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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN



Tutu calls for an end to violence in Natal townships

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The Argus Correspondent
DURBAN. — The Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev Desmond Tutu, has added his voice to those calling for an end to the carnage in Natal townships.

He was delivering his charge as metropolitan head of the Anglican Church in Southern Africa at the start of its 26th provincial synod in Durban last night.

The synod, which is being held at St Thomas's Church in Musgrave Road, will continue until Thursday next week.

In a sweeping attack on apartheid, which he said spawned violence, the archbishop condemned the use of violence by both those who perpetrated an evil and oppressive system such as apartheid and those who sought to overthrow it.

"We are deeply distressed at the violence, especially here in

Natal, and while recognising that apartheid is the ultimate cause of it, we still have to call on those involved to do all they can to end the carnage," he said.

Corruption

The archbishop said it was not surprising that "much corruption in public life" had come to light. Apartheid could not help itself, that was how it had to operate.

"No one expects light to be produced by darkness," he said. "It is no wonder that we are labouring under our third successive state of emergency with severe restrictions on the media and with stringent regulations the order of the day.

"The government has thereby conceded that it is unable to rule this country, even with the draconian legislation ordinarily available to it."

He said the violence of apartheid produced further violence so that political assassi-

nations, arson and "dirty tricks" were becoming a feature of South African life.

Many of apartheid's opponents had been "mysteriously eliminated". The police had an appalling record of failing to bring the culprits to book, he said.

The archbishop said he was willing to pay tribute to President Botha: "We must honour him in his courage and wish him well in his forthcoming retirement.

"He missed the golden opportunity of ushering in a new dispensation for all South Africans. Sadly, he lacked the conviction of his courage, to adapt an English expression.

"He spoke about reforming apartheid instead of destroying it."

Archbishop Tutu said he was not wed to sanctions.

"If we can bring about the end of apartheid without sanctions I would be the first to say 'alleluia'."

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UDW shut down after mob violence

DURBAN. — The University of Durban-Westville has been shut down indefinitely after students writing examinations on Tuesday were chased out of the lecture hall by an angry mob.

UDW's rector, Professor J J C Greyling, informed students yesterday afternoon of the suspension of all academic activities until further notice.

He said this action had been taken as a result of the disturbances on campus, which had "involved the intimidation of students who wished to continue with their academic programme, and culminat-

ed in threats and violence in some instances".

The action follows recent disturbances at UDW which were precipitated by the acute campus accommodation crisis.

Residential space on campus is very limited, and stringent rules are applied to the residences in an attempt to prevent unhygienic conditions created by overcrowding and 'squatting' students.

On May 18 a disciplinary committee found two students guilty of breaking certain residence rules by allowing other students to sleep overnight in their rooms

One student was suspended and the other expelled from residence.

At a student body meeting last Thursday, students voted for a boycott of all academic activities in an attempt to gain a change in the residence rules and the reinstatement of the two students.

Students in the university residences have been given until noon today to vacate their rooms and will not be permitted to return until further notice.

UDW's second term would have ended after the semester examinations on Friday June 9.

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Natal trade unionist dies after arson attack

JOHANNESBURG. — Mrs Jabu Ndlovu, a senior shop steward of the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa, died yesterday from burn injuries received during an arson attack on her home in the Maritzburg area on May 21.

Mrs Ndlovu's husband and daughter died while another daughter, aged 13, and a 20-year-old nephew received serious burn wounds when the house was burnt to the ground.

Cosatu said the deaths represented "a further tragic and forceful statement on the need to end the killings in Natal".

About 1 300 people have been killed in fighting between Inkatha and Cosatu and United Democratic Front supporters in the Maritzburg area alone. — Sapa

Ndlovu dies

JABU Ndlovu, a senior shop steward of the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa, died yesterday morning from burn injuries sustained during an arson attack on her home in the strife-torn Maritzburg area on May 21. Her husband and daughter were killed in the attack.

Another daughter aged 13 and her 20-year-old nephew also received serious burn wounds. — Sapa. *2/6/89*



Man dies in Inanda shooting

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PRETORIA. — A gunman opened fire from a crowd and killed an unidentified man at Inanda township, Durban, police reported yesterday.

Police used birdshot to disperse the group, according to the unrest report.

At Slangspruit, Maritzburg, police used tear-gas "to quell a clash between two groups".

Police said shots were fired during the fighting but no injuries were reported. A youth was arrested.

At KwaMashu, Durban, a police vehicle was petrol-bombed and stoned.

Arsonists damaged a school in Soweto.

At Tokoza, Germiston, arsonists caused serious damage to a house. — Sapa

Call comes after death of official

Cosatu, UDF urge Natal peace moves

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By Mike Siluma.

The Congress of SA Trade Unions (Cosatu) and affiliates of the United Democratic Front (UDF) have made a strong call for a peace initiative to end political violence in Natal's black townships, following the death yesterday of a key Cosatu official.

Mrs Jabu Ndlovu (41), a shop steward of the Cosatu-affiliated

National Union of Metalworkers (Numsa), died in hospital from injuries suffered in an attack on her house on May 21. Her husband and daughter were killed during the attack.

Addressing a press conference in Johannesburg, attended by top-ranking officials from UDF and Cosatu, Cosatu general-secretary Mr Jay Naidoo said the death of Mrs Ndlovu was "a further tragic and forceful state-

ment on the need to end the killings in Natal".

Cosatu and the UDF affiliates had again "communicated to (Inkatha) the need for a peace conference and an effective peace process".

Mr Naidoo said that because of continuing political killings, the people of Maritzburg had decided to take protest action from June 5 to 7.

He reiterated Cosatu's position that the proposed peace conference between Cosatu, UDF affiliates and Inkatha be held at a neutral venue, and not Ulundi, as Inkatha insists.

● The employer body, the Steel and Engineering Industries Federation, has, after being requested by Numsa, agreed to approach Cosatu, Inkatha and the State in an attempt "to bring an end to the escalating violence" in Natal, a Seifsa spokesman confirmed yesterday.

● Up to 1 300 people are believed to have been killed in political fighting in Natal townships.

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Invite to peace meeting

CHIEF Gatsha Buthelezi, president of Inkatha, yesterday sent a letter to senior executive members of the United Democratic Front and the Congress of South African Trade Unions inviting them to address the central committee of Inkatha at Ulundi tomorrow.

He said in the letter that he was inviting them to Ulundi to have preliminary talks about a peace conference where the question of a neutral venue would be discussed.

This was in response to a letter the two organisations sent him earlier yesterday.

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PATRICK LAURENCE

Maritzburg war gathers mindless, relentless pace

THE conflict in Natal is acquiring a sectarian basis like in Lebanon and Northern Ireland.

This is the grim warning of Mr John Aitchison, of the University of Natal's Centre of Adult Education.

A man who weighs his words carefully, Mr Aitchison says the internecine strife is generating its own momentum.

He was referring to the vicious fighting in the black townships and villages surrounding Maritzburg, the city which, ironically, once conjured up images of almost rural tranquility.

Cosatu leader

His grave assessment is underlined by the recent attack on the home of Mrs Jabu Ndlovu, a leader of the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu). She died on Thursday after being seriously injured; her husband and daughter died during the attack.

For more than two years people in black settlements on the edges of Maritzburg, and in the

hills beyond, have died violently; each month has brought its grisly toll of people shot, stabbed, clubbed and burnt to death.

The region has become one vast battlefield; in crude terms, the rival forces are either loyal to Chief Mangosuthu Buthezi's Inkatha movement or bound to the United Democratic Front (UDF) and its trade union ally, Cosatu.

The Centre for Adult Education's work took into in the black communities where, inevitably, it came face to face with the brutal civil war. Its reaction was to monitor the conflict.

Mr Aitchison quoted the figures: in 1987, 397 people were killed, the bulk of them in the second half of the year; in 1988, 691 people were murdered in a spiral of killings and counter-killings reminiscent of a Sicilian feud.

The Centre's figures for the first five months of 1989 are: January - 59; February - 59; March - 47; April - 34; and May - 30.

There has been a slight downward turn of the graph over the past three months. But, warns Mr Aitchison, it is premature to count on it continuing.

Thus, although the May figure is the lowest since June 1988, it is still only just above the total for May last year (32) and considerably higher than that for May 1987 (12).

The Centre's monitoring activities reflect only part of the conflict; they are confined to the area around Maritzburg. They do not include the rapidly growing black shanty towns and older townships which ring the port city of Durban like bivouac armies.

The fierce conflict has spread from Maritzburg to Durban, pitting black man against black man

and tearing their communities apart. There are even signs that it could become the new nucleus of the strife.

Mr Roy Anslie, of the Durban-based Unrest Monitoring and Action Group, feared so. He cited figures which sub-

stantiate his concern since the beginning of the year the death toll has been twice as high as that for the same 1988 period.

The Centre's breakdown of the politically identifiable victims suggests that Inkatha may be bleeding less than the



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General of a victim of unrest in Maritzburg.

● Photograph: Cedric Nunn (Afrapix).

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UDF-Cosatu camp: roughly twice as many of the identifiable victims are UDF-Cosatu rather than Inkatha.

The escalating warfare has spurred new initiatives for peace from the major parties to the conflict: Inkatha and the UDF-Cosatu alliance, with the outlawed African National Congress and its jailed leader, Mr Nelson Mandela, adding their considerable support separately.

Direct talks

But so far the two sides have been unable to agree on details about when, where and under what conditions they should meet to discuss ways to end the conflict.

After initial exchanges, they agreed, at Inkatha's insistence, on direct talks instead of a general peace conference under the aegis of church leaders. May 20 was set as tentative date.

But the talks did not take place because of dis-

agreement over the venue. Inkatha proposed the kwaZulu capital of Ulundi. The Cosatu-UDF camp disagreed; they wanted to meet on neutral ground.

The joint peace initiative is shelved for the moment; the killing, however, continues, as the death of another six people last weekend shows.

But, unfortunately, even a fully fledged peace agreement between the main parties will not in itself guarantee the return of peace. There is evidence that the savage conflict may be deeper and more intractable than a straight fight for territory between rival organisations with opposing ideologies.

Mr Gavin Woods, director of the Inkatha Institute, concluded more than a year ago that the vicious struggle was largely one over scarce resources in desperately poor and fast growing settlements.

His researchers found that "95 percent" of activists at the cutting edge of the conflict who proclaimed their loyalty to Inkatha and the UDF had "no political or ideological understanding of these movements".

His findings were treated sceptically in pro-UDF-Cosatu circles. His "Inkatha connection" aroused suspicions of his objectivity.

His emphasis on the underlying socio-economic forces was seen the opposing camp as an attempt to shift the blame away from Inkatha. Moreover, his research was confined to the Maritzburg area.

But similar evidence has now been unearthed at Molweni, north of Durban, by two researchers at the University of Natal, Mr Stavos Stavrou and Mr Andrew Crouch.

They found that only a quarter of those who identified themselves as pro-Inkatha vigilantes:

could name Inkatha's leaders, similarly, at the opposite end of the spectrum, less than a fifth of those who saw themselves as pro-UDF comrades can identify their supposed leaders

Thus, even a watertight peace accord may merely be the prelude to another round of fighting, except that the rival bands may no longer call themselves Inkatha and UDF.

Collusion

More positively for the hopes of peace, the conflict is in large measure a fight for supremacy between Inkatha and the UDF-Cosatu alliance, in which they accuse one another of intolerance and, worse still, collusion with the police.

Hence, if the pending talks lead to a real commitment to peace from all parties, the scale of the savage conflict will diminish markedly, if not disappear

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Stonings in Langa *27/6*

PRETORIA. — In weekend unrest reports, police said pupils in Langa had stoned two vehicles. A man was arrested. At Edendale, Natal, a group stoned buses. Two men were hurt.

State of emergency likely to be re-imposed

Political Staff

THE state of emergency, which expires on Saturday, is likely to be re-imposed for the fourth time by President Botha.

Reliable government sources indicated today that the decision was made last week to re-impose the state of emergency despite widespread appeals.

There are indications, however, that the government may rewrite the tough media restrictions.

The revision is expected to be done over the next month or so and the restrictions are likely to be re-imposed in their existing form this week.

The other restrictions giving the security forces extraordinary powers are not expected to be revised.

In a television interview last night the Deputy Minister of Law and Order, Mr Leon Wesels said although unrest in townships had declined substantially since the state of emergency was imposed nationwide in 1986 the threat of violence remained.

One source said the restrictions would also be required if the government released ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela after the elections.

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EMERGENCY UPDATE

Peninsula ^{11/24}
unrest: Vehicle, ^{6/6/87}
houses burnt ²⁷⁶

PRETORIA. — Youths set fire to a vehicle in Guguletu and arsonists in Nyanga damaged three houses, according to the police unrest report.

A man was arrested after shots were fired at a security force patrol in Edendale, Natal. And birdshot was used to disperse a group after a police vehicle was stoned. A wounded man was arrested.

At Mpumalanga in Natal a man died and two were wounded after shots were fired at a house — Sapa

Stayaway to protest killed trio

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HUNDREDS of workers yesterday stayed away from work in Maritzburg's troubled townships during the first day of a three-day peaceful protest called by the local community.

The Maritzburg Chamber of Commerce estimated that less than 10 percent of the area's workforce participated in the stayaway.

Mr Anton Leisegang, president of the organisation, said the stayaway was "sporadic" with industry operating as usual.

The protest action follows the death last week of Mrs Jabu Ndlovu, a senior shop steward of the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (Numsa).

The Numsa official died in a local hospital

By SONTI MASEKO

after she and her family were attacked at their home last Thursday. Her husband and daughter died during the attack.

The Maritzburg communities, protesting against the rising death toll in the Natal midlands, demand — among other things:

- Action to prevent further killings — more than 1300 people are reported to have been killed since violence erupted in the area about three years ago;
- An independent commission of inquiry into the role of police in the Maritzburg violence;
- Prosecution of warlords; and
- Restrictions on ex-detamees to be lifted to ensure their safety.

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Probe Natal violence, synod asks Tutu

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — The synod of the Anglican Church in Southern Africa resolved yesterday to ask the head of the church, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, to consider appointing an independent commission of inquiry into the ongoing violence in Natal, preferably with other church leaders.

The synod asked that the commission should be presided over by a suitably qualified legal person.

The body acknowledged a message of goodwill from the chief minister of Kwazulu and president of Inkatha, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

It asked Chief Buthelezi to receive a group of synod members before Thursday for talks on the present peace initiatives.

The proposer of the motion, Bishop Michael Nuttall, Bishop of Natal, said that in correspondence with President P W Botha he had said he believed the violence represented the "bitter fruit" of apartheid.

Mr Botha maintained it was the result of conflict in a tribal situation.

"The government says it has conducted its own investigations and knows what the causes are. We question that profoundly," Bishop Nuttall said.

● The synod voted by an overwhelming majority yesterday to urge bishops to investigate a halt to the rescheduling of South Africa's foreign debt as a means to ending apartheid and oppression.

It also said the possibility of cutting South Africa's foreign air links should be studied.

The synod said the investigation ought to take place unless the government ended the state of emergency, released political prisoners and detained, unbanned political organisations, allowed exiles to return, moved to repeal racial legislation and began negotiations with "genuine" leaders.

The resolution was proposed by the Very Rev Colin Jones, Dean of Cape Town, and seconded by the Rev Sid Luckett of Cape Town.

The motion, carried by an overwhelming majority with only five delegates voting against, replaced a stronger motion on the subject of economic pressure against the government.

Opposing the original resolution, Dr Mary Jean Silk of Johannesburg said the synod could cause considerable unintended harm by making resolutions of an economic nature.

Delegates would be like "fools rushing in where angels feared to tread".

trial continues today.

Anti-violence work stoppage starts quietly

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DURBAN. — Union-backed calls for a mass work stoppage to protest against black-on-black violence in Natal have received a lukewarm response, independent monitors said yesterday.

They said the three-day stoppage in Maritzburg, supported by the Congress of South African Trade Unions, had a patchy start on Monday and tailed off on its second day.

A survey of local firms yesterday showed about 27% of industrial workers and 17% of commercial employees observed the stoppage.

The call for the protest was made shortly after Mrs Jabu Ndlovu, a key figure in the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa, died in hospital last Thursday. Her home had been attacked about 10 days before her death.

Shop stewards were "incensed" at the continuing violence and members of the community felt that pressure had to be brought to bear on business to do something to end the violence. — Sapa-Reuter

IIS moves to ban

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Violence: Anglicans meet Chief Buthelezi

A PROVINCIAL Synod delegation from the Anglican Church yesterday met Inkatha leader Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi to try to resolve the deadlock in peace talks between Inkatha on the one hand and the Congress of South African Trade Unions and the United Democratic Front on the other.

The church delegation included the Bishop of Natal, the Rt Rev Michael Nuttall.

The main issue discussed was a venue for the peace talks aimed at curbing the political violence in Natal and KwaZulu.

Talks between the Cosatu/UDF alliance and Inkatha reached an impasse some weeks ago when the two groups could not agree on a venue.

Dr Buthelezi told the church delegation yesterday that the violence was "an indictment both against all the political groupings involved and against the Church which has not been able to play its reconciling role".

He said the lack of working relationships between church and political leaders had been felt so keenly as a disadvantage in KwaZulu and Natal.

Dr Buthelezi, who is also Chief Minister of KwaZulu, said that more than 100 Inkatha peace prayer meetings had been held in KwaZulu and Natal recently.

"These meetings are generating the goodwill towards Cosatu and the UDF which is needed in Inkatha."

Three hurt as school petrol-bombed

Nov 8/1967
Three men were injured yesterday in a petrol bomb attack on a school in Dobsonville, Soweto, police said.

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when a bus was stoned.

In other Natal incidents.

- A mob set a motorcycle alight in kwaMakutha.
- A bus was stoned in Ashdown.
- A bus was petrol-bombed in Ndoleni.

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Buthelezi gives nod for peace talks

DURBAN — kwaZulu's Chief Minister, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, has agreed to ask one or two of his colleagues to meet at any agreed venue with UDF/Cosatu officials for initial talks on Maritzburg violence. *Star 8/6/89*

This was agreed with a delegation from the Anglican Provincial Synod, now sitting in Durban, which met Chief Buthelezi in Ulundi, Zululand, on Tuesday. He indicated willingness to meet alternately at Inkatha and Cosatu venues, and said he hoped it would be possible to draw up a plan for peace. — Sapa.

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Inkatha, UDF to meet at agreed venue

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The agreement was made with a delegation from the Anglican Provincial Synod (now sitting in Durban) who met with the Chief Minister in Ulundi, Zululand, on Tuesday afternoon.

Buthezi also indicated his Cabinet's readiness to meet alternately at different venues such as at Ulundi and at Cosatu's head office.

Buthezi said he was also hoping for a meeting of the four presidents of the ANC, Inkatha, UDF and Cosatu to draw up a plan for a peace initiative in Natal.

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Buthlezi gives the nod

to peace talks

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The agreement was made with a delegation from the Anglican Provincial Synod (now sitting in Durban) who met Chief Buthelezi in Ulundi.

The Anglican Bishop of

Natal, Bishop Michael Nuttall, who led the church delegation, said though the bishops had found it impossible to resolve the deadlock completely, Chief Buthelezi and his cabinet had indicated their readiness to meet at different venues such as Ulundi and the Cosatu headquarters in Johannesburg.

The synod hopes to meet Cosatu/UDF officials today to report on the Ulundi meeting.

Chief Buthelezi said he was also hoping for a meeting of the presidents of the ANC, Inkatha, UDF and Cosatu to draw up a plan for a peace initiative in Natal.

The chief minister said he would hold a mass meeting in KwaMashu on June 18 to mobilise the backing for peace. — Sapa

Bid to end violence in Natal

27/6/89 Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Talks aimed at ending the political violence in Natal and kwaZulu are expected to take place on Wednesday.

A delegation from Inkatha will meet leaders of the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) and United Democratic Front (UDF) in Durban.

The talks follow a visit by an Anglican Church delegation to meet the kwaZulu Cabinet last week to try to sort out the impasse over a venue.

Previously, Inkatha leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi had said the first meeting between the warring sides had to take place in Ulundi, but he softened his position in discussions with the clergymen.

It is now expected that two senior colleagues of his will attend Wednesday's meeting.

The Cosatu/UDF delegation is expected to include UDF publicity secretary Mr Murphy Morobe, Cosatu general secretary Mr Jay Naidoo, National Union of Metal Workers education officer Mr Alec Erwin and the Maritzburg organiser of the Food and Allied Workers' Union, Mr Siphso Gcabashe.

Inkatha's delegation is expected to include Dr Oscar Dhlomo, its secretary-general.

The venue will be decided today.

Endless bloodbath in Natal numbs the mind

IT is obscene (a strong word, but the only apposite one I find to reflect the mood I am in), the general apathy and seeming lack of direction in solving what is perhaps the greatest tragedy in the country — the killings in KwaZulu-Natal area.

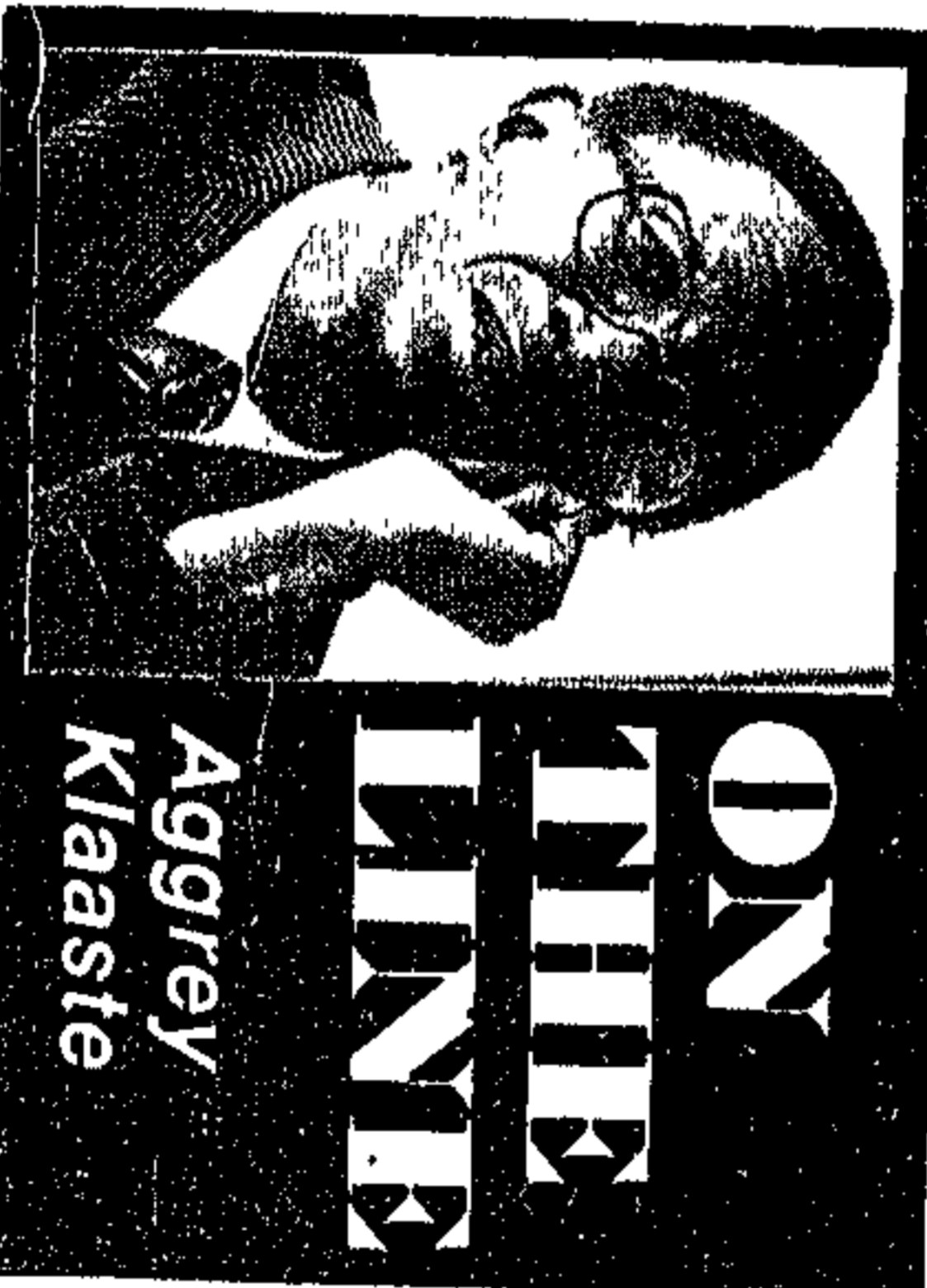
I was in Durban last week and some people were telling me that the tragedy in the Maritzburg area is much bigger than what happened in Beirut. I was told of ghost townships, of the total halt of education and the problem of refugees, some living with white friends for over a year.

I was told of young boys who spend their time making guns, of drawings by some of the children that reflect violence. I was told how the people of Natal were distressed at the seeming laxity or unconcern from the rest of us.

While I am furious at the entire matter, it is useless now to express any anger against the particular actors who may or may not have been through acts of commission or omission involved in the tragedy. It has become a socio-economic-political problem of some magnitude that is in many ways a reflection of the serious problem that is chillingly taking root in other parts of the country.

The sooner we will understand that is not only in our humanitarian interests, but because the next time it might, in fact it is quite likely, happen to us.

It could well be said that the problem really was caused by apartheid. But then again that is breasting and we do not



have the luxury to expend our energy on being angry against even the Government. Last year I made some tentative ventures into getting to grips with this problem. I spoke to

all sorts of people. I spoke to clerics here and in Natal. I even had grandiose ideas of getting the rest of the continent expressing a position.

March

I thought at one stage of getting clerics to have a peace march through the area. But other things exercised my time, alas and I ditched all these excellent schemes. I might have lost the chance to be of assistance. Now late in the day I will try and agitate for more

action to resolve this painful problem.

In Durban one chap said it would in fact be necessary for us to get the United Nations peace force into the area. There is desperation in the area, a desperation that also needs creative thinking.

I was asked by some white businessmen, who claim they have had black families living with them since the start of the violence, what they could do.

Problems

I had to tell them I had no answers myself, but that it could be possible for business to start independent surveys to investigate at depth what are the socio-economic problems entailed. We know the political problems. I do not think we know or understand the other problem.

I am consumed with pity and anger about Natal. I am also

rather helpless about what should and could be done.

There is an element of hope for if Mr Nelson Mandela could send out word to Dr M G Buthezi about supportive action to resolve the problem, we should be ashamed of ourselves.

Prison

We are perhaps in our own intellectual, political and other forms of prison. But we are not physically

barred for doing something aggressive. Unless we are all abject cowards.

I do not wish to place this newspaper on the line. I, as editor wish to place a commitment on the agenda. The commitment is we will start a type of campaign to write, to research, to investigate and write as much about Natal as we possibly can.

It seems to me that there is just too much unconcern about something that touches us so closely.

Curbs ^{Mbeki} on Gumede ^{13/6/89} and Mbeki

Staff Reporter ⁽²⁷⁶⁾

RESTRICTION orders were today imposed on two prominent political figures, Mr Archie Gumede, leader of the United Democratic Front, and Mr Govan Mbeki, 79, former leader of the African National Congress.

Mr Gumede, who has been banned from taking any further part in UDF activities, has played a major role in arranging tomorrow's peace talks to try to end the political violence in Natal.

Observers monitoring the political killings over the past three years have logged up more than 1 820.

They said Mr Gumede was most instrumental in getting the UDF to the negotiation table.

Previous restrictions were placed on Mr Mbeki on December 11, 1987, just over a month after he was released after 23 years in prison.

In terms of the new order, signed by Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok on June 9, Mr Mbeki is not allowed outside the boundaries of his New Brighton flat between 6 pm and 6 am.

The new order prohibits him from taking part in any United Democratic Front activity.

Worrall wins

Security police deny Pebco arrest

By PAT CANDIDO, Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — Colonel Hermanus du Plessis, second-in-command of the security police in the Eastern Cape, has told the Supreme Court here that he knew of only one arrest at the HF Verwoerd Airport since 1980.

Colonel du Plessis said only Mr Terror Lekota of the United Democratic Front had been arrested there. He denied that three members of the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation (Pebco) had been arrested at the airport.

He was giving evidence yesterday at an application by Mrs B N Godolozzi calling on the Minister of Law and Order and the commanding officer at Alexandria police station to produce her son, Mr Qaqawuli Godolozzi.

Mr Godolozzi, president of Pebco, secretary-general Mr Siphon Hashe and organising secretary Mr Champion Galela disappeared while on their way to the airport on May 8 1985.

Earlier a witness said he had seen the three in the company of policemen at the airport.

Colonel du Plessis said there had been feuding between the UDF and the Azanian People's Organisation in 1985 and there had been violent attacks which had reached a climax between March and June.

People on both sides had been murdered, there had been a hand-grenade attack on an Azapo leader and the leaders of both groups had employed guards to protect their homes and themselves.

The security police had been interested in the three missing men because they were executives of Pebco, a UDF affiliate.

They had been brought to the offices of the security police on occasions for questioning but had never been arrested or detained.

If any of the three had been detained or arrested, he would have known about it.

When he first heard they had disappeared he assumed they had left the country.

The hearing continues.

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Gwala beaten at funeral

MARITZBURG. — Veteran African National Congress activist Mr Harry Gwala was among a crowd of mourners sjambokked, yesterday as they left a cemetery here, following the burial of trade unionist Mrs Jabu Ndlovu.

A family spokesman said Mr Gwala, 70, had been struck four times — on his shoulders, back, legs and hand. Mr Gwala has motor-neuron disease and is paralysed in both arms.

Mrs Ndlovu died on June 1 of wounds sustained when her Imbali home was attacked on May 21 and her husband and daughter were killed. — Sapa

Police yesterday arrested a 17-year-old in connection with the murder of Roberts and a second person in connection with the fighting at the sports ground.

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Mine under police van. 4 hurt

NIGEL. — Four people were injured when a limpet mine exploded under a parked police van at the Duduza soccer stadium in Brakpan while a match was in progress on Sunday.

The bomb was apparently slipped under the van after policemen parked it at the stadium entrance.

Three of the injured were hit by flying fragments. All four injured were treated in hospital and discharged.

Natal's violence continued at Imbali, Maritzburg, where a man was killed when police used birdshot to disperse an illegal gathering.

In three stoning incidents at Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale, three men and a woman were injured and private houses slightly damaged.

At Kwamakutha in Durban, serious damage was caused to three private homes in two separate petrol-bomb attacks.

At Taylors Halt a private house was damaged by arsonists and at Soweto's Merafe railway station a group set fire to a coach. — Sapa

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'outraged'
by curbs
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on Gumede

By KAREN STANDER
Religion Reporter

ARCHBISHOP Desmond Tutu, said today he was "outraged" by restrictions placed on United Democratic Front leader Mr Archie Gumede and asked Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, to remove them immediately.

Archbishop Tutu telephoned Mr Vlok yesterday and said that unless he lifted the restriction order "I will regard statements professing commitment to peace as so many lies".

He said Natal and national church leaders had been trying to end the conflict for more than 18 months.

"HINDER"

"During this period the government has acted only to hinder the process. It has refused to contemplate an independent inquiry into the causes of the violence and it has imposed restriction orders affecting one of the parties to the talks."

Last week a fresh peace initiative involving Inkatha and the UDF-Cosatu alliance appeared to have been bogged down in a dispute over a venue for talks. The church's synod had sent a delegation of bishops to talk to both sides and, minutes before the synod ended on Thursday, they heard of an apparent breakthrough.

STRONG VOICE

"Now, two days after talks about peace were to have started, Mr Vlok has restricted the activities of Mr Gumede, one of the strongest voices for peace in the region.

"Mr Vlok has shown in negotiations over hunger strikers that he is amenable to reason. If he does not display this quality now, history will judge him and his colleagues very harshly for their contribution to the terrible killing, maiming and destruction taking place in Natal."

© Brigadier Leon Mellet, Press secretary to Mr Vlok, said he was unable at this stage to confirm Archbishop Tutu's telephone conversation with Mr Vlok, or set out Mr Vlok's view of the matter, because he had not had a chance to discuss it with the Minister. Mr Vlok would not be available until later as he was attending a Cabinet meeting.

Huts valued at R137 000 burned down

SEVENTY huts were burned down in faction fighting between the KwaMomoya and Mountainside factions of the Mthembu group in the Msinga area of Natal at the weekend.

A police spokesman said that the hostilities stemmed from a killing on

the Witwatersrand.

He said that 21 KwaMomoya huts valued at R66 000 and 49 mountainside faction huts valued at R71 000 were burned.

No-one was injured, however. No arrests have been made yet.

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Gwala seeks legal redress

DURBAN. A Recently-released political activist Mr Harry Gwala is to take legal action against the police after he and others were allegedly sjambokked by policemen as they left the graveside of former trade unionist Mrs Jabu Ndlovu on Monday. But police have denied that partly-paralysed Mr Gwala, 70, was one of the mourners hit with 'quirts' at the Mountain Rise cemetery. Police liaison officer Major Pieter Kitching said yesterday it was "quite clear" that Mr Gwala was not beaten, as has been alleged by a member of his family.

Peace talks postponed

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THE proposed meeting between Inkatha, Cosatu and the UDF to discuss ways of bringing peace to strife-torn Natal and Kwa-Zulu may now be held "some time next week"

The secretary-general of Inkatha, Dr Oscar Dhlomo, said the Organisation had received a letter from Cosatu and the UDF late on Tuesday suggesting three dates for the meeting.

Dhlomo said due to prior commitments the three dates — yesterday today or Saturday — did not suit Inkatha.

Dhlomo said Inkatha had suggested Monday or Friday next week and they had



DR OSCAR DHLOMO

informed Cosatu and the UDF of the suggestion in writing. — Sapa.

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Nine killed in Natal unrest

MARITZBURG. — Four people were gunned down while drinking beer at a shebeen on Monday night and five people died in Natal townships on Tuesday night, police reported.

Residents of the section known as Magaba Place said that about 8.30pm on Monday a large group descended on the shebeen in the troubled Maritzburg area and began firing at everyone in sight, killing four men. They also stole money and took bottles of beer.

Police said that on Tuesday three men were shot dead at Shongweni and a man was shot dead at Mpumalanga.

Another unidentified man was found dead with stab wounds at Mpumalanga. — Sapa

Cloudy and warm

CAPE PENINSULA and vicinity and Western Cape coast belt: Partly cloudy and mild. Wind fresh southerly, becoming south easterly, becoming moderate north-easterly. The minimum and maximum temperatures will be between 3 and 22° C.

Coastal belt Cape Infanta to Plattenberg Bay: Cloudy and mild, becoming warmer.

Coastal belt Plattenberg Bay to Alfred: Cloudy and mild with light rain becoming warmer later. Namaqualand and the southern Western Cape interior: Fine and mild but warm in the north.

Transvaal: Cloudy and cold with patches.

Free State: Fine and mild. Natal: Cloudy with light rain at the escarpment and the coast. Northern Cape and southern Namibia: Fine and mild.

Central and northern Namibia: Botswana: Fine and warm.

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Barometer	1031,1	10
Humidity	77,0	
Temperature	16,5	

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Exploratory peace talks between the Cosatu-UDF alliance and Inkatha to end the Natal violence will be held here on Monday.

This was confirmed yesterday by both a Cosatu spokesman and the secretary-general of Inkatha, Dr Oscar Dhlomo.

Dr Dhlomo said that the Inkatha delegation would consist of himself; Dr Frank Mdlalose, chairman of Inkatha's National Council; Mr Velaphi Ndlovu, a member of Inkatha's central committee from Maritzburg; Mr Musa Zondi, national leader of the Inkatha Youth Brigade and Mr Ngobizizwe Nkehli, a member of In-

Peace talks to start over Natal violence

katha's central committee from Mpu-mulanga.

The Cosatu spokesman said that their delegation would comprise of Mr Murphy Morobe, acting publicity secretary for the UDF; Mr Jay Naidoo, Cosatu's general-secretary; Dr Diliza Mji, president of the National Medical and Dental Association (Namda); Mr Alec Irwin, education officer for the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (Numsa); and Mr Siphso Gcabashe, a Cosatu representative from Maritzburg.

day, their second attack on guerilla positions in two days.

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Bus employees laid off

DURBAN. — More than 300 employees of Kwa-Zulu Transport at Newcastle and Ladysmith are to be laid off in the next few weeks, following continued boycotts of the company's buses in the two areas.

Squabbling and violence on the way to the forum

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IN looking to the future one must always guard against confusing what one hopes will happen with what one thinks is likely to happen.

Internally, some sporadic unrest in certain areas must be expected. In particular, the violence in Natal's townships seems set to continue, at least for some time

This situation requires a getting together of black leaders to agree on a means to end the violence and a much firmer stand by the authorities

Though there is much talk of a change in ANC tactics, the chances of an abandonment of the so-called armed struggle seem remote in the short term. This is despite what appear to be suggestions from Eastern Bloc countries that negotiation is preferable to violent change

Mandela

One must expect a continuation of attacks involving limpet mines and other explosives, as well as shootings. However, these will be combined with efforts to present a more acceptable image. Therefore there are likely to be fewer attacks on soft white targets

Meetings between the ANC and selected white groups are likely to continue

The release of Nelson Mandela continues to be an issue. One can reasonably forecast that he will be

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DP economics spokesman, offers some predictions on domestic issues

released relatively soon. The Government is probably waiting only for the right moment, from its viewpoint, to do so.

Questions of negotiation will, I believe, see considerable development in the short and medium term. There may be a change in the attitude towards boycotts by certain organisations which have in the past refused to participate in elections

Meetings and discussions, consultations and eventually negotiations, will achieve a degree of success, but meaningful negotiations resulting in a constitutional settlement are probably still a long way off.

The parties in conflict are probably not ready for such negotiations and posturing will continue for quite a while

In the meantime the reform process will carry on in a stop-start manner.

The three pillars of social separation and discrimination — the Population Registration, Group Areas and

Separate Amenities Acts — will be subject to amendment, gradually moving towards repeal.

The first amendment to the Population Registration Act will probably be to remove the State's right to determine race and substitute a degree of choice.

The Separate Amenities Act will probably see a provision halting the creation of more "separate but not equal" public facilities. In other words, steps will be taken to prevent a reversal of the process of opening facilities by public authorities

Fears

The Group Areas Act will become less meaningful because of an increase in the number of free settlement areas

There is no doubt that eventually all three Acts will go. My own guess is that the Separate Amenities Act will be the first. Regrettably, however, laws will not be repealed before further hurt, protest and friction

The constitutional problem will be with us for a long time. Fears of domination loom large in the minds of the white population — including many of those who describe themselves as liberals.

The problem of group and individual rights and of protection against domination will be around for many years to come.

Those Who Bungle While Natal bleeds

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Shaun Harris
surveys the bitter fruits of the Maritzburg violence

NO ONE ever thought it would be easy to end the political bloodshed in Maritzburg's townships. Over the past three years, the region has gained the dubious distinction of becoming known overseas as one of the world's violent centres, surpassed only by battle-scarred places like Beirut and Belfast.

The death toll has averaged about 40 people a month so far this year (and that's down from last December, when more than 100 people were killed over the holiday period).

Last year's joint peace initiative by the Congress of South African Trade Unions and Chief Buthelezi's Inkatha movement is now lying in tatters.

Something has to be done desperately soon.

Threats

Six weeks ago, what looked like the beginnings of a bold and genuine move towards some sort of peace settlement began when leaders of Cosatu, the United Democratic Front, the banned African National Congress and Inkatha agreed they had to meet and decide on a strategy to end the conflict between their members.

Today that meeting is no closer to getting off the ground, wrecked by obstinance, one-upmanship and hidden agendas.

Even when it looked as though a fragile balance might be struck between the parties negotiating the fate of hundreds, probably thousands, of ordinary township people, a Minister of Law and Order clearly got of touch with the complexities of the Maritzburg violence put an end to the initiative with threats of using the "iron fist" of the police against the side he had decided was to blame for the death and destruction.

Mr Adriaan Vlok should know by now that the "iron fist" approach has only a limited effect in curbing the fighting in Maritzburg. He has used it before, trucking in police reinforcements and stepping up patrols, but as soon as the police presence eased slightly, the townships began to burn again.

Even worse, periods of increased police activity have often led to claims, at times from both the UDF/Cosatu affiliates and Inkatha members, that the official forces were biased towards and even helping one of the sides in the conflict.

Rarely has what would certainly be the biggest deterrent to violence — the arrest and prosecution of known "warlords" and agitators — taken place.

Extra police trucks are rolling into Maritzburg again, and will probably force an uneasy semblance of peace for a while.

But the only way anything close to real peace is going to be achieved is for recognised leaders to sit down together and talk — and he won't happen until all the par-

ties learn something about compromise and getting beyond petty political point-scoring.

A brief sequence of events leading up to the failed talks shows that personalities and party politics have to be pushed aside to end the violence.

The imaginative joint complaints adjudication board set up last year by Cosatu (and by implication the restricted UDF) and Inkatha worked for a while, but failed for the same reasons that legal action against perpetrators of violence failed — witnesses and complainants were murdered and nobody, not even the courts, could guarantee their safety.

With the end of the board, Cosatu and the UDF, with help from church leaders, drew up their own plans to try to end the violence.

At about the same time KwaZulu Chief Minister and Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi discussed his plans for peace with Inkatha's central committee and they were laid on the table.

Clearly, there was a problem with two rival sets of peace proposals being advocated, but moves towards peace looked hopeful when leaders of the organisations agreed to meet.

The proposed meeting was given a significant boost when the external wing of the ANC, under Oliver Tambo, backed the meeting and



OLIVER TAMBO



ADRIAAN VLOK



MANGOSUTHU BUTHELEZI

made its clearest commitment yet to ending the Maritzburg conflict, saying it would do all it could — within the limitations it was forced to work under — to help bring about peace in the region.

So far, so good, especially considering that Mr Vlok had recently launched a scathing attack on the UDF and Cosatu in Parliament, bluntly blaming them for the violence and promising to bring his "iron fist" down on members of the organisations in Maritzburg.

Hitch

But there was a hitch. With two peace plans, neither the Cosatu/UDF alliance nor Inkatha wanted to be seen as the group being drawn into peace meetings. Clearly, if the plan worked both parties wanted to claim credit for starting the process.

There was also the hidden agenda, the big prize here being ANC involvement. (Incidentally, many

Maritzburg watchers believe it was this ANC involvement which prompted Mr Vlok to launch his attack on Cosatu and the UDF, both of which he called ANC creations. It would not do for the ANC to help bring about peace in Maritzburg when the police could

Despite the real effect ANC calls for peace might have in the troubled region, for Cosatu and the UDF it would definitely be a political victory to involve the ANC.

While cross-border talks with the organisation are being condemned by the Government, it would boost the ANC's image to be included in a ground-level process such as the Maritzburg issue, showing that despite being banned and having to work from outside the country's borders, it could make its influence felt.

For Chief Buthelezi, the ANC card was as important, for different reasons. For several years, the KwaZulu leader has been trying to

hold a formal meeting with the organisation's external wing. Such a meeting would, symbolically at least, put Inkatha on an equal footing with the ANC as a leader in the liberation struggle.

Clearly, the Chief Minister smarts at accusations that Inkatha is, in his own words, the "leper" of the struggle. Recently he has been publicly reading a letter sent to him by jailed ANC leader Nelson Mandela which, besides showing that a good relationship still exists between the two men, also expresses the hope that good relations could be restored between the ANC in exile and Inkatha.

While the ANC and Inkatha remain poles apart in terms of ideology and the use of violence to overthrow the State, a meeting between the leaders of the two organisations would give Inkatha the sort of recognition and status it needs among the more radicalised sections of the black population.

With all parties agreeing that a

meeting should take place initially between Cosatu/UDF and Inkatha, followed by one with the ANC) and a date even set for the first meeting, the question of the venue came up. This is when egos began to interfere and the squabbling became petty.

Chief Buthelezi wanted Cosatu and UDF leaders to come to the KwaZulu capital of Ulundi. They suggested a "more neutral" venue, such as Durban.

The venue was not resolved and the first date passed. Letters began to fly back and forth in an absurd play of one-upmanship.

Finally, something close to a compromise was reached last week, with Chief Buthelezi agreeing that some of his senior Ministers would meet their counterparts in Durban for "talks about the talks".

Although delayed, it looked as if the move towards peace was back on track.

That is, until the state of emergency IV and the entrance once again of the Minister of Law and Order. On Monday this week, additional restriction orders were served on one of the key players in the proposed talks, UDF Natal president Arche Gunede, continuing him to his home in Durban between 8pm and 5am and barring him from taking part in UDF affairs, from addressing public meetings, talking to the media and helping prepare any material for publication.

Damage

Lawyers and members of church organisations involved in last year's joint peace initiative had a feeling of *deja vu*. Last time, restrictions on the UDF prevented the organisation from being party to the joint peace plan — this time a leading individual was restricted right out of the picture.

Naturally, Mr Vlok's actions were widely condemned. The generous interpretation was that he was just not aware of the importance of peace talks between leaders of the groups involved in the conflict. The sinister one was that somebody did not want peace in Maritzburg, at least not for the time being.

Mercifully, on Friday, the Government lifted the additional restrictions, but the damage had been done.

Once again, the "talks about peace talks" have been called off, with a vague date being suggested for some time next week. Of course, the talks are only the first step — there are still questions about how much control Inkatha and UDF/Cosatu have in Maritzburg townships and whether they can bring their members into line.

But talks will be the first step, and they are needed as soon as possible. But it seems they will take place only when leaders, including Mr Vlok, can learn something about diplomacy and compromise.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

Police probe mystery of white men in township

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Kwazulu police have launched a full investigation into allegations that mystery white men were seen in Kwamashu township at the height of yesterday's clashes in which four members of Inkatha were killed.

Five others, were taken to hospital with stab and hack wounds. Murder and attempted murder dockets have been opened.

At Kwamashu yesterday, according to residents, the heavily armed members of Inkatha, some of them carrying axes, pangas and spears marched through the streets threatening people opposed to Inkatha.

A member of the Democratic Party's unrest monitoring groups, Mrs Stephanie Miller, said she took two residents to hospital with buckshot wounds and they told her that white men in uniform and some in plainclothes had shot them.

The police unrest report issued in Pretoria today also claimed that a group burned a man to death in the township.

A police spokesman said a group stoned a police vehicle and police had to use bird shot to disperse them. Two suspects were arrested.

THREW BOMBS

In other incidents of unrest, a shop was extensively damaged when a group threw petrol bombs at it. At Kwadengezi, near Pinetown, police arrested 10 suspects who gathered illegally.

