said Wecusa was viewed as a formidable presence in the Western Cape and the meeting had been attended by several Ciskei ministers.

He denied Wecusa had received anything in exchange for agreeing to provide the military council with the names of Ciskei. Wecusa, he said, had helped obtain dual citizenship.

Wecusa was about to develop a national structure and had hoped the meeting would bring it some way towards adding Eastern Cape squatters to its numbers.

However, no such sanction had been obtained because the council seemed to believe Wecusa was the personification of the ANC, he said.

Mr. Sandle denied suggestions that the council had offered any military assistance to Wecusa in the Crossroads violence.
Police have made a huge appeal for anyone who witnessed the incident to come forward.

"We are appealing to anyone who was in the area at the time of the incident to come forward and assist us with our investigation," the police said.

"We believe there may be witnesses who can help us piece together what happened.

"If you have any information, please contact us immediately."

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**Text from another page:**

"Peace is possible. We must work together to achieve it."

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**Text from another page:**

"We must build a world where peace is not just a dream, but a reality."

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**Text from another page:**

"Let us choose peace over violence, love over hate, and understanding over division."
search for South Africa's constitutional settlement," Mr. Dr. Klerk said.

Speakers at the City Hall service will include the Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev Desmond Tutu, Sheikh Gabier, and the Dean of Cape Town, the Very Rev Colin Jones.

After the service, there will be a gathering on the Grand Parade where people will link hands in a "circle of peace.

White ribbons will be available at the City Hall.

Calling for people to wear the peace ribbon, the DP's Western Cape chairman, Mr Jasper Walsh, said: "By wearing a white ribbon, let us show our commitment to peace and reconciliation now.

"Something positive may flow from the horror and the revulsion of this crime. We as South Africans must unite in our efforts to stop the senseless violence and work for peace under a new, democratic constitution."

Meanwhile, Mr. Noel Wright, spokesman for St. James Church, has said the combined funeral at the church at 2pm today for Mr. Richard O'Keeffe, Mr. Guy Javena, Mrs. Martina Ackermann and Mrs. Myrtle Smith was intended for the families and friends of the victims.

The families of other victims will hold separate funerals.

Of the 54 injured in the attack, 17 are still in hospital.

Mr. Martin Badley, in Groote Schuur's intensive care unit, has not regained consciousness after suffering severe head injuries. His condition is stable.

Russian survivor Mr. Dimitry Makagon, who lost both legs in the attack, is stable, but still on a ventilator in Groote Schuur's intensive care unit.

The others are either stable or satisfactory.
Hong Kong

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By Mark Ganong

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Here are some interesting facts about Hong Kong:

- Hong Kong has one of the most advanced transportation systems in the world.
- It is a multicultural city with a diverse population.
- The city is known for its shopping and nightlife.
- Hong Kong is a popular destination for business and tourism.

By Mark Ganong
Massacre getaway car is identified

Sowetan Correspondent

Police yesterday made important progress in their St James' Church massacre investigations. They have identified the killers' getaway car as a light yellow 1974 Datsun 260C.

It was stolen from its owner in Guguletu in Cape Town less than an hour before the attack on the 1 300-strong congregation at the Sunday evening service at St James' Church in Kenilworth which left 11 worshippers dead and more than 50 wounded.

The investigating team yesterday mobilised 300 policemen to search for the car.

Police spokesman Captain John Slemringe said the vehicle had a white vinyl roof and rust marks on both left-hand doors and above the left rear wheel arch.

Four men attacked the owner at 6:40pm on Sunday and sped away with his car.

Earlier, witnesses told police they saw the killer's flie in a Mercedes-Benz.

On Tuesday night police staked out a truck stop in Epping after a tip-off from a long-distance truck driver that three men had asked him for a lift to Port Elizabeth, saying they were in big trouble and had to get out of Cape Town.

Identikit

A police spokesman said the driver told police the men, who appeared to be armed, looked like the Identikit sketches which had appeared in newspapers.

They approached him at the truck stop about 10.30pm on Tuesday night, saying they were desperate to leave Cape Town and would return at midnight for a lift.

Police staked out the truck stop but they did not return.

The police spokesman said it appeared now that the driver of the getaway car may have been a coloured man.

Previous reports described the attackers variously as black and black and coloured and some witnesses said they included a white man.

He said the gang were black men and the driver was "possibly coloured".

Witnesses might have mistaken a member of the congregation, who chased the attackers firing shots, as one of the gang.

He was a "white man with a moustache", the spokesman said.

According to witnesses, two of the attackers had strong Caucasian features with light skins and might look like coloured men.
‘Mystery man’ fears for his life

Goldstone told of plotting, intrigue

A highly-educated “mystery man” who refuses to disclose details of his background has told the Goldstone Committee probing violence in Crossroads a compelling story of assassination, theft and covert planning. Staff Reporter HENRI du PLESSIS reports:

“VERY important”, powerful people have told Western Cape United Squatters Association executive member Mr Conrad Sandile to persuade squatter leaders to co-operate with them.

On his second full day on the witness stand, Mr Sandile, described as a “mystery man” by committee chairman Mr Niel Bosow, said he was in constant fear for his life after several assassination attempts and the approaches by the people whom he refused to name.

A slyly drunk man who takes a portable telephone to the committee session in the old Senate building on the campus of the University of the Western Cape. Mr Sandile described how he and other WCUA leaders preferred to drive fast rented cars which they changed frequently to escape being identified and attacked — or having their own cars torched.

It was also Mr Sandile’s turn to express his surprise at a committee revelation that former squatter leader Prince Qhinga, now in Transkei jail for plotting the overthrow of General Bantu Holomou, had admitted to being a South African Military Intelligence recruit.

Qhinga was the founder of the first squatter organisation, the Western Cape Squatters Association, a forerunner of WCUSA. At the time of the founding he was already a military intelligence recruit.

Mr Sandile strongly denied he had had training with the SADF or contact with military intelligence, when asked by African National Congress counsel Mr John de Lange.

Mr Sandile declined to divulge details about his past, except to say he grew up in Paarl before going to a mission school in Bushmanland where he learnt to speak Afrikaans fluently.

He claimed he had no links with any political organisation and said he joined the squatter movement because he had seen the repression of squatters at the hands of the apartheid regime.

“I came here to volunteer to give evidence. I can’t let myself be led to the slaughterhouse. I cannot be a sacrificial lamb just to be here,” he said when asked how details of his past could have anything to do with his safety.

He said there had been a number of attempts on his life, one of which was “serious”.

“We hire cars because if we bought our own, they would be identified by assassins or ratslugs,” he said.

“We have begun to rent faster cars. We move around a lot and we do not live at fixed addresses.”

As for his sources of income, Mr Sandile said he earned a salary from WCUSA as the organisation’s director of development and housing.

He also acted as a consultant for private developers such as Fower Construction, Clifford Harris and EU Civils and worked freelance for consulting firms.

His specialities included conflict management, facilitation and liaison with community organisations.

But his involvement did not guarantee contracts for private companies, as the lowest tenders were always the ones accepted.

Asked whether there were any kickbacks, or benefits, he said transport and access to international financial support for WCUSA were all he sought.

Mr Sandile was often accused of evading questions with long-winded statements which did not give the answers sought.

He often ducked questions before answers were finally drawn from him.

Mr Sandile continued to claim he was neither an intelligent nor a formal leader in WCUSA, but simply an employee who could not answer for decisions by WCUSA’s leadership.

Asked by committee member Mr A Albertus whether he would tell the committee if he knew of any WCUSA members who killed members of the South African National Civic Organisation of the Western Cape, he said: “Of course, I would have to. I am a human being.”

Squatter leader says he’s prepared to quit

Staff Reporter

SQUATTER leader Jeffrey Nkogwe has told the Goldstone Committee he is prepared to go if the people of Crossroads demand it.

Mr Nkogwe, called back to the witness stand yesterday, said he would organise a meeting of Crossroads residents on September 20 to determine his popularity as their leader.

If they rejected him, he would go, he said.

Asked by the committee investigating violence in the settlement what he had to do to stop the strife, Mr Nkogwe likened it to a tap with water running from it.

It would be of no value trying to dry up the water on the floor if the tap was not closed, he said. The violence had to be stopped at source.

Mr Nkogwe said he was elected as chairman of the whole of Crossroads, leader even of those who had broken away from his headman’s council and the Western Cape United Squatters Association.

A committee member, Mr F Bam, asked whether he wanted to keep Crossroads exclusively for himself and his followers or if the township could be open to all-comers.

“Sure, everybody in the Western Cape can come to enjoy the fruit of the struggle of the Crossroads people, provided they have a positive contribution to make there,” he said.

The committee would conclude its business tomorrow, in time for the start of the next Supreme Court session, said the chairman, Mr Niel Bosow.
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Leaders call for an end to violence

WESTERN CAPE leaders reacted yesterday to the St James Church killings by calling for peace.

Dr Allan Boesak, ANC Western Cape chairman
Every attack is carefully planned to kill people. It is also an attempt to kill our hopes for a free, proud nation. Let them not succeed. South Africa, all of its people, are destined for better things. Let us work for peace — let us do it now.

Mr Frank van der Velde, Mayor of Cape Town
If we allow peace to elude us — if we don't reach out and grab it — we will be sending a message to those responsible for the Boipatong massacre, for the killing and burning of homes in Crossroads and Khayelitsha, for the atrocity in St James Church — that they have succeeded.

Mr Colin McCarthy, executive director, Cape Chamber of Industries
Industry and trade unions talk out their problems and reach acceptable solutions without physical violence. South Africa as a whole must follow a similar path, otherwise the bright future which is there for all our citizens will never be attained by us.

Dr Mamphela Ramphele, acting vice-chancellor, University of Cape Town
We are appalled by the ongoing violence on the Rand and in Natal and by the savage attack on worshippers in a local church last Sunday.

Bishop James Gribble, Bishop of the Methodist Church, Cape district
The Methodist Church of SA is deeply committed to the peaceful resolution of the problems of South Africa. It continues to urge its members to pause at noon every day to pray for peace in our land.

Mr Robin Carlisle, Democratic Party MP for Wynberg
Let us pledge anew our determination to stand together against the evil forces of violence and racism.

Bishop Frank Retief, Area Bishop of the Church of England in SA
We identify with all who stand firm in opposing senseless violence and in calling for peace in our bruised and battered nation, and reaffirm our faith in the healing and restoring power of Jesus Christ.

Dr Dawie de Villiers, Cape leader of the National Party
All responsible citizens must rededicate themselves with even greater vigour and intensity to work with the appropriate authorities to promote peace and reconciliation in our land.

Sheik A G Gabier, vice-president of the Muslim Judicial Council
We ask that our hearts be strengthened to increase our commitment to the attainment of justice, equality, democracy and peace in our beloved land.

The Most Rev Desmond Tutu, Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town
The shock has united the whole community in revulsion against the perpetrators of such evil. We can and will stop the killings.
Nongwe to test own popularity

Staff Reporter

CROSSROADS leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe, accused of autocratic leadership before the Goldstone Commission yesterday, said he would put his popularity to the test by asking for a vote of confidence at a public meeting on September 20.

If he found he no longer enjoyed popular support he would step down as the leader of Crossroads in September, the month in which he succeeded headman: Mr Johnson Nyxobongwana in 1990.

Nongwe, 66, and his Western Cape United Squatters’ Association (Wecusa) supporters have been named as principals in the Crossroads violence in the evidence of the SAP, the Cape Provincial Administration, the Network of Independent Monitors and Crossroads residents.

Under cross-examination yesterday, Mr Nongwe agreed the violence was fomented intentionally to serve a power struggle between Wecusa and the SA National Civics Organisation (Sanco). He said Sanco had engineered the violence “because they entered our territory.”

Asked if the traditional headman system was prepared to adapt to “new forces”, Mr Nongwe said it would be a “great mistake” to hold on to a system rejected by the people, but he would not live in an area where discipline had broken down. He refused to tell the commission how he had acquired an almost new 4X4 vehicle although he is unemployed.

The inquiry continues today.
Crossroads army guard towers moved

The army base in Crossroads yesterday moved its guard towers from within the squatter camp to the borders between warring sections.

Spokesman for the local peace committee, Mr. Malibongwe Sopangiso, said the army had moved the towers from within Section Four, Unathi and Boys Town to the borders between these sections.

Residents of Unathi and Boys Town had repeatedly claimed that they were being attacked by Mr. Jeffrey Nongwe's supporters in Section Four despite Commander of township bases, Commander Berndt Muller, having promised the residents on July 14 that the towers would be moved and yesterday he met local leaders to confirm this had been done.

Mr. Sopangiso said no agreement was reached on patrols of troops in the squatter camp after people had made several allegations that the army did nothing during attacks.
Police will get the killers — Knipe

The St. John's Church will be one of the first to put up a public relations campaign to help solve the murder of a prominent artist. The church has already decided to spend $5,000 to publicize the case, and it will be used in the same way as the $10,000 offered by a wealthy citizen.

The artist, who was found dead in his apartment, was known to have a number of enemies, including a former business associate and a former lover. Police are now looking into the possibility that the murder was committed by one of these persons.

The church has also decided to offer a reward of $1,000 for information leading to the arrest of the killer. The reward will be given to the first person who provides information that leads to an arrest.

The church hopes that this action will help the police in their investigation and that the killer will be caught soon.
Church massacre breakthrough as city prays for peace

Killers' car is found

CAPE TOWN — Memorial services for the victims of Sunday's city massacre were being held yesterday at Cape Town Cathedral as police continued their intensive investigation after an important breakthrough yesterday.

Detectives yesterday found the car used by the killers. They confirmed it was found near the site of the massacre. There was a bullet hole in the boot.

After establishing that a 1984 Datsun 280Z was in Guguletu just before the shooting, they recovered the car on a scrap heap in Ottomane.

The car's owner was attacked by four men who sped off with it — leaving it on the scrap heap before the attack on the St James's Church congregation which left 107 people more than 10 injured.

Three of the congregants, wearing white ribbons for peace, will appear in Cape Town City Hall later today to give evidence.

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Mayor Frank van der Velder, who will speak at the service, said yesterday that there had been a "massive emotional response".

Although the service will be a gathering on the Green, where people will link hands in a "circle of peace", a large police contingent will be needed to keep order.

At the service, the police will be investigating the mobilization of 200 members of the local community for the car. Yesterday afternoon, a forensics team was searching the boot for fingerprints and other clues.

A police spokesperson said that the drivers had been identified and that the area around the Church was being searched for clues.

They approached him at the church at about 11:30 am on Monday and told him they would return to investigate. Unfortunately, the police had already left.

Police said that the boot was being searched for fingerprints and other evidence. They also said that the car had been moved to a different location.

By Arthur Montiwa

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Gunmen kill woman

A black woman waiting for a bus on a street corner was shot dead by three white men in a white pick-up truck in the lawless inner city yesterday.

The woman was gunned down as she waited for the bus at about 3 pm.

One of the men fired three shots at the woman, killing her.

The truck then sped off, police said.

Police are offering a R30,000 reward for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killers.

Illustration: Lieutenant-Colonel Dave Bruce said the pick-up truck carrying the gunman pulled up near the woman and fired shots at her.

"We are appealing to anyone who saw the incident or heard any shots to come forward," said Bruce.

The woman's body was found on the street, surrounded by shell casings.

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Medics at church massacre

Relive horridious night

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[Diagram and text indicating medical personnel in action]
People ‘flogged to extract levies’

Staff Reporter

CROSSROADS leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe, allegedly aided by police, unleashed a spate of attacks on women and youth movements who campaigned to end the extortionism, abductions and floggings that were part of his headman system of rule, the Goldstone Commission heard yesterday.

It was common for petty offenders to be chained to a pole outside Mr Nongwe’s compound and flogged until their families produced outstanding levies or paid fines of up to R400 for their release, ANC organiser Mr Depoutch Elies, 29, told the commission.

When unmarried girls had fallen pregnant, headmen had fined those deemed responsible R1 600, of which R1 000 had been given to the girl’s family and R600 retained by the headman.

It was not known how the headmen spent these funds.

On Wednesday Mr Nongwe, overseer of the Crossroads headman system, refused to tell the commission how he had acquired an almost new, 4x4 vehicle.

Mr Elies gave a detailed account of attacks on residents, allegedly by Mr Nongwe’s supporters, whom he claimed had on occasion been transported to the scene in Casspirs.

Last week Crossroads station commander Lieutenant-Detzer Grobler admitted that his special constables had to take the side of the faction ruling the area in which they lived in order to stay alive.

Earlier Mr Nongwe said the SAP were impartial and he was “happy” with the measures they had taken to end the violence.

Commission chairman Mr Niel Rossouw pointed out that he was the only witness to have taken this view.

The inquiry ends today.
Demand for ribbons aids victims

YESTERDAY'S call for peace in the Cape Times sounded a powerful note among our readers. The newspaper was sold out in many areas and many people could not buy a copy. We apologise for those who were unable to obtain it. As a result of the initiative, and because of the ready response to it, we are able to contribute R16 600 to the victims of violence in Cape Town and around the country.

The white ribbons for peace, distributed free with yesterday's edition, were worn by thousands of readers throughout the city. Time constraints prevented us from sending out more than 60 000 of the ribbons, hand-inserted with safety pins in BP envelopes. A small number of newspapers went out without ribbons, and for this we also apologise.

The ribbons were evident in the streets, offices and at the peace service in the City Hall. Many people called to ask for spares. The last of the ribbons was taken by Mr. Paddy Prendergast, director of the Metropole Hotel, to be cut into 80 strips for members of the Travel Bags Club (for women in the travel industry), who met yesterday.

A team of 60 people — volunteers and staffers — worked until 1pm on Wednesday night to insert pins and ribbons in envelopes. They cut up 6km of ribbons and pasted down 60 000 envelopes.

Donations

Radio Good Hope joined the initiative and told listeners on programmes on Wednesday night and yesterday morning to wear their peace ribbons. The disc jockeys played music for the volunteer cutters, packers and getters of the ribbons.

The handsome sum for the victims of violence came from the three-page call for peace published in yesterday's newspaper, supported by 183 major companies. As a result of their sponsorship and because the Cape Times does not view the call as a profit-making exercise, R5 000 will be given to the St James Church massacre relief fund and the other half to a fund or funds for other victims of violence around the country.

The success of the call, coupled by severe pressure of time, caused the names of four companies who joined the sponsorship — Old Mutual, Santam, Southern Life and Five Star Cruises — to be omitted.

Many other companies have made it clear that they would have joined in the peace call had time permitted us to reach them all.

The exercise has been an unequivocal statement for peace, from all of Cape Town.
Thousands rally for remembrance

By MELANIE GOSLING and GUY OLIVER

ABOUT 6 000 people gathered at two venues yesterday to remember the victims of the St James Church massacre.

More than 2 000 people packed St James Church, Kenilworth, at the combined funeral of four of the 11 people who were killed in Sunday's church massacre.

Hundreds of mourners who could not fit into the 1 000-seat main church filled an adjoining hall.

Another 4 000 people arrived for a rally at the City Hall.

At the church, the coffin of Mrs Marita Ackermann, 46, Richard O'Keeffe, 17, Mr Guy Javons, 52, and Myrtle Smith, 43, were arranged in a semi-circle.

Bishop Frank Retief, who led the service, said he did not consider the church massacre any worse than the widespread killings in the townships, but people being killed while at worship was a demonstration of human depravity and sinfulness.

"An invisible line has been crossed in the downward spiral of human wickedness," he said.

He called on the people to change their ways before it was too late.

"Tributes to the killers, written by their families, were read out by clergermen," he said.

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BY ANTHONY JOHNSON

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Mr Kriel said his office and the police were investigating if there was any connection between the 20,000 police officers deployed in the province and the recent violence.

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VIOLENCE

How much more?

If politics was indeed the motive for the merciless slaughter of worshippers at St James Church in Cape Town on Sunday, then the incident emphasised the lengths to which opponents of negotiated change are prepared to go to stop the process.

The rifle and grenade attack — 12 people died and more than 50 were wounded — must be seen as a clear warning that the run-up to next April's election is fraught with terrible danger. The indiscriminate killing of innocent churchgoers has increased fears that violence may escalate to such an extent over the next nine months that there will be little chance of holding a free and fair election.

Indeed, some experts observers are increasingly pessimistic that it will be held at all.

The only possible consolation is that the initial shock and outrage, expressed by leaders of the main political parties, will translate into a moderation of rhetoric, a renewed commitment to peaceful change and a greater willingness to compromise.

When the FM went to press, police still had no firm idea of who was responsible — though the National Peace Committee reported that information received from members of the public may be valuable in tracking down the killers. Speculation on the identity of the terrorists ranged from maverick elements in the PAC's armed wing, Apla, to warlords from Cape Town's shanty towns who may be opposed to missionary work being done by the Church of England among squatter communities.

The speed and efficiency with which the attack was carried out and the clean getaway suggest that the killers were well-organised and had undergone military training. The motive was not immediately apparent though a attempt to wreck the negotiation process by causing nationwide outrage and polarising black and white communities seemed possible.

After visiting the church on Monday Law & Order Minister Hernus Kriel said 50 top local detectives, supported by two foreign experts, were on the case. A reward of R250,000 has been offered for information that will help catch the killers.

Police are investigating links between the Kenilworth killings and attacks last year and earlier this year on a restaurant, a golf clubhouse and an hotel bar in the eastern Cape for which Apla claimed responsibility.

A caller to Sapa's Cape Town office on Monday identified himself only as a western Cape Apla commander and said the organisation carried out the attack. But in a call from Dar es Salaam, Apla spokesman Johnny Majzozi later denied involvement. Majzozi told Sapa that he could not understand why there was such a fuss over white people being killed in this way; many blacks were dying under similar circumstances in townships.

A caller claiming to speak for a group called The People's Cause also later claimed credit for the killings. The SAP say they have never heard of the group.

SAP ballistics experts confirmed this week that the weapons used in the attack were SA-made R-4 or R-5 rifles, and that the two grenades thrown into the congregation were also SA-made. However, theft of arms and ammunition from SAP and SAPDF personnel ambushed or killed in the townships in recent months means that no particular significance can be placed on this information.

After visiting survivors of the attack in hospital this week, President F W de Klerk indicated that ways to end countrywide violence may have to be given higher priority than constitutional negotiations. He said the signatories of the National Peace Accord must get together and investigate ways to end the violence once and for all.

Stellenbosch University political commentator Prof Willie Esterhuyse says the attack shows that talks on the social contract between the State and its citizens are "in tatters." The collapse of the contract means citizens can no longer depend on the State to protect them and will be forced to protect themselves.

He said extremists at either end of the political spectrum will use the attack to strengthen calls for an end to the negotiation process. The only way to restore the social contract was to establish a representative government with a high degree of legitimacy.

Speaking at a public meeting attended by an estimated 2,000 people in Parow the day after the killings, Afrikaner Volksfront leader Gen Constand Viljoen blamed the ANC and SAP for the attack and repeated his call to Afrikaners to arm themselves for protection. He said Sunday's incident was "just the beginning" of a process which would see many more such attacks.

NEGOTIATIONS

A time for good tactics

"Extending a hand of friendship and accommodation" to Inkatha, KwaZulu and the Conservative Party to rejoin the talks, the other 23 parties present in the negotiating council on Monday resolved to delay debate on the first draft of the interim constitution and the issues of confidentiality and sufficient consensus, until (last) Wednesday. A week's grace was considered too much.

"The absence of the IFP and the CP is of great concern to us," says ANC secretary-general Cyril Ramaphosa, adding that the resolution "walks that extra mile" in an attempt to get them back to where their concerns could be properly addressed. The NP's Dawie de Villiers urged the two parties to stop making threats of violence and to put the interests of the country first.

Signs of their return were hard to detect as the FM went to press. On the contrary, Inkatha suggested that it would bring Supreme Court action against the council over the controversial issue of decision-making by sufficient consensus, which how the April 27 election date was decided at the Negotiating Forum on July 2 (Current Affairs July 23).

Behind-the-scenes attempts are being made by government and the ANC to prevail on the boycotting parties to get back to negotiations.

The CP might just return for the debate on federalism, but its initial reaction to the draft blueprint was utterly negative and it ruled out any chance of rejoicing the talks. The idea of an alternative negotiating forum has been mooted by the CP and IFP.

Other parties in the Inkatha-led Coag alliance — Bophuthatswana, Ciskei and the Afrikaner Volksunie have stayed on board so far.

A rumour at the talks suggested that Afrikaner Volksfront co-ordinator Gen Constand
The awful and indiscriminate slaughter this weekend of innocent people on the Reef and in a Cape Town church will persuade many shocked and Bereaved South Africans that what State President F W de Klerk has described as this country’s quiet revolution was in fact a fanciful illusion. Under our extreme circumstances, who can blame them?

Certainly, over the past three years of the abolition of apartheid, and as political negotiators increasingly found common ground, the death toll has ironically shot up to number in thousands. It has become difficult to distinguish between political killings and pure thuggery.

Yet this is not carnage. The country is less safe for ordinary people of peace and goodwill — but it has not descended into the killing fields of Serbia. Most of the country for most of the time is reasonably safe.

Slaughter in a church has great symbolism. It was certainly intended by the slick and cruel murderers to provoke outrage. They were impervious to mercy — and when they are caught, public opinion will demand reciprocity. But orthodox Christians are no strangers to death in places of worship. The Arabs, the Nazis and indeed two British knights in the most celebrated clerical murder at Canterbury were all perpetrators of this singular outrage. Mostly, justification was sought through fanaticism.

And indeed that is the great danger facing this country

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now. There will undoubtedly be further murders of innocent people. Kenilworth is already being used by the rightwing fanatics to justify a call to arms. What curious logic can be used to assume that those in church could have been saved, had they been armed?

The centre simply has to hold. If it does not, no matter what is negotiated at the World Trade Centre or how much goodwill there is among most people, there will be a terrible and savage civil war. We have the fanatics in this country and they unfortunately have the arms.

Since 1986, when the liberation movements and some clergymen realised that revolution might succeed, they have provoked rising levels of violence. Whether this was a justifiable response depends on one’s view of the Old Testament and the odds against one. But what is incontrovertible is that levels of violence cannot be controlled and, as we are seeing now, escalation is a permanent danger.

Those advocates of violence — and we include among them those who by advocating financial sanctions have impoverished the unfortunate victims of apartheid — have a great deal for which they must answer. If they cannot control the fury they have unleashed, they can at least pray for peace and support, instead of criticise the National Peace Accord.

If the clergy are being marginalised in the accord, as the SA Council of Church’s Frank Chikane claims, it is probably to good purpose. Experience here has shown that clergymen are not uniformly men of peace. Neither Chikane nor Archbishop Desmond Tutu are easily dislodged from headlines if that is where they want to be.

The accord has an association with government. But it is a business initiative, it is run by businessmen and paid for by business. And thank God for that. Left to those in the townships, as Chikane would have it, or to the clergy, it would have been a sterile initiative, or another instrument of fanaticism. It is all we have now between war and peace.

Peace is not going to come easily to this country. It is going to require efforts far beyond anything sustained so far. Just as over the past 40 years apartheid was vilified Sunday after Sunday from the pulpits of so many churches, so now must the peace initiative be fostered.

What will bring peace is a change in the minds of ordinary people, not just a change in control of the security forces.
Mandela in the Far East
ANC president Mr Nelson Mandela left South Africa yesterday on a visit to Taiwan and Malaysia. He will be in Taipei from today until Sunday and then travel to Kuala Lumpur on Monday, where he will be until Wednesday. He returns on Thursday.

Cops attacked in the Cape
TWO traffic officers were shot and wounded in Khayelitsha, Cape Town, yesterday while issuing a ticket to a taxi driver. Police said the officers were approached by a man near the Tembani Centre. The man allegedly fired several shots, hitting traffic officers Francisco Malambo and Joseph Damani, both of the Lingelethe West traffic department, in the legs. He escaped after taking a 9mm pistol from one of the officers.
Victims are mourned

The bodies of the victims of the massacre were taken to the city hall and laid out for public viewing. The city was in mourning for the loss of life.

Many members of the congregation sat in the same places they had been when the four gunmen burst into the church and sprayed them with bullets. The doors of the city hall were closed before the service started while more people, wearing white ribbons, tried to get in.

At the service, the mayor, Frank van der Velde, said that whether it was a crude squatter shack or the sanctity of a church that was being desecrated, Capetonians were saying enough was enough. With a democratic constitution in reach, spoilers would not be tolerated.
CHURCH HORROR

10 die in AK-47, grenade attack at city Sunday
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People with limbs blown off, shrapnel wounds operated on.

ANDREA WEISS
Health Reporter

PENINSULA hospitals mobilized extra personnel last night to deal with the injured and dying following the attack on St James Church in Kenilworth.

People with limbs blown off and close-range gunshot and shrapnel wounds were among those being operated on in the area at Victoria and Groote Schuur hospitals last night.

At Victoria Hospital two brothers - 15-year-old Wosley Barker and his little brother, 10-year-old Roger - died soon after admission. A woman relative was comforted by nursing staff as she watched her child's dying.

An ambulance man said he had found one of the boys, who had both legs, an arm and part of his head blown off.

About 20 others were being treated there and eight were admitted to the hospital. Some patients were transferred elsewhere.

Groote Schuur Hospital treated 23 injured - one of them was a 12-year-old girl with a gunshot wound to the head.

One of the men was a Russian. Nine Russians in all were admitted to the hospital.

A girl with shrapnel wounds in her arm and a Russian with a .380 in his hand were among the serious cases.

A Groote Schuur Hospital spokesmen said they had mobilized their full staff to deal with the emergency. Helpers were on hand to ferry messages from relatives to the injured.

A man, waiting at the telephone booth to contact his parents in Johannesburg, said his brother, who was being treated for a shrapnel wound - was desperately anxious about his other brother, who he pulled down with him when the firing started.

He believed he had been shot in the head.

Five people were treated at 2 Military Hospital, Wynberg, of whom were admitted.

Many of the injured were ferried to emergency units by private transport.

I saw three men in a Mercedes, says resident.

Crime Scene

A RESIDENT of a block of flats opposite St James Church said he saw three men arrive in an old green Mercedes Benz about half an hour after the shooting started.

"They parked outside the door and one of the men got out and walked inside," he said.

"It looked like he had a rifle in his hands.

"After a volley of shots the man ran back to the car. In the morning they found the car run into the little side fence briefly and returned to the car. Then there was a loud bang.

"Then the men joined into the Mercedes and sped away," said the man.

Police found a balaklava on the ground in front of the church and are investigating its origin.

Police dog handlers with sniffing dogs checked the corners of the church and parked cars for explosives. Nothing was found.

Sunday school unharmed

Staff Reporter

"Thank God they didn't go for the school," said a resident.

This was the comment of a woman who had been hiding in the main church at the time.

About 20 children were in the building when the man burst in, but in a separate building nearby where they were given Sunday school classes.

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GRENADES TOSSED INTO HYMN TUNS

A bodyguard of police, clad in black — including bloodied belt and tie — was thrown from the front of the church.

A $250,000 reward was posted for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the man who set fire to St. James Church. Killers.

10 dead, 5 hurt after terrorists blaze away at church service.
call up extra staff

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Gunman opens fire on congregation

Good knows what had happened. The man had been shot in the leg. When the police arrived, they found that two other men had been killed.

They're here

The mayor set up a fund for victims.

Further up the road, the shots had been heard.

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TOGETHER WE STAND: Mr Dawie Ackermann is comforted by Father Christopher Clohessy of the Catholic Church while the ANC's Mario Wanza looks on.

And in Manenberg they remembered, too

ROGER FRIEDMAN
Staff Reporter
Picture: OBED ZILWA,
The Argus.

THE brutal attack on St James Church was a "direct and devilish attack on the body of Jesus Christ". And "you cannot mess with God," Father Christopher Clohessy of the Catholic Church told the Manenberg community last night.

He was speaking at an inter-faith peace service in the Church of Reconciliation organised by the Manenberg branch of the African National Congress "to express the township's condolences with the relatives of those murdered at St James".

The service was also addressed by the Call of Islam's Mr Salle Davids, Imam Yurie Achmat of the Sherwood Mosque, resident priest Father Bert Salo, Mr Mario Wanza of the ANC, and Mr Dawie Ackermann whose wife Marita was slain at the church.

Dressed in the same dark suit he wore to his wife's funeral a few hours previously, a weary Mr Ackermann expressed himself early, saying he wished to bid farewell at the airport to relatives who attended the funeral.

But first he told the full church God was giving him the strength to remain calm.

A wreath in memory of his wife had not arrived by the time he left but, he assured the congregation, although the wreath was "really appreciated, much, much more appreciated is your love and concern."

"I hope that through my presence here tonight I will be able to reciprocate your love."

Father Salo opened the service by telling the congregation all violence "must be condemned... whether in Johannesburg or in Crossroads, Mossel Bay or Manenberg".

Mr Wanza said the ANC called for the service because people in our country have committed the worst deed of all. They have entered a church and brutally killed people.

The Manenberg community should ensure such acts of violence did not spread into their area because they had "own forms of violence — gangsterism and family violence — already."

He said the ANC was going from door to door in Manenberg asking residents to sign a "form for peace."

"Let us broaden this peace beyond the railway line (a reference to neighbouring black townships) and to our white brothers and sisters," he said.

Imam Achmat delivered a message of condolence from his congregation to the St James congregation "and especially the families of those who died so tragically."

He called for tolerance and pleaded that the St James "atrocities" not "act as a stumbling block in the way forward to the new, just and democratic South Africa, but as a catalyst".

"Father Clohessy said the massacre was a reminder of "all the men and women of all races in South Africa who have died senselessly for many years."

He said the Catholic Church was shocked and outraged and termed the massacre "an abomination."

The attack had been "a direct and devilish attack on the body of Jesus Christ."

"You cannot mess with God. If you want to tango with Him, he will tango, but he will lead the dance," Father Clohessy said.
Rest in Peace...
Getaway car yields several valuable clues

Staff Reporters

VALUABLE clues have been found in the car used by the St James Church assassins.

The greenish-yellow 1974 Datsun 260C is being searched by forensic experts.

Clues, which are not being divulged, have given police new leads and they hope to make significant progress.

Wire nails have been found among the debris in the church and removed from victims' wounds, leading to the belief that nails were taped to the hand grenades to make them more lethal.

A video recording would have been made of the service on Sunday, but not enough people turned up for the video monitors to be switched on in the chapel and the church hall.

However, detectives have studied tapes of previous services, looking for possible suspects who may have gone to the church to reconnoitre.