On the eve of today's peace talks in Durban, fighting broke out when some Kwamashu residents lined the streets to protest against members of Inkatha being bussed into the township to attend a prayer meeting at the Princess Magogo Stadium which was addressed by Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

Lieutenant-Colonel Jan Fourie, district commandant for KwaZulu Police, said he was the only white policeman inside the stadium where Inkatha held a rally.

"I have heard about allegations of mystery white men in Kwamashu yesterday and we have already started investigations to find out who they were.

"We have murder and attempted murder dockets and

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Mystery men in township

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have to get the killers," said Lieutenant-Colonel Fourie.

Dr Buthelezi wept as he announced at the end of a prayer rally for peace that four members of his Inkatha organisation had been killed, and three seriously injured on their way to the rally.

Wiping away tears, he told a crowd of about 5 000, many carrying knobbed, wooden fighting sticks, that the attackers were suspected members of the banned United Democratic Front.

● Country-wide, nine people died violently during the last 24 hours according to this morning's official police unrest report.

At Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale, a police patrol reportedly came across a large group. When they stopped, the group fled. Police found the bodies of three men, all with bullet wounds.

SHOP BOMBED

In another incident in the area, a group shot dead two other men, the report said.

At Inanda near Durban a group of men were reported to have thrown a petrol-bomb at a shop, causing fairly extensive damage. A man was attacked and stabbed to death.

At Imbali, Pietermaritzburg, a group attacked a house. They threw a petrol-bomb and fired shots at it. A man was wounded.

In another firebombing of a house in the area a woman was injured.

● Meanwhile, Mpumalanga (Natal) police said six people, including a 13-year-old boy, were shot dead and one was knifed to death.

● In Cape Town three buses were slightly damaged in stone-throwing incidents in Khayelitsha and Nyanga at the weekend.

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Four hurt in Natal weekend violence

Crime Reporter

Four people, including a policeman, were injured in unrest violence in Natal townships at the weekend, police said.

Two men and a woman were shot and wounded by unknown gunmen in Mpumalanga near Maritzburg. In the same area, a man and a woman were arrested after they allegedly stoned a house.

At Dambuza, also near Maritzburg, a policeman was struck on the jaw by a rock hurled at his vehicle. He was not seriously injured and the vehicle was slightly damaged.

Three buses were slightly damaged after being stoned in Khayelitsha and Nyanga townships near Cape Town.

Man gives himself up

The Centre

4 Inkatha men killed

KWAZULU Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthezi wept yesterday as he told about 5000 people at the Princess Magogo Stadium that four Inkatha members had been killed while on their way to the meeting in KwaMashu, Durban.

Chief Buthezi called for an end to the black-on-black violence which was preventing black people from getting rid of "the hideous racial discrimination and totally unacceptable inequality which blacks suffer before the law".

Sapa

The injuries occurred in at least two separate incidents. One of the deceased was Mr Funiswe Nsele (48) from Enzomusha. Three Inkatha members — Moffat Cibane, Zwelibanzi Ngcobo and Phumokwakhe Hlongu — were injured in the incidents and are in King Edward VIII hospital.

According to an Inkatha driving instructor who lives in KwaMashu, most of the people who attended the meeting came from the black squatter townships of Lindelani, Besters and Enzomusha, and did not live in KwaMashu.

He said white men in police uniforms were involved in dispersing groups of people who did not wish to attend the prayer meeting.

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He said one uniformed man had started to harass a group of men who did not wish to attend the meeting. He pulled out his gun and shot at one man in the group, but missed and hit an Inkatha member who had just alighted from a bus instead.

Mrs Stephanie Miller, who is involved in the Democratic Party's unrest monitoring group, said she was called into the townships because there were injuries.

Meanwhile, ten men of peace will shake hands in Durban sometime today. They will try to look casual, relaxed and confident. For the time being they will forget their rivalry and disagreements.

Their warm, friendly smiles will conceal the years of uneasy tension, political slogans, war chants and bitter recriminations that have cut a dismal chasm in the heart of communities suffering a common bondage.

Foremost in the minds of the Inkatha and UDF/Cosatu delegations will be the senseless atrocities committed under the banner of their organisations in Natal's townships: Nowadays it

is rare for anyone to know who initiated an attack — or why. It just happens.

Like last week's gunning down of four men in a Shongweni shebeen. They were sipping their drinks when gunmen, part of a large crowd, burst in and fired aimlessly at patrons. When the hysterical screams for mercy had subsided four men lay dead as tiny rivulets of blood mixed with the spilt liquor on the floor.

"This is an animal's place. I curse the day I came here," a victim's relative cried.

Across the cool hills — at Mpumalanga — the next day, magistrate HT Gama hurriedly packed his family off to safer pastures. The previous night a large group of people had arrived at his house, threatening him. Minutes after they left, he heard shots.

The next day Gama offered his condolences to the family of 25-year-old neighbour Norah Mdaweni who was killed by an unidentified gunman. Gama echoed the sentiments of the men who have decided to meet today when he said: "I've had enough".

Helpless

So too have the province's entire black community, the thousands of refugees who flee the armed groups baying for blood, the desperate pupils who long to fill the empty classrooms and helpless mothers who watch while their children are swallowed by the violence.

Leading Inkatha's delegation, which includes Youth Brigade national chairman Musa Zondi, is secretary-general Dr Oscar Dhlomo, calm, diplomatic and rational.

Facing him are the UDF's Murphy Morobe, Dr Diliza Mji and Cosatu's Jay Naidoo, Alec Irwin and Sipho Ngcaphashe, calm, diplomatic and rational.

Inkatha men killed on eve of peace talks

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Four Inkatha members were killed and three hurt on their way to an Inkatha prayer meeting in Kwa Mashu yesterday — on the eve of exploratory peace talks between Inkatha and the Cosatu/UDF alliance.

However, Inkatha's secretary general Dr Oscar Dhlomo said last night the talks — scheduled to begin at Durban's Royal Hotel today — were definitely still on.

The Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi, told about 5 000 people at the Princess Magogo stadium that the deputy commissioner of police had told him the four had been killed in Kwa Mashu's L-section on their way to the meeting.

Wiping away tears, Dr Buthelezi called for an end to the violence which was preventing black people from getting rid of "the totally unacceptable inequality which blacks suffer before the law".

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Mrs Stephanie Miller, of the DP's unrest monitoring group, said she was called in to the townships because there were injuries. She said nine of the UDF-affiliated Kwa Mashu Youth League (KMYL) members were suffering from gunshot wounds. She said she had taken two of them for medical attention.

Mrs Miller said a spokesman for the injured youths had said their particular fight had started when a KMYL member had been stabbed with a spear by one of the amabutho (Inkatha warriors). He had said uniformed men had arrived shortly afterwards, and had shot at the youths in an attempt to gain control of the situation.

"It struck me as very unusual that there were a lot of white men, not in uniform and not in police vehicles, driving around the township," she said.

● Orders restricting human rights lawyer and UDF treasurer Mr Azhar Cachalia to his home at night have been lifted by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok. The move frees him to participate in today's peace talks.

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Taxi war sniper kills 3

DURBAN. — A sniper has sent shock waves through the taxi community of Stanger, where three people were shot dead and five others injured at the weekend.

Major Charl du Toit, police public relations officer for Port Natal, said detectives believed that the same gunman was responsible for the deaths of all three men.

It is believed the shootings are connected with a three-way battle between taxi drivers from Stanger, Mandeni and Mapumulo who are at loggerheads over the control of taxi ranks.

Major Du Toit said the shooting began at 7.20 on Friday evening when the sniper, armed with a 9mm automatic pistol and

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travelling in a motor car, fired at and killed an unidentified man and injured four others at a taxi rank near the Luthando Hotel.

The sniper is believed to have struck again at 9am on Saturday when two others were shot dead, and at 4.45pm on Sunday he is believed to have been responsible for the shooting and wounding of 26-year-old Mr S Zwane near the taxi rank outside Checkers supermarket.

Spent 9mm cartridges were found at the scenes of all the shootings.

Police have interviewed a number of witnesses but so far no arrests have been made.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Lieutenant Erik Marais or Warrant Officer Egam Baram at Stanger (0324) 21-706.

● Meanwhile, two youths aged 12 and 13 were shot and wounded after a Pinetown businessman surprised them allegedly breaking into his premises at the weekend.

Police said Mr Brian Bradfield, owner of Stiebel Earth Movers, went to his premises in Nipper Road and confronted three suspects breaking into his property.

He warned them to stop and when they ignored his warnings he fired two shots, wounding two of the youths in the leg. The third suspect fled. — Sapa and Own Correspondent

'Constructive' Natal peace

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DURBAN. — Peace talks between Inkatha and the UDF/Cosatu alliance started here yesterday as police reported another nine deaths in Natal over the weekend.

The 10 delegates to the talks, five from each side, declined to hold a press conference at the conclusion of their meeting, which lasted about five hours.

A joint statement issued after the meeting said the discussions were "intense and wide-ranging" and that a full report was being worked on "which will be presented to our respective organisations". It said the meeting wished to reiterate calls for "an end to this senseless violence tearing our communities apart".

"We further agreed that towards attaining peace there must be freedom of association, freedom of expression of political views or affiliations and

freedom of residence, regardless of political views or affiliations.

"We commit ourselves to a process that would begin to expose and isolate all those elements that we believe are actually engaged in this campaign of promoting violence among our people.

"We believe that all our efforts must be directed towards uniting our people in a way which would decisively strike a blow against apartheid."

The statement described the meeting as having taken place in a "constructive spirit which it is hoped can manifest itself throughout our communities".

It added that the talks had been inconclusive and were to be followed up "shortly".

The Inkatha delegates were Inkatha secretary-general Dr Oscar Dhlomo, Kwazulu cabinet minister Dr Frank Mdlalose, deputy minister Mr V B

Ndhlavu, youth brigade leader Mr K M Zondi and central committee member Mr N Nkehle.

The UDF/Cosatu delegates were UDF publicity secretary Mr Murphy Morobe, Cosatu secretary-general Mr Jay Naidoo, National Medical and Dental Association of SA president Mr Diliza Mji, National Union of Metalworkers education officer Mr Alec Erwin and Cosatu representative in Maritzburg Mr Sipho Gcabashe.

● In a memorandum to the meeting, Chief Minister of Kwazulu and president of Inkatha Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi called on Cosatu and the UDF to stop insulting Inkatha.

"You can criticise Inkatha for being wrong, you can slam it for blundering, but if you want to talk to Inkatha then stop insulting it by calling it a central element in the apartheid system," he said.

"We have to put the objectives of peace above party political interests and we in Inkatha must be assured that the UDF and Cosatu want to deal with us honourably, straightforwardly and openly."

Meanwhile the police unrest report issued yesterday morning said nine people had died violently during the previous 24 hours.

At Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale, a patrol found the bodies of three men, all with bullet wounds.

"In another incident in the area, a group of men shot dead two men."

In Kwamashu, near Durban, a man was burned to death and two others stabbed to death in a clash between two groups.

At Inanda, a group of men threw a petrol bomb at a shop, causing fairly extensive damage. During the attack a man was attacked and stabbed to death, the report said. — Sapa

TALKS

Unionist's death: four held ⁽²⁷⁶⁾

MARITZBURG — Four men are being held here in connection with the fatal May 21 attack on the home of former trade unionist Mrs Jabu Ndlovu, her husband and daughter.

The men are being held under the Emergency Regulations. *Star 2/1/6/89*

Mrs Ndlovu died on June 1 of wounds sustained when her Imbali home was attacked.

Her husband, Mr Jabulani Ndlovu, and daughter Khumbi died in the attack. Mrs Ndhlovu died later.

Protest at death of shop-steward

By Mike Siluma,
Labour Reporter

About 5 000 members of the National Union of Metal-Workers (Numsa) held prayer services yesterday at several Vaal Triangle firms in protest at the recent killing of a Numsa shop-steward.

A union spokesman said workers had also held lunch-time demonstrations and asked management to help end the fighting in the Natal townships, which has claimed nearly 2 000 lives.

Numsa shop steward Mrs Jabu Ndlovu, her husband and her daughter were killed in an attack on their home at Imbali, Maritzburg.

Other demands by workers included an independent inquiry into the role of the police in the conflict, the arrest of "warlords", and the right to hold funerals without restrictions.

● Numsa also said yesterday it had been threatened with the controversial "damages clause" of the new Labour Relations Act by an East Rand company, Alfred Teves Technologies.

The clause makes it possible for employers to sue unions for damages arising from industrial action.

Natal peace talks to resume today

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Inkatha and the Cosatu/UDF leaders were due to resume their peace talks in Durban today on the question of Natal violence — in which an average of two people a day died during May, according to figures from unrest monitors.

The Democratic Party's unrest monitoring group said 31 people were killed in Durban townships in May. This brought to 507 the numbers of deaths they had logged in political violence since the start of 1987.

In Maritzburg townships, 32 people were killed in May, the Community Agency for Social Inquiry at the University of Natal in Maritzburg said. This took their death toll to 1 325 since the beginning of 1987.

After their "constructive" talks at Durban's Royal Hotel on Monday, the 10 representatives of Inkatha, the Congress of South African Trade Unions and the United Democratic Front were due to meet again today.

The delegates have so far declined to make their discussions public. But a statement said on Monday a report was being prepared to present to their organisations and presidents.

The Cosatu/UDF delegation comprises Mr Jay Naidoo, Cosatu general secretary; Mr Murphy Morobe, UDF acting publicity secretary; Dr Diliza Mji, president of the National Medical and Dental Association of South Africa; Mr Alec Erwin, education officer for the National Union of Metalworkers of SA; and a Cosatu representative from Maritzburg, Mr Sipho Gcabashe.

The Inkatha delegations is made up of Dr Oscar Dhlomo, secretary-general; Dr Frank Mdlalose, chairman of the national council; Mr Velaphi Ndlovu, a central committee member; Mr Musa Zondi, national leader of the Inkatha Youth Brigade; and Mr Nqobizwe Nkehli, a central committee member from Mpumalanga.

Unrest: Baby badly
hurt in petrol-bombing

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JOHANNESBURG. — An 18-month-old baby was seriously burnt and a woman burnt to death in two separate incidents of unrest in Mpumalanga in Natal on Tuesday.

According to the police unrest report the baby was badly injured when a group of people petrol-bombed a private home.

The attackers also shot and wounded a boy, apparently with a home-made firearm, police said. In another incident in the area, a group of people burnt a woman to death.

At Georgetown, near Edendale, a 48-year-old woman was shot and wounded by unknown attackers. — Sapa



DURBAN. — It was smiles all round after the second day of peace talks between the Cosatu-UDF alliance and Inkatha to end the Natal violence, at Durban's Royal Hotel yesterday.

After five-and-a-half hours of discussion, during which Cosatu and the UDF went into caucus twice, the delegates appeared relaxed and smiling. It is understood they will meet again soon.

In a joint statement afterwards, the delegates said they met to consider further inputs and amplification of proposals made at the first meeting.

"We have now agreed on the format and contents of a joint report, which will be finalised in due course and submitted to our respective organisations and presidents," they said.

The Cosatu-UDF alliance was represented by Mr Murphy Morobe, UDF acting publicity secretary, Mr Jay Naidoo, Cosatu's general secretary, Mr Alec Erwin, education officer the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (Numsa), Dr Diliza Mji,

Smiles after second round of peace talks

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president of the National Medical and Dental Association, and Mr Siphso Gcabashe, the Maritzburg organiser of the Food and Allied Workers' Union.

The Inkatha delegation was represented by Dr Oscar Dhlomo, Inkatha's secretary general, Dr Frank Mdlalose, chairman of Inkatha's national council, Mr Velaphi Ndlovu, the Inkatha's Maritzburg central committee member, Mr Musa Zondi, national leader of the Inkatha Youth Brigade, and Mr Nqobizizwe Nkehli, Inkatha's Mpumalanga central committee member.

Meanwhile, the principal of the University of Natal, Professor Pieter Booysen, said yesterday the university supported the peace talks. — Sapa

Inkatha: Carefully working to end the Natal bloodshed

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PEOPLE are dying in the greater Maritzburg area and people are dying beyond it in areas to which violence has spread.

I do not know what the UDF and Cosatu are doing on the ground to bring about peace because we are still in the process of drawing towards each other in the only way that this can be done — carefully, in a step-by-step move to avoid bungling.

If I do not yet know what the UDF and Cosatu are doing on the ground, I do know what I and Inkatha are doing on the ground about peace. Above all I know that what we are doing is based on compassion, love for South Africa and the need to establish democratic power-bases among the people.

On the human level, we act out of compassion, on the political level we act to stop killing so that democracy may emerge.

Inkatha has held more than 100 meetings with the people most affected by violence, in Prayer for Peace rally after Prayer for Peace rally across the length and breadth of KwaZulu/Natal. I personally have already

Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi

Chief Minister of KwaZulu and president of Inkatha, responds, in edited form, to last week's article on the violence in Maritzburg

held a mass prayer meeting at KwaMakhuta which is one of the spots most troubled by violence I went there to rally the people on the ground — where a people's rejection of violence must take place.

Last Sunday I attended a mass prayer meeting at KwaMashu to rally black South African support for peace initiatives. This Sunday I go to Edendale to hold a mass prayer meeting there with those who are actually being affected by the violence.

At these meetings I read a letter from Dr Nelson Mandela to me because in it he makes a clarion call for peace and in the letter it is quite clear that he wants his message of peace to be spread.

It is wrong to suggest that I am involved in some kind of seedy programme, or of wheedling my way into pub-

lic favour among more radicalised black South Africans.

As leaders are being drawn together by the groundswell of black political forces, any leader who acts in a petty way will be endorsed out of relevance in all strife-torn localities.

Inkatha, Cosatu and UDF leaders seeking to establish an agenda and the protocol and circumstances which will make that agenda successful, are all experienced men. There are things that must be done the right way and I am going about doing what must be done the right way.

Dr Mandela is the real president of the ANC. If I was not committed to black unity, why would I sing the praises and acclaim the greatness of the real president of the ANC, which has been so hostile to Inkatha for so long?

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Grenade blast
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at cop's home

PRETORIA. — A handgrenade was thrown at the house of a security force member in Diepkloof, Soweto last night, the police unrest report said yesterday.

Police said the attackers drew up outside the house in a motor vehicle and fired several shots at the building as well.

The house was damaged but no casualties were reported. Police had made no arrests.

In another incident a house house was stoned in Edendale, Natal. A young man was arrested.
— Sapa

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MARITZBURG. — A total of 36 people died violently in Maritzburg's townships in May, the deputy director of the Centre for Adult Education, Mr John Aitchison, said yesterday. He said this was four more than the number killed in political violence in May last year.

Councillors urged to obey court order

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Staff Reporter

MEMBERS and councillors of the Lingeletu West town committee were asked at the weekend not to take the law into their own hands and to ensure that a Supreme Court order granted on Wednesday was strictly obeyed.

Mr Graham Lawrence, chief executive officer of the committee, made the request during an address to the town committee yesterday morning in compliance with the order issued by Mr Justice H L Berman.

An urgent application had earlier been brought by two Lingeletu residents who alleged they had been ordered to attend a kangaroo court sitting.

Mr Justice Berman issued an interim order calling on the town committee to show cause why a final order should not be granted interdicting and restraining the town committee and a Mr Magqaza, acting singularly or jointly with others, from participating in, assisting in, encouraging, permitting or allowing any unlawful attack on the two residents.

Mr Lawrence, as chief executive officer, was further ordered to inform all members and employees of the committee of the full text of the order within seven days.

Mr Lawrence also told the council that Mr Justice Berman had heard an application for interim relief, from which there was no appeal.

Inkatha lauds UDF-Cosatu peace talks

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — The Central Committee of Inkatha has applauded the United Democratic Front (UDF) and the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) for their participation in peace talks aimed at ending the Natal violence.

In a series of resolutions adopted at the weekend, the committee members said they were "appalled at the black-on-black confrontations which destroy black opposition to apartheid and which shame everyone in the black struggle for liberation".

They expressed appreciation for indications from the African National Congress (ANC) which showed it also supported their moves towards peace.

Inkatha reaffirmed its commitment to non-violence, but stressed that it wanted radical change through negotiation.

"However, we warn black South Africa not to be so blinded by anger and disillusionment that they cannot see a start to the process of negotiation when it does emerge," the committee said.

Inkatha urged black anti-apartheid organisations to support positive measures adopted by new NP leader Mr F W de Klerk.

But they emphasised that, if Mr De Klerk wanted their support, he should immediately initiate talks for the speedy and unconditional release of jailed ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela.

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News in Brief

Unrest: Buses stoned

PRETORIA. — At Edendale, Natal, a number of buses were damaged when they were stoned, according to the police unrest report. A 19-year-old black was injured.

Villagers charged with killing cops

Carl Teyls 7/7/89
Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Fourteen Bophuthatswana villagers appeared at Lehurutshe Magistrate's Court yesterday charged with the killing of nine policemen in Leeuwfontein on Saturday.

The magistrate granted bail ranging from R300 to R2 000, but ruled that the men should remain in custody for another two weeks. One of the accused, a 16-year-old youth, was released in the custody of his parents.

The accused are also facing charges of public violence relating to incidents of unrest at the village.

They were not asked to plead and the case was postponed to Wednesday.

The nine policemen were killed in clashes with civilians when a riot broke out at Leeuwfontein on Saturday. Two civilians also died.

● The death toll at Leeuwfontein has risen to 12 following the death of a 70-year-old man at a police road-block on Wednesday, according to the Transvaal Rural Action Committee (Trac) which monitors events at Leeuwfontein and Braklaagte.

Labour Relations Act high on Cosatu congress agenda

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The union campaign against the Labour Relations Act (LRA) will be one of the main issues for discussion at Cosatu's four-day third national congress beginning here on Wednesday, general secretary Mr Jay Naidoo said.

The congress is to be attended by 1 875 delegates representing the 921 497 paid-up members of Cosatu's 16 affiliates.

Mr Naidoo said serious attention would also be given to the question of political negotiations.

Cosatu's basic position was that the democratic movement had never opposed meaningful negotiations, and it was up to the government to create

conditions for free political activity which would make them possible.

The congress would also discuss Cosatu's vision of the future. This would include debate on the ANC's constitutional guidelines, the "fraudulent" September 6 elections, and the NP's recently announced five-year plan.

The Natal peace initiative, including the Cosatu and UDF talks with Inkatha, and calls for an independent commission of inquiry into the regional violence, would be a further matter addressed, Mr Naidoo said.

Broadening an anti-apartheid coalition, sanctions and disinvestment, privatisation and deregulation, Aids, union unity, and unemployment are also on the agenda.

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Cosatu spotlight on sanctions, Natal violence at conference

By LEN MASEKO

SANCTIONS and the Maritzburg violence will come under the spotlight at the Congress of South African Trade Unions' third national conference next week.

The meeting takes place at Nasrec, Johannesburg, between July 12 and 15. More than 1 700 delegates, representing about one million union members, are expected to attend.

Addressing a Press conference yesterday, Cosatu official, Mr Jay Naidoo, said the congress would — among other things — assess the strength of the federation's campaigns.

Action

The federation, he said, would also focus on the ANC's constitutional guidelines; the living wage campaign; disinvestment and action against the controversial Labour Relations Amendment Act.

The conference was taking place against the backdrop of the fourth state of emergency in recent years, banning of community organisations and restrictions placed on the federation about a year ago.

Attacks

"Cosatu has survived countless attacks including bombings of our premises and seizure of our documents; detention of thousands of our members, the murder of many of our members and leaders and the mass dismissal of workers," Naidoo said.

Among organisations invited to attend the meeting are the National Council of Trade Unions, Organisation of Trade Union Unity, United Nations, International Labour Organisation and International Confederation of Free Trade Unions.

Buthelezi's plan to end apartheid

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ULUNDI. — Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi last night disclosed that a document which could lead to a new, powerful united force in South African politics has been prepared for a proposed meeting soon between himself and the presidents of the ANC, the UDF and Cosatu.

In his presidential address to Inkatha's National Council, he said he could see future historians tracing a new political era and the final collapse of apartheid to the document.

The Kwazulu Chief Minister was referring to a document — details of which have not been made public — drafted by delegates of Inkatha, the UDF and Cosatu at their recent peace meetings in Natal.

Certain aspects of the proposal would be debated at today's annual conference of Inkatha. He would ask his party's delegates to present the conference with a synopsis of the recent joint talks.

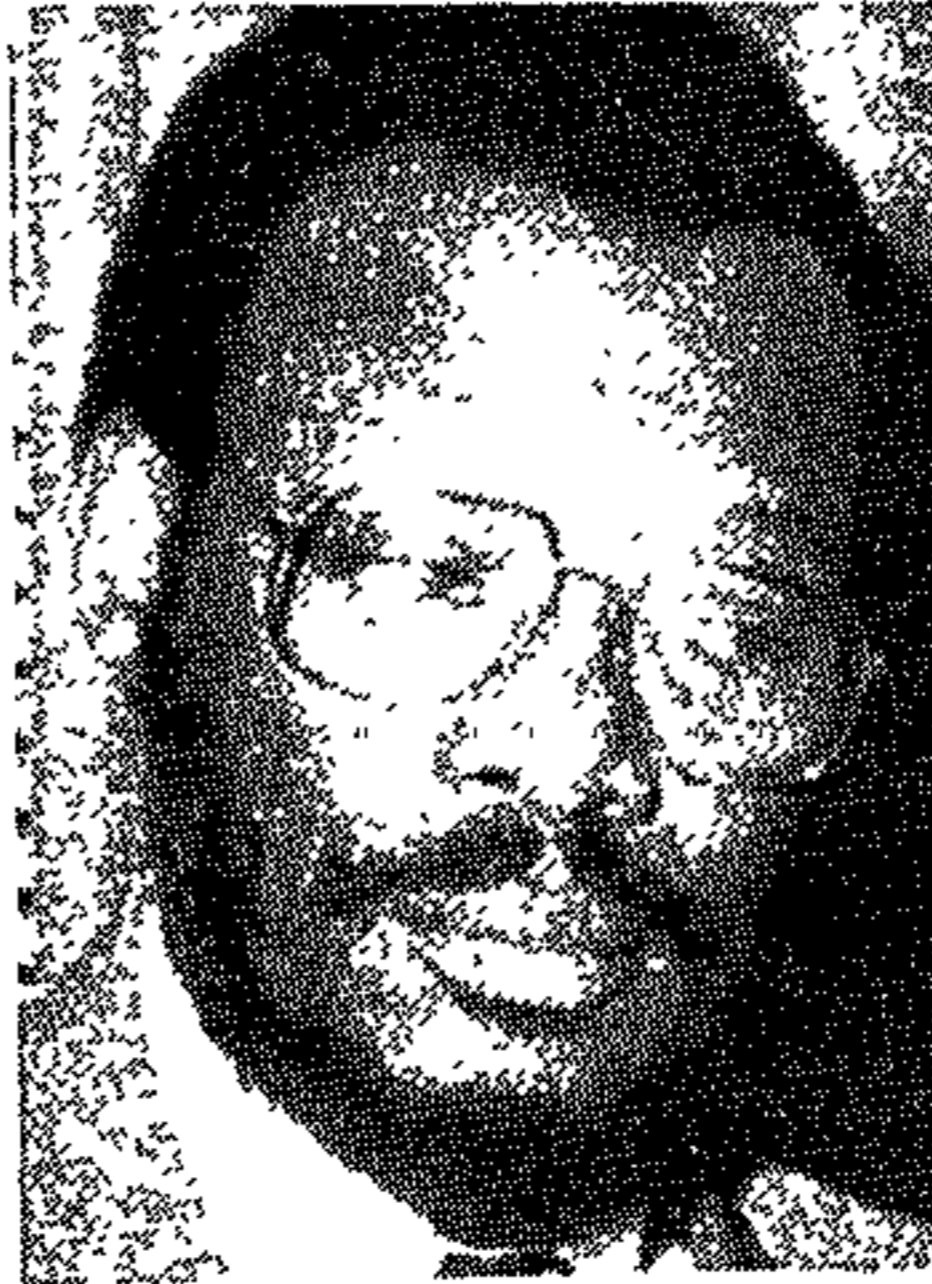
Last night's national council meeting had to formulate certain relevant amendments to Inkatha's constitution, which the conference would have to consider.

Presented to ANC

While Inkatha should do nothing to upset what he called the combination of peace initiatives, he said. "We still have to face up to the question today of whether we have to abandon what we are doing and rely only on the combined initiative as the ANC/UDF/Cosatu alliance."

"Because it has still to be presented to the president of the ANC, I cannot distribute it or quote from it in full."

Chief Buthelezi said his "gut feeling" was that the ANC, the UDF and Cosatu were re-ap-



Dr Buthelezi

praising their attitudes towards Inkatha as part of their re-appraisal of the South African situation, and the major developments which were likely to emerge.

Today's conference needed wisdom to examine seriously whether his gut feeling was correct.

"We could well be entering into an era in which black politics is given a completely different face."

The Inkatha president pointed out that this year's Inkatha conference was taking place "in the midst of a leadership crisis" in the National Party.

If NP Leader Mr F W de Klerk did become State President with complete control of that office after the September elections and took meaningful steps towards the politics of negotiation, Inkatha would have to throw its full weight behind any developments which were positive.

If the ANC, in particular, and the UDF and Cosatu were reading the times correctly, they would know that major shifts were taking place in the whole of Southern Africa.

He believed that they knew that the hate which had led to

the "hideous" killings spreading from the greater Maritzburg region to other parts of Kwazulu and Natal was destroying black unity and had to be stamped out.

"I must say that, on face value, the document being presented to the four presidents — myself, Mr Oliver Tambo, Mr Archie Gumede (of the UDF) and Mr Elijah Barayi (of Cosatu) — is positive and represents a very major advance towards really meaningful black politics," Chief Buthelezi said.

Without revealing the major content of the document, Chief Buthelezi did disclose the following points:

"It is proposed that the four presidents meet and that the agenda will be to examine the document drafted after their meetings.

Peace conference

"It is proposed that the presidents appoint two committees. One would be a permanent consultative committee which attends to ongoing needs to overcome difficulties between the organisations.

"The other is a joint peace committee which will be set the task of organising a peace conference which would bring about an organising committee representing Inkatha, the UDF and Cosatu.

"The peace conference would also appoint a joint peace rally committee which would be responsible for a mass rally in a troubled area. There would also be separate joint peace committees to organise rallies in the widest possible range of areas where violence has taken place."

The Inkatha president commented: "These proposals cannot be faulted from the point of view of Inkatha's politics ... we must do nothing from our side that scuttles them." — Sapa.



Three hopes of peace

By DICK USHER
Labour Reporter

THE lives of millions of people could be affected by the outcome of two sets of negotiations taking place on different issues between groups with widely divergent ideological perspectives.

In Natal the Inkatha movement is sitting down with the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) and the United Democratic Front (UDF) in an attempt to find solutions to the internecine strife which has racked black communities in South Africa's most densely populated province over the past two years, claiming at least 2 000 lives.

And in Johannesburg, the South African Employers' Consultative Committee on Labour Affairs (Saccola), representing all the important employer bodies in the private sector, and Cosatu, Nactu (the National Council of Trade Unions) and several independent trade unions, representing about 1,5-million organised workers, have started negotiations over the Labour Relations Amendment Act.

Promulgation of the Act last year, which had been preceded by fruitless talks about several contentious aspects, raised deep dissatisfaction in the trade union movement which has threatened to declare a national dispute with employers if this round of talks does not produce concrete progress.

ROUGH estimates are that, including dependents, about one-third of South Africa's population have a direct interest in the outcome of the negotiations.

According to experts in the field, the important thing about the negotiations, beyond the

prospects of peace they hold out, is that they are taking place at all.

The Natal talks see two groups with opposing views on investment and disinvestment, free enterprise and socialism sitting down to talk about community peace. In Johannesburg white employer representatives of capitalism are discussing industrial peace with representatives of overwhelmingly socialist oriented, overwhelmingly black worker organisations.

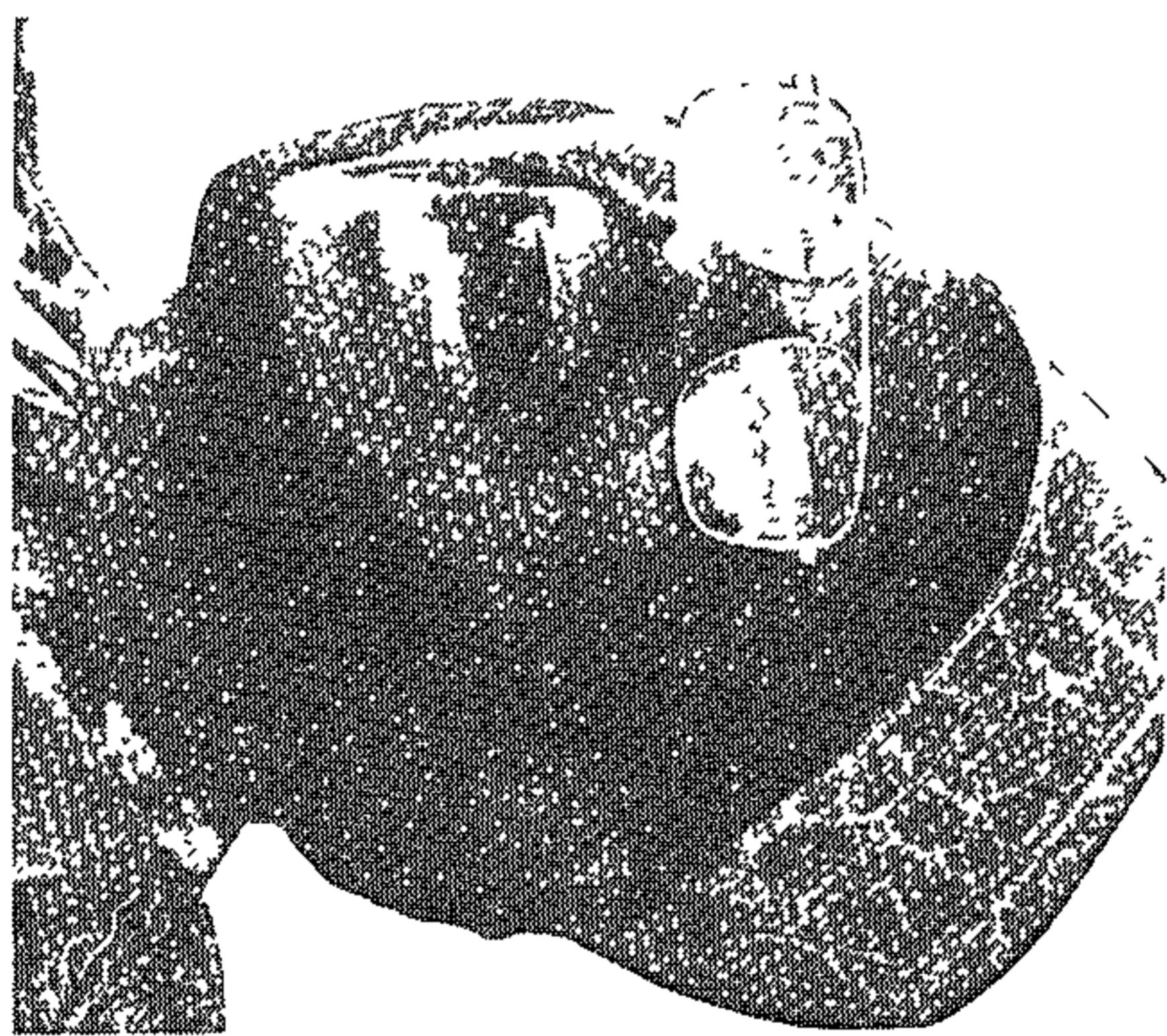
Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi, Chief Minister of Kwazulu and president of Inkatha, said that in both sets of negotiations, the people most vitally and intimately concerned were, in spite of some opposing points of view on both issues, sitting together in an attempt to negotiate a settlement of problems.

"Effectively, while the government talks about talking, the people of South Africa are taking the lead in seeking solutions to their country's problems and demonstrating that they are well ahead of the government in their desire to negotiate peaceful solutions to South Africa's problems," he said.

NOT only did the talks demonstrate their ability to negotiate with each other but also, because the talks were actually happening, their willingness and ability to negotiate as the substantive talks were the end result of discussions required to get them under way.

"These milestone talks are important because they are an example to others that it is possible and important for groups, in spite of divergent opinions and interests, to face each other in good-faith negotiations, to resolve their differences to mutual benefit and the overall good of South Africa," said Dr Buthelezi.

"In South Africa we need reconciliation at



Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi

two levels, between black and black and between black and white, so these talks are the beginning of a very important process at both those levels."

Mr Bobby Godsell, a director of Anglo American and chairman of Saccola, said the talks should be seen as one outcome of a growing realisation over the past few years that the solutions to problems start when people take charge of their own lives and situations.

While the two sets of negotiations were high-profile examples of this, he said there were doz-

ens of other examples — such as negotiations over the Soweto rent boycotts and with Eskom over electricity tariffs.

"What we are seeing is a change in... rhetoric and a demonstration of the overwhelming desire by people to start a process of negotiation, particularly where you can see concrete results."

PROFESSOR Frank Horwitz of UCT's Graduate School of Business said the talks should be seen in the context of various other less overt negotiations which had been achieving incremental successes in black townships.

They were, overall, examples of bi-lateral public negotiation which in the short-term were important and reflected a greater strategic approach by community groups of being willing to enter into dialogue with authorities.

"They're examples, perhaps, of less rhetoric and greater realism," said Professor Horwitz. "We have to be hopeful about these talks. Would they have started if those involved did not feel discussions held the possibility of resolving the issues?"

He hoped that just as the union movement was grappling towards unity, there would be greater leadership effort and member cohesion among business organisations.

"The talks about the Act could be an issue which galvanises employers and business leaders in an accommodative direction towards unity."

BUT Mr Godsell was not convinced that business needed one voice to take part in what he saw as a process of ever-widening circles of negotiation as a way of avoiding conflict.

"Business has many interests and whether negotiations happen through one organisation or many is not important. "What is important is that dialogue between

properly mandated bodies grows and develops. "The agenda of matters that black and white people are going to be talking about will expand. That is what becoming an industrial democracy is all about and we will have to find the structures to accommodate this."

"It's a process of finding unity in disunity and collective bargaining has shown it is possible for people with various voices to reach agreements."

Mr Peter Mansfield, executive director of the Natal-Kwazulu Indaba said what was emerging as demonstrated by the talks, was a very encouraging period of opportunity which everybody should grasp.

"A long period of polarisation is being replaced by an interactive convergence in which groups with widely divergent views and ideologies are starting to talk.

"No single side is going to win these arguments and, if in the end you will have to negotiate, it is better to start sooner rather than later."

LESS complex situations are open to settlement by one 'big bang' negotiation but a complex situation such as South Africa there will have to be many negotiations which start heading society in the direction of a solution," said Mr Mansfield.

He said one should also not be too critical of the government's role.

"The rhetoric of negotiation is part of the process, and although large-scale national discussions are not taking place, the government is at least dealing in the rhetoric of negotiation which is helping to create an environment in which it can take place.

"In the same way, these two high-profile negotiations are also helping to set out the terrain and helping to create a climate for negotiation."

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3 die in Natal unrest

PRETORIA. — Three men have been stabbed to death in faction fighting in Richmond, Natal, according to yesterday's official police unrest report. And in Mpumalanga, Natal, one person was wounded as two groups fired on each other.

Reports by Staff Reporter, Own Correspondent, Sapa Reuter-AP and UPI

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Inkatha calls for link-up

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — The Inkatha movement has suggested that it should link up with the ANC, Cosatu and the UDF to make a joint approach to foreign governments and international donor agencies for financial backing to rehabilitate people who have lost all their possessions in the ongoing

Political comment in this issue by J C Viviers, G Q Kling, G E Shaw, J V Scott, A Johnson and B Streek. Headlines and sub-editing by A Henderson, D Moyle and J Levy, all of Newspaper House, 122 St George's Street, Cape Town.

black-on-black violence in Natal.

A resolution to this effect was adopted at the annual conference of Inkatha, held at Ulundi over the weekend.

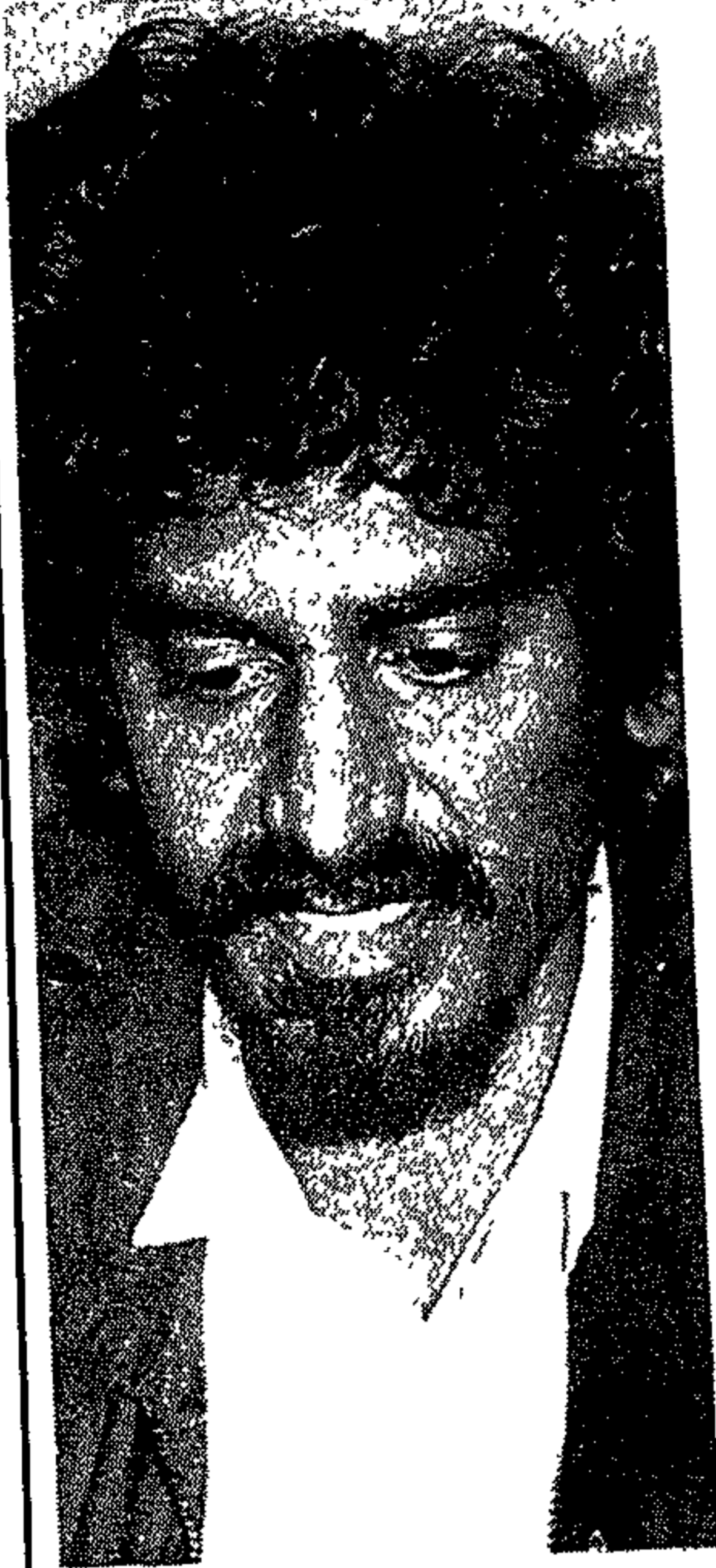
Another motion urged the president of Inkatha, Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi, to continue with his peace initiatives while the basis for joint action between Inkatha, the UDF and Cosatu was negotiated.

It called on the UDF and Cosatu to do what they could to end the vio-

lence even while peace was being negotiated, and on the ANC to continue supporting the negotiations.

The conference decided to express its hope to the ANC that there were indications that the organisation was moving towards the acceptance of the need to solve South Africa's problems through the politics of negotiation, and that it was doing so with other parties with whom the ANC would eventually share a multi-party political system.

First peace rally held in Maritzburg



Jay Naidoo ... call for commission of inquiry.

MORE than 6000 people attended an incident-free Cosatu/UDF peace rally held in Edendale, near Maritzburg on Sunday. *Sowetan 11/7/89*

The meeting, held at the Wadley Stadium, follows a similar meeting of the alliance held at Currie's Fountain in Durban last weekend. These were the first two peace rallies held by Cosatu and UDF.

Mr Jay Naidoo, general secretary of Cosatu, urged those present to become fully involved in the peace initiatives in Natal, which he said had the support of the Cosatu/UDF alliance, Inkatha and the African National Congress.

Naidoo called for an independent commission of inquiry into the ongoing violence which has claimed more than 2000 lives.

Need for peace

Chief Mhlabunzima Maphumulo, national president of the Congress of Traditional Leaders of South Africa also emphasised the need for peace in Natal and said his organisation wished to be included in the peace talks.

There was a strong police presence along the road to the stadium and at the rally. Maphumulo thanked the South African Defence Force and South African Police for their unobstructive presence.

No incidents of violence were reported.

Four more deaths in Natal violence

PRETORIA — Police say in their latest unrest report that two men, a youth and a woman have been killed in Natal.

At KwaMashu, Durban, a man was burnt to death and another seriously injured when a petrol bomb was hurled at a house.

At Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale, a house was damaged by petrol-bombs. A 15-year-old youth died of burns and a man and a woman in the house were killed.

The report added that at Shongweni, near Hammarsdale, a man was shot in the foot by two men but was not seriously injured. — Sapa.

2 stabbed, 2 burn to death in Natal violence

PRETORIA. — Two people were burnt to death and another two killed in unrest-related incidents in strife-torn Natal, police said yesterday.

A 15-year-old youth died from burn wounds after a group of people threw petrol bombs at a house in Mpumalanga near Hammarsdale. The occupants of the house were then attacked and stabbed and a man and a woman were killed. A man was also wounded in the incident and the house was extensively damaged.

At KwaMashu, Durban, a man was burnt to death and another seriously injured after an angry group hurled a petrol bomb at a private house. The extent of the damage to the house is not yet known.

A man was shot and wounded in the foot when two men opened fire on him at Shongweni near Hammarsdale. He was not seriously injured. — Sapa

'Haves' and 'have-nots' battle it out in township

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — ABOUT 200 people from the Lindelani shack settlement have invaded Ntuzuma township, north of Durban, destroying at least three houses and injuring three people.