African National Congress Western Cape chairman Dr Alan Boesak appealed to ANC members today to help bring the "faceless killers" to justice.

In a full-page newspaper advertisement headlined "Murderers can't kill our hopes for peace and democracy", he pledged that the ANC would do everything possible to ensure the killers were caught.

The assassination left no doubt that a third force was active in South Africa, he said.

"The killing must stop. Multiparty control of security forces is more urgent than ever."

Yesterday, poignant gestures marked the funeral for four of the massacre victims - a white ribbon on the gate of a house opposite the church, Russian sailors with arum lilies at a graveside, a picture of a beloved bulldog on the coffin of a schoolboy.

While on Sunday the atmosphere in the church was one of horror and shock, the funeral was characterised by calm and an overwhelming sense of faith among the mourners.

"Only when the coffins were carried into the weak winter sun did people weep openly.

On 17-year-old Richard O'Krell's coffin was a note from Bonnie Reeves and Lisa McLoon, who shielded him on Sunday. "There is no greater love than this, that a man should lay down his life for his friends.

The girls were pallbearers, paying final tribute to the friend who saved their lives."

IN MOURNING: Sisters Catherine, left, and Amanda O'Krell, second from left, grieve with friends at the funeral of their brother Richard, 17.

R250 000 REWARD

Staff Reporter

MORE than R250 000 in rewards is offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the St James Church killers.

The church has set up a relief fund for victims and their families and contributions may be paid into account number 270 402 420 at the Standard Bank in Kenilworth.

Police have a mobile station in the church hall and people with information may call 61 9900, 61 9990, 61 9490 or 61 9983.

They may also call the Crime Stop tollfree number, 0800 11 12 13.

People who have information but do not want to telephoned the police may call the peace committee at 689-5087 or 94 1072/3/5/6.
Racist killings slammed

Staff Reporter

PLACES of worship must be defended by legitimate means, the Imam of the Gateville Mosque, Sheikh Sadrul-Ah Khan, told about 3000 worshippers in his sermon yesterday. The sermon was in response to the massacre at St James Church.

The recent spate of arbitrary white-on-black attacks in South Africa could not be explained away as revenge killings for the St James Church massacre, the ANC said yesterday.

The ANC said that both types of attack should rather be seen as part of the same trend to prevent the negotiated transition to a democratic and non-racial society in South Africa.

"Those who instigate and orchestrate these killings want to unleash a race war and are the enemies of all South Africans — black and white," the ANC said in a statement.

The organisation said it was deeply concerned about the increasing number of vicious arbitrary racist attacks on black people by whites.

In the most recent attack on the Reef, a black woman and a man were murdered in separate incidents allegedly by white men travelling in a white bakkie.
Massacre hero, brother buried

ONE of the heroes of Sunday night’s Kenilworth church massacre, Gerard Harker, 21, was cremated yesterday together with his younger brother, Wesley, 13, after a service at St James Church.

Hundreds of relatives, friends, and fellow parishioners went as they came to pay their last respects to two of the three sons of the Harker family from Lansdowne.

Brave Gerard selflessly dived on top of one of the grenades, saving the lives of several worshippers but, tragically, could not save the life of his brother. The boys’ distressed older brother, Shaun, 23, was comforted by relatives during yesterday’s service.

A tribute by their parents, Mr Dennis Harker and his wife Dawn, was read out.

“We feel lost for words as no words could do justice to them,” the tribute read.

“Our boys were selfless and brought joy and happiness not only to this family, but to everyone.”

● The funeral of another of the victims, Mrs Denise Gordon, was also held at the church yesterday. Paying tribute, her aunt Mrs Janice Oukamp said Mrs Gordon was an “inspiration to all who knew her”.

SURVIVOR ... Dr Paul Anderson nurses his wounds sustained in Sunday’s St James attack.

Picture: ANNE LAING
Victims fund swells to almost R200 000

Staff Reporter

Close to R200 000 has poured into a fund for victims of the St James Church massacre.

The Rev Brian Cameron, of St James Church, said a board of trustees had been established to allocate public donations, which by lunchtime yesterday had reached R170 000, with another R20 000 pledged. This would be amalgamated with the Mayor's fund, which has collected R4 200 so far, he said.

Assistance was being given in other forms, such as free burials and counselling for the survivors by the Police's Trauma Unit, Mr Cameron said.

The relief fund was envisaged to help pay for medical costs and other needs of survivors, he said.

A Groote Schuur spokesman said 10 casualties treated had "amassed" a medical bill of R69 815 so far, with the four Russians, one of whom died, contributing R37 967 to the account.

Spokesman for the State President's office Mr Richard Carter said he knew of no recourse for victims of violence to government assistance, apart from the use of state institutions.

A Foreign Affairs spokesman said the payment of bills by foreigners injured was "under discussion".

A Victoria Hospital spokesman said those not covered by medical aid, would pay a "minimum amount".

Constantiaberg Medi-Clinic manager Dr Deon Molder said most people were covered by medical aid. Others would be considered individually.
Cops ‘failed to make arrests’

Staff Reporter

THE SAP had underestimated the level of Crossroads violence by at least 60%, failed to institute timely special measures, and after four months still had not made a single related arrest, the Goldstone Commission heard yesterday.

This was submitted by the Trauma Centre’s Mr Thomas Winslow who said he found it “inconceivable” that it had taken 48 murders and a devastated community before the SAP were prepared to start a special investigation.

The Trauma Centre is a non-aligned relief service operated by volunteers.

He said the violence, which claimed over 800 victims between March and June, was “rational and organized” but the SAP and the Cape Provincial Administration (CPA) had reacted as if it were normal for Crossroads.

Mr Winslow criticised the CPA for only agreeing to stop removals on May 16 while the centre’s statistics show the violent displacement of people occurred most intensely during March and April.

He said the violence appeared to be aimed at clearing Section 2 and 3 for upgrading and had ended abruptly when the sections were completely devastated.

Earlier Crossroads leader Mr Jeffrey Nongwe agreed that an underlying cause of the violence was the disagreement between groups who either favoured or opposed the removals.

Mr Winslow accused the SAP of compiling “grossly inadequate” data and alleged that one of the reasons they had failed to stop the violence was because they “lacked accurate police reports, reliable police monitoring and their own internal analysis of the conflict as it intensified”.

On a night in April, 35 shacks had burnt down, but the SAP recorded only 10 acts of arson for the whole month, and on another occasion they had even failed to record the murder of a Crossroads constable, he claimed.

Committee chairman Mr Niel Roseouw asked Mr Winslow whether he would like to qualify these criticisms in the light of the centre’s own imperfect data gathering techniques and the more pressing needs facing policemen than data collection.

Mr Winslow declined, saying: “Out of 147 cases submitted to you by the SAP, they admit not one arrest. It doesn’t take sophisticated data-gathering to tell that they did not know what was going on.”
Church killings: Suspect detained

By ANDRE KOOPMAN

POLICE have detained a Guguletu man in connection with the St James Church massacre in Kenilworth on Sunday night. He is being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Police spokesman Captain John Sterrenberg confirmed last night that police had swooped on the man on Thursday at his Guguletu home.

Asked if the arrest represented a major breakthrough, he said police were "encouraged" and that the suspect was being questioned.

Asked if the man had any political links, Capt Sterrenberg said police were not interested in the affiliations of the attackers.

Eleven people died and more than 50 were injured in the attack. The attackers threw grenades into the church and sprayed worshippers with automatic rifle fire.

Capt Sterrenberg declined to give more details of the man or to say how he was arrested. He said detailed information might jeopardise the investigation.

He confirmed that under Section 29 the suspect might be detained for 10 days without access to lawyers. Once the 10 days have expired, he must be brought before a magistrate who may detention a further 10 days of detention.

Police have established that nails were placed in or around one or both of the grenades to increase injuries.

Capt Sterrenberg said forensic specialists had "established beyond doubt" that small nails had been taped to one or both of the grenades. Evidence to this effect was backed up by a top pathologist who confirmed yesterday that three panel pins were retrieved from the bodies of two of the victims during post-mortem examinations.

However, the pathologist, who preferred not to be named, said this did not necessarily confirm the suspicion that nails were taped to the grenades.

One of the survivors of the massacre, Mr Noel Le Clue, had a 2.5cm nail removed from the back of his thigh during surgery.

"This nail was about an inch long with the head cut off. It was an old and rusty nail," Mr Le Clue said.

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DOES IT MATTER what colour the people are who killed my wife? I don't think it has any bearing on the matter.

These heartfelt words come from Mr Lorenzo Smith of Crawford, whose wife died in the Kenilworth massacre.

What he says goes to the heart of the issue — and gives hope for South Africa.

SOUTH will spare its readers melodramatic reconstructions of the tragedy.

Unlike one local paper, we will not milk the event with articles about "Wolraad Woltemade heroes" and "South Africa's Billy Graham".

For us, the real issue is: who killed the Kenilworth churchgoers? And why?

The colour of the professional hitmen is, as Mr Smith says, irrelevant.

But the colour of their bosses is not.

And the colour of the targets gives a clue as to who planned and ordered the massacre.

The church is not exclusively white, but the attack was unequivocally aimed at whites — especially liberal, English-speaking whites.

Until there is evidence to the contrary, we believe that whites, lurking in the shadows somewhere, picked this target very precisely.

The aim was to provoke whites into a panic-stricken rush towards the armed and racist right.

Sacrificing a group of innocents — the majority of whom were white — was worth it, in the sick interests of the greater cause of white supremacy.

After all, in the past, conscripting white youth to die in Angola, in Namibia and in South Africa itself amounted to the same thing.

The Kenilworth criminals and their cohorts elsewhere in South Africa have wreaked far greater nationwide havoc on blacks than on whites.

By triggering terrifying divisions in the townships, they have delayed the drive to democracy and peace.

And yet, despite the human cost there, they have still failed to stop political progress as a whole.

Is it because dividing blacks has not achieved the racists' goals, that today they are putting energy into stampeding whites towards counter-revolution?

Is this the logic of white-on-white violence, presented to the public as a black-on-white attack?

White South Africans should not fall for such tactics.

They owe it to their compatriots to ensure that a Third Force strategy will fail in the white community as surely as it has in the black.

Mr Smith told SOUTH: "This country is in a bad situation already. There is hatred from way back in our past we must eradicate."

We hope South Africa's whites hear that.
CAPE TOWN — An alleged member of the Pan Africanist Congress has been arrested for questioning in connection with the St James church massacre in Kenilworth and is being held under section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

The arrest was confirmed last night by police spokesman Captain John Sterrenberg, who said the man was being questioned in connection with the massacre.

Eleven people were killed and 53 injured in the massacre on Sunday, and this week several memorial and funeral services were held for the victims.

Thousands of people wore white ribbons for peace in Cape Town.

School teacher

Saturday’s sister newspaper in the Cape, Weekend Argus, learned last night police had swooped on the man’s house in Guguletu on Thursday.

As far as could be established, the man, a primary school teacher, is a member of the PAC.

Sterrenberg said the police were not interested in the political affiliations of the attackers.

“We are looking for the killers of the people at St James, that is all we are interested in at this stage.”

He declined to divulge further details about the arrest or the suspect.

The man is being held under section 29 of Act 74 of 1982, which empowers the police to detain a suspect for up to 10 days without the suspect having access to legal representation.

Sterrenberg said investigations were continuing.

Asked if the arrest could be seen as a major breakthrough, he said: “I feel buoyant. Let me put it another way — we are optimistic.”

Police are concerned that the release of detailed information on the arrest and their investigation may alert the church attackers.

Forensic tests

Colonel Leonard Kpfa, chief of the Western Cape Violent Crimes Unit, said that forensic tests on the car used in the attack had been completed and that this evidence would be used to connect the attackers to the crime once they were caught.

In a further horrific twist to the attack, Kpfa confirmed that nails were either put inside or tied to the outside of the grenades which were thrown into the church, to inflict terrible wounds on the victims.
Church killing: the evidence only deepens the mystery

By Rehana Rossouw

BLACK MEN attacking a church in a white area with AK-47s: this initial impression of Sunday’s massacre at St James’s church in Kenilworth is changing daily, as police compile more and more statements from witnesses.

Despite one of the biggest manhunts in recent Cape history, only the five attackers and their paymasters know the motive for the attack — and they’re not talking.

Police experts have found no evidence that AK-47s were used. Instead, the cartridges indicate either an R4 or R5 — issued by the South African Defence Force — was used.

Bomb experts are still trying to trace the source of the hand grenades.

There is also no certainty that the intended victims were solely white people. St James’s is an avowedly non-racial church and three of the dead and many of the injured are not white.

There is also speculation that at least one of the attackers was not black. The skin colour of the man identified as the driver of the getaway car gets lighter with every refinement added to his identification by witnesses.

According to the sworn statements we have taken so far, the information was that the attackers at the scene were all black men,” said police spokesperson Captain John Sterrenberg on Tuesday.

“We have heard rumours that one of the men was white, but no-one has come forward to make a statement to that effect.”

By Wednesday morning, police said the driver could have been of Indian origin or a “light complexioned black man”.

On Monday, the police investigation spanned “the entire Republic of South Africa”. On Wednesday, hundreds of policemen scoured Cape Town’s townships for the vehicle used in the attack.

It was found in Ottery — not in a township. (275)

For at least one of the victims, the colour of the attackers’ skin is of no consequence.

Mr Lorenzo Smith, of Crawford, whose wife Myrtle died on Sunday, said he was perturbed at the racial connotations attached to the killings.

“Does it matter what colour the people who killed my wife are? I don’t think it has any bearing on the matter,” Smith said.

“This country is in a bad situation already, there is hatred from way back in our past we must eradicate.

“If people can just look at the second commandment and love their neighbours, we won’t have the bitterness anymore.”

Smith said he believed people were suffering in South Africa today because they were too self-centred instead of being “other-centred”.

“If people learn to care for one another, violence throughout the world could be reduced dramatically,” he said.
THE START OF A TREND IN THE CAPE?

By Rehana Rossouw and Barbara-Anne Boswell

COULD the massacre on Sunday be the Cape's gruesome introduction to violence similar to that experienced in Transvaal townships and Natal?

Observers fear that it could.

Apart from occasional taxi wars and sporadic incidents of violence, the Cape has been relatively peaceful while the rest of the country writhed under political murders.

Western Cape ANC chairperson Dr Allan Boesak said the "cold-blooded, calculated" deed, executed with "military precision" by "highly trained people" followed a pattern of killing which has deliberately intensified whenever there has been progress at the negotiations.

"Sunday's attack was an attempt to start this kind of violence in the Western Cape as well," Boesak said. "They chose a fairly dramatic method."

Mr Lloyd Vogelman, director of the Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation at the University of the Witwatersrand, points out violence already exists in the Cape, though not to the extent it occurs in other regions.

"Inevitably, violence will creep towards the Western Cape. But in terms of political violence, it won't increase or reach the incidence of the Transvaal and Natal," he said.

Vogelman said it was hard to say whether the Kenilworth massacre followed a similar pattern to attacks in Transvaal and Natal.

"It probably has a political motivation," he said, but added the killing was not necessarily a "third force or a PAC attack".

"It may have been a purely racial attack or a crime of hatred, not necessarily stemming from a certain political group."

Western Cape Peace Committee spokesperson Mr Hannes Siebert said he believed the attack was planned with the specific aim of destabilising the Cape.

"But it is difficult to speculate who is behind it. We have never seen anything like this before in the Cape," Siebert said.
Why no relief fund for Crossroads?

By Rehana Rossouw

CROSSROADS residents have reacted angrily to the news that the mayor of Cape Town, Alderman Frank van der Velde, has established a special fund to aid the victims of the St James's church shooting.

This emerged in a letter sent to the mayor by the Western Cape Peace Committee on Wednesday.

Peace Committee spokesperson Mr Hannes Siebert said the committee's offices had been inundated with calls from the townships asking why a special fund had been set up for the Kenilworth victims.

"The angry callers we speak to do not understand, in the light of your visit to Crossroads a few weeks ago where you had been informed that more than 100 families are currently homeless, that 60 people have been killed in the last few months, about the urgent need for food and clothing for children that no such relief was then established by yourself for these victims," Siebert wrote.

"We are afraid that this might cause more anger, frustration and disruptions in the townships.

"We therefore would like to ask you if you would not consider extending the scope of this fund also to the victims of violence in Crossroads."

Van der Velde denied that he failed to respond to the Crossroads crisis. He said the Relief Fund had donated a number of food parcels to Crossroads residents via the Trauma Centre for the Victims of Violence.

"Certainly after Sunday night I am more determined than ever to promote peace in the Western Cape," he said.
Against all the odds in war ravaged Natal, the head of the Commonwealth Observer Mission in Durban has succeeded in bringing the ANC and IFP together. By FAROUK CHOTHIA

FORGET about Nelson Mandela, Mangosuthu Buthelezi and FW de Klerk. It's time to meet South Africa's most successful grassroots peace-maker. He is, incidentally, a foreigner — Ghanaian-born Moses Anau. In the eight months that he headed the Commonwealth Observer Mission (Com) in Durban, the genial 45-year-old Anau succeeded where local peace negotiators had tried and failed: brokering peace in rural Natal between the African National Congress and the Inkatha Freedom Party.

In the strife-ridden district of kwNdwalane, near Port Shepstone, both the ANC and the Local Dispute Resolution Committee made overtures to chief Aaron Ndwalane. Facing murder charges, and with the reputation of being a "wartlord", Ndwalane spurned their olive branch.

Yet, Anau had success — not only in kwNdwalane but also in the districts of kwMvundla, Ezinzoweni, Ndweedwe and Ummumbulu.

Explaining the reason behind his success, Anau said: "I come from a chiefly family (his father was a chief) so I was quite familiar with protocol. When I arrived here, I noticed that the chiefs were conspicuously absent from the peace process — and you could not bring peace to rural Natal without their whole-hearted involvement.

We therefore put the chiefs at the centre of the whole process."

After urging Ndwalane to adopt a neutral stance, Anau gave him the role of peacemaker in the community and helped him to restore his authority over his subjects. Ndwalane called peace meetings between the ANC and IFP, earning the respect of both sides.

This was a far cry from the days when the chief, under fierce attack from ANC-supporting youths, was forced to flee his territory. Ndwalane returned later with his warriors and ruled with an iron fist, driving ANC youth away.

At the height of the violence in the 1980s, about 50 people were dying each month in his area. Violence has now declined sharply, with few deaths recorded.

Elaborating on his methods, Anau said: "I told the chiefs what they already knew: that no matter what misgivings, anxieties and fears they may have of the future, as fathers of the community they needed to take the lead — and not only to support the peace process. When two of their sons fight, they need to mediate — not to take sides."

Keeping the peace ... Moses Anau ...

He has also tried to allay the fears of chiefs, calling the case of pre-independence Ghana, where chiefs earned the ire of Nkrumah for co-operating with the British colonial rulers. "Nkrumah had said that chiefs would either have to side with the people or one day they would have to run away and leave their sandals behind:

"But far from abolishing the chieftancy, chiefs prospered under a national government. The present king of the Ashanti tribe, for instance, is a barrister and was once Ghana's ambassador to Rome," said Anau.

He takes a sympathetic approach to chiefs, believing their "co-operation" with the British in Ghana and with the National Party government in South Africa must be seen in a historical context. "In Ghana, the Ashantis fought the British intermittently between 1800 and 1890, when the British finally put down the last Ashanti uprising. The Ashanti king was exiled to the Seychelles with his senior chiefs until 1925. The minor chiefs, seeing what happened to the bigger chiefs, caved in. It was a humiliating experience for the chiefs. They conformed outwardly, but in their hearts of hearts they could never have loved colonial rule.

"In South Africa, the defeat of the Zulu kingdom couldn't have been a badge of honour for the subsequent Zulu monarchs either. I won't be surprised if they feel the same (as the Ghanaian chiefs of pre-independence)," said Anau.

He hopes that South Africa's political parties will not turn chiefs into a "political football" in an election campaign.

"They would be more useful playing a healing role. Throughout Africa, their role has been a standard one: to represent the spiritual well-being of communities."

He does not believe chiefs should join either the ANC or IFP. "If there are divisions, the chiefs should bring the two sides together — every other thing is of secondary importance."

He believes South Africa should look at other West African countries when it maps out the future of chiefs under a new constitution.

In Ghana, we have a National House of Chiefs and we have Regional Houses in the 10 regions. But they do not have a political role — nor do they seek one. They are part of our cultural heritage — and we treasure them as such," said Anau.

Even though he has convinced chiefs who provide the IFP with support at grassroots level to accommodate the ANC, Anau has not had any confrontation with IFP leader chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi. "In every meeting I have had with him, he has promised me his wholehearted support. He told me that if I encounter any problems, I should approach him," said Anau.

Much to the anger of local peace mediators, Anau has now left Durban to take up a new post in Johannesburg from this month.

Sources close to him said he was reluctant to move, but that he had had to give in after immense pressure from Commonwealth general-secretary Chief Emeka Anyaoku. This, sources say, reflects the Commonwealth's new focus on upcoming elections, and downsizing of its peace role.

"As the general-secretary's special representative in South Africa, I have to be close to where the politicians are," said Anau.

This has sparked concern that the various initiatives he has spearheaded in Natal could flounder — though Anau brushed the fears aside. "My heart will always be in Natal. What we have built, we will not allow to fall apart. I will keep my ear to the ground and assist wherever I can. When necessary, I will come to Natal," said Anau.

He added that an earlier decision to close the Durban office of CoM has been overturned: new monitors would be based there.

"Anau — who boasts a doctorate in history — confirmed that the Commonwealth intended playing a more prominent role in South Africa in the run-up to elections. We intend adding new dimensions to the evolving situation," said Anau.

This would include sending in "election experts" to assist the Independent Electoral Commission, to send in "media experts" to ensure that media coverage is fair to all the political parties and to run training programmes on mediation and negotiation skills for grassroots activists involved in peace initiatives.
Violence at Stanger march

STANGER — About 13 people, including two children, were attacked and several shop windows damaged by about 400 protesters on Thursday, SABC radio news reported yesterday. Police said tear gas, smoke, and birdshot were used to disperse the crowd protesting against the storming of the World Trade Centre by rightwingers. — Sapa (2-15)
GUNMEN KILL 8
women, kids

DURBAN. Masked gunmen opened fire inside a room packed with women and children in Patheeni near Richmond just before midnight on Thursday, killing eight people, including a five-month-old child.

At least 165 people have been killed in political violence in the past 16 days.

More than 13,000 people are believed to have died in political violence in South Africa since 1994, according to a report by Cowley House, a trauma centre opened yesterday in Cape Town for victims of violence. Last year 3,499 people died and 5,685 were injured, it said.

"There seems to be no end in sight to all this violence with most analysts concurring that as the first free democratic elections draw nearer, the levels of political violence will only escalate," the centre's document said.

Reacting to the attack in Patheeni, the IFP dismissed "police speculation" that the motive for the attack by AK-47-wielding gunmen may have been robbery.

"The IFP believes the attack is linked to the ongoing impasse over the repatriation of ANC refugees who demand the right to return to their homes at Patheeni but refuse to recognize traditional Zulu protocol and respect the authority of the local tribal chief."

The attack on the women and children seeking shelter from the violence rocking the province happened after a 24-hour killing spree of six people, including five hostel workers, at Giebelsands, an ANC stronghold near Umlazi.

In local unrest, two men were shot and wounded in the Marconi Beam squatter camp in Milnerton yesterday morning when they attacked an assistant constable, police said.

Six men and a woman have been arrested in connection with the attack on an assistant constable in Nyanga on Thursday night.

Constable L. Nyingwa was shot in the neck while walking from a cafe near the Nyanga police station. He was admitted to Groote Schuur Hospital in a serious condition.

He is the fourth constable to be wounded in Peninsula townships in the past week. Police liaison officer Colonel Raymond Dowd said urgent steps were being taken to safeguard policemen in the townships.

On the Reef, at least three policemen have been shot in Katlehong in the past 24 hours, police said.

All three sustained minor injuries.

In Pretoria, two brothers were killed and a third was injured when the minibus in which they were travelling was shot at and then set alight on the Pretoria-Marble Hill road near KwaNdebele yesterday morning.

-- Staff Reporter, Sapa
Seven burnt to death in kraal

By VIMAL BAGWANDIN

SEVEN people burnt to death and two others were shot dead in the Natal Midlands this week when gunmen attacked a kraal near Richmond.

Police spokesman, Captain Henry Budram, said the unidentified attackers descended on the Ntele kraal and set fire to five huts.

The seven burnt to death were all in the same hut. Police later found the bodies of two women near the kraal who had been shot.

Captain Budram said the motive for the attack—about 9pm on Friday—was not known.

He said Friday night's killings were the latest in a series of attacks on kraals in the Richmond area this week. The death toll so far is 16.

On Thursday night eight people—most of them women and children—were killed in a similar attack in the Patheri area, about 10km from Richmond.
Funeral ambush

A man was killed and four others were seriously wounded after gunmen ambushed and shot at their van during a funeral procession in Katlehong on the East Rand yesterday. The unidentified man died at Nasalaspruit Hospital and hospital authorities said the four were in a critical condition.

This brings to at least 27 the number of people who died in political violence in the volatile East Rand townships and in Natal at the weekend. Eleven people were seriously wounded.

East Rand police spokesman Lieutenant Janine Smith said yesterday that 14 bodies were found in Katlehong and Tembisa at the weekend.

Nine were found on Saturday and five yesterday.

Of the bodies found on Saturday, two men and a woman died when a petrol bomb was thrown at their home in Ramokonopi Section in Katlehong.

Two bodies were found at two garages in Radebe Section and two others died of gunshot wounds. Two bodies were found in Tembisa.

By yesterday none of the bodies had been identified, Smith said.

Of the five bodies found yesterday, four had gunshot wounds and the other had been stabbed.

Three of the bodies were found at Ramokonopi West, one near a burnt out kombi.

In Natal seven people were burnt to death and two shot dead in an attack on a homestead in the Hella-Hella Road area outside Richmond in the Natal Midlands on Friday night. Five rondavels were set alight.

The victims — three women, five young girls and a boy — all died at the scene of the attack.

Four other people were wounded in the attack.

Some of the dead have been identified: Mrs Buyelwa Miolo (43), Mrs Dumazile Cele (47), Nonpumelelo Cele (13), Tisidi Cele (16), Tholakele Miolo (15), Leihwe Miolo (7), Miss Nozizwe Mkhize (22) and Roy Cele (13).

Miss Ntombi Miolo, Miss Delisile Cele, Mr Sihembiso Cele and seven-year-old Sizwe Cele were wounded.

In other incidents in the Natal Midlands, two men, including a policeman, were shot dead and three others injured by gunmen on Saturday night.

Burst into a house

Police said six gunmen burst into a house at Pata township in Edendale near Maritzburg and opened fire on the occupants, killing Mr Phillip Dlamini and wounding three others.

At Ezakheni, near Ladysmith, a 32-year-old off-duty policeman, Constable NR Mahazo, was shot dead when he left a shop in the township.

The body of an assistant constable was found with stab wounds at his home at Khayelitsha in Cape Town.
Seventeen perish in Natal double slaying

DURBAN.—Nine people, including six children, have been shot and burnt to death at Patheni, near Richmond, less than a day after eight people were killed there.

The latest massacre to rock the Midlands came about 9.30pm on Friday when gunmen attacked the Nxele homestead.

The men set fire to five rondavels and seven people died in the blaze, police spokesman Captain Henry Budhram said yesterday.

The shotgun-wielding attackers then set fire to a car nearby, causing extensive damage, and shot two women dead.

Capt Budhram said an extensive police investigation was under way to track down the killers.

Eight people were killed in an attack on another homestead at Patheni early on Friday morning.

In Cape Town three assistant constables on foot patrol were fired on in Nyanga when they approached a armed man who had allegedly threatened another man. The suspect fired six shots, but escaped when the police returned fire.

A man was shot dead and three other people were injured in the Mafikeng location in Pietermaritzburg, in what was described by police as a “retaliatory attack”.

Police said they believed the attack was made because a woman present was a witness in the murder trial of one of the attackers. —SAPA
DURBAN — The Inkatha Freedom Party has demanded the withdrawal of 121 Battalion from the Vulindlela region, near Maritzburg, and its replacement by the South African Police internal stability unit.

The IFP has made repeated calls for the withdrawal of the battalion from its strongholds on the grounds that the unit's soldiers are sympathetic to the ANC.

Midlands IFP leader Mr David Nkobiela said yesterday: 'They're sympathetic to the ANC. We've had a lot of complaints about them.'
ANC 'wages war'

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He said a military offensive was "out of the question" and "horsene".

"We are engaged in consolidating ourselves in the region and that has nothing to do with violence."

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Violence talks off

An URGENT meeting between Natal's Regional Dispute Resolution Committee and Inkatha Freedom Party leaders in the Midlands to discuss recent violence around Richmond, has been postponed to today, Saturday, June 17, 1993.

The meeting was to have taken place yesterday but Midlands IFP leader Mr. David Ntombela asked for a postponement to consult with local chiefs and other IFP leaders. 

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43 die over 5 days in Natal

DURBAN — Forty-three people have died in Natal townships since Thursday — and the IFP has warned of a "showdown" with the ANC in the region after attacks on its members.

And on the Reef, where four people were killed in Thokoza yesterday and 18 bodies have been found in Katlehong since Friday, hostels in Katlehong have been cordoned off after hostel dwellers threatened to attack residents in the area.

In Thokoza, streets were barricaded with rocks and burning cars, no taxis were running, and many residents were unable to go to work. The fatal clashes were reported between Phola Park squatters and hostel residents.

In Natal, the IFP has accused the ANC of mounting a "vicious military offensive" in the Midlands — an accusation flatly rejected by the ANC.

The ANC's Midlands region claims many of those killed were its members.

An IFP statement yesterday said a showdown was looming between IFP and ANC representatives on the Natal/KwaZulu Regional Dispute Resolution Committee because of the upsurge in violence.

"The violence in the Natal Midlands coincides with attempts by the ANC to seize contested territory by force," the IFP stated.

An ANC Midlands spokesman reacted: "There is no territory we want to seize. There is no point in doing so. We are in a campaign for non-violent political activity, not only for us but for everyone." He said a military offensive was "out of the question".

"We are not trying to expand because we exist in every part of the region. Violence does not emanate from us but from those forces opposed to change."

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June's Natal unrest toll was about 160 — the highest monthly figure this year, according to statistics of the Human Rights Commission and other groups.

A meeting to try to dampen tension in the Richmond area, where 17 people have died since Thursday, is planned between the Peace Committee and the IFP in Maritzburg today.

Meanwhile, East Rand police spokesman Warrant Officer Ian Peens said 12 bodies had been found since 3pm Friday afternoon until midnight on Sunday.

He said an additional six bodies had been recovered by 11pm yesterday, bringing the total number of dead to 18.

An urgent meeting has been convened by the Wits-Vaal Peace Secretariat to try to resolve the violence on the East Rand.

Two incidents of stone-throwing were reported at Oudtshoorn on Sunday.

Police said yesterday about 150 people threw stones at police in the Oudtshoorn township of Bridgetown.

In the second incident police were stoned by about 80 people on Sunday night. — Sapa
**Nation**

**Dam levels down to 41 pc**

The total amount of water in dams in the Vaal River system which serves the PWV has dropped to 41.5 percent, well down on the 52.5 percent at the same time last year. The Steklofstein Dam which feeds the Vaal Dam is 78 percent full. No rain has fallen in the PWV this month, where the long-term average is a mere 6.5 mm, according to the Rand Water Board. — Staff Reporter.

**Hijacker to appear in court**

A 23-year-old man who hijacked a Royal Swazi Air passenger aircraft on Sunday will appear in the Kempton Park Magistrate’s Court today. Police said no charges had been formulated as offences in terms of the Civil Aviation Act were still being investigated. The man was found to have false identity documents. — Sapa.

**Guard beats off attackers**

A gang of robbers fled empty-handed from a Vanderbijlpark scrap metals business after shooting at an employee, Bereng Mokwena (31), yesterday. Mokwena is recovering in hospital from a bullet wound. Police said five armed men approached Mokwena and began firing at him. The men fled when Mokwena returned fire. — Vereeniging Bureau.

**Suspect shot in buttocks**

A suspected robber was wounded in the buttocks in a shootout with police yesterday, after he and another man tried to hold up a Fidelity Guards team outside the Nedbank in Stanley Street, Auckland Park. — Staff Reporter.

**Unions, post office agree**

The Post Office reached a wage agreement yesterday with two trade unions which had rejected the company’s pay offer in May. In a statement, the Post Office said the Post Office Employees Association of SA and the Post and Telecommunication Workers Association joined three other trade unions in accepting the company’s wage offer. — Sapa.

**Fire destroys 76 shacks**

Hundreds of people were left destitute in Kulls River outside Cape Town yesterday after a raging fire destroyed 76 shacks. The fire started when a paraffin stove burst into flames. A strong wind swept the flames out of control and firemen could not save the homes. — Sapa.

**IFP, AV ‘discuss threats’**

Inkatha Freedom Party leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi met a delegation from the Afrikaner Volksfront in Umlazi yesterday to discuss threats to the Zulus and Afrikaner nations, according to a KwaZulu government official. They discussed multi-party negotiations and ways Zulus and Afrikaners could stand together to ensure that the nations survived. — Sapa.

**Unrest restrictions lifted**

Law and Order Minister Hermann Kriel yesterday lifted the unrest regulations for the magisterial districts of Eshowe, Winterton and Moel River in Natal. The repeal appeared in a special Government Gazette and took effect immediately, SABC radio reported. — Sapa.
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ANC slams Goldstone

By FAROUK CHOTHA

THE African National Congress in northern Natal said it was unlikely to make further submissions to the Goldstone Commission of Inquiry because it had failed to investigate violence in the strife-torn region.

A hard-hitting attack, ANC regional secretary Senzo Mchunu said the regional executive committee and its grassroots members had become very disillusioned with the commission.

"If we go and take statements from people, they ask us: "What has happened to statement one, two and three that we gave you?" We have concluded that the commission is useless as far as northern Natal is concerned."

The chairman of the region, Aaron Ndlovu, added: "It's not worth maintaining ties with Mr. Justice Richard Goldstone. He started with good intentions but he has been overwhelmed by the weight of the exercise. He has become completely paralysed."

The University of Natal-based violence monitor Mary de Haas said she understood the ANC's frustrations. "When it comes to Transkei and to Apla, Goldstone is quick to act. When it comes to northern Natal, nothing happens."