People in the two communities, who are separated by a pitted and littered narrow tarred road, have been at loggerheads for the past four weeks. Several houses have been burned out and at least three people have died.

The trouble began when a boy from Ntuzuma was stabbed to death when he went to a Lindelani tuckshop. People from his neighbourhood made a revenge attack.

TIT-FOR-TAT ACTION

Tit-for-tat action followed, spurred on by the jealousy squatters felt towards people in the formal Ntuzuma township over their different lifestyles.

This culminated in the invasion by Lindelani people armed with spears, home-made guns and assegais into Ntuzuma F section at 1am yesterday. They retreated when police arrived.

This took place metres away from St Paul's Catholic Church. The priest in charge, Father

Martin Moore-Corry, has tried to help the two sides get together. About 80 people from both sides met in his church yesterday hours after the attack and decided to form a committee "to try to come to an agreement and stop the fighting", he said.

One of the Ntuzuma residents said yesterday: "People from the other side, the squatter area, look here and see we have running water in our homes, sewerage, electricity, tarred roads, better housing which is registered in people's names and telephones."

Lindelani leader Mr Thomas Shabalala, who is widely referred to as a warlord, visited F Section yesterday to say he was "also for peace" and offered to get materials to help repair the damaged homes, the resident said.

Older residents of F section have undertaken to speak to children said to be behind the attacks on Lindelani squatters, to find out why they did what they did, and try to stop them.

● A man was hacked to death with pangas at Nyuswa, near Pinetown. Two vehicles were then petrol-bombed, according to the latest police unrest report. — Sapa.

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Man hacked to death 276

PRETORIA — A man was hacked to death with pangas at Nyuswa, near Pinetown. The man's attackers then petrol-bombed two vehicles. At Ntuzuma (Durban) a home was petrol-bombed.

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Natal killing probed

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By TERRY VAN DER WALT

A COMPREHENSIVE study of the violence in Natal has been completed after two years of intensive research into the problem which has led to almost 2 000 deaths since 1985.

This week, Mr Gavin Woods, the director of the Inkatha Institute for South Africa, released to the Sunday Times a copy of the study which he hopes will draw others into the peace quest.

Volatile

The study says a volatile minority — aged between 14 and 25 — account for 90 per cent of violent incidents in the townships.

It says members of this group are easily mobilised to commit violent acts.

But Mr Woods said the majority of youths preferred to lead normal lives and avoid violence.

More than 3 000 people were interviewed for the study.

Two shot dead ²⁷⁶ in Natal unrest

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Two men were shot dead yesterday in separate unrest incidents in Mpumalanga township near Hammarsdale, Natal, police said.

According to the latest unrest report, the killings happened while several houses were stoned.

On the Reef, arsonists damaged a house in Dlamini, Soweto. — Crime Reporter.

20 KILLED IN NATAL

TWENTY people were killed in weekend clashes in Natal, police said yesterday, dashing hopes that last month's peace talks

SOWETAN Reporter

between rival black groups would end years of violent feuding.

A spokesman for KwaZulu homeland police said most of the victims were either shot, stabbed or burnt to death in isolated clashes between Friday evening

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and Sunday night.

Groups monitoring unrest said the weekend death toll was the worst carnage in more than two years of struggle between the United Democratic Front (UDF) anti-apartheid coalition and the Zulu Inkatha movement.

More than 1500 people have died in the

power struggle between the two groups over the strategies of ending apartheid. (276)

Representatives of Inkatha and the UDF met in Durban last month in a bid to settle their differences, and until this weekend's flareup, unrest monitors had noted a lull in fighting.— Sapa-Reuter.

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PRETORIA. — Two men were gunned down in separate — and police believe possibly related — attacks in central Durban at the weekend, and faction fighting is believed to have been the motive.

In the first incident at a crowded Victoria bus terminus in Market Street, Mr Nqabakayi Tsheligana Mthembu, 60, died when he was shot four times by an unknown gunman.

He was struck in the left temple, the stomach and twice in the back

Crowds scattered as the gunman opened fire at pointblank range in an area where thousands of commuters were waiting for buses to take them home from work

In the second shooting, an unidentified man was shot in the right shoulder, the waist and the head near Berea Road railway station about midnight on Saturday

The shooting was reported to the police

Men gunned down in centre of Durban

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by the manager of the Tropicale Restaurant, Mr Silvan Moodley, according to Lieutenant Bala Naidoo

Four employees of the restaurant had been on their way to the station when the gunman approached them. Three men es-

caped, but the fourth fell in a hail of bullets

Meanwhile, two men who are alleged to have killed one man and injured two others have been arrested in Mpumalanga, Natal, according to the weekend police unrest report.

● Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi yesterday urged blacks in Maritzburg to work tirelessly for peace.

Addressing a mass prayer rally at Imbali, the Kwazulu Chief Minister said Inkatha would strive for peace "because it is determined to uphold the time-honoured ideals of the black struggle for liberation".

Chief Buthelezi again read the letter written to him by jailed ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela and said: "We will not disappoint our heroes and our martyrs who went before us" — Sapa

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Nurses to submit demands to minister

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Own Correspondent

THE nursing crisis has reached unprecedented proportions and urgent corrective action is needed to prevent further deteriorations, senior members of the profession said at the weekend.

A delegation from the SA Nursing Association will submit demands for an immediate 15% increase to the Minister of National Health and Population Development, Dr Willie van Niekerk, later this week.

Meanwhile, association executive director Ms Susan du Preez said "The shortage is affecting nursing services throughout the country

"It is clear that at the root of the shortage is pay"

Ms Du Preez also said the growth of the private hospital industry had lured nurses away from provincial and state services with higher pay and more flexible and shorter hours

Police name dead lecturer

JOHANNESBURG — A University of Fort Hare lecturer who died at the Potchefstroom offices of the SAP narcotics branch at the weekend has been named.

Police said Mr Tobias Benjamin van Niekerk, 36, was being questioned in connection with allegedly luring, molesting and committing an indecent act. While being questioned, he fell over backwards in the throes of an apparent heart attack, police said

Preparations for an inquest are under way. — Sapa

Blackwell slashes at women's TV fashion

NEW YORK — Designer Mr Norman Blackwell says there are some serious fashion problems on television

His list of the worst-dressed women on the tube, compiled for TV Guide, includes Roseanne Barr ("takes thrift-shop chic to the terrifying limit"), Vanna White ("mall fashion at its worst"), the women of "Dallas" ("glamour by excess") and Bea Arthur of "Golden Girls"

He gives qualified praise to Melanie Mayron, saying her "Thirtysomething" character "makes her own kind of Bohemian-flavoured fashion music"

There are some nicely-dressed prime-time women, specially Candice Bergen of "Murphy Brown". He also praises Angela Lansbury, Barbara Walters, Nicollette Sheridan of "Knott's Landing", Jane Curtin and Susan Saint James of "Kate and Allie" and Jane Wyman of "Falcon Crest" — UPI

JOHANNESBURG. — Twenty people were reported killed in weekend clashes in Natal, dashing hopes that last month's peace talks between rival groups would end years of violent feuding.

A KwaZulu police spokesman said most of the victims were either shot, stabbed or burnt to death in isolated clashes.

Groups monitoring unrest said the weekend death toll was the worst carnage in more than two years of struggle between the United Democratic Front (UDF) and Inkatha.

More than 1 500 people have died in the power struggle.

● Meanwhile, at Dlamini (Soweto) arsonists damaged a private house, according to the SA Police Public Relations Directorate in Pretoria.

20 die in bloody Natal feuding

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Several incidents of stone-throwing and attacks on private houses were reported at Mpumalanga (Natal) In two of these incidents two men were shot and fatally wounded, the report said.

Mr Sello Bernard Sekhukhune, 57, of Mohlaletse village in Sekhukhune-land, has been admitted to the Jane Furse Hospital with injuries he received during a faction fight at the weekend, the homeland police said.

— Sapa-Reuter

people killed

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By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

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Twenty-four people have been killed since the weekend in what has been described as the "worst outbreak of carnage" in Natal township violence.

The killings, in the Mpumalanga/Georgetown area, have been confirmed by police.

The carnage started on Saturday morning and continued until yesterday.

Police have now taken special measures to end the violence, with extra patrols and other measures being instituted. Between 200 000 and 300 000 people live in the area.

However, the police spokesman said the violence showed signs of abating.

The victims were either shot, stabbed or burnt to death in separate incidents.

The kwaZulu spokesman said the causes of the violent eruption were still being investigated. "All possibilities", including that of Inkatha/UDF clashes, would be probed.

Clashes between the two organisations have claimed the lives of more than 2 000 people over the past two years.

25 die in worst 2 days of Natal's civil war

Mpumalanga
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DURBAN — Weekend violence in Mpumalanga near here claimed at least 25 lives, police said

It was hailed as the most violent weekend of the civil war in Natal's townships by both police and unrest monitoring groups

In the latest reported incident, on Monday, a young black woman was dragged from a bus by a group of people, stabbed, doused with petrol and set alight.

Mpumalanga was the one Natal township "going against the trend of a decrease in violence", said DP unrest monitoring co-ordinator Roy Ainslie.

Groups of Inkatha and UDF supporters were scattered throughout the township. Neither side had been able to oust the other, unlike in other Natal townships, which were usually dominated by a single group. This could be a reason for the violence, he said.

When our correspondent visited Mpumalanga yesterday, the township's roads were peppered with car-wreck barricades built by residents to prevent access by both police and vigilantes.

The atmosphere was very tense. A heavy police presence was evident.

One of the few residents who would speak, Red Cross worker Welcome Mlotshwa, said his Unit 4 house had been petrol-bombed on Saturday evening by people claiming to belong to Inkatha.

He said that although he told them he was neutral, belonging to no organisation, they bombed his home because it was "in an Inkatha area", and if he did not belong to Inkatha, he must be a UDF member. He saved his two toddlers, but lost his home and belongings.

A Pretoria police spokesman said police were aware of the gravity of the situation and were doing everything possible to end unrest.

□ Ainslie said about half the dead and 35% of those wounded in Natal unrest were from Mpumalanga.

SAP unrest details incomplete

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19/12/84 DANIEL SIMON (276)

THE SAP did not furnish details on all Natal unrest incidents as some townships fell under KwaZulu police control, a Pretoria police spokesman said yesterday.

In its daily unrest reports from Friday to yesterday the SAP said a total four people had died in unrest related incidents in Natal's Mpumalanga area.

However, the SAP's figures added to figures supplied by KwaZulu police showed that at least 24 people died in Mpumalanga during the period.

Police Directorate spokesman Capt Ruben Bloomberg said the SAP only reported incidents SAP members had contact with. Both forces policed the area. "When the SAP come across an unrest-related incident it gets reported both to Pretoria and the KwaZulu police. However, when KwaZulu police come across an incident it gets reported only to the KwaZulu police commissioner."

UNREST DEATHS

EMERGENCY UPDATE

Gang tension: Police on alert

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The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN.— A strong contingent of police is standing by in Howick to prevent simmering tension between rival groups exploding into open street warfare.

They have cordoned off a street and posted men to enforce strict separation of would-be combatants in a huge peace-keeping operation. In one incident more than 1 000 people were involved.

There have been clashes this week between BTR Sarmcol workers, who took the jobs of workers who lost their positions four years ago, and youths from nearby Mpophomeni, focal point of trouble in recent years, who have been ferried into the town, allegedly to encourage confrontation.

Major Peter Kitching, police public relations officer for the Maritzburg district, said today that police had to intervene to prevent serious problems when youths stopped workers on Monday afternoon and evening.

The two factions have names, reminiscent of the American gang-warfare tale *West Side Story*. The Sarmcol workers are known as "Rats" and the youths are called the "Cats". They are 14 to 18 years old and are connected to workers put off by Sarmcol, according to a Howick businessman.

Woman burnt in new Natal violence

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JOHANNESBURG. — A gang shot dead a woman they had forced off a bus in Natal this week and then set fire to her body.

According to police the gang first shot the woman, fatally wounding her, then poured petrol over the body and set it alight.

Three more deaths at Mpumalanga were reported to the KwaZulu police yesterday morning, a police spokesman said.

This brings the death toll in this area for the past four days to 24.

The KwaZulu police reported a sharp increase in violent crime in the region at the weekend when 36 people were murdered and nine cases of attempted murder reported.

Thirty people were arrested in connection with the crimes.

The violence in the area, which is near Maritzburg, is believed to be political and it goes against the trend of relative peace after talks between Inkatha and the UDF-Cosatu alliance.

Colonel Jan Fourie, district commandant of the KwaZulu police, said it was difficult to say at this stage what was the cause of the violence.

Worst in two years

Colonel Fourie said the situation in the Mpumalanga township was still tense and there was a strong police presence.

Groups monitoring unrest said the weekend death toll was the worst carnage in more than two years of fighting between the UDF and Inkatha.

Representatives of Inkatha, the UDF and Cosatu met in Durban last month in a bid to settle their differences and until this weekend's flare-up unrest monitors had noted a reduction in fighting.

Unrest monitors could not say what had caused the Mpumalanga killings.

Mr Pierre Cronje, Democratic Party MP for Greytown, said he was planning to go to Mpumalanga to try to find out what had caused the latest fighting.

The Inkatha Institute has completed a comprehensive two-year study on the violence in Natal which has claimed the lives of almost 2 000 people since the conflict started four years ago.

The director of the institute, Mr Gavin Woods, says he hopes the findings of the report will help to end violence in the region. He said the report would be sent to parties concerned, including the KwaZulu government, political parties, church organisations, the UDF and academics.

According to the report more than 90% of investigated incidents of violence were carried out by black youths between the ages of 14 and 25. — Sapa

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Six die ²⁷⁶ as unrest flares in Natal

PRETORIA. — Six more people died in townships in Natal on Tuesday, police here said.

Five men were stabbed to death in four incidents at Etsieni in Natal and two private houses and two vehicles set alight.

Police also found the body of a man who had been murdered at Mpu-malanga in Natal.

At Athlone, Cape Town, pupils of a secondary school threw stones at a police vehicle, damaging it. A woman was arrested.

At Mamelodi, Pretoria, two private houses were damaged, during petrol-bomb attacks. One man was arrested.

Shots were fired at a security force vehicle at Molweni in Natal and four men were arrested.

Also in Natal, at Mphomeni, a security force member received slight burns in a petrol-bomb attack.

At Mpande, Taylor's Halt, a group set a private vehicle alight.

An explosive device was detonated outside a private house in Asaadville, Krugersdorp, about 12.15am on Tuesday. No one was injured.

— Sapa

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NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 to January 1989:	668
February 1989 — July 18 1989:	154
Past 24 hours' official toll:	6
TOTAL:	828

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Youths and workers clash

MARITZBURG — Unrest spilled into Howick for the second day yesterday as Mpophomeni youths and BTR Sarmcol workers clashed. Police cordoned off one street and mounted a swift operation to keep the groups apart. Police confirmed the clashes, but no deaths or injuries were reported.

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A witness, George Anderson, said that the feuding began on Saturday.

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"It appears as if the youths from Mpophomeni want Sarmcol to shut down. The youths came into town on Saturday, Monday and yesterday with the intention of attacking the workers," he said.

A cafe owner in Howick said youths swarmed into town on Monday about lunchtime. By 5pm close on 1 000 people had gathered in front of BTR Sarmcol.

"The police moved in, kept the groups apart and managed to move them out of town," Anderson said.

"It is hard to tell what is actually going on, but it appears as though a Sarmcol worker was kidnapped by the youths and taken to Mpophomeni and killed. After the worker's funeral on Saturday, Sarmcol workers retaliated and stabbed two youths," a witness said. — Sapa.

Peace hunt is still on

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Peace talks will continue in Natal next week, in spite of the rising death toll in strife-torn townships around Maritzburg which has reached 30 since the weekend — including 24 in the Mpumalanga-Georgetown area.

Leaders involved in the talks yesterday made urgent efforts to establish communication between the two sides to help prevent further violence.

The Commissioner of the kwaZulu Police, Brigadier Dries Laas, said after spending several hours in the Mpumalanga area that he was shocked to find that there were still signs of the disturbances, including barricaded streets.

Extra policemen have been moved to the area.

In Howick yesterday, a strong contingent of police was standing by to prevent simmering tension between rival groups becoming open fighting.

— Staff Reporter, Sapa.

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Howick 'back to normal'

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Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG. — Howick residents remained apprehensive yesterday following confrontations between youths from Mpophomeni township and workers from the BTR Sarmcol plant in the town this week, but the situation was reported to be quiet.

Acting town clerk Mr S J Martens said the situation was "almost back to normal" yesterday.

A senior police spokesman said no reports of deaths or serious injuries were received.

The eruption of unrest has been linked to an ongoing dispute over the dismissal of about 1 000 workers from the BTR Sarmcol plant in Howick four years ago, following strike action.

There is ongoing friction between the group known as the "Rats" — workers who took on the jobs of the dismissed employees — and the "Cats" who support the dismissed workers.

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...general for a decision whether to prosecute or not."

Attempts to be made to stop fighting

MARITZBURG — Attempts are to be made at Ndaleneni near Richmond in Natal at the weekend to end the renewed faction fighting between the Phatheni and Esimozomeni groups in the district. (276)

Chief Mzwandile Majozi of Ndaleneni, which includes Esimozomeni, said a tribal meeting was to be held in the area on Saturday to try and find ways of stopping the killings.

A police spokesman said 22 people had been killed in the clashes, in which firearms, assegais and knob-

kieries had been used, since the fighting started about 10 months ago. He said 54 people had been arrested.

□ Police have appealed for any information regarding the 22 bodies found in various places at Mpumalanga, near Hammarsdale, after a fresh outbreak of violence in the township this past weekend. Nov 21 1989

The police are still identifying those killed. The youngest was a girl of about 14. No motives for the killings are known and no witnesses have come forward. — Sapa.

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New violence won't stop peace talks

TWO of the leaders involved in the peace talks aimed at ending violence in Natal vowed that the talks would go on in spite of the violence tearing apart the community of Mpumalanga (half-way between Durban and Pietermaritzburg).

At least 25 people were killed over the past four days.

And as top brass of the KwaZulu police went on an all-day tour of the violence-ravaged township on Wednesday to hold meetings aimed at working on a plan to restore peace, unrest spilled over to Mpophomeni near Howick, fuelling speculation over the future of the talks.

The education officer for the National Union of Metalworkers of SA, Mr Alec Erwin, said they needed to continue to bring about the end of the killings in Natal.

He said, from various unrest monitoring groups, there had been a decline in violence in Natal since the talks started and he hoped that they would not be affected by Mpumalanga.

The chairman of Inkatha's National Council and member of the Inkatha delegation to the talks, Dr Frank Mdlalose, said the bloody clashes at Mpumalanga were not the sort of thing that should stop parties from going on with the talks.

"It means we must apply our minds even more intensely at the talks and appeal to the



Mr Frank Mdlalose . . . appeal to community.

community to stop fighting," he said.

Mdlalose said it was unfortunate that the clashes between Inkatha and the UDF/Cosatu camp would keep on happening, but these should not be allowed to interfere with the talks.

He said he had a telephone conversation with one of the UDF/Cosatu peace members yesterday and they both agreed that it was unfortunate that the clashes occurred and that they should not be allowed to occur.

They also discussed the importance of putting an end on vilifications of members from both camps.

"We agreed that it was wrong for any of our members to call leaders with their first names and to use abusive language against leaders for any organisation," he said.

Two more killed in Natal township violence

Two men were killed — one by a security force member — and one was injured in Natal township violence at the weekend, the police said in their latest unrest report

An unidentified man was fatally wounded on Saturday night after he, along with other men, alleged-

ly threw stones at a member of the security forces in Magabini, Umkomaas.

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In Mpumalanga near Hammarsdale, a man was stoned to death by an unidentified assailant, police said. *Star 24/7/89*

At Showkoko, Inanda, a mob

stoned private houses and petrol-bombed another, causing extensive damage. One man was stabbed and wounded by a member of the mob.

In Athlone, Cape, a mob stoned a car, injuring a woman and causing extensive damage to the vehicle. — Sapa.

PACC stands on violence

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THE Pan Africanist Congress has rejected claims that it had renounced violence and sanctions.

The organisation was reacting to reports in South African newspapers which claimed it

had taken a drastic departure from its current policy on negotiations and the armed struggle.

An official of the ex-

ternal mission of the organisation said his organisation still regarded the armed struggle as the principal form of struggle.

On negotiations, it said the PAC was prepared to negotiate

The PAC also said it stood firm on its support for sanctions.

Several newspapers recently quoted a statement issued in London and signed by a Mr Velekhaya Shange who described himself as chairman of the Natal region of the PAC-in-exile.

He said in the statement which circulated in Durban: "We denounce violence in any form, for it yields undisciplined society."



ZEPH MTHOPENG

Shembe arrest

ROUND-the-clock investigations have led to the arrest of a suspect who is alleged to have shot and killed the Rev Londa Shembe, leader of the 500 000-strong Nazareth Baptist Church, in April this year. *Sowetan 26/7/87*

Major Charl du Toit, South African Police Relations Officer for Port Natal, confirmed yesterday that a black man had been arrested in Gingindlovu by members of the Durban Murder and Robbery Unit.

Shembe (45), died in a hail of bullets when two unknown gunmen burst into his home at 4am on April 7.

It was the second attempt on the life of the religious leader, who was very popular with his community. In 1980 Shembe survived an assassination attempt.

Through his church, Shembe maintained links with both Inkatha and the United Democratic Front.

On the morning of April 7, two men entered through an open window and threatened Shembe's wife, Patricia.

They then went to the bedroom where Shembe was sleeping and fired a number of shots - killing him instantly.

Major Leonard Knipe, head of the Durban Murder and Robbery Unit said that detectives had made the breakthrough after receiving information and went to the Natal North Coast and arrested a man.

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called on their members
to "strive towards unity
to enable the oppressed
to strike telling blows
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A joint statement is-
sued here yesterday
after a meeting between
the three organisations
on violence in Natal says
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traged at the spate of
senseless violence in
Mpumalanga and other
areas resulting in the
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wise be alive to pursue
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UDF, Inkatha plea for unity

hope that the peace pro-
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The three called on
their members to:

● "Give leaders of our
organisations a chance
of implementing the
peace process by desist-
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ther acts of violence
against fellow op-
pressed.

● "Close ranks and
strive towards unity
which alone will enable
the oppressed to strike
telling blows against the
common enemy." —
Sapa

DURBAN — Two Kwa-Mashu schools, north of Durban, were deserted yesterday as disruptions continue to plague black education.

Tholamandla Primary School and Zeph Dhlomo Secondary School are the latest in a growing list of schools affected.

A spokesman for the KwaZulu Department of Education and Culture said a group of men went to Tholamandla last Friday and stabbed two boys.

The school was closed that day but classes resumed on Monday with a poor attendance, he said.

Zeph Secondary was also closed last Friday but about 50 pupils attended the school on Monday. This followed an undisclosed dispute between teachers last Thursday.

KwaZulu police who patrolled the area, and the two schools in particular, confirmed yesterday that the schools were deserted.

Meanwhile, a man was stoned to death and 27 people — including 15 women — were arrested for unrest-related incidents countrywide, the SA Police public relations division reported yesterday.

The body of a man who was stoned to death and then set alight was found in Diepkloof, Soweto.

Pupils stoned a police vehicle in Bohlokong, Bethlehem. Police arrested 24 people.

In another incident in the same area, a home was petrol-bombed. — Sapa

Troubled Natal schools deserted

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Capt Mills 11/8/89

Passenger dies in bus attack

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PRETORIA. — One passenger was killed and six others were wounded when a group of men attacked a bus in Mpumalanga, near Hammarsdale, according to yesterday's police unrest report.

In Inanda, a man was fatally wounded by a policeman in a shootout. The policeman had allegedly been returning fire after being fired at by a group of men.

One man was stabbed to death and another wounded by a group of people in Mpophomeni, near Howick.

In Mpumuza, Edendale, a group of men fired shots at two private vehicles and then set them alight.

In Lenasia, a home was petrol-bombed.

In Slangspruit, outside Maritzburg, a bus was stoned. Three men were injured when police used birdshot to disperse the crowd. — Sapa

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Policemen die after attack at school soccer

The Argus Correspondent
DURBAN. — Two police constables died after they were attacked at a school soccer match in Kwamashu, north of Durban.

The district detective officer of the Kwazulu police, Major Koos Pretorius, said today that Constable A Deyi of Berea, Durban, died at the match.

His companion, Constable M V Mchunu of C R Swart Square police headquarters in Durban, was shot in the stomach and taken to King Edward VIII Hospital.

A spokesman for the hospital said Constable Mchunu died after an operation last night.

Major Pretorius said the two off-duty constables were watching a soccer match between Igugu Labasha and Zakhe high schools when about five people approached them.

Constable Deyi was shot and stabbed. As Constable Mchunu turned he was shot in the stomach. During the commotion he ran to a bus.

Both constables' firearms are missing and no arrests have been made.

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CME Times 3/8/89 **2 cops shot dead** *(276)*

DURBAN. — Two off-duty policemen were killed yesterday in KwaMashu, north of here, police said. They were watching a schools soccer match when five men emerged from the crowd and shot them, police said.

CME Times 3/8/89 **Man gets 4 years** *(276)*

JOHANNESBURG. — A father of three, Simon George Mogale, 34, of Krugersdorp, was jailed for six years yesterday, four years effective, for hiding limpet mines in his shack.

CME Times 3/8/89 **UN: Mine-proof trucks** *(276)*

WINDHOEK. — A spokesman for Untag, Mr Fred Eckhard, has announced here that the United Nations General Assembly has approved the purchase of 20 Wolf turbo landmine-resistant vehicles at a cost of R5,7 million. Untag's police contingent has come under criticism because of its inability to monitor police action, due to insufficient landmine-resistant vehicles.

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connected with the child's alleged abduction.

The same day, a KwaMashu man and three of his four sons were hacked to death in an attack at Inchanga.

Mr Kaiser Ndlovu, 67, and his four sons had travelled to Fredville, near Inchanga, from Kwa-Mashu to visit his wife's grave. On their way back to the parked motor car they were attacked.

Mr Ndlovu and three sons, Mr Gabriel Ndlovu, 45, Mr Siphon Ndlovu, 29, and Mr Mduduzi Ndlovu, 17, were hacked to death, but Mr Bongani Ndlovu managed to escape.

GRUESOME

DEATH FOR

SEVEN people from two families were hacked to death in gruesome attacks in two black areas near Durban at the weekend.

One was stabbed a number of times before being set alight.

Police have arrested a man in connection with one attack in Umlazi,

south of Durban, in which Mrs Beauty Mngadi, 56, her husband Ephraim, 58, and their son Bobby, 38, were killed.

The branch commander of the KwaZulu police in Umlazi, Lieutenant Kwazi Nene, said Mrs Mngadi was stabbed numerous times before she was set alight.

He said both Mr Mngadi and his son were still alive when police found them with multiple stab wounds at house

1030 in E section. They were taken to Prince Mshiyeni Hospital where they died.

Nene said a three-year-old child from the Mngadis neighbour's house had gone missing on July 30. The child was found on Saturday and the attack on the Mngadis was carried out the same day.

Nene said they believed the attack was

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Singing students silence Slabbert

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The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — A group of students chanting "one settler, one bullet" broke up a meeting at the Durban-Westville University campus that was addressed by Dr Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, executive director of the Institute for a Democratic Alternative for South Africa.

Dr van Zyl Slabbert had been invited to speak by the Combined Staff Association. He had started his address to several hundred staff members and students when about 20 members of the Azanian Stu-

dents Movement entered the lecture theatre.

Dr van Zyl Slabbert got as far as saying he would analyse why he had been prevented from speaking at the University of the Witwatersrand campus a few days ago.

With some members of the audience and the protesters set to clash, a representative of the UDW students representative council took the microphone and denounced what Azasm was doing, and disassociated the SRC from the action. The SRC members said the

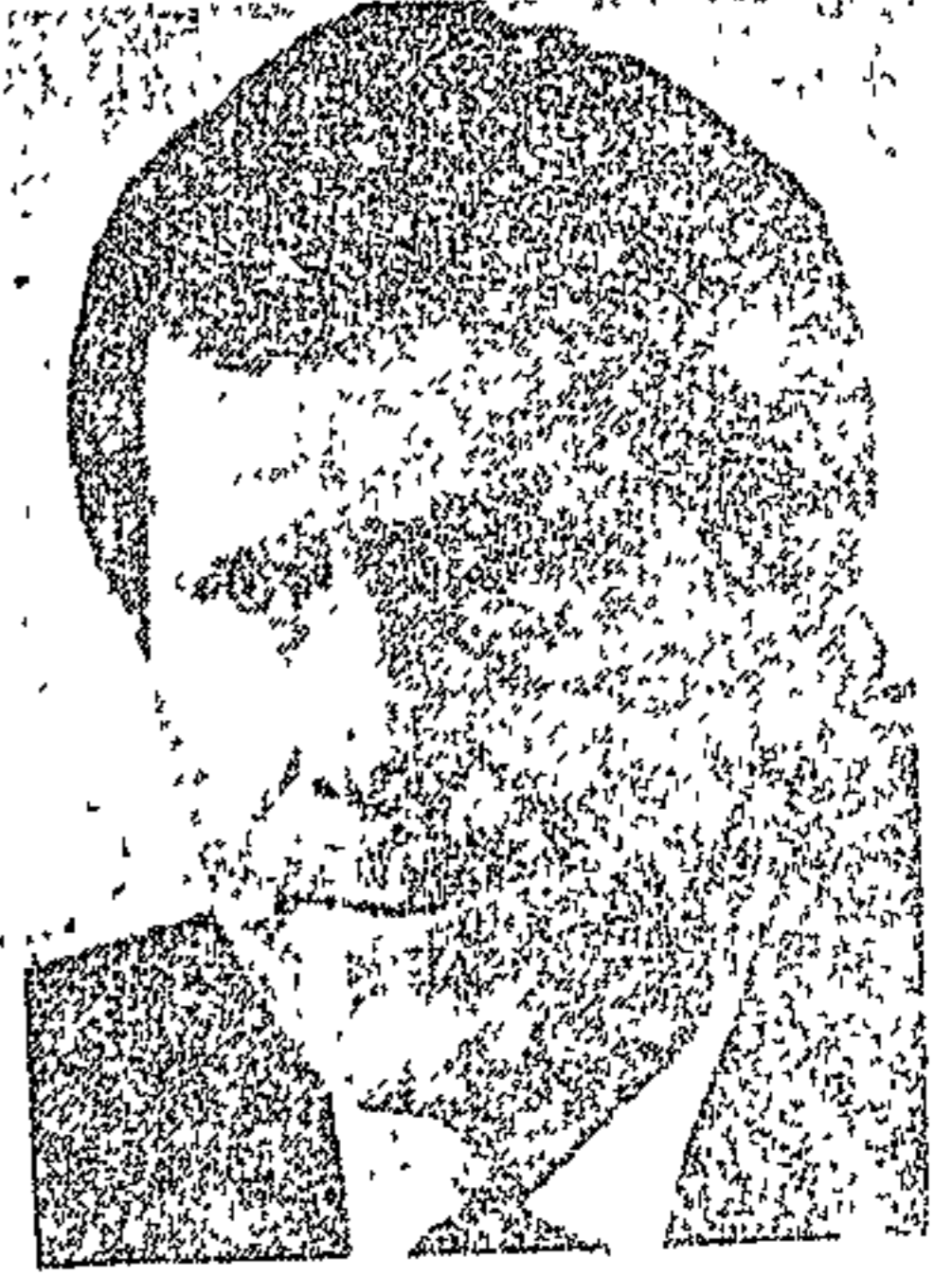
Mass Democratic Movement would disassociate itself from the disruption.

He asked the audience to stand in solidarity with one another, with the SRC, and to sing "Nkosi Sikelele Afrika."

Dr van Zyl Slabbert did not continue his address.

The UDW SRC said in a statement it condemned in the strongest possible terms the Azasm action, described it as irresponsible and a threat to student unity on the campus.

(Report by M Challenor, 85 Field Street, Durban).



Dr van Zyl Slabbert



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Slabbert talk disrupted at UDW

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Black consciousness students yesterday prevented Dr Van Zyl Slabbert, the executive director of the Institute for a Democratic Alternative for South Africa (Idasa), from delivering a speech at the University of Durban-Westville.

Dr Slabbert had been invited by the Anthropology Department to discuss the conservatism of social scientists in South Africa.

At the beginning of his ad-

dress, which was attended by about 500 staff members and students, he was interrupted by about 20 chanting students who identified themselves as members and supporters of the Azanian Students' Movement (Azasom).

Their chants included "one bullet, one settler" — a PAC slogan — and "down with liberals".

UDW SRC president Mr. Kevin Naidoo said that in spite of intervention by both SRC and staff members, the group re-

fused to allow the talk to continue.

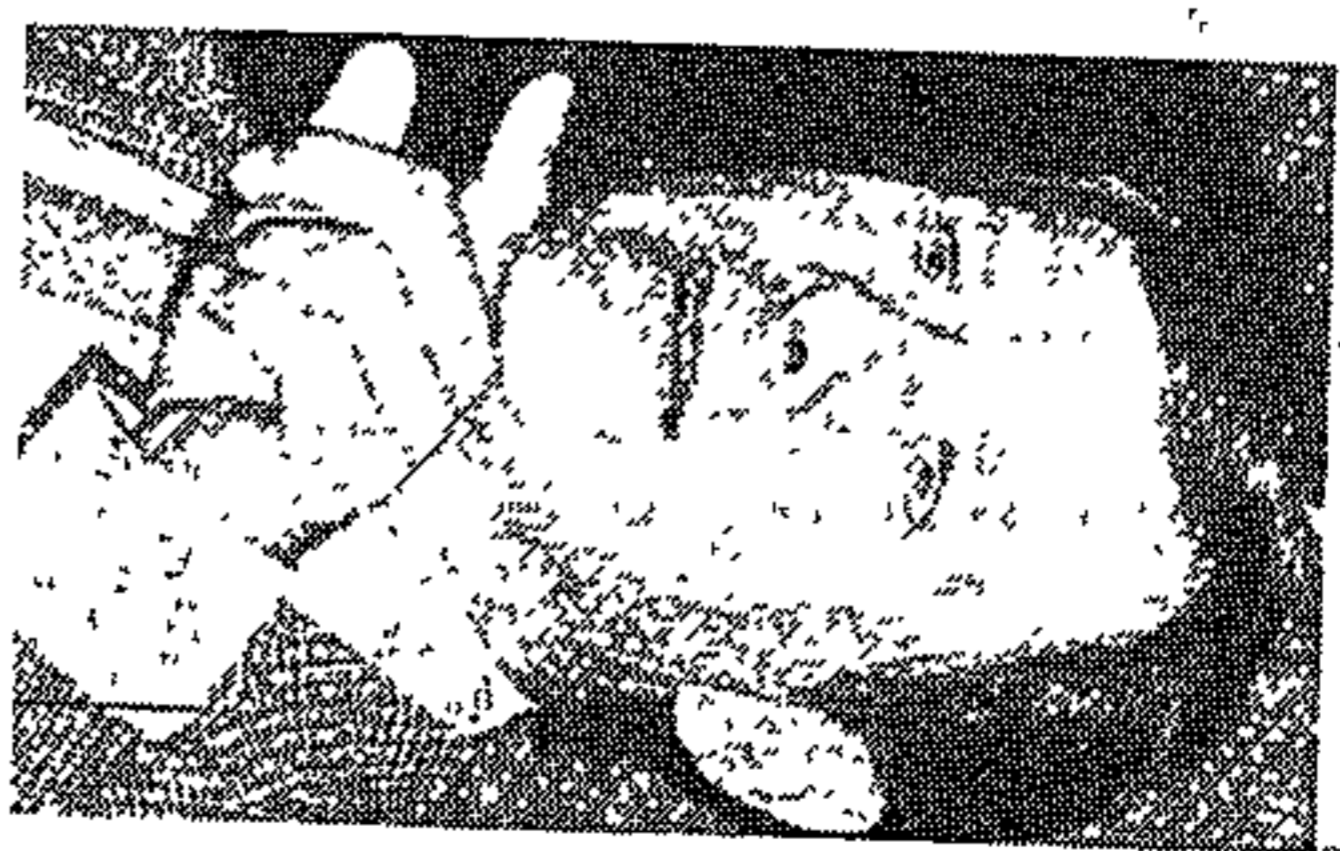
He said they were asked to state their viewpoint and explain why they were disrupting the event, but refused.

"In order to avoid any nasty incident, it was decided the talk should be cancelled.

"Dr Slabbert is clearly part of the extra-parliamentary forces opposing apartheid and the present tricameral system and works closely with the democratic non-racial forces in South Africa.

"We condemn in the strongest possible terms the action of the Azanian Students' Movement and its supporters, and view their actions as irresponsible and a threat to student unity on campus," he said.

The Azanian Students' Movement's actions were also condemned by UDW's South African National Students' Congress and the Progressive Youth Committee, both of which reaffirmed their commitment to a non-racial and democratic South Africa.



Dr Van Zyl Slabbert

reports said. The official
said 16 people were also missing in explosions
and fire at the Huangdao Oil Depot in Qingdao, a
port city 560km south-east of Beijing.

Pupils' stayaway *copy sent 15/8/89*

DURBAN. — Thousands of pupils in black townships around Durban stayed away from school yesterday in protest against the detention of political leaders. The "charge or release" campaign by pupils at 49 schools in KwaMashu and 13 in Ntuzuma was expected to go on until today.

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Activist shot after release

DURBAN. — A prominent KwaMashu political activist, Mr Eric Gumede, who was recently freed from detention after going on a hunger strike, was shot on Tuesday night and died in King Edward VIII Hospital early yesterday.

His murder is being investigated by KwaZulu police.

Another former emergency detainee who went on hunger strike, Mr Chris Ntuli, was stabbed to death in Ntuzuma in April two weeks after he was released from detention. — Sapa

Police guard King's Park

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Special constables armed with shot-guns last night stood guard outside King's Park — the venue for the opening match of the world rugby tour today.

While security was stepped up for the match, players enjoyed the weather and Durban hospitality.

Three members of the touring team — Australia's Ian Williams, 25, Ireland's Stephen Smith, 30, and French centre Denis Charvet, 27 — said the weather and the beautiful local women were wonderful.

Williams, a bachelor, said: "Durban is so similar to Brisbane, Australia... They both have wonderful women and weather."

Charvet said he had come to South Africa out of passion for the sport.

• Meanwhile, a pamphlet allegedly compiled by the "Organisation For African Refugees" was handed to the touring players yesterday, saying that players could return home "a hero and not a renegade" if they supported the "Year of the African Refugee in 1990".

Last chance for Bok hopefuls

DURBAN. — The touring International XV are not the only ones facing a searching test today.

For the South African players, the selection of the Springbok team tonight will add an extra edge to Currie Cup games today. Players such as WP's Tiaan Strauss and Gert Smal will be hoping to turn in impressive performances today against Transvaal to put them firmly in contention for the Bok side.

The tourists need a good win, as a loss in their opening game will put a question mark over their ability to tackle the Springboks.

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Maritzburg on February 22
Internal Security Act.

Case No. 71-715 22/8/89 (576)
12 of Cosatu in court

DURBAN. — A group of 12 Cosatu members, some of them school pupils, have appeared before a magistrate in connection with charges of attending an illegal gathering and contravening the Internal Security Act. They were not asked to plead. The case was adjourned to September 4.

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Man killed in Natal township

PRETORIA. — A man was stabbed to death in a Natal township, according to yesterday's police report on unrest-related incidents over the previous 24 hours in areas excluding the Western Cape. A 25-year-old man was stabbed to death by a group of men at Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale. In the only incident in the Transvaal, a bus was badly damaged in Diepkloof, Soweto, when it was set alight by unknown persons. — Sapa

Election protest: 7 people arrested

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Seven officials of the Muslim Youth Movement (MYM) were yesterday arrested and banners, placards, handbills and a newspaper photographer's film were confiscated when police converged on them for taking part in a demonstration outside the Grey Street mosque here.

The demonstration, urging the Muslim community not to vote in the coming House of Delegates elections, was witnessed by hundreds of mosque worshippers and lunchtime shoppers.

A police spokesman last night confirmed that two women and five men were arrested by police on charges of taking part in an illegal gathering. They had been released on bail of R500 each at a special bail application hearing at Durban Magistrate's Court last night.

(Report by V Bissett, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

Unrest claims six lives in Natal's night of death

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PRETORIA. — A police vehicle was damaged when it was stoned in Cape Town's Bishop Lavis Township but most of the violence in the country has been in Natal, where at least six people were killed overnight, police reported today.

Altogether, at least eight people were killed in unrest across the country at the weekend.

Three people were shot dead at Imbali near Pietermaritzburg.

In one incident a man opened fire, killing a man, when a mob attacked his home.

In the same area police opened fire to disperse a group who stoned a po-

lice vehicle. No injuries were reported and five people were arrested.

At Richmond, Natal, police fired flares when a group threw a petrol bomb at a police vehicle.

STUN-GRENADES

They dispersed their attackers with shotgun fire and stun-grenades. A policeman driving a vehicle was slightly injured by stones.

At Mpumalanga, near Hammarsdale, two groups clashed and a man was shot dead.

At two different places in the area police found the burned bodies of a man and a woman, both as yet unidentified.

Two killed at peace rally

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PIETERMARITZBURG. — The launch of the Imbali Youth Organisation campaign to bring peace to Natal was marred yesterday when two members were killed by gunfire after the rally.

A spokesman for the IYO said that as participants left the hall peacefully at about 2.15 pm, "a group of about five or six armed Inkatha members arrived at the hall and shot two of our people."

The two men were identified as Mr Gandayi Biyasa and Mr Zu Mthembu, both IYO members.

Police spokesman, Col Petrus Victor, confirmed that two people had been killed and said two people had

been arrested in connection with the shootings.

The IYO spokesman said the organisation was still committed to peace, despite the incident.

Meanwhile, the joint Cosatu/Nactu rally held in Pietermaritzburg to protest against the Labour Relations Amendment Act reportedly went off peacefully with minimum police presence.

The rally heralded an historic accord between two of the country's largest trade union federations to protest the Act and restore peace in the Edendale valley. — Sapa

UDF-Inkatha peace pact bid

DURBAN. — In the most significant peace move yet in the Natal-KwaZulu political violence, United Democratic Front and Inkatha fighters from Shongweni's Valley of Death yesterday laid down their weapons after two years of bitter conflict in a reconciliation bid largely arranged by the police.

About 700 people gathered at a school in Shongweni to witness leaders of the two groups announce they wanted to work for peace and rebuild the devastated valley.

People cheered as Mr Thulani Zulu, acknowledged UDF leader, and the chairman of the local Inkatha branch, Mr Victor Sibisi, shook hands then embraced to signal the end of the hostilities. The two men then shook hands with police Captain Ray Harrald, who

played a major role in bringing the two sides together.

Brigadier Gerrit Viljoen, in charge of combating unrest in Natal and KwaZulu, gave the Shongweni peace process his full backing.

Estimates of the deaths in the valley vary, but a least 150 have been killed in the fighting. Of these about 70 occurred this year.

Last year 1 800 pupils enrolled at the three schools in the area. This year the schools are all closed. Now there is hope that with the peace pact, the schools can re-open.

About 17 000 of the 40 000 inhabitants have fled the violence as refugees, leaving hundreds of houses empty and looted.

Captain Harrald arranged for the UDF and Inkatha to hold their own meetings and he met the leaders. — Sapa

Murdered KwaMashu youth leader buried

DURBAN. — KwaMashu youth leader Mr Eric Gumede, who was killed outside his home two weeks ago shortly after being released from detention, was buried at Shembe Village in Inanda at sundown on Sunday.

Mr Gumede was killed by men who drove up outside his house late at night and blew a vehicle hooter. He went to investigate and was shot. The killers drove off laughing.

Mr Gumede had been released from detention a few days earlier after he took part in a hunger strike, demanding to be charged or released. He was a prominent political youth leader. — Sapa

6 die in unrest

PRETORIA. — At least six people were killed in strife-torn Natal on Sunday. Police yesterday reported they found two charred bodies at Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale.

In the same area a man was shot dead in a clash between two unidentified groups.

Three people were shot dead at Imbali in Maritzburg. In one incident a man opened fire, killing a man, when a mob attacked his home.

Money needed to stop violence, says Inkatha

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The Argus Correspondent
DURBAN. — At least 90 percent of the political violence in Natal and KwaZulu was carried out by youths aged 14 to 25, according to *South African Update*, a journal brought out by the Inkatha Institute.

The common factor was that they were unhappy, consciously or otherwise, with their situation.

A relatively small number of youths actually got involved in violence on an ongoing basis, the institute said. They were likely to pro-act or react aggressively, often in a fairly spontaneous fashion, and usually in response to catalysts to violence.

Members of this group, the institute said, were anti-authority, frustrated, angry, aggres-

sive, insecure with no future vision, irrational, had personality disorders, felt resentful and embittered, desperate, had destructive compulsions, unrealistic expectations, extreme intolerance and displayed a strong tendency towards group formations.

“Major impact”

If the shortage of development funding, unemployment in the face of a high birth rate and urbanisation, political activities by the UDF, Inkatha and the SAP, discriminatory State practices and the non-existence of a democratic system were effectively dealt with, this would “have a major impact on the continuance of the violence,” the institute said.

However, the action required to attend to these issues was “not going to be forthcoming”. The financing requirements on

the one hand, and the National Party's political ideology on the other, would ensure this.

Another way to stop the violence would be to try modify the thinking and attitudes of the violent youth. “This is perhaps achievable if the volatile youth could be encouraged to look at themselves and to consider their future more carefully, to rationalise their predicament (that is that they are trapped in negative circumstances), to understand that their prospects are perhaps improving and positively to re-inforce realistic expectations.

“More tolerant”

“When a person has an understanding of the situation, when he is given reason to be hopeful, then he becomes more tolerant and better able to cope with his predicament.

“Of course, there are those youths in the townships so locked into a mind-set or culture of violence, that a more specialised remedial approach will be needed.”

The institute said that, despite the sometimes overtly political nature of the conflict, it was recognised by most participants and observers that the violence had assumed a momentum of its own which made it very difficult to control at the local level.

“Inkatha's view, given the importance of non-political causes, is that what is needed is massive international funding to address the socio-economic problems of the region, experiencing perhaps the world's most rapid urbanisation and whose per capita black income is about half of the country's average. Without it, words will have to do.”

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THE PEACEMAKER

THANKS TO CAPTAIN RAY, THERE'S NEW HOPE OF CALM IN THE VALLEY OF DEATH

A POLICEMAN has emerged as the unlikely harbinger of peace in an area fraught with political violence that has been aptly named the Valley of Death.

Ardent United Democratic Front and Inkatha supporters fought a two-year war in the Shongweni Valley in the Natal Midlands.

Between 50 and 80 percent of the 40 000 people living in the area fled the violence, leaving their homes to be looted. At least 150 people were shot, stabbed or burnt to death, and hundreds more were injured or maimed for life.

Even the chief, his Induna and his councillors fled the valley.

Schools in the area have been closed since the beginning of the year, buses have not run and the roads have not been graded for months.

But last Sunday, acknowledged UDF leader Thulani

"I think the people of Shongweni have shown the world that laying down arms and negotiating is the way to peace. I hope this peace will spread"

Zulu and local Inkatha chairman Victor Sibisi embraced and shook hands in a public pledge of peace and reconciliation at a police strong-point while nearly 700 of their followers cheered and toy-toyed encouragement.

The leaders also discussed rebuilding the ravaged area. Unarmed army officers and policemen, including Natal riot unit commander Brigadier Gerrit Viljoen, looked on with approval.

But for Captain Ray Harrald, 42, who is doing a three-month stint as head of the riot unit at Shongweni, it was a scene he will never forget.

The quietly-spoken Pretoria father of two, who says he is a committed Christian, is regarded by UDF, Inkatha and outside observers as a major protagonist in the amazing peace initiative.

The breakthrough is the most significant move in years in the Natal-KwaZulu political violence. It was the first-ever meeting in Natal where grassroot leaders of the two factions pledged peace between each other.

This week families were already returning to the war-torn valley in battered vans, and old enemies were greeting each other with beer.

For two years members of

Report: RYAN CRESSWELL

Picture: JIMMY HUTTON

the opposing factions risked their lives when they crossed invisible lines that marked out UDF or Inkatha turf, but by Thursday the psychological barriers were already crumbling.

Captain Harrald was constantly greeted with smiles and friendly waves as he drove past shattered huts and groups of people discussing the new turn of events. He appears to have gained the trust of both sides.

This is unusual because throughout the fighting in Natal, both sides, especially the UDF, have made accusations claiming that the police were not impartial.

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Captain Harrald, who normally works as an instructor and English/Afrikaans interpreter for the SAP, said "When I came here at the beginning of July I said to my men that all the people in the area were entitled to the same treatment.

"I also impressed upon them that everybody should be treated the same way no matter what their political affiliations were. They carried out this policy very well.

"I then set about speaking to as many people as possible. Making contact was vital. I realised that negotiation was the way."

Early in August the owners of a bus company asked Captain Harrald to try to set up a meeting between them and the community leaders so that buses could be re-introduced.

The policeman felt the time was right and set up a meeting at a police strong point in the abandoned Charles Memorial School on August 13. Things went well and Captain Harrald pressed for a much larger meeting.

During the initial discussion the Inkatha delegation, whose members had left their traditional knobkerries at the door after suspicious UDF supporters insisted on it, packed up and stormed out claiming they had been insulted.

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After some fast talking by Captain Harrald and an apology from the UDF, things simmered down.

"At that time nobody trusted anybody else, but I could sense there was a chance for peace and I pushed hard for a meeting. It was finally agreed to hold a formal peace meeting.

"Sunday was the day fixed for that meeting and it was amazing. There was not a weapon in sight and the people were cheering. Afterwards both groups left together.

"I feel very positive about this and I think the people of Shongweni have shown the world that laying down arms and negotiating is the way to peace and stability. I hope this feeling will spread. There is still a long way to go," said Captain Harrald.

The Shongweni Valley is next to Mpumalanga, a notorious and riot-torn hotspot. Shongweni businessman and chairman of Sunday's historic meeting, Mr John

Mkhize, stayed in the valley throughout the two years of terror. Pointing to burnt out houses across the road from his shop, he told chilling tales of midnight murder and arson. But now his optimism about the future in the area is obvious.

"In this war the main thing was for one side to kill more people than the other. There was also a criminal element. Most people slept in the for-

est at night because they did not want to be trapped between four walls.

"However, the peace moves seem to have been a success.

"Now, as you can see for yourself, Inkatha people are being greeted with beer by UDF members. Families are already moving back. I am sure tonight we will hear the sound of many hammers as the men repair their shat-

tered homes," he said.

While he spoke, several UDF "comrades" and Inkatha supporters shared beers to welcome people who were paying their old neighbourhood a visit for the first time since they fled the fighting.

During Sunday's meeting Mr Mkhize paid tribute to Captain Harrald.

He said "We have in him a dignified and professional man. I have worked with him and he is exactly what I have described."

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... Inkatha and UDF supporters, former deadly enemies, share a joke with Captain Ray Harrald in Death Valley

Police chief praises MDM for peaceful beach protest

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Good behaviour by thousands of people who thronged Durban's South and Addington beaches was "a little feather in the cap" for the MDM, said Major-General Johann van Niekerk, regional commissioner of police.

And MDM spokesman Mr Mewa Ramgobin said the police should complimented for their firm but not violent action — "good for all South Africa."

Another MDM spokesman, Dr Farook Meer, who claimed the protest was a "resounding success," said the MDM had shown the world and National Party ministers that the defiance campaign was "peaceful."

"HISTORIC DAY"

Durban councillor Mrs Ros Sarkin, who spent the day with the protesters, said. "It was a historic day. The beaches will never be the same again."

Mr Thumba Pillay, another MDM spokesman, said about 60 people were arrested. All but eight who were being held under the emergency regulations and three who were being charged with assault, were released without charge.

The eight were taken in for allegedly unfolding an ANC banner.

Most of the day's trouble came from a

rightwing group who became more provocative when police declined to take action against them. The police reacted only after they assaulted a number of people, including an Indian journalist and a white woman.

Initially police tried to cordon off the thousands of black, Indian, coloured and white protesters between a double barrier of policemen 100 metres apart, but gave up as Addington and South beaches overflowed with protesters, estimated by the MDM at 10 000. Thousands more watched.

Unlike in other cities, the police did not wield sjamboks, with about three exceptions, and there were no dogs.

Asked why there were no whips or dogs, General van Niekerk said: "It's my personal instruction that no whips will be used in Natal. You don't want to use the dogs. There are children and innocent people. And we didn't really expect a riotous situation."

"We were there to maintain law and order. In that way we succeeded. I'm very happy about the police action. A little feather in the cap of the MDM — they behaved themselves"

(Report by B Cameron and R M Chalener, 85 Field Street, Durban)

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Police chiefs playing it by ear — Mellet

Political Correspondent

A SPOKESMAN for the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, said today that no new instructions had been issued to the police on the handling of MDM protests.

He was commenting on events in Durban at the weekend when police kept an unusually low profile, so much so that rightwing troublemakers were given virtually a free hand.

Brigadier Leon Mellet, the spokesman, said every police commander was expected to evaluate each situation.

THE MOOD

Factors such as the composition and the mood of a crowd had to be taken into account before it was decided how the police should react.

● A police spokesman said the purple dye used by police on demonstrators in Cape Town on Saturday would wash off and would not damage buildings.

(Report by T Wentzel, 122 St George's Street, Cape Town)

Signs of police race split on defiance

By Georgel



From BRUCE CAMERON
The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN.— South Beach has been the scene of a fascinating episode, not only because thousands of people defied apartheid but because in the process it reflected the division and unity of South African society.

It was also interesting because it was evident that those divisions carry through into the police force and Minister of Law and Order Mr. Adrian Vlok could face serious problems if the government continues to use the police to enforce petty apartheid.

Yesterday started peacefully enough with hundreds of black, Indian and white policemen saturating the entire beachfront from soon after sunrise.

At 11am, at the official start of the day of defiance to make "all God's beaches available to all God's people," there were fewer than 1 000 people on the beach taking part in the campaign. A crudely vocal group of

white rightwingers were there to welcome them, as well as a group of policemen.

The unity in society stood out starkly as hundreds of white rightwingers, wearing yellow sun visors with slogans saying "Free the beaches" joined the throngs of Indian, black and coloured protesters.

But the divisions were also starkly there as the white rightwingers, who reversed the MDM signposts to write on them "whites only," constantly harassed and sometimes assaulted people, and showed how provocative they were prepared to be.

At one stage they even assaulted people being led away by the police.

Initially the police refused to act against the rightwingers who numbered no more than 30.

For example, they jostled and swore at an Indian journalist who tried to leave the beach.

Two policemen, a plain-clothes man, who identified himself as Sergeant Hoffman, and a sergeant in uniform with the nameplate Van Deventer, bluntly refused to take action.

When the journalist complained about the action of the rightwingers and took a photograph by the police and his film was confiscated.

Later, when a thick-set policeman started arguing loudly

about the lack of action being taken against the right wing Black and Indian policemen, I also started voicing the displeasure about the lack of action by their white colleagues.

It was always a small group of white policemen, a few with quirts or plastic hoses, who enthusiastically charged down them. Their black colleagues and most of the white policemen merely looked on.

(Report by B. Cameron, 85 Field Street, Durban)

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PURPLE RAIN HALTS MDM PROTEST MARCH IN CITY

Hundreds arrested



Journalists
held, forewarned

How Weekend Argus saw the events on Saturday.

Beach protest big news on British TV

The Argus Foreign Service
LONDON. Footage showing thousands of blacks paddling in defiance on a whites-only beach in Durban was a prominent feature of TV newscasts in Britain.

Viewers were also shown Archbishop Desmond Tutu with an ANC flag in his cathedral. On the radio, listeners heard the Rev Allan Boesak say that he would not obey instructions to stop taking part in demonstrations.

The anti-apartheid defiance campaign is also major news in the British national newspapers today under headlines such as: "Blacks defy ban on Durban's 'white' beaches," and "Mailed fast and velvet gloves in South Africa."

Reporting from Durban, Gavin Bell says the dilemma facing the government in combating the defiance campaign was illustrated by its contrasting tactics at the weekend.

In Durban, police showed restraint in dealing with blacks on the whites-only beach, but in Cape Town on Saturday they "reacted savagely" with whips and truncheons to a march from St George's Cathedral to parliament building. They also used water cannon and teargas in other incidents, it was reported.

"The different strategies reflect the apparent uncertainty

of the government over how to deal with the essentially passive campaign of civil disobedience in a charged political atmosphere before Wednesday's elections," says Bell.

He adds that the defiance campaign is strongest in the Western Cape, where it has evolved into "a kind of holy war" with Archbishop Tutu leading the popular crusade.

Jim Jones of the Financial Times, reporting from Johannesburg, also speaks of a dilemma facing the government. "Police action risks alienating black leaders whom (the government) hopes to bring into talks after Wednesday's general election," he says. "But a less forceful handling could be exploited by the ultra-right Conservative Party."



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Cops probe 'Wit Wolf' attack

PRETORIA. — Pretoria police have opened a docket of attempted murder after alleged "Wit Wolwe" fired at least two shots at the home of a theologian whose daughter was recently arrested in the bus defiance campaign.

No one was injured in the attack on the Brooklyn home on Sunday night, which came after Miss Helena Saayman, 22, daughter of the Rev W A Saayman, had earlier received a death threat. — Sapa

Australia urges police restraint

CANBERRA. — The Australian government yesterday urged South Africa to restrain its police from violence in dealing with the anti-apartheid Mass Democratic Movement.

"The Australian government deplores the use of violence by the South African police in seeking to stop peaceful demonstrations, and strongly urges the South African government to order restraint on the police," Senate leader Mr John Button told parliament. — Sapa-AP

Natal campus unrest: 20 students hurt

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — At least 20 students were injured by birdshot yesterday when violence erupted at both the University of Natal and the University of Durban-Westville.

It was confirmed that six people were in hospital, including a Std 9 pupil from Uthongathi, Springbok hockey player Paul Logan and a woman with 40 pellet wounds in her body.

Police confirmed that they used "shotgun fire" to disperse students at the University of Natal on the Durban campus.

Students at both campuses intended holding meetings in support of the defiance campaign, but they were banned by the SAP regional commissioner for Natal, Major-General Johan van Niekerk, about 15 minutes before the meetings were due to start.

When students were informed of the banning, they passed a motion to hand

to the police stating their solidarity with the Mass Democratic Movement.

About 20 police vehicles arrived soon afterwards and arrested SRC president Mr Laurence Piper and two other students, and the national coordinator of the Call of Islam, Moulana Fareid Esack, when they tried to hand over the motion.

Police then ordered the crowd of about 3 000 predominantly white students to disperse. When they failed to do so within five minutes, police fired birdshot at the crowd, threw teargas canisters and used a water cannon spraying purple dye.

A police spokesman said eight people had been arrested.

• Meanwhile, ten students were arrested when violence erupted at the University of Durban-Westville after a meeting was banned.

An international television crew were arrested and film was confiscated in the library. They were later released.

300 arrested by police in Maritzburg

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Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG. — About 300 people were arrested outside the University of Natal here yesterday after marching through the Maritzburg campus following a lunchtime protest meeting in the Student Union.

A university spokesman said about 40 of those detained were academics — including two professors, one of them from the School of Law.

The spokesman said a group of students and academics marched through the campus at 1.30pm after a protest meeting in the Students' Union.

The meeting was aimed mainly against the tri-cameral elections.

Police spokesman Major Pieter Kitching confirmed that "about 300" people had been arrested.

They were later taken to Maritzburg Magistrate's Court where they were to appear in batches at a special court sitting.

Meanwhile, in the official SAP police unrest report the SAP said that "at Eldorado Park, in Soweto, six coloured men and four women were arrested after forming part of an illegal gathering.

"At Fectoria in Krugersdorp a black man was arrested after a group had gathered illegally and displayed placards. At Sebokeng, Vereeniging, three black youths were arrested after stones were thrown at a police vehicle." — Sapa

Pre-poll violence surges in Cape

By Craig Kotze (276)

Pre-election violence surged in western Cape and Durban townships yesterday.

An explosive device detonated on a railway line at Stellenbosch early today, causing some damage, police said. No one was injured.

According to police reports, violence also spilled over into Lebowa, Kangwane, Richmond (Natal), Ladysmith, Pretoria's Atteridgeville township, Caledon, New Brighton in Port Elizabeth and Mpophomeni in Howick.

Unrest now seems to be centred primarily in the western Cape and the Durban area, and shows signs of increasing in the eastern Transvaal. By contrast, other major urban centres such as Soweto and others have not suffered in the run-up to the poll.

Police were today on the alert throughout the country to counter any possible violence, both in townships and at polling booths. At the time of going to press no incidents had been reported at polling booths, a Pretoria police spokesman said.

"All seems to be quiet," he said.

Yesterday's unrest was a continuation of violence from Monday when widespread unrest was reported in the Cape Peninsula and other parts of the country.

Three people were arrested in connection with unrest yesterday.

NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 to January 1989:	668
February 1989 — September 5 1989:	214
Past 24 hours' official toll:	1
TOTAL:	883

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'Don't Vote' demos arrested in Durban

AT LEAST 28 demonstrators holding "Don't Vote" placards were arrested in Durban yesterday.

Thirteen protesters were held in Brickhill Road in the Sydenham constituency. Police said the men would be charged under the Internal Security Act for holding an illegal gathering.

Another 15 demonstrators — including a prominent doctor, Dr K Ramiah, and a medical school lecturer, Dr Korshed Ginwala — were arrested outside the Reservoir Hills polling booths.

More than 200 banner-waving, chanting pupils of the Buffelsdale Secondary School in Tongaat marched 3km to the polling booth used for House of Delegates elections.

The pupils carried banners rejecting "apartheid education".

An executive member of the Natal Indian Congress, Mr Monty Naidoo, asked the pupils to leave at the request of the police. The pupils then marched away singing. — Sapa

Railway blast

Staff Reporter

PART of the railway line near Faure station was damaged in an explosion at 1.35am yesterday, delaying trains on the Strand and Stellenbosch lines for up to 40 minutes. No one was injured and damage was minimal, police said.

Mayor wants open beaches for Durban

DURBAN. — The mayor of Durban, Mr Derrick Watterson, yesterday said he hoped apartheid would disappear from the city's beaches during his term.

Mr Watterson, who has been criticised as being too conservative on opening Durban's all-white beaches, was inaugurated for a second term yesterday.

"I believe the beaches problem will be resolved this coming year, not perhaps to the satisfaction of all — that would be impossible with such divergent views — but in the long-term best interests of this city," he said.

But Mr Watterson defended his controversial casting vote earlier this year to keep Durban's remaining white beaches segregated.

"I am still satisfied I took the right decision and I believe the overwhelming majority of my colleagues accept that my action was correct in the circumstances," he said.

Mr Watterson said the year ahead would be busy for council, with staff rationalisation, privatisation of municipal undertakings and the control of street trading being important issues.

— Sapa

Protest against mayor called off

DURBAN. — An "ad hoc" group of five people called off a planned demonstration at Medwood Gardens in protest against the election of Mr Derrick Watterson and Mr Jan Venter as mayor and deputy mayor of Durban yesterday when a party of about 20 policemen arrived on the scene.

The police party, most of them armed with shotguns, milled around the water fountain in the garden for several minutes until the group walked to the nearby flower-sellers' stalls. The police trailed after them.

The group, one of whom had a bundle of posters under his arm, crossed over to the City Hall where the inauguration of the mayor and deputy mayor was taking place. The police followed and took up a position in front of the City Hall entrance.

A spokesman, Mr Richard Steele, said they had called off the demonstration because they had felt threatened by the large police presence. — Sapa

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PRETORIA. — Three men died when a group of men attacked a home in Natal on Monday, police reported yesterday.

3 killed in attack on Natal home

In their daily unrest report police said a group attacked a home in Molweni, near Durban.

During the attack shots were fired and a youth died. Security force members at the scene fired shots to disperse the attackers, killing one man. Another man, who was fleeing the scene, "fell down a cliff and was killed", the police report said.

Police also reported a death at Taylor's Halt in Natal, where a man was "stabbed to death when he was attacked by a group of blacks".

In the northern Free State town of Viljoensdrift, a man was killed and three others were seriously injured when a number of knife-wielding men clashed, police added.

Teargas and rubber bullets were used to disperse the mob and the injured were admitted to the Viljoensdrift mine hospital. — Sapa

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Durban lawyers protest 276

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DURBAN. — About 100 placard-carrying people protesting against "police brutality and unjust laws" gathered outside the city hall yesterday in a protest organised by the National Association of Democratic Lawyers and Lawyers for Human Rights. In Maritzburg about 60 attorneys and advocates took part in a peaceful lunch-time demonstration opposite the city hall.

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One dies, one hurt as house torched

PRETORIA. — One youth was killed and another injured after a group set fire to a private home at Pata, Edendale.

According to the police unrest report, the youth was killed by the mob. Police dispersed the group with a round of shotgun fire and arrested a man.

Other incidents in the unrest report included stone-throwing in Zone 1, Pimville, Soweto. Stones were thrown at police vehicles and residents. Tearsmoke was used to disperse the mob.

Six people were killed in a faction fight at the squatter settlement of Siyanda, near KwaMashu, Durban, on Sunday.

In Mpumalanga, halfway between Maritzburg and Durban, Luck Ngubane, 14, was stabbed to death at the weekend. Mr Lati Sibisi, 32, was shot dead by unknown people.

In a separate incident on Sunday a handgrenade was thrown at a private house in Soweto. No casualties were reported. — Sapa

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Three youths held after stonings

PRETORIA. — At least three Cape youths were arrested after several incidents of stone-throwing in the Peninsula.

Police here said the three were arrested in Ravensmead after a delivery vehicle was damaged. They said "a number" of stone-throwing incidents were reported in the area. "Though some damage was caused to vehicles, no injuries were reported," the unrest report said.

Another delivery vehicle was damaged in a stone-throwing incident in Bellville South, while at Elsie's River a private car was damaged in a stoning incident.

"At Umlazi in Durban arsonists caused extensive damage to a school. No injuries were reported." — Sapa

Protest marches for Joburg and Durban

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A PEACEFUL protest march over detainees is to take place in Johannesburg today, while in Durban tomorrow at least five city councillors will join another peace march.

Students of the University of the Witwatersrand will hold a meeting and then march to the Hillbrow police station where a demand for the release of student detainee Mr Michael Avidan and lecturer Mr Wilhelm Liebenberg will be handed over.

A spokeswoman for the organisations involved — the Black Students' Society, the National Union of South African Students and others — stressed that the march would be peaceful.

The university administration has suspended lectures between 12 and 2pm.

Tomorrow's Durban march will be preceded by an inter-faith prayer service led by Roman Catholic Archbishop Denis Hurley. — Own Correspondent and Sapa

Journalists,
editors in
street picket

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Thirty Durban journalists held a peaceful picket, protesting against the state of emergency's press restrictions, outside Newspaper House in Field Street yesterday.

The newly-appointed editor-in-chief of the Sunday Tribune and the Daily News, Mr Michael Green, said he was present at the protest to show solidarity with the journalists, and that he "thoroughly approved" of their action.

The editor of the Sunday Tribune, Mr Jonathan Hobday, Tribune deputy editor Mr Peter Davis and Natal Mercury news editor Mr Greg Dardagan also took part in the protest.

Durban's Chief Magistrate, Mr J J Pienaar, had granted permission for the protest to take place for half-an-hour.

Birdshot, ^{M64S}
rubber ^{21/9/87}
bullets fired ³⁷⁶
in Wynberg

PRETORIA. — Rubber bullets, birdshot and tearsmoke were fired at a group who stoned a bus in Hanover Park, Wynberg.

Two gatherings in the same area were dispersed with tearsmoke, according to the police unrest report.

In other stone-throwing incidents, several cars were damaged at Ravensmead, a car at Elsie's River, a police van at Paarl-East in the Boland, and another at Mbekweni, Paarl.

● A man was killed and a youth and a woman were wounded when a group fired shots towards a home in Imbali, Maritzburg.

● The body of a man was found after homes were set alight in Inanda, Durban. Nine men were arrested.

● Petrol-bombs were thrown at squatter huts at Amowoti, Durban. No one was injured.

● At Diasville, three men, a youth and a woman were arrested after several stonings of police vehicles. — Sapa.

Six killed as violence sweeps Natal

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PRETORIA. — At least six people died in unrest in Natal this week, police here said yesterday.

In the unrest report they said two unidentified bodies of men, one of which had been burned, were found in KwaMashu, Durban, on Wednesday, while at Umlazi, south of Durban, two men were stabbed to death on Tuesday.

At Imbali, Maritzburg, a man was killed and a youth and a woman were wounded when a group of people fired shots at a private home. The injured were admitted to the Edendale Hospital.

In Inanda, Durban, the body of a man was found after a group set fire to a number of houses, causing extensive damage. Police used birdshot and pistol fire to drive off the attackers and nine men were arrested. No injuries were reported.

In the Cape, at least seven people were arrested in three separate stone-throwing incidents.

At Saldanha three men, a woman and a youth were arrested after a mob stoned several police vehicles. Police used tearsmoke, rubber bullets and birdshot to disperse the mob and a man was slightly injured.

In Paarl a police vehicle was damaged in a stoning incident. A youth was arrested. No injuries were reported.

Also in Paarl, a man was arrested after a police vehicle was damaged in a stoning incident — Sapa

Damage to shops, cars after march

DURBAN — At least 10 businesses in Maritzburg were looted and several cars damaged after the protest march in the city which ended in chaos yesterday.

Mobs leaving the rally went on the rampage stealing fruit and vegetables. (276)

Two shop windows and a number of fruit stalls were broken. Eight buses and three private vehicles were damaged and two of the bus drivers robbed as youths swarmed into the buses and forced out windows.

Police reported damage of R13 000.

Major Pieter Kitching, police public relations officer for Maritzburg, said one man had been arrested after he had looted a fresh produce shop. Parked cars were damaged in Boshoff and Retief streets as mobs jumped on them.

An estimated 7 000 people, led by clergymen, took to the streets for the march.

Bishop Khoza Mgojo of the Methodist Church in the Natal Midlands had earlier called upon the huge crowd not to disappoint the organisers when they left and "to go in peace as the people had done in Cape Town and Johannesburg".

Police kept a low profile and the march itself passed without incident.

Star 2/19/87

POLICE dispersed about 400 teachers and pupils who marched through the Durban city centre yesterday.

Major Charl du Toit, public relations officer for the South African Police, said no permission was given for the march and that the gathering was illegal.

During the march through West Street, South African police and the Durban city police escorted the protesters who sang freedom songs. It was only towards the end of the march, in Soldiers Way - that police took action and made arrests.

Police ^{22/9/89} disperse marchers

There was pandemonium when police, who had initially escorted the marchers, stopped them. About 20 policemen suddenly arrived and began making arrests.

"Pupils ran in all directions and two of our pupils, Immaculate Ndlovu (17) and Mildred Mkhize (17) suffered injuries and had to be taken to hospital," Mthembu said.

Protesting

The teachers and pupils were protesting against the Supreme Court acquittal of Lindelani township councillor Mr Thomas Mandla Shabalala.

Shabalala faced charges of murdering a 16-year-old Ntuzuma schoolboy but was found not guilty by a Supreme Court judge recently.

Communist flags inhibit archbishop

Own Correspondent
Cape Town 23/9/81

DURBAN. — Archbishop Denis Hurley threatened to withdraw from yesterday's protest march and almost did not make his speech because of the presence of Communist Party flags.

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Durban was one of the leaders of the march and permission was given by Durban's Chief Magistrate for the protest in his name.

The archbishop said two huge Communist Party flags had appeared at the front of the procession as it was nearing Durban's city hall.

"I told the organisers I would pull out if they did not take the flags away. It would be embarrassing if a picture was taken of me with that flag.

"The people keep saying they don't want to live in a police state (but) I don't know one communist country that isn't a police state.

"I know trade unions look upon communism as heroic because in South Africa the Communist Party was the first to organise a strike and also the first organisation to be banned but it just doesn't fit in with their objectives," he said.

WAR was asked to postpone the march by a week, but this request had been refused, he said.

The temporary interdict, granted earlier in the day, was ratified at 5.46pm after the temporary order — that the march would be illegal — was broadcast on numerous SABC radio stations.

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4 killed in mob attacks on taxis

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PRETORIA. — The badly mutilated bodies of four men were found in and around KwaMashu, Durban, after several groups attacked a number of taxis, extensively damaging some of them.

One person was killed at KwaMashu yesterday and four others were killed in the neighbourhood yesterday as groups of youths continued to run havoc, making it one of the most troubled black areas around the city, according to the daily unrest report supplied by the SAP public relations division here.

In another incident at Imbali, Maritzburg, arsonists caused serious damage to a private dwelling before police dispersed them with birdshot. No injuries were reported.

A few stone-throwing incidents were reported at Diasville, Saldanha. Police vehicles and a policeman's home were targeted. Tearsmoke, rubber bullets and birdshot were used to disperse the mobs. No injuries were reported. A man and a youth were arrested after one of the incidents.

At Fort Beaufort, a large mob stoned a municipal police vehicle, damaging it. The mob was dispersed with a round of shotgun fire and a woman who was slightly injured was arrested. — Sapa

Looting causes R30 000 damage

Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG. — Damage estimated at well over R30 000 was caused by a mob of about 1 000 rampaging youths who ran out of control damaging parked cars and buses, smashing windows and looting shops and roadside stalls in the aftermath to Thursday's peaceful protest march in the city centre here.

The looting began after a peaceful service in the Anglican Cathedral of the Holy Nativity and an orderly march of about

7 000 people to the Loop Street police station. Violence erupted largely in the lower Boshoff-Retief street area when the protesters dispersed

An 18-year-old was arrested after he drew a knife and tried to stab a police officer, according to South African Police spokesman Major Pieter Kitching.

Major Kitching said 10 buses were damaged when large groups of youths boarded them and kicked out windows. Two bus drivers were also robbed of the day's takings.

Numerous roadside hawkers were attacked by the mob. Some were assaulted and pelted with fruit and their stalls were broken and goods stolen.

At a takeaway in Retief Street a group of about 60 youths took R2 600 cash as well as goods totalling more than R1 000. A woman employee was assaulted and her clothing was torn.

Numerous other shops were damaged and looted. Shop windows and counters were smashed and large amounts of cash were stolen from tills.

Paarl unrest:

Man held

PRETORIA. Police

said one man was arrested at Mbekweni, near Paarl, when police dispersed a small group which had gathered illegally at the weekend.

Serious damage was caused when arsonists started a fire in a University of Zululand classroom.

At Nyanga, Cape Town, two men were arrested after a private vehicle had been damaged by stone-throwing.

Stone-throwing incidents were also reported at Mitchells Plain, where a private vehicle was damaged by a group of stone-throwers, and at Elsie's River, where a few private vehicles were damaged. — Sapa

Fears for Natal peace as Inkatha puts talks on hold

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Peace talks between Inkatha and the UDF-Cosatu alliance have been put on hold following an Inkatha Central Committee meeting held in Ulundi at the weekend — and there are fears this move may bring about a complete breakdown in the negotiations.

A resolution passed at the meeting said the members of the Central Committee were concerned that while peace talks proceeded the violence in Natal continued.

"We also record our concern that while peace talks are being attempted the UDF-Cosatu involve themselves in marches and initiatives which are purported to be organised and taken on behalf of the whole of democratic

black South Africa

"Inkatha's exclusion from planning and decision-making about how best to express mass democratic opposition to apartheid is part of a strategy in which the UDF-Cosatu continually present Inkatha as the villains of the peace," the resolution stated.

UDF sources said last night that although the UDF, Cosatu and the ANC were autonomous organisations, many Inkatha members felt they should be seen as one organisation and there had been disagreement over the number of people to be included in delegations for the planned summit meeting.

The sources believe the resolution is a "stalling tactic to delay the peace process".

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Cops charge Natal Mercury

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Police yesterday warned the editor of the Natal Mercury, Mr James McMillan, that charges were being investigated against the newspaper for allegedly contravening the Media Emergency Regulations.

According to the warning, the paper published a story "commenting on security actions and deployment thereof and a restricted gathering ... as well as the placing of a photograph on page two of an unrest situation".

The story and photograph concerned violence at the University of Natal's Durban campus on September 4.

Surrounded police break up clash

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PRETORIA. — Shots were fired at police with R-1 and AK-47 rifles when they tried to break up a clash between supporters of Inkatha and the United Democratic Front at Mpophomeni, near Howick, according to the unrest report.

It says 11 youths were wounded during police action and six men were injured during fighting between the two groups, who were armed with guns, knives and knobkerries.

Four men were arrested and two police vehicles were damaged.

The report says police were surrounded at Mpophomeni when they tried to break up the clash. They used stun-grenades, birdshot, shotgun fire and pistol fire to drive off their attackers, then warned the groups to disperse.

One complied, but the other remained and police used stun-grenades to disperse its members. They then re-grouped at another spot and fired at the police when approached.

ROCKET EXPLODED

Major Reg Crewe, police public relations officer in Pretoria, confirmed that the groups were members of the UDF and Inkatha.

Soon afterwards, police, acting on information, went to a house where a suspect pointed a firearm at them. A shot was fired and a youth was wounded and arrested. Police are investigating a number of charges, including public violence and attempted murder.

A man was injured when a RPG7 rocket exploded at Mnguni Hostel, Vosloorus, near Germiston. He and another man were allegedly playing with the warhead when it detonated, damaging the hostel roof. Both men were arrested.

A group set fire to a private vehicle at Mbekweni in Paarl and at Fort Beaufort 47 people were arrested when strikers refused to leave the premises.

— Sapa.

Inkatha, UDF and Cosatu 'breakdown' predicted

The Argus
Correspondent

DURBAN. — A breakdown of communication between Inkatha, the United Democratic Front and the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) is seen as a possibility following the break in the peace talks between the three groups announced by Inkatha at the weekend.

At an Inkatha central committee meeting held at Ulundi, a resolution was taken to declare a moratorium on further talks with the UDF and Cosatu.

However, Inkatha delegates will still attend a planned summit meeting in London, a move agreed to by all the organisations earlier this year.

Members of Inkatha's central committee expressed their concern that, although peace talks were proceeding, the violence in Natal continued.

APOLOGY WANTED

Another resolution was also passed, calling for an apology from an African National Congress spokesman who had reportedly attacked the leadership credentials of Inkatha's president and the Chief Minister of Kwazulu, Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi, calling him a "government stooge".

The Inkatha moratorium statement comes immediately after unity speeches by Dr Buthelezi and King Goodwill Zwelithini at a Shaka's Day rally held at Taylor's Halt.

The black-on-black violence was condemned by King Goodwill, although he criticised Mr Mhlabanzima Maphumulo, the chief of the Table Mountain region, for suggesting that traditional Zulu leaders should not be incorporated into the Kwazulu government and Inkatha.

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17 hurt *Soweto 2/19/89* in clash

AT LEAST 17 people were injured when supporters of Inkatha and the United Democratic Front clashed at Howick yesterday.

Police had to use stun-grenades, birdshot and shotguns and pistol fire to disperse them.

According to the South African Police daily unrest report, fighting broke out between the two groups at Mpophomeni.

The groups were armed with guns, knives and knobkerries.

Major Reg Crewe, a police public relations officer in Pretoria, confirmed that the groups involved were members of the UDF and Inkatha.

Crewe said the police were fired on with AK-47 rifles and R1 rifles when they ordered the groups to disperse.

Unrest: ^{CP-1}
4 killed ^{Twp 8}
39 held ^{28/7/73}

PRETORIA. ⁵⁷⁶ Four people were killed and 39 arrested in different unrest-related incidents during the past 24 hours.

One man was stabbed to death and two others were shot and fatally wounded when a group attacked another group at Ophokweni in Hammarsdale. A fourth man was injured.

In another incident at Chesterville, Durban, a woman was killed when an unknown gunman fired a burst from an AK47 at a private house.

Thirty-four people were arrested after police used stun grenades, birdshot and teargas to disperse a stone-throwing mob gathered outside the Richmond police station to demand the release of "certain persons".

At Mbekweni, Paarl, a man and four youths were arrested when police used teargas to disperse a group of youths who were stoning a police vehicle.

In another incident in the same area, a liquor delivery vehicle was damaged and its contents were stolen.

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Durban's Freedom March... but how much further will President FW de Klerk allow protesters to go?

Picture: WARREN PARKER, Afrapix

Six things FW could do...

and a few things his opponents may try

NEW State President FW de Klerk has only to accept inauguration gifts from four children of different races, and observers are talking about how fresh his approach is.

He has only to reprieve four death row prisoners, and commentators are hailing it as a positive sign — even if four more are hanged days later.

He only has to allow a few protest marches and everyone is patting him on the back — even if at the same time, he is disallowing others and detaining protest leaders.

He only has to repeat the catch-phrases "democracy", "negotiations" and (as he did 11 times in his inauguration speech) "a new South Africa" for the world to say "give him a chance".

The need for hope in South Africa far outweighs the supply, so it has become a cheapened and undervalued commodity. De Klerk now needs to do no more than go to ceremonial occasions without his hat, and newspaper columns, dinner table conversations, diplomatic cocktail party talk and political commentaries are overflowing with hope for the future.

It is common cause that De Klerk has to deliver on these promises in order to hold on to the goodwill he has generated in the last few weeks.

Debate has centred on the possibility of Nelson Mandela's release and the lifting of the Emergency. These, however, are major steps that would require risks.

It may be interesting to look at those more minor things the government could do to show it is serious about change, and which carry less cost.

Without too much trouble, De Klerk could.

● Release ailing octogenarian, United Democratic Front leader Oscar Mpetha, who in any case has only a few months of his five-year sentence left to serve.

● Release the rest of the Rivonia trialists who were jailed with Mandela in 1964. Walter Sisulu, Ahmed Kathrada, Raymond Mhlaba, Andrew Mlangeni and Elias Mokoalele.

● Scrap the Emergency media regulations. In the minds of De Klerk's nervous security men, the Emergency

could be called 'reform by sleight of hand', with the new state president producing rabbits out of hats to distract the attention. ANTON HARBER looks at the options for FW de Klerk

may be troublesome to lift, but it is difficult to see what would be lost by getting rid of media restrictions

● Release Emergency detainees and lift restrictions on ex-detainees

● Get rid of the Separate Amenities Act. This would draw flak from the far-rightwing, which would be powerless to be more than an irritation.

All of these measures could be undertaken within weeks of De Klerk's inauguration since none would involve great risks. They are low-cost measures that could gain much goodwill for the De Klerk government.

The questions raised are why he is not doing these things — and if he is not, how much further away are the substantial and difficult moves, such as releasing Mandela and lifting the Emergency?

Either De Klerk is not serious about even his own limited vision of reform, or he is too nervous of rightwing resistance within his party, or he is simply reacting to pressure, and will do only as much as he feels he has to — and no more. If this last option is correct, one can expect him to do no more than throw out a few reformist bones to placate the world when the pressure gets too much.

This means that a likely scenario is a form of extra-legal, ad hoc reform. He will keep the Group Areas Act, but allow many areas to become "open", he will keep the Separate Amenities Act, but allow integration wherever it is demanded, he will keep in place the Emergency, but allow protests to occur when it suits him, he will keep the Emergency media regulations, but only enforce them when he really needs to; he will keep the death penalty, but grant reprieves when the demand is strong.

This is reform by sleight-of-hand. Yes, the Emergency regulations are still the same, but things must have changed because people are marching

through the streets. Yes, the Group Areas Act is still in place, but things must be different because of all the "grey" areas we see.

De Klerk is a magician who produces rabbits out of the hat whenever he needs to distract the audience.

So far De Klerk has done not much more than create universal uncertainty — among his followers, in the resistance movement, and among international observers. This may be his purpose, leaving everyone guessing.

Nobody really knows the limits of De Klerk's new-found tolerance for public protest. Nobody really knows if he is going to continue to offer no more than symbolism, or if he is going to surprise everyone and take the initiative with some substantial and strong action.

This strategy leaves the resistance movement with two choices:

● To confront De Klerk's government — to pursue protest strategy to the full and push De Klerk's tolerance until it breaks. This will serve to show up the limitations of De Klerk's break from the PW Botha tradition and expose the contradictions of his policies. It could precipitate the kind of violence we saw on election night, destroying his reformist image.

On the other hand, it could provoke severe repression and a return to the rule of the securocrats that cost the resistance movement so dearly in the early years of the Emergency.

● To call De Klerk's bluff. This would mean taking up his claim that "the door to a new South Africa is open — it is not necessary to batter it down".

One doesn't have to believe De Klerk's promises. If opposition leaders try the door and find it locked, they will have exposed his hypocrisy, in the unlikely event that they find it open De Klerk will be in a corner, having to deal with them face to face.

The disadvantage of this approach is that De Klerk, with the propaganda and repressive apparatus behind him, could turn it to his advantage.

But then nothing will upset a fast-handed magician more than the prospect of others learning his tricks.

... MESSAGE AND WCCA

Car burnt at Paarl 29/9/89

Car burnt at Paarl (276)

PRETORIA. — In their unrest report yesterday, police said a crowd set alight a private vehicle at Mbekweni (Paarl). At Amawoti (Durban) a group petrol-bombed homes. One man was killed and three others were wounded when the attackers fired at the occupants with shotguns.

1 dies, 2 hurt after students march

MARITZBURG ^{29/9/81} A 16-year-old girl died and two youths were injured yesterday after a march into Maritzburg by more than 700 black students from four schools.

In their unrest report yesterday, police said large groups of people gathered outside a police station and demanded the release of certain persons.

"They were warned to disperse but these warnings were ignored. Instead, stones were thrown and a police warrant officer was struck on the head. He was then pulled into the crowd and assaulted (kicked about the body).

^{ST. M} The group then began marching but were halted by security force members.

"Tearsmoke and stun grenades were used to disperse them. However, when the mob began throwing stones, bird-shot was used."

Major Marius Bonthuys of the police public relations directorate in Pretoria confirmed that Ntokozo Ngcobo (16) was shot in the head and killed, and two other people were injured.

He said 34 people were arrested and held but were released without being charged. — Sapa.

Man dies at rival group shoot-out

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PRETORIA. — A man was fatally wounded at Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale, when two opposing groups fired shots at each other, the SAP unrest report said yesterday.

In another incident in the area, a group fired shots at a police patrol and threw a petrol bomb at the police vehicle.

The report said one policeman received burns, another gunshot wounds and five others were injured when the police vehicle went out of control and crashed after the petrol-bomb attack. Police used pistol and shotgun fire to disperse their attackers. No injuries were reported as a result of the police action.

Four men were stabbed to death at Hlanzeni, Camperdown, when a group attacked the homes of an opposing group and burnt down a number of houses.

In another incident in the area, seven houses were burnt down in what may have been a retaliatory attack. — Sapa

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DURBAN. — Violence between two factions of racing grooms in the Summerveld area — which has claimed one life — could jeopardise racing in Natal this week.

Fighting broke out on Sunday afternoon and continued till early yesterday. One farmer used shotgun fire on two occasions to disperse an invading group.

Some racing spokesman believe the fighting erupted between between grooms at Summerveld Training Establishment, who are pro-Inkatha, and grooms at neighbouring farms who are

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United Democratic Front supporters.
Members of the South African

Police Riot Unit, together with a security firm, were on standby in the area yesterday.

Training of racehorses was seriously disrupted yesterday as no grooms turned up for work. Jockeys and trainers stepped in to do their work.

Racing sources said yesterday that the fighting had placed in jeopardy the race meeting to be staged at Scottsville tomorrow and also other Natal racing meetings to be staged in the near future. — Sapa

Protest action in Boland township

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter
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Unrest and protest action broke out this week in a Boland coloured township, police said.

Five people, including two women, were arrested in connection with the violence, which saw crowds and police clashing.

Police reported several stone-throwing incidents, in which a bus, post office building and police vehicles were damaged.

A man was arrested after an illegal gathering, according to police, and a woman was detained after an office building was set alight.

Police on several occasions used teargas and rubber bullets to disperse crowds but no injuries were reported.

Natal township violence also continued. Police said a man was stabbed to death by a mob in Sweetwaters and a police patrol was fired on in Mpumalanga on Monday.

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Natal unrest figures soar

MARITZBURG. — Unrest in the Natal Midlands has surged since June, when the possibility of a breakthrough in peace talks had cut the unrest death rate in half.

Mr John Aitchison, a spokesman for the Adult Education Unrest Monitoring Project, said in Maritzburg on Monday night that according to Project figures 450 people had died in Midlands unrest so far this year.

On Monday, violence once again flared in the Mpumalanga area when 800 armed men clashed — after a weekend of bloodshed which left at least eight people dead.

KwaZulu police sent reinforcements to the troubled Geogedale and Unit 4 areas at Mpumalanga to stop the fighting. At least two people had already died, however.

Mr Aitchison said in the wake of the violence on Monday night that about 50 people a month had been killed this year, but in June the unrest mortality rate had decreased to 27.

He said that in the past few weeks violence from trouble spots like Imbali, Mpumalanga and Mpophomeni had spread to nearly all areas of the Midlands.

Recent violence in the area included a clash between rival groups at the nearby Summerveld racehorse training centre, a shoot-out in Mpumalanga between rival groups in which one person died, the petrol-bombing of a police van and the stabbing to death of four men after a group attacked the homes of an opposing group and burnt down 12 houses. — Sapa

JOHANNESBURG. — Natal violence claimed four more lives in the past 24 hours, including the discovery of three shot and burnt bodies in Inanda near Durban.

According to the police unrest report, the bodies of the three unidentified men were found at the Inanda Soccer Stadium.

In another incident in the Izingolweni area, south of Durban, a woman was stabbed to death. Reports of huts being burnt were also received from the area.

The only other incident in Natal occurred at Brandville, near Mooi River, where municipal police barracks were set on fire and damaged.

There were no injuries, and three men and seven youths were arrested.

At Schoongezicht, near Witbank, a truck was extensively da-

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maged after it was set alight. At Ackerville, also near Witbank, three vehicles were badly damaged in separate petrol-bomb attacks. A truck was set alight in another incident.

The main road between Port Elizabeth and Uitenhage was closed for short periods yesterday when a large group of people disrupted traffic near Zwide.

After repeated warnings to disperse, police dogs and, later, teargas were used to break up the mob. No injuries were reported. — Sapa

Natal violence: new initiatives

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Staff Reporter

The drive to end the Natal violence would continue with or without Inkatha's participation, representatives of the Congress of SA Trade Unions and the United Democratic Front said yesterday.

At a media conference in Johannesburg, Cosatu's Mr Jay Naidoo and Mr Alec Erwin and former UDF publicity secretary Mr Murphy Morobe said there had been an upsurge in violence since Inkatha's moratorium on regional peace talks.

Ten days ago, Inkatha's central committee withdrew from the talks "until there was a prospect of success".

Complaining about the composition of delegations to a proposed conference involving the ANC, Cosatu, UDF and Inkatha, it also demanded an apology for derogatory remarks by the ANC's Mr Thabo Mbeki.

At yesterday's conference, Mr Naidoo said Cosatu and the UDF had launched "initiatives to bring together like-minded people in the interests of peace".

"The choice facing Inkatha's Chief (Mangosuthu) Buthelezi is whether he wants to be part of this."

Mr Erwin said since the talks broke down, close to 100 people had been killed in Natal.

Local peace initiatives were threatened and conflict had spread to the Natal South Coast.

In the past two years, close to 2 000 people had been killed, 30 000 homesteads destroyed and up to 15 000 people had become refugees.

Mr Erwin also said Cosatu and the UDF remained unhappy about the police role in the conflict. Allegations continued that police were refusing to intervene in attacks on the organisations' members.

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Residents to march over increases

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MARITZBURG. — Hundreds of residents and representatives from several organisations are expected to march on the Maritzburg City Hall at the end of the month to protest "massive" rates increases — up to 118% — which face Indian and coloured ratepayers.

White ratepayers are having to pay an average 18% increase.

The march is expected to take place on October 30.

The publicity secretary of the Maritzburg Combined Ratepayers and Residents Association, Mr Yunnus Carrim, said many white ratepayers had shown a keen interest in participating.

— Sapa

7 more killed in Natal township violence

By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

Another seven people have been killed in escalating unrest in Natal townships, while violence continued and spread in the Western Cape this week, police said.

Two policemen were injured and 12 people were arrested in the Cape clashes.

In Natal, the latest killings bring to at least 40 the number of deaths in township unrest since Friday.

Four of the latest killings were committed in Mpumalanga near Hammarsdale, which now seems to be the centre of continuing UDF/Inkatha clashes

which have claimed the lives of thousands of people over the past two years.

The three other killings were reported in Taylor's Halt near Maritzburg.