In response, Judge Goldstone said: "The commission has in no way been less concerned about violence in northern Natal than elsewhere in South Africa."

Ndlovu was also scathing in his criticism of the commission's special investigation unit in Natal, headed by Major Frank Dutton - even though it has earned the respect of ANC militants like Harry Gwala.

Goldstone said that Dutton's unit - which is assisted by European Community police experts and four attorneys - had "ceaselessly" investigated the many incidents of violence referred to it.
Peace summit plan for Natal

PRETORIA. — The African National Congress is to hold a major peace summit in Natal on July 24, ANC southern Natal chairman Mr Jeff Radebe said yesterday.

Speaking at a Johannesburg press conference after an ANC delegation met senior police generals here, he said the ANC was committed to implementing the programme of joint ANC-Inkatha rallies agreed on during talks between leaders Mr Nelson Mandela and Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

"All ANC regions affected by violence would meet on July 19 to discuss the implementation of decisions reached at the meeting between Mr Mandela and Chief Buthelezi," Mr Radebe said.

ANC legal affairs head Mr Matthew Phosa said the movement had called for an urgent meeting of National Peace Accord signatories to discuss political violence in Natal and the PWV region.

The ANC had also laid charges against IFP central committee member Mr Walter Feiglau, who reportedly threatened to "unleash the anger of two million Zulus" to delay elections scheduled for April 27 next year.

Mr Phosa also said theANC would act strongly against members of self-defence units who abused weapons from ANC caches in political violence.

"It is a historical fact that our people have arms, but they have no mandate to abuse these weapons because we have suspended the armed struggle. We will not accept indiscipline in our ranks and will take action against such people," Mr Phosa said.

"If we are to maintain the peace, we must stop the process of having a political killing machine."

Referring to this week's violence in Katlehong and Thohola, ANC PWV chairman Mr Tokyo Sexwale said it was "anyone's guess" how long the present calm in the two East Rand townships would last.

"We have tried to ensure that peace is maintained by implementing mechanisms on the ground, but we are aware that there are sinister forces who want to see that peace shattered, especially now that the election date has been set."

The ANC has appealed for humanitarian assistance for people left homeless by the violence.

In an attempt to curb the violence on the strife-torn Reef, agreements by local representatives were yesterday fully supported at a meeting of IFP and ANC leaders in Johannesburg.

The agreements included the deployment of security forces in the area, the resumption of public transport, the removal of barricades and securing flashpoints.

A call was made for the reopening of railway lines, for the protection of commuters, and for an internal stability unit centre to be established in the area.

Relief work would be co-ordinated through a number of organisations, including the Wits/Val Peace Secretariat, who organised the meeting.

The parties also agreed to discuss a liaison structure to ensure that further meetings are held regularly.

ANC official Mr Obad Baphela said his organisation regarded yesterday's meeting as important because "a process has been established for continued bilateral talks between the ANC and the IFP." — Sapa.
ANC, IFP vow to control supporters

JOHANNESBURG.—Regional leaders of the ANC and IFP have committed themselves to controlling their supporters on the East Rand and have agreed to a series of bilateral meetings to end the violence in the area.

The breakthrough came after a meeting yesterday of regional leaders brokered by the Wits/Vaal Peace Secretariat.

The leaders endorsed agreements reached at a local level on Wednesday, including the deployment of security forces, the removal of barricades and the resumption of taxi and train services to Katlehong and Tokozan.

At least 93 people have died in violence in the area in the past week.

Both ANC PWV chairman Mr Obid Khejela and IFP Transvaal leader Mr Themba Khoza acknowledged that similar peace initiatives in the area in May had prevented the latest outbreak.

But they said this time was different: they were now determined to get their followers talking on grassroots level and they had also agreed to increased security force deployment in the townships.

The Wits/Vaal Peace Secretariat agreed to co-ordinate relief aid for people displaced by the violence.

A joint control centre to monitor violence has been set up at Natalspruit Hospital and began to operate yesterday. It is being run by representatives of peace structures, security forces, the ANC and IFP.

A series of regional bilateral meetings had also been set up, with the first set for Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the ANC held an urgent meeting with police generals in Pretoria yesterday to demand swift action to bring the carnage to an end.

ANC national executive committee member Mr Matthew Phosa said the meeting — which was "very frank and sharp" — was attended by 10 police generals and a brigadier. It focused on the latest spiral of violence in Natal and the East Rand.

Police Deputy Commissioner Lieutenant-General S.J. Smit led the police delegation.

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Speaking at a Johannesburg Press conference after an ANC delegation met senior police generals in Pretoria, he said the ANC was committed to implementing the programme of joint ANC-Inkatha rallies agreed on during talks between leaders Mr Nelson Mandela and Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

All ANC regions affected by violence would meet on July 19 to discuss the implementation of decisions reached at the summit.
Natal violence: We’re no angels, says Gwala

Weekend Argus Correspondent

MARITZBURG. — The African National Congress has called for an end to escalating violence in the Natal Midlands and, at the same time, admitted: “We’re no angels.”

But, the ANC placed most of the blame for the violence on the Inkatha Freedom Party and its allies.

The ANC’s fiery chairman in the Midlands, Mr Harry Gwala, admitted his members had played a part.

“We are not dealing with saints on one side and devils on the other,” he said.

“We are dealing with human beings who are engaged in a political struggle. If the IFP goes on the attack against our communities, there will be retaliation.”

Mr Gwala claimed, however, the ANC had “gone a long way” towards stamping out that sort of retaliation.

He said the ANC had stopped the attacks on Inkatha commuters.

“In Richmond, there was a lot of retaliation. Now you don’t find battles in the streets of Richmond. We put a stop to it.

“We do call on our people not to retaliate. But when they are attacked, we encourage them to defend themselves.”

He said an end had to be put to the violence “not merely for the sake of the election”.

Mr Gwala was speaking at a Press conference at which the ANC called for the Goldstone Commission to investigate escalating violence in the Midlands.
Massacre outside Ladysmith

MARITZBURG. — The bodies of 10 men were found scattered over a two-kilometre radius at Ezikheni, near Ladysmith, after a massacre in the township early yesterday, police confirmed.

Eight of the men — whose ages ranged from 10 to 52 — had been shot and two stabbed. Eleven others were injured and two vehicles, a house and a tuck shop damaged after two groups of people attacked a group in Ezikheni’s C Section about 6.30 am, said police.

Two suspects have been arrested and are under police guard in hospital.

Details of the attack were still sketchy late yesterday. However, reports said the attack was launched by a group of IFP supporters, a police source said.

"Cold-blooded"

IFP spokesman Mr Ed Tillett said that from preliminary investigations the attack appeared to be linked to continued attacks on IFP supporters and to ANC mobilisation in Ezikheni.

The ANC Natal Midlands region expressed outrage at the cold-blooded murders and claimed people in a minibus shot randomly at a shop and taxi rank in E Section, a predominantly ANC area which for a while now had been "targeted by both the police and the IFP for destabilisation".

The Natal/KwaZulu Regional Dispute Resolution Committee will hold a crisis meeting on Monday.

"Tension is also high around Durban townships where an "Imbizo", a traditional gathering of Zulu subjects, has been called by King Goodwill Zwelithini this weekend. He is to address Zulus on the status of negotiations at King's Park Stadium tomorrow." — Own Correspondent, Sapa
Tension rises after Inkatha call to arms

By FRED KHUMALO

FEARS of bloody conflict have gripped the Natal Midlands following Inkatha’s withdrawal from all peace negotiations with the ANC and the movement’s call to its supporters to arm themselves.

Iinkatha’s call to arms comes in the wake of the bloody spree of violence which left 17 people dead in the Natal Midlands at the weekend.

Ironically, the Inkatha call came on the day the party was due to meet the ANC and members of the Regional Dispute Resolution Committee in attempts to broker peace in the embattled Richmond area.

Eight people were killed on Friday in the Phatheni area, an Inkatha stronghold. Hours later nine people – six of them children – were murdered at Hhela Hhela.

This brings to 41 the number of people killed in political violence in Richmond this year.

As tensions rose not only in Richmond, but in most parts of the Natal Midlands, a meeting was organised by the Regional Dispute Resolution Committee (RDRC) in a last-ditch attempt to bring the ANC and Inkatha to the negotiating table.

But, in a week where tensions have reached critical levels between Inkatha and the ANC nationally, the Natal Midlands Inkatha executive spurned the RDRC’s olive branch and officially pulled out of all future negotiations with the ANC.

The movement called on its members to “arm and organise themselves into Self Protection Units”.

But Natal Midlands ANC deputy chairman Dr Blade Nzimande warned Inkatha not to initiate a civil war “as they will never win it”.

Inkatha claimed the latest attacks on its members followed a pattern which started at the beginning of the year.

The aim of the attacks, said Natal Midlands Inkatha secretary Philip Powell, was to gain leverage over Inkatha in the build-up towards elections.

“The continued murder of innocent women and children by gangs of ANC bandits has led our constituency to demand that we cease all further negotiations with the ANC on this issue,” he said, adding 12,000 Inkatha members had been driven out of their homes in Gengeshe, Magoda, Nidaleni, and Simozomeni.

However, Nzimande said the source of the problem was the refusal of Inkatha to allow ANC members to return to their homes in Phatheni.

The conflict in Phatheni revolves around the fact that Inkatha claims the ANC wants to get rid of Chief Z. Dlamini, the reigning chief.

But the ANC has in the past explained it was not opposed to the ubukhosi (chiefdom) institution, but opposed to amakhosi who were partisan – and the chief in question had “unleashed violence against ANC-supporting people, the organisation claimed.

For two years now ANC supporters from Phatheni have taken refuge in sympathetic neighbouring settlements following Inkatha attacks on their homes.

Late last year a tentative peace settlement was struck between the two sides and hundreds of refugees started flocking back to their abandoned homes.

But no sooner had they arrived in the area than ANC youths were summoned to the chief’s house to “apologise for questioning his legitimacy” – a summons which they did not heed. They were again hounded out of the area. Security forces prevented a bloodbath.

Democratic Party violence monitor Radley Keys said the mood in the Natal Midlands was “despondent” following the Inkatha call to arms and pull-out from talks...

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War of words as police helped 10 die

By SIPHO KHUMALO

The Natal Midlands has been once again plunged into turmoil following the gunning down of 10 people in Ezakheni township near Ladysmith on Friday morning.

Yesterday Ezakheni's Section E, an ANC stronghold also known as White City, was gripped by tension and uncertainty. Many fled the area.

Residents told City Press an unknown minibus dropped a group of assassins at Section E who opened fire on commuters waiting for transport to work. Ten people were killed and 11 wounded.

A shop belonging to an ANC member was also set alight during the mayhem. The massacre raises the death toll in this violence-plagued region to more than 60 in the past eight days.

Police said yesterday that two people had been arrested in connection with the killings.

ANC Midlands deputy chairman Dr Blade Nzimande told City Press the police and the ANC are directly responsible for the massacre.

"The police were seen escorting this minibus, from which we would not be surprised if both the police and IFP were firing," Nzimande said.

Police denied the claim as "preposterous."

"Nzimande" called on the Goldstone Commission to investigate claims of destabilisation in the Midlands area and the role of Inkatha in the conflict.

"Inkatha" spokesman Ed Tillet dismissed the ANC claims and said scores of Inkatha supporters had died in the past "in a series of brutal attacks" on commuters.

Nzimande said a team of ANC lawyers had been sent to the area to collect first-hand evidence from eyewitnesses.

ANC Midlands chairman Harry Qwasa was scheduled to hold a community meeting in Ezakheni yesterday afternoon.

The names of the dead provided by police are MM Makhabia, 23, Bhoi Dladla, 25, Herbert Nsele, 19, Mlandini Ndaba, 23, Mamuk Mhlanga, 23, Tholani Shabalala, 20, Themba Dube, 20, Sipho Mthunzi, 23, Anton Nkosi, 35, and Michael Mvelase, 52.
Be ready for war – Yengeni

By SIPHO KHUMALO

CRIES of Mayibhuma (To arms) reverberated through the KwaXimba valley in the Natal Midlands as two ANC hardliners – western Cape’s Tony Yengeni and Natal Midlands’ Harry Gwala – urged their members to be combat-ready.

The two hardliners were addressing a rally of about 3,000 people on how to respond to the threat of the rightwing in the aftermath of the World Trade Centre attack.

Gwala and Yengeni were billed to appear with Winnie Mandela and ANC Youth League president Peter Mokaba.

However, Mokaba and Mandela failed to appear because of other commitments.

Yengeni and Gwala were well received by both the youth and elders of this rural ANC stronghold in Natal.

Addressing the crowd in his capacity as MK commander, Yengeni urged all members of the ANC to prepare themselves for a long and drawn-out war.

“Afrikaners are still preparing themselves for a war and not a handover. There is no guarantee that TerreBlanche and the AWB are not going to take over the Transitional Executive Council. Violence by elements which fear free and fair elections is going to intensify because democracy is a threat to them,” said Yengeni.

He warned the crowd not to follow the example of ANC secretary-general Cyril Ramaphosa and Constitutional Affairs Minister Roelf Meyer in the face of the AWB’s invasion.

“We are not going to get our liberation by hiding under the tables or by being locked in safe rooms. Now I am talking to you all of us,” he said.

He invited those in the crowd who wanted to keep the slogan to identify themselves by a show of hands – with almost every hand being raised.

Later, in an interview with City Press, Yengeni dismissed outright the perception that the four of them – (Winnie) Mandela, Gwala and Mokaba – were attempting to form a radical faction within the ANC.

“Ours is a broad liberation movement allowing for diversity. And diversity does not have to be viewed as being antagonistic. We are thus not forming a radical faction to oppose the leadership.

“What we are trying to do is to take up with the leadership the feelings of people at grassroots level. So what we are doing is to articulate the aspirations of the poor and the homeless,” he said.
Dozens die in Natal violence

By MEGAN POWER

DOZENS of people died in Natal this week in renewed outbreaks of violence between IFP and ANC supporters.

Ten people — aged between 19 and 92 — were shot and stabbed to death in a dawn massacre at Ezakheni, near Ladysmith, on Friday. Two arrests have been made.

In Greytown, three people were killed on Thursday after two AK-47-wielding men opened fire on a kraal in Mulen.

Recent outbreaks of violence around Richmond resulted in the IFP halting negotiations with the ANC.

However, a peace summit aimed at boosting the National Peace Accord began in Durban on Friday, initiated by the National Association of Democratic Lawyers (Nadel), a three-day conference will be held next month representing leadership of Peace Accord signatories and organisations such as the PAC and Azapo.

Despite the peace efforts, tensions remain high in the Midlands and in other areas of Natal, with relations between the IFP and the ANC at an all-time low, as the organisations blame each other for Friday’s killings.

The ANC has warned of a civil war in the violence-torn Midlands.

The Natal/KwaZulu Regional Dispute Resolution Committee is to hold a crisis meeting in Ladysmith tomorrow of all parties linked to the Ezakheni conflict.

Meanwhile, the Wits/Vaal Regional Peace Secretariat and representatives of the SAP, Inkatha and the African National Congress set up a Joint Operation Communication Centre yesterday at Katlehong’s Natal qualifying Hospital.

The move follows the eruption of violence in the Emi-Rand townships of Katlehong and Thekwa a week ago, which claimed the lives of at least 100 people.

The centre will operate round the clock and will be staffed by representatives from the SAP, Inkatha and the ANC alliance.

The Wits/Vaal Regional Peace Secretariat said the police, the IFP and the ANC alliance would provide the centre with information and updates on all security force actions, marches and unrest. — Sapa

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More killings in Natal townships

DURBAN — Natal's townships remain gripped by violence, with at least 20 killings since Friday. Members of Natal's Regional Dispute Resolution Committee travelled to Ladysmith yesterday to try to calm tensions after at least 10 people were killed in nearby Ekurhuleni township on Friday, but Inkatha and ANC delegations failed to turn up.

Police reported killings, apparently linked to the ANC-IFP conflict in Natal, in several other townships at the weekend.

Three people were killed in Nkomkgame reserve, near Chibengeni, on Saturday. Three deaths were also reported from Bhambye shack settlement in Durban's Inanda township.

At Werburg a mob armed with guns and pangas attacked the Mthethwa home in the KwaDigma district, killing two people.

Another person was killed in Port Shepstone's Eshimbini valley on Saturday, reported to in ambush of an Inkatha leader's vehicle.

Police also found the body of a man in Inanda Road, Sea Cow Lake, Durban, on Saturday. He had been stabbed.

On the Reef police reported seven deaths at the weekend. — Sapa
Gunmen open fire on tractor

DURBAN.—Four men wearing balaclavas and using an AK-47 shot at workers on a tractor and trailer outside a shop at KwaMbonambi on Natal's North Coast in a predawn attack Monday, killing one person and injuring two others. About 15 people were seated in the trailer.

Yesterday morning, a policeman was shot dead at KwaMashu outside Durban.

At least one person has been killed near Scottburgh on the Natal South Coast.

● A member of the Vryheid dog unit and six other men have been arrested after they allegedly attacked and opened fire on bus passengers travelling from the Vryheid area to Durban at the weekend.

● Over R4 million has been distribution to victims of violence by various organisations. It was reported yesterday.

Own Correspondent,
SAPA
Natal death toll at 32 as 3 more die

DURBAN. — The number of killings in Natal KwaZulu townships since Friday has now risen to 32, with another three deaths reported by police yesterday.

Mr. Milton Mento was shot dead by two men armed with AK-47 rifles at the S J Smith Hostel in Umlazi on Tuesday, police said.

A spokesman for the KwaZulu Police said the body of an unidentified man was found with a gunshot wound in the head in D Section, Umlazi, on Tuesday, and another man was found stabbed to death next to the Isipingo River.

In other violence reported this week, Lance-Sergeant W J Dernier, 22, was killed in a shootout with a gang armed with AK-47 rifles in KwaMashu on Tuesday.

○ The body of a 53-year-old man who was shot in the head was found near a hostel; two buses were torched and a house was set alight in Vaal Triangle townships on Tuesday.

○ Two of the injured in the Sebokeng shooting on Monday, in which 14 people died, are reported still to be in a critical condition. — Own Correspondent, Sapa
Khaki brigade is still filing into court

THE steady stream of AWB members appearing in the Johannesberg Magistrate's Court following the occupation of the World Trade Centre on June 23 continued yesterday with the appearance of 18 right-wingers — in khaki uniforms — on charges of public violence.

They were not asked to plead and the trial was postponed for further investigation until August 18.

The accused were Erasmus Smit, 44;

Cornelius Joubert, 41; Cornelius du Plessis, 59; Susarah Ferreira, 32; Lynn Finlay, 47; Lawrence Hamilton, 32; Gerhardus Heberg, 19; Paul Heberg, 47; Raymond Herte, 31; David Niemand, 33; Japie Labeschagne Oelofse, 32; Johannes Smit, 25; Johannes van der Berg, 34; Christiaan Wentzel, 24; Joseph Basson, 43; Karin Braag, 36; Gerhard Jacobs, 21; and A Hoogenboezem, 39.

MARITZBURG — Violence exploded in the strife-torn townships around Richmond, with running gun battles fought after police were ambushed in hilly terrain early yesterday.

Fierce fighting was reported on the borders of Ndaleni, Phatini and Omossamane townships.

Police internal stability unit members on motorcycles came under fire after they stopped a vehicle, a police spokesman said.

On Wednesday a police patrol in Phatini was attacked by 20 gunmen. The attackers fled into dense bush.

The latest violence follows the massacre of eight people at Phateni and the nine people at Heia Heia two weeks ago.

The Inkatha Freedom Party said Richmond was on a war footing and the 'peace process in tatters'.

Inkatha accused the ANC of mounting a 'vicious military offensive'.

ANC Natal Midlands deputy chairman Blade Nzimande dismissed Inkatha claims of forced recruitment and said the source of the problems was Inkatha's refusal to allow ANC members to return home to Phateni.

SAPA reports that five people were killed near the Glebelands Hostel in Umzazi on Wednesday.

Police did not have details but said there had been reports of factional disputes. At least 15 people have been killed at the hostel during the past three weeks.

In another incident near the hostel on Wednesday, a man who had apparently attacked a policeman was shot dead, police said.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Winnie given extra time

WINNIE Mandela has been given until Monday to hand over the R15 000 compensation which the Appeal Court ordered her to pay to three of her bystanders.
Nzulwane: killing Zuma's "firstborn"

**The Zulu king picks up the IFP spear**

"Let us fight," roared the crowd at Sunday's inocci. "I'll tell you what - and the king, throwing his weight behind the IFP's threats of violence and secession. By FAROUK CHOTHIA

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**A talkful of taxpayers' cash?**

**By BEVERLEY GIBSON**

The use of a government car by Inkatha Freedom Party leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi, while attending a public meeting of his party at Port Elizabeth this week, has raised questions as to whether taxpayer's money was used for party political ends. An official at the government garage in Port Elizabeth, V Kokona confirmed that Buthelezi used a government car while he was in the city. She said this was standard procedure for "heads of state".

The regional spokesman of the IFP, Elbridge Ferrera, also said he believed Buthelezi's car use was routine. Buthelezi was escorted by the South African police during his visit. She said it was normal procedure that a head of state be given the necessary security. A spokesperson for the Democratic Party, Bobbie Stevenson, said if Buthelezi used government transport for party political ends it was wrong because taxpayers' money was used.

"We believe if people are on purely party political business they should use their own transport. It is wrong that taxpayers' money is used," Stevenson said.

There should be a clear distinction between functions of the state and political parties. Stevenson said the use of the car raised the question of whether the political field was being used when certain parties had no state to function in.

"This is a matter which the Independent Electoral Commission should take up to ensure that all parties compete on an equal basis," Stevenson said.

Buthelezi's acting personal assistant, Themba Duma, said the visit was a "precautionary" IFP business, but included some Kwazulu-Natal government business too. He, however, told all further inquiries to his president's protocol officer, Bath Mabuza, who could not be reached despite numerous attempts. -- *PM*
Police in Patheni gun battle

DURBAN. — Renewed violence has erupted in the Patheni area near Richmond, Natal, and five people have been killed at the Glebelands Hostel in Durban’s Umzimbi township.

Police detained two people in Simozomeni, including a local ANC leader, Mr Julius Mkhize, after fierce overnight and morning exchanges of gunfire between the security forces and gunmen in the hills of the township near Richmond. Running battles were fought as police were ambushed.

Meanwhile, Major Bala Naideo said a man was killed in the Glebelands hostel about 9am on Wednesday. A group of men then stabbed another man to death before they shot a man and woman dead. Another man had been shot dead near the hostel after he allegedly attacked an off-duty policeman.

ANC official

- A Natal Midlands ANC leader, Mr Emmanuel Magubane, 54, narrowly escaped death when his car was ambushed at the on the main road near Ixopo by gunmen who opened fire and riddled the vehicle with bullets early yesterday.
- Police raided the home of a top ANC official, Mr Dumisani Makhayi, in Southern Natal early yesterday on the pretext of looking for weapons, regional officials have claimed.
- A march by about 5,000 ANC/SACP/COSATU supporters on the Ladysmith police station yesterday went off peacefully.
- Two women were shot and a man burnt to death in KwaKhulu, and a man was shot in Thokozane on Wednesday and yesterday, the SAP said.
- A hand grenade thrown at policemen in Soweto on Wednesday night failed to explode. — Sapa
Court revokes ban on COSATU rally

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By CARMEL RICKARD

A COSATU rally in the northern Natal township of Sundumbhill today could mark a turning-point in the struggle for free political expression, particularly in Natal/Kwazulu.

Closely watched by police and international monitors, it takes place only after Supreme Court intervention to set aside an illegal ban on the 2 meeting by the township manager.

The difficulty in obtaining permission for a non-electoral organisation to hold a rally in the Sundumbhill stadium illustrates the problem complained of by all parties - that certain regions are made "no-go areas" by one group for the members of another group, and free political association is impossible.

Both the IFP and the ANC have complained about this problem, and their presidents have committed themselves to allowing meetings to take place without impediment.

Conditions

Despite this commitment, the Sundumbhill township manager turned down Cosatu's application to use the stadium. The manager and IFP council ruled that the meeting would result in violence and that permission would only be considered once a joint rally of all political parties had been held. They decided the rally could take place "until the parties had settled their differences".

When Cosatu took the matter to court this week, lawyers acting for the township manager conceded he had acted illegally in refusing to give permission, and the rally will now go ahead.

Cosatu suggested a number of conditions that will apply during today's rally. It must take no longer than six hours; enough marshals must be present to ensure the meeting in orderly; both the SAP and the KwaZulu police must attend; local and international monitors must be present; and no weapons may be carried.
Limpet mine blast rocks Natal town

DURBAN. — A limpet mine exploded outside the municipal offices of the southern Natal town of Kokstad early yesterday, shattering windows and destroying a "miniature bridge" under which it had been placed.

Damage totalling R3,000 was caused to windows in the G F Heyns building in Hope Street and the adjacent Kilroe Nissan service station by what is believed to have been a miniature limpet mine.

There were no injuries in the explosion which occurred about 12.30am. The blast is believed to be linked to friction between white traders in the town and ANC supporters, although this could not be confirmed.

Police spokesman Major Bala Naidoo confirmed the blast.
16 die in Natal weekend violence

At least 16 people were killed in violence in Natal's townships at the weekend, police said yesterday.

KwaZulu police reported the killing of four people in Umbili, south of Durban, on Friday and Saturday.

A 35-year-old man was shot dead in the township's T Section on Friday night, while three people were shot dead in F Section on Saturday.

The KZP had no further details.

In nearby Umbumbulu, the KZP said, 18-year-old Peter Ndomba was shot dead early on Friday, while a woman was killed in the Ezzengezi area of Umkumbulu on Friday afternoon.

An 18-year-old youth was also killed in the Ezhukhuni area of KwaMakhutha, about 30km south of Durban, on Saturday evening.

The KZP further reported the killing of a 63-year-old man at his home in nearby Adams Mission on Saturday.

He had been shot dead while two others were injured in an attack.

Police had no further details.

The SA Police, meanwhile, reported another eight deaths in areas under its jurisdiction in Natal.

Durban SAP spokesman Major Bala Naidoo said three people had been killed in an attack on a home near Paddock in Southern Natal on Friday.

The attackers had kicked down a door of the house before opening fire on the occupants.

Imbiza's Blomshol settlement was again the scene of violence, with two deaths there at the weekend.

A woman was killed in the settlement on Saturday, while another woman was killed on Sunday.

Two men were also killed in the nearby Ndhungwe area on Saturday, said Naidoo.

Another man was killed in Umlazi's Globelands Hostel at the weekend, police added. — Sapa.
DURBAN. — A dispute has followed yesterday's gruesome confrontation near Durban's Musgrave Centre, which left five suspected armed robbers dead in a hail of police gunfire.

Two witnesses to the 10am clash in Essenwood Road accused members of the SAP Reaction Unit of opening fire on the suspects after they had surrendered and were lying face down on the pavement.

But police denied this, saying one of the men fired on police first. sparking the shootout in front of Wakefields House, 180 Essenwood Road.

Police spokesman Major Bala Naidoo said the police would "be taking statements from these two witnesses and they will be given the chance to testify in the subsequent inquest".

Wakefields manager Mr Alan Kevany and building contractor Mr Jannie de Bruyn said they saw the men "lying on the ground for about 10 seconds before the cops opened fire on automatic and shot the five men in the back."

Murder and robbery unit commander Colonel Vlaggles Roux dismissed that as "untrue".
New peace hope

DURBAN — A major scoop for peace was achieved in northern Natal yesterday, with rival political parties agreeing to form a regional peace structure during a rare day in which no political violence was reported in the province.

IFP and ANC leaders have been struggling to clear obstacles towards establishing a peace structure in the region for about 18 months. Yesterday's meeting of peace accord signatories in the region appears to have reached consensus on forming a committee.

A Natal/KwaZulu Regional Dispute Resolution Committee spokesman said the talks in Empangeni said they had made "positive progress" — a term seldom used after meetings between the IFP and ANC.

He said agreement had been reached on formalising a sub-regional dispute resolution committee in northern Natal within two months.

This has been hailed by both parties as a breakthrough, and is particularly significant in Natal where some peace structures have died before becoming active.

The RDRC plans to broaden peace structures in Natal's Midlands and southern regions and convene peace accord signatory meetings there too. — Sapa.
Two hurt in taxi shooting

TWO people were wounded when an unidentified gunman opened fire on a taxi near Escom at on
Tuesday. The taxi was taking workers into town
from Wembozi when a man stepped into the street
and fired several shots, police spokesman Captain
Henry Budhram said. He identified the wounded as
Mr Themba Madondo and Mrs M Mahuso.

Shooting victim serious
Natal rivals agree on a way to peace

DURBAN — Political rivals in northern Natal — on a rare day in which no political violence was reported in the province — have agreed to form a regional peace structure.

Inkatha Freedom Party and ANC leaders, unable to clear obstacles to a peace structure in the region for about 18 months, appeared at yesterday’s meeting of peace accord signatories to have reached consensus on forming a peace committee.

A Natal/KwaZulu regional dispute resolution committee spokesman at the talks in Empangeni said delegates had made “positive progress”. Agreement had been reached on formalising a subregional dispute resolution committee in northern Natal within two months.

This would lead to establishing local peace structures in conflict-ridden communities. (27/11)

“The parties have reaffirmed their commitment to the peace process and have agreed on a strategy for the way forward,” he said.

ANC regional chairman Aaron Ndlomo, predicting the launching of a peace committee within three weeks, said: “We’ve ironed out our differences and we’ve established common ground.”

His Inkatha counterpart, Blessed Gwala, said: “This meeting was a breakthrough.”

Representatives of KwaZulu police, business and clergy also attended the meeting, at which policing, freedom of political activity, local government and the role of tribal authorities were discussed.

Inkatha signatories to the peace accord were brought together by the regional dispute resolution committee earlier this year after local peace structures collapsed.

While some local dispute resolution committees were continued to function effectively, the regional dispute resolution committee planned to broaden peace structures in Natal’s midlands and southern regions, the committee spokesman said.

Good progress had been made in behind-the-scenes peace talks in the midlands, and this could lead to a peace accord meeting soon.

A meeting of peace accord signatories was also planned for southern Natal, he said.

Port Shepstone had been hit hard by a surge in fighting.

Matters were complicated by Inkatha’s on-off participation in the local peace committee.

However, a meeting between Inkatha and local tribal heads was planned for later this month, when Inkatha’s taking part in the Fort Shepstone peace committee would be clarified, the spokesman said.

The southern Natal ANC region, which launched a major peace drive a few months ago, was planning a regional summit this weekend at which workable steps to end violence would be discussed. — Sapa.

ANC repeats call for action on homelands

THE ANC yesterday repeated its call for the speedy reincorporation of all homelands following a warning by Bophuthatswana President Lucas Mangope that civil servants supporting the organisation would be dismissed.

The ANC said in a statement that Mangope’s threat was only one in a series of examples of a lack of political tolerance and free political activity in the area.

“The threat is particularly unacceptable coming from one of the participants at the World Trade Centre who claims to be negotiating for a peaceful settlement of the country’s problems,” the ANC said.

Mangope’s statement was in total violation of the right to freedom of association, a basic tenet of democracy to which Mangope claimed to subscribe. The ANC said Mangope’s threats could no longer be taken lightly.

Mangope told public servants in Mmabatho on Tuesday that his government could not keep employees who were working with organisations which waged war to destabilise and destroy Bophuthatswana. He said the ANC/SACP alliance had launched a campaign to infiltrate his public servants, including the security forces, with the aim of toppling his government.

His government was prepared to die for its independence, he said.

STEPHANE BOTHMA
Joint policing for conflict in Natal

DURBAN.—The first step towards multi-party control of the security forces will be taken soon in Natal when its first joint IFP/ANC/SA Police operations centre is formed in the strife-torn Bhambayi squatter settlement outside Durban.

In another boost for peace, the ANC in southern Natal will bring together various sectors of the community in the region for a summit here this weekend. (275) 6473777

And in Zimbah, the ANC, IFP and police have agreed to the formation of a local dispute resolution committee to deal with increasing violence in the area.

ANC southern Natal chairman Mr Jeff Radebe told a press conference yesterday that the first joint operations control centre would be in Bhambayi, where more than 150 people have died in clashes since the beginning of the year.
ANC and police joint monitoring plan welcomed

DURBAN — The South African Police and the ANC are to begin joint monitoring of southern Natal violence flashpoints in what is being hailed by the ANC as a step towards joint control of the security forces.

Joint operation centres (JOCs) — already operating in some East Rand townships — are to be established within a week in Bhambayi near Durban, where factions aligned to the ANC have been involved in a war which has claimed about 130 lives in eight months.

The Inkatha Freedom Party and others linked to political conflict in the region will also be involved in areas where their supporters are affected, according to southern Natal ANC secretary-general Ndebele.

"This is a step towards joint control of the security forces," southern Natal ANC chairman Jeff Radebe said in Durban yesterday.

He said the ANC and police had held talks with Natal police commissioner General Colin Stephens and would meet him again.

Ndebele said the first JOC would be established in Bhambayi, possibly next week, and the ANC hoped to expand the joint operation to other violent areas, particularly Port Shepstone.

IFP spokesman Ed Tilley said his party would welcome joint monitoring but warned of obstacles.

"It could become bogged down in suspicion and mistrust."

JOCs will be discussed at a weekend peace summit in Durban for ANC-aligned organisations. — Sapa.
Major peace drive launched by ANC

MAJOR peace initiative was announced yesterday by the ANC Southern Natal region which could see de facto joint control of the security forces in this region.

ANC southern Natal chairman Jeff Hadebe said violence-racked townships in southern Natal were to get Joint Operations Co-ordinating Centres as a result of discussions between the ANC and South African Police. These JOCCs will involve the SAP, ANC and warring organisations in the community.

Hadebe also said the major peace summit planned for the weekend would involve the ANC branches, the Congress of South African Trade Unions, the SA Communist Party, the SA Democratic Teachers Union, the SA Black Taxi Association, the Congress of SA Students, the National Education Crisis Committee, Diakonia, Inyanda African Chamber of Commerce, Consultative Business Movement and the SA National Civic Organisation.

"We want peace in this province. Our responsibility and duty is to leave no stones unturned in our quest for peace," Hadebe said.

He said the JOCCs were the result of a meeting two weeks ago between the ANC and SAP generals in Pretoria.

"That meeting led to a situation where we decided that the security forces need to be accountable to implement all the agreements of the Multiparty Forum," Hadebe said.