RIVAL GROUPS

Police said three men were killed in separate clashes between rival groups in Mpumalanga on Monday.

On Tuesday, a woman was shot dead by an unknown gunman in the same township and another two houses were damaged by arsonists.

Three men were killed in Taylor's Halt after a large mob attacked them.

In the Western Cape, violence spread to Bellavista coloured township near Ceres and protest action was again reported in Paarl.

Violence took the form of stone-throwing, of which several incidents were reported.

Two policemen were injured and an SAP vehicle was damaged in one of the incidents. Policemen used teargas to disperse the mob which attacked them.

In Bellavista, a group of people gathered outside the police station and handed a petition to the police.

Eight youths and a man were detained after police twice used teargas to disperse attackers.

Public's needs to be studied

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A BROAD study into the public transport needs of the central Witwatersrand area has been commissioned by the Department of Transport and is due to be completed by the end of March 1991.

The study is being undertaken by Masstran, a consortium formed by four engineering firms — Keeve Steyn Inc, Scott and de Waal Inc, Stanway Edwards Associates Inc and Watermeyer Legge Piesold and Uhlmann.

Full details of the study will be released at the end of October.

Masstran's Bob Stanway says "All aspects of land use and transport planning are being taken into account.

"Special attention is being given to the financial, economic, environmental and social impacts of the transport systems that will be studied.

"Masstran will seek pro-active involvement by interested groups such as commerce and industry, property owners, concerned parties and the general public."

CHARLOTTE MATHEWS

The study will focus on the Johannesburg area between Lenasia in the south, Midrand in the north, Krugersdorp in the west and Germiston in the east.

The consortium will do its coarse level planning to 1995, but the actual design year, taking into account population growth and employment levels, is targeted at 2005

Although the study is due to be released in 1991, Stanway said the time period for the implementation of the scheme would depend on the extent to which new infrastructural development was needed.

If existing systems were used — such as the upgrading of the present bus system — the plan could be implemented sooner.

Stanway said the project would be carried out on the basis of free and open communication with all interested groups to avoid the ill-feeling that sometimes occurred on major development projects.

Unilateral bid for peace in Natal

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THE UDF/Cosatu alliance is to go ahead with the Natal peace process whether Inkatha takes part in talks or not

The alliance told a Press conference in Johannesburg yesterday that it believed KwaZulu Chief Minister and Inkatha president Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi wanted to use the peace talks to establish a national political position

UDF acting publicity secretary Murphy Morobe said Buthelezi and the Inkatha Central Committee had repeatedly scuttled talks between the delegations of the alliance and Inkatha.

Morobe said Inkatha Central Committee had placed a moratorium on talks between Inkatha and the alliance. "This has jeopardised existing local initiatives at peace in certain areas ... even more disturbing is that very serious new areas of violence have opened up. Any peace initiatives to solve these problems are blocked by the Inkatha Central Committee decision. Meanwhile, the deaths and injuries escalate once again," he said.

The Natal death toll in the last two years

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has been estimated at 2 000.

"Cosatu and the UDF believe that now, more than ever, a peace process must continue. We are therefore deeply concerned at the latest position adopted by the Inkatha Central Committee on the peace process and the proposed meeting between Cosatu, the UDF, the ANC and Inkatha.

Asked how they hoped to continue peace talks if Inkatha was not included, Numsa education officer Alec Irwin said church, employer, labour and other organisations would take part.

Morobe said Inkatha had scuttled previous agreements by not adhering to signed documents, insisting that matters other than the Maritzburg violence being discussed, by taking no action against offenders and raising various objections.

No comment could be obtained from Buthelezi's office at the time of going to Press.

Attention was being given to improve hearing and

and financial electro-

Mpumalanga murder ups death toll

DURBAN. — Another man was killed at trouble-torn Mpumalanga near Hammarsdale on Wednesday night, pushing up the death toll to at least eight since renewed violence between Inkatha and United Democratic Front supporters erupted at the weekend.

The death of the man, Mr Clement Sithole, 20, brings the total killed in unrest in the Natal Midlands since the beginning of September to 54.

Meanwhile, four Democratic Party MPs, who met in Maritzburg on Wednesday to discuss the ongoing violence, are to meet top-ranking police officers on Monday.

It is understood that the SAP delegation will include senior members of the riot squad and the security branch.

The meeting will follow a statement on Wednesday by the Anti-Apartheid Alliance, which suggested that Inkatha leader Chief Mangosuthu

Buthelezi had misused the peace process to seek political gain. The alliance also accused police of bias against its followers.

A KwaZulu police spokesman said things were quieter compared with the frenzied fighting earlier this week.

He said that although the situation was reported to be tense, people were returning to work yesterday and making partial use of public transport.

The unrest report issued by police on Wednesday said six men and a woman were killed overnight in four separate incidents in Mpumalanga and Taylor's Halt.

Other unrest incidents included the stoning of a bus by a group at Botshabelo, near Bloemfontein; the firing of a shot by an unknown gunman at a policeman at the Lingelihle emergency police station in Cradock, and the stoning of a police vehicle, also in the Cradock area. A policeman was slightly injured in the latter incident. — Sapa

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Back to square one

Peace talks aimed at ending the crippling political violence in Natal have officially ground to a halt, following an Inkatha central committee meeting last week.

After a breakthrough earlier this year — when senior members of Inkatha, Cosatu and the UDF met in Durban and agreed on a London indaba between the presidents of the respective organisations — the peace initiative seems off again. In practical terms, little discussion has been taking place between the organisations since the Durban meeting —

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but now Inkatha has officially called a "moratorium" on future talks between local leaders.

However, they still want the proposed London meeting with ANC president Oliver Tambo to go ahead, a position which UDF spokesmen say is contradictory to resolutions passed at the weekend meeting at Ulundi. Inkatha resolved to freeze future talks, saying violence had continued in Natal while

peace negotiations were taking place.

A second reason cited and probably the one closer to the bone, is that "while peace talks are being attempted, UDF-Cosatu involve themselves in marches and initiatives which are purported to be organised and taken on behalf of the whole of democratic black SA." Inkatha president and KwaZulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi has often voiced his objections to what he calls

the leper status accorded his movement by other black liberation groups.

The UDF has responded by saying they did not object when Buthelezi engaged in initiatives of his own, like meeting with F W de Klerk. The possibility of the London summit — potentially the best chance yet of lowering the level of violence in Natal — now looks more remote than ever.

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Five killed in unrest violence in Natal 276

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PRETORIA. — Five people died in unrest-related incidents in the past 24 hours, the official South African Police unrest report said yesterday. In one incident in KwaMashu, near Durban, two men were killed in a shootout with police.

According to the report, two members of a private security company, a white man and a black man, who stopped at a shop in KwaMashu, were allegedly attacked by a group of black youths with firearms.

Members of the KwaZulu Police force arrived at the scene and a shootout, which resulted in the death of two of the youths, followed.

In another incident in Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale, Natal, a black man was stoned to death by a group of blacks.

At Hammarsdale, two black youths armed with a pistol allegedly fired a number of shots at people on their way to work, fatally wounding a black woman.

Police also found the body of a black man who had been stabbed to death in Mpumalanga. — Sapa

Witchcraft a possible motive for killing of 7

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DURBAN. — It is believed that witchcraft could have been the motive for the brutal mass murder of seven children, whose mutilated bodies were found on the banks of the Umlazi River in Durban on Thursday.

The mother of the seven, a Mrs Cele, is a sangoma who disappeared along with her children on Wednesday. Police are still searching for her.

Police said yesterday that it was believed a group of men could be responsible for the killings. According to local people, "a number of people" were against Mrs Cele's practices as a sangoma.

Mr Filikwe Cele reported to the police on Wednesday that his wife and children had disappeared. He said he arrived to find his home had been gutted and his family missing.

On Thursday, the bodies of the children — four boys and three girls aged between two and 15 years old — were discovered by a woman collecting wood in the Welbedacht area. — Sapa

PRETORIA. — A man was killed and his body burnt on Friday at strife-torn Mpumalanga near Hammarsdale — an area in which more than 2 000 people have lost their lives in political faction fighting over the past three years.

Police said on Saturday in their overnight unrest report that the man was killed and his body set alight by a group of people.

There was no police action at the scene of the killing, but a murder case is being investigated. No further details were provided.

Natal man killed, body burnt

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At Paarl East, police used tearsmoke and birdshot to disperse groups which damaged a "number of vehicles" in stone-throwing inci-

dents, the report said. No injuries were reported and police arrested five people. No further details were provided.

A group which set a truck alight at Howick in Natal was also dispersed with tearsmoke. No injuries were reported and the report made no mention of arrests. No further details were provided.

Two people were arrested after a group hurled a petrol bomb at a school at Bulwer in Natal, setting it alight. No further details were provided. — Sapa

Moves towards peace in Natal

DURBAN. — Two major moves are to be made today to restore peace in Natal's strife-torn Mpumalanga township, where the death toll in the latest violence rose to 14 at the weekend.

In one effort to stem the bloodshed, five Democratic Party MPs are due to meet senior police officers in Durban.

The other is a march being organised by Cosatu and UDF supporters in which thousands of residents are expected to take part.

Mr Willies Mchunu, spokesman for the marchers, said the residents would march to the local police station where a petition would be handed in demanding that kitskonstables

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(and riot police be removed immediately.

He said the residents wanted peace and the march was aimed at highlighting the violence in the township.

Mpumalanga's mayor, Mr Rodgers Sishi, has also renewed calls for the SADF to send in troops to restore peace. He believes the troops will do a better job in keeping apart rival factions.

Brigadier Jac Buchner, Commissioner of the KwaZulu Police, yesterday said a policeman has been detained on charges of attempted murder. He gave no further details. — Sapa

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Witchcraft theory on mass killing in Natal

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — There are fears that the mass murder near Durban last week of a pregnant mother and her six children could have been witchcraft killings.

When the seven badly mutilated and charred bodies of Mrs Hawukile Cele (40) and her sons and daughters were found on the banks of the Umlazi River on Thursday it was first believed that the victims were all children and Mrs Cele was missing.

However, police disclosed at the weekend that Mrs Cele's body was among those discovered by women gathering wood on the Umlazi River banks at Welbedaght.

It has now been established that the Celes' four-year-old son is missing and feared to be another victim in what people in the Ngonyameni reserve, near Umlazi, say is a witchcraft murder.

On Wednesday Mr Filikwe Cele reported to the police that his house had been set on fire and that his family was missing.

The next day, the mutilated bodies were found. The six children found mutilated were Ntombizini (15), Lungelo (13), Chester (7), Msizi (6), Mbali (3) and Mvula (2).

The witchcraft theory was put forward after it was discovered that people living near the Celes had accused Mrs Cele of causing their son's death.

It was alleged that Mrs Cele, who was a traditional healer, had put a curse on the child.

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5 killed in widespread unrest

PRETORIA. — Five people were killed in different incidents over the past 24 hours, according to yesterday's police unrest report.

The bodies of two men — one stabbed to death and the other burnt — were found at Mpumalanga, Natal.

In another incident at Quinabout, near Port Shepstone, an 18-year-old youth was killed when a group of people gathered.

A man was killed by a group of

people at Inanda.

A robber was fatally wounded when police opened fire at four men at Edenvale when they stopped a bakery delivery vehicle, robbing it of cash.

In another unrest incident at Tokoza, near Germiston, an F1 grenade exploded in the back yard of a private dwelling. A second unexploded grenade was later found in the same yard.

Police said no injuries were reported, but that the dwelling was slightly damaged. — Sapa

A SERIES OF ATTEMPTS ARE MADE TO END NATAL'S VIOLENCE ...

In Natal's bloodiest township, a march of protest

Thousands of residents of the bloodiest township in Natal, refusing to be cowed by the violence, marched to a police station in protest.

CARMEL RICKARD reports

THOUSANDS of people in Mpumalanga, currently the worst flashpoint in Natal's political violence, marched this week to protest at the killings and at alleged police bias.

Residents were determined to show they were not cowed by the violence which has left 14 dead in less than a fortnight, and the march and the rally which preceded it brought people out in their thousands.

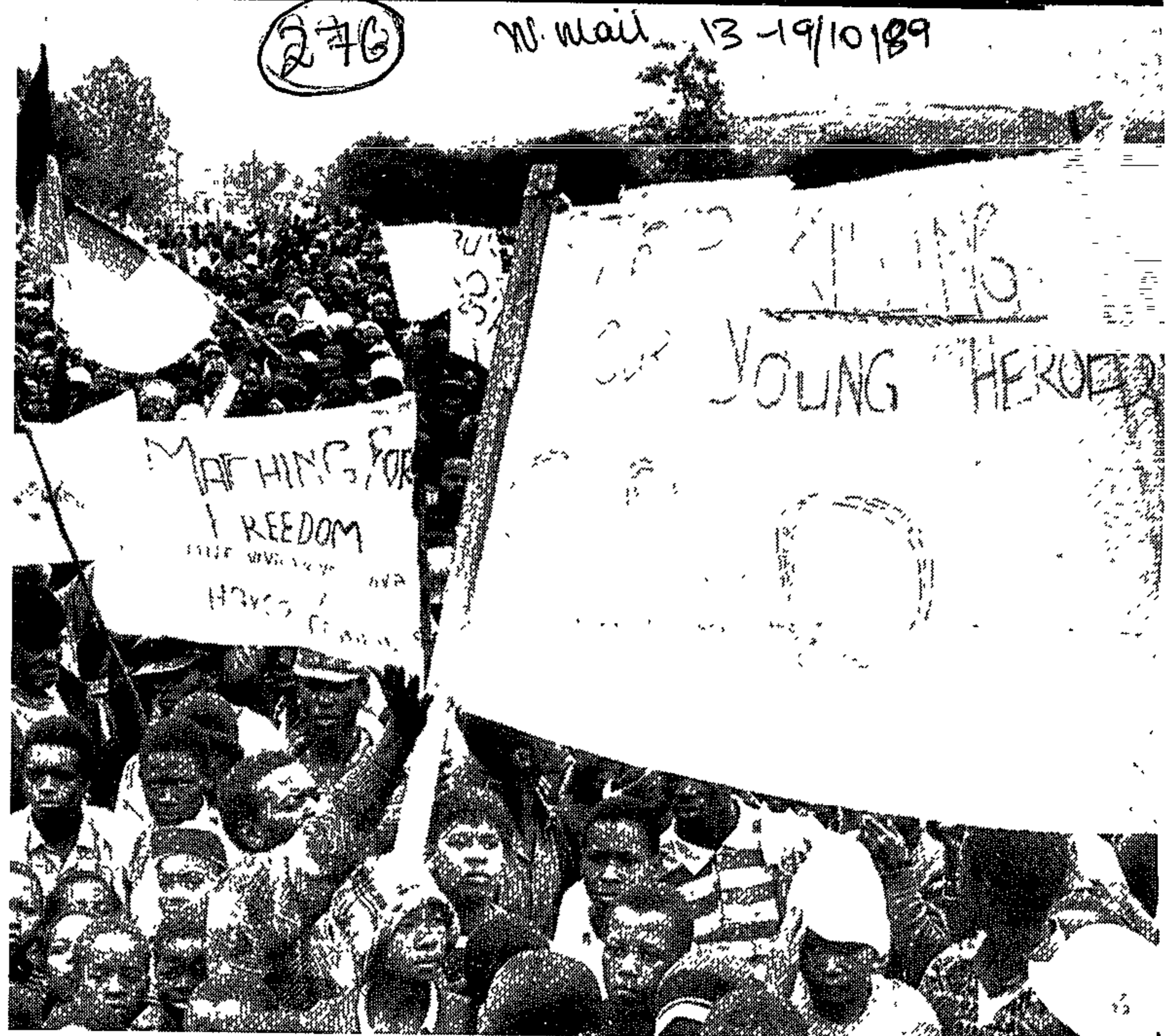
The huge crowd gathered at the local stadium on Tuesday morning for the rally, then marched to the police station, dancing and carrying flags and banners.

On the way Roger Sishi, mayor of Mpumalanga, said he felt the march and the response of the people was "wonderful".

"This really shows the will of the people," he shouted above the chants and roar of the thousands lined up behind him.

Close to the police station the crowd stopped to wait while a delegation of prominent local people went forward to hand over the petition.

It called for the South African police and the riot police to quit the township because they allegedly "create problems" and are biased; it also



The posters carry the message as Mpumalanga residents march to the local police station this week

Picture: CLINT ZASMAN

called for the kwaZulu police to be left to deal with the situation on their own.

The local station commander, flanked by dozens of armed police, accepted the petition through a crack in the locked wire gates and agreed to hand it to his superiors.

After this the crowd did not seem to know what to do, and appeared reluctant to leave, but after marching around the police station and being addressed by prominent local residents on what had happened at the hand-over of the petition, they began to disperse, some marching home in groups of dozens of people, many still carrying flags and posters.

Within a few minutes the situation

degenerated.

Police fired teargas to disperse the groups of people going home.

There was also an incident earlier in the day when several hundred people ran out of the stadium, apparently to ward off a vigilante attack rumoured to be taking place.

According to police 42 people were arrested and two were injured when police took action against those who left the rally at this point.

Police said the youth went to Mpumalanga Unit B, armed with axes, knobkerries and stones and attacked houses, causing R100 000 damage.

Local police PRO Major Piet Kitching said two police vehicles were also attacked, causing damage of R6 000.

The youths were dispersed with teargas and shotguns were fired at those attacking the police vehicles.

After the march teargas, stun grenades and birdshot were used to disperse people who "were refusing police warnings to disperse".

On Wednesday over 40 people appeared in court in connection with public violence charges. Among those who appeared was Black Sash official Wendy Annecke who is charged with crimen injuria for allegedly swearing at police.

Annecke was among a number of people from outside the township who attended to show their solidarity with residents.



Demonstrators held for theft

CP REPORTERS *City Press 15/10/89*
 ANTI-Labour Relations Act demonstrators caused damage estimated at R45 000 in Maritzburg after looting shops while other protests went off peacefully countrywide this week.

Police liaison officer Maj Pieter Kitching said about 30 youths looted a Retief Street store after a march to present a petition at Manpower Department offices in Church Street. Some arrests were made, he added.

On Friday Manpower Minister Eli Louw called on unions not to hold protest marches, saying it was time for "rational consultations rather than emotional demonstrations".

In Johannesburg, more than 20 000 workers marched from St. Mary's Cathedral to Wits University, where they were addressed by Cosatu president Elijah Barayi and Numsa general secretary Moses Mayekiso.

In Cape Town, about 5 000 people marched from Darling Street to Parliament to deliver a letter demanding that Louw scrap the LRA.

In Durban, an empty cup thrown from a block of flats, knocked down a young girl as 15 000 workers marched from Queen Street to Victoria Street.

Marshals had their hands full trying to control irate protesters who wanted to storm the block of flats.

In Nelspruit, about 25 000 protested against the LRA and alleged police and SADF harassment. Marchers handed a memorandum to Col Nicholas Herst at the Nelspruit police station.

In Pretoria, about 5 000 workers marched to the Paul Kruger Street Manpower offices to hand a petition to Manpower chief director Nick Hitchcock.



Inset: This man made sure he had a

bird's-eye view of the march from a scaffold in Plein Street.

About 20 000 anti-Labour Relations Act protesters marched from St Mary's Cathedral to Wits University in Johannesburg yesterday. While many carried posters supporting the ANC, police kept a low profile.

Big welcome for leaders

By CHARLES MOGALE
 TENSIONS reached an all-time high yesterday as South Africa awaited the release of eight prominent political prisoners.

By late last night the eight, including former ANC secretary-general Walter Sisulu, were still being expected by large chanting crowds outside their homes.

The others are Rivonia

trialists Andrew Mlangeni, Wilton Mkwayi, Ahmed Kathrada, Raymond Mhlaba and Elias Motsoaledi. Also to be released were South Africa's longest-serving political prisoner, Japhta Masemola of the PAC, and veteran trade unionist Oscar Mphetha.

Sources close to Pretoria said the government had planned the timing of

the release for minimal fanfare. They said it was hoped to make the releases "quiet family affairs".

Other sources said the releases had been delayed because of yesterday's marches in protest against the Labour Relations Act. It was feared the former prisoners would be "hijacked" to the marches.

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Mpumalanga: 3 die in ongoing violence

PRETORIA. — The Natal death toll rose at the weekend with the discovery at strife-torn Mpumalanga of the bullet-riddled body of an as yet unidentified man.

The man's death raises to three the number killed in the township at the weekend. In the other incidents a black man, 52, was stabbed to death by a group of men, and a man was fatally wounded when he and another man were fired on.

Two more bodies were found at Gsebusa, also near Maritzburg. The two men had apparently been stabbed. Another man was wounded by an unknown gunman in the same area.

At Balishaba, Maritzburg, one man, one woman and a youth were injured when three private houses were stoned by a small group. One youth was arrested.

Unrest incidents in the Cape included the stoning of a police vehicle at Paarl East. One coloured youth and one black man were arrested, and slight damage was caused to the station.

Stonings were also reported at Guguletu and Babalello near Upington. — Sapa

150 000 people march

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Members of the Mass Democratic Movement and trade unions marched in Johannesburg in protest against the Labour Relations Amendment Act and to welcome the released ANC activists.

MORE than 150 000 people participated in Cosatu - organised marches at 17 South African centres countrywide on Saturday to protest the Labour Relations Amendment Act.

The largest march was held in Port Elizabeth, where an estimated 20 000 people gathered at their march starting point at 10.30 am but were joined by at least another 20 000 more by 12.30pm as the march proceeded.

Apart from Maritzburg's march, during which shop and bus windows were smashed and people arrested for

Violence mars protest in Natal

A pamphlet had been circulated in Secunda's Em-balenhle township saying the march had been postponed to coincide with the National Union of Mineworkers' march on October 20.

Bogus pamphlets were also circulated in Port Elizabeth in the name of Namda (National Medical and Dental Association), claiming marchers would be sterilised by means of radiation

The right-wing Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) in a statement promised to put an end to protest "communist-inspired" protest marches which were evidence that State President F W de Klerk had in his short term of office allowed the country to become ungovernable.

Between 2 000 and 3000 protesters joined the march in Pietersburg which was conducted in good spirit.

In Durban the marchers numbered between 3 500 and 5 000. The march drew peacefully to a close shortly after midday on Saturday.

looting, no other incidents of violence were reported. Police reported damage to the value of R45 000 as a result of the Maritzburg march by about 2 000 workers.

Cosatu march marshals were praised for their efforts in controlling crowds at most centres.

Several petitions listing demands for the scrapping of the Labour Relations Amendment Act, the lifting of the state of emergency, the release of all political prisoners and detainees, the unbanning of political organisations, and others were presented to police by march leaders for delivery to the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok.

At Secunda a march of 6 000 protesters proceeded despite a refusal by the town's Conservative Party-controlled council to allow it.

According to a Cosatu spokesman the number of marchers was reduced after an anonymous

Tearsmoke used after cars attacked

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PRETORIA. — A car has been burned in Guguletu and another stoned, according to the police unrest report.

In each case, the groups were dispersed with tearsmoke.

A car was set alight in Nyanga.

A man and youth were arrested and the group of which they were allegedly members was dispersed with tearsmoke after a police van was stoned at Mbekweni in the Boland.

● Police used tearsmoke to disperse groups that gathered on four occasions in Motherwell in the Eastern Cape and arrested a man.

● A man was killed at Kwamashu, Natal, and two youths wounded when a group fired at two homes.

In a correction to a report yesterday about an incident at Mountain Rise in Maritzburg, police say it did not occur at Hippo Quarries but at the adjacent Shorty's Farm, nor were quarry employees involved — Sapa.

Cars set alight in Cape violence

PRETORIA. — Vehicles were stoned and set alight in the Peninsula yesterday and at least five people died in violence in Natal.

In Guguletu groups set fire to a private car and, in another incident, stoned a car. Both vehicles were extensively damaged. The groups were dispersed with tear smoke, police here reported.

At Nyanga a group set fire to a private vehicle, causing extensive damage.

At Mbekweni, in the Boland, a group stoned a police vehicle. Police dispersed the group with tear smoke and arrested a man and a youth.

In Ekuthuleni, north of Durban, a man was burnt to death when his house was petrol-bombed on Monday.

The KwaMashu Police said on Monday that Mr. Richard Mavimbela, 39, was burnt to death when unknown people threw a petrol bomb at his house.

Another man, Mr. Malolo Soni, was shot and then hacked to death in KwaMashu's K Section while an unidentified man was found stabbed to death at Siyanda, near KwaMashu, on Monday.

Mr. Fololo Ndlovu, 35, died after he had been beaten up at KwaMashu's men's hostel on Monday.

Mr. Sonnyboy Chonco, 25, was stabbed to death at Mpumalanga, between Durban and Maritzburg.

Two houses were petrol-bombed at Ntuzuma, near KwaMashu. There were no injuries, police said.

Sapa

Natal violence 'flattens' houses

POLITICAL violence in Natal had devastated entire housing blocks in some residential areas, the Bishop of the Natal Coastal District, the Rev Dr John Borman, told the annual conference of the Methodist Church of Southern Africa in Cape Town yesterday.

Bishop Borman said he had visited the troubled area of Mpumalanga shortly before coming to the conference.

His address came in the wake of further reports of unrest from Natal. The overnight unrest report said a man was stabbed by a group of men who set fire to one bus and stoned another at Prospecton industrial area at Amanzimtoti.

Both vehicles were extensively damaged, but the man was not seriously injured.

The report also said a delivery vehicle was set alight and destroyed at Mbekweni in the Boland.

And at Beaufort West, a man who took part in an illegal gathering was arrested. At Motherwell in the Eastern Province an illegal gathering also led to the arrest of one man.

On Monday in Guguletu, two people were killed and three seriously injured when a private vehicle ploughed into a group of people on a pavement after it had been stoned by a group.

Police said yesterday that two passengers were also injured in the incident. — Sapa

Oppressed need protest and a sword, says Sisulu

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JOHANNESBURG. — ANC leader Mr Walter Sisulu said yesterday that oppressed people could give up neither protests nor the sword.

Pressure on both fronts was the key to victory.

"No Afrikaner in our position would ever renounce violence and consider that a solution. Oh, no! When they were struggling against the British that would have been tantamount to treason."

The ANC would never be prepared to suspend its armed struggle as a precondition to talks, he said.

Nevertheless, he and his comrades agreed that the door was open for talks but that "the ball is in the government's court".

Mr Sisulu has said President F W de

Klerk's promises of reform have the familiar ring of his predecessor's delaying tactics, but that he and his colleagues nevertheless were optimistic about a "bright South Africa for all".

Mr Sisulu said he was impressed with the new attitudes prevailing among the white population, particularly Afrikaner youth.

However, he expressed distress over the violence in Natal, saying he was disappointed the peace efforts initiated by Cosatu, the UDF and Inkatha had not been sustained.

"It was a very good effort and we ought all to encourage further steps in that direction," he said. He said the ANC was "depressed" by the violence in Natal. — Sapa

Crowd stones police in Paarl, 6 held

Crime Reporter
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POLICE and stone-throwers clashed at the Paarl township of Mbekweni on Saturday.

According to police, the stone-throwers attacked policemen and police vehicles in four separate incidents.

Six people were arrested.

The incidents came just over a week after widespread stoning in Paarl East, when police used teargas and shotguns to disperse the stone-throwers. A woman was wounded during that incident and three men arrested.

At Nyanga a shot was fired at police and police were also attacked by stone-throwers. Police said they did not know how many people were involved in the shooting, nor the kind of firearm used in the attack. No arrests were made.

A 29-year-old Mitchells Plain man, Mr Leon Vermeulen, had to be treated for a gash to his head on Saturday night after the car he was travelling in was stoned in Crossroads.

Mr Bernard Rajh, 28, said he was driving with Mr Vermeulen shortly after 9.30pm when a half-brick was thrown through the passenger's window, hitting Mr Vermeulen on the head.

"All I remember is seeing a group of people standing next to the road and the next moment a half-brick came through the window, hit Leon in the face and then ricocheted onto my hip," Mr Rajh said.

The two first went to the Mitchells Plain police station to report the incident and then to hospital, where Mr Vermeulen received stitches.

At Gesubuso, near Maritzburg, a gang of men fired on 300 people at a funeral, wounding five young children. No arrests were made.

● Mr Nelson Mandela and released trade unionist and veteran activist Mr Oscar Mpetha, 80, have spoken out strongly against the stoning of vehicles.

— Crime Reporter and Sapa



The Argus Correspondent
DURBAN. — Democratic Party MP Mr Pierre Cronje has repeated his call for an independent commission of inquiry into the murder of 11 people last December at Trust Feed near New Hanover after an inquest magistrate found circumstantial evidence placed suspicion on two special constables.

Mr Cronje, who closely monitors the political violence in Natal and KwaZulu and has been involved in efforts to end the fighting, said the New Hanover inquest was an informal one. People were not represented nor was there cross examination.

"Cross questioning is needed to ascertain guilt or not. "I asked for a judicial com-

mission of inquiry at the time because it was just an isolated incident in an area that had no long history of violence and there were allegations of police complicity.

Warned

"I had warned the police before the incident took place and I had reports of police being present right up to the incident.

"In the light of all of that, I then asked for a commission. It would be a good opportunity to perhaps get to the causes of the violence in Natal," Mr Cronje said.

The inquest magistrate, Mr A Freese, concluded that there was circumstantial evidence placing suspicion on two special policemen, Special Sergeant Dumisani Ndwalana and

Call for inquiry into murder of 11 people

Special Constable David Khabule.

There was also possible complicity on the part of Lieutenant Brian Mitchell, the former New Hanover station commander, Mr Freese said after a three-day inquest.

Mr Freese said that the evidence was not enough to conclude that the policemen had murdered the people. He would refer the inquest

papers to the Attorney-General, who initially declined to prosecute.

The 11 Trust Feed victims, including six women and two children, were killed while they were holding a wake for a person who died of natural causes.

The inquest heard that just before the massacre a voice outside the door said: "You Shangase, have left us and gone to the other side."

Mr Dudu Shangase, 36, asked who was there. The person outside said "Police."

Before he could open the door Mr Shangase heard another voice saying that Mr Shangase had "gone to the other side", said the Durban attorneys who investigated the massacre.

They said it was strange that the initial reports blamed Inkatha vigilantes, but most of

the people killed were members of Inkatha.

The Trust Feed area, between Wartburg and New Hanover, does not fall in KwaZulu, but is administered by the Natal Provincial Administration. Between 5 000 and 6 000 people live there.

Certain people have title to land and others live on black landowners' land as tenants. There have been disputes over

the land and clashes over the wishes of people for several years.

The people killed were: Mr Mselani Ntuli, Mr Shangase, Mrs Sethu Shangase, 29, Mkon-deni Shangase, 9, Musi Shangase, 4, Mrs Filda Ntuli, 40, Mrs Fikile Zondi, 29, Mrs Maritha Xaba, 45, Mrs Sarah Nyoka, 65, Mr Alfred Zita, 66, and Mrs Dedewu Sithole, 60.

In March 1987 a crisis committee was set up at Trust Feed and there is also a Landowners' Association, with about 50 members. There are also white landowners.

Members of the crisis committee did not want to be incorporated into KwaZulu, but wanted to remain under the NPA.

The black Landowners' Association resolved to approach the KwaZulu government to have Trust Feed incorporated into KwaZulu. However, the youth in Trust Feed were dissatisfied with their parents' decision to approach KwaZulu.

In April, 1987 a demonstration took place and youths shouted African National Congress slogans, insulted the Chief Minister of KwaZulu and would not join their organisation.

In October 1987 homes belonging to Inkatha people were attacked, allegedly by youths.

Inkatha members were told to leave the area and some were chased in the streets. Some Inkatha youths were killed, the attorneys said.

10 000 ratepayers march in Maritzburg

Own Correspondent

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MARITZBURG. — Thousands of angry ratepayers marched on the Maritzburg City Hall yesterday in a protest unprecedented in the city's history.

A chanting, placard-waving crowd of about 10 000 people marched to the

front of the City Hall where a memorandum calling for the abolition of the Group Areas Act was handed to the mayor, Mr Mark Cornell.

Police kept a low profile during the march through the streets and while people gathered outside the City Hall.

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7 hurt in Natal unrest ²⁷⁰ *Out Feb 4/1989*

PRETORIA. — Police yesterday said in the unrest report that in Ntuzuma, Natal, a private vehicle and a home were set alight. Seven men were slightly injured.

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Natal braces for rival Inkatha, ANC rallies

RIVAL rallies could be on the cards in Natal next weekend, as tension between Inkatha and the Congress of Traditional Leaders of South Africa (Contraleasa) grows.

kwazulu's chief minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi has announced that Zulu king Goodwill Zwelethini has called a "convention" in Kings Parks Stadium for November 19.

The same day there could be a rally called by Contraleasa at Wadley Stadium in Pietermaritzburg as a "welcome" meeting for newly released African National Congress leaders.

The Reception Committee, which plans the programme of ANC leaders, is meeting this weekend to final-

ise details.

By CARMEL RICARD,
Durban

Contraleasa president Mhlabunzima Maphumulo said the date was discussed with the reception committee before Buthelezi's announcement of the Kings Park "convention".

Buthelezi said the king "wishes to address not only all Zulus but also all those who live under his shadow as king of the Zulus".

The Inkatha owned newspaper *Ilanga*, this week reported the likelihood of the Contraleasa rally taking place on the same day as the Kings Park "convention" and noted that the Pie-

termaritzburg rally was organised by Maphumulo, described as having worked with the Bureau of State Security, the security police and the defence Department of Information.

Maphumulo said yesterday he challenged Inkatha and the editor of *Ilanga* to explain these allegations.

He is taking legal advice on the claims and is also considering an appeal to the media council.

Maphumulo said he assumed the slur was related to the formation in 1975 of the Inala party, named after the king's regiment.

He attended the third meeting of the party, which he believes was founded by the king. After this meeting,

Buthelezi forced the closure of Inala, suspended Maphumulo from chieftainship — a move reversed by the supreme court — and claimed the party was the work of the Department of Information and security police.

The row over the claims in *Ilanga* and the rival rallies are the latest round in growing hostilities between Contraleasa and Inkatha.

Maphumulo has been attacked by Buthelezi and the king over his role in Contraleasa. They claimed the organisation was a spear in the heart of Zulu unity, and he was told to quit, something he has refused to do.

Maphumulo says Contraleasa is winning growing support among chiefs.

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killed in
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PRETORIA. A woman was killed and her husband injured yesterday in a grenade attack in Tembisa east of Johannesburg, police reported.

Police said that two hand grenades were lobbed at the couple's home at 1.30am, killing the 42-year-old woman and injuring her 47-year-old husband.

Police are investigating the attack.

At Makwalini, near Margate, a group of people gathered with the apparent intention of attacking a local chief. When police arrived on the scene, they were stoned.

One policeman was slightly injured. Police used tearsmoke, rubber bullets and birdshot to disperse the crowd.

A girl was fatally wounded and three others were injured and arrested. A woman and four youths were also arrested.

A group of men attacked and assaulted another man, seriously injuring him in Springs. A man was later arrested by the police. — Sapa

Police raid SATS union building on East Rand

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JOHANNESBURG. — The SATS strike by between 20 000 and 40 000 employees erupted yesterday after a confrontation between police and workers at Springs' Palladium building.

Lieutenant Ida van Zweel said police raided the building housing Cosatu-affiliated trade unions and confiscated knives, knobkierries, steel pipes, sjamboks and similar weapons from about 220 workers. No one was arrested.

East Rand police could not confirm SA Railway and Harbour Workers' Union (Sarhwi) allegations that they fired teargas into the building and beat workers, who had to jump out of windows.

A meeting planned for yesterday between the two parties never came off after management informed the workers' representative committee their proposals made before the scheduled talks were non-negotiable.

Management yesterday dismissed 150 workers at Langlaagte, Springs and Sentra Rand.

About 8 000 workers have until today to furnish reasons for their industrial action and to return to work or be dismissed.

The return to work deadline for more than 10 000 striking SATS workers in Natal was extended yesterday until Friday. — Sapa, Own Correspondent

Rail trucks crush man

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DURBAN. — A pensioner who was employed as a casual worker by the South African Transport Services during the labour strike was crushed to death on Monday night while sleeping under a railway truck.

Police have identified the man as Mr Petros Johannes Jacobsen, of Rutherford Street.

Lieutenant Bala Naidoo, police public relations officer for Port Natal, said Mr Jacobsen had fallen asleep under one of the railway trucks at a pier.

When the shunters came on duty they inspected the lines but did not see Mr Jacobsen.

They discovered his body after examining the rails to find out why the trucks were not running freely.

The railway trucks were loaded with steel. — Sapa

Petrol blaze damages home of Zulu prince

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DURBAN. — Petrol was set alight after being poured into the house of the senior prince of the Zulu royal family, Prince Israel Mwayizeni Zulu, at Nongoma in Zululand.

Deputy commissioner of KwaZulu police Brigadier Siphon Mathe said an attempted arson docket had been opened after unknown people broke a window, poured petrol into the living room and set it alight at the weekend.

He said two sofas, a carpet, a piano, a TV set and curtains were burned.

He said the prince and princess were not at home and their three children, who were in the house, were not injured.

The prince has been at the centre of controversy because of his support for the newly formed Congress of the Traditional Leaders of South Africa (Contralesa).



Prince Israel

Prince Israel, who is the uncle of King Goodwill Zwelithini, acted as his regent from 1968 to 1971.

In March he resigned from the KwaZulu Legislative Assembly because of ill health.

Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi, said the prince was being wooed by the United Democratic Front

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Mob stones, stabs man to death near Durban

PRETORIA. — Two men died and four were injured, two seriously, in unrest-related incidents in Natal over the past 24 hours.

Police said a man was killed at Ntuzuma, near Durban, by a mob who first stoned and then stabbed him to death.

Police found the body of a man with gunshot wounds at Kwamashu, Durban. In several other incidents in this area, a group shot and wounded a man, arsonists caused extensive damage to a house and a group fired shots at police and bystanders. The attackers were dispersed with shotgun and rifle fire, but no injuries were reported.

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A group shot and seriously wounded a man at Taylor's Halt, in Natal, and at Hammarisdale, also in Natal, a group fired shots at the police, who retaliated with shotgun fire. No injuries were reported and four men were arrested.

Two men were seriously injured when a group threw a petrol bomb at a squatter shack at Inanda, Durban. In an-

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other incident in the area a delivery vehicle was damaged in a petrol-bomb attack.

In the only incident outside Natal, a house in Soweto was damaged in a petrol-bomb attack. No injuries were reported. — Sapa.

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PRETORIA. — Two men were fatally shot and three others wounded in the past 24 hours in unrest-related incidents in Natal, according to the police overnight unrest report.

The report said two men were shot, one fatally, by a mob at Imbali, Martizburg. In another incident in the area a 16-year-old youth was shot dead by unknown gunmen.

At KwaMakuta, near Amanzimtoti, a man was shot with a home-made shotgun. Police used birdshot to disperse the attackers. A man was wounded when he was attacked and shot by a group at Inanda. Two men were hurt when a railway truck was set alight at Katlehong, Germiston. The report said the truck was extensively damaged.

In other incidents at KwaMashu and Inanda, Durban, petrol-bomb attacks caused extensive damage to private homes. No injuries were reported. — Sapa

Bodies brutally mutilated in sinister twist to Natal unrest

BRUTAL mutilation of bodies is becoming an increasingly common feature of Natal political violence.

Members of the Democratic Party's unrest monitoring group in Durban said it had now become a standard question asked by their workers in interviews about any "unrest" killing, and increasingly often they were told there had been "tampering" with victims' bodies.

One of the most recent of such cases was that of a popular Inanda cleric killed while preparing for church on Sunday October 29. His body was mutilated and his genitals cut off.

Both sides in the conflict also speak of increased use of "muti" by people involved in the fighting or hoping to ward off attack.

Another trend in the violence around Durban appears to be for the fighting to move away from the urban townships into the rural areas. It is almost as though the battles for supre-

By CARMEL RICARD,
Durban

macy have been decided in town, and the contest is now moving to undecided ground.

And with the action increasingly taking place on the rural stage, the emergence of the Congress of Traditional Leaders of South Africa has also become a factor in the violence.

Unrest monitors said this week they were discovering a lot of pressure in the rural areas in response to the growth of Contralesa.

Some chiefs and traditional leaders are allegedly "targeting" people sympathetic to the United Democratic Front to contain the spread of "Contralesa ideas".

There is also heated discussion about which of the chiefs will attend the convention called by Zulu king

Goodwill Zwelithini at Durban's Kings Park stadium on Sunday, and which will attend the Contralesa rally on December 3.

It is thought traditional leaders will be forced to show their allegiance through these two rallies, and rural violence is expected to increase afterwards.

The current hot spots around Durban are Inanda, kwaMashu, kwaMakutha, Umbumbulu and Ngqolosi.

At Inanda, the Sinyora vigilante group appears to be helping local vigilantes move out of their stronghold in Ems Shayazafe and Newtown B into Afrika, and Newtown A and C.

Reports indicate the worst fighting is in Section C where the two sides appear evenly balanced.

DP unrest monitors have reports of 12 people killed in Inanda since the beginning of the month, nine of them in Section C while last month 11 died in the whole Inanda area.

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Natal unrest claims 11 more lives (276)

ELEVEN people have been killed in unrest-related incidents during the past 24 hours, according to the official police unrest report yesterday.

Six deaths occurred in various incidents at Mpumalanga, near Hammarsdale, in Natal.

In one incident, a group of blacks attacked and killed a 30-year-old man.

In another, five blacks were killed when clashes broke out between two groups.

Two men were killed in the clashes and, according to the unrest report, a further three men died when

police arrived on the scene and fired several shots.

In other parts of Natal, five people were killed.

One man died after he was attacked at Henely Dam, at Edendale.

A 28-year-old man died from injuries sustained when he was attacked by two men at Sweetwaters, Natal.

In another fatal incident, a 34-year-old man was attacked and killed at Gesu-buzo.

More security force members are to be sent to strife-torn Mpumalanga, SAP Natal regional commissioner Maj-Gen J C van

Niekerk, announced yesterday morning.

Van Niekerk made this decision after a Press conference in Durban on Tuesday when Natal riot control co-ordinator Brig Gerrit Viljoen told journalists policemen were fired upon 10 times in Mpumalanga on Monday.

Mpumalanga is a vast,

sprawling township between Durban and Maritzburg, close to the white town of Camperdown.

Residents of Mpumalanga yesterday officially asked President F W de Klerk to appoint a judicial commission of inquiry into the unrest.

The request was made through attorneys. — Sapa.

NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 to January 1989:.....	668
February 1989 — November 28 1989:.....	357
Past 24 hours' official toll:.....	11
TOTAL:.....	1 036

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Natal strife creates its refugees

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DURBAN. — Mr Amon Ngcobo, 48, is one of the thousands of refugees of the political violence in Natal.

In 1986 Mr Ngcobo lost a full time job. Since then he has been coming into town almost daily looking for temporary jobs to help his wife and four children. He has been living at Lindelani north of Durban since 1970.

Two weeks ago, on returning from a fruitless work-seeking venture, he and two other men were confronted by a gang of six men as they stepped off a bus at Richmond Farm.

"They said: 'What are you?'. I said: 'I am nothing'. They said: 'You are a comrade' and shot me."

Mr Ngcobo spent the next week in King Edward VIII Hospital, Durban. He said he counted 52 patients recovering from gunshot wounds inflicted

in the political violence.

Mr Ngcobo, who is the brother of a senior Kwazulu political leader, has not been back to his Lindelani home and is now moving away as he fears the men. "A lot of people are making trouble for nothing. It is not right to kill other people."

Spent night at station

His wife does not know what has happened to him. The night he was released from hospital he spent on Durban Station.

Mr Ngcobo was highly critical of the warlords who have set themselves up as undisputed kings in the squatter settlements north of Durban.

He said the man who "runs" the Lindelani area moved in five years ago as a hobo but today is a very rich man. He has a police force which demands R5 from people every month. If they do not pay they are chased away.

5 more die as strife in Natal continues

PRETORIA. — Five people died and seven were injured as unrest continued in strife-torn Natal this weekend.

A blaze, thought to have been started by arsonists, extensively damaged a private home and vehicle at Amowoti in Natal. It is reported that two people were killed and one injured in the fire.

Two men were shot and killed when a petrol bomb and stones were hurled into a private dwelling at Mpumalanga. One man was slightly injured in the incident.

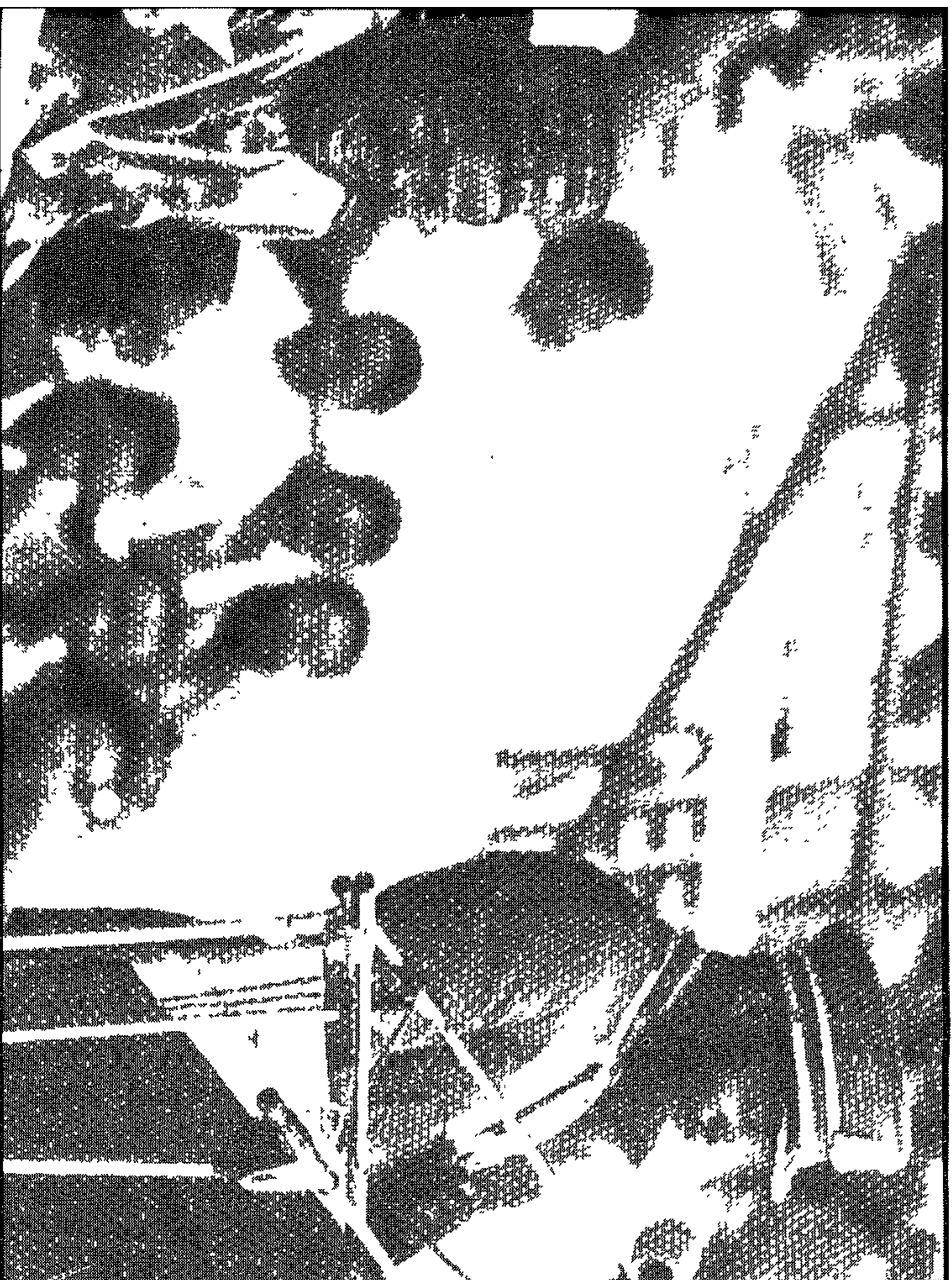
At Dassenhoek, near Durban, the body of an unknown man was discovered by the police. He had been stabbed to death.

In Elandskop in Natal, police apparently shot and seriously injured a man who had pointed a firearm at them. The man was arrested and taken to hospital. — Sapa

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Kings calls for black unity



KING Goodwill Zwelithini, King of the Zulus, yesterday appealed to about 75 000 people at King's Park Stadium, Durban, to put party political considerations aside and strive for black unity among the Zulu people.

King Zwelithini and the Chief Minister of Kwazulu, Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi, arrived at the event waving at the crowd from the back of an open tuk-tuk.

Although many people wore traditional dress or sported Inkatha colours and carried traditional fighting sticks and shields, the atmosphere was staid, with the crowd hardly singing.

King Zwelithini said there could be no major change in South Africa without the support of the Zulus.

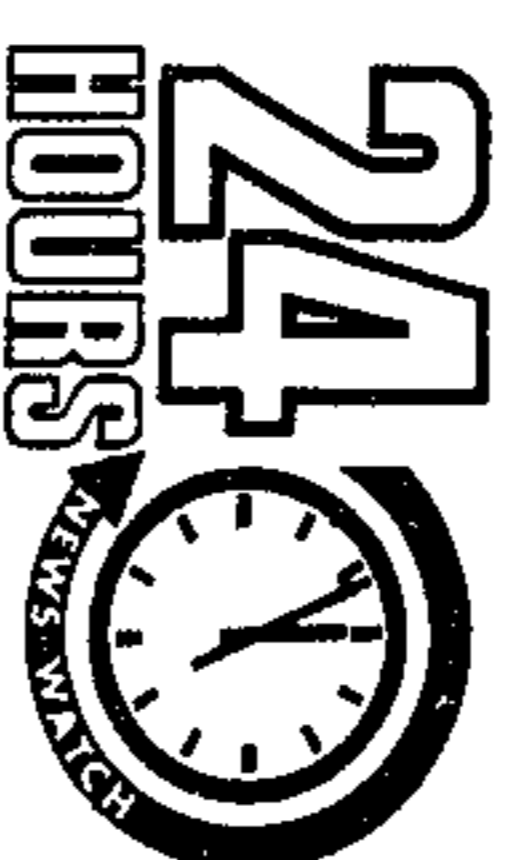
"There can be no successful negotiations with the South African government by any black group if they try to ride roughshod over us as a Zulu nation.

"In the great and important missions that history has always allotted to the Zulu people, there has never been any party politics. When we act as a people, we act beyond party politics.

"Measure all political parties and all liberation movements against the criteria of whether they unite Zulus or divide Zulus from each other.

"You know that the UDF and Cosatu have come into your midst to turn you against Inkatha. Is it because Inkatha is led by a Zulu?"

Sapa reports from Durban



the ANC, Cosatu and the UDF, leave my people alone and let them do their Zulu thing . . . So that we can have a multi-party democracy."

King Zwelithini criticised the ANC for not sending him a message about the welcoming of the eight recently released ANC leaders at a public meeting in the Transvaal.

"I know of no single person who has campaigned for the release of Mr Nelson Mandela and all the Rivonia trialists more than the leader of Inkatha, Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi, yet when his (Mr Mandela's) fellow prisoners are released not a word is uttered to acknowledge this.

"The Zulu nation was spurned in this rejection," he said.

"The king accused seven veteran African National Congress (ANC) leaders of snubbing him and his people after their release from jail and called for a early meeting with them.

"I as king of the Zulus . . . received not one single message from them," he said to roars of disapproval from the crowd.

He said the turnout at the rally emphasised the importance of an early meeting with former ANC general secretary Walter Sisulu and the other ANC leaders freed with him last month.

The gathering was the second tribal imbizo (convention) of King Zwelithini's 20-year reign.

King Zwelithini said the six million-strong Zulu nation had been insulted last month by the failure to invite either the king or his hereditary prime minister, Dr Buthelezi, to a Johannesburg rally to welcome the ANC leaders back from prison.

"The Zulu people as the Zulu people should not have been excluded. I was spurned, the Zulu nation was spurned."

About 75 000 people attended the day-long Johannesburg rally, which passed without incident despite the illegal display of ANC flags and banners.

Dr Buthelezi, Zwelithini's uncle and a prince in his own right, endorsed the king's call for a meeting, saying he and Sisulu should cooperate to bring peace to South Africa.

"Let us now sit down and talk about how not to hurt each other," Dr Buthelezi said in an apparent reference to two years of violence between supporters of his Inkatha political movement and of organisations loyal to the ANC.

More than 2 300 people have died in almost daily clashes around Durban and Maritzburg.

Zulu King Goodwill Zwelithini tells a rally of more than 70 000 Zulus at Kings Park Stadium in Durban at the weekend that their leaders did more than anyone else to win the release of ANC leaders. At left is King Goodwill's uncle, Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

Top-level bid to end Natal violence could emerge from plea by King

The Argus Correspondent in Durban reports

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Mr. Walter Sisulu

A top level bid to end the political violence in Natal and Kwa-Zulu which has claimed 2 300 lives in the past three years could emerge from King Goodwill Zwelithini's address to 75 000 people in Durban yesterday and the response from released African National Congress leader Mr. Walter Sisulu.

King Goodwill yesterday accused the freed African National Congress leaders of spurning the Zulu nation by not inviting him and the Kwa-Zulu Chief Minister Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi to the welcome-back rally in Johannesburg recently.

The Zulu monarch invited the ANC leaders to "sit down to talk . . . about the issues I raise".

Speaking from his Soweto home today, Mr Sisulu said it was a "high-

ly welcome" sign that the Zulu king and Dr Buthelezi wanted to speak to the released leaders.

Mr Sisulu said the first thing they would want to discuss were peace talks to end the Natal KwaZulu political violence, which he said had come to a standstill after a beginning which was full of promise.

"If by talking we can inject new life into it, so much the better for everybody," Mr Sisulu said.

Successful, honest discussions about peace "really would open up discussion in other, wider fields," Mr Sisulu said.

Mr Sisulu made an impassioned plea for peace in Natal and Kwa-Zulu when he addressed the well-come home rally in Soweto recently.

He said today that jailed ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela was "absolutely disturbed" by the continuing violence. He is vitally interested in this.

"He wrote to Dr Buthelezi and pointed out that he was very disturbed by that situation. Mr Mandela certainly will be very keen for talks on this issue."

Mr Sisulu said he and the other seven released leaders had received a personal letter from Dr Buthelezi, which he would reply to this week.

One of the central points in the peace talks was that Dr Buthelezi felt a meeting between the leaders of Inkatha, the ANC, the Congress of South African Trade Unions and the United Democratic Front had to be held.

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Natal violence: Mandela to see activists

DURBAN. — Nine South African activists are to visit Nelson Mandela next week in the latest talks between the jailed black leader and anti-apartheid campaigners.

"Obviously I'm very excited about meeting this national leader, someone who we've never met but revere," said Mr Farouk Meer of the Natal Indian Congress.

Mr Meer said in an interview

that he did not know what Mr Mandela wanted to discuss. "But he's probably interested in national politics and in particular the Natal situation."

About 2 000 people have died two years of clashes between rival organisations around Maritzburg and Durban.

Mr Meer said the nine would include Mr Archie Gumede and Mr Curnick Ndlovu of the Unit-

ed Democratic Front, whose supporters in Natal have clashed repeatedly with the Zulu Inkatha movement.

● The three co-leaders of the Democratic Party, Dr Zac de Beer, Dr Denis Worrall and Mr Wynand Malan, held talks yesterday with Mr Walter Sisulu and other released ANC leaders. — Sapa-Reuter and The Argus Correspondent.

2 stabbed, hacked to death in Natal

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PRETORIA. — The bodies of two men who had been stabbed and hacked to death were found in Hammarsdale, Natal, by police after their patrol had been fired on, yesterday's police unrest report said.

A woman suffering from stab wounds was also found by the police, who took her to hospital.

In another incident in the area, a mob attacked a private dwelling with petrol bombs and also fired shots at it. Four men and a girl were injured.

And at Ntuzuma, Durban, a private house was extensively damaged in a petrol-bomb attack. No injuries were reported.

Other incidents were reported at Katlehong, Germiston, where arsonists caused serious damage to a squatter shack, and at Croesus railway station, Johannesburg, where it was discovered that two railway coaches were on fire. Extensive damage was caused.

At Roodekop, Germiston, a group of strikers from a timber company allegedly attacked two workers. Another worker, who apparently attempted aid the two, was wounded and arrested. — Sapa

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Beach violence: Police's big move

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Police here have moved to avoid a repetition of the recent incidents of violence and disorderly conduct on the city's beaches — setting up a temporary charge office on the beachfront and announcing increased patrols of the area.

The move comes in the wake of this week's mob attack on lifeguards at the North Beach and the killing of two black youths on Thursday afternoon.

The Regional Commissioner of Police in Natal, Major-General Johann van Niekerk, warned that recent incidents of "disorderly conduct" was leading to an increase in crime.

"We are making an earnest appeal to those gangs of black youths — who undermined law and order on the beachfront this week — to restrain themselves and behave in an orderly manner," he said.

Two young black men were

stabbed, beaten and stoned to death by mobs of black youths who caused widespread havoc when they ran amok on the beachfront on Thursday afternoon.

Lifeguards on the beaches yesterday said that their job had been made more difficult because black beachgoers ignored them.

They called for permanent beach guides to be posted at the beaches, to bridge communication barriers.

Some lifeguards expressed the view that blacks were trying to intimidate them by ignoring their warnings and bathing where they wished. They said a few extra "permanent lifeguards" were needed to help control the situation.

Some said they anticipated racial "chaos" on South Beach during the coming Christmas break.

General Van Niekerk issued a "behave or else" warning to the black youths.

He said the recent spate of crime on Durban's beaches was

viewed in a "very serious light" and he announced an increase of regular foot, vehicle and dog patrols of the entire Golden Mile.

He said the temporary police charge office would be used to "monitor the situation" on the beaches.

● Sapa reports that a delegation of National Party MPs will meet the mayor and deputy mayor of Durban as well as a senior officer of the SAP early next week to convey the NP's "deep concern" at recent incidents of lawlessness on one of the city's beaches.

According to a statement released by the Natal NP's information service yesterday, they will also discuss the need for stepping-up of measures to "minimise the danger of recurrence of such incidents".

"There is absolutely no question of going back on the opening of beaches, but violent anti-social behaviour of this nature is totally unacceptable," the statement said.

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — A "march for peace" attended by about 20 000 people organised by the KwaMashu Peace Committee was held in the township yesterday.

The march was in condemnation of the violence which has plagued the township and led to mass funerals every week.

After the march, led by UDF co-president Mr Archie Gumede, a memorandum addressed

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to KwaZulu's Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, in his capacity as Minister of Police for the region, was handed to the station commander by the Peace Committee.

The petition called for the resignation of Brigadier Jac Buchner.

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2 Natal policemen slain

DURBAN. — Two more policemen were murdered in different incidents over the weekend, bringing to five the tally of SAP officers brutally killed by unidentified assailants in Natal last week.

6 bodies found: Youths hunted

PRETORIA. *M64J 28/11/89 276* The bodies of six men have been found at Amawoti near Durban. It is believed they were killed by youths and police are investigating.

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in which shots were fired at police patrols. Police retaliated with either shotgun, pistol or rifle fire. No casualties were reported.

Eight people have died in unrest-related incidents, say police in their overnight report.

In one of the incidents shots were fired at a police vehicle. When reinforcements arrived they also came under fire and a policeman was wounded in the head. On another occasion opposing groups clashed and shots were fired. A man was arrested.

A Kwazulu policeman was shot and killed at Kwamakuta, also near Durban.

A man was stabbed and hacked to death at Taylor's Halt near Maritzburg.

At Koeberg station near Cape Town passengers on a train threw stones at another train. A man was slightly injured.

A special constable was stabbed and a man shot and wounded when they were attacked at Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale.

In the same area, shots were fired at a police patrol which responded with shotgun fire. No injuries were reported.

Several other incidents were reported

At Ntuzuma, Durban, men set fire to a house. When police arrived stones were thrown at their vehicle. Shotgun fire was used to disperse the group. No injuries were reported.

An 11-year-old girl was stabbed but not seriously injured when people attacked a primary school in Ntuzuma. — Sapa.

11 die, 20 held in violence in townships

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DURBAN. — At least 20 people have been arrested in the past week by a special police unrest unit and 11 people were killed in a spate of overnight violence that hit several townships over the past 24 hours.

Police said yesterday the arrests came after breakthroughs were made by detectives headed by Captain Frank Dutton, of the Unrest Investigation Unit, set up to investigate crimes committed during Natal's political violence.

According to the police unrest report 11 people were killed, several others injured and at least six arrested in the past 24 hours.

Most of the violence occurred in the KwaMashu township on the outskirts of Durban.

The report said one man was stabbed to death and two others burnt by a mob in the township. A police constable also killed a fourth man when he fired birdshot to disperse a group of attackers.

Also in KwaMashu, police found the body of a 35-year-old man after they dispersed a crowd with tearsmoke. He apparently had been attacked before the police arrived.

At Hlanzeni, near Camperdown, a man was shot dead by an unknown assailant, while at Mpumalanga, near Hammarsdale, two people were shot dead by unidentified gunmen.

At Steadville, near Richmond on the Natal south coast, a municipal policeman was attacked and killed by unidentified people.

An arson attempt was made on a school at De Doorns, near Worcester. — Sapa

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11 Natal men die
in unrest fighting

PRETORIA. — Eleven men have been killed in unrest-related incidents, according to the police unrest report.

At Mpumalanga, near Hammarsdale in Natal, a 30-year old man was attacked and killed by a mob; two men died in clashes between two groups and, the report says, three men were fatally wounded when police returned fire from the fighting groups. A rifle and home-made firearms were seized.

Five more men died in other parts of Natal. The report says a man was attacked and killed at Henely Dam, Edendale; a 28-year-old man died from injuries after an attack at Sweetwaters; a 34-year-old man was attacked and killed at Gesubuzo, near Taylors Halt, and two men were attacked and killed in separate incidents at Egwadeni.

Also at Mpumalanga, police used rifle and shotgun fire to drive off attackers who several times fired on patrols, the report says. No injuries were reported.

In the Transvaal, a man was stabbed and seriously wounded at Germiston railway station, allegedly because he would not participate in the Sats strike. — Sapa.

DURBAN. — While police patrols came under fire 10 times on Monday in trouble-torn Mpumalanga between Durban and Maritzburg, residents alleged that police were siding with vigilantes.

Residents of Hammarisdale and Mpumalanga will be applying for an urgent interdict against the South African Police in the Supreme Court, Durban, today, restraining them from siding with any particular group.

Durban attorney Mr Bheka Shezi said about five lawyers visited the strife-torn area yesterday, collecting sworn affidavits from residents whose homes had been looted and burnt, and who had suffered in the violence.

One policeman, Constable A J J Kruger, 21 and single, was struck in the head by a shot apparently fired from a home-made gun. His condition yesterday was said to be "satisfactory".

A bullet narrowly missed Brigadier Gerrit Viljoen, co-ordinator of riot control in Natal, while he was checking to see whether people were trapped inside a blazing house.

This was disclosed at a news conference in Dur-

Police shot at as residents claim SAP sides with vigilantes

ban yesterday by Brigadier Viljoen.

His disclosures of the run of attacks on policemen under his command followed on a week in which five policemen were brutally murdered in four different incidents in Natal.

SAP liaison officer Lieutenant-Colonel Charl du Toit, said it was "alarming that the police are being shot at".

Brigadier Viljoen said: "I am not going to allow anybody to kill or injure my men. A lot of policemen are in Mpumalanga now." He did not disclose how many had been sent in.

When our correspondent visited Mpumalanga yesterday, fam-

ilies were streaming out of the area with their belongings in bags and suitcases.

Mr Roy Ainslie, co-ordinator of the Democratic Party's unrest-monitoring group, was escorted into the area by KwaZulu police (ZP) after the shooting.

He said at least five people were killed yesterday. He said in an affidavit it appeared there was a complete breakdown of law and order in the area, and there was concern not only about the relationship between the SAP and the ZP but also the alleged partisanship of the SAP. — Sapa and Own Correspondent

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Policemen under fire as violence flares in Natal

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DURBAN — Police yesterday sent an undisclosed number of reinforcements into the strife-torn Mpumalanga area, near Hammersdale, after at least five people were killed when violence erupted on Monday.

At a Press conference yesterday, Natal Operational Unit head Brig Gerrit Viljoen said the situation had reached "serious proportions" and a solution had to be found urgently.

Senior policemen expressed grave concern over the situation, particularly the increasing incidence of policemen being shot at.

During an eight-hour period on Monday, there had been at least 10 incidents of policemen being fired on in the township.

In one incident Const A J J Kruger, 21, was taken to hospital after a shot from a homemade firearm hit him in the cheek. Two senior policemen, Maj-Gen Louw Malan and a Brig Viljoen, had also been fired at. A special constable was stabbed in the chest.

Police said the situation in Mpumalanga was tense yesterday.

On Monday, houses were burned, stones thrown, people stabbed and shots fired as warring groups fought brutal battles.

SAP spokesman Maj Pieter Kitching said several patrols were at-

Own Correspondent

tacked and police were shot at, stoned and, in at least one case, a petrol bomb was thrown at a police vehicle. Three men were arrested in connection with two of these attacks.

He said the number of people killed and injured in Monday's violence was still being ascertained.

Interdict

Brig Viljoen blamed the unrest on clashes between Inkatha and UDF supporters.

"The police are not here to take sides. Members of the Operational Unit are here to serve the community — to maintain law and order and offer protection. We are not soldiers, and I am not prepared to let anyone kill or injure my men. I have warned the community we will retaliate if fired upon," he said.

Durban attorney Bheka Shezi said last night residents of Hammersdale and Mpumalanga would apply to the Durban Supreme Court today for an urgent interdict against the SAP, restraining them from siding with any particular group. He said the residents had alleged the police were siding with vigilantes.

DP unrest monitoring group coordinator Roy Ainslie was escorted into Mpumalanga by KwaZulu Police yesterday.

In an affidavit drawn up after his visit, he said it appeared there was a complete breakdown of law and order in the area, and there was concern about the relationship between the SAP and the KwaZulu Police, and the alleged partisanship of the SAP.

□ Police also reported violence on Monday in Imbali, Eslungwane, Lindelani, KwaMashu, Inanda, Amawoti, Taylor's Halt, KwaMakuta and Ntuzuma.

□ The SAP's Durban Point and Inanda Reaction Unit arrested 20 youths who were carrying homemade firearms and petrol bombs on Monday night, Sapa reports. They were believed to have been on their way to attack homes in Inanda, police said.

NATAL UNREST DEATH TOLL

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Township asks for inquiry into violence

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DURBAN. — Residents of strife-torn Mpumalanga, near Hammarsdale, yesterday officially asked President F W de Klerk to appoint a judicial commission of inquiry into the unrest in their township.

The request was made through attorneys Mxenge, Ngxingweni and Shezi.

More security force members are to be sent to the township, Major-General J C van Niekerk, regional police commissioner for Natal, announced yesterday.

Six deaths occurred on Tuesday in various incidents at Mpumalanga, where gunmen fired at police patrols and a petrol bomb was thrown at a police vehicle.

A total of eleven of people have been killed in unrest-related incidents in the 24-hour period, according to the police unrest report.

In one incident, a group attacked and killed a 30-year-old man. In another, five men were killed when clashes broke out between two groups.

Two men were killed in the clashes and a further three men died when police arrived on the scene and fired several shots at the group after coming under fire.

In other parts of Natal, five people were killed. One man died after he was attacked at Henely Dam, Edendale.

A 28-year-old man died from injuries sustained when he was attacked by two men at Sweetwaters, Natal. In another fatal incident, a 34-year-old man was attacked and killed at Gesubuzo, near Taylor's Halt.

At Inanda, Durban, extensive damage was caused when arsonists set fire to a number of private homes. No injuries were reported. — Sapa

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cops clash

JOHANNESBURG. — A policeman was stabbed three times and at least 15 people were injured when police and striking workers clashed in Johannesburg yesterday.

Several hundred workers were gathered for a solidarity march with striking SATS and SA Breweries workers when the clash broke out.

Police claimed they teargassed workers after they refused to disperse. Workers claimed police baton-charged and began teargassing them and firing buckshot as they gathered for the march in Wanderers Street.

Doctors said three of injured treated had extensive birdshot injuries. The policeman was not seriously injured.

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'Warlords' kill policeman in night ambush

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DURBAN. — A Reaction Unit policeman was shot dead in an ambush early today during an operation against "warlords" in a reserve near Umkomaas.

A police penetration team had stormed in as a follow-up to an operation three weeks ago in which shots were fired at Umkomaas policemen, who withdrew.

The policeman killed today was Constable Eric de Witt, 25, of Durban.

MIDNIGHT RAID

Lieutenant-Colonel Char' du Toit, head of the police public relations division in Natal, said Constable De Witt was among a group in a house raid at Amahlangwa reserve near Umkomaas, just after midnight.

Constable De Witt is the sixth policeman to have died in a week in a battle against violent elements in which police have increasingly been the target.

Members of the Reaction Unit and policemen from Umkomaas, including the Dog Unit, went to the reserve after receiving information that a group of between 30 and 40 people — warlords and their supporters — were hiding in houses.

SHOT IN NECK

During the operation members of the Reaction Unit surrounded several houses. Constable De Witt was shot in the neck and was rushed to the J G Crookes Hospital at Scottburgh, but was certified dead on arrival.

It is believed that the group has been responsible for faction fighting. Hundreds of residents have fled their homes in the reserve because of the fighting.

About three weeks ago police from Umkomaas went to the area during investigations, but were shot at by the group. It is believed the group had an R-1 rifle, shotguns and home-made guns.

Two people were arrested and a number escaped during the shooting.

No arrests have been made in connection with the killing of the five policemen since last week.

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S T R I F E - T O R N
Mpumalanga, near Pietermaritzburg, was virtually cut off from the world late on Wednesday. Telephones were out of order, power was cut, businesses closed, there were no taxis, and only buses escorted by police entered and left the township.

Regional Commissioner of Police for Natal General J C van Niekerk said security force reinforcements would be sent to the area as soon as possible. Residents, engulfed in violence for the past three years, have requested

Mpumalanga cut off from the world by violence

State President F W de Klerk to appoint a judicial commission of inquiry into the unrest. On Wednesday scores of people with a few possessions balanced on their heads were fleeing the area. Some were accompanied by men armed with sticks.

Burnt-out cars and barricades lay across the muddy roads. Township dwellers said fighting was continuing, even in the soaking rain, and that it was not safe to enter the area. A woman, wiping tears from her face, pleaded with a team of

journalists not to enter the township. "Please, please, do not go in. You will all get killed," she cried. The owner of a mini-bus taxi said he was not going in and indicated fighting was taking place just around the corner. Mr Bheki Nzimande,

the township manager, said that about 1 000 houses had been damaged in unrest in Mpumalanga since the beginning of the year while scores of businesses were also badly affected. "Many people came to me on Monday asking for assistance and shelter,

while some wanted to know if the council had space to store their furniture." Nzimande said he had reported the situation to the Secretary of the Interior in the KwaZulu government, Mr T C de Meyer. Meanwhile, Mr. Pierre Cronje, Democratic Party

MP for Greytown, said he had been inundated with calls from people in the township alleging that the police were supporting one of the groups involved. Cronje said he had had a long interview with a General Schutte, who undertook to investigate the allegations of police partiality. "I told him that I had observed the situation and had witnesses and details of particular incidents. General Schutte guaranteed an investigation into these allegations," said Cronje. Sapa.

Policeman killed in raid

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DURBAN. — A member of the police reaction unit here was shot and killed in a fierce ambush early yesterday during an operation against a group of "warlords" in a reserve near Umkomaas.

A police team had stormed a group of houses in a follow-up to an earlier operation three weeks ago in which shots were fired at local policemen, who withdrew.

The policeman killed yesterday has been identified as Constable Eric de Witt, 25, of Durban.

Members of the reaction unit and policemen from Umkomaas went to the Amahlangwa Reserve shortly after midnight after receiving information that a group of between 30 and 40 people — warlords and their supporters — were hiding in houses there.

Members of the unit surrounded several houses in the area. Constable de Witt was shot in the neck and was rushed to the J G Crookes Hospital at Scottburgh, but was certified dead on arrival. — Sapa

MARITZBURG.— Strife-torn Mpumalanga near here was virtually cut off from the world late on Wednesday, with telephones out of order, businesses closed, power cuts, no taxis and only buses escorted by police entering and leaving the township.

General J C van Niekerk, Regional Commissioner of Police for Natal, said security force reinforcements would be sent to the area as soon as possible.

Late on Wednesday, scores of people with a few possessions balanced on their heads were fleeing the area.

Township dwellers said fighting was continuing, even in the soaking rain, and that it was not safe to enter the area.

Mr Pierre Cronje, Democratic Party MP for Greytown, said he had been inundated with calls from people in the township alleging the police were supporting one of the groups involved.

According to the police report on unrest for the past 24 hours, police found the bodies of three men with stab wounds at Mpumalanga.

People flee as township in Natal virtually isolated

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This appears to be related to the incident reported on Wednesday in which three men were fatally wounded in a clash with the police and two other bodies were found. In follow-up investigations in the area of the clash the three other bodies were found.

In another incident, at Mponono in Natal, police found the bodies of three men with bullet and stab wounds.

The unrest report also said police used rubber bullets to disperse an illegal gathering at Cape Town harbour.

The crowd regrouped and tearsmoke was used to disperse them again.

— Sapa

Interdict granted to 'assaulted' residents

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RESIDENTS of a strife-torn Natal township were yesterday granted an urgent temporary interdict and rule nisi, with a return date of January 29, to prevent the police from allegedly harassing and assaulting them or assisting people to do so.

This is according to Mr Richard Lyster of the Legal Resources Centre in Durban.

He said violence in Mpumalanga, alleged by residents to be instigated or deliberately ignored by the police, had erupted after the King's Park rally held by kwaZulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi and Zulu King Goodwill Zwelethini on November 18.

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Mr Lyster said: "After the meeting, busloads of people from other areas and armed with crude weapons went into Mpumalanga. The violence is a recent development. The township had been very quiet."

According to reports, 18 people had been killed since, allegedly by a group of 100 to 150 black men armed with knobkerries, knives, pangas and sticks. They were allegedly from Woodglen, a neighbouring squatter camp.

Mr Lyster said: "There appeared to be a total breakdown of law and order and the SAP appeared to be involved in the commission of offences, by participation and omission."

Police have strongly denied that SAP members took part in looting and attacking people and they have ap-

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Political Reporter

pealed to those with evidence to come forward so claims can be investigated.

They also denied favouring any side in the clashes, saying both UDF and Inkatha people had been arrested.

Sworn affidavits had been given by about nine residents, which Mr Lyster said had been handed to the police.

"We took the affidavits and then confronted the police in the company of a large group of armed black men. This group is causing all the problems.

"We asked the police why they did not disarm the men. They replied that they had instructions not to disarm them. It appeared as if the police knew the men."

Mr Lyster said a group of Durban-based attorneys yesterday sought an interdict against the police in the Pietermaritzburg Supreme Court.

He said the cause of the violence appeared to be conflict between Inkatha and other groups, but "the issue goes much deeper".

Some of the allegations made in affidavits included:

- That SAP members shot a young boy in the leg and threatened residents who wanted to help him.
- That "kitskonstabels" and white policemen had watched while "Inkatha people" set a house alight.
- That policemen had fired at, stoned and raided houses, with the help of the group of vigilantes.

Police stop city march

By TERRY van der WALT

POLICE broke up a march in the centre of Durban yesterday morning, using dogs and batons to round up protesters.

An application by the Durban Housing Action Committee to hold the march had been turned down by the chief magistrate.

Buses were turned back at Emmanuel Cathedral where a prayer meeting was to have been held before the march. People arriving were prevented from entering and made off in groups to the city centre which was crammed with Christmas shoppers.

More than 600 toyi-toyi protesters had marched only a few hundred metres and were being joined by people streaming from all directions when they were charged from the front and behind by a large contingent of policemen, armed with batons.

People scattered in all directions, tripping and falling on the road and leaving a trail of shoes behind, and police with dogs chased after some.

A police spokesman confirmed that 42 people were detained and later released.

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11 killed in fierce Natal unrest

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DURBAN. — Eleven people, one of them a policeman, were killed in fierce Natal unrest at the weekend, according to the police unrest report.

A special constable was fatally shot in the head at Imbali, near Maritzburg.

Police found the bodies of five men at Hammarsdale. All had been stabbed to death.

A man was killed at Imbali when he stopped his vehicle to return the fire of about 15 people.

Two groups of about 50 people each, apparently representing Inkatha and the UDF, clashed at Nhlanzeni, near Camperdown.

Several shots were fired and one man was fatally wounded. Two policemen dispersed the groups. A pistol and ammunition was found at the site.

At Kwa-Makutha, near Durban, the bodies of two women and a man were found.

At KwaMashu a train was set alight. In the same area a KwaZulu police vehicle was burnt out while police were investigating a shooting incident.

In Hammarsdale six kraals were gutted.

Several petrol-bomb attacks took place in the Durban area. — Sapa

Youths kill three (276)

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marched to the house of Mr Simon Masenya where they took the 73-year-old man into a doorless hut. The thatch roof was then lowered into the

doorway to block exit before the dry grass was set alight.

The remains of Masenya was near the doorway where he had apparently huddled in a vain attempt to escape the fiery death.

Family members said no accusation had been leveled against their relatives prior to the attacks. But other villagers said Masenya was said to be responsible for lightning that struck a man who was ploughing two weeks ago. The man did not die.

Villagers said many youths were arrested by the police on Friday afternoon. Police comment and confirmation could not be obtained at the weekend.

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Police disperse march of 2 000 to city hall

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Police used batons and police dogs to disperse about 2 000 people who marched up West Street to the city hall on Saturday morning in defiance of a police order to disperse.

The march, organised by the Durban Civic Movement in protest against increased rents, was banned by a magistrate on Friday.

Police spokesman Captain Coert Marais confirmed the incident. He said no one was arrested or charged but 42 people were warned.

Meanwhile, more than 30 000 anti-apartheid protesters marched peacefully eight kilometres to the Welkom police station on Saturday, Mr Frans Baleni, an MDM spokesman, said.

At the police station the marchers handed over a letter addressed to President F W de Klerk. — Sapa

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DP MP hurt in crowd's clash with Natal police

GREYTOWN DP MP Pierre Cronje was injured when police clashed with a crowd of people who attended a protest meeting in Edendale near Maritzburg on Sunday.

Cronje was struck in the chest by a stone but not seriously injured. *B/Days 5/12/89*

The meeting, which was to have been held at a sports stadium in Edendale, was banned and the venue was changed to the Ecumenical Centre which holds about 1 500 people. *(276)*

A crowd of between 2 000 and 3 000 arrived at the meeting and those who could not be accommodated inside gathered outside the hall.

Police said the crowd outside the hall became angry and threw stones and bricks when the police ordered them to disperse. Police then used stun-grenades and birdshot on the crowd.

Cronje, who had been attending the meeting, was struck in the chest by a stone during the fracas.

A DP spokesman confirmed Cronje's injury was only slight. — Sapa.

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Strike as five more die in Natal unrest

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DURBAN. — Five deaths were reported in the Natal conflict yesterday as tens of thousands of workers staged a crippling stayaway from work in Kloof, Pinetown, New Germany and Hammarsdale.

A man was killed and at least 13 people, including eight policemen and DP MP Mr Pierre Cronje, were hurt when officers clashed with hundreds of people trying to attend a protest meeting in Edendale, near Maritzburg, on Sunday.

At Mphumulange, between Durban and Maritzburg, a 30-year-old woman was killed by a group who beat her and set her alight. And in nearby Camperdown the body of a man was found.

At Imbali, outside Maritzburg, an unidentified gunman shot and killed a 24-year-old man and injured a 16-year-old youth.

The bodies of two men were found at KwaMashu near Durban.

A statement issued by the Mphumulange and Hammarsdale

communities said the one-day stayaway was called by residents as a sign of respect for victims of the violence.

Other aims of the strike were to bring attention to recent allegations of police partisanship in the violence and to highlight the need for businesses to do more to help work for peace in the townships.

The almost total black worker stayaway in Kloof, Pinetown, New Germany and Hammarsdale yesterday saw whites collecting refuse and removing sewage.

Mr John Pohl, executive director of the Natal Chamber of Industries, said they canvassed major industries and employers and it was clear there had been a stayaway of between 80% and 100%.

Mr Pohl said the Natal Chamber of Industries was concerned with the residents' need to call for the stayaway. — Own Correspondent and Sapa

Strike over violence in township

By Drew Forrest,
Labour Reporter

Star 12/2/89

The major Pinetown-New Germany industrial complex was crippled yesterday by a one-day stayaway called to protest against vigilante violence in the township of Mpumalanga.

The Natal Chamber of Industries executive director, Mr John Pohl, said the stayaway had been called by the Congress of South African Trade Unions.

It involved between 80 and 100 percent of the workforce.

He said the action was apparently to express sympathy for victims of long-running political violence in Mpumalanga.

Mr Cobs Pillay of the National Union of Metalworkers said the protest had been sparked by a vigilante rampage in Mpumalanga, a Mass Democratic Movement stronghold, on November 28. This had left about 10 people dead and many injured, he said.

Sapa reports that a pamphlet calling for a stayaway "to mourn the deaths of the Hammarsdale people" was distributed in Clermont, Klaarwater, Shongweni, St Wendolin's and other townships.

Buses, private cars and taxis trying to leave Clermont had been stoned by youths who sealed off all exits.

Inkatha 'hit squad' claims

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MARITZBURG — The first witness to give evidence yesterday before the Commission of Inquiry into township violence alleged that Inkatha had a "hit squad" operating under instructions.

The man asked the chairman, Mr R S Douglas SC, that he not be identified and Mr Douglas ruled that his wish should be respected.

Many of the allegations he made cannot be reported as the commission is not a judicial one and the press does not enjoy the privilege that it would under a judicial commission.

The man said violence in Edendale had stopped because there were no Inkatha people there.

He said he had gone to the Plessislaer police station to apply for a firearm licence. He was told it would be easier to get one if he joined Inkatha.

Evidence continues today. Stav 6/12/87.

MP to charge riot policeman

Own Correspondent *Stw 6/12/89*

MARITZBURG — Democratic Party MP Mr Pierre Cronje is laying a charge of assault against a riot policeman who allegedly manhandled him at a meeting of the Congress of Traditional Leaders held in Edendale near Maritzburg on Sunday.

Violence erupted after the meeting, leaving one man killed and 13 others — including eight special constables — injured.

Mr Cronje said yesterday that the meeting had become technically illegal after more people had arrived at the Edendale Ecumenical Centre than could be accommodated indoors.

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Mr Cronje, who was attending the meeting, said he had negotiated with senior police and marshals at the meeting about procedures to adopt in allowing people into the grounds and their subsequent dispersal after the meeting.

After these negotiations a riot policeman grabbed him around the neck, twisted his arm and used abusive language towards him, Mr Cronje claimed.

He had explained that he was a Member of Parliament and was trying to assist in the situation, but the policeman allegedly told Mr Cronje he did not care and continued shouting at him.

Mr Cronje said he felt denigrated by the policeman's actions in front of a crowd of about 3 000.

Police liaison officer Major Pieter Kitching said the incident would be investigated but he could not comment as the matter had become *sub judice*.

More dismissals amid stabbings, sjambokkings

Sats action against railway saboteurs

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By Drew Forrest

SA Transport Services is to take court action today in a bid to combat increasing violence on the railways following a deadlock in strike negotiations.

Sats senior labour manager Mr Jan Bredenkamp said management would seek Supreme Court interdicts in Durban and Maritzburg restraining strikers from industrial sabotage and intimidation of non-striking colleagues.

Mr Bredenkamp said there would be further dismissals today. Yesterday, 254 strikers were fired, bringing total dismissals to date to 5 601.

Referring to sabotage acts, Mr Bredenkamp said it had been definitely established that an 11-truck derailment yesterday in Durban had been the result of sabotage. This morning, further attempts to uncouple lines had been discovered in Durban.

Sats said that since the breakdown in negotiations with the SA Railways and Harbour Workers' Union (Sarhu) on Monday, assaults on commuters with train tickets had been rife. Other incidents included the burning of coaches, attacks on ticket collectors and clashes between strikers and strikebreakers.

Armed ticket collectors

Sarhu general secretary Mr Martin Sebakwane could not be contacted, but the union has alleged mounting intimidation of strikers by armed ticket collectors and the security forces.

About 1 000 people marched on the New Canada police station in Soweto yesterday to protest against the intimidation of workers on trains.

Yesterday, a train made an emergency stop outside Doornfontein Station after arsonists set fire to a motor coach. No one was injured in the incident, but the coach was destroyed.

A Sats spokesman, Mr Alan Lubbe, said another motor coach was burnt out at Phomolong Station on the Soweto line on Tuesday. Sixteen coaches, with a total value of R17 million, had been destroyed and another 12 damaged since the strike started five weeks ago.

In other developments
● Sats resumed its dismissal of strikers, after staying its hand during negotiations last week.

● In advertisements today in a range of major newspapers, Sats reiterated its refusal to negotiate on wages and its insistence that the dismissal of strikers be referred to arbitration.

Sarhu's Mr Sebakwane accused Sats of trying to smash Sarhu by dismissing "the cream of the union".

He also said the dismissals were disguised retrenchments in preparation for privatisation.

Giving details of recent violence, Mr Lubbe said intimidation of commuters was rife.

"The intention seems to be to enforce a kind of boycott. And people with concessionary tickets are immediately identified as strike-breakers," he said.

On Tuesday, a number of commuters with tickets were sjambokked at the Johannesburg Station, he said.

Two ticket collectors had been admitted to hospital after they were stabbed.

Crazed 'hunter' kills 14 women



One of the injured is wheeled away from the University of Montreal yesterday after a gunman opened fire on a packed classroom.

Hail, high winds and heavy rains lash PWV triangle

Staff Reporters

A devastating hail, wind and rain storm lashed the East Rand and the PWV triangle last night, smashing windows, causing roofs to collapse and trapping at least one motorist in a subway.

The worst hit towns were Brakpan, Kempton Park, Nigel and Meyerton where buildings were flooded, roofs caved in under the weight of hail and roads were impassable. The Nigel/Springs road was closed for an hour after vehicles were swept from the road and the fire brigade had to rescue the occupants.

MOTORIST TRAPPED

In Brakpan more than 62 mm of rain fell in an hour, subways were flooded, trees were uprooted and houses in Brakpan North were awash.

In Stoffberg Drive, Dalview, a motorist and his child were trapped as

A Dalview resident, Mr Anton Koen, said hail broke 12 windows in his house. Part of his roof collapsed from the weight of the hail and in his garden the hailstones were ankle deep in places.

Duduza residents who telephoned The Star said there was extensive flooding in the area.

"Rainwater was pouring in under our doors, and cars are getting stuck in mud. People are moving their furniture out of flooded houses into other houses," said Mr Titus Mazibuko.

In Kempton Park the hail was said to be as big as dove's eggs.

A hailstorm at 6 pm yesterday in Meyerton caused damage estimated at more than R100 000.

Hail smashed window panes in Benoni, roofs were blown off and high winds blew over large trees.

The roof of the Actonville post office was blown off, landing on top of a small business at the back.

Pretoria hotel evacuated as huge blaze destroys store

Pretoria Correspondent

A city hotel was evacuated early today when a huge fire gutted a two-storey furniture store, causing damage estimated at millions of rands.

Residents of the Protea Hof Hotel left their beds just after 1 am, huddling together as firemen battled to extinguish flames which leapt more than 20 m into the air.

A spokesman for the hotel said night staff raced through the building to warn the 80 residents to evacuate.

"But there was no real danger and residents looked upon the situation with humour," he said.

Pretoria manager of Geel

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Police find youth with bullet wound in neck

PRETORIA. — A youth was found dead with a bullet wound in his neck and a man was knocked over and killed by a train, the police said in yesterday's unrest report.

A police spokesman said the body of a youth with a bullet wound in the neck was found by police at Mafakhatini, in the Taylor's Halt area in Natal.

The youth was not named.

At Phomolong railway station in Soweto, unknown people set fire to a railway coach.

Police said extensive damage was caused.

A man, who ran away from the scene was knocked over and killed by another train, police said.

At Bremer, near Port Edward in Natal, a group of people set fire to a number of dwellings causing extensive damage.

Faction fights bring chaos to kwaZulu

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Durban was surrounded by a ring of unrest yesterday when faction fighting broke out in kwaZulu townships.

At F Section in Ntuzuma, a Catholic priest turned away a mob which had come to attack people seeking refuge in a church. *SAW 8/2/89*

Train, bus and taxi links were interrupted. Thousands of workers arrived late or not at all.

Community leaders including the Rev Denis Hurley, Catholic Archbishop of Natal, have moved into trouble spots to monitor the situation.

Rampaging mobs have burnt down at least a dozen houses and damaged 40 more. Gunshots were heard yesterday morning in several townships, including Richmond Farm near Lindelani.

Police said all the occupants of the burning houses fled and there were no casualties.

In kwaMashu the fight between Inkatha and the UDF has intensified. One man said gangs were forcing youths to join them and that they were demanding "protection money".

11 killed, 41 homes burnt in rampage

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ELEVEN people were killed and over forty homes destroyed in violence in townships around Durban over the past 24 hours.

According to the police unrest report, seven people were killed and 41 homes destroyed when attackers went on the rampage in Lindelani township outside Durban on Thursday.

Three people were killed when police opened fire to quell the violence.

Police also found the bodies of four men who had apparently been hacked to death and set alight.

"A total of 41 dwellings were reported to have been destroyed or damaged by fire. A further 51 dwellings were allegedly plundered and seven private vehicles gutted by fire."

At Inanda police killed man after a group stoned a home.

In another incident in the area, a home was badly damaged in a petrol-bomb attack. When police arrived on the scene, shots were fired at them. Police returned the fire and the attackers fled. No casualties were reported.

"In a further incident, a squatter

shack was badly damaged in a petrol-bomb attack," the report said.

At Amawoti, Durban, police found the bodies of two men who had been stabbed to death.

Meanwhile, a number of unrest-related incidents took place around the country.

At Crossroads, 23 women were arrested after they ignored warnings to break up an illegal gathering.

In another incident in Crossroads, a private dwelling was extensively damaged after a petrol bomb was hurled at it.

At Braamfontein railway station in Johannesburg a group of workers clashed with strikers. Ten people were reported to have been injured and taken to Hillbrow Hospital for treatment.

At Kosini station in Katilehong, on the East Rand, a shot was fired at a train driver. The driver was wounded.

At Dassenhoek near Pinetown, a railway coach was set alight and extensively damaged.

At KwaMnyandu in Durban, a railway coach was extensively damaged when it was set alight. — Sapa

Unrest rings greater Durban

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DURBAN was surrounded by unrest on Thursday when faction fighting broke out in KwaZulu townships stretching from Lindelani in the north to KwaMakhuta in the south.

At F Section in Ntuzuma, a Catholic priest turned away a mob which had come to attack people seeking refuge in a church.

Transport links by train, bus and taxi were interrupted and thousands of workers arrived late or not at all.

Community leaders, including the Most Rev Denis Hurley, Catholic Archbishop of Natal, have moved into the trouble spots to monitor the situation.

Rampaging mobs have burnt down at least a dozen houses and have damaged an additional 40.

A police spokesman said the occupants of the burning houses had managed to flee and that there were no casualties. Hurley comforted victims of the violence, many of whom had crammed into the local church at Ntuzuma seeking sanctuary.

Father Martin Moore-Corry, priest-in-charge of the Catholic Church in F Section in the township, said fleeing people had nowhere to go, but felt they had to leave to protect their lives.

"From early on people came to the church because they had nowhere else to go. While I was trying to comfort them, the mob arrived. I asked them to go and after a while they did."

Josephine Ngubeni, 68, who was packing up her life's belongings and waiting for a lorry to take them away, said she did not even know where she would go.

Vincentia Mahlaba said her home was petrol-bombed and burnt out.

She said her 26-year-old son, Dumisane, escaped death when a bullet from one of the attackers' guns grazed his lips.

Hurley said there were a lot of people working for peace, but that there was an element which wanted the fighting to continue.

"There is too much animosity. Especially since a leader in Lindelani was acquitted of murder."

The SA Police unrest report for the past 24 hours indicates that at In- and a number of private dwellings and a private vehicle were badly damaged when they were stoned. — Sapa

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25 die in orgy of faction violence

By RYAN CRESSWELL

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AT least 25 people have been killed and hundreds of homes damaged in faction fighting in townships around Durban during the last four days.

Monitoring groups say about 18 people died in Ntuzuma's F-section and at least seven were killed in the Lindelani informal settlement.