The first of these JOCCs is likely to be established within the month in Blambayi, north of Durban, where violence has claimed more than 150 lives since December last year.
Three of five gunned down by police were ours — MK

DURBAN — At least three of the five men killed by police in Essenwood Road on Tuesday were members of the African National Congress military wing Umkhonto we Sizwe.

This was confirmed today by the Natal Commissar of MK, Mr Sipho Sithole, who said a lawyer had been appointed to investigate the killings.

On Monday police gunned down five men who they said were suspected of planning a robbery in the area. Police said the men were shot after they opened fire on policemen.

This has been disputed by four witnesses who said police fired without provocation after the men had surrendered. But at least two other witnesses back the police version.

Mr Sithole said the deaths had sparked anger in MK ranks. They believed police were deliberately killing its members.

Police spokesman, Major Baila Naidoo, denied the charge. He said police returned fire from the suspects. Whether the men were MK members or not was not an issue at the time.
MK men among 5 shot by police

DURBAN. — Two of the five people killed in Tuesday's Essenwood Road shooting were uMkhonto weSizwe members, Natal's MK commissioner Mr Sipho Sithole said yesterday.

He said they were still investigating the possibility that a third man was also a member.

Meanwhile, the attorney-general of Natal, Mr Tim McNally, has promised a speedy decision regarding this week's Essenwood Road shooting as soon as he receives the police docket.

Police spokesman Major Bala Naidoo said they had held discussions with Mr McNally yesterday and that he had expressed his concern over the issue degenerating into a "trial by the media".

He said the post-mortem and ballistics results would be made known at subsequent court proceedings.

Mr Sithole claimed that the shooting seemed to be a revenge killing for the death of an MK member. But police denied this.
Foreign police to help probe Natal killings

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN — Three experts have been called in to help investigate last week's controversial Essenwood Road shooting.


These latest developments in the shooting and killing of five armed suspected robbers follows accusations and denials that police had acted without provocation. Three of the men killed were members of the ANC's armed wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe.
Five more people are killed in Natal violence

DURBAN — At least five more people died in violence in Natal at the weekend, the KwaZulu Police said yesterday.

On Saturday two men were found shot dead in Umlazi after a group of men were reported to be entering houses and assaulting women.

The dead have been identified as Mzikayini Ngubane, 35, and Thembu Welcome Buthelezi, 25.

Police are also investigating the deaths of two women who were allegedly hacked to death by a group of youths in Madadeni, near Newcastle, on Friday night. A third victim, Phumzile Khumalo, 10, was taken to hospital.

The three were on their way home from a memorial service when they were attacked by a group of youths with pangas.

A spokesman for the KwaZulu Police also reported the death of Zwelethu Phewa, 23, who was shot dead in Umkumbula on Sunday.

No arrests have yet been made in any of the above cases.

Meanwhile, scores of people are reported to be fleeing Ezakheni township near Ladysmith in the Natal Midlands, where violence is continuing between ANC and Inkatha Freedom Party supporters. Sapa reports. (2-76)

ANC central Ladysmith branch chairman Ahmed Sadek said people were seeking refuge in the town.

A public meeting to try to bring peace to the township has been planned for the weekend.

In another development yesterday the KwaZulu Police named the Esikhawini College of Education lecturer who was fatally shot by gunmen armed with an AK-47 rifle in his rooms at the college on Thursday night as Upton Shandu, 45.

A KwaZulu Police spokesman said police were still searching for a female colleague of Shandu’s who escaped the attack.

The motive for the killing remains unknown.

The SAP is still investigating an incident in which a father and his 10-year-old son were shot dead in an ambush in Elowo, near Amazincundu, on Friday night.

Zethembe Shange, 45, and his son were travelling with three others when gunmen dressed in SADF uniforms opened fire on their car with an AK-47.

Police spokesman Maj Bala Naidoo said yesterday a youth travelling in the car was admitted to hospital after the attack.

Map

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8 die in new shackland attack

DURBAN — Another attack in the strife-torn shackland of Bhambayi has claimed the lives of at least eight people.

Last night's attack — in the "Reds" section of the informal settlement — was apparently launched by members of the "Greens" faction.

Two of the victims were shot and thrown into a blazing shack.

Once more residents accused police of patrolling the area or failing to protect them and some alleged police complicity in the attacks.

But police spokesman Bala Naidoo said: "They cannot expect the police to be everywhere. When they heard the gunshots last night they went to investigate."

Residents complained that police arrested them whenever they formed their own patrol squads.

Major Naidoo said people could not expect the police to allow them to form vigilante groups.
IFP opens in ANC 'war' area

DURBAN. — The IFP is to launch a branch this weekend in the ANC stronghold of Bhambayi, the scene of renewed fighting yesterday which left seven dead.

Police, who have offered a "substantial reward" for information, are expected to be out in force this weekend in the informal settlement which has had eight months of severe violence.

The death toll in fighting between two gangs, the Reds and the Greens, is now estimated at well over 200.

Both groups were ANC-aligned but it is now believed that the Greens have broken away to join the IFP.

IFP spokesman Mr Ed Titlett said members of the Green gang had approached them within the past fortnight to join.

Southern Natal youth leaders of the the ANC and the IFP are to meet in Durban tomorrow in an effort to bring peace to townships in the region, they jointly announced yesterday.
IFP supporters killed in attack

Durban — At least seven people were killed and 11 injured in the Inanda area yesterday when the Inkatha Freedom Party launched a branch in the Phambili shanty area. 918195

Most of the casualties occurred when an unknown assailant lobbed a hand-grenade at IFP supporters. 2718

Addressing the rally after the attack, IFP leader Mandla Sibale said supporters had the right to defend themselves when attacked.

The Southern Natal Youth wing of the ANC and Inkatha called for peace at the weekend declaring a "cessation of hostilities." — Own Correspondent
ANC, IFP youth to combat violence

Political Staff

The youth wings of the African National Congress and Inkatha Freedom Party joined hands in a call for peace, declaring a "cessation of hostilities" in another major boost for peace in the Southern Natal region.

At an historic 12-hour meeting of the Southern Natal regions of the ANC Youth League and IFP Youth Brigade in Durban on Saturday, leaders pledged to work towards peace and committed themselves to the formation of a joint liaison committee.

"We resolve to declare a cessation of hostilities, at least in the main, among our constituencies/membership. No member of one of our parties must, from today onwards, engage in conflict with members of either party," they said.

The joint liaison committee, proposed at the meeting, with five members from each side, will try to:

- Maintain the momentum of searching for peace.
- Call on the departments of education to inculcate peace in the teaching/learning activities at schools.
- Facilitate youth representation in all the regional structures of the National Peace Accord.
- Popularise the joint agreements reached at the peace meeting among their respective memberships and all allied structures.

"Ensure that joint mechanisms are established to deal with the breaches of agreements. The two delegations, led by ANC Youth League leaders Cyril Xaba and IFP Youth Brigade organiser Otto Kusene, said the meeting had been conducted in a "good spirit." They said their organisations had a common objective — to work towards peace.

The two main issues on the table were that of violence and free political activity. In their joint declaration, the organisations expressed their outrage at the carnage, acknowledged that the violence had in some cases been used by criminals to camouflage their activities as political violence, and recommitted themselves to the June 23 agreement of Nelson Mandela and Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

The youth structures urged their leaders and members to desist from uttering provocative statements and vilification.
Bhambayi man necklaced, hacked

DURBAN.—The necklaced body of a man who had his private parts hacked off was the latest grim discovery in the war-torn Bhambayi township near here yesterday, where eight people have been killed since the weekend.

Independent violence monitor in Natal, Ms Mary de Haas yesterday called on the Goldstone Commission to investigate the SAP's alleged role in the conflict.

Meanwhile the KwaZulu Police reported four more killings in the territory at the weekend, pushing the KwaZulu-Natal region's death toll since Friday to 12.—Own Correspondent, Sapa
MARITZBURG. — The investigating officer in the trial of two men facing 21 counts of murder and attempted murder following the death of six children in an ambush at Table Mountain in March, denied yesterday that he assaulted one of the accused and schooled him on what to tell a magistrate.

Warrant Officer James van Huysteen was responding to allegations by accused Mr Sibusiso Zulu, 18, that he was assaulted during his interrogation.

The policeman told Mr Justice Combrink that Mr Zulu had been questioned on and off throughout the day of his arrest, had denied involvement in the incident, and told various lies to the police.

Initially he pretended his surname was Mkhize and when questioned about his movements the night before the massacre he told them he had slept at three different places.

The hearing continues.
'ANC/IFP conflict causes violence'

AMANZINTSHI — The political fight between the ANC and the IFP was the root cause of political violence in South Africa, Law and Order Minister Mr. Hennus Kriel said yesterday.

"I'm not saying who started the fight, but it is the main cause of the political violence," he told delegates at the Natal NP congress.

Mr. Kriel said many people believed an election would bring peace to the country.

"If we don't want worse violence after the election, we must reduce the level now," — Sapa
NO RELIEF IN NATAL

Violence in KwaZulu/Natal continues unabated with 182 deaths last month making it the worst since October, says the Human Rights Commission (HRC). This is in spite of efforts to broker peace not only by the Regional Peace Committee, but also the ANC's Southern Natal region, which launched a nationally endorsed peace initiative in June. The meeting between IFP leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi and ANC president Nelson Mandela that month has had little impact.

Among the new attempts at achieving peace are a peace pact between the Southern Natal region of the ANC Youth League and the IFP's Youth Brigade at the weekend, a planned peace meeting between the ANC Women's League and the IFP Women's Brigade in Durban on August 25, and a peace summit of youth groups at Umqombo today.

However, it seems that pleas for peace by the national and regional politicians are simply not filtering down.

Adding grit to the mill are mounting criticisms of security force — particularly the SAP's internal stability unit — handling of flashpoints.

Roy Ansiele, co-ordinator of the DP's monitoring and action group, who witnessed violence at Nhambayi at the weekend when seven died, says the unit officers ignored pleas to prevent IFP marchers from following a route which earlier in the day had seen three deaths, many injuries and a house burnt down. "Until the issue of effective policing is sorted out, these initiatives are doomed to failure," says Ansiele.

But the problem is also within the communities themselves. Ansiele says that in spite of failures of the past, lessons have been learnt and moves are afoot to take appropriate action.

Antoinette Louw of Natal University's Centre for Social & Development Studies endorses Ansiele's view, adding that peace accords must be reached at a more parochial level, with the leaders in specific areas themselves being peace signatories.

Linda McLean of the HRC in Durban says the coming election is also starting to have an impact, as parties begin establishing constituency bases.

She says the July death toll brings the region's total for the year to 942 — 39% higher than the same period last year.
Bhambayi
once more

NONSTOP VIOLENCE At least 200
people have died in Inanda squatter camp:

By Ido Lekota

On Sunday Bhambayi erupted again, leaving at least eight people dead and 11 injured after the Inanda Freedom Party held a rally in the area to launch a local branch. At this stage every resident in the area, including local leaders, has his own theories as to why fighting broke out in Bhambayi.

However, most agree that the initial dispute was about allegiance to different sangumas and a power struggle in local leadership structures between two ANC-supporting factions, originally mainly from the Transkei.

These eventually came to be known as the “greens” or Mthoba faction and the “reds” or the Holomisa faction.

Also underlying the complex political, tribal, criminal and myriad of other elements of the conflict, is the fact that Bhambayi was a disaster area before the fighting started. In 1992, there was no running water or sewerage in the area.

The only clean water in the area is from five privately owned boreholes. The water is available to residents for between five and seven cents a litre.

According to reports by the Democratic Party unrest monitors, 90 percent of the locally-bombed men in the area are unemployed.

The violence erupted in February this year causing many deaths. Eventually, members of the SAP’s Internal Stability Unit were deployed, leading to complaints by both factions that the unit was being partial.

Domestic feud

On the other hand, it is trying to quell what they essentially regarded as a “domestic feud”, both the Southern Natal regional leadership of the ANC and the Transkei conglomerate in Durban held meetings with the warring factions.

Meetings were also held with the ISU to address its alleged lack of impartiality.

In March a temporary truce was achieved after church leaders, led by former Archbishop Dennis Hurley, held prayer services with the two factions.

However, the violence erupted again after a month with more complaints about the police’s lack of impartiality.

This led to the ISU being temporarily withdrawn from the area and replaced by ordinary uniformed SAP and SAPF members.

After attempts to resolve the conflict failed, there were rumours the IFP had made inroads into the “greens” territory. This led to the “reds” referring to the “greens” as Inkatha, a tag the “green” initially vehemently denied.

Meanwhile, members of the ISU were once more deployed in the area, a situation followed by complaints only from the “reds” that the security forces were assisting the “greens.” The ANC described the situation as “a military showdown by the ISU to usher the IFP into an ANC stronghold.”

A bridge identification saying — Internal Stability.

SAP Number 9 — allegedly found after another violent clash in the area, underscored the ANC’s allegations.

However, SAP spokesman Major Bala Naidoo said the bridge proved nothing as “it could belong to anybody.”

“Everyone knows that there are many police uniforms floating around,” he said.

Sunday’s launch of an IFP branch confirmed the loyalties of the “greens” and the violence that erupted thereafter has a large extent been sparked by the additional conflict of the ANC-IFP conflict.

The ANC described the move as “political opportunism” and another ploy by the IFP to destabilise the area.

IFP spokesman Ed Titler denied the charge. He said the IFP was moving into the area because of its belief that the violence could only be stopped through development.

“The conflict is mainly the result of scarce resources and we have the means through the KwaZulu government to develop the area,” he said.

Recently agreed moves to establish a pioneer Joint Operation Centre in Bhambayi continue to be stalled by claims by parties involved that “they are still discussing the logistics.”

Among the logistics issues is the ANC’s continued call that the ISU be removed from the area and replaced by uniformed policemen and members of the SAPF. The SAP has refused, saying it will not remove the unit “because it is the only unit professionally qualified to deal with an unrest area such as Bhambayi.”
WHEN FEAR RULES

BY FRED KHUMALO

BHAMBIYI: Catches with the smell of fear. Lorries groaning under the weight of furniture, trundle through the dirt roads in the shacksland south of Durban. Residents flee the area in anticipation of more fighting.

Approached by journalists for comments about the fighting in which 200 have died since December – the latest being the massacre of seven people last weekend – locals are circumspect and cagey.

"We don't know anything," a man tells us as we enter the Inkatha stronghold, "the leaders will speak to you. We're not allowed to speak to strangers."

But it takes us a while to find a "leader" who can speak to us. When we finally meet James Mkhethi, a businessman and a leader of some sort, our negotiating skills are put to the test.

The leader twists our questions: he gives long, winding answers that are not answers at all. He paints a colourful picture of the "peaceful" Inkatha, and an "evil" ANC bent on ruling Bhambayi with an iron fist.

When we go to the ANC stronghold, feist and distrust also reign supreme. A woman who is trying to give us directions to the house of a leader gets a bitter tongue-lashing from a spear-wielding youth.

"How do you know who these people are? How can you do such a treacherous thing as pointing out the houses of our leaders?" says the young man. Then the words, and adds: "Watch out, you'll find yourself being snatched!" (Bazokunqaka. Watch out!"

In slang, "ukunqaka" – being snatched up – means being killed.

Jafna Ngkwe, ANC deputy chairman in the area, paints a glowing picture of the ANC and an evil picture of Inkatha bent on wiping the ANC out of the area.

Later, a woman I spoke to with the leader's permission told me while the leader wasn't within earshot: "I can't stand the life here. I want to move. But I have to be subtle. I can't tell them I want to move. They will call me a traitor and might even kill me before I finish loading my things on to a van."

The woman said due to the launch of the Inkatha branch, fighting would continue as the party was likely to bring in reinforcements from its other branches to give support to its Bhambayi members.

Despite the presence of the police in the area, the killing of people and the burning of houses continues daily.

"What exacerbates the situation is that the police are often seen to be siding with Inkatha. Those of us who live in the ANC area are not safe. We hear shooting every night," she said.

Many residents in the area have quit work as their access to the taxi and bus ranks has been curtailed by the fighting. Life has come to a standstill here. Only fear rules.
Bloody Awful

Join Inkhatha from ANC to Jackson splits after Greens

By Rees Khumalo

December 2000. The killing of the 51 Bhambayi men under the death toll in the Natal Townships to 300 so far.
At least 7 killed in Natal violence

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — At least seven people were killed in violence in Natal/KwaZulu at the weekend.

At Gamalakhe, near Port Shepstone, Mr B L Tutshini was shot dead by a group of men on Saturday night.

In Nhlabathi, constable L Naidoo was shot in the knee when his patrol car was fired at on Saturday night. Police arrested two suspects.

The body of a man, aged about 26, was found in Ezakheni township, near Ladysmith.

KwaZulu Police reported the deaths of four people at the weekend.

Two people were murdered and a house torched in Umlazi on Saturday night, a woman was shot and killed in Umbumbulu on the Natal South Coast and another woman was shot and killed in KwaMashu, in Durban.

Damage estimated at R20,000 was caused to a house set alight in Umlazi on Saturday night.

A crisis committee has been established to try to stop violence between ANC and IFP-supporting pupils at Maphatsi, near Newcastle.

Mayor Mr Reuben Tshabalala said a number of pupils had been killed in clashes between rival groups of youths at schools in the township over the past few months.
Four 'people's court' deaths in Bhambayi

DURBAN. — Police believe four people who were found dead in the informal settlement of Bhambayi were killed by a "people's court".

A man and a woman were found shot dead on Tuesday night, and the bodies of two more men were found yesterday morning, said SAP spokesman Major Bala Naidoo.

Maj Naidoo said the two people killed on Tuesday night were found in the Khanyile area of Bhambayi. Several R1 and AK-47 shells were found at the scene.

Later that night six shacks were burnt down. Police discovered the bodies of two men early yesterday.

One man had been necklaced. At least six people are believed to have died in "people's courts" since the weekend.

Three more killings in separate attacks in Umlazi, south of Durban, have occurred over the past two days.

Police said Mr Jerry Govender, 38, was stabbed to death early on Monday and an unidentified 42-year-old man was shot dead yesterday morning.

Mr Pat Zulu, 49, was shot dead near Umlazi's railway station on Tuesday afternoon. He was apparently killed in an argument, police said. — Sapa, Own Correspondent
Natal violence

FOUR people have been killed in violent crimes in Natal.

Two people died in an attack on a house at Nongwe, near Greytown, and a man was shot dead during a faction fight at Tugela Ferry. At Mountain Rise, near Maritzburg, a man was killed in a fight with two other people. (2/16)
Black anger ‘a deadly threat’

Staff Reporter

BLACK anger was the most deadly threat to South Africa, ANC PWV regional chairman Mr Tokyo Sexwale said yesterday.

He was speaking at the launch of the ANC branch at the University of Stellenbosch, which was attended by about 1,000 students and some residents of Kayamandi township.

Strongly condemning the killing of American student Ms Amy Biehl at Guguletu on Wednesday, he said there was a crisis in education, a general crisis of economy, of violence, of confidence in the security forces and in health care.

Criticalising the multi-party talks for wasting time, he said there was a crisis in that very forum which it was “hoped would address these crises”.

He said the new constitution must address both white fears and black anger. Calling this “the South African equation”, he said the one could not be addressed at the cost of the other.

“One represents the immediate danger of people trying to break out, the other, people trapped in a citadel, afraid of change, worried about the future.”

Referring to the killing of Ms Biehl, he said: “A woman was murdered yesterday in the name of the struggle – that is not our struggle, we cannot have our country degenerate to this.

“What happened to Amy will be business as usual if we do not solve these problems.”

He said delay in finding a solution was “playing into the hands of thugs, of white and black right-wing criminals”.

He called for a constitution accountable to Parliament, independent attorney- and auditor-generals, accountable security forces and a free press, which under minority rule whites had never enjoyed.

“We want to enjoy this with all South Africans,” he said.

He said the multi-party forum was an undemocratic, undemocratic, unrepresentative structure and there had to be an opportunity to elect the people who would draw up a constitution.

Questioned on the “Kill the Boer” slogan, he said Mr Peter Mokaba was working hard to tell the Youth League not to use it.
Gwala: 'Stop racist attacks'

OWN CORRESPONDENT

DURBAN — In a surprise move yesterday, ANC Natal Midlands leader Mr Harry Gwala called for an massive education drive to teach the black youth that whites are not enemies and that racist attacks are unacceptable.

Warning that the country could be plunged into a "very ghastly race war" if such racist attacks continued, Mr Gwala said the ANC would have to "rein in" its membership to end unacceptable behaviour in townships.

Calling for an end to the use of racist slogans, Mr Gwala said the language of liberation groups must reflect the changing face of South Africa.
CAPE TOWN Teacher and PAC member Vuyo Tekani, 27, was arrested at Scuma Primary School in Khayelitsha on Thursday, in the latest development following last weekend's attack inside the St James Church in Cape Town.

Tekani, who teaches at the school is being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act for questioning.

School principal Essau Menziwa, 56, said Tekani was taken from school by the police at 3pm.

Pumla Nabe, Tekani's aunt who stayed with him in Gugulethu's NY3 section, said she went to see her nephew at the police station and was made to wait for 30 minutes in the car while the police had a conference inside the station.

She claimed that she was taken with Tekani to St James Church where he was taken inside. She later followed, demanding to know what was happening, she said.

She said the police asked her to leave and told her they did not need her.

According to Nabe the police then said to Tekani that the car used by the gunman belonged to him and had been written off after being involved in an accident in May.

He apparently denied this and the car had been scrapped.

Nabe said she was asked by police if she was aware that Tekani had been away from school for two weeks in the Transkei. She answered that he had gone there to visit her sick sister.

Nabe claimed the police then asked her if she was aware that Tekani was not at school on the Monday following the attack. She replied that he was sick after an accident on June 11, and was suffering from knee problems.

Commenting on the detention of Tekani, PAC national executive member Carter Sebotsa claimed yesterday that the police were "again using the PAC as a sacrificial lamb."

He said attempts by the police to link the St James massacre to the Eastern Cape attacks for which Apla claimed responsibility did not succeed in their own investigations, revealed that different weapons had been used in the attacks.
By Thami Mbeogo

On manifold for Killers

"11/1949"
Church Massacre

The St James

When the first shots rang out, the congregation was in the midst of worshipping. The sound of gunfire cut through the air, causing panic and chaos to ensue. The pastor, in a valiant attempt to maintain order, tried to shoo the congregation out the back door. As they fled, however, more shots were fired, leading to a bloody massacre.

The Church of the Living God in Underwood, located in the Denver suburb of Aurora, was the target of a tragic and senseless act of violence.

Injured members were rushed to hospitals in the area, including the nearby Anschutz Medical Campus. Two of the victims—both women—were pronounced dead by the time they reached the hospital.

A 21-year-old suspect, identified by police as a local dweller, was arrested at the scene of the crime. He had a history of mental illness and was described as a recluse by neighbors.

First responders from the Aurora Police Department and Denver Fire Department arrived on the scene within minutes of receiving the 911 call. The scene was quickly cordoned off, and a heavy police presence was felt throughout the area.

The investigation into the incident is ongoing, and authorities are working to determine the motive behind the massacre.

Local politicians and community leaders have spoken out against the violence, calling for stricter gun control and support for mental health services.

As the community mourns the loss of its innocent members, the community is left to pick up the pieces and try to heal from this senseless act of violence.

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PRODUCTION manager Lorenzo Smith, whose wife Myrtle died when a piece of shrapnel pierced her heart, with his son Craig, 19, and daughter, Mandy, 14:

"I will never carry a gun. God is my gun and ammunition. Nothing will stop me from going back to St James, and if I see my wife's killers on the street, I would go up to them and ask them to repent.

"I feel sorry for them, and I ask the Lord to touch their hearts. I hope whatever they see on TV or read will be a burden to them so they can repent and come to see that what they've done is a sin.

"Violence is not the answer, and nor is running away. My sister and her husband emigrated to Australia, but I have no intention of going."

THE Rev Clive O'Kill and his wife, Mary, whose son Richard, 17, died when he threw himself over two friends to protect them from a grenade blast:

"I hope the killers are brought to justice because that is the civilised way...but when they die, I won't want to be in their shoes.

"I have no desire for vengeance, and I won't carry a weapon. If they shoot me, they send me to my son and my Lord straight away. My plea to blacks and whites alike is, for God's sake, put the guns down. We can't talk if we have guns in our pockets, and I say that to Eugene Terre Blanche, Constand Viljoen, Benny Alexander and MK."

WAREHOUSE manager Bernett Laufs, who will have to live with shrapnel embedded in his body:

"Putting armed guards outside the church will take away the focus of the service. If I had to go to church with a gun in my pocket I couldn't concentrate on the message.

"The killers are obviously from a violent background with no experience of love — and that's what they need."

"This experience has highlighted my desire to share my love of God with others."

COURT. Helicopters managing director Jeremy Labuschagne, a St James parishioner, since 1978, has shrapnel in his legs and chest:

"This massacre will not keep me away from church. Reunion for what has happened can never put a Christian off. What we believe surmounts any terrorist attack.

"I feel strong compassion for these people, and if anything, this senseless act has strengthened my faith. I've got no intention of leaving the country or carrying a gun."

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Sermon would have preached forgiveness

By DIANA STREAK

THE sermon that was not delivered at last Sunday night's service at the St James Church carried a strong message of sacrifice and forgiveness.

Australian clergyman Dr David Secombe, in South Africa on a five-year contract as head of the Church of England in South Africa's theological seminary, Whitefield College, built his sermon around the veracity of Christ's teachings. His miracles and the fact that He was "a man who loved so much that He let Himself be killed, yet died with forgiveness on His lips."

He would have reminded his congregation: "A freedom fighter being crucified beside Him at the end of His life saw it all, saw the inscription on the cross, and said: "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom."

"The curious thing about Jesus' miracles, according to the sermon, is that it is his enemies who provide us with the evidence that they are real."

In another portion of the text, Dr Secombe would have quoted John 11:25: "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

Dr Secombe would have added: "As Jesus hung on the cross His enemies taunted Him...Jesus prayed, 'Father forgive them, for they know not what they do."

The clergyman, who has been in South Africa for six months, said the attack would not scare him into an early departure.

"Iron enters the soul. There is nothing like suffering to pull people together," he said.

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terror far from home

Sailor victims who found

By Dana Strick

War ended, the Russian diplomats
saw the sailor they had known.
They were approached by
officials who asked to
have a word. The sailor,
whose name was
John, was smiling.

"I didn't mean to cause
any trouble," he said,
"but I was just trying to
get back home."

The Russian officials
explained that the sailor
was wanted for
atrocity.

"We know you were in
the area," one of the
officials said.

"And we know you
murdered several
people."

John was shocked.

"I didn't do anything,"
he insisted.

But the Russian officials
were convinced.

"We have evidence,"
one of them said.

"And we will
prosecute you."

John was taken away.

The news spread through
the sailors.

"He didn't do it,"
young sailors said.

"He's being
mistranslated,"
they added.

But the sailors
were powerless.

John was
sentenced to
life in prison.

The sailors
watched as
John was
taken away.

They knew
they would
never see
him again.

But they
were determined
to help.

They started
a fundraiser,
raise money
for John's family.

And they
wrote letters,
asking for
their support.

The sailors
were determined
to see
justice done.
Massacre suspect wasn’t at work on day after killings

By TAMMY BLOCH and NORMAN WRIGHT

The man being held by police in connection with last Sunday’s massacre at the St James Church in Kenilworth was not at work on the day after the killings.

Police yesterday said the suspect, known as Tekani, had been detained on Thursday under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Tekani, a member of the Pan African Congress, was last seen at the Anglican Mission Primary School in Guguletu.

He was not at work on Monday — the day after the massacre — and had not reported for classes for two weeks before the shooting.

Tekani’s sister, Nana, said she had been told that Tekani had not been to work.

Injured

Mrs Nana said she went to the Claremont police station on Thursday after being told that her brother, Nene, had been injured.

“The police told me that Nene had been hit by a car,” she said.

She added that Tekani had been in the police car for about 30 minutes before the police had a meeting.

They took Tekani to St James Church, where the massacre happened.

“We waited in the police car for about 30 minutes while the police had a meeting,” she said.

One policeman then came to take Tekani into the church, but I tried to go with him, but I was told not to.

Mrs Nana said she was told by Colonel Leonard Kupi, who is handling the investigation, that she was aware that Tekani had been in the Transkei the night before the massacre and had not reported for work on Monday.

“I was told that he had been in the Transkei on Monday,” she said.

However, Mr Tekani’s brother claimed the car had been swapped last month after an accident.

The car is a yellow Datsun, identical to the one recovered by police next to a scrapyard in Ottery on Tuesday and which was reportedly hijacked in Guguletu on Monday.

PAC president Clarence Makwasa confirmed at a news conference yesterday that Mr Tekani was a member of the organisation.

Police said this weekend that the investigation had shown the attack was well-planned and executed by men with military training.

But the group who lobbed hand-grenades into the packed St James Church in Kenilworth and sprayed the congregation with automatic rifle fire may have made a crucial error.

Services at the church are routinely filmed on a closed-circuit TV system.

When the killers, wearing blue overalls and knitted caps, moved down a darkened corridor, they entered a room and opened fire with a .50-calibre automatic weapon, possibly an M1.

His magazine empty, he stopped, and a second gunman took his place. One of the men tossed two M16 grenades, with nails, to create a fire, and the third, a man, moved to the side entrance, according to the driver of a taxi which had brought 140 people to the church.

The car hit the building doors and was parked near the church, and the two men moved to the scrapyard, where it was found by police on Tuesday.

The car had bullet holes in the bottom and back seat, indicating that at least one gunman was hit.
of Terror in Seconds

TRENCH

Don't look over your shoulder. Don't look back or the bomb will explode. Don't look down at the floor or the bomb will explode. Don't look up at the sky. Don't look forward. Don't look at the door. Don't look anywhere. Just look straight ahead. Don't look at the bomb. Don't look at the bomb. Don't look at the bomb.

There was no doubt.

KARIN PESLEY

by DENISE BOONZAEGER

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I saw the man kick open the door.
The St. James massacre

SURVIVORS' STORIES: Where they were

Dr Paul Anderson
Karin Padley
Denise Boonzaier
David Visser
Brian Casey

Dr Paul Anderson ... dreamt of an attack on a church two nights before the St James horror.

Pictures: DOUG RITCHIE, Weekend Argus.

BRIAN CASEY ... felt horror more than fear as his St James "family" was shot down "in cold blood".

Dr Paul Anderson calls for a church service to be held on Sunday evening.

BRIAN CASEY: The bullets just happened to miss me.

Dr Paul Anderson's medical training took over as he coolly checked his injuries and instructed people assisting him.

"I knew my arm was damaged and I began checking the recessing in my fingers. There was blood pouring from my head and I was applying pressure to that. My leg was also bleeding."

Dr Anderson was shot through the buttock, his forehead was grazed by a bullet, he suffered a shrapnel wound to his ankle and the entire left side of his back was covered in shrapnel. His arm was also smashed by the force of the grenade.

"There was a physiotherapist there who asked what she should do. I told her to apply pressure to my head to stop the bleeding. Her boyfriend ripped out the gauze and made a splint for my arm."

Once the rescue teams arrived Dr Anderson was loaded into an ambulance and while waiting to be driven off, asked a friend to telephone his wife Margaret and an orthopaedic surgeon, Dr Chris Kunnen, and have them meet him at Constantiaberg Medi-Clinic.

Dr Anderson was rushed into surgery and after an operation lasting from midnight to 5.30 am on Monday, expects to be discharged this weekend.

He said it would be difficult to return to St James, his church for the past 18 months.

"I knew about post-traumatic stress syndrome and I think you have to go through that before you go back into the situation again. There's a definite psychological component."

BRIAN CASEY

Two nights before the St James massacre, Somerset Hospital surgeon Dr Paul Anderson dreamed of an attack on a church — but dismissed it as stress-related and did not give it another thought, not even when he prepared for church on Sunday evening.

Then, when a grenade came flying straight at him: "I saw my nightmare fulfilled."

"I saw a guy coming through the door. He threw a hand grenade."

"I could see the little indentations on it as it came flying towards me. I just got down."

"I heard it break, almost like fire crackers going off. Then people started screaming."

"From previous page..."

He began to relate events to his wife and their children, aged five and two, but eventually found relief in a prayer while he was in the shower and in a post-midnight telephone call to a neighbour who had also attended the service.

Also in his thoughts were the emigration application forms he had brought home recently in the hope of leaving for Australia.

"I realised that as I was not hit in church, my time to die had not come, and that I could construct some stage, whether I'm here or in Australia."

"This is home and this is where the support is. I would rather be here."

Mr Visser said the Rev Ron Anderson, acting head of the St James flock for several weeks, had recently delivered several sermons dealing with Christians' response to political developments.

"He told anyone that they should vote or who for, but he urged Christians to become more actively effective so they could influence events."

He was so worried about the recent stress-related events that he broke down during one of his sermons.

"Mr Visser said he, like many other members of the congregation, would want to see justice done in the prosecution of the attackers."

"I would want to ask them is why they picked on a church, what was going through their minds just before they walked through the door and why they really knew what St James was about."

PAUL ANDERSON: I saw my nightmare fulfilled

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Cape killings—man held

A MEMBER of the Pan Africanist Congress has been detained in connection with last Sunday's massacre in the St James church in Cape Town where 11 people were killed and more than 50 wounded.

Police custody

The detainee, who has been in police custody since Thursday, apparently is a teacher from Guguletu.

He is being detained in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Police have confirmed that the detained man is Mr Vuyo Tekani.

The PAC has confirmed that their member had been detained by police in connection with the attack on a Kentworth church last weekend.

Interviewed on Saturday, PAC publicity director Mr Wakis Toboli said he was convinced the inmate had not been involved in the attack.

"I am convinced that he is innocent." - Sapa.
Church killings: youth in court  
CAPE TOWN — Pan Africanist Students’ Organisation (Paso) supporters chanted “every settler deserves a bullet” outside the Wynberg Magistrate’s Court, where a 17-year-old Khayelitsha schoolboy appeared yesterday in connection with the St James’ Church killings.

Eleven people died in the attack at the Kenilworth church during a service on July 28. Attorney-General Frank Kahn has prohibited bail for the Std 8 pupil.

Police lined the main entrance to the court buildings as 20 supporters chanted “kill a cop a day,” “Apla, Apla,” “every settler deserves a bullet” and “one settler, one bullet.”

The boy smiled and waved to his father in court. His mother cried outside the court.