On Thursday and Friday, fighting raged between residents of the settlement and those living in nearby Ntuzuma.

Dozens of homes in Ntuzuma were petrol-bombed.

A police report said three people were killed in Lindelani on Thursday when police opened fire in a bid to quell the violence.

Sections of KwaMakhutha, near Amanzimtoti on the South Coast, parts of KwaMashu, Inanda, Newtown and the New-K area near Newlands West were also devastated by fighting, raping and looting.

KwaMashu's K-section was partly overrun by the dangerous and non-political Amasinyora gang, which went on a rampage of looting.

Several railway coaches were damaged and then set alight at Dassenhoek, near Pinetown, and at KwaMnyandu.

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16 killed in Natal unrest

PRETORIA. — Sixteen people have been killed, several injured and more than 65 huts and houses have been destroyed by fire in one of the worst outbreaks of unrest to hit townships in Natal this year.

The police said in their latest unrest report that 11 people were killed in the Ntuzuma township, near Durban, shot either by policemen or assailants, or attacked by mobs of rampaging youths.

At Henley Dam, in Natal, a mob attacked and killed two men while similar attacks led to the deaths of a further two men in Inanda, on the outskirts of Durban.

The police said a man died in Kwamakutha, near Amanzimtoti, after being shot by unknown attackers.

WORST CASE

The worst case of arson was at Ntuzuma where attackers torched more than 45 huts causing extensive damage, but no injuries to the occupants.

A further 20 huts and houses were burned to the ground by arsonists in Inanda.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

Police used birdshot to disperse the arsonists.

A man was injured in Langa, Cape Town, when a petrol-bomb was hurled at a bus.

At Kwamashu, Durban, a house was badly damaged by arsonists. No injuries were reported.

At Sinating, Edendale, arsonists damaged a house and at Hlangeni, Durban, two groups clashed, resulting in two men and a youth being injured.

Several petrol-bomb attacks were reported on houses in other parts of the country, the police said. — Sapa.

Press curbs

In terms of the emergency regulations reports, comment and pictures may be restricted.

Four killed, 7 hurt in union clashes

Labour Reporter

The violent political conflict in Natal has spread to Haggie Rand's Germiston plant, leaving four workers dead and seven injured in the past three months.

The clashes have involved members of Cosatu's National Union of Metalworkers (Numsa) and the Inkatha-backed United Workers Union (Uwusa). Numsa said two of its members and two belonging to Uwusa had died.

Listing some of the incidents, Numsa said in a statement:

● Numsa member Mr Nsembu Ntenga was ambushed by gunmen on September 11. He died

later from gunshot wounds.

● A senior Numsa shop steward was attacked with a panga at his home on November 19. He is still receiving treatment.

● An Uwusa member was shot and burnt in his combi on November 20.

Numsa said two men had appeared in the Katlehong Magistrate's Court on attempted murder charges in connection with an attack on its members, and were fined R200. It expressed dismay at the sentence.

It also said Haggie had refused to help it set up a meeting with Uwusa.

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Three die in weekend unrest

Staff Reporter

Three people were killed and at least seven injured in unrest-related incidents over the weekend, the South African Police said.

In Natal, kraals, homes and cars were set alight, and faction fights reported.

In the Cape, police dispersed a crowd which had been throwing stones at a train.

And a passenger coach was set alight in a separate incident.

Police are investigating incidents at Inanda, Natal, in which 10 kraals, two houses and three cars were set alight.

Four faction fights were reported in the same area. In another incident, three houses were set alight and shots fired at a police patrol.

At Cassing, near Durban, shots were fired at police. The body of a man was found at the scene, and another at Nhlanzeni near Maritzburg. Four black men were attacked and stabbed in kwaMakhutha.

At Emdeni, a hand grenade caused slight damage to a police vehicle. Shots were fired at a policeman's house at 2.15 am on Saturday. A hand grenade was also detonated.

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Crossroads meeting 'to defuse tension'

By GRAHAM LIZAMORE
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A MEETING has been held at Crossroads to defuse tension in the township, the scene of violence between two warring factions, a police spokesman said today.

A meeting between senior police officers, the army, followers of the anti-mayor faction and Lingelethu town councillors, had taken place in Crossroads. He could not give further details of the meeting but said the township was quiet last night.

This contrasts with the violence of Sunday which claimed the lives of at least four people and left at least eight injured.

About 40 homes were destroyed by fire and about 200 people left homeless when followers of the controversial mayor of Crossroads, Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana, clashed with supporters of the anti-mayor faction.

Van Eck disturbed

The Democratic Party spokesman for black affairs, Mr Jan van Eck, said he was disturbed about alleged police involvement in the violence on Sunday night.

Mr Van Eck said he had a recorded statement from a man who had been shot on Sunday night. He had at least 14 wounds in his body, including two fractures.

The man, Mr John Fongo, was admitted to Groote Schuur Hospital's trauma unit late on Sunday. He said witnesses claimed that a young boy had also been shot.

Mr Van Eck said it put him in a difficult position because he could not ask police to patrol Crossroads when they did not show impartiality.

He said the people saw Mr Ngxobongwana as the cause of the trouble in Crossroads.

Mr Van Eck said he had telephoned the Minister of Police, Mr Adriaan Vlok, and had related details of police involvement to his representative.

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Violence

"If I go, the people will not have a link with the outside world and secondly, the place would be burnt down," he said.

Death toll

By yesterday the weekend death toll had risen to 21, said the head of the Democratic Party unrest monitoring group, Mr Roy Ainslie.

And as fighting continued on a much bigger scale than at the weekend, it was feared the number of deaths would rise.

The affected areas include Ntuzuma, Lindelani, Inanda, Kwarmashu, Kwamakhuta, Richmond Farm, Inchanga, Shongweni and Umlazi.

"We do not even know how many hundreds have been injured, we are too busy counting the dead," Mr Ainslie said.

Unprecedented mayhem erupted on Saturday morning when vigilante groups, well-known warlords among them, simultaneously attacked UDF support bases at 4am, he said.

"Their primary objectives appear to be to expell or neutralise those perceived to be supporters of the ANC, UDF, Cosatu or other progressive organisations."

● Unrest report, page 3.

"My domestic worker says her area of Kwamashu is like a war zone.

"Last week she told me that the 'sinoras' had come to take away her 13-year-old son for an all-night 'camp'. She begged us to let him stay with us because she did not want him to become involved. She's just one of thousands caught in the crossfire."

A Berea family have taken in the wife and two small children of their gardener, who has a home at strife-torn Mpumalanga. "He knows of 15 people who have been killed. He had a death threat last week, for no apparent reason. He has been told that he will be dead before Christmas if he goes back. We have to help Alfred."

Chairman of the Natal church leaders, Bishop Khoza Mgojo, said that senior clergymen last night held a crisis meeting and it was decided to fax urgent pleas to President De Klerk to move swiftly.

Director of the multi-Church group Diakonia, Mr Paddy Kearney, said that churches have thrown their doors open to house the refugees.

Father Martin Moore-Corry, priest in charge of the Catholic Church in violence-torn Ntuzuma, said he had refused to leave when asked to do so by other priests.

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Thousands of black township dwellers have flooded into white Durban suburbs to escape the violence which has devastated the lives of many caught in the crossfire.

Today, Natal church leaders are due to contact President F W de Klerk to move swiftly to bring the fighting to an end.

In an attempt to quell the violence, a strong contingent of police reinforcements has been moved into the squatter settlements of Inanda and Ntuzuma where the conflict is the worst since the outbreak of the 1984 Inanda unrest.

They will assist strong police forces and army units already on the spot.

In white areas, places of employment, churches and community centres have been thrown open to the exodus of refugees who have been caught between warring factions threatening to kill those who will not join them and burn their homes.

In the Ohlange area of Inanda several new houses built by the Urban Foundation have been torched.

One Durban North resident said his domestic worker reported of youths fleeing the townships and staying in domestic employers' homes.

War zone

A Glenwood housewife had moved her domestic worker and seven children into her garage. "Many of my friends are doing the same thing."

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16 die, 65 homes razed in Natal

PRETORIA. — Sixteen people were killed, several others injured and more than 65 private dwellings were burnt to the ground in one of the worst bouts of unrest to hit townships in Natal this year.

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The police said another man died in KwaMakutha, near Amanzimtoti, after being wounded by unknown attackers.

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huts, causing extensive damage, but no injuries to the occupants.

Another 20 dwellings, comprising huts and houses, were razed to the ground by arsonists in Inanda. Police used birdshot to disperse the arsonists.

As fighting in Inanda and Ntuzuma squatter settlements continued to rage yesterday, some residents claimed criminal elements were jumping on the bandwagon to wreak havoc in the areas.

Hundreds of residents of the trouble-torn townships stayed away from work yesterday, arming themselves to protect their families and possessions in the latest bloody power struggle between different factions fighting for control of the area.

Residents yesterday reported armed men were parading on the streets and a pall of black smoke was hanging over the townships. Fighting was continuing on a much bigger scale than at the weekend.

The situation is being carefully watched and there is a strong police and security force presence in the area.

The fighting and arson come days after 92 shacks were razed at the nearby squatter settlement of Lindelani when two factions attacked each other last Thursday.

Residents described the area as a "battlefield".

One said the fighting was initially between the UDF and Inkatha, but now criminal elements had crept in, seizing the opportunity to burn and loot houses.

Passing motorists have had cars stoned and police have also been stoned and shot at by armed men, police said yesterday.

Several petrol-bomb attacks were reported in other parts of the country.

"At Langa a man was injured and a bus damaged when a petrol-bomb was hurled at the vehicle," the police report said.

— Sapa

Pre-Christmas Natal violence flares

By Dawn Barkhuizen

Police reinforcements were last night moving into Natal townships and the army was on patrol as violence unparalleled in five years increased in what has been dubbed the "Christmas onslaught".

The weekend death toll rose to 21 in areas between Durban and Amanzimtoti and stretching inland.

Mr Roy Ainslie, head of the Democratic Party monitoring committee, described the area as a "war zone".

Major Reg Crewe, of SAP headquarters in Pretoria, said last night the police were bolstering their presence in the area. A strong military contingent was already there.

Mr Ainslie said many of the troubled areas were inaccessible and the factions involved seemed to have lost control of their supporters. Thousands of people were fleeing.

The affected areas were Ntuzuma, Lindelani, Inanda, kwaMashu, kwaMakhuta, Richmond Farm, Inchanga, Shongweni and Umlazi.

The DP had received reports of renewed unrest in Maritzburg.

"We do not know how many hun-

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dreds have been injured. We are too busy counting the dead," said Mr Ainslie. Factions had resorted to using wartime expressions such as "the enemy" and "troops".

Hundreds of residents of Inanda and Ntuzuma, where the fighting was fiercest, stayed away from work yesterday to arm themselves and protect their families and possessions.

Residents said armed men were parading on the streets and black smoke was hanging over the townships.

Criminal elements were reported to be jumping on the bandwagon to wreak havoc in the areas which have long been flashpoints between Inkatha and UDF-Cosatu elements.

The SAP said police and motorists had been targets of stoning attacks.

PETROL BOMBED

Mr Ainslie said damage hundreds of homes had been damaged. At least 45 houses were petrol-bombed.

Police found bodies which had been stabbed, shot and burnt. Two people were killed when police re-

turned fire at a group.

Trouble began mounting seriously on Friday night and the DP called the army into a section of kwaMashu to fend off a vigilante gang known as "Amasinyora" which was overrunning the area.

Mr Ainslie said unprecedented mayhem erupted in the early hours of Saturday morning when vigilante groups attacked UDF support bases along the coast and inland.

"This seems to be a co-ordinated campaign by well-armed right-wing vigilantes to move out of their strongholds in Inanda and Lindelane into neighbouring townships."

The targets appeared to be supporters of the ANC, UDF and Cosatu.

He attributed the violence to "the challenge to the authority of chiefs, the ambivalent role of the security forces, the lack of control by both fighting groups and the effect of the state of emergency, which had prevented the UDF from organising and controlling its supporters."

"And at this time of the year," he said, "there is money to buy bullets and drink."

Police blitz troubled Inanda

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The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — A strong contingent of policemen, helped by soldiers, moved into trouble-torn Inanda in a major "door-to-door" operation today, arresting 11 men and confiscating handguns, bullets, home-made shotguns and two stolen cars.

The blitz is the direct result of the bloody violence in the squatter settlement, which has left at least 20 people killed and hundreds homeless.

Fierce fighting broke out at Inanda and Ntuzuma on Friday and police reported more than 60 shacks destroyed by arson.

Supporters of Inkatha and the United Democratic Front have clashed openly and criminal elements have also seized the opportunity to terrorise residents.

Meanwhile, a five-point plan for Christmas peace in Durban townships has been made by Democratic Party MP Mr Peter Gastrow.

Today he called for calm as rumours flared that "wholesale war" would break out after the factories close on Friday.

The Gastrow plan calls for:

● A greater police presence to contain and control the situation because numbers are inadequate.

● A call by the leadership of Inkatha, UDF and Cosatu to their supporters to help stop the carnage.

● Firm and impartial police action against political hooligans and criminal elements.

● Peace talks at community level as happened at Mpumalanga.

● Immediate and co-ordinated action by welfare organisations, churches and the community to address the needs of the thousands of victims of the violence.

Natal: 69 killed in 12 violent days

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Sixty-nine people have been killed in the black townships surrounding Durban during the last twelve days, according to the latest unrest figures released by the Democratic Party.

And rumours of intensified violence once major industries close for Christmas are sweeping the townships.

Mr Roy Ainslie, co-ordinator of the DP's unrest monitoring group, said last night 37 people had died in Ntuzuma alone since December 1.

Inanda's death toll for the same period was 13 and the Inchanga area 11. In KwaMakhuta four people died, two in KwaMashu, and one each in Molweni and Shongweni.

He said the DP's investigations into the specific incidents in Inanda and Ntuzuma indicated that there had been concerted attempts by vigilantes in the Inkatha-dominated areas of Emshashe and Lindelani to move into UDF-dominated areas, particularly Inanda Newtown section A and Ntuzuma.

DP blames 'unchecked vigilantes'

"Their objective is to politically neutralise these areas," he said.

There were a number of general causes for the Natal violence, which many believed was mainly due to increased rivalry between supporters of the UDF and Inkatha.

"The appalling socio-economic conditions in many of the affected areas — the unemployment, overcrowding, lack of basic facilities and general squalid conditions — have given rise to 'tsotsism' and criminal activities.

"There has also been a challenge to the traditional authority of the chiefs in rural areas.

"The ambivalent role of the security forces has also played a definite part, as have the unchecked activities of vigilantes and hit squads.

"And a perception in some of

the townships that the legal system has failed victims of the violence, has given rise to people taking the law into their own hands in some cases."

Meanwhile, Ntuzuma and Inanda residents, many of whom have left their townships and sought refuge with friends, families or employers, said yesterday they had been threatened with further violence by residents from Lindelani, Inanda Newtown and various outlying squatter areas.

Residents from the Inkatha-dominated squatter areas believe people living in certain sections of Inanda and Ntuzuma are to blame for the violence and should be "wiped out".

Sporadic fighting continued yesterday, with houses being burnt and political groups being dispersed by the police.

Vital services such as electricity and telephones have been out of operation in some areas since last week, as repairmen are too frightened to go in.

But police said yesterday they were evaluating the situation daily and more SADF units would be sent into the strife-torn areas if it became necessary.

Townships residents fear holiday 'war'

More police sent to Durban

Political Staff

The police have sent 380 more reinforcements to the black towns around Durban in an attempt to curb growing violence, the Government announced yesterday.

Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok and Deputy Minister of Justice Mr Danie Schutte said the extra men would be sent immediately to Inanda and other black towns north of Durban.

The SAP already had 350 extra men in the areas.

The Government action came shortly after Democratic Party MP Mr Peter Gastrow and local leaders, churchmen and human rights groups called for an increased police presence in the embattled areas after rumours flared that "wholesale war" would break out after the factories close tomorrow.

Mr Gastrow yesterday telephoned Major-General Johann van Niekerk, the Natal police regional commissioner, to ask for additional men to forestall the "bloody Friday" that frightened residents were predicting.

He also proposed a five-point plan for Christmas peace in townships in the greater Durban area.

"The situation has reached such proportions that no one individual group or organisation on its own can resolve it.

"A multi-pronged approach is necessary to start containing the violence in the short term," said Mr Gastrow.

His plan calls for:

- A greater police presence to contain

and control the situation because present numbers are inadequate.

- A call by the leadership of Inkatha, UDF and Cosatu to their supporters to help stop the carnage.
- Firm and absolutely impartial police action against political hooligans and criminal elements.
- Peace talks at a community level as happened at Mpumalanga.
- Immediate and co-ordinated action by welfare organisations, churches and the community at large to address the immediate needs of the thousands suffering as a result of the violence.

Last night even more people were seeking shelter in church halls and private homes of employers.

Help refugees

Some of them have not had anything substantial to eat for days and Mr Gastrow called for a resources centre to be set up where food, medicine and clothes could be collected to help the refugees.

Natal industry was concerned about the effects of the violence on the labour force, a Natal Chamber of Industries spokesman said yesterday.

There were no absolute figures of losses suffered by industry due to the violence, said the executive director and labour advisor of the Natal Chamber of Industries, Mr J Pohl.

However, people who have fled their homes were unable to come to work.

People's fear was affecting their performance at work.

President de Klerk has said that he is being kept fully informed of the Natal violence.

DURBAN. — An extra 380 policemen are to be sent immediately to the strife-torn townships north of here in an attempt to curb the wave of violence which has left at least 70 dead and hundreds homeless in the past two weeks.

In a joint statement last night, Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok and deputy Minister of Justice Mr Danie Schutte announced that it was necessary to strengthen the existing security force currently attempting to quell the violence.

"The situation has deteriorated considerably in recent days and serious concern exists about the recent unrest. The police are already utilising an additional 350 men to curb the unrest in Inanda and neighbouring townships."

Meanwhile security forces launched a massive crime prevention sweep of Inanda and neighbouring regions as the wave of killings and arson in the area spread.

Police discovered the bodies of three more people in the general In-

380 police sent in as Natal unrest escalates

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anda area yesterday and one man was in a serious condition with stab wounds.

At Bambayi one man was stabbed to death and his body then set alight, while another was left at the roadside with serious stab wounds.

At Mzinyathi in the Molweni River Valley, the badly decomposed body of a man was found by police.

Another body of a man was discovered lying in a dirt road near the Inanda quarry.

Sisulu: Unity the key to peace in Crossroads

Staff Reporter

RELEASED ANC leader Mr Walter Sisulu, on a tour of the troubled Old Crossroads squatter camp, told residents that unity was only way to prevent violence of the kind that transpired there at the weekend.

Mr Sisulu and his wife Mrs Albertina Sisulu visited the scene of Sunday night's violence — when at least five people were killed and 200 other residents were left homeless — with Mr Ahmed Kathrada, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, UDF leaders and DP MP Mr Jan van Eck.

"I warned the people that they must know that those who are greedy are responsible for the trouble," Mr Sisulu said.

Archbishop Tutu said he was appalled by the violence and urged authorities to investigate the alleged role of police in Sunday night's events.

Mr Jeffrey Nongwe, leader of the 14 headmen who broke ties with Crossroads mayor Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana earlier this year over corruption allegations, described to the group what happened when his home was attacked.

He said several shots were fired at a bedroom occupied by children. Archbishop Tutu counted

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Supreme Court Reporter

AN interim interdict which forbade the Crossroads town committee, its mayor Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana, four representatives and six residents from destroying or damaging shacks was yesterday extended in the Supreme Court till next Wednesday.

However, the applicants, Mr James Gibisela, Mr Jim Sikiti, Mr Jackson Mandeki, Mr Alexandra Lukes, Mr Nkosana December and Mr Jeffrey Nongwe, did not persist with their application that the respondents be directed to repair or re-erect damaged or razed shacks within three days.

Mr Gibisela and the other men had brought an urgent application on December 7.

17 holes from shots fired at an outside toilet while somebody was inside.

Yesterday the secretary of the Crossroads town committee, Mr Ricky Schelhase, said he would leave early today for the Ciskei where he will have talks with Mr Ngxobongwana to discuss the issue of his return.

Meanwhile Sapa reports that Mr Schelhase yesterday denied that the city's town clerk, treasurer or depart-

ment of engineering had anything to do with the causes of the conflict at the camp.

"Events in Crossroads over the past three months have once again shown how easily a community can be polarised when the traditions of the people become a bone of contention," he said.

"The smouldering intolerance that exists between those inhabitants who are loyal to Mr Ngxobongwana and Mr Nongwe culminated in fatal and tragic consequences over the past weekend when supporters of both groups came to blows."

Mr Schelhase said it had been reported that "mismanagement" and "maladministration" had been the cause of underlying grievances.

"The administration of Crossroads, like any other local authority, is subject to the strict control and supervision of the controller and auditor-general, as well as an annual external audit," he said.

"This administration has been commended by both these bodies for the responsible application of its income and expenditure."

He said Crossroads was one of the few local authorities whose budget covered all its overheads.



HAND-IN-HAND ... Mr Walter Sisulu and his wife Albertina walk through the troubled Old Crossroads squatter camp yesterday. They visited the area with Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Western Cape UDF leaders.

Picture MARIUS BOSCH

Natal violence kills 4 a day

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MORE than four people a day were killed on average in the political violence in Natal and KwaZulu during November, according to the monthly figures released today by monitoring groups in Maritzburg and Durban.

The Maritzburg figure included 27 deaths in Mpumalanga, and took the Centre's 1989 figure to 598. The number of deaths logged since 1987 stands at 1655 deaths. - Sapa.

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In November 62 people were killed around Durban in the violence, according to the Democratic Party's unrest monitoring group, while 64 people were killed in the inland area monitored by the Centre for Adult Education at the University of Natal in Pietermaritzburg.

Since the beginning of 1987, when these two organisations began monitoring the fighting, they have recorded 2400 deaths.

The Durban figure was the highest monthly total yet and was made up of Inanda - 31 deaths; KwaMakhutha - 12; KwaMashu - six; Inchanga - two; Ntuzuma - two; St Wendolin's - two; Durban - two (this being the two men who were killed on Durban's beach front after being identified as alleged members of the AmaSenora vigilante gang that is plaguing KwaMashu); Molweni - one; Dassenhoek - one; Amanzimtoti - one; Port Shepstone - one; Pine-town - one.

This took the 1989 Durban figure to 415 deaths, and the total since 1987 to 745.

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DURBAN. — Reinforcements boosted police numbers in the violence-torn townships in the rounding Durban to 700 yesterday, supported by members of the army and KwaZulu police.

According to yesterday's police unrest report, violence continued in the squatter settlements on Wednesday, with three bodies found in the Inanda area, nine shacks gutted by petrol-bombs and several houses built by the Urban Foundation torched.

A man was shot dead in Inanda after he attacked a policeman who arrived at the scene of an arson attempt.

Police boost forces as Natal toll rises

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In Wesselton, near Ermelo, six people — including a child — were injured when police used bird-shot, teargas and stun grenades to disperse a crowd which allegedly attacked municipal offices and the mayor's house.

After police called in the army, 397 people were arrested outside the magistrate's court. They were released with

a written warning following negotiations between police, the magistrate and the Wesselton Action Committee.

Police said the incident began when police tried to halt a march to Ermelo by about 10 000 people protesting at charges against 88 people for electricity arrears.

Meanwhile in Ujundi, Inkatha president and KwaZulu chief minister Chief Mango-

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suthu Buthelezi yesterday rejected "with total contempt" a petition demanding the sacking of KwaZulu police chief Brigadier Jac Buchner.

He accused the petition's organisers of fanning the flames of violence.

Chief Buthelezi said the petition was a "hideous" document formulated by Inkatha's political enemies.

"The organisers of this march must pause and think of the extent to which the lies, and intrigue, filthy accusations and deception, which they built into this exercise of theirs, is destructive of very important things." — Sapa

No bullet-proof vests for Durban patrols

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Policemen patrolling the violence-torn townships here are not issued with bullet-proof vests — they have to buy their own if they want them. Only special units, such as the reaction unit, are issued with the vests for use in specific situations — such as house "penetrations" where it is suspected terrorists may be hiding.

Police spokesman Major Reg Crewe said bullet-proof vests costing over R1 000, were hot and uncomfortable, and would not stop an AK-47 bullet. Several concerned mothers of policemen contacted the press yesterday, saying it was grossly unfair that their sons should be sent to control violence in the townships without adequate protection.

DURBAN — While the city centre buzzes with Christmas shoppers and Durban's beachfront teems with upcountry holidaymakers, most whites and Indians are blissfully unaware of a horror just over the hill that has become part of daily life for people living in the troubled townships.

Killing fields of Inanda's shacklands

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I had a chilling first-hand view of the brutal realities of township life and the effects of the unprecedented wave of violence when I toured the sprawling Inanda shackland settlements this week.

I saw scores of houses — for most people a lifetime's investment — abandoned after being torched in petrol-bomb attacks or damaged from stonings. Particularly disturbing were the number of newly-built homes destroyed in the wave of arson which is fast becoming endemic to the area.

'Modelling'

I witnessed hundreds of refugees, perched on hired trucks loaded with all their worldly possessions, pouring out the area. They were fleeing for safety, one man told me, mostly into white and Indian areas.

And I had a shocking first-hand experience of "modelling", the humiliating and brutal punishment meted out by the "people's court".

Modelling first surfaced in Natal during the 1987 Maritzburg township battles, when kangaroo courts began sentencing suspected criminals to parade naked through the dusty streets. Now it has emerged as an element in the violence sweeping greater Inanda.

I watched helplessly as one terrified victim was frog-marched through the Bambhaya shack settlement and subjected to the humiliating ordeal of taunts and beatings by a crowd of about 500 armed with knobkerries, crowbars and pangas.

The man, "convicted" of theft by a street committee court consisting mostly of youths called "amagabane" or comrades, was allegedly caught

with stolen property. He could count himself lucky that police were patrolling in the area, picking up bodies among other duties. They saved the man from certain death. Still naked, he was bundled into a police van and driven away while the mob was dispersed.

To a white outsider, events in Inanda are confusing. Each faction has a different story to tell. Questioning local residents about the violence is usually stonewalled by a blanket of secrecy. A young man told me the residents were reluctant to speak because of intimidation.

"They are warned that if they are seen speaking to the police or reporters, they will die," he said. I listened as the police tried to investigate the murder of a youth whose body still lay beside the road. He had been burned to death, his throat had been slit and he had numerous stab wounds found. The locals merely shrugged their shoulders and denied all knowledge of the incident.

His body was one of four we saw on the tour. One young man had been shot four times as close range, another had been stabbed in the head and the most shocking sight was a partially decomposed body sprawled in the long grass beside a stream.

The man's hand and feet had been hacked off but it was not clear what had caused his death. As we left, two houses were burning just over the hill. The smoke billowing up into the sky greeted some of the thousands of workers streaming back from the security of the city.

Workers who each day wonder if they will return to find their family intact, or their home still standing.

The common prayer to emerge from every resident interviewed was that the violence must stop. But most were pessimistic about peace talks.



COMRADE IN ARMS: Mrs Helen Joseph, active in resistance politics for 30 years, is supported by Mrs Winnie Mandela during her 83rd birthday party in 1988.

Christmas cheers for Joseph and Mandela

PAT DEVEREAUX

VETERAN human rights activist Mrs Helen Joseph has been given a Christmas present by the South African Government. She has finally — after 26 years and at least eight refusals — been granted permission to visit jailed ANC leader, Mr Nelson Mandela.

Mrs Joseph will be flying to Cape Town to visit her long-standing friend at Victor Verster Prison on Thursday December 21.

Close friends of the 84-year-old activist — who is a listed person and cannot be quoted — said this week she was very excited and regarded the pre-Christmas visit as a major personal victory.

83rd Wheelchair

"She will be allowed to spend a couple of hours with him," said a friend.

The wheelchair-bound Mrs Joseph has for more than 30 years been active in resistance politics since her early involvement with the Congress of Democrats in 1950s.

She suffered a stroke about 18 months ago which has left her slightly disabled. However, she is still active and able to address meetings.

Mrs Joseph was a founder member of the Federation of South African Women.

In 1956 she was one of the women who led 20 000 women in their march to Pretoria's Union Buildings in an anti-pass demonstration.

Mrs Joseph has received international praise for her stoicism and courage — in her own life and for her outspoken criticism of the South African authorities — despite years of banings and house arrest.

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Women at War in Crossroads

By JOCELYN MAKER
Weekend Argus Reporter

A fire enveloped their shacks the women of Crossroads scrambled desperately among the falling sheets of corrugated iron, blazing wood and melting plastic to try to save their meagre belongings.

Behind them through thick smoke their screaming children followed, confused and terrified. The sound of gunfire filled the air, bullets whizzed between them. And the strong southeaster fanned the flames as over 150 shanties burnt furiously to the ground.

Now these homeless women of Crossroads are at war. They have had enough and all have vowed that — no matter what — they will fight for their rights to the bitter end.

They want the mayor, Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana, one of the most powerful men in the African townships of Cape Town, brought to account. For years he has been ruling the sprawling area with an iron hand.

During Sunday night four people died and eight were injured when the mayor's group clashed with the rebel breakaway leader Mr Geoffrey Nongwes people.

This week the Weekend Argus visited the area and spoke to a number of the women who lost their homes.

About 60 people are being housed in three large shipping containers in the KTC squatter camp.

Others have been taken in by family and friends. Some have moved out of the area completely and have vowed never to return.

All refused to reveal their names as they fear for their lives, but each gave an account of the horror they had to endure.

ONE young mother said she was inside her home on Sunday night when the fighting began.

"The mayor's women from Section One came over to our houses. All were carrying crowbars screaming at us to leave the area.

"There were so many of them and they were throwing stones. They smashed our house and were hitting us. Everyone was fighting.

"That night they came back and they set our houses alight. I tried to get my stuff out but my son was crying so I had to help him first. I lifted him on to my back and as we tried to get through the fire he was so scared he wet himself. I ran away with him to a friend's house."

A 32-year-old woman said she was standing in her shack trying to calm her children when she felt a searing pain in her leg.

"I did not know what to do. I did not think they would burn my house. I heard the people screaming and shouting and I knew they were fighting. I felt this burning in my leg and when I looked down I saw blood. A bullet had gone right through it. I picked up my sewing machine shouted at the children and we ran away."

Another young mother was unable to hold back tears as she told of her experience. Her hair had been singed and her face burnt as she escaped her burning shack.

"Our children cannot continue to live like this any more. They are terrified of everything. My child does not stop crying. He is only six but he is old beyond his years. He has seen people die, people fighting, houses burning since he was little. He does not sleep at night.

"I want to live like a normal family. We are poor and we have to walk far to fetch our water. Our houses are surrounded by green stinking water with flies and frogs everywhere.

"I want a nice house and I want to be happy, but all I have left now is my mattress and my sewing machine. My feet are bare because my shoes were also burnt."

The families living in the three containers at KTC have rallied together but all are penniless. In neat rows they have placed mattresses, boxes, blankets and other bits and pieces they retrieved from the flames. Some were able to carry their wardrobes out but most saved the one possession which is their only form of livelihood — their sewing machines.

An elderly woman who has survived many fierce clashes in the area said that most of the women sew to make a living. "Some of this money we have paid to the mayor for years for the houses which have been promised to us. We worked hard because we thought we would also have houses made of brick, now we know we will never get them because of corruption. "The people in control of Crossroads are sucking the blood of the poor and this has been going on since 1977." Mrs Alexandra "Mama" Luke a member of the residents group who are opposing the mayor said she would now lead her women to victory. "It all started on Wednesday last week. Our women had a prayer meeting at the Noxolo School when we were told by a councillor to disperse. "The mayor's women arrived and we stood our ground but then the fighting started. About 23 women were arrested and taken to the police station but were released two hours later. "That night the women came again, this time with crowbars smashing everything. Then the burning started and the hell began. We have lost everything and our homes are destroyed. We face a very black Christmas and we are very angry. We will rebuild our houses and we will never move. They will have to dig our graves and bury us before we stop this war."



Hard ruler ... Crossroads mayor Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana.

TIDE TURNS FOR 'MR CROSSROADS'

By GRAHAM LIZAMORE
Weekend Argus Reporter

THE fortunes of the people of Crossroads are inextricably linked with those of Johnson Ngxobongwana.

In the early Seventies, when migrant workers from the Ciskei and Transkei moved to the area called Crossroads, about 15 kilometres from Cape Town, it was Johnson Ngxobongwana who became the leader of the small, destitute huddle of squatters.

In time, other leaders of headmen moved into the area, bringing their followers. Most, but not all, accepted Ngxobongwana as their spokesman.

Over the next decade thousands of wood-and-iron shacks mushroomed on the featureless grey sand of the Cape Flats and by 1989 Crossroads had grown into a sprawling shanty city of about 80 000 people.

Ngxobongwana had become the leading player on the Crossroads stage, where people were often at war with themselves as well as the Government.

In 1978, Ngxobongwana locked horns with the authorities when the decision was made that the Western Cape Administration Board (WCAB) should take control of Crossroads from the divisional council.

It was to be the first of many confrontations between him and government bodies.

That same year Ngxobongwana was arrested at an illegal gathering because he was the "unofficial mayor" and had addressed a meeting to raise money to bury a man allegedly shot by police.

In 1980 he claimed R3 000 damages from the police for allegedly assaulting him. The case against the police was dismissed with costs.

That same year Ngxobongwana was in the news again when he called for Crossroads to be administered by blacks.

"I hope that Crossroads is the way to freedom for the black man in South Africa," he said.

HE warned the government to co-operate — or have the people of Crossroads also refuse to co-operate.

Six months later he was arrested and, with five others, charged with public violence, arson, intimidation and incitement to murder.

A witness told the court Ngxobongwana had said at a meeting attended by about 500 squatters that he would consider a position in government similar to that of then-President P W Botha.

He was alleged to have told people not to pay rent until rents were reduced and that his dogs

would bite the followers of a rival squatter leader and "suck their blood". His dogs would bite anyone who did not follow him and even the dogs' fleas would bite them.

Over the following years Ngxobongwana increased his hold over the people in Crossroads. A government proposal to move squatters to Khayelitsha did not meet with his approval because, he felt, it would undermine his power.

By that time he had become so powerful that his "committee" could even bar police and WCAB officials from the area. He warned the authorities to expect "big trouble" if they tried to move the squatters by force.

At a meeting in 1983, attended by UDF leader Mr Oscar Mpepha, Ngxobongwana again warned the government not to force people to leave Crossroads.

He said the government was dreaming if it thought blacks would leave the Western Cape here, "We will not leave. We will die and be buried here," he said.

The people did not leave, but many did die. In the same crowd that gave Ngxobongwana and Mpepha a tumultuous welcome was Mrs Alexandra "Mama" Luke, who said "Crossroads people look on this gathering as a day of peace."

And many residents must have felt Ngxobongwana was worthy of support because in November 1983 at a ceremony attended by representatives of the Transkei and Ciskei governments, he was given a new car by the "community" for "community business".

Residents had "donated" between R2 and R10 each in appreciation of the work he had done for the community over the years.

BUT six years later, Mama Luke is mobilising discontented people against Ngxobongwana for allegedly abusing his position as "mayor". Allegations were that his supporters were collecting money on a regular basis from the squatters for "official" functions, for vehicles, for trips into town, and even for a mayoral chain.

Squatters allege: "You pay or you wake up to find your house burning."

Mama Luke's humble home was destroyed by fire. There was persistent unrest as Ngxobongwana sought to retain power and by 1984 it appeared that a "marriage of convenience" had been struck by Ngxobongwana and the Western Cape Administration Board.

This "marriage" became particularly useful after the '85 and '86 "wars" between Witdoeke and UDF/ANC-aligned Comrades.

Ngxobongwana's opponents alleged he was being propped up by police, who possibly found it convenient to have a conservative like him in Crossroads to control UDF supporters.

His "unofficial mayor" status was "legitimised" in 1986. But in October the following year he was removed as mayor by the Supreme Court, on a technicality.

In 1988 he and his seven councillors were elected "unopposed" after the countrywide municipal elections — although not a vote was cast in Crossroads.

In September this year he was again reinstated, this time by the the Administrator of the Cape, Mr Gene Louw.

But retaining control over Crossroads wasn't easy, and Ngxobongwana has had to deal with at least seven attempted coups and several assassination attempts.

This year, 14 of the 19 headmen who made up the Crossroads Committee broke away to form a faction that directly challenged him.

Under the leadership of Mr Geoffrey Nongwe, they have levelled charges of corruption and exploitation against him and his remaining committee members.

Police are investigating charges that Ngxobongwana might be linked with the disappearance of about R250 000 contributed by squatters to a housing fund for new homes.

Some new homes have been built and squatters are seething with anger as "outsiders" who have not contributed to the fund buy them.

LAST Sunday night Ngxobongwana's alleged supporters went on a rampage in Crossroads, killing at least five people, maiming scores and leaving hundreds homeless.

But those close to Ngxobongwana, while admitting he is ambitious and dictatorial, say he is simply manifesting a cultural tradition among black people a sort of "reorder unto Caesar".

A government official who has worked closely with Ngxobongwana for the past 15 years said he was a very capable leader and a very strong character — a people's man.

"He has struggled a lot and been put in jail four times on trumped up charges and harassed by police. He has been branded a terrorist and a communist and now as a government lackey — but he has survived it all," the official said.

According to the official he has played a significant part in improving living conditions in the township.

"These people live the misery and hardship of a poverty stricken community. Crossroads can't wait winter after winter, summer after summer and south easter after south easter for the grand politic of F W de Klerk and company to sort itself out. Johnson Ngxobongwana has played a very important part in improving living conditions here."

But Ngxobongwana's role in the destiny of Crossroads might be coming to an end. For almost four months he has been in the Ciskei on "private business" at a time of increasing violence among the squatters.

It is also a time when South Africa's new president is "legitimising" the ANC and finding the continuing violence in Crossroads embarrassing.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu, on a tour of the battle scarred township this week, said he was appalled at what he had seen and heard and called for an urgent inquiry into alleged police involvement in the fighting.



Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Mama Luke tour Crossroads after the fighting on Sunday.

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Durban now most violent area

By DESMOND BLOW

AS violence escalates in Natal the Legal Resources Centre in Durban this week sent a dozen affidavits to State President FW de Klerk alleging police assisted in the looting and burning of homes on December 7.

The affidavits were made by residents of Ntuzuma township, north of Durban.

Ninety-eight homes were looted and burned by a gang of heavily armed men from the nearby squatter camp of Lindelani, which is an Inkatha stronghold.

Witnesses claim the KwaZulu Police threatened them with firearms while their homes were being looted.

Lawyers are hoping De Klerk, now that the has broken away from his securocrats, will adopt a more sympathetic-

Police accused of aiding looters

ic attitude than did his predecessor PW Botha, who they believe was misinformed about the events in Natal.

They also believe the Deputy Minister of Defence, Wynand Breyenbach, must have been misinformed when he recently announced that the UDF was responsible for the violence in Natal.

"Of course there are UDF warlords, but nowhere near the scale of Inkatha. If Inkatha is not actually assisted by the police, they turn a blind eye to what Inkatha supporters do," a lawyer said.

Lawyers who have monitored the violence for some time say young policemen sent to the area are shown a video on the violence which is

strongly anti-UDF.

"They are exposed to the 'total onslaught' syndrome and see the UDF as the enemy. De Klerk's more open policy seems unknown to them," says Pierre Cronje, DP MP for Greytown, who is working with the police in an effort to stop the violence.

Monitors of the situation say policemen should be screened for their political attitudes before they are sent to the area.

There are two aspects, says, Cronje. One is political - white policemen still see the situation in terms of "total onslaught".

"The second is there are not sufficient policemen to control the situation".

The death toll in the

Durban area alone for December is more than 70 - 50 since last Wednesday

More than 2 000 people have lost their lives since political violence began in 1987, but there have been very few prosecutions.

For the first time casualties in the Durban area have surpassed those of Maritzburg, and fears are that these figures will grow unless the situation is appraised afresh by the authorities.

Calls are once again being made for the removal of the South African Police. Residents prefer the army, which, they say, has proved less biased than the police.

Confidence in the police is so low that many

victims refuse to report incidents, which makes it more difficult for the police to take action.

A fortnight ago, an attorney who was among the monitoring group, sent an affidavit to the Commissioner of Police after he and the others had witnessed a large group of heavily armed Inkatha supporters invade Mpumulanga from nearby Woody Glen, brandishing their weapons.

They were escorted into Mpumulanga by an SAP Hippo. The attorney spoke to the lieutenant in charge and asked him to disarm the gang. The lieutenant replied he had instructions not to disarm the gang. The Commissioner of

Police is taking the lawyer's affidavit seriously, and has sent a squad headed by a general to investigate the allegations, said the lawyer.

Some observers believe the violence will not cease until there is dialogue between Inkatha and the ANC.

The vigilante groups are highly mobilised and the warlords are regarded as invincible.

Some who have been charged with murder are immediately released on bail, and witnesses are murdered.

There is a perception among the people that the police assist Inkatha and they refuse to cooperate with the authorities.

This makes it difficult for those people who bring charges to get a conviction.

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Six die at Inanda as police pour in

MARITZBURG. — After widespread fears of an upsurge in violence in Durban's Inanda township this weekend, six people are believed to have died there and at least one in Ntuzuma. Durban's Security forces poured into northern townships over the weekend and residents said they heard no gunfighting for the first Sunday in weeks.

However, in Inanda's Ohlange area, a local doctor said he saw two bodies near his surgery on Saturday morning. A third burnt body was left near a bus depot. Residents said two more bodies were found along the main road.

SATV reported last night that one youth was abducted in Inanda while standing at a bus terminus.

The kidnappers bundled him into a taxi, slit his throat while the vehicle was moving through the traffic in broad daylight and then threw him out of the minibus. Four people have been arrested in connection with the incident.

Meanwhile, the delicate peace in Mpumalanga near Maritzburg is likely to be tested today after weeks of negotiations to end fighting.

As the death toll so far this month in Durban's townships nears 90, representa-

tives of Inkatha and the UDF in Mpumalanga are due to meet local industrialists this morning for discussions on a joint reconstruction plan.

Businesses in the area incurred a turnover loss of about R10 million during a week of heavy fighting last month.

Industrialists in Hammarsdale, near Maritzburg, said if the peace process continued they would go out to obtain funds for reconstruction.

A professional socio-economic survey is to begin in Mpumalanga today to assess damage to property. — Sapa and Own Correspondent

Six more killed in Natal violence

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Violence has continued in the Inanda, Ntuzuma and Lindelani areas near Durban, claiming at least six lives.

The death toll in the past month stands at 120.

On Saturday, the Day of the Vow, the bodies of four men — with bullet wounds — were found.

Vicious fighting took place between rival groups in Inanda, with mobs using guns, bush knives, spears, sticks and home-made weapons.

CALM RETURNED

By this morning calm had returned, but one resident said that it was "wishful thinking" that the fighting would not flare again.

A police spokesman said 385 reinforcements had already been sent to Inanda and more would be sent.

He said their role was to get the situation under control to protect lives and property.

Conditions in enforcing the law were difficult as men were being shot at.

Rumours were rife in one

section of Lindelani that an attack by Ntuzuma residents was imminent.

A group of clergymen went from door to door calling for calm in Section F and for the first time in months there was a "relatively calm" weekend.

TWO KILLED

Yesterday two men were killed at Lindelani and Amothi and two houses were set on fire when rival groups clashed.

Incidents of violence also occurred in other townships. Police brought these quickly under control.

● Representatives of Inkatha and the UDF in Mpumalanga are due to meet industrialists today for discussions on a joint reconstruction plan.

This follows a crisis facing businesses in the area, including a turnover loss of about R10 million during a week of heavy fighting last month.

Industrialists have helped to organise a series of peace meetings and have offered assistance in getting funds and skills for upgrading and rebuilding the township.

Enough, cry war-devastated Natal blacks

Huge areas of the troubled Natal townships of Inanda and Ntuzuma were virtually deserted last week as residents turned the Inanda main road into a refugee highway.

Row upon row of shacks and houses, many scarred or wholly demolished were abandoned and the usually bustling roads were largely empty of traffic.

They were also largely empty of police, despite the 700 strong reinforcements sent to Natal.

Rumours among those left behind were rife, some saying United Democratic Front followers had resolved to eradicate Inkatha supporters from the townships in a massive drive in the days ahead, while others said Inkatha supporters had brought in tough fighters from outlying areas such as Masinga.

Everyone was fearful of an escalation of violence over the holiday season.

There seems to be a strong class element to the fighting, with poorer, less educated people and those more recently arrived from the rural areas falling under the Inkatha banner.

They are squared off against the more established, educated middle class people, whose brick homes are well built and serviced, whose children know the rhetoric of liberation.

At Mshayazafe and Ohlange the polarisation is so bad that those from one area may not safely cross the road. It is a deadly dividing line.

A senior Inkatha member whose fine house is on the wrong side of the road has been forced to move out; the windows of his home are smashed, the evidence of a barrage of stones litter his stoep.

The man who operates the local water depot (where residents can buy clean drinking water supplied by the Water Board)

As the "war" in Natal's townships becomes ever more vicious and cruel, residents, including United Democratic Front supporters, are calling for the South African Defence Force to step in and restore peace — forcing anti-apartheid activists to review their stance on the role of the SADF, reports **SAM SOLE**.

comes from the wrong side of the hill and has been threatened, so the depot is closed.

Mr Joseph Nyatakazi has been the local Mshayazafe councillor for seven years. His men are blamed for attacks on surrounding UDF areas, but he claims to be a victim.

He has pellet wounds from recent fighting; the damage in his area is not as spectacular as the devastation up the hill, but a community of thousands has been reduced to less than a hundred. The rest have fled.

Those who remain have nowhere to go to, he says. Some have stayed to fight. They are concerned about how they are going to cope with the onslaught.

Under pressure

One man took leave from his job with the Post Office to protect his home.

Villain or victim, Mr Nyatakazi is certainly under pressure. UDF supporters claim there are only three Inkatha areas left in Inanda: Newtown section B, Lindelani and Mshayazafe.

"The youth say they are going to sweep out Nyatakazi," said a local social worker.

There are conflicting explanations of the cause of the conflict.

A lawyer who took dozens of statements from victims of a recent attack on Ntuzuma

— most of them blaming Inkatha supporters and the kwaZulu police — said passionately: "I know who the bad guys are."

He singles out Inkatha: "It's a violent, undemocratic organisation."

UDF supporters crow that Inkatha is losing ground in the townships. It seems they would like to see the organisation obliterated.