Kahn confirmed he had objected to bail for reasons he could not disclose.

Magistrate John van Zyl said it was in the interests of the administration of justice that the youth not be released.

“I have no discretion. The only ruling I can make is to refuse bail,” Van Zyl said.

James Yekiso, for the youth, was told he could apply for bail within 90 days of the arrest if no evidence had been led in court.

The hearing was postponed to October 8.

Two Paso members appeared briefly in the Mitchell’s Plain Magistrate’s Court yesterday morning in connection with the murder of American Fulbright scholar Amy Biell in Gugulethu Wednesday.

Mzikosa “Easy” Nofonela, 22, and Nongenzi Mncina, 21, spoke only through their attorney B B Ntonga.

On their way down to the cells, however, they shouted “one settler, one bullet.”

About 30 youths, watched by police, took up the chant as they filed out of the court.

Magistrate J H Loots postponed the case to September 13 for further police investigation.

The accused were remanded.

Loots said bail might be discussed at the September 13 hearing.

Biell was cremated in Cape Town yesterday.

Her ashes are to be flown home to Newport, California, later this week. — Sapa.

White buying down as political killings increase  
LINDA ENSOR  
CAPE TOWN — The incidence of political killing has provided economists with an advance indicator of the trend in white consumer confidence, Bureau for Economic Research (BER) analyst Nils de Jager said yesterday.

He has found a direct and inverse correlation between the number of politically caused deaths and changes in white consumer confidence.

On the basis of the recent number of monthly deaths due to political violence, De Jager believed a sharp fall in white consumer confidence for the third quarter was probable. Fatalities in the second quarter shot up to 762 deaths from 426 in the first quarter.

This spelt bad news for the economy over the next six months, as changes in consumer confidence had been found to lead to changes in consumer spending.

The BER survey on white consumer confidence for the third quarter was expected to be released shortly and was expected to show a sharp divergence from the marked rise in black consumer confidence noted by the BER survey of black consumers for the third quarter.

De Jager said that there was not as clear a correlation between black consumer confidence and political fatalities as was the case with whites, but the reasons for the different perceptions had not been established.

Because of the greater degree of discretionary spending among whites, trends in white consumer confidence had greater predictive power in tracking developments in consumer spending and GDP growth, De Jager noted.

In its consumer confidence surveys BER asked respondents how they perceived the economic and financial situations and whether they regarded the present as a good time to buy durable goods.

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FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 1993
American steakhouse chain on the menu for SA

PETER FABRICIUS
The Argus Foreign Service
WASHINGTON. — An American steakhouse chain is set to launch franchises in George and Cape Town over the next few months and plans to spread all over South Africa with 35 to 40 branches over the next six years.

Auntie's, an upmarket Texas-style rib, steak and seafood restaurant chain based in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, has estimated that each of the South African franchises will gross R7.5 million to R9 million a year — of which it will take five percent.

The first one is to be launched in George in December, followed by two in Cape Town, starting in January. One of these will be in the Waterfront, where Auntie's chief executive officer Philip Connor said in an interview from Fort Lauderdale yesterday.

Five deny killing debt collector

Staff Reporter

A TEENAGE boy, two women and two men from Grassy Park have pleaded not guilty in the Wynberg Magistrate’s Court to murdering Durban debt collector Johannes Ellis by stabbing him with a knife.

The 15-year-old boy, Leonard Fortuin, 35, Charles Adonis, 32, Beverly Smith, 28 and Beverly Carless, 29, told the court they would disclose the basis of their defence in the Supreme Court.

They were arrested hours after the main body of Mr Ellis, 54, was found on March 9 in the back of his car in a Grassy Park churchyard with stab wounds in the back and side.

Magistrate WRS Pascoe postponed the matter to September 30 so that a date could be set for the Supreme Court trial.

The teenager remained in the care of his mother and R300 bail was allowed for the others extended.

J. Joon prosecuted, D Nissen defended Mr Smith and the other accused were not represented.

ANC adviser pours cold water on fears of heftу wealth tax

BRUCE CAMERON
Business Staff

A WEALTH tax modelled on Italian National Congress economist Tito Mboweni is not on the cards, an ANC tax adviser said today.

But Denis Davis, director of the Centre for Applied Legal Studies at the University of the Witwatersrand, who also serves on the government’s tax advisory committee, said taxpayers could expect to pay more on capital transfers, including estate duty.

Professor Davis told a conference in Cape Town hosted by the legal firm Wilkinson, Joshua, Gihwala and Abercrombie that:

— Taxpayers could expect to pay some type of social security tax as the most direct way of relieving the burden for services such as housing and health.

— Individual tax and company tax were unlikely to be increased because the growing number of taxpayers in the middle tax group, who paid the most tax, were union members.

— VAT could be levied at differentiated rates if the poverty relief schemes were not put in place.

— A surcharge on income tax and additional fuel levies could be used to raise funds for the proposed new regional government.

Mr Davis said wealth taxes that could be considered were:

— Capital gains tax, which was unlikely as it would have to be inflation-linked to be equitable, and studies by the Department of Finance indicated it would raise only between R300 million and R1 billion.

— Capital transfer tax of about 35 percent on estates and donations, which was most likely.

— Land tax, essentially a tax on rural land, but one difficult to apply.

Professor Davis said studies had shown a land tax would raise only about R800 million a year if applied at a rate of two percent. A higher rate would result in virtual confiscation of land, while a low rate would have the effect of forcing inefficient farmers off the land — and the land issue was one of the most important political issues.

A one-off wealth tax, such as that proposed by Mr Mboweni, was not likely to be applied, although a similar tax had worked in Germany and Chile.

The main reason it was unlikely was that taxpayers would be faced with a liquidity problem and there would be a high voluntary administrative costs.

Professor Davis said businesses and individuals were making a fundamental mistake in interpreting the position, in that any government after next April would be one of national reconstruction.

This meant that no one party would be able to change the system and the existing bureaucracy would remain in place for some time.

Hunt for church killers moves to East London

Crime Staff

A TEAM of top Cape Town detectives has gone to East London to follow up information and to continue the investigation into the St James Church attack.

A spokesman for the East London murder and robbery unit said "chills are pointing towards the Eastern Cape" where similar terror attacks had happened and the Cape Town detectives would work "hand-in-hand" with their counterparts there.

Western Cape police spokesman John Sterrenberg said no one had been arrested as a "positive suspect".

Although people were being detained for questioning from time to time, they should not be connected automatically to the attacks.

Captain Sterrenberg declined to comment on the "Eastern Cape angle" but police were giving the investigation top priority and all avenues were being explored.

He said information from the public could speed up progress, but emphasized that police had to be selective in their feedback.

Man in court over Rosebank killing

Supreme Court Reporter

A MAN has appeared in the Supreme Court charged with the rape and murder of accountant Lindsey Boyd, 26, in Rosebank last November.

Elvis Jotamo, 19, who is also charged with housebreaking with intent to rape, theft and bribery, was not asked to plead and the trial was
Police work on massacre links

By JACKIE CAMERON
Crime Reporter

EIGHT of the over 50 people who were injured in the St James Church massacre nine days ago, are still in hospital.

Russian seaman Mr Dimitry Makagon, who lost both his legs in the attack, is still in Groote Schuur’s intensive care unit, where his condition is stable.

Mr Martin Bagley, who was unconscious for several days, has regained consciousness.

Mr Paul Williams will undergo surgery in the Kingsbury Clinic today. Ms Janet Gle, whose condition is stable, underwent surgery in Kingsbury yesterday. Lieutenant I R Louw, in 2 Military Hospital, had several operations on his hands.

Mr M C Boddington, who was shot in the throat is now able to speak and Miss Gillian Schermbrucker and Mr Peter du Preez are in a stable condition.

And police said yesterday a second man had been detained in connection with the attack in which gunmen killed 11 parishioners and injured more than 50 at the Kenilworth church on July 23.

PAC member Mr Vuyo Tekani, 28, is being held for questioning under Section 29 of the Security Act.

Another man, whom police did not name, was arrested the day after the massacre when he was found at a township hospital where he was being treated for a shot wound to the foot.

Police spokesman Captain John Sterrenberg confirmed that the man had been detained in connection with the massacre, but that it was later established he was involved in a burglary the same weekend.

A reliable source said Major Segal, the head of the investigation into the massacre, arrived in East London yesterday to firm suspects, linking two similar attacks at a gold course and hotel in the Eastern Cape.

Anyone who may have information about the killings is asked to contact detectives on 951-8865.
Massacre, courier link probbed

EAST LONDON. — Two suspected arms couriers arrested at Kei River bridge last Wednesday are being questioned by the investigating officer in the St James church massacre to determine a possible link.

The men were attempting to ferry in by luxury bus two R4 rifles, three handgrenades and close on 400 rounds of ammunition.

They are being detained in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

The men were arrested at the border post while travelling on a Translux coach to Port Elizabeth.

They are believed to have boarded the bus in Umtata.

The Border police liaison officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Christo Louw, said the bus was stopped by a routine police patrol and the luggage hold searched. The suitcase containing the weapons and ammunition was picked out by a sniffer dog.

The chief investigating officer in the July 25 church attack, Major Des Segal, flew into East London on Monday to investigate a possible link between the St James killings and similar attacks on the King William's Town golf club and Highgate Hotel.

He reportedly questioned the men on the supplies.
Petrol bomb attacks in Mossel Bay unrest

JACQUELYN SWARTZ
Crime Staff

TWO petrol bomb attacks and the erection of a burning barricade have caused damage of more than R10 000 in Mossel Bay.

The three incidents occurred within hours of each other yesterday. Police are investigating the possibility of a connection.

The first incident occurred about 1.35am in Hope Street in the strife-torn suburb D'Almeida when a petrol bomb was thrown at a parked bus.

The bus was empty and parked outside the home of its driver. He extinguished the flames, but damage to the bus was estimated at R400.

A second petrol bomb was hurled about 2.50am at Horns Furniture Shop in the Dias Centre in Mossel Street. Damage of R10 000 was caused.

About an hour later, police were called in when a burning barricade was set up in Harder Street, Extension 13, also in D'Almeida.

The blazing tyres were extinguished without any damage being caused.

There were no injuries in any of the incidents and no arrests have been made.

Last month two people died, more than 100 were injured and the municipal offices gutted in a rampage after residents refused to pay municipal bills of R133 000.
Massacre suspect's colleagues take action

Free teacher or else...

THE Cape African Teachers Union has urged Minister of Law and Order Mr. Hermus Kriel to release the St James' Church massacre suspect or face what the union has described as "radical action" by teachers.

Speaking in Cape Town yesterday, Carta liaison officer Mr. Mziwa Zawela, Booi said teachers would take action next week to force the police to release the suspect, who is being detained under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. The man, alleged to be a member of the Pan Africanist Congress, was arrested on July 29 - four days after the massacre. Eleven people were killed and 53 injured during the attack.

Role playing

Theunion yesterday also accused the Department of Education and Training of playing a role in the man's arrest.

Booi said DET inspectors visited the home of the suspect's principal, seeking information about his work attendance.

— Sowetan reporter and Sapa.
Links to Cape Violence

Coldestone to Probe Violence

A significant number of community members have expressed concern over recent incidents of violence in the Cape Town area. The Coldestone Commission, established to investigate and address the causes of violence, has decided to launch an investigation into these incidents.

The commission is working closely with the local government, police, and community organizations to ensure a comprehensive approach to the problem. It is hoped that the investigation will provide insights into the root causes of violence and lead to effective strategies for prevention and management.

In recent months, there has been a rise in incidents of gang-related violence, particularly in the Cape Town area. The commission believes that addressing these issues requires a multi-faceted approach involving law enforcement, community engagement, and socioeconomic development.

The commission has urged all parties involved to cooperate fully and to provide any information that may be relevant to the investigation. It is committed to promoting peace and stability in the community and has called on all members of the public to support its efforts.

For further information, please contact the Coldestone Commission via its official website or by calling the hotline established for the investigation. The commission has also encouraged media outlets to cover the story comprehensively, ensuring that the public is well-informed on the developments.

The Coldestone Commission is dedicated to fostering a safer, more peaceful environment for all residents of the Cape Town area. Through its investigation, it hopes to contribute to the ongoing efforts to tackle the issue of violence and to build a more prosperous future for the community.
More troops drafted in, but not enough

Stephen Lauder

As the death toll on the East Rand rose to the highest levels this year, up to 1,500 extra police and soldiers were drafted into the region in a move designed to achieve “area domination.” But the size of the force appears to be far from the “mega numbers” announced by SAP spokesman Captain Wickus Weber as the operation got under way. Independent analysts say reinforcements totalling 7,000 to 12,000 would be needed to stabilise the situation. (Related story PAGE 10).

Internal Stability Unit policemen cleared barricades across the East Rand. “It is not a house raid, not a raid against people,” stressed Weber. “We hope the residents will understand this is an attempt to make their townships safer.”

Meanwhile, ISU chief lieutenant general Johan Swart took a tougher line. He said police were “fed up with the murder of policemen,” announcing the SAP would mount light machine guns on armoured vehicles.

The defence force said it was providing back-up forces for the police from areas which have remained quiet. The cabinet was still discussing the deployment of further forces, said an SADF spokeswoman.

Police spokesmen remained vague yesterday as to the scope of the current operation. While some said the immediate objective was to return to a situation in which police patrols could resume unhindered by barricades, law and order minister spokesman Captain Craig Kotze said there would be a “higher than usual security force profile designed to smother the violence.” He hinted at roadblocks, searches and other measures.

Kotze said the current operation could “at best only be a short-term solution, rather than a cure.”

“The violence will only cease,” he said, “when the political parties get their act together. The adversarial relationship between the ANC and Inkatha must be resolved.”

The Human Rights Commission said the death toll of 175 within seven days was the highest this year. Eighty-one percent of deaths were reported from the East Rand, where violence has claimed 654 lives this year.

“Hostels,” said the statement, “play a dominant role in the violence and they cry out for urgent attention as a root cause of violence.” The HRC recorded 72 attacks against security forces in the week to Tuesday.
Petrol bombs lobbed at shop

Crime Report

Groups of people lobbed petrol bombs at a furniture shop and a bus in Mossel Bay causing at least R10 000 worth of damage, a police spokesman said yesterday.

Motives for the attacks have not yet been established, the spokesman said. [CT 6/3/93]

He said a petrol bomb exploded in a passenger bus about 1.30am, causing about R400 worth of damage.
A feared clash between the AWB and the ANC in the town of Schweizer-Reneke was averted yesterday by a strong police presence. The two sides ignored each other and carried on with their separate celebrations.

THE quiet farming town of Schweizer-Reneke in the western Transvaal was transformed into a bustling centre of activity yesterday as thousands from around the country gathered for political meetings.

While the Afrikaner Weerstands beweging and Eugene Terre'Blanche were given the freedom of the town, African National Congress military chief Joe Modise was awarded the freedom of the nearby township of Ipelegeng.

As the opposing AWB and ANC members flocked into the dusty town the scene was set for a bloody battle.

Any possibility of a violent confrontation between militant groups was averted by the huge police presence — thousands of policemen were moved into the area to quell eruptions from either side. Riot police patrolled the streets on foot and in cars, armoured vehicles and helicopters.

Roadblocks set up outside the town from Friday evening checked every car going in. Drivers' identification was asked for and car registration numbers were taken down.

Large safes at roadblocks were used to store confiscated unlawful weapons and receipts were issued for the subsequent return of legal weapons.

According to an agreement between police and the two political groups, civilians were allowed to carry only one pistol in a holster. But police confiscated more than 100 rifles and shotguns, two handgrena- des and a crossbow from AWB members.

About 1,500 AWB members dressed in their new camouflage uniforms stood in platoons outside the town hall to greet Mr. Terre'Blanche, who arrived at 11am on a large black stallion.

When Schweizer-Reneke mayor Gerrie Fourie granted Mr. Terre'Blanche and his followers the freedom to march through the town in full regalia, with flags flying high and trumpets blaring, Mr. Terre'Blanche said it was a historic day for his organisation.

He said the AWB would never accept a communist government and, although they were willing to share the country with blacks, they would never give them any power.

"We are responsible for our children and cannot allow communists to determine their future," he said.

AWB members stood to attention to watch the newly-formed AWB air wing get off the ground in their first show of power. Commander of the air wing, Andre' Snyman, said the wing consisted of 21 planes, although only 10 arrived yesterday.

The meeting dispersed and AWB members gathered at the showground for a braai and festivities while events at Ipelegeng were just beginning.

By 4pm calm settled once again over Schweizer-Reneke.
Police mum on ‘Apla’

SAM SOLE, Weekend Argus Reporter

POLICE have drawn a veil of silence over the investigation into the St James massacre following a security leak concerning the arrest of another man — believed to be an Apla operative.

According to a report quoting unnamed police sources, yesterday an 18-year-old Crossroads youth was arrested on Thursday. It claimed he was in possession of ammunition as well as documents linking Apla to a previous attack on a Cape Town steakhouse and detailed plans for terror attacks against other soft targets.

Late yesterday police reacted with frustration at the leak, confirming only that a man “in possession of certain incriminating articles” was arrested by the Internal Stability Unit while on patrol and that “as a result of further information received his further detention in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act is justified”.

The report said that documents, some in code form, detailed strategies for attacks on soft targets — including farmers, churches, schools — and the police. It said the youth was being questioned in connection with the St James massacre as well as an attack on Stakes Restaurant in which two people were seriously wounded.

In a terse statement yesterday, police spokesman John Sterrenberg said: “We wish to make it clear that we cannot make sensitive facts known before the finalisation of this investigation.”

“It may jeopardise the investigation and the possibility of further arrests. It is doubtful whether any police service in the world would be prepared to conduct any investigation via the media, and the SAP is no exception,” Captain Sterrenberg said.

He added: “The SAP realise that the media plays an important role in keeping the public informed and we are grateful for the role played by the media in the investigation thus far.

“We however, also have a responsibility to the community, as well as to the families of the victims and survivors of this attack, to bring the perpetrators to justice.”

However, the police are under intense pressure to produce results and indications are the St James attack may have provided the key to a broader exposure of far-left terrorist networks.

Two men were arrested last Wednesday at the Kei River bridge in possession of R4 rifles stolen from an Umtata military base in April. They have been questioned over links with the St James massacre.

It is also believed that the man held last week for questioning, PAC member Vuyo Tekani, has been transferred to Port Elizabeth as the focus of the investigation shifts to the Eastern Cape.

Mr Tekani’s 10-day detention under Section 29 expires today, but is expected to be renewed.

Cape Town detectives involved in the case also travelled to the Eastern Cape this week to follow up leads.
St James massacre:
Free Vuyo or else... threatens the PAC

VUYO BAVUMA
Weekend Argus Reporter

THE family of a Khayelitsha teacher
held after the St James massacre is
receiving “overwhelming” messages
of solidarity from sympathisers who
believe that police are using him as a
scapegoat.

Yesterday Mrs Phumla Nabe said
the family had become “reluctant ce-
lebrities” ever since her nephew Vuyo
Tekani had been detained under Sec-
tion 29 of the Internal Security Act 10
days ago.

In terms of the Act, people detained
under this section may be held for 10
days without legal representation. Po-
lice declined to comment on whether
Mr Tekani would be held for another
10 days.

Mr Tekani, who graduated from the
University of the Western Cape with a
Bachelor of Arts degree and higher
education diploma, is a member of the
Pan Africanist Congress (PAC).

This week, Mr Tekani’s colleagues
at Chuma Primary School held a plac-
ard demonstration in protest against
his continued detention and said he
should be charged or released.

Representatives of parent-teacher-
pupils’ associations and the Peninsula
African Teachers Association also
called on the government to release
Mr Tekani or face “the might and rad-
ical action of the African people”.

On Wednesday University of the
Western Cape students held a moment
of silence in support of their “ex-col-
league being detained for nothing”.

Yesterday Mrs Nabe said: “Almost
every day we get visits from many
people including strangers who wish
to help us.”

“We also hold prayers in our house
with the well-wishers so that Vuyo
can be released. We are also praying
that he isn’t harmed in any way,”

“We have become reluctant cele-
brities for something we don’t know any-
thing about. We don’t know why the
police don’t arrest those responsible
because Vuyo is just an ordinary
teacher.”

“But we don’t think the public can
be easily fooled.”

Mrs Nabe said her closely-knit fam-
ily had been shattered by the detention
of Mr Tekani.

“I have lost 12 kg since his deten-
tion. I can’t sleep or eat and I can’t
concentrate in my class.”

“We fear for Vuyo’s life. We don’t
know Section 29. No one briefed us
except that the police said we couldn’t
see Vuyo.”

Meanwhile, Mr Peter Roman,
chairman of PAC’s Mitchell’s Plain
branch, said if Mr Tekani wasn’t re-
leased, the PAC “will be forced to
take whatever action is necessary”.

Mr Roman said pickets or protests
would be held.

He called on Cape Town mayor
Frank van der Velde and the St
James Church leaders to back his ap-
peal for Mr Tekani’s release.

“His continued incarceration is not
healthy for the peace process,” Mr
Roman said.
Churchill Killings: Probe Moves to East London
PAC arrest: 'Charge or release' call

Mayor 'brokers' meeting today

EDWARD MOLOINYANE
Staff Reporter

REGIONAL police chiefs and organisations calling for the release of detained Khayelitsha primary school teacher Vuyo Tekani will hold talks today, brokered by the Mayor of Cape Town, Frank van der Velde.

A Press conference at Chuma Primary School, where Mr Tekani teaches, heard yesterday that Mr Van der Velde had organised the meeting after last week's 'tension' between police and protesters demanding Mr Tekani's release in Kenilworth.

The conference was addressed by representatives of the Chuma Primary Co-ordinating Committee, comprising parents, teachers and pupils, the Pan Africanist Congress and the Peninsula African Teachers' Association (Penata), to which Mr Tekani belongs.

Anda Ntsodo, chairman of the Chuma parent-teacher-student association, said that apart from calling for Mr Tekani to be charged or released, those meeting at the Mayor's Parlour also would address police 'harassment and intimidation' of PAC members since his arrest.

‘There have been several visits by police to the school and the homes of several Pan Africanist Students Organisation (Paso) members have been visited by police who, in some cases, have kicked down doors. This is intimidation and harassment,' said Mr Ntsodo.

Paso president Tsietsi Telite, a student at UCT, was in hiding following police raids on his university residence, said Mr Ntsodo.

Responding to a question about their attitude to a meeting brokered by the mayor, Mr Ntsodo said: "all avenues would be exhausted" to secure Tekani's release.

PAC Khayelitsha branch chairman Maxwell Mofoka said there were instances of police harassing Paso members on their way to school.

"The campaign demanding the release of Vuyo Tekani will continue unabated," he said.

Chuma principal Menziwa Tsholola said: "Last week they (policemen) stopped one child outside school premises and asked him if he knew Vuyo Tekani and (the name of the school principal). This is unacceptable."

Cape union backs strike

THE Cape African Teachers' Union (Catu) views demands by striking South African Democratic Teachers' Union (Sadtu) members as legitimate, but is worried about disruption of the learning process.

Catu, to which the Peninsula African Teachers' Union (Penata) is affiliated, will devise a course of action in support of Sadtu at a special weekend conference in Port Elizabeth.

Catu liaison officer V M Booi said at a Press conference at Chuma Primary School in Khayelitsha yesterday that his organisation's view was that the Department of Education and Training and the government "rejoiced" whenever teachers took to the streets because the victims were black children.

"Catu views the demands by Sadtu as genuine and legitimate. Consequently, Catu will support Sadtu in a rather different method. A specific action will be agreed upon when all regional delegates meet in PE at the weekend," he said.

He said Catu demanded a 20 percent salary increase, the nullification of the court interdict prohibiting the strike as it was "more destructive than constructive" and the normalisation of the situation by addressing "grievances."
MK cadres lead SAP members during march

"Port Elizabeth — History was made in Port Elizabeth yesterday when black policemen were led on a march to a mass rally by a small band of Umkhonto we Sizwe members.

The rally at Zovide township’s Dan Qeke stadium, organised jointly by the Police and Prisons Civil Rights Union (Popcrsu) and the ANC, and aimed at fostering reconciliation between the police and community, was attended by about 10,000 people.

Braving SAP threats of departmental censure, about 300 uniformed policemen and prison warders were warmly applauded by thousands of people who lined the route from KwaZakhele township to the stadium, amid shouts of ‘Viva AmaPolisa’ (Viva the police).

Such was the spirit of reconciliation, that while non-Popcrsu members of the force watched their colleagues march by under the banners of Popcrsu, the ANC and SACP, youths hitched rides to the stadium atop their official SAP vehicles.

At the rally, addressed by ANC national executive member Tokyo Sexwale and regional ANC officials, Popcrsu members took an oath declaring that they were the “people’s police.”

"Today we have unchained ourselves and come out of our isolation," Popcrsu leader and former policeman Gregory Rockman told the crowd. — Pen.
Detained teacher set to oppose extension

Staff Reporters

KHAYELITSHA: Teacher Vuyo Tekani, held after the St James Church massacre, plans to oppose any police plan to extend his detention now that the statutory 10-day period has expired.

His lawyer, James Yekiso, said he understood police would apply for an extension of Mr Tekani's detention under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

He said he had instructed attorneys in East London where Mr Tekani had been transferred while police investigated acts of terror there — to oppose any police application.

In terms of the Act, Mr Tekani could be held for only 10 days without appearing in court. Today is the 11th day of his detention.

Meanwhile in Cape Town, detectives have confirmed for the first time that Mr Tekani is not being held in connection with the St James massacre.

An 18-year-old from Crossroads had also been held.

Yesterday more than 100 parents of pupils at Mr Tekani's school, Chuma Primary School in Khayelitsha, vowed to campaign vigorously for his release.

At a church service the parents said the state should charge or release Mr Tekani, who is a member of the Pan Africanist Congress.

Chuma principal Menziwa Tholoba, who has been asked by Department of Education and Training inspectors for a roster and details of Mr Tekani's activities, was asked by the parents not to give such information.

"We foresee a situation where you will find yourself turning state witness against your own teachers," some of the parents said.
Cops want to hold Tekani

POLICE are expected to apply for a court order today to further detain a suspect in the St James' Church massacre.

The suspect, Mr. Vuyo Tekani, is being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act and police are seeking to hold him for a second 10-day detention period.

Tekani, a Cugulethi teacher detained two weeks ago, has now been transferred to East London for further police investigation.
POLICE have cast the net wider in their investigation into the 11 July St James Church massacre, in which 11 people were killed — and have detained a third PAC member for questioning. It was disclosed yesterday.

The chairman of the PAC's Khlangsishaba Site B branch, Mr Sipho Sihloko, a detainee of the Transkei police for 18 years, has been held by police since July 25. He is believed to have been on the run for those days.

A police statement said: "PAC members have confirmed that a claim made by the PAC chairman that PAC police could耶稣"...thorotively about that and we shall question people to find those responsible for the massacre."

PAC members were also questioned at Sihloko in connection with the massacre. They were told that "We've talked to them because we've heard of the PAC's internal security. We've got the PAC's internal security. We've got the PAC's internal security."

The arrests of Mr Geinlakaya and Mr Nkula were made by the police. Mr Tekani's arrest had also been made by the police.

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A PAC campaign of mass action for an indefinite period is expected today for the immediate and unconditional release of PAC members detained by police.

A march, organised by the PAC, will be held today to Caledon Square and then to Parliament. I asked if the PAC had asked for permission to march. Mr Mabusela said: "We don't need to be tied down by laws which are not our law."

Transkei police have confirmed that two R4 rifles were found on a car near East London, 100km north of Port Elizabeth. The weapons were seized from a military base in Umthata in April.

The weapons, along with three handgrenades and close to 400 rounds of ammunition, were being transported in a suitcase on a luxury bus travelling from East London to Port Elizabeth.

Two men were detained and later questioned about the St James Church killings.

One was released without being charged. The other remains in custody. 
St James: third man held

CAPE TOWN — Police have detained a third man in connection with the murder of 12 people in Cape Town's St James Church on July 25.

Police said yesterday a Khayelitsha man, 52, arrested on Saturday, was being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

An 18-year-old man arrested in Crossroads on Thursday was also being held under Section 29.

PAC member and teacher Vuyo Tekani, 28, arrested earlier but not a suspect in the killings, was moved to East London last week to help investigators. The Port Elizabeth Supreme Court ruled yesterday that his detention under Section 29 be extended. — Sapa.

Police to probe political rally

LOYD COUTTS

POLICE are to investigate the participation in a political rally of some of its members in Port Elizabeth at the weekend, a spokesman said yesterday.

Capt Henry Chalmers said the incident — which allegedly involved 300 uniformed members of the Police and Prisoners Civil Rights Union (Popcru) — would be investigated and a decision on whether an offence was committed would be made later.

He said the SAP would also investigate the grievances raised by the members at the rally, held at the Dan Qpele stadium in Zwide township on Sunday.

"All we want to say is that the matter is being investigated to determine if a departmental offence has been committed," Chalmers said.

He added that SAP members had not followed regulation procedures for airing grievances, and should have used available forums.

Even if the police members had not been in uniform, SAP policy prohibited the participation of policemen in political events.

"The only thing we're basically allowed to do is vote, and that's it," said Chalmers.

The rally, jointly organised by Popcru and the ANC, was attended by about 300 police and women and prison wardens who were reportedly escorted into the stadium by an Umkhonto we Sizwe marching band.

Popcru members declared themselves "people's police" at the rally, which was addressed by ANC PWV chairman Tokyo Sexwale.
Massacre: second PAC man held

OWN CORRESPONDENT

Cape Town — Police have detained a second PAC member in connection with the St James Church massacre.

The detention has caused an uproar in the PAC, which yesterday announced plans for a "rolling campaign", starting with a Pan Africanist Students' Organisation-organised march to parliament and Caledon Square today, to demand the release of all detained members.

The movement has named the 22-year-old man as "Comrade Nikola" of the PAC's Khayelitsha branch, and the 15-year-old as Sipho Ginikhaya of Faso.

Police have confirmed the detentions. A police spokesman said the older man was being questioned in connection with the St James Church massacre.

Police have also confirmed that Vuyo Tekani, arrested in the post-massacre swoop, is not a suspect in the St James case but is being held in connection with other investigations.

At a press conference yesterday, regional PAC chairman Theo Mabuza said: "There's nothing whatsoever which links our people with St James."

It has been alleged that Ginikhaya was a member of the PAC's armed wing, Apla.

Mabuza would confirm only what Ginikhaya was a PAC member and was still at school. "We note the police are trying whatever they can to appease their electorate and catch those responsible for the St James church incident. They are using Comrade Vuyo as a scapegoat."
Third man held for church killings

POLICE have detained a third man in connection with the massacre of 12 people at St. James' Church in Cape Town on July 25.

Police spokesman Captain John Sterrenberg yesterday said a 52-year-old Khayelitsha man was taken into custody on Saturday and was being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

His wife was questioned for three hours and released, while the suspect's 21-year-old son was detained but released yesterday, Sterrenberg said.

An 18-year-old man was arrested at Crossroads last Thursday after "certain incriminating articles" were found in his possession: He is also being held under Section 29, according to Sterrenberg.

Police have refused to elaborate on the arrest, saying it could jeopardise their investigations and the possibility of further arrests. Weekend reports said documents found on the 18-year-old linked the Azanian People's Liberation Army to the church massacre and disclosed plans for an attack on a restaurant in September, and on soft targets and the police.

It was also reported the documents contained references to an attack on a Claremont, Cape Town, restaurant in December last year.

Police last week transferred detained teacher Mr Vuyo Tekani (28) to East London for further investigation. He is a PAC member arrested after the church killings.

A police source said Tekani was not suspected of having taken part in the massacre, but could assist in the investigation.

East London police spokesman Lieutenant-Colonel Christo Louw confirmed the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court had ruled in favour of Tekani being held for a second 10-day detention period under Section 29. The first period ended on Sunday night. — Sapa.
Probe of Mossel Bay unrest

THE Goldstone Commission is to investigate recent violence, in which two people died, in Mossel Bay.

Two members of the commission, Mr Niel Rossouw and Mr Solly Sithole, are to hold a preliminary inquiry in Mossel Bay on August 17. Mr Justice Richard Goldstone said yesterday.

(The commissioners are to hear representations to establish the nature and causes of the violence and consider proposals to prevent further conflict, such as the appointment of a justice of the peace.) — Sapa
Massacre linked to hotel raid

OWN CORRESPONDENT

Port Elizabeth — Khayelitsha teacher Vuyo Tekani held in connection with the St James’s Church massacre has allegedly been linked to the attack on the Highgate Hotel at East London in May.

Police allege his personal vehicle was used to transport the attackers, including one who was wounded. Two people were killed in the incident.

Police who arrested Tekani on July 29, soon after the church attack, were granted a 10-day extension of his detention order under section 29 of the Internal Security Act by the Eastern Cape Supreme Court on Friday.

According to papers presented in court, Tekani is being held for questioning in connection with his ties to the Azanian People’s Liberation Army (Aplo) and the military training he is alleged to have undergone in Butterworth. Tekani’s movements on May 1 and 2; the transport of an injured person in his vehicle on May 5; a bullet hole in his metallic-blue VW Jetta (registration number GA 699 222); and the removal of weapons from the vehicle.

He is currently being held at Fort Glamorgan Prison in East London.

Two other PAC members, Sipho Genikhaya and a man named Nkulule, have also been held for questioning in connection with last month’s massacre, in which 11 churchgoers were killed.
ANC member. Warlord, Nongawe is still an ANC member.
Four die in new squatter violence

Staff Reporter who is in the area said that the healing is not yet complete and people have been killed and injured in the past few days. He added that the incident was sparked by a land dispute between two communities. The police were called in to maintain order and they arrested the instigators.

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Arrest angers Sanco

THE arrest of a key member of the South African National Civic Organisation (Sanco) in Cape Town for alleged possession of an illegal weapon has raised problems for peace structures in the Western Cape.

Mr Johnson Mpukumpa, a veteran figure in the Western Cape Hostel Dwellers' Association, has survived several assassination attempts. His nephew died in a recent attack.

In response to Mr Mpukumpa's arrest, Sanco has threatened to stop cooperating with the peace structures.

A key ANC figure in peace structures, Mr Vincent Diba, said at a press conference yesterday that Sanco was not a signatory to the Peace Accord but it supported the peace committee's objectives.

The ANC and Sanco would discuss the matter, he said.
Fights over theft bid disrupts March
Massacre probe chief back in city

Crime Reporter

The head of the investigation into the St James Church massacre, Major Desmond Segal, has returned to the city to coordinate the probe from here.

At least three PAC men are being detained and questioned about the St James massacre and other attacks. They are the organisation's Khayelitsha Site B chairman, Mr Nkula, Mr Sipho Gcikhaya, and Khayelitsha teacher, Mr Vuyo Tekani.

An Eastern Cape police spokesman has confirmed that Mr Tekani is being questioned in connection with the church attack.

He said another man—arrested near the Transkei border after being found in possession of illegal firearms—was being detained in connection with acts of terror in the Eastern Cape. The man has not yet been linked to the St James Church attack.

Police said yesterday that the two Cape Town men detained over the weekend in connection with the church attack were not suspected of being linked to the Highgate or King William's Town golf club attacks.
Teacher ‘linked to attack on E London hotel’

□ Court extends detention order

The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH — Khayelitsha teacher Vuyo Tekani, who was arrested after the St James Church massacre, has allegedly been linked to the attack on the Highgate Hotel in East London in May, in which two people died.

Detectives allege that his car was used to transport the attackers, including one who was wounded.

Police who arrested Mr. Tekani on July 29, soon after the St. James attack, were granted a 10-day extension of his detention order by the Eastern Cape Supreme Court.

According to court papers, Mr. Tekani is being held for questioning about his connection to Aplas and military training he is alleged to have had in Butterworth, Transkei; his movements on May 1 and 2; the transport of an injured person in his vehicle on May 2; and a bullet hole in his metallic blue VW Jetta, registration number CA 669 022; and the removal of weapons from his car.

He is being held at Port Glumorgan Prison in East London.

Two other PAC members, Mr. Nkula and Sipho Gcinikhaya, have also been held for questioning in connection with the St James massacre, in which 13 people were killed.

The Highgate shooting followed attacks on the King William's Town Golf Club, the Spur restaurant in Queenstown and the Yellowwoods Hotel near Port Beaufort. The PAC's armed wing, the Azanian People's Liberation Army (Apla), allegedly claimed responsibility for the attacks.

The Highgate attack was carried out by four gunmen, two of whom sprayed the ladies' bar with AK 47 rifle fire.

Captain R Schwartz, of East London's violent crimes investigation unit, said police believed a patron shot and wounded one of the gunmen.

An informant had claimed to a Mthethethi Mama, who police identified as an Apla instructor, had been seen driving a metallic blue Jetta in Butterworth on Saturday, May 1.

He had been with a man from Cape Town and had indicated they were leaving for a PAC rally in Idutywa.

About 8pm the next day, the informant said the man, accompanied by three others, removed a wounded man from the Jetta.

The man was carried into a boarding house before the vehicle was backed up against the building and weapons removed from the boot.

Captain Schwartz said Mr. Tekani was detained when the vehicle was found to be registered in his name.

Mr. Tekani had refused to answer questions about his movements on the Saturday night.

He had denied transporting an injured man on the Sunday and had suggested the bullet hole resulted from an attempt to kill him.

Mr. Tekani had admitted reporting for military training under Apla commander Xolle Ngcabane from June 21 to July 2 this year, but said he had withdrawn on the first day of the camp as he had asthma.

Wreath march to massacre church

Political Staff

Khayelitsha pupils and community organisations, including the Pan Africanist Congress and the African National Congress, are to march to St James Church from the Keibworth Centre on Friday to lay wreaths in memory of those killed in last month's massacre.

Chuma primary school committee chairman Anda Ntsho said white and gold ribbons, representing peace and justice, would be tied around the main wreath.

He said the marchers would continue to Clarendon police station from St James Church to demand the release of detained Khayelitsha teacher Vuyo Tekani.
Red Cross visits detained teacher

AN International Red Cross representative has visited detained Khayelitsha teacher Vuyo Tekani.

Dominic Henry visited Mr Tekani, who was detained under section 29 of the Internal Security Act, in East London last Thursday.

He has declined to give details of the visit or comment on Pan Africanist Congress claims that Mr Tekani had been assaulted and tortured.

"I cannot tell you about that. We are bound by our confidentiality," he said.

But he said claims of torture had prompted him to arrange for a second visit, probably today or tomorrow.

Mr Tekani's lawyer, James Yekiso, said today he was unaware of Mr Henry's visit to Mr Tekani. He said he had asked Law and Order Minister Henris Kriel for permission to see Mr Tekani as a matter of urgency.

He said Mr Kriel's office has promised to respond "first thing this morning."

Mr Yekiso said: "I need to see him because the PAC has alleged he has been tortured."

He also wanted to clear the confusion surrounding an application by police in East London, where Mr Tekani is being held, to extend his detention under section 29 of the Internal Security Act for a further 10 days.

"It seems police applied for the order in the Supreme Court in East London last Friday, and I thought they would go to court on Monday."

If allowed to see Mr Tekani, he would instruct attorneys in East London to visit him and ascertain if he needed to see a doctor.

Mr Tekani, who was first detained after the St James Church massacre, has allegedly been linked to the attack on the Highgate Hotel outside East London earlier this year.
Nongwe to face ANC suspension

Staff Reporter J.A. CHOMA

THE regional executive committee of the ANC is expected to meet with controversial Crossroads squatter leader Mr. Jeffrey Nongwe and his executive to inform them of their pending suspension from the organisation, regional vice-chairman, Mr. Lerumo Kalako said yesterday.

Last month the ANC criticised the government for releasing Mr. Nongwe on bail after being arrested in connection with kidnapping, saying he was "greatly feared" in Crossroads.
EAST LONDON.—A representative of the International Red Cross (ICRC) has confirmed visiting Mr Vuyi Tekani, who is being held here as a suspect in the Highgate Hotel and St James church massacres.

The ICRC's Mr Dominic Henry said he visited Mr Tekani last Thursday. He refused to comment on Mr Tekani's physical condition, and would neither confirm nor deny PAC allegations Mr Tekani had been subjected to torture, as "we are bound by our confidentiality".

The ICRC could not lodge complaints with police without the permission of detainees, who often chose not to complain for fear of reprisal, he said.

Mr Tekani's lawyer, Mr Jimmy Yekiso, said he had been told Mr Kriel would rule on his request to visit Mr Tekani today.

* The city council and chief magistrate will permit Khayelitsha's Chuma Primary School and about 4,600 people to march today from Kenilworth to Claremont police station in protest at the detention of Mr Tekani, a Chuma teacher. A small group may lay a wreath at St James Church in sympathy with massacre victims.
Police keep watch on marchers

LENORE OLIVER, Staff Reporter

A HEAVY police presence in Kenilworth met teachers from Chuma Primary School in Khayelitsha and members of the Pan African Students Organisation (PASO) who arrived in four coaches to protest against the detention of a Chuma teacher.

They also planned to lay a wreath at St James Church, scene of last month's massacre.

Marchers were set to walk along Rosmead Avenue towards Claremont Police Station on Lansdowne Road, with a few peeling off to lay a wreath at the church.

At the police station a memorandum was to be handed to the station commander demanding the release of Vuyo Tekani, a teacher at Chuma Primary.

Mr Tekani, who is being held in terms of the Internal Security Act, has been transferred to East London where the attack on the Highgate Hotel took place earlier this year.

By 1pm the march had still not started.
Violent racism at March

By Anthony Worsley

SOUTH

1978-1983

and Veronica Moore
The child who saw it all

IT WILL take a long time for 13-year-old Mgezani Siyam to get over the horror of Tuesday night’s shooting.

Siyam was inside the shack when the shooting began and senselessly managed to escape.

With tears streaming down his face, Siyam struggled to put together an account of what happened.

He was in his bedroom, listening to music and talking to the owner of the shack, Mr Mandiyazi Mphelane, when three gunshots entered the room.

"They demanded money and we were sitting on the bed. I was terrified."

"Then they started shooting. I am not sure of how many were killed."

"I don’t remember who was in the sitting room — I had to run through it to get outside. When I was outside, I ran to my sister who also stayed in Mkhotشا Square, and stayed with her for the night, Siyam recounted slowly.

One of the neighbours, Mr Linbo Wandile, said she saw the gunman enter the shack.

"I was doing my washing when three men ran in. I could not see them clearly but I saw that was dark."

"They told me to get inside and not to look at them. I closed myself up in my shack and did not come out until it was over," Wandile said.

She said they were not wearing facial masks or masks.

Another neighbour, Mr Mfundo Sibiyi, said he heard one of the attackers say how he attacked: "We have killed the bastards" in Xhosa.

He heard them laughing.

The story of four other gunshots penetrated around the shack, causing injuries and minor injuries.

Bongazholo and Nobuhle Jegla were with friends in their shack next door when they heard the gunfire.

"One of the bullets came through the room where we were sitting on the chair on the opposite wall. We were lucky that none of us was hit. We all lay down where we were sitting and it began," Ms Nobuhle Jegla said.

Her husband, Mr Bongazholo Jegla, had fallen asleep in front of the television and he said he slept through the chaos.

"The shooting did not wake me up," Jegla said. "I suppose I am just used to hearing gunfire."

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The child who saw it all.

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The morning after... digging up burnt, unrecognisable body pieces.

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By Gwamile Wilson

ON WEDNESDAY morning residents of Mkhotsha Square in Ngumbe were safely five what was left after the previous night’s massacre.

As MaXhosa Maslanyi slowly opened his eyes he could not make sense of the attack.

The shooting started in the darkness, leaving dead and injured in their wake.

A shack dweller, who is the house in which he is staying and who asked not to be named, said: "I am not sure what happened."

The ANC’s Combined Patriotic Front, who are also in the area, said they had received a number of calls from residents.

SHOTS: Monarewa Sijoka, 40, was wounded by a bullet which entered her stomach during the massacre in Ngumbe on Tuesday.

SHOTS: Mandla Mnzana, 14, was wounded by a bullet which entered his back during the massacre in Ngumbe on Tuesday.

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The child who saw it all.
ANC, Nongawe defies scholars

ARGUS REPORTER YIWO BAYUMA discusses the controversy

Protagonist working as usual and says those discussing his suspension are "scholars." Weekend issue of "Africa Today" ayrıca announced his suspension this week but he has since been reinstated.

"The government's decision to suspend my publication was unjustified in the first place. I have always argued that the ANC must be held accountable for its actions. My suspension is a clear violation of my rights as a journalist."

Mr. Nongawe's lawyer, Advocate Mpho Mabola, said his client was "a victim of political vendetta." He added that the government's decision is "unlawful and unconstitutional."
Looting spree after PAC’s Kenilworth march

A MARCH by township pupils on Claremont police station to demand the release of a teacher detained after the St James massacre was marked by inflammatory slogans – and a marcher’s declaration that he was there to laugh, not to lay wreaths.

After the protest, a car was damaged in Kenwyn by a log thrown from a bus filled with people believed to be returning from the march.

And in Guguletu, as youth disarmarked from the buses, they halted commercial vehicles while journalists watched.

More than 1,000 pupils, teachers and township residents marched peacefully from the Claremont police station to protest against the detention of PAC member Vuyo Tekani, who is being held in East London.

A heavy police presence met the marchers, from Chuma Primary School in Khayelitsha – where Mr Tekani was taught. They arrived at 11 buses an hour earlier than the scheduled noon start.

Marchers chanted the PAC slogan “One settler, one bullet” as they made their way along Ronwood Avenue from Kenilworth Racecourse to Claremont police station, and then continued to a police station and to the police station and to the police station and to the police station and to the police station and to the police station and to the police station and to the police station.

They also shouted, “Down with the Minster House church, boys, down!”

At the police station, a memorandum calling for the release of Mr Tekani was handed to the acting district commissioner for Wynberg, Commandant Ferdi Coetzee.

Marchers did not lay a wreath at the St James church. The march was originally planned because they did not get permission from church authorities, even though the Cape Town City Council had given the plan its blessing.

“Some of us came to lay a wreath, but most came to laugh, because black people die in the township every day,” a marcher told reporters.

A youth asked a journalist if he was from overseas. When he was told the journalist was from Cape Town, he said: “Then you are a settler. You will have to prepare for a fight.”

At the police station, school board chairman Anda Nqobo said Mr Tekani was innocent and was not a member of the PAC.

“Apla is a liberation movement. Apla does not have the style of slaughtering civilians” (President) De Klerk and his Afrikaner must have bought them a book.

He also demanded an independent investigation into the arrest of Mr Tekani.

Chuma Primary principal Monique Thakoleke said: “Tekani is innocent. Police must have tried to get him in his house.”

The memorandum also demanded the immediate release of “all innocent Afrikaner farmers” who have been arrested from the township and the closure of all township police stations.

See more pictures on page 16.
HUNDREDS of Khayelitsha pupils and Pan-Africanist Student Organisation members marched peacefully to the Claremont police station yesterday to demand the release of detained Chuma Primary School teacher and PAC member Mr Vuyo Tekani.

A planned wreath-laying ceremony for the victims of the St. James Church massacre, due to take place during the protest march, did not materialise because of a two-hour delay in starting the march. Chuma Primary School chairman Mr Anda Ntsodo and Chuma principal Mr Menziwa Tsholobo led the estimated 1,200 chanting marchers.

Dozens of heavily-armed police, together with traffic officers and Red Cross members kept an eye on the march.

At the police station Mr Ntsodo handed over a five-point memorandums demanding Mr Tekani’s immediate release.

Lawyer Mr James Yekiso said yesterday he had been denied permission by Minister of Law and Order Mr Hernus Kriel to visit Mr Tekani, who was detained after the St James Church massacre in connection with the East London Highgate Hotel attack.

Mr Yekiso said his client’s detention order would expire on August 18.

"It appears I will have access to him after the 18th," Mr Yekiso said.

He said he wanted to see Mr Tekani following allegations he had been tortured.
R500 'bribe' claim

By AYESHA ISMAIL

A MEMBER of the PAC who was released after being questioned in connection with the St James Church massacre, claimed this week that police assaulted him while in custody and tried to buy his silence by giving him R500.

Khayelitsha resident Loyiso Mxuna, 21, said he intended laying a charge against police.

Loyiso, his father Gxibon, 52, and mother Noluvuyo, 46, were detained last Saturday. He and his mother were later released but his father is still being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

A police spokesman said Loyiso should lay a charge if he had been assaulted.
Teen due in court today

St. James Trial

By Guy Ouen
Youth in court over massacre

Cape Town — A 17-year-old Crossroads youth will appear in the Wynberg Magistrate's Court today in connection with charges of murder following the slaughter of 11 people in St. James's Church three weeks ago.

Police said the youth is not a member of the Pan Africanist Students' Organisation, the student wing of the Pan Africanist Congress. (2-15)

The youth, who may not be named, was arrested on August 5 in connection with the illegal possession of ammunition.

Own Correspondent.
SADF begins school patrols

Staff Reporter.

A "SCHOLAR PATROL" with a difference is in place in Khayelitsha with SADF soldiers protecting schoolchildren. This follows an agreement reached between the SADF Crossroads Base, local youth organisations and the SRC of Mandela High School that members of the SADF will guard schools in the area.

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Catholics march for peace

Staff Reporter

About 10,000 people marched for peace and reconciliation in the city centre yesterday.

Thousands of people crowded into the Civic Centre to attend a peace service before being led in a procession by Catholic Archbishop Lawrence Henry, Bishop Reginald Cawcutt, and Cardinal Owen McCann towards Adderley Street.

Celebrating the Feast of the Assumption and a commitment to peace, the Catholic procession coincided with another march celebrating World Youth Day, led by Pope John Paul II in Denver, Colorado.

The archbishop praised the people of Cape Town for committing themselves to peace, setting a standard that he hoped the rest of the country would follow. As peace flags and church banners flapped in the breeze outside the centre, where youths performed a dance of peace and praise. Bishop Cawcutt and Archbishop Henry released four white doves.
SADF packs up in Khayelitsha

Staff Reporter

THE SADF began withdrawing from its Khayelitsha Site C base yesterday under an agreement between Western Province Command and community organisations. The withdrawal should be completed by Friday, an SADF spokeswoman said.
car link sought
Youth in court,

St James case

Blood test
Lawyer to see detained pupil

DENNIS CRUWAGEN
Political Staff

LAWYER Jimmy Yekiso will today visit the Khayelitsha high school pupil charged with murder in the wake of the St James Church massacre.

Mr Yekiso said he had not seen the 17-year-old youth since he was detained under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

"I'll discuss his charges with him as well as reports that police took blood samples from him to compare them with traces of blood found in the car used on the night of the massacre."

Legally the youth's permission would have been required before the samples were taken, Mr Yekiso said.

He said detained Khayelitsha teacher Vuyo Tekani was on his way to Cape Town from East London, where he was questioned on an attack on the Highgate Hotel.

Police have confirmed that Mr Tekani's detention under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act expires tomorrow night.

Mr Tekani was held for the compulsory 10 days as stipulated by the Act before police successfully applied to the East London Supreme Court to detain him for a further 10 days.
Army to quit
Khayelitsha

Staff Reporter

The army is withdrawing troops from Khayelitsha.

Regular contact with community organisations has confirmed that the township has been stabilised, said a South African Defence Force spokesman.

Under an agreement reached at a community forum at which the army was represented, all troops are to leave the township by Friday.

The SADF spokesman said: “We have decided of our own free will that we could safely withdraw from Khayelitsha, as the area has been stabilised to our satisfaction.”

Several citizen force and national service units have been on duty in Khayelitsha in rotation.

The army is to retain a presence in Nyanga at its Group 40 headquarters.
Taxi leaders to meet mayor

Johan Schrönen
Crime Staff

Taxi leaders are to meet Mayor or Frank van der Velde today.

Members of Codeta called for the meeting, fearing further bloodshed after two drivers died in a flare-up of the taxi war last night.

The drivers were killed and a driver and a passenger were injured after renewed clashes between rival taxi factions.

A police spokesman said reports of three shootings were received in Nyanga and Guguletu last night.

During the first attack, soon after 7pm, Sipho Komzi of Site B, Khayelitsha, died of a bullet wound in the head while behind the steering wheel of his minibus in Nyanga.

A spent cartridge on the front seat indicated that a gunman had probably jabbed his firearm through the passenger window and fired at Mr Komzi at point-blank range.

About 7.30pm police found the second victim, Michael Kobowana of Khayelitsha, who was wounded.

Mr Kobowana was travelling in the Lusaka squatter camp, Nyanga, where occupants of a passing car allegedly opened fire on his minibus, hitting him in the arm.

The third attack about 9.30pm, Recardo Mjika of Site B, Khayelitsha, was shot dead in his taxi on the corner of Swayelisho Drive and Miller Road.

The incidents follow the death of a driver on Sunday and an attack on the N1 last Friday which left two taxi owners wounded.
Youth in court over massacre

Cape Town — A 17-year-old schoolboy appeared in the Wynberg Magistrate's Court yesterday in connection with the killing of 11 people in the St James Church massacre in Kenilworth last month.

The youth, a pupil at a Khayelitsha high school, was arrested last week.

Earlier, the State, represented by advocate William Viljoen, applied for permission to allow the media to attend the proceedings yesterday on condition nothing that could identify the youth in "any manner whatsoever" was published.

Dressed in a green khaki jacket with a hood, the youth seemed calm but confused by the court proceedings.

His mother, who assisted him in court, burst into tears after speaking to him before he was returned to the cells.

Proceedings were disrupted for a moment when a gang fight erupted in the hallways outside the courtroom. Members of rival gangs chased each other down the corridors.

The case was postponed to August 30 pending the Attorney General's decision on bail.

Own Correspondent.
Taxi ‘wars’: Man killed

A MAN was killed and two others wounded when shots were fired at taxis in separate incidents last night.

Mr Ricardo Mjika, 42, of Site B, Khayelitsha, was shot dead when the taxi he was driving was fired on by men in a white vehicle.

A police spokesman said six shots were fired into the driver’s side.

Earlier, gunmen in a passing blue car fired at Mr Michael Kobowana of Khayelitsha as he was climbing out of a Codeta taxi near Lasaka Squatter Camp. Mr Kobowana was wounded in the left arm.

In NY78, Nyanga, Mr Sphino Kanyi was shot and wounded twice in the head.

On Sunday taxi-owner Mr Ntabezitha Gugwani, 50, was killed, and driver Mr Thabiso Nyobi, 27, wounded when shots were fired at them in Guguletu.
Youth denied bail

A 17-YEAR-OLD Khayelitsha youth detained in connection with the St James' Church massacre in Kenilworth, Cape Town, was denied bail when he appeared briefly in the Wynberg Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The youth, who was not asked to plead, wore leg irons in the dock and there was a heavy police presence in and around the court complex.

Eleven people died and more than 50 were injured when four gunmen sprayed the congregation with automatic fire on the night of July 25.

The youth has been provisionally charged with 11 murders.

Mr. Willem Viljoen, for the State, told the court he had applied to the Attorney-General for an order prohibiting bail. He asked that the matter be postponed to August 30 which would give the Attorney-General the 14 days allowed him under the Criminal Procedure Act to reach a decision on bail.

Magistrate Mr. JG van Zyl granted the postponement.

The 10-minute hearing was interrupted halfway through by screaming and running in a corridor outside the court.

**Court Interrupted**

Court orderlies rushed to secure the doors, other policemen reached for their weapons and the magistrate ordered the doors to be locked.

It emerged later the commotion was caused by a scuffle between members of rival gangs involved in an unrelated hearing.

The youth, who by court order may not be identified, listened attentively to an interpreter's translation of court proceedings and spoke briefly with his mother before he was led down to the cells. His tearful mother said afterwards the boy, her eldest son, was a Standard 8 pupil at a high school in Khayelitsha.

She said he had said he was well and had asked her to give greetings to his five brothers and sisters. This was the first time she had seen him since his arrest on August 3, she said.

The youth's lawyer, Mr Jimmy Yakiso, said the boy was being held under Section 30 of the Criminal Procedure Act.

The youth was initially detained under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. — Sapa.
'Peace month' meeting called

Staff Reporter.

The Western Cape Peace Committee has called on all interested parties to attend an urgent meeting tomorrow at Crawford House in Mowbray to plan activities promoting September as a month of peace.

The National Peace Campaign Initiative aims to put the need to promote peace at the centre of the agenda of every South African," said a statement yesterday.

The meeting will also elect a committee to co-ordinate the efforts of all organisations eager to become involved.
Youth alleges police torture

Crime Reporter
A 47-YEAR-OLD youth who has appeared in the Wynberg Magistrate's Court in connection with the July 25 St James Church massacre claimed to his lawyer yesterday that he had been tortured in police custody.

The youth, who may not be identified, was arrested in Crossroads two weeks ago and is provisionally facing 31 charges of murder.

He is being detained under Section 50 of the Criminal Procedure Act.

Plastic
His lawyer, Mr Jimmy Yekiso, said last night: "My client has complained to me that he has been tortured three times since his arrest. "My client said a plastic or rubber article was placed over his head and he was assaulted."

Mr Yekiso said he would be consulting the youth again today to get more details of the alleged assaults to establish whether charges would be brought against the police.

Teacher
A police spokesman said: "The youth's lawyer knows the legal procedure as far as allegations of this nature are concerned and must carry it out. We will not comment further."

Meanwhile Mr Vuyo Tekani, a Khayelitsha teacher who has been detained for questioning in connection with terror attacks in the Eastern Cape, is expected to be released in the city tomorrow.

Mr Yekiso said he received a fax from the police intimating that Mr Tekani would be released today when his second period of detention under terms of Section 28 of the Internal Security Act expires.
Goldstone hears cause of conflict

MOSSEL BAY. The primary cause of the conflict here a month ago in which two people died was tension between the CP-dominated town council and the civic association.

This was said before a committee of the Goldstone Commission here yesterday by legal representative of the D'Almeida Civic Association, Miss Kats Savage. She said the town council refused to recognise the civic as representative of the community.

Mr. D.K. Zietsman, representing the town council, said there had been talks between the town council and a community forum, but that the forum was replaced by a crisis committee in April and the town council didn't know which group to meet with.

A peace committee was formed on Monday, but the town council refused to participate.
Army quits township

Soweto 18/8/93

The army is withdrawing from Khayelitsha in Cape Town after community organisations confirmed the township had been stabilised.

A South African Defence Force spokesman said yesterday that the army would, however, retain a presence in Nyanga.

According to an agreement reached at a community forum, all troops will be out of the township by August 20.

"We have decided that we could safely withdraw from Khayelitsha as the area has been stabilised to our satisfaction," the spokesman said. - Soweto Correspondent
Hotel attack: teacher released

Cape Town — Khayelitsha teacher Vuyo Tekani, detained in connection with a Cape terror attack, was released from custody yesterday, his attorney Jimmy Yekise confirmed.

Tekani's detention had been extended for a second time by the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court on August 6, after police transferred him to East London for questioning in connection with the Highgate Hotel attack.

Police claimed Tekani's car was used to transport one of the assailants wounded during the hotel shooting.

He was detained two days after the massacre in the St James's Church in Cape Town, but was not linked to this attack.

"The irresponsible publishing by certain media of evidence that was furnished when an application for the extension of Mr Tekani's detention period in terms of Section 29, to a judge in chambers, has seriously jeopardised and undone investigations," police said. — Sapa.
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VUYO BAVUMA and
JOHAN SCHRONEN
Staff Reporters A19/9/93

THREE teenagers arrested
earlier this week in connection
with the St James Church mas-
sacre have been released.

Police spokesman Captain
John Sterrenberg said the three
Crossroads youths, aged 17, 18
and 19, had been held since
Tuesday in terms of the Crimi-
nal Procedures Act.

The arrests follow the court
appearance of a 17-year-old youth
in the Wynberg Magis-
trate's Court earlier this week
in connection with the church
attack in which 11 people were
killed and more than 50
injured.

Meanwhile, the Khayelitsha
teacher detained within days of
the St James massacre fears
for his life because his name
has been linked with "gruesome
murders".

Vuyo Tekani, 27, of Chuma
Primary School, was released
yesterday after being held in
terms of Section 29 of the In-
ternal Security Act for 29 days.

He was held in East London
for questioning in connection
with the Highgate Hotel attack
in which two people died earli-
er this year.

During Mr Tekani's deten-
tion, teachers from the Penin-
sula African Teachers' Associa-
tion and members of the Pan
Africanism Students' Organisa-
tion held several protest
marches demanding he be
charged or released.

Yesterday, hours after his
release, Mr Tekani, who looked
thin, but cheerful, spoke of
being associated with the mur-
ders.

"I am so scared to move around the townships. It's worse in the white communities; people there will see me as a killer. But I am innocent.

"This stigma will also affect
me at school. How will my pu-
pils react to a teacher associat-
ed with such a serious crime?"

Mr Tekani said his detention
was traumatic because he had
never been in jail before.

"It was terrible to be behind
bars for the first time — and
not to be linked with such serious
crimes. I was quite distressed
and I had no clue how I would
get-out, although I knew I was
innocent.

"I also feared I wouldn't get
out alive for I saw how the po-
lice could misuse their pow-
ers."

Mr Tekani claimed police
were delaying their investiga-
tions by arresting innocent
people.

"I don't know why they don't
arrest the people involved in
the shootings. Instead of ha-
rrasing an innocent person like
me who has never had military
training,

"The police had identity cards
of the suspects involved in both
incidents, yet they went for an
innocent person like me. They
wanted me to implicate my-
self, which I found very
strange."

"I told the police that I only
heard about the massacre in
radio and television news, and
I can't be guilty of such a
crime."
Squatters take minister to court over shack fires

Supreme Court Reporter

A group of 30 KTC squatters have brought a damages action against the Minister of Law and Order, claiming policemen started a fire which burnt down their shacks in 1991.

The squatters claim the police started the fire intentionally or negligently on October 5 and this constituted an unlawful infringement of their rights.

Alternatively, they claim the SAPS unawfully failed to take reasonable steps to prevent the destruction caused by the fire while having a legal duty to do so.

They are claiming a combined total of over R500,000 for loss of property.

The Minister admits a fire damaged property in KTC on October 5, but denies the police set fire to the shack intentionally.

The hearing continues today.

M.P. Justice Matrai is on the bench. Brendan Manza appears for the squatters and Charles Low SC for the minister.
Teacher released from detention

KHAYELITSHA primary school teacher Mr Vuyo Tekani, arrested two days after the July 25 St James Church massacre in Cape Town, was released from detention about noon yesterday, his attorney, Mr Jimmy Yokiso, confirmed.

Mr Tekani, a PAC member, had been held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

The PAC claimed he was assaulted while in custody, but police denied the charge. In a statement yesterday, Lieutenant-Colonel Christo Louw said from East London that Mr Tekani "is free of any injuries and has acknowledged he has no complaints against the SA Police".

Police in East London questioned him in connection with an attack on a hotel there. However, he was not linked to the attack on St James Church in Kenilworth.

A relative said yesterday Mr Tekani was not available to speak to the media.

Another Section 29 detainee appeared briefly in the Port Elizabeth Regional Court yesterday.

Mr Melikhaya Mbkwana was arrested by police at the Kei Border post after being found in possession of two R4 rifles, handgrenades and ammunition. He was remanded to August 30. — Sapa, Own Correspondent 93
Angry strip: 40 Nyanga women held

Crime Report

ABOUT 40 women were arrested after exposing themselves in an impromptu protest near Nyanga police station yesterday.

They were demanding the release of a man arrested in connection with the murder of squatter leader Mr Christopher Tolese's bodyguard. Police said one of their vehicles was stoned in the protest, which began after they spotted a suspect chasing and arrested him in a public toilet.

In the march on the police station, many women stripped and others exposed their genitals, police said. Those held were to appear in a bail hearing late last night.
THOUSANDS of Peninsula township
commuters were stranded yesterday
after taxi-drivers ceased operating
because of the taxi violence there.
Drivers said the violence stemmed
from the unification of the Langa
and Webta taxi associations to form
the Convention for a Democratic
Taxi Association (Codeta). They said
their lives were on the line while the
owners were unaffected.
Codeta vice-president Mr James
Mafuya said minibus-drivers met
taxi-owners yesterday to protest
against them being shot at. Drivers
were not on strike but were pressur-
sing Codeta and taxi owners to
assure them that shootings and at-
tacks would not happen again, he
said.
Five drivers had been killed in the
past two months, he said.
Mr Mafuya said about 2000 taxis
were not running yesterday in Gugu-
lelu, Nyanga and Khayelitsha.
Rocket attack

Gunmen get away

EAST LONDON. — Four gunmen believed to have been responsible for a missile attack on the Engen oil depot near last night wounded a policeman in a shootout in Oxford Street during their getaway.

A double explosion rocked the nearby suburbs of Sunnyridge and Greenfields about 10pm.

Witnesses told police they saw two red flames streaking towards a four-storey-high oil tank.

A police spokesman, Lieutenant-Colonel Christo Louw, said two missiles — believed to be either BGM-109 Pershing or Exocet — had hit the oil tank.

They caused a fireball and a loud explosion.

Police said the missiles had punctured the tanks above the fuel level.

Within minutes the area was cordoned off under the Hazardous Chemicals Act and bomb disposal units searched the area.

Dog unit members were racing to the scene when a vehicle passed them at high speed in the opposite direction.

They gave chase, forcing the car off the road opposite the city hall in Oxford Street.

Col Louw said two men rolled out of the vehicle and opened fire on the police car with automatic rifles. One policeman was shot three times in the right arm. A stray bullet hit the magazine of his R4, which exploded in his hands.

The policeman was taken to Frere Hospital and later transferred to St Dominics Hospital where he was in a satisfactory condition late last night.

The gunmen escaped.
No arrests or relief in Nyanga massacre

POLICE efforts to pin down the killers of last Tuesday’s Nyanga shebeen attack have so far proved fruitless.

The chilling slaughter left four people dead and seven injured.

A week after the incident, unlike in the case of the Kenilworth church massacre at the end of last month, a relief fund has not been established for the families of the victims and a police computer centre has not been set up for a slicker investigation.

Police spokesperson Captain John Sterrenberg said, however, that the SAP were doing their best to solve the mystery murders.

“One must understand that an investigation like this does not happen overnight,” said Sterrenberg.

“We are looking for more witnesses and we are still speaking to residents. It was a very traumatic event for everybody who was there. A lot of people have seen things differently and we are still evaluating what the witnesses have told us. We are hoping to come up with something positive during this week.”

Three unmasked gunmen were seen entering the shebeen in Mkhonto Square on Tuesday night, August 10. After taking about R500, they opened fire on patrons for approximately three minutes, set the shack ablaze and then disappeared into the night, laughing.

Shebeen owner, Mr Mshlyeni Nhthontsho, and patrons Mr Ben Zola, Mr Sendile Mafila and Mr Thobile Ndonyana, were killed.

Sterrenberg urged anybody who may have information about the attack to contact the police.

If people are not willing to face the police directly, they can give information anonymously by phoning the SAP’s toll-free number: 0800-111213.

GRIEVING: Families of victims of last week’s Nyanga massacre are still waiting for police to find the killers.
New talks aim to end taxi turmoil

Municipal Reporter

NEW talks to end the minibus taxi strife are to be held on Tuesday.

Mayor Frank van der Velde said there was cause for hope because representation at recent talks had been good and the Convention for a Democratic Taxi Association management seemed to be working well.

It was hoped that grievances of a dissident group, linked to recent violence, would be investigated.

Minibus taxi services have been disrupted for two days.
Three held for massacre

THREE youths have been arrested in Crossroads in the Cape Peninsula in connection with the St James Church massacre in Cape Town last month in which 11 people were killed.

Western Cape police spokesman Captain John Sterrenberg said the youths — aged 17, 18 and 19 — had been held since Tuesday in terms of the Criminal Procedures Act.

Sterrenberg said they will have to be charged or released within 48 hours in terms of the Act.

Another 17-year-old youth appeared in the Wynberg Magistrate’s Court in Cape Town earlier this week in connection with the massacre.

He cannot be named because he is a minor.

Sapa
Police today mounted an intensive aerial search for the four "Cambodian-trained" gunmen who fired an RPG-7 rocket at an Engen oil depot in East London.

The Azanian People's Liberation Army today declined to accept responsibility for last night's attack.

Spokesman Johnny Majosi said from Dar-es-Salaam that the PAC's military wing could not comment until it had received information from its units in South Africa.

In a telephone call to Sapa, four hours after the attack, a man claiming to be a high-ranking commander of Apl'a, the armed wing of the Pan Africanist Congress, said the attack was carried out to warn other countries not to become involved in South Africa.

The man, who said he was calling from Grahamstown, identified himself as Knox Dangile and claimed to be "second in command to Apl'a chief commander Rafael Rahunda."

He claimed the attack had been carried out by a unit consisting of four men "who received their training in Cambodia in the early '80s."

Mr Majosi said: "I don't know if any of our people were trained in Cambodia."

The men, armed with automatic firearms, wounded a policeman during a shoot-out in the city centre while fleeing.

The attack occurred about 10pm yesterday when a double explosion rocked the suburbs of Sunnyridge and Greenfields.

Witnesses told police they saw two red flames striking towards a four-storey oil tank.

Police spokesman Lieutenant-Colonel Christo Louw confirmed an RPG-7 rocket had been used in the attack which punched holes near the top of the tank.

The tank, which has a capacity of 5.5 million litres, was empty when the rocket hit it, he said.

Gloria de Lange, an assistant in Westbank Pharmacy, said today she had just got in her bath when she heard a huge explosion.

"It was a massive boom," and was followed by two or three smaller noises, like echoes.

"I thought: 'That must be a bomb.'"

"I went out on my balcony which overlooks the town, and I could hear the sirens and see the red lights spinning."

Greenfields housewife Lynette Botha said she had been in bed watching 'The Golden Girls' when the explosion occurred.

"I thought it was something like a bomb."

Within minutes the area was cordoned off in terms of the Dangerous Chemicals Act, and bomb disposal units were sent in to search.

Members of the East London Dog Unit were racing to the scene when a vehicle with Port Elizabeth registration plates passed them at high speed in the opposite direction.

The police gave chase, forcing the car off the road opposite the City Hall in Oxford Street.

Colonel Louw said two men rolled out of the vehicle and opened fire on the police car with automatic rifles.

One of the policemen was shot three times in the right arm. A bullet hit the magazine of his R4 assault rifle which exploded in his hands.

He was taken to Frere Hospital and later transferred to St Dominic's.

Colonel Louw said police were following up all information, but "we can't say if its Apl'a."

He said police had mounted an air hunt to see "if we can get the men or their getaway car."

The City Hall was packed at the time for the performance of a play.

The caretaker said the doors had been closed and the audience had not been aware of the shooting.
Kisses, hugs greet released teacher

*Staff Reporter*

Kisses, hugs and tears greeted Vuyo Tekani when he visited his school in Khayelitsha yesterday.

Mr Tekani, who was released on Wednesday, was detained under Section 23 of the Internal Security Act after the St James massacre.

Accompanied by his mother, Mrs Nokhaya Tekani, his sister Pumla and elder brother Khaya, Mr Tekani received a rousing welcome yesterday from staff and pupils of Chuma Primary School where he teaches.
Teen ‘matches’ church identikit

Colonel Leonard Knipe, chief of the police team investigating the St James Church massacre, said yesterday that the 17-year-old arrested in connection with the atrocity bore a strong resemblance to a police identikit.

Police have compiled four identikits.

Speaking to a group of PAC women who were protesting against the youth’s arrest yesterday, Colonel Knipe said: “At the Crossroads Police Station: ‘One of the identikits has a strong resemblance to the youth. We will keep him until there is ample evidence."

His announcement followed the release of three Crossroad youths arrested for questioning this week in connection with the massacre.

The youths, aged between 17 and 19, were arrested on Monday but released yesterday.
Fear rules the township nights

SABATA'NGCAI describes what happens when darkness falls in African townships.

THERE WAS a time when the only explosion one heard in the townships was an exhaust backfiring from a dilapidated car.

When violence occurred you were told how so-and-so had been stabbed the night before outside KwaVela's or KwaTshona's shebeen.

Today that has changed.

Knives have been replaced by guns and exploding exhausts by the short, sharp bursts of gunfire that shatter the silence ever so often.

For some, life in the townships becomes a living hell.

Gunfire is heard everywhere in the evening. The guns are fired by mysterious individuals who, it seems, have no difficulty in getting them from equally mysterious sources.

Carrying a knife for protection is a thing of the past. It is what comes out of the barrel of the gun that counts these days.

Pull out a knife and you'll be more than likely to find yourself staring down the barrel of a gun.

In shebeens these days quarrels are settled with fire-arms even when it is something that could have been easily resolved with a few words.

Townships live two lives — one by day and the other by night.

During the day many Western Cape townships are as peaceful and as normal as can be expected. People move about freely and daily chores are carried out without disruption.

But at night this picture of serenity and normalcy is shattered. When daylight turns to darkness, police vehicles appear in the streets.

You don't see them during the day but you see them with alarming regularity at night.

Even in the new South Africa we in the townships still feel nervous when we see an SAP or SADF vehicle.

There is a widely-held view that the security forces are still the "enemy". People here still have the notion that police in the evenings randomly fire at people moving in the streets.

The police vans are always driven at great speeds, rear doors open and heavily-armed policemen sitting in the back with their legs dangling out.

Casspiers, too, are seen in large numbers everywhere in the evenings, but nobody is sure what they are doing.

Balaclava-clad men commit violent crimes every evening and it seems nothing is done to curb them. There are no clear signs that crime is dropping, despite the heavy police presence at night.

Township petrol stations are popular targets for these balaclava-clad men and attendants work under the fear of being robbed at gunpoint.

When a petrol station is robbed, attendants are usually tied up. Sometimes they are killed.

And always the robbers "are still at large" as the policemen are always "still investigating".

PROVOCATIVE: A Casspir patrols the townships

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People here still have the notion that police in the evenings randomly fire at people moving in the streets (2-15)

Instead of feeling secure in the presence of police in the townships, one feels threatened. Fear is everywhere.

These days nobody feels safe. Nobody is sure to wake up alive the next day, especially after the recent Nyanga slaughter.

Although the situation in the Cape at the moment is not as volatile as in Transvaal townships, no-one is sure that the same will not happen here tomorrow.

In shebeens, taverns and churches everybody feels threatened. There is the fear that at any time armed gun-men could burst in and kill everyone.

In the aftermath of the St James massacre, in which many whites died, township people spent sleepless nights.

They feared right-wingers in the police force might take revenge in one way or another.

In the sprawling squatter camps of Crossroads, Nyanga and Khayelitsha, where the sound of gunfire is the order of the day, people have learnt to sleep through the deafening noise.

The same happens in Guguletu, Langa and the neighbouring New Crossroads.

Every car that passes by in the evening is looked at suspiciously.

The marauding gangs of robbers are looking for blood.

The feeling is that the police take part in thuggery to destabilise the community, because there is more armed robbery in the evenings when hundreds of vans and Casspiers are in the townships.

A new police would be better.
Pupils arrested at sit-down

By Barbara-Ann Boswell

THIRTEEN pupils affiliated to the Western Cape Students Congress (Wecso) were arrested in Cape Town on Monday when about 800 pupils held an illegal sit-down on the corner of Adderley and Strand Streets.

The sit-down was in protest against the rationalisation of teachers of the Department of Education and Culture (DEC) of the House of Representatives.

Pupils from Excelsior, Perseverance, Sarepta, Eildwood, Valballa, Oaklands and St Andrews High Schools held the sit-down at the intersection, blocking traffic and shouting slogans at motorists.

After negotiating with the police, the pupils then moved to the pavement next to Adderley Street, where they were told they had to have the permission of the Town Clerk before they could march to the DEC office in Roeland Street.

The pupils started to march but were surrounded by police. A group of pupils, including the chairperson of Wecso, Mr Aubrey Daniels, broke through the police cordon and were arrested.

The pupils split up into groups and ran around the streets of Cape Town, singing and chanting slogans.

According to police spokesperson Sergeant Verna Louw, those arrested appeared briefly in the Magistrate’s Court on Monday and were released.

They have not been charged, but will appear again on September 17.
Goldstone slams council poor reply to taxi chaos condemned

By BARRY STREEK AND GUY OLIVER

THE Cape Town City Council has been slammed by a Goldstone Commission committee for its tardy response to “the utter chaos” of taxis in Strand Street and the absence of ranks in the city.

In its fifth interim report on taxi violence, the committee said it was “astounded” that after the lapses of more than a year, a debate continues in the council about where CBD ranks should be established.

“Taxi ranks are beginning to be bogged down by bureaucratic delays and local politics,” the report said.

The committee heard that in an area known as the “Strand Street taxi rank”, which hosted one of the most serious incidents of taxi violence, the police had failed to establish ranks.

Commenting on the report, Transit Manager Mr Wouter Smit, who also had not read the report, said it was clear that the council’s response was not as effective as it should be.

He promised no short-term solutions.

Mr Smit said the solution lay in a sound system of permits, action against violations and a “change of attitude” among the operators.

In the past 12 months the traffic authorities have increased substantially the policing of taxis and have assigned 20 full-time officers to the task.

The Goldstone commission, chaired by Mr D.J. Rosnow, former viceroy of the Cape, strongly criticised the “inaction” of the Department of Transport and the Department of Transport and Traffic Planning.

The evidence of board chairman Mr B.J. Miskey “spoke of an appalling lack of concern and appreciation for the needs of the community”.

The committee also contradicted police claims, made on television and elsewhere, that the ANC had tried to take over during the Western Cape taxi war and had favoured one side. It praised the ANC for launching the consumer boycott that led to the formation of the Committee of Democratic Taxi Associations (Codeta).

It said it had been estimated that in Cape Town last year, violence cost more than 70 lives, more than R4 million in damage to vehicles and more than R25 million in damage to other property.

“In this turn resulted in arrears of payments in the Western Cape of R10 million.”

The committee said the Golden Arrow bus service had had to move from the Nyanga bus terminus.

“Bus drivers had been attacked and buses burned.”

“If intimidation and violence are to be avoided in this extremely volatile industry, self-examination by everyone involved will be essential in finding a solution to the many problems,” the committee said.
Marchers held

PORT ELIZABETH.—Forty-nine members of the National Education Health and Allied Workers' Union were arrested in Port Elizabeth as they tried to march to the offices of the Cape Provincial Administration.—Sun.
Attack on St. James: Man Freed

Sunday Times Reporters

THE Khayelitsha teacher detained two days after the St. James massacre in Cape Town was released this week.

Mr. Vusi Tekani, a Pan Africanist Congress member, was detained for a second 10-day period by the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court on August 6 after police transferred him to East London for questioning in connection with an attack on the Highgate hotel in that city.

Police claimed Mr. Tekani's car was used to transport one of the assailants, who was wounded during the hotel shooting. However, he was not linked to the automatic rifle and grenade attack on St. James on July 25, in which 11 people died.

A 17-year-old PAC youth who appeared in court this week in connection with the St. James Church massacre has laid a charge of assault against several members of the SA Police.

The youth alleges that he was assaulted and tortured by members of the SAP at the Nyanga police station and at the murder and robbery unit in Bellville South on August 15.

He claims he was also assaulted on August 18 by "a number of policemen, in the presence of an officer."

The youth will appear in court again on August 30.
ANC to leave peace structure

KIMBERLEY The ANC in the Northern Cape is withdrawing from regional peace structures until its demands are met, regional secretary Mr William Steenkamp said yesterday. The organisation demanded the restructuring of the region's peace committees, the removal of regional peace manager Mr Mike Bradnum and police Captain Ngobeni, the withdrawal of security forces from the townships and that the police "change their attitude."
Mob tries to steal rings on health worker’s hand

ANDREA WEISS
Health Reporter

A HEALTH worker was attacked and her van, bearing the logo of the community organisation she works for, was burnt out in Site B, Khayelitsha.

A witness said that youths tried to steal rings off the fingers of occupational therapist Fiona Loubser after she was dragged from her van.

Bystanders said Mrs Loubser, who is reportedly pregnant, was rescued by some women who took her in a taxi to the Khayelitsha Day Hospital, where she was treated in the trauma unit for head injuries.

Mrs Loubser works for the South African Christian Leadership Assembly, which has provided health care to township communities in the Western Cape since 1980.

After she was taken to hospital, a group of mothers whose disabled children she assists arrived to rally to her support.

The attack has raised concern among other health organisations, particularly as Mrs Loubser’s vehicle was clearly marked.

The Progressive Health Forum said that unless the violence stopped it would be impossible to continue providing community services.

"Essential referral and support systems will break down unless this violence stops," said a spokesman.
A KTR resident yesterday claimed in the Supreme Court that police had repeatedly visited his house looking for firearms and on one occasion threatened to shoot him and burn down his house. The residents claim police intentionally or negligently started the fire, which had destroyed their homes. One resident brought a $5 million damages claim against the police for negligence. On October 5, he was told to go to his home, and when he got there, the house had been destroyed in a fire.
Cars burnt in support of Sadtu

By RAMOTENA MABOTE

At least five vehicles— one carrying school books — were torched and others stoned when pupils in Guguletu, Nyanga and Crossroads took to the streets in support of the teachers' strike.

Part of this action took place shortly before a midday press conference by the Congress of South African Students (Cosas) which called on pupils to engage in their controversial campaigns of "Barcelona" and "Bujuba" in support of the strike.

These campaigns call for the burning of cars and for "reactionary elements" to be kept out of the townships.

A government vehicle carrying school books was torched on the corner of NY1 and NY80 in Guguletu.

In Crossroads, pupils who had just attended a mass meeting at Oscar Mpetha High in Nyanga took control of Lansdowne Road, stoning vehicles and burning two others.

The area was cordoned off for more than 30 minutes by police.

Two more vehicles were seen alight along NY1 later in the afternoon.

At the press conference, Cosas regional chairman Mr Mboleli Mmorde said engaging in Barcelona and Bujuba campaigns was the only option left for pupils to exert pressure on the government.

"We wish to make it clear to the government that we are tired of sitting without teachers in our classes," he said.

Cosas said they would hold a meeting with the Junior Council of Cape Town today to discuss the question of occupation of unused and under-utilised white schools.

Asked to comment on today's incidents, Sadtu president Mr Shepherd Mdladlana said he had told the government that its failure to meet teachers' demands would lead to crises, especially in education.

ANC regional chairman Dr Allan Boesak said the position of the ANC, which supports the teachers' strike, was that pupils must do their best to make up for lost time.
Two held for death of US student

Guguletu teenagers ‘positively linked’ to brutal killing

STABBED TO DEATH: United States Fulbright scholar Amy Biehl who was stabbed to death in Guguletu yesterday.

DEATH CAR:
Sergeant Wayne Howat of the N2 patrol with some of the chunks of rock that were hurled at the mustard Mazola 323 which belonged to dead American student Amy Biehl.

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launched a controversial two-part programme, operations “Barroloena” and “Bujuba”, in support of striking South African Democratic Teachers’ Union members.

According to Miss Beva, Miss Biehl was driving down N1 towards New Crossroads when a group of youths of schooling age began stealing her car.

“Miss Beva, a third-year University student, said: ‘I urged Amy to drive faster when the youths started stealing the car. But she couldn’t because there was a car in front of us.‘

Then the windows shattered.

The youths continued to stone us and Amy was forced to stop as she couldn’t see any more because of the glass splinters flying all over.

The women scrambled out of the car and tried to run towards a garage for cover, but they were chased by youths, who ignored pleas not to attack Amy because ‘she is just a UWC student.’

The youths chased Amy, caught up with her and then started stabbing her in the head as she pleaded for mercy.

After trying to fend off the attackers with her arms, Amy lost strength and collapsed.

“We tried to explain to the mob that she was a UWC student. Some listened to us but others just chased Amy.”

“They stabbed Amy in the back and in the face. I could see Amy wincing, but she didn’t cry. She tried to defend herself with her arms, but in vain.”

Minutes later a police van appeared and took Amy to the police station, where she was certified dead.”

Staff Reporters

TWO teenagers have been arrested in connection with the killing of American Fulbright scholar Amy Biehl in Guguletu. More arrests are expected today.

The teenagers, aged 17 and 19, who live in NY1 and NY3 in Guguletu, have been ‘positively linked’ to the killing, said a police spokesman. They are expected to appear in court on Monday.

Miss Biehl, a post-graduate student researching women’s rights with the Community Law Clinic of the University of the Western Cape since October last year, was due to return to the United States tomorrow.

She died about 5pm yesterday after a crowd of youths stole her car in NY1 and stabbed her when she fled.

She was giving students a lift home at the time.

A UWC spokesman today expressed university’s ‘shocked regret’ over Miss Biehl’s death.

Police forensic experts were studying the battered minibus at the station this morning and members of the fingerprint unit were dusting the bodywork.

All the car’s windows were shattered and the interior was littered with at least 13 chunks of concrete and brick.

A bumper sticker reads: “1 of 1,000 white people.”

A deeply shocked survivor, Mr. A. M. D., who had subscribed seeing Miss Biehl in “Kgetle” as she tried to fend off the young attackers.

Sindiswa Beva of New Crossroads — a UWC student who was stabbed in the right arm when she tried to protect 27-year-old Miss Biehl — was in Miss Biehl’s car when the youths attacked at the corner of NY1 and NY32.

The attack happened two days after the ANC-aligned Congress of South African Students (Cosas)
All the car's windows were shattered and the interior was littered with at least 15 chunks of concrete and brick.

A bumper sticker, reading: '_Ptr Not Feed_,' was slashed.

A deeply shocked survivor of the attack described seeing Miss Biehl 'in agony' as she tried to fend off the young attackers.

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The attack happened two days after the ANC-aligned Congress of South African Students (Cosas) launched a controversial two-part programme, operations "Barcelona" and "Bujaba," in support of striking South African Democratic Teachers' Union members.

According to Miss Bevu, Miss Biehl was driving down NY1 towards New Crossroads when a group of youths of schoolgoing age began stoning her car.

Miss Bevu, a third-year BSc student, said: "We urged Amy to drive faster when the youths started stoning the car. But she couldn't because there was a car in front of us."

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"The youths continued to stonewall us and Amy was forced to stop as she couldn't see anything because of the glass splinters flying all over."

The woman scrambled out of the car and tried to run towards a garage for cover, but they were chased by youths who ignored pleas not to attack Amy because she is just a UWC student.

The youths chased Amy, caught up with her and then started stabbing her in the head as she pleaded for mercy.

After trying to fend off the attackers with her arms, Amy lost strength and collapsed.

"We tried to explain to the mob that she was a UWC student. Some listened to us but others just chased Amy."

"They stabbed Amy in the back and in the face. I could see Amy wincing, but she didn't cry. She tried to defend herself with her arms, but in vain."

Minutes later a police van appeared and took Amy to the police station, where she was certified dead.

Melanie Jacobs, project manager of the Centre for Development Studies at UWC— who shared a flat with Miss Biehl— said she was devastated.

"We partied together, we worked together, and we shared the same house even since she came here in October last year. We even combined my 30th birthday party with her farewell gig on Sunday — and we had a great time.

Miss Biehl's parents, Linda and Peter Biehl of Newport Beach, California, said their daughter had been "intensely" and personally identified with "emerging democracies all over Southern Africa."

The US embassy in Pretoria has not commented.
ANC, PAC slam slaying of student

CAPE Town leaders of the African National Congress, have condemned the killing of Amy Biehl in August, and have promised to do "everything in our power" to find those responsible.

At a hastily convened Press conference last night, Allan Boesak and Tony Yengeni blamed members of the Pan Africanist Congress's student wing for the murder, claiming attackers shouted "Paso" slogans and said: "You deserve to die because you are a settler."

Mr Yengeni said: "We regard the killing of Amy ... as a declaration of war against the ANC."

Dr Boesak blamed "youths wearing Paso T-shirts."

"We won't shout endless Vivas while our people continue to die, We'll meet Paso to discuss the matter."

But Carter Seleka of the PAC, speaking in Johannesburg, also condemned the "abominable" attack, and said the it had never been the organisation's policy to wage a war against white skins, but to attack the system.

He said because some youths were alleged to have shouted "one settler, one bullet" did not mean they were PAC members.

Mr Seleka said: "We want to distance ourselves from that act of terrorism."

He added that Amy was not "just another white woman, but one who loved to work with us, not just for UWC but everybody."

Regional ANC executive member Dullah Omar, who worked with Miss Biehl at the UWC's Community Law Clinic, said her death was a shock.

Amy had assisted in designing projects which helped the oppressed to understand the vote. She also worked night and day during the course of her struggle for a national democratic system and sympathised with the members of the oppressed.

In a statement UWC today expressed its "sincere regret" at the death of Miss Biehl.

"We wish to express our deepest sympathies with her family in the United States, her friends and her colleagues."

In a statement DP Youth Western Cape regional chairman Ryan Coetzee condemned the killing.
Comrades asked to explain by ANC

JOHN VILJOEN
Staff Reporter

ANC regional secretary Tony Yengeni said today if Operation Barcelona led to the death of Miss Diehl, it must be condemned.

At a Press conference the ANC said it was calling on Congress of South African Students and the Pan-Africanist Students Organisation to explain their actions in the townships.

The ANC Western Cape Women's and Youth Leagues said they were deeply concerned, shocked and disgusted by the senseless killing of Miss Diehl and were determined to bring to an immediate end the climate in which "appalling acts" were perpetrated.

ANC deputy regional chairman Lerumo Kalako said Miss Diehl's death could be the result of elements exploiting Operation Barcelona.

Pupil leaders no longer had control when pupils left the classroom.

Out of school, pupil actions were open to all sorts of elements, including "socialists" and those with nothing to do.

Such elements could have been involved in the attack as witnesses said attempts were made to rob Miss Diehl and steal her belongings.

Mr Kalako said it was clear the Barcelona strategy had no direction. Yesterday members of the ANC regional executive were stoned.

ANC Women's League warned in a statement earlier that women would not allow attacks such as those on Miss Diehl and Sacla occupational therapist Fiona Louwser in Khayelitsha earlier this week.

"We condemn this barbaric act of violence. It is unacceptable that women are the targets of these acts. We will not accept this and will have to find ways and means of defending ourselves."

You have touched the woman, you have dislodged a boulder, you will be crushed!"
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PAC Western Cape regional chairman Mr. Theo Mbuisele said only a statement distancing the PAC from the attack and noting that the PAC did not believe Paso members were involved should be used.

Mr. Tellite said, "The youths and students are so angry and frustrated that when they see someone they identify with the dispossessed classes, anything can happen — and could happen again."

The PAC's regional secretary, Mr. Batemba Lughlwana, said Miss Biehl's death was a tragedy, and he wanted to assure her family and the American people that the PAC was not involved.

The vicious attack on the American woman appears to have brought a fundamental shift in the ANC's attitude towards the violent Cosas campaigns.

Earlier the ANC response was to slap its student wing on the wrist in qualified disapproval of the campaigns.

In the wake of the killing, a range of ANC organisations expressed unqualified condemnation of the campaigns, labelling them as "banditry" and "unproductive."

In response, Cosas regional chairman Mr. Maleki Mbonde called off the campaign.

He insisted that there was no basis for linking Barcelona with Miss Biehl's death.

The ANC, Sadtu, the National Educational Co-ordinating Committee and the national executive committee of Cosas condemned Barcelona.

In joint statement with the ANC Women's and Youth Leagues, the ANC also urged Cosas and Paso to come to a meeting and explain their actions in their townships.
AMY BIEHL was a tireless worker for democracy and equality in South Africa and her tragic death underscored the urgent need to complete constitutional negotiations, the United States Embassy in Pretoria said.

A statement issued by the US Information Service described Ms Biehl as an outstanding scholar and sportsperson and said her death was "a terrible loss" and "a deplorable and terrible event".

The statement added: "Her academic work at Stanford University and the research she undertook in Namibia in 1989 had strengthened her desire to work and study in South Africa."

"Her research on women's rights and involvement in voter education exemplified her commitment to democracy."

Ms Biehl's death was "another of the brutal and terrible crimes against innocent people" that had to stop if South Africa was to have a safe, decent future for all, the embassy said.
Sexwale: Condemns Killing of Whites

"The strategy of the government," Sexwale said, "is to create fear and confusion among the people. They want to divide us and make us forget our common humanity."

"This is a desperate attempt to keep us under control."

Sexwale, a former ANC member, has been critical of the party's current leadership, saying it has abandoned the principles it was founded on.

"We are not going to let them divide us," he said. "We will not tolerate this kind of behaviour."

The government has denied allegations of human rights abuses and has defended its policies as necessary to combat crime and maintain law and order.

"We are not going to be silent when our people are being persecuted," Sexwale said. "We will fight back."

The statement was made in response to recent violence in parts of the country, which has left dozens dead and hundreds injured.

"Our people are dying," he said. "We cannot stand by and do nothing."
'We remem
Bern Amy'

ROGER FRIEDMAN
Staff Reporter

UNDER the banner headline: "South African mob stones and kills O.C. woman", Amy's hometown newspaper, The Orange County Register, reports Amy Biehl to have been "blonde, blue-eyed and stereotypically all-American".

But her flatmate, colleague and confidant Melanie Jacobs used to call her an honorary African "because she had so much rhythm".

Amy Biehl was born in Santa Monica, the second of four children, 26 years ago.

The family moved to Arizona and New Mexico before settling in California in 1985 when Amy enrolled at university.

She graduated from Santa Fe High School in 1985, one of two valedictorians in her senior year.

"She was just a super kid all the way around," her Santa Fe bandmaster Clark Pintsler recalled. She swam and dive for her school, played the flute and "was a very good athlete. There wasn't a much better one around," Pintsler said.

Diving appealed to her, Amy told her yearbook staff, because it was "exciting and dangerous and incredibly scary".

Her English teacher Egle Germanas remembered Amy as "extremely focused on any task at hand. She knew her mind very strongly, even as a high school kid. She was just clear-headed, knew what she wanted to do".

Amy graduated from Stanford University with an honours degree in international relations.

AMY BIEHL: "She was the epitome of life. She was so confident. She always said 'I know these people, I love them.'"
Her honours thesis was on the "freedom movement" in Namibia where Amy went in 1989 to observe the first free elections there.

She was in Cape Town on a Fulbright scholarship to study women's issues in emerging Third World countries when she was stoned and stabbed to death in Guguletu on Wednesday.

She was due to return to the United States today to take up the challenge of a PhD at Rutgers University.

"I want to have dinner Saturday night in 'mi casa' (Spanish for my home)," she told her mother over the phone earlier this week.

Last night, at the Mowbray flat she shared with Ms Jacobs, her close friend Anna Wang sat sobbing on her bed.

United States consular officials had already removed all Amy's belongings and installed an extra lock and a peep-hole in the front door.

"We used to go dancing together. She loved funk and soul and especially, Hugh Masekela," said Anna.

"She was the epitome of life. She was so confident. She always said 'I know these people, I love them'. When they first started chasing her she tried to talk to them ..."

"When I look at the pictures of Amy bleeding and in pain I don't see her in pain. I see her dance moves and hear her laughing and practising her Xhosa."

"She always tried to get me to dance with her and I wouldn't!"

Ms Jacobs said Amy had become family to her.

"She used to do crazy things like blow up piles of balloons and smother me with them on my birthday.

"On Saturday she brought me a pair of jeans we'd been sharing and said 'here, I breathe these to you'."

"She and I took Xhosa lessons together to learn the language of the people. She learned street-dancing so she could partsala with the best of them."

"On Friday she was doing somersaults for us after polishing off a few bottles of champagne."

"She was a party animal and loved Windhoek lager.

"She danced and danced. I used to call her an honorary African, she had so much rhythm," Ms Jacobs said.

Amy was an accomplished long-distance runner and ran the Comrades Marathon, the Two Oceans and the Penwala Marathon in her short time in South Africa.

Ms Jacobs said she loved the beach and spent as much time at Camps Bay as possible.

"Amy did not know how to wash a coffee cup, but she cooked the best Mexican food."

"Last month she informed her boyfriend in Oregon that she was ready for a proposal but he should do it properly, on bended knee."

"Initially I didn't want her to stay with me. But we got on like a house on fire. We'd argue like hell, then go out and dance and get drunk."

Ms Jacobs said Amy was a "very analytical person" who "would have been here to explain those kids their hate was built up by the apartheid system", had she still been around.

"Amy taught me the youth are not responsible for their anger.

"I want people to know the white people who go into the townships are the only ones who care.""

Ms Wang: "They're blinded by hatred. She was the epitome of life."

Ms Jacobs: "She saw blood, said 'oh sh...", she really couldn't understand it. Most horrifying is they allowed her to run and then they killed her."

Ms Wang: "If it wasn't so brutal I could handle it."

And both friends said Amy was not gang-ho about her trips into the townships.

"If I knew things were hot I'd tell her not to go there and she wouldn't". But there was nobody to warn her of the dangers on Wednesday.

FAREWELL: Mourners at the University of the Western Cape pay tribute to their friend and colleague.
‘She had a premonition she was going to die’

STENANS BRÜMME
Staff Reporter

A Merican research student Amy Biehl had a premonition she was going to die, tearful friends and colleagues heard when they gathered in Bellville to mourn their fallen comrade.

Amy’s University of the Western Cape research supervisor and friend Rhoda Kadera joined others in paying tribute to Amy at the university yesterday.

The Fulbright scholar was butchered by a mob in Guguletu on Wednesday, two days before she was to return to the United States.

Ms Kadera said Amy, who had been “dedicated to the women’s struggle and the ANC”, got out of her car and tried to reason with her killers “because she was always surrounded by loving and committed black people”.

Last weekend and on Monday she told her she had a premonition she was going to die.

“She said she felt so lucky nothing had happened to her while she was here. Now that she was about to go back she had a feeling something was going to happen.”

Amy, who often visited townships, was to have left today to do a PhD at an American university after being offered a scholarship.

After the service the mourners, bearing flowers and placards against violence, marched to Guguletu to the spot where Amy met her death, to “reclaim” the safety of the township.

Guguletu residents stared from behind shacks as the few hundred marchers, quietly singing freedom songs, wound along NY1, the route Amy drove on Wednesday to drop friends. A few joined them.

A white log fence smeared with blood next to a service station stood in silent testimony to Amy’s desperate attempt to get away from the school pupil mob who attacked her with stones and knives.

Shards of brick and stone were scattered on the green grass.

One by one, mourners came forward to lay flowers against the fence and cover the red stains.

ANC executive committee member Albie Sachs, still bearing the scars of a bomb attack against him while in exile, said: “When we were abroad fighting for freedom in this country, we got support from millions and millions of people in the northern continents. Amy was one of them…

Her blood joins the blood of so many thousands who died for the spirit of freedom.”

An inconsolable Anna Wang, an American friend of Amy and also attached to the university, had to be torn away from the fence when the mourners left. Tearfully she read a poem: “I woke up crying this morning…”

At the memorial service Amy’s colleague and housemate Melanie Jacobs said: “Amy was the best thing that ever happened to me… I want to say to those people, ‘You killed your own sister; she was involved in our struggle’.”

Kader Asmal, University of the Western Cape human rights professor and on the ANC executive committee, said: “Amy came to observe; she stayed to study. She came to stay; she became one of us. From the privilege and status of the West Coast of the United States she came to share her insights and love with the people of our country.”

Sister Rita Baptiste of the Catholic Church explained a display. Red and white flowers on a cross symbolised Amy’s spilled blood and purity. Bricks symbolised not only the way she met her death, but also a bridge to the oppressed community.
In memoriam: After boys lead a procession into St. Gabriel's Church in English, Cape Town, yesterday for a service dedicated to American exchange student Amy Benlou, who was stabbed to death in Gugulethu last week.

Two youths have been arrested in connection with her death.

The funeral service for Amy Benlou, who died in a stabbing incident in Gugulethu last week, was held at St. Gabriel's Church in Cape Town. The service was attended by hundreds of mourners.
Stop the killing, plead slain student’s friends

Staff Reporters

At a moving and tearful memorial service for murdered American student Miss Amy Biehl at UWC yesterday, the ANC's Women's League called on women to stop the violence by telling their children that "white faces are not the enemy".

The memorial service for Miss Biehl was attended by her friends and colleagues from UWC, where she was a Fulbright Scholar.

Vice-rector of UWC Professor Jaap Durandt condemned the killing as an incident of violent racism. He said Miss Biehl had made a valuable contribution to life on campus.

The murderers of Miss Amy Biehl had killed their own sister in the struggle against apartheid, said her best friend, housemate and colleague, Miss Melanie Jacobs.

A tearful Miss Jacobs said she abhorred the brutal racial attack.

A close friend and colleague of Miss Biehl's, Ms Rhoda Kadalie, said: "The day before she died she remarked how lucky she was to have had nothing happen to her; but she had a feeling something was going to happen."

The United States embassy in Pretoria has called the murder a deplorable and tragic event and said that Miss Biehl had been a tireless worker on behalf of democracy and equality in South Africa.
'My daughter's legacy was to reach out to everyone'

ROGER FRIEDMAN, Staff Reporter

"THE people who hurt Amy are only hurting themselves. So said Linda Biehl, mother of slain Amy Biehl, from her home in Newport Beach, California, late last night. She was a very humanitarian person and she would not want anyone condemned for this act."

"I don't have any anger, we're just sick her life is over. She was contributing so much. She wanted to be there. She felt it was a mission she needed to do. She loved all your people," said a composed Mrs. Biehl.

"My reactions are what my daughter's would have been. I am totally supportive of what Amy's goals and values were. She was a great believer in democracy, that's why she was there. She hated the violence. She wanted to be friends with all your people and I believe she was."

"I want to keep that memory of my daughter and want to do something to continue her tradition. I just haven't decided what."

"She saw the world as it should be. She tried to reach out to everyone but there was a breakdown ... she didn't reach enough."

"I've thought and thought how we want to pay tribute. Suffice to say she was an amazing person and I'm glad to have known her."

"We would like to come to Cape Town to see where she's been. But for a while, there's so much to do."

"She loved it there. She would have stayed put but got another scholarship to do her PhD. She would always have gone back."

"I have been touched by so many people who have called and faxed from South Africa to tell us how much they loved her. It's been quite overwhelming."

"I'm not a political person. But if we don't reach out to people as people, what hope do we have?"

"My daughter's legacy was to reach out to people."

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AMY BIEHL... 'would not want anyone condemned'.

Cosas suspends 'Barcelona'

Education Reporter

THE Western Cape Region of the Congress of South African Students (Cosas) today suspended its violent Operation Barcelona.

"Cosas said at a press conference that the strategy was 'unproductive' in a time of nationa reconciliation. "Cosas members were called on to respect the decision and any who did not would be dealt with "thoroughly."

Cosas regional chairmain Matlakho Mhonde said Operation Barcelona had been disrupted by criminal elements and political groupings with racist prograrnmes.

Regional organisar J J Thablisilei said the killing of Ms Biehl had prompted Cosas to suspend their campaign.
a short prayer...

Edward Molowanie

In prayers for peace
Township women honour

tributes to murdered Americans at packed church service

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SIX senior Oudtshoorn detectives have flown to Beaufort West to join a team of 14 to investigate all leads in the Karoo luxury bus ambush in which eight people were injured — two seriously — early today.

The team is led by Attie Mouton, who said police were offering a reward of R80 000 for information, 0200 3400 (w) or 4347 (h).

Captain Mouton said several gunmen were running towards the bus when he began firing. Police found evidence bulky had been fired into the ground.

Captain Mouton said no ammunition or weapons had been confiscated in the area and that the attack was "a surprise" to the community, although police were prepared because the N1 was a major artery and soft target.

It was a second attack on a luxury bus within two months. In June a Translux bus was fired at outside Graaff Reinet. Four passengers were injured.

Two seriously wounded women, both of Cape Town, were taken to hospital in George, where they are in a satisfactory condition.

Police said the attack happened soon after midnight as the bus, with most passengers asleep, drove past the township of Mande Lu Kosu on the outskirts of the town.

The gunmen appeared to have opened fire from both sides of the road from a distance of about 8km.

There were 57 people on the bus — 44 passengers, two drivers and a hostess.

They had left Cape Town at 9pm yesterday and were due in Pretoria at 11.30am today, stopping at Paarl, Worcester, Laingsburg, Beaufort-West, Three Sisters, Bloemfontein, Kroonstad and Johannesburg.

Police spokesman Wicus Holtschanssen said: "We don't know how many people were involved in the shooting."

Captain Holtschanssen said detectives had picked up 45 spent cartridges — apparently all from R4 rifles.

Captain Sarel du Plessis, of the office of the District Commandant in Beaufort West, said it appeared that a light calibre gun had also been used as there were marks on the side of the bus where bullets had not penetrated.

He said forensic experts were examining the bus.

The interior was littered with broken glass, bloodstained pillows and tissues, and half-empty cartons of fruit juice. A brooch lay on a cooler bag in the aisle.

At the time of the attack the bus was being driven by Charlie Pienaar of Cape Town, a driver with 15 years' experience and "one of the best", according to Translux's Cape Town depot manager Rian van der Westhuizen.

"Charlie told me he had noticed nothing unusual as the bus approached the outskirts of Beaufort West."

"When the shots rang out he accelerated, trying to reach the lighted area and once in the (Continued on page 4)

BEAUFORT WEST. — There was one sharp crack which ripped me from my sleep, followed by a split second of silence in which I took in the shattered window opposite me on the lower deck of the luxury Translux express bus.

And then, in rapid succession, countless reports rang through the air and shook the bus. It was about midnight.

Things happened quickly, yet painlessly slowly, as if under water.

I thought "we are being stoned" and tried to slide down my seat — but baggage underneath made this difficult. People started diving for the floor.

The woman in front of me screamed loudly, she was hysterical before anyone else knew what was happening. I was to hear why later.

Two young Defence Force paratroops, on their way to Bloemfontein for a short camp, shouted for everyone to get down. The bus picked up speed.

Rehana, the bus hostess, came staggering down the aisle from the front of the bus with a trickle of blood on her forehead.

"Stay down, stay down!" she shouted, standing erect and visible — a target.

Colin, one of the paratroops, tried to pull her down but she was rigid.

Sharpshyly and, I thought at the time, rather rudely he ordered her to get down.

The shooting stopped. The bus came to a slow stop. There was silence — but for the woman in front of me, who screamed and cried incessantly.

Later I heard her say, in her soft Portu-guese accent, as she held her little boy to her chest: "I know this. I grew up in Mozambique. They took everything away from us. They used to shoot at us like this. This is only the beginning. I know this," she repeated.

As the bus stopped and the door gently swung open, things started happening. Colin and his friend PJ started helping people off the floor. Colin emerged as the hero of the day.

During the shooting — I heard later — Colin made his way up the stairs to tell everyone to lie down and to tell men in uniform to cover up.

When he came down I asked him where we were. He replied that we had just entered Beaufort West.

Someone stumbled down the stairs and said: "Someone's been shot." Only then, after what felt like ages, I realised we had not been stoned, but shot at.

Tiny bullet holes had been punched through all the large windows on the lower deck.

It emerged that the injured people were all upstairs.

A man came down looking dazed and holding a blanket to his head.

I gently pulled the blanket away and saw a tiny hole where the bullet had entered his temple. I could see the bullet and there was a large swelling around the wound.

I took the blanket away and put a soft pillow against his head to absorb the blood.

Colin came down the stairs and said a (Continued on page 4)
Luxury bus ambushed

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town proper he spotted a police van.

"So within two minutes of the shooting police were there."

The injured passengers were taken to the provincial hospital in Beaufort West, where most were treated for minor wounds and discharged.

Mrs Annie Martin of Grassy Park and Mrs Dora Tonkie of Bontehuwel were stabilised, then transferred by ambulance to the provincial hospital in George, where each is in a satisfactory condition.

Mrs Tonkie, who has a wound over her left eye, will probably be discharged today.

Mrs Martin, who has a fractured lower jaw and extensive swelling, is well enough to be transferred to Cape Town if she wishes, said Dr Martin Viljoen, medical superintendent of George Hospital.

Dr Marius Schult, who was on call in Beaufort West last night, said: "One of the patients, Mrs Martin, was injured quite seriously with what appeared to be a bullet wound to her lower face and neck. We anaesthetised her and removed some shrapnel.

"We decided to send her to George because we lack facilities and expertise for serious neck injuries.

"The other patient, Mrs Tonkie, had a wound above her left eye which was bleeding profusely, so we decided to transfer her too."

Dr Viljoen, in George, said today both patients were stable.

"Mrs Martin's lower jaw is fractured in at least one place, but "Mrs Tonkie is fine, up and walking."

Wounded grain refused to fly

SHARKEY ISAACS

A BONTHEUWEL grandmother who has a morbid fear of flying was wounded in the bus attack.

Dinah Tonkie, 76, of Apricot Avenue was travelling to Johannesburg to see her son-in-law Charles Lange ordained a Anglican priest. He is chaplain to the Missions to Seamen in Cape Town.

She decided not to fly with Mr Lange and her daughter Bernadette, going by bus instead with her grandchildren children Rene, 24, Bernard 21, Mark, 15, and Debbie, 14, and Mr Lange's parents.

Dinah Tonkie

Mrs Lange said: "We all wanted to see the ordination, but my mother has this terrible fear of flying. So I booked her by bus and our children and my parents-in-law went with her for company."

"We heard about the shooting about 2 am from my daughter Rene who telephoned from Beaufort West."

"She described the grim scene in which my mother was hit in the eye by a bullet or piece of flying shrapnel. She said the other members of the family were unhurt.

"My husband I are dismayed. It is so senseless."

She said her mother, who has been taken to George Hospital, had urged the rest of the family to continue their journey.

The list of injured

Staff Reporter.

TWO of the eight people injured in the attack were seriously hurt, but a spokesman for George Provincial Hospital, where they were transferred, said today they were satisfactory.

They are Mrs Annie Martin of Fifth Avenue, Grassy Park, and Mrs Dinah Tonkie, of Apricot Avenue, Bontehuwel.

The others had superficial shrapnel wounds and were discharged from Beaufort West's provincial hospital after treatment. They are Endie Williamson of Chrismarhof, Bellville; Cecile van der Merwe, Bloemfontein; K Bester; Durban; Gerhard Combrink of Erica Avenue, Somerset West; Miss L Essmann of Bentley Close, Claremont; and Miss L Naude, Pretoria.

'Heard bus was fired at'

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woman had been seriously injured.

"Later, in the pub at the Oasis Hotel, he said to me: "When I got to her I realised the wound in her neck was serious. The blood pumping from her neck was thick and blue."

Minutes later there were sirens and police arrived.

Two police vans had been patrolling the streets of Beaufort West when they heard the commotion.

I asked a policeman how he had got to the scene so quickly.

He said: "We heard sounds like fireworks and then someone came through on the radio saying a bus had been fired at." He shook his head in bewilderment.

"Nothing like this has ever happened in Beaufort West," he said.

A provincial administration ambulance arrived and and men rushed upstairs.

Downstairs everyone sat around looking dazed, relating stories of what they had seen and heard.

I saw the ambulance men descending the stairs supporting a woman who was holding bandages to her neck.

This was the passenger who had been seriously injured. She looked strange to me for someone with a bullet wound in her neck. She was calm and with walked down the stairs, but her eyes were glazed. I don't think she was feeling pain. She was in shock.

An elderly woman came down the stairs. A bullet had scraped her forehead above her eye and blood was pouring down her face. They were both taken away in an ambulance.

The driver, Charle, a large, kindly man, took me around to his side of the bus and showed me where a bullet had entered the window about 10cm above his head.
Spotlight on strategies, rhetoric that help inflame racial conflict

Councils urge mayor to continue peace moves
Police torched 60 shacks, court told

DAVID YUTAR, Staff Reporter

A SQUATTER has told the Supreme Court how police allegedly set fire to 60 shacks in KTC in 1991. Lindela Hewu, 17, is one of 39 squatters claiming R29 000 damages from the Minister of Law and Order after police allegedly set fire to and destroyed 60 shacks in Section Nine, KTC on October 5, 1991.

The squatters claim the police intentionally set fire to the shacks or, alternatively, failed to take reasonable steps to stop the fire after it started.

Mr Hewu told the court he watched from a nearby house as about 10 camouflage and uniformed policemen approached his uncle, Enoch Hewu's shack.

He said a white camouflage-uniformed policeman holding a rifle approached the window of the shack and, after looking around him, loaded and aimed a weapon in its direction.

It is alleged that the weapon was a 13mm hand-launched magnesium pencil flare.

Mr Hewu said "there was a big bang" before the shack was engulfed in flames.

After the policemen left the scene, he ran to pick up a small "sausage-shaped" cartridge on the ground. "It was still warm and smelt of gas," he said.

He then ran to Section Two to fetch a pair of water-jackets to put out the fire.

When he returned to Section Nine, the fire had spread and other shacks had been destroyed.
Arms cache found in Cape

POLICE seized a quantity of arms and ammunition, and arrested a 27-year-old man after a search of two shacks in New Crossroads yesterday, a police spokesman said.

Police spokesman Captain Wickus Holtzhausen said members of the Internal Stability Unit, who were regional, found four AK-47 magazines, 50 AK-47 rounds and 44 .38 Special bullets.

During a follow-up operation at a nearby shack, police found an Uzi submachine gun and an R5 assault rifle.

Four R5 magazines, an Uzi magazine and 60 rounds of ammunition were also confiscated.

Also found in the shack were a quantity of rounds for different calibre firearms, a telescopic sight and two hand grenade primers.

Captain Holtzhausen said a man was being sought in connection with the second cache.

He added that the weapons would be sent for ballistics tests to determine whether they were used in any crimes — including the attack on St James Church in Krielworth. — Staff Reporter and Sapa
Home burned ‘after cop threw object’

A YOUTH has said that his uncle’s home in KTC had caught alight soon after he had seen a police officer making an unscrewing motion and pointing an object at a window.

He heard a “big bang” and moments later his uncle, Mr. Enoch Hewu’s home was on fire. Lindela Hewu told the Supreme Court yesterday that several policemen, whom he had seen lining up minutes before, had moved away.

Lindela was giving evidence in a claim for R300 000 for damages, brought by 39 KTC residents against the Minister of Law and Order. Residents claim police intentionally, or alternatively negligently, started the fire that destroyed 60 shacks in Section 3 on October 5, 1991, and should have foreseen the destruction.

Lindela said he and his cousin Eric were in his uncle’s house when the bolted door was kicked in and policemen entered. The police searched the house and he climbed through an upstairs window and went to a neighbour’s house. After police left he learnt they had been looking for a gun. Lindela said:

The police returned later and from the neighbour’s house he could see them line up and an officer go towards his uncle’s window. The officer had something in his hand and made an “unscrewing” movement, looked around and “pointed this thing towards the window. After this there was a big bang.”

The hearing continues.
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Cynicism madness must end say Cape leaders
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Anxious passengers brace for 'night run'

JACQUELYN SWARTZ
Weekend Argus Reporter

PASSENGERS on the Transluxliner from Cape Town to Pretoria were in good spirits as they boarded the bus last night, but many were anxious about the journey following Thursday night's shooting.

"You've just got to take your chances," said Mrs Precia Haaksen, en route to Pretoria. "It does not matter where you are, anything can happen." Mrs Haaksen would have travelled on Thursday night, but had to cancel her reservation because of medical problems.

Eleanor Venter, bound for Johannesburg, said she was "a bit nervous. You never know, but I have to go. It's the cheapest way to get there."

Professional singer and dancer Mac Harris said he thought his journey to Johannesburg would be "pretty safe." "These things happen," he said of the attack. "The country is moving towards a civil war." James Crotton, 46, a visitor from England said he felt fine about the journey.

"Whatever happens must happen," said another passenger, Siphiwe Makaqale. "An elderly woman was hurriedly ushered on to the bus before she could be asked for comment." "She doesn't even know what happened," her worried relatives said.

In a statement yesterday, Translux said it operated over an extensive network of routes, ferrying more than 500 000 people annually. The routes were monitored continually, because of concern for the safety of passengers.

KARIN SCHIMKE
Weekend Argus Reporter and Translux passenger

BEAUFORT WEST — In the early hours of yesterday, the aptly named Oasis Hotel slowly came awake as dazed passengers from the Translux express, who had minutes before come under fire, filled into the lounge and bar.

Little groups formed as people tried to find comfort among strangers. Here a group of boys in brown, there a group of elderly women, Africans, English speakers, tourists, whites, blacks and colourfully dressed gathered around the public telephone.

"And what do you, as a black man, think of this?"

He shrugged his shoulders helplessly. "I am from Nigeria. I do not know what to say or think. South Africa needs God's help."

In the pub a Canadian loudly and expansively tried to sum up "the problem with South Africa." While his motley audience listened attentively.

A Constantia girl in a Springbok-trousers speaking fast and furiously to a young man next to her said, "If you hadn't pushed me on the ground I would have stood up." Her cheeks were glowing — perhaps from the stiff brandy she'd been made to drink to calm her nerves.

Tobias and Hibert, 20-something adventurers from Germany, said they were on their way to the Kruger National Park.

"We only had a good time in South Africa until now," said Tobias. "This was a terrible shock. I won't be going back here and I will tell my friends in Germany that South Africa is a dangerous place."

In the lounge a group of elderly women fretted about their families at home. I overheard one telling another: "And they want to rule this country."

The atmosphere after the attack was strange. One expects hysteria, but there was oddly calm. A man who had been slightly cut by glass from a shattered window, quietly nursed a beer in a corner.

A woman, with blood spattered all over the back of her cotton jacket, paced the foyer of the hotel.

She stopped me as I walked by and said: "I'm tough. They will never get me. Three months ago my car was hit by a truck but I am all right, I am tough."

In the bar, Colin, the hero-parabola whose reactions on the bus during the shooting saved others, continued to display a calm confidence and professionalism. It was this quality which held the group together during and after the attack. Colin observed quietly: "Most of the people injured were black."

Grandmother Mrs Dina Naudé, from Hammanskraal outside Pretoria, who was shot in the buttocks while sitting on the lower deck, said she had been asleep, but awoke minutes before the attack.

"As they were firing from my side I could see the flashes of light as bullets left the guns," she said.

"I only realised we had been shot after the bus stopped."

"While later my bottom started burning and I realised I was shot when I saw blood."

"I have no bad feelings, but I wish I could see someone for a new pair of stockings," she said laughingly.
'I could see the flashes of light as the bullets left the guns' says passenger
Caller claims Apla did it

JOHANNESBURG. — A caller who said he was an Azanian People's Liberation Army operative telephoned Sapa last night claiming responsibility for the attack on a Translux bus near Beaufort West on Thursday in which eight people were hurt.

"Apla Commissar Noks Jangele" told Sapa he was calling from Grahamstown after returning from the operation, during which he and his colleagues used R7 rifles. The caller, however, was not able to provide an Apla password used to identify Apla members.

He claimed he carried out the attack under "precise" orders from Apla high command.

JOHANNES NGCOSO reports that a passenger in the bus, Mrs Dorita Wilson, 45, a hawkar and mother of two children, told the Cape Times on her arrival in Johannesburg last night that when she heard gunfire she thought it was lightning.

Mrs Wilson, who was with her five-year-old John, during the attack, said that about midnight "I heard a loud bang. John was fast asleep on the floor of the bus in the upper deck. When I woke up I saw people bleeding. The shooting incident was over and within a wink of an eye police had arrived."

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Driver: Shots just missed me

By MELANIE GOSLING

THE driver of the luxury bus that was ambushed in Beaufort West when hidden gunmen opened fire on the vehicle just after midnight yesterday, said one of the attackers’ bullets had missed his head by inches after it had smashed through his side window and shattered the cab light above his head.

The attack is the second on a luxury bus in the last two months. Driver Mr Charl Pienaar of Goodwood, a driver for 23 years, said in an interview from Beaufort West yesterday none of the 57 passengers and Translux staff had seen the attackers.

"Everything happened in split seconds. The bullets hit us just as we were getting into Beaufort West where there is a bend in the road and a barrier on the side. Suddenly there were shots and glass flying everywhere. I shouted to the hostess next to me to get everybody down and just put my foot flat.

"Everyone hit the deck and I didn’t stop until I saw a police van in the main street."

Mr Pienaar said the two badly injured passengers, Mrs Dinah Tonkie, 76, of Bonteheuwel and Mrs Annie Martin, 59, of Grassy Park, had both been on the top deck of the bus. They are in George Hospital in a satisfactory condition.

The other injured passengers, who were mostly cut by flying glass, have been discharged from hospital.

Mrs Tonkie, who has 17 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, said in an interview from hospital yesterday that she had been asleep when the shots started.

"I just saw the fire from the shots coming through the window. My daughter asked if I was hurt and I said, ‘No, but my face is wet.’ Then I realized it was blood. It was running down my face like water."

The ANC’s Western Cape region has condemned the attack and said those responsible were contributing to a climate of violence that could eventually “consume us all”.

Ministry of Law and Order spokesman Captain Craig Kotze said the attack’s randomness and barbarity were particularly shocking.

Few clues found in bus attack

A SET of tyre tracks, 45 spent R4 cartridges and one live R4 round appear to be the only clues police have at this stage of their investigation into yesterday’s terrorist attack on a Translux coach in Beaufort West.

Eight passengers were injured as a result of the midnight attack — two of them seriously. An R30 000 reward has been posted for any information leading to the arrest of the attackers.

Roadblocks have also been set up in a bid to apprehend the perpetrators.

Following the attack, 30 bus trip cancellations had been made with both Translux and Greyhound who run a shuttle service along the N1, a Captour representative said yesterday.

A spokesman at Translux’s Cape Town depot said he was unaware of any cancellations.

The police officer investigating the attack, Captain Attie Mouton, said few clues were found following the 12.05am attack.

Captain Mouton is heading a team of 20 detectives.
Tragedy touches a nerve

By SHANA STEAK
and AVHNAH IDAL
A COMMUNITY raked by violence this week rallied round to hunt down two teenagers believed to be responsilile for the savage murder of American exchange student Amy Biehl. 5 13
Eyewitnesses to the brutal killing of the young woman in Cape Town's Gugulethu township broke the traditional code of silence on political murders and went to the police. Within hours police had arrested two youths, aged 17 and 18, in connection with a murder that has made world headlines. Police spokesman Capt. William Ross粲zen confirmed that "people on the streets gave information to the police and the suspects were arrested at four o'clock the next morning." The 25-year-old Amy appeared to have trusted a watchman in Cape Town's violence-plagued black areas and has led to political organisations rethinking their role in the area.

Outrage

The ANC's student wing, Congress, this week called off its violent Operation Muramba - aimed at harassing government property and police - saying it was "unproductive" in a time of national reconciliation. Marches through Gugulethu this week to the spot where Amy died were joined by ordinary members of the community who expressed their outrage at the ongoing violence.

The Sunday before she died, Amy and Melise Jacobs, her close friend and classmate who had just turned 18, had a combined birthday and farewell party (2-7). Amy had just told friends she had decided she wanted to marry her boyfriend of six years, Californian law student Scott Meyers.

"She told him last month she was ready for marriage. She was just waiting for him to propose."

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Tragedy of slain student

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Melanie, 19, said yesterday, "Instead, the brilliant young woman - in South Africa on a Fulbright scholarship to study women's issues in emerging Third World countries - will be cremated in Cape Town on Tuesday and her ashes flown to her hometown of Newport Beach, California, on Friday."

Amy, killed just two days before she was to leave South Africa, had helped to return to settle in Cape Town.

"On the day she was butchered, Amy told Melanie, 'South African people are in my heart.'"

Her parents are planning a trip to South Africa to retrieve their daughter's body. "We will go to talk to her friends and colleagues, to see where she was,'" Peter Biehl said from his Newport Beach home.

Mr. Biehl, a business consultant, said he and his wife, Linda, would make the trip to South Africa sometime after a memorial service in Newport Beach next Friday.

He said the family's telephone and fax lines hadn't stopped bringing messages of sympathy and support. Mr. Biehl said his daughter had "the desire to see women take up their rightful place in drafting a new constitution for South Africa."

He added that Amy's mother spoke to her last Friday about her return and she was "on cloud nine" about a US Congressional scholarship to complete her PhD.
Pupils Week Havoc

Cape Town, 21 Aug 1983

By TNMY MBEFO

The week was overshadowed by the raw violence of the latest attack on a school in the Cape Town region. The attack was part of a broader pattern of attacks on schools across the country, with the government, in response, increasing its security measures. The attacks were seen as a response to the growing unrest among the black community, reflecting broader political tensions in South Africa.

The government's response was met with criticism, with many calling for a more inclusive and democratic approach to education. The situation highlighted the complexities of the struggle for education and democracy in South Africa, with the government facing increasing pressure to address the needs of its citizens.

As the week drew to a close, there was a sense of hope that the situation might improve, but the underlying tensions remained, and the future remained uncertain for both the students and the country.
HOLDING HER HIGH... The people of Cape Town gathered at St Gabriels Church in Guguletu yesterday to celebrate the life of the murdered American Fulbright student, Miss Amy Biehl, who had many close friends and colleagues in the township.

Hundreds give thanks for slain US student

Staff Reporter

HUNGRDS gathered in a small Catholic church in Guguletu yesterday to attend a thanksgiving service for the life of American Fulbright student Miss Amy Biehl, who was brutally murdered in the township last week.

Over 700 crowded into St Gabriels Church not to mourn the death of the American student but to celebrate her life, to the moving sounds of a choir.

Although an invitation was extended to the public to attend the service only a handful of whites could be seen, including former Cape Town mayor Mr Gordon Oliver and former Cape Times editor Mr Tony Heard.

Father Basil van Rensburg, who led the service, said the thanksgiving was "not only because she was an American, or because she was white, but because she was a human being".

He said her death was "senseless and tragic and it was time to put a stop to the dangerous words that incite people to stone and kill".

Messages for Miss Biehl's parents were read out by individuals from the township, thanking them for sending her "as she believed in us, saw us as human beings like herself, and not as blacks and she came to us in Guguletu knowing that she was risking her life".
Church massacre

Elleet Green family as teenager

Bail refused

Amy court denies

Church massacre

from accused

One bullet

About 50 people are said to remain

James Enright's militia
TOWNSHIP residents have backed the drive for peace at the ANC Youth League meeting in Durban. "Peace is a must in our town," said a resident, "we need it for our children and grandchildren." The meeting was called in response to the recent violence in the township, which has left several people injured and property damaged. "We are tired of living in fear," said another resident. "We want our children to play outside without worrying about guns and violence." The ANC Youth League has promised to work with the community to ensure peace and stability in the township. They have called on other organizations to join them in their efforts. "We are not alone," said the assistant chairperson of the ANC Youth League. "We have the support of the community and we will not back down until we achieve our goal." The meeting was attended by many people who are tired of the violence and who are willing to work together for peace. The ANC Youth League has promised to continue its efforts to ensure peace in the township and to work with the community to achieve this goal.
Amy suspect leads chanters

Staff Reporter

Supporters of two men accused of killing US exchange student Ms Amy Biehl last week were led in chants of “One settler, one bullet” by one of the men after they appeared in the Mitchell's Plain Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Mr Mongezi Manqina, 21, and Mr Mikhona "Easy" Nofemela, 23, both of Guguletu, appeared in court for the first time yesterday since their arrest last Thursday.

Ms Biehl, a Fulbright scholar, was murdered in Guguletu on Wednesday by a crowd as she was giving friends a lift home.

She was due to have returned to the US last Friday.

No charges were put to the two men yesterday and they were not asked to plead.

The matter was postponed to September 13.

As they were led away to the court cells, Mr Nofemela looked to a group of about 15 supporters and said: "One settler", to which they responded: "One bullet".

Mr Nofemela then said: "One bullet", and the supporters said: "One settler".

Magistrate Mr J H Loots did not react during the exchange of slogans, nor when the supporters got up and toyi-toyiied out of the court, singing.

The group then toyi-toyiied and sang outside the court.
Ex-colleague of
Amy 'ashamed'

A FORMER colleague of American Fulbright scholar
Miss Amy Biehl, who was murdered in Gugulethu last
week, said at her funeral yesterday he was "ashamed"
of the behaviour of the people of Gugulethu.

Mr Bulelani Ngcukana said what hurt him most was
that she had come here with a commitment to the
struggle for justice. "Then she herself became a
victim of that very struggle," he said.

Miss Biehl's cremation yesterday afternoon was
attended by about 20 of her UWC colleagues.

Miss Melanie Jacobs, her former flatmate, said
yesterday she would be taking the ashes to the Biehl
family when she flies to the US today.

*T-A Harvard University-based student volunteer
group has suspended its South African programme.
The "Word Teach - Serve" programme was sus-
pended after the murder of Mr. Chris Hani and the
subsequent violence, South African co-ordinator Mr
Stefan Howells said last night.

He said Miss Biehl's murder would influence the
decision on whether to continue the suspension.
armed escort for doctors
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Staff Reporter

Doctors in Guguletu may soon drive to work with an armed escort, CPA Hospital Services said yesterday.

Spokesman Mr. Krige Visser said hospital authorities were negotiating with a private security firm to meet staff and escort them to work.

Dr. Carol Cragg, who works at the clinic, said she went to work yesterday, but two other doctors had decided not to.

"I have always known there was a risk involved. But Amy Biehl's death in Guguletu last week was a turning point for me. I don't think I will be prepared to come to work now without some form of security."

Meanwhile, the principal of Guguletu Secondary School, Mr. Linda Qaba, said the 24 white teachers at his school had all turned up for work yesterday.

"But Amy Biehl's death has made a strong impression on them."

However, he said he would not encourage an armed escort for teachers.
Support for calm from IFP

DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Political Staff

SUPPORT for bringing peace to the Western Cape has come from the Inkatha Freedom Party.

But support for the campaign, which begins on Thursday, has come with a challenge to the ANC/SACP alliance to commit itself to ending violence.

This, according to the IFP, should be done by publicly repudiating statements and dissociating the movement from slogans such as 'Kill the Boer, Kill the Coloured.'

The IFP said it had always stood for peace and would continue to do so in spite of the deaths of more than 300 of its office-bearers in one year.

Businessman J.L. van der Walt, who is a prominent member of the National Peace Committee, is one of those who has approved the campaign.

Mayor-elect Clive Keegan has invited the people of Cape Town to join him at St Mary's Cathedral in Roeland Street on Thursday at 1pm to join hands in prayers for peace.
MASSACRE:

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Leaders

Peace

Crusade

JOHN YELD and
DENISE CRUYWAGEN
Weekend Argus Reporters

STRONG support for a Peace Crusade for Peace throughout the Western Cape has been expressed by religious and community leaders. This was suggested in an editorial in The Argus yesterday.

Among those to respond was the Catholic Archbishops of Cape Town, Archbishop Vincent Henry, who gave his "wholehearted" support.

"It's an opportunity for all of us to hold hands for peace and a new life in our land," he said.

The situation is desperate. It calls for everyone to be involved in working for peace and ending the terrible violence, suffering and hardship that are the daily experience of so many communities. Each one of us must become instruments of peace and hope.

The bloodshed, destruction and intolerance in the country are turning South Africa into a nation of death and mourning, said the archbishop.

"So many precious and innocent lives are being destroyed.

"South Africa urgently needs to call on God's help in seeking justice until peace and reconciliation are attained for all of us in our deeply troubled land."

Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, also supported the crusade.

"The St James massacre has united the community in revulsion against its perpetrators. The response of the police, the government and the Press has been admirable.

"The Crusade for Peace must ensure that this impressive display of common purpose and determination is sustained.

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In a major breakthrough in the investigations into the St James massacre at Kenilworth on Sunday the police have arrested a man.

WILLEM STEENKAMP
Weekend Argus Reporter

AN alleged member of the Pan Africanist Congress is being held for questioning in connection with the St James Church massacre at Kenilworth.

The detention was confirmed last night by police spokesman Captain John Sterrenberg.

Eleven people were killed and 53 injured in the massacre on Sunday and this week several memorial and funeral services were held for the victims.

White ribbons for peace in the Mother City.

Weekend Argus learnt last night that police had swooped on a man's house in Goodwood on Thursday. As far as could be established the man, a primary school teacher, is a member of the PAC.

Captain Sterrenberg said the police were not interested in the political affiliations of the attackers.

"We are looking for the killers of the people at St James, that is all we are interested in at this stage," he said.

The man is being held under Section 29 of Act 74 of 1968 which empowers the police to detain a person for up to 30 days without the person having access to legal representation.

Captain Sterrenberg said investigations were continuing. Asked if the detention could be lifted he said:

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The Russian's battle for life

St James victim needs to talk to someone who loves him

ANDREA WEISS
Weekend Argus Reporter

DIMITRI Makogon, the 23-year-old Ukrainian sailor fighting for his life in an intensive care unit at Groote Schuur Hospital, needs to talk to somebody who loves him.

"He is a trainee ship's engineer from the Crimean port of Sevastopol on the Black Sea, lost both legs when a band-charge landed on his lap in the attack on St James Church on Thursday, his right arm was amputated.

He was due to leave South Africa with the rest of the crew of his ship, the fishing vessel Apoge, today.

Because of a damaged nerve, feeling in his left hand is limited and both his eardrums burst in the blast.

Dimitri is unable to speak because he has a tracheostomy and cannot get any air past his vocal cords.

When Weekend Argus visited him, he had just been told of the amputation of the right arm and he was trying to ask questions about his prospects for rehabilitation. But after whispering helplessly to a translator, he eventually gave up, sinking back on to his bed under the heavy sedation.

Nursing staff hope that somebody close to Dimitri will be flown to South Africa so soon as possible. Ellerman and Butsana, agents for the Apoge, have arranged a passport for his father Mr Evgeny Makogon, also a ship's engineer in Sevastopol, and hope to get him on a flight within a week.

People at St James church are also hoping that they will be able to fly out Giga, his fiancée.

Intensive care unit nurse Wendy McLeod said: "He needs someone who knows him and can talk to him. Someone who doesn't mind spending a long time with him."

She counselled a smile out of him for the camera after he agreed to a photograph.

A doctor said that Dimitri was at the stage where he needed a support system because he was going through a lot psychologically.

At the moment, Dimitri's contact is with fellow sailors, one of whom, his cousin, Vladimir Makogon, sees him as often as he can. Mr Makogon said in an interview through a translator that he would transfer another ship to stay in Cape Town near Dimitri.

The day before the attack, Dimitri climbed Table Mountain and, according to his cousin, his greatest loves were running and tennis with cars.

Mr Makogon said Dimitri was on his first trip to sea, having only just finished his course at a marine institute last year. He was earning money aboard the Apoge to pay for his wedding upon his return.

"I think he is the kind of guy who will survive. If he has survived this, he will pull through."

Anyone wishing to assist Dimitri or any other victims of the massacre should make donations to the St James Relief Fund. Money can be paid direct-ly into the Kroonbooms branch of the Standard Bank (account number 275 403 428) or sent to PO Box 2180, Claremont, 7806. If the donation is specifically for Dimitri it should be marked as such.

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The University of the Western Cape offered its support for the Peace Crusade. "The peace crusade," the Rev. Kobie van der Merwe, chairman of the Western Cape Council of Churches, said, "must be a crusade for peace, justice, and democracy for all South Africans and and everywhere."

Our crusade in the Western Cape and elsewhere must be a crusade to put a stop to those who seek to use violence and terrorism to kill our brothers and sisters here and now. Dr. Bisesi said the killers would not be allowed to go on killing without being brought to justice. It is time to avoid using terror and violence to kill our brothers and sisters and to kill all the poor and fallen human beings in the country. By providing racial understanding and the establishment of a united area of the Western Cape, across every barrier, we the people of the ANC in the Western Cape initiative endorsed the Peace Crusade. The St James Church in the first massacre and the massacre here and now, we proceed in united action to put a stop to those who seek, through terrorism and violence, to kill our brothers and sisters.
Four detained for Cape bus attack

POLICE have detained a youth and three men for questioning in connection with a terror attack on a bus in which eight people were injured — two seriously — near Beaufort West last week.

A police spokesman confirmed that a youth, 17, and three men, all in their 20s, were arrested in Beaufort West yesterday and have been detained in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act.

He said it was "too early to speculate on whether a breakthrough had been made in the case" and that the investigation was "too sensitive to provide details of the arrest".

Meanwhile, injured Mrs Annie Martin of Grassy Park has been transferred to Grootte Schuur Hospital and is in a stable condition and Mrs Dora Tonkles of Bonteheuwel, has been discharged from hospital.
Cars stoned in Lentegeur

A burning barricade was erected in Lentegeur, Mitchell’s Plain, yesterday afternoon and police and other vehicles stove. The incidents took place on Merrydale Drive.

As police vehicles approached the barricade between 100 and 150 youths dispersed, police said. Two people were killed and two others — including a policeman — injured when a group of men attacked them on a train between Soweto and Johannesburg early yesterday.

Police said all the men were stabbed and three of them were thrown out of the speeding train. Two men were wounded: when they exchanged fire with police at a roadblock in Ivory Park on the East Rand early yesterday.

Police found four bodies in Ivory Park yesterday and at least 16 people died in unrest in the East Rand Townships of Tshwane and Katlehong at the weekend.

In Natal, a man was stabbed to death and a policeman shot in the head in Umzini.

A South African Police Sergeant attached to Durban’s Umbilo station was shot four times in the head on Saturday night. He is in a serious condition. — Staff Reporter, Sapa