Inkatha President Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi is just as passionate: "The people that are dying are my people that I have given all my life to serve and to die for if necessary."

"My messages in all the speeches and even at places where violence is taking place has been that violence must stop. The leaders of Inkatha at Mpumalanga have recently participated in peace talks with my support."

"I have affidavits taken by the kwaZulu police from Lindelani residents alleging many attacks on them by UDF members, special constables and members of the SADF."

Meanwhile, the killing goes on. Amastasia Sikhusane is moving belongings from her sister-in-law's house. Her brother, bus driver Mr Michael Ngiba, was shot by raiders.

"They broke down this door and shot him, took his watch, a small radio and his wife's clothes. It was three in the afternoon; he had just returned from church and was sitting with his children. They hid under the bed and were not seen. He was not politically active at all."

Nearby, Mr Maxwell Ndlovu was shot dead through his sturdy burglar bars.

The Democratic Party's unrest monitoring group says 495 people have died violently in Durban's townships since the beginning of the year, 80 since the beginning of December.

They have asked that the army be placed on full alert.

In a significant shift, the old cry of "troops

out of the townships" is being swallowed in a growing grassroots call, born of desperation, for the army to be brought in as a peacekeeping force.

"Maybe the SADF should come in for a few months to do house to house searches throughout the area and confiscate weapons," says a woman said to be a UDF supporter.

The call is being taken seriously, at least by those who make it their business to monitor the role of the SADF.

Last week members of the Conscientious Objectors' Support Group met to discuss the call emanating from the townships and to consider a change on their stance on SADF involvement.

A local school principal says: "My solution is a hard one, but in certain circumstances you have to be hard."

Gang-raped

"There must be a large force, they must disperse any group, but impartially."

A local black doctor treated some of the victims of recent fighting, including a three-year-old boy shot twice through his chest.

"Nobody knows what they are fighting for," he said bitterly. "Everybody says they were attacked. I just hope people understand doctors cannot take sides; we treat all sides."

"People must stop fighting and start talking. At King Edward (Hospital) I saw a 10-year-old girl from here who had been stabbed, then gang-raped. One loses heart when this kind of thing happens."

"The 700 police reinforcements are too little; we need 10 times that number. The full might of the force should come to Inanda and disarm everybody, and then they must talk."

"Put it in a headline: 'It is enough! They must stop.'"

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Natal factions meet to rebuild community.

MARITZBURG — Industrialists in Hammarsdale met leaders of the warring factions in Mpumalanga yesterday to formulate a joint reconstruction plan for the townships around Maritzburg.

Foremost on the agenda was the rebuilding of hundreds of homes destroyed during years of unabated political violence.

The possibility of involving a non-profit organisation specialising in low-income housing was discussed.

The meeting, due to reconvene on Thursday, forms part of a peace process initiated by local industrialists concerned at the loss of life and the disruption of production at factories in the area.

After months of behind-the-scenes negotiations, the industrialists managed to get local leaders of the United Democratic Front and Inkatha to meet and sign a tentative cease-fire agreement on November 30.

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STILL TENSE

While the leaders talked that day, violence continued in the streets, claiming at least four lives, including that of Prince Hlele Makhaye, an 11-year-old school pupil who was shot on his school grounds.

Since then the endemic violence has subsided, although the situation in the township is still tense.

Two committees have arisen out of the peace process: one to investigate violations of the cease-fire agreement and the other to investigate the rebuilding of homes and restoration of community life.

Made up of industrialists and members of the UDF and Inkatha, the members of the committee wish to keep a low profile and remain anonymous.

A spokesman said the peace initiative was still "holding ground" despite the difficulty UDF representatives were having in obtaining a mandate from their supporters to attend a news conference on Sunday to announce the peace initiatives.

He said the UDF, unlike Inkatha, had to receive permission from the grassroots level. — Sapa.

British
Embassy
gives cash
to Natal

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DURBAN — The British Embassy has announced two grants to help provide emergency relief in Natal.

Operation Hunger is to receive R34 000 immediately to provide emergency blankets and heavy-grade plastic sheeting for those displaced by the violence and floods in the Greater Durban area.

A statement from the British Consulate in Durban said: "Further assistance to those rendered homeless will be granted as necessary."

A further R20 000 is being provided to the Natal Red Cross for relief to the victims of storm and flood damage in northern Natal.

"The British Government supports a wide range of community projects in Natal and will be continuing the development of these programmes," the statement said.

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President Lucas Mangope ... soldiers tried to overthrow him.

Coup bid soldiers sentenced

EIGHT of the rebel soldiers involved in the abortive coup in Bophuthatswana last year yesterday received sentences varying from seven to eight-and-a-half years' jail.

The sentences, for high treason, were handed down by Mr Justice M W Friedman in the Bophuthatswana Supreme Court.

In all, 142 members of the Bophuthatswana National Security Unit face sentence, 125 having been convicted of high treason and 17 of terrorism under the Internal Security Act.

Sentencing in this mammoth treason trial, which began in April, may last until tomorrow.

Living in fear of warlords

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MR Amon Ngcobo (48) is one of the thousands of refugees thrown up by the political violence.

In 1986 Ngcobo lost a fulltime job. Since then he has been coming into central Durban almost daily looking for temporary jobs to help his wife and four children.

He has been living in Lindelani, north of Durban, since 1970.

Two Thursday ago, on returning from a fruitless work-seeking venture, he and two other men were confronted by a gang of six men as they stepped off a bus at Richmond Farm.

"They said 'what are you?' I said 'I am nothing'. They said 'you are a comrade' and shot me"

Ngcobo spent the next week in King Edward VIII Hospital, Durban.

He said he counted 52

other patients there recovering from gunshot wounds inflicted in the political violence.

Ngcobo, who is the brother of a senior Kwa-Zulu political leader, has not been back to his Lindelani home.

He is now moving away as he fears the men will get hold of him again.

"A lot of people are making trouble for nothing. It is not right to kill other people."

His wife does not

know what has happened to him. The night he was released from hospital he slept on Durban Station.

Ngcobo was highly critical of the warlords who have set themselves up as undisputed kings in the squatter settlements north of Durban.

Hobo

He said the man who ran his Lindelani area moved in five years ago as a hobo, but was today a very rich man.

He had a police force who demanded R5 from people every month. If they did not pay they are

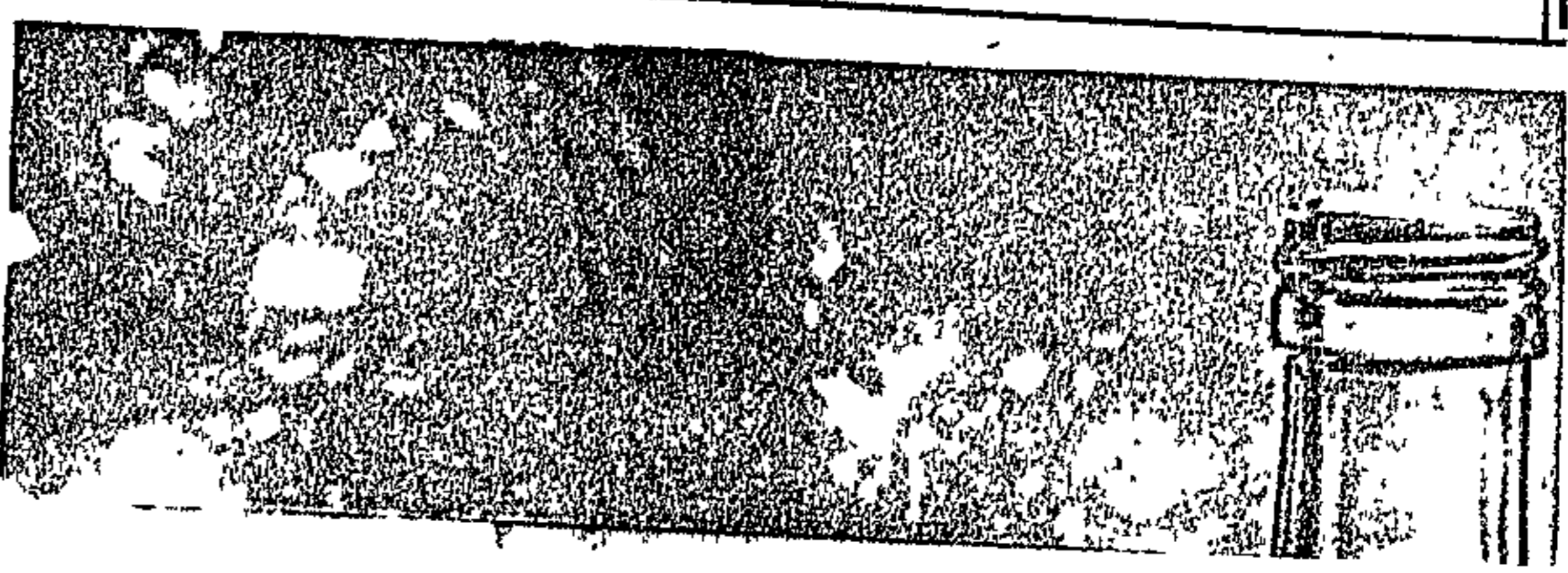
chased away.

The police made people stop talking and walking around at 9pm, or else they were fined R50.

He has scars on his arms and face because he came home late from work one night and was caught talking to his family.

The warlord's police put him in handcuffs and took him to the warlord's home. The warlord then hit him repeatedly with a sjambok.

People in the squatter camps hated the warlords and wanted to shoot them, Mr Ngcobo said.



Cop kills 2 in mob attack

AN off-duty policeman shot and killed two men and wounded four others after they allegedly attacked his house as well as that of his neighbour at Kwa-Mashu near Durban at the weekend.

A South African Police spokesman said yesterday that Detective Constable SS Gumede was at his house when a mob attacked a neighbour's house and severely assaulted a couple with pangas.

The mob then went to the home of Gumede's brother and set fire to his motor car, then allegedly threw stones at the policeman.

Constable Gumede opened fire on the mob and shot and killed two men and wounded four others.

Youths

A Port Shepstone mob of about 20 youths attacked a police reservist at Murchison Location.

Police said Reserve Constable A Mbeki was at his brother's home when he heard a group shouting "informer, informer" and that they wanted to kill him.

The mob threatened to set the house alight and began to throw stones at it.

Mbeki fired several shots at the men just then members of the Riot Unit arrived and arrested eight suspects.

Meanwhile, violence continued to flare in the Inanda, Ntuzuma and Lindelani areas near Durban, claiming the lives of at least six people over the weekend and pushing the death toll to 120 over the last month.

Guns

On Saturday, the Day of Vow, the bodies of four men were found with bullet wounds.

There was vicious fighting by rival groups in various parts of Inanda with mobs using guns, bush knives, spears, sticks and an assortment of home-made weapons.

Police worked throughout the weekend and yesterday calm had returned but one resident said that it was "wishful thinking" that the fighting would not flare up again.

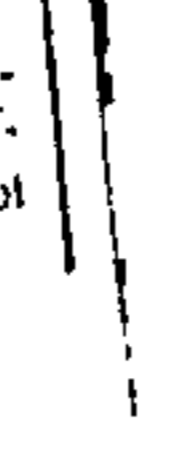
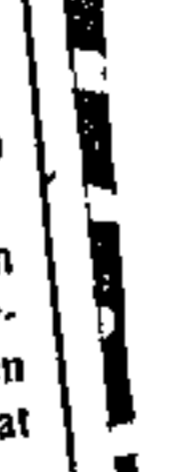
A police spokesman said that 385 reinforcements had already been sent to Inanda and that more would be sent.

He said that their role was to get the situation under control to protect lives and property.

Conditions in enforcing the law were very difficult with men being shot at

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6 more die in
Natal fighting

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DURBAN. — Fighting in the townships surrounding Durban continued yesterday and police said at least six people had died since the weekend, with the death toll in the townships having reached at least 120 since December 1.

About 12 funerals of unrest victims, well-attended and monitored by police, were held in KwaMakhuta, KwaMashu, Inanda, Newtown and Ntuzuma.

At Inanda, near Durban, police found the bodies of four men at the weekend. — Sapa

Move to rebuild Natal township

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MARITZBURG. — Industrialists in Hammarsdale in Natal have met leaders of the warring factions in Mpumalanga to formulate a joint reconstruction plan for the township.

Foremost on the agenda was the rebuilding of hundreds of homes destroyed during years of violence.

The meeting, due to reconvene tomorrow, forms part of a tentative peace process initiated by local industrialists concerned at the loss of life and the disruption of production at factories in the area.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, said yesterday that if South Africans did not stop hating one another the violence which had ravaged the country since 1987 and left hun-

dreds dead in Natal alone over the past few weeks would continue.

He was speaking at a joint press conference with the Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, after a helicopter tour of the strife-torn areas of Inanda and Ntuzuma.

General Johann van Niekerk, Natal's Regional Commissioner of Police, said 39 people had officially died in unrest-related incidents since December 1, and 141 bodies were still in the mortuary while the police investigated their murders.

Four SA Police and four Zulu land Police members had been killed in the same period.

Mr Vlok inspected some of the areas deserted after the violence

and examined burnt-out houses.

He and Chief Buthelezi described the conditions in some parts of the strife-torn areas as "appalling".

They agreed that sending in security reinforcements, although vital for attempting to maintain law and order, was a short-term remedy and not a long-term solution.

"It is urgent that negotiations get off the ground soon," Chief Buthelezi said. "There should be the participation of all groups in South Africa in the decision-making process."

In Maritzburg a police spokesman said 385 reinforcements had already been sent to Inanda and more would be sent. — Own Correspondent, Sapa

Vlok, Buthelezi ⁽²⁷⁶⁾ pledge aid to end ⁽¹⁰⁰⁾ Natal violence

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DURBAN — Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and KwaZulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi have given their assurance that police will do their utmost to protect people and solve problems in strife-torn areas near Durban.

A joint statement, issued here yesterday after an invitation by Buthelezi to Vlok to visit the areas, and subsequent discussions, said the Minister and Buthelezi would give urgent attention to "possible plans to restore law and order". They were accompanied on their visit by SAP Acting Commissioner Lt-Gen Johan van der Merwe.

Both Buthelezi and Vlok gave the assurance that the SAP and KwaZulu Police would do "everything within their power" to protect the people of the areas and to solve "underlying problems".

Involved

This would be done "impartially and by means of due process of law" in order to maintain order.

However, they said the police forces involved were powerless if the population in the affected areas did not have the will to achieve peace. They therefore appealed urgently to leaders of the local population to ensure their followers refrained from acts of violence.

"If the community itself is not involved in the peace process, law and order cannot be restored," the statement said.

"The SA and KwaZulu police forces can only act where visible cases of violence occur, but by then the damage has already been done. The people of the area will themselves have to resolve conflict situations and will have to rid themselves of their mutual hostility."

The two also said they hoped the feuding groups would "bury the hatchet and work towards peace, law and order in the spirit of the festive season". — Sapa.

NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 to January 1989:.....	668
February 1989 — December 18 1989:.....	438
Past 24 hours' official toll:.....	0
TOTAL:.....	1 106

Special constable dies after Khayelitsha attack

PRETORIA. — A special constable has died in Khayelitsha after being attacked and stabbed by a group of people, according to the police unrest report.

It says three other people, including a policeman, were also killed in attacks yesterday.

The policeman was stabbed to death at Kwamashu, outside Durban, when a group attacked his home. The attackers got away with his weapons.

At Izingolweni, near Port Shepstone on the South Coast, two people died and a third was injured when four homes

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were torched.
In other incidents in Natal, a policeman fired several rounds to disperse attackers who were stoning his house near Durban and at Mpumulanga, near Maritzburg, two people were injured when stones were hurled at a private house. — Sapa.

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13 die in Natal Xmas violence

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MARITZBURG. — At least nine people have died near here in Christmas-weekend violence not related to unrest, and several robberies were also reported.

And in overnight unrest, four people, including two policemen, were killed in a series of attacks in Natal.

In one of the Christmas incidents four men and a 13-year-old youth were killed when the Dlamini family was attacked on Tuesday morning by members of the Machibeni tribe in the Ahlazaka Location.

In another incident a man died of assegai wounds in fighting between the Pathine and Esimozomeni factions near Richmond on December 23.

On December 22 the bodies of two unknown men who had been stabbed to death were found in Queen Street and Sparks Road respectively.

On Christmas Day Mr Themba Khanyile, 23, of Gezabuzo Location, near Edendale, was stabbed to death.

In one of the Christmas robberies, "bully-boy" robbers — who deliberately crash into other motorists for the purpose of theft — robbed Mr Ragavlu Naidoo, 54, of Piet Retief, of R700. — Sapa

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readers and saying apartheid is dead but it is obviously alive and well at the grassroots level where it affects people

are concerned everything is now under control. We are convinced they will be properly taken care of."

Clergy ask F W to discuss Natal

CHARLENE SMITH

A HIGH-LEVEL delegation of church leaders has applied for an urgent meeting with President F W de Klerk, to discuss the continuing violence in Natal. Up to 88 people have died each month this year.

Methodist church Bishop Khosa Ngojo told Business Day, in an interview from Pietermaritzburg, that they would request the establishment of a commission of enquiry — with a mutually agreed upon judge and terms of reference — to attempt to find out what had started the violence, why it is continuing, how it could be stopped, and the role of the police force in the situation.

The delegation will include Roman Catholic Archbishop Denis Hurley, Anglican Bishop Michael Nuttall, Methodist presiding Bishop Stanley Mogoba, SA Council of Churches secretary-general Rev Frank Chikane and three parish ministers from churches within the violence torn areas surrounding Pietermaritzburg and Durban.

Ngoja said it was essential that all parties involved be given an opportunity to state their views. He said that although the violence had been ideologically motivated when it began almost four years ago — as conflict between Inkatha and the UDF — there was now a "tsotsi" element taking advantage and revenge had made much of the present violence self-generating.

However, he questioned why the police were having no impact on stopping the violence. More than 1 119 people have died in violence in Natal since September 1987, of whom more than 500 have died so far this year. Previous estimates by church leaders have put the number of people displaced by the violence at well over 60 000.

The movement of dispossessed people into other areas has spread the conflict as space for land, housing and education become overstretched, observers said. An Edendale Landowners Association spokesman said that refugees often lived 20 to a room, when they could find accommodation.

Killed

Thousands of schoolchildren have missed up to four years schooling, according to the Pietermaritzburg Agency for Christian Social Awareness's Peter Kerchoff.

Research done at the University of Natal in Pietermaritzburg, by John Gulig and Mike Hart, has shown that 60% of those killed were under 25 years of age.

Children interviewed by the team, estimated that up to half the previous school populations no longer attend school.

SA's roll of Aids victims passes 300 mark

A TOTAL of 305 Aids cases had been reported in SA up to December 15, and statistics indicated that 50% to 60% of HIV-infected people were black, SA Institute for Medical Research head Prof Ruben Sher said yesterday.

Sher said 171 cases had been reported

in the Transvaal, 60 in the Cape, 62 in Natal and 12 in the Free State. He said prospects for a cure for the disease were unsure and the only treatment at present was a combination of drugs that delayed the onset of Aids, but did not stop the disease. — Sapa.

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Violence and immaturity

I AM appalled by the violence we have in Natal. One thing that bothers me is that although the two groups claim to be fighting on ideological differences they are politically immature. Most of them are illiterate.

They say Nelson Mandela was jailed because he wanted all the people to live together. They say if Mandela is released they will vote for him. But these people are followers of Inkatha. I learnt they don't even know what the struggle is all about. They say there are people who teach that the ANC is willing to kill all Zulus before there is freedom.

I was pleased when I heard that Sisulu wants to find ways of stopping these senseless killings.

To the MDM and ANC I say: we have realised that the foundation of our organisation is wrong. The conflict is beyond our control. We are asking you to come and help us. After discussion we will end up with aligning with you, which may end the Natal political conflict, so we invite you, Sisulu, and your colleagues for fruitful discussion. It doesn't help to criticise from a distance - Contact us! - A Simelane, Pongola.

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UDF-Inkatha negotiation prospects 'looking good'

DURBAN — Prospects for future negotiations between Inkatha and the UDF looked good yesterday when representatives of the two organisations met informally at a beachfront hotel to discuss violence in Natal. They agreed to meet again early in the New Year.

The four representatives, who held a secret meeting earlier this week, were Inkatha secretary-general Oscar Dhlomo, Inkatha national council chairman Frank Mdlalose, National Medical and Dental Association president Dr Diliza Mji, and National Union of Metalworkers of SA education officer Alec Erwin.

In a statement afterwards, they said the meeting had been held to "explore

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ways of assisting local communities in the troubled areas of Natal and KwaZulu and to address the problem of violence jointly.

"The meeting also reviewed past events and explored obstacles impeding the implementation of the July peace proposals, which would have culminated in a conference of the presidents of Inkatha, Cosatu, the UDF and the ANC.

"Those at the meeting expressed grave concern at the resurgence of violence in these areas and urgently appealed for calm and peace, especially during the festive season," the statement said.

Earlier this week the Durban city council said it would appoint a steering committee on January 9 to arrange a conference to find solutions to the unrest in Natal.

Council management chairman Jan Venter said representatives from central and KwaZulu governments, commerce, trade and industry would be invited to the conference.

Meanwhile, police spokesman Charl du

Toit said a suspect was detained early yesterday in connection with the killing of Chief Mhambho of Molweni near Hillcrest, who was gunned down as he left his kraal earlier this week.

There were no reported incidents of violence in black townships in the Durban and Maritzburg areas during the past 24 hours.

According to the official police unrest report, a group of blacks fired shots at a police van at Ndaleni near Richmond, causing extensive damage.

No injuries

Police returned fire and drove off their attackers.

At Lamontville near Durban, a car was extensively damaged when it was set alight by a group of people.

No injuries were reported.

Two men were arrested in Cape Town after allegedly setting fire to a railway carriage between Nkabela and Khayalitsha stations.

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After years of begging, kwaMashu goes marching

After years of trying to get the authorities to listen to their problems, kwaMashu residents are taking matters into their own hands. MUSA ZONDI reports

WHEN kwaMashu residents take to the streets on a protest march on Sunday against the kwaZulu police, it will be a culmination of almost two years of complaints and grievances.

They are also demanding the banishment of Lindelani mayor Mandla Shabalala, who has been accused of brutality.

Residents believe the police force is more interested in supporting Inkatha than maintaining peace. They claim most of the people who have been shot were "comrades".

"Inkatha is realising that it is losing support. Though they claim police are neutral, it is clear that they are helping in maintaining it in control," one of the residents said.

In one of the affidavits to be filed at the Durban Supreme Court, one of the applicants, Mxolisi Mtolo, alleges that when he was beaten up and told to join Inkatha, police were present.

"One of them spoke to us and said he assaults comrades, he does not like comrades nor does he play with them," he says in the affidavit.

He adds that after he and his companions had been beaten, police said they would return to take them to the police station when they had got drunk.

Events came to a head two weeks ago when three "comrades" were buried after being shot dead by the KZP in the townships.

In the L-section alone, more than seven people have been killed this year, allegedly by the kwaZulu Po-

SOUNDS of gunfire have become ordinary in the Durban township of Ntuzuma, next to kwaMashu.

For Doris Phungula, there were two bursts of gunfire on September 10 that she will never forget. The first one took the life of a boy on the opposite side of the street; the second one killed her son.

Thulani Phungula, 23, was shot dead that night, allegedly by the kwaZulu Police.

"He had gone to see a friend who was not there," she said. "He stayed for some time and as he was living he saw six people outside wearing balaclavas. He went back into the house and said he was afraid and said they were police (kwaZulu police)."

"The men Thulani had seen came and knocked hard at the door and said they wanted to see 'the boys', meaning the male family members. People in the house tried to explain to these disguised men that this was only visiting and he wasn't one of the family members. The men grabbed him, forcefully took him out and started beating him up. A lone shot rang afterwards and that was the end," MaPhungula says.

The young people who saw the incidence flagged the first kombi and took Phungula to hospital.

"When we arrived at the hospital, we were just asked to take him to the police station as he had died on the way. "When we arrived at the police station,

one of the victims, Bhulwa Mhlongo, was shot at the vigil of Dumisani Bhengu, another "comrade" who had been shot by police in April this year.

At Mhlongo's funeral vigil police "came into the house and threw tear-gas. All the women in the house went out to the taps to wash their faces while the police came and slapped the mother of the deceased person," one

In a village of guns, one haunting shot

they asked who killed him. I said police had killed him as I had been told by the witnesses.

"They said people in this section have got guns and asked how do I know that it was police who had shot my son," she says.

Police told her to return the following day and ask for a detective Msoni.

"The following day they asked me if I remembered everything I had told them the night before.

"I told them I did and that I had witnessed. They took the statement from the taxi driver as well," she says.

Police told her they were investigating and she still waits patiently for them to come. She has not gone back to the police "because they told me they would come". She does not know what steps she should take because she did not go to school, she says.

MaPhungula, who raised her six children for the last 19 years alone after her husband died, is too ill to work.

She was dependent on his son, who, she says, "gave me the money to buy food and for other things as well". To

of the people who had been at the funeral told the *Weekly Mail*.

Residents claim they have been put under a virtual curfew by the KZP who say they do not want to see anyone in the streets after 9pm.

"It is not safe to travel at night because when they come upon you late, you are lucky if they just beat you up," Mike Mkhize said.

At F-section, which has been



Doris Phungula

keep the family going, she sells sweets and fruits to schoolchildren.

Right now, all she can do is wait for the police to come. The gunfire still sounds at night, but it has become ordinary. Death itself has become ordinary.

named Cuba, full-scale wars frequently break out between the youth and the police, he says. In one recent "war", two police and two youths were killed.

People have started dealing with their own cases after complaints that police were not taking cases seriously.

"It is now a very common practice in and around Durban areas. When

somebody steals from you, and you take that up with the police, they never do anything about it. Unless you belong to the top brass, councillors or well-known people, your case won't be taken seriously," said one resident.

At the forum, issues like stabbing and attempted rape are covered. Those responsible are given a chance to give their sides of the story, the matter is decided and punishment meted out with strokes.

"The problem with this is that punishments vary in different sections. There has been no clear-cut policy or given number of strokes which has been agreed on but it is still being discussed," he says in the affidavit.

Residents are demanding the banishment of Shabalala, recently acquitted in a murder case; the victim was pupil Bhokani Geabasha of Gugulabash. In his affidavit, Mtolo claims he was beaten intermittently by people sent by Shabalala.

Asked to comment on the allegations, kwaZulu Police said they have the task of maintaining law and order and safeguarding the community.

"We are doing our best to restore peace and calm to the townships," said a representative. "We are however being thwarted by persons who wish to see the kwaZulu Police removed from certain areas, and they do this by making generalised statements regarding police actions in the townships."

"Members of the kwaZulu Police are regularly lectured on how to deal with the public and are trained in not control. Any reports about 'police brutality' are registered and properly investigated.

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Ten killed in Natal battle

TEN people were killed in Wartburg, near Durban, in a gunbattle between members of the United Democratic Front and Inkatha on New Year's Eve, police said yesterday.

The latest police unrest report said 15 people were wounded in the fighting, which broke out after members of the UDF allegedly set fire to a house belonging to Inkatha member Mr C Ndlovu.

Nine of the dead and the 15 wounded were UDF members.

No one was arrested.

In his New Year message, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, KwaZulu's Chief Minister, called for an immediate end to the senseless burning of homes and killing of blacks by blacks.

He expressed his sympathy to families who had lost relatives because of the unrest in Natal and KwaZulu.

Churches in Natal and KwaZulu will meet on Friday to discuss ways of ending the fighting between political groups in the region. - Sapa.

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Political leaders condemn violence

10 killed in Natal Inkatha, UDF feud

By Kaizer Nyatumba

Ten people were killed and 15 injured in a gun battle between members of Inkatha and the United Democratic Front (UDF) on Sunday night in Wartburg, Natal, police reported yesterday.

In their daily unrest report for the weekend, the police said UDF members set fire to the house of an Inkatha member, Mr C Ndlovu. According to police, other Inkatha members came to Mr Ndlovu's assistance and a gun battle ensued, resulting in the death of nine UDF members and an Inkatha member.

Fifteen UDF members were wounded in the battle. At the time of going to press yesterday, no arrests had been made.

Political leaders contacted by The Star yesterday condemned the Natal violence, saying it did not bode well for 1990.

Speaking on behalf of the Mass Democratic Movement, civil rights lawyer and UDF national treasurer Mr Azhar Cachalia deplored the violence in Wartburg, saying the MDM was committed to eradicating all forms of violence in the trouble-torn province.

"I don't have the facts at my disposal, but I will say that the MDM has consistently worked for an end to the strife in Natal. In all our Christmas messages the question of bringing peace to Natal was emphasised.

Peaceful solution

"The latest development is very shocking and disturbing. It underlies the urgency of the resolution to the conflict in Natal and I think the MDM has to double its efforts in the New Year to find a peaceful solution to the conflict in the region," said Mr Cachalia.

Recently released former African National Congress (ANC) general secretary Mr Walter Sisulu

also condemned the violence and the loss of lives.

"I am shocked by the news," said the ANC stalwart. "We have been condemning violence in that area and have been calling for peace. It is really unfortunate that a situation like this should develop at this time of the year."

"I hope people (in that area) will be calm. It is in nobody's interest that something like this should happen."

Democratic Party co-leader Dr Zach de Beer said it was unfortunate that the New Year had begun violently in Natal.

Dr de Beer said: "It is with a sense of real tragedy that I hear of the New Year being already marred by another episode of this kind in Natal. I have no doubt that attempts will be made to blame both Inkatha and the UDF for this violence. At this distance, it is simply impossible to make an informed judgment."

"For what it's worth, my own impression is that disparate poverty and the exploitation of poor people by richer ones has a lot to do with the situation. One can only pray that 1990 will bring some improvement in Natal as part of a move towards a wider settlement in our country."

At least 2 000 people have died in Inkatha-UDF clashes in Natal since 1986, and December last year was the most violent month yet in the province.

At the time of going to press, Inkatha could not be reached for comment.

At Inanda, near Durban, a group of people set two private houses and nine huts on fire, injuring a woman. Four men were arrested.

At the East Rand township of Katilehong, Germiston, a group of people set a house on fire, causing extensive damage and injuring a man, according to the police report.

Sick hiker wanted to die

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DURBAN — Lying in agony in a cave in the Drakensberg, a young woman pleaded with her National Party MP fiance, Mr Cliff Matthee, to hit her on the head with a brick to end her suffering after she developed peritonitis in the early hours of Thursday last week.

This was the intensity of the pain Miss Annette du Plessis suffered during a 32-hour life-and-death drama, which ended when she was wheeled into the operating theatre at Grey's Hospital in Maritzburg on Friday.

Miss du Plessis was described yesterday as "comfortable", yet last week she was five hours away from death, for her kidneys would have stopped functioning had it not

been for a paramedic using a drip to keep her body mechanism working. She needed 15 litres of the life-sustaining liquid.

Mr Matthee, his daughters Vera (16) and Vanessa (10), and Miss du Plessis had hiked to the Lower Injasuti cave on Wednesday. They stayed the night and at about 5 am Miss du Plessis collapsed with acute stomach pains.

"She was almost berserk and saying all kinds of things," said Mr Matthee, "like asking us to hit her with a brick over her head so that she could get out of her agony."

He left his daughters with Miss du Plessis and walked 8,5 km over rugged terrain to the Injasuti camp.

All... told in call from SA

End senseless killing now, urges Buthelezi

The Chief Minister of kwaZulu, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, says it is time black people started negotiations with the Government for a new South Africa. *Star 2/1/90*

In his New Year message, Chief Buthelezi called for an immediate end to the senseless burning of homes and killing of blacks by blacks, and said that youths were being exploited by some organisations for political gain.

He expressed his sympathy to families who had lost relatives because of the unrest in Natal and kwaZulu.

Meanwhile, kwaZulu's Minis-

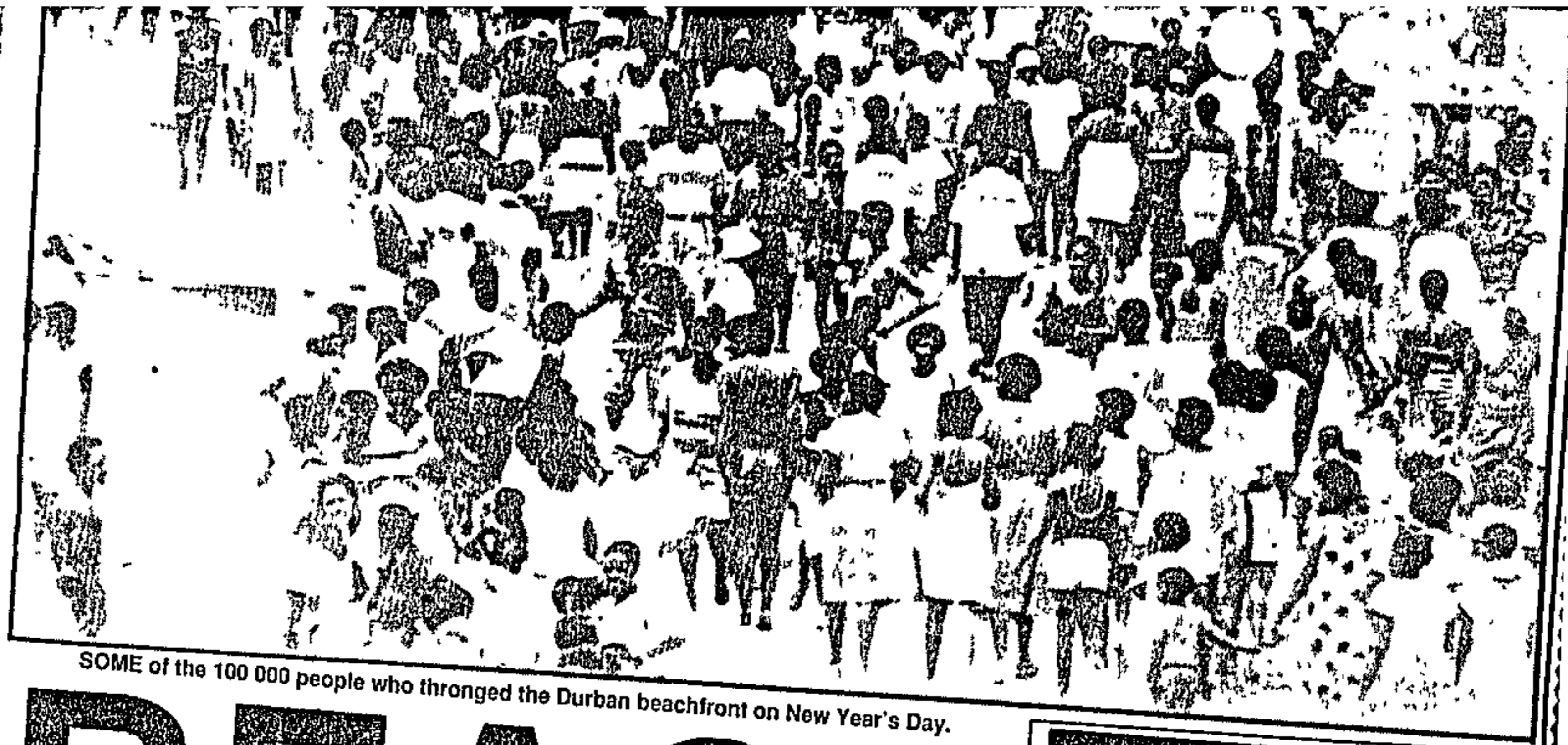
ter of the Interior, Mr. Stephen Sithobe, appealed for good behaviour in townships in the New Year.

Churches in Natal and kwaZulu will meet on January 5 to discuss ways of ending the fighting between political groups in the region.

A spokesman for the organising kwaZulu Christian Ministry, the Rev Lawrence Buthelezi, said the conflict had caused friction between church organisations. It was important for them to be reconciled in order to play an important role in bringing about reconciliation between the political groups, he said. — Sapa.

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SOME of the 100 000 people who thronged the Durban beachfront on New Year's Day.

BEACH BLISS

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DURBAN'S beaches were packed with about 100 000 people who chose to be outdoors to celebrate New Year's Day.

Most of the crowd strewn along five kilometres of beachfront were blacks

And, in spite of the grim forebodings of many prophets of doom, no racial incidents were reported

Stabbed

Members of the South African Police showed considerable restraint after continued taunting by groups of people at the beach

In one incident, a policeman was stabbed by a chanting mob outside the XL Restaurant

Captain Coert Marais, police public relations officer for Port Natal, said Constable ML Talbot, of the Narcotics Bureau, was on duty in the area when he was attacked by a mob

Talbot was stabbed on

Racial peace as 100 000 flock to the beaches

SOWETAN Correspondent

the back of his head with a broken beer bottle

When he lost consciousness he was robbed of his gun

Other policemen arrived at the scene and arrested two suspects

Talbot was taken to the Addington Hospital and treated and discharged

Lifeguards were kept on their toes and there were a number of rescues

The padding pools near North Beach became

a hive of activity with masses of people flooding into the area

Early in the day policemen were stoned and bottles thrown at them when they tried to break up a fight

However, other policemen arrived at the scene and the situation was defused

Though there were no racial problems, the police had their hands full dealing with crime

The worst incident was the killing of an unidentified black man, who was found stabbed to

death near the Rachel Finlayson pool yesterday

Police said the motive for the killing was unknown no arrests had yet been made

In a round-up of weekend crime statistics in the area, they reported that 53 people had been arrested in connection with several offences on the beachfront between Friday and yesterday

Theft

Twenty-two people were arrested for alleged theft on the beaches, two in connection with complaints of assault and grievous bodily harm and three for alleged malicious damage to property

Other arrests included drunkenness, drinking in public and attempted theft

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10 killed in UDF-Inkatha clash

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MARITZBURG — Ten people were killed and 15 others wounded in a bloody battle between UDF and Inkatha members at Wartburg near Maritzburg on Sunday. According to the SAP unrest report, UDF members set fire to the house of an Inkatha member, C Ndlovu. "Other Inkatha members came to his assistance and in the ensuing gun battle nine UDF members and an Inkatha member were shot dead and 15 UDF men were wounded," the report said. There were no arrests. No further details of the attack were given. At Chester ville, near Durban, an uniden-

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tified person fired a shot, wounding a black man. At Inanda, a group of blacks set two houses and nine huts alight, injuring a black woman. Four men were arrested. According to yesterday's unrest report the body of a black man with stab and bullet wounds was found at Inanda. In another incident in the area a shop was damaged in a petrol bomb attack. Police arrested 12 youths after a group gathered illegally in the Bulwer Trust area (Doringkop) and took part in an illegal procession.

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Impi opens fire on policemen

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AN impi of about 60 men opened fire on a group of policemen who went to investigate trouble in the Mfume reserve, near Umgababa, on the Natal South Coast.

report of trouble in the Emashiemashe area at Mfume.

When the police arrived at the scene they were fired at from all directions by the mob. The policemen returned the fire and the mob fled. A number of them dropped their weapons as they left the scene.

Naidoo said it has not yet been established whether any members of the group were shot, but po-

lice found traces of blood in the area. No policemen were injured.

Police said that they recovered four homemade rifles with a quantity of R1 ammunition as well as spent cartridges and an assortment of 72 weapons including assagais, shields, knokkeries, pangas and sticks.

In follow-up investigations police arrested two suspects. More arrests are expected.

Lieutenant Bala Naidoo, South African Police public relations officer for Port Natal, said yesterday that six policemen under the command of Reserve Warrant Officer George Strickland had received a

Street-killings end family picnic plans

The Argus Correspondent

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MARITZBURG. — An Inkatha member and Imbali councillor was chased and shot dead at a fast-food outlet here in an incident in which a bystander was also killed.

Mr Thu Ncgobo was shot on New Year's Day while buying food for his family to go on a picnic. He was hit in the chest and died in Medicity Hospital.

Mr Ncgobo's wife and two younger children were sitting outside the shop and saw the incident.

Mr Zamani Mlambi, a bystander, was shot in the chest and died in Grey's Hospital.

Several customers were in the shop when Mr Ncgobo ran in followed by the gunman. There was a scuffle and two shots were fired. Mr Ncgobo fled, but was shot twice as he reached the pavement.

According to an Inkatha official, the gunman is known. He said the police had been told man's name and car registration.

● In Inanda, near Durban, a group set fire to a squatter shack and shots were fired at police when they arrived on New Year's Day, according to the unrest report. Police returned the fire. No casualties were reported.

A Defence Force patrol was fired at in Inanda and a shotgun round dispersed the attackers. A man was wounded and arrested.

Police were left holding all the babies

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POLICE found themselves in custody of 200 children lost on the beaches after parents had wandered off during the New Years Day invasion of Durban's beaches by an estimated 100000 people.

However, at the end of the day all but 20 children had been claimed. These 20 remained unclaimed despite extensive police appeals over the public address system for parents to come and claim their children at the temporary police charge office at the Rachel Finlayson pool.

Captain Coert Marais, South African Police public relations officer for Port Natal, said yesterday: "Police were left holding the baby with the 20

children, some as young as two-and-a-half.

"The children were brought to the CR Swart Square police headquarters where they were fed and given bedding and kept in the courtyard of the police station overnight. I want to stress that the children were not put in cells.

"The next day police made further appeals at the beach, notifying the public about the 20 children who had been kept at the police station. By late that day parents of the 20 children came and claimed their children. Some of the parents were so upset that they even gave the children a hiding," said Marais.

Two shot dead in Natal unrest

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PRETORIA. — Two men died and one was injured in unrest-related incidents on New Year's Day, according to the SAP public relations division.

A prominent Inkatha member and Imbali councillor, Mr Thu Ngcobo, was gunned down and killed in Maritzburg city centre on New Year's Day.

He was hit twice in the chest outside a fast-food outlet and died in the Medicity Hospital where he was taken by a passer-by.

According to Maritzburg police the motive for the killing was unknown and no arrests have been made.

Another man, Mr Zamani Mlambi, 25, of Sobantu, was also hit in the chest during the shootout and died later at Grey's Hospital.

In another unrest-related incident on New Year's Day a group of people set fire to a squatter shack at Inanda, near Durban.

When police arrived on the scene, shots were fired at them.

Police returned the fire. No casualties were reported.

"In another incident in the area, a group of blacks fired at an SADF patrol. A shotgun round was used to disperse the attackers and a man was injured and arrested," said the report. — Sapa

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A delegation of senior Natal clergy has asked for a formal meeting with President F W de Klerk. Its members hope to see him on Monday to discuss the appointment of a commission of inquiry into regional violence which has rocketed in the past three months.

The meeting is likely to take place. De Klerk, in his New Year message, specifically extended an invitation to all church leaders to meet him to discuss ways of securing "true and lasting peace in SA."

The Natal violence has killed more than 4 000 in four years. It increased about three months ago and several calls have been made for an official commission.

A church delegation to meet De Klerk is likely to include Roman Catholic Archbishop Denis Hurley, Anglican Bishop Michael Nuttall, Methodist bishops Khosa Ngoja and Stanley Mogoba, and SA Council of Churches secretary general Frank Chikane, as well as ministers from churches in areas affected by the

violence.

"We want to reach agreement on the terms of reference for a commission of inquiry, as well as the person who will chair the investigation," Mogoba said this week.

One area of concern is the role played by security forces sent to the troubled areas and why even an increased police presence seems to have had little effect.

There was a dramatic drop in the level of violence in Maritzburg townships over the holiday period but an average of six people a day died in Durban townships.

The official estimate is that 60 000 people have either lost their homes or been forced to move.

The roots of the violence appear to lie in the ideological rivalry between UDF and Inkatha supporters and the tension arising from a desperate scramble for scarce land and resources among recently urbanised migrants. Criminals seem to have taken full advantage of the breakdown in structures and community life.

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Industrialists actively involved in peace bid

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MARITZBURG — Industrialists have been actively involved in trying to bring about an end to the violence in trouble-torn areas of Natal.

Natal Chamber of Industries executive director John Pohl said there was undoubtedly concern on the part of industry about the continuing unrest situation.

The ability of average employees bereft of loved ones and of sleep to contribute effectively in the work environment had been affected.

Concerned industrialists in Hammarsdale, Pinetown, New Germany and Port Natal were engaged in talks with shop stewards and other black community members to try to negotiate a truce between factions.

"This has been done outside the ambit of the chamber on an informal basis but seems to have worked," he said.

Maritzburg North DP MP Mike Tarr said three industrialists who bought property in the Hammarsdale area wanted to pull out because of the unrest there. He did not name the consortium.

Pohl said he had not heard of any moves by established industries to leave the Hammarsdale area.

□ The bodies of three men were found at Inanda soccer stadium on Wednesday, yesterday's police unrest report said All bore bullet wounds and burns

A woman was stabbed to death at Manzamhlope near Izingolweni, south of Durban. Four huts were razed in another incident in the area. Three men and seven youths were arrested at Brandville, near Mooi River, after arsonists set fire to a municipal police barracks, causing extensive damage. No injuries were reported after the arson attacks.

NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 to January 1989:	668
February 1989 — January 3 1990:	468
Past 24 hours' official toll:	4
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'Inkatha and UDF leaders can't control lower ranks'

INANDA — During the bright and sunny days, the lush green hills and township streets full of children give a deceptive sense of serenity.

But during the sultry nights, the area becomes a black-on-black power struggle that is three years' old and still — except for isolated pockets (see adjoining story) — raging out of control.

GREG MYRLE

More than 160 blacks died in factional violence near Durban in December, the highest monthly toll yet, according to a monitoring group from the Democratic Party. In November 62 died.

In Inanda, rows of burned-out houses sit incongruously on gently rolling hills. Frightened residents seek sanctuary in churches and the homes of their white employers and friends. Young men gather in small groups to patrol their neighbourhoods through the night.

Furious pace

Supporters of the United Democratic Front, a nationwide anti-apartheid coalition, and Inkatha, a relatively conservative Zulu group, have been killing one another at a furious pace since late 1986, leaving an estimated 2 500 dead.

The violence, which began around Maritzburg, has spread across Natal and is at its most intense just outside Durban itself.

"There's no way to avoid the fighting. Everyone is involved," said Thulani Ncwane (19), a supporter of the UDF.

"Even if you are peaceful, you must de-

Teenagers

"The political temperature just keeps rising," said Roy Ainslie, head of the Unrest Monitoring Group. "The legal situation has collapsed and the leadership on both sides is not active in controlling its members."

Natal's conflict began heating up in 1987 as the rest of the country's



READY FOR ACTION: Pangas, pick-handles knobkerries and assegais are the order of the day as this group of Inkatha supporters travels to a meeting, prepared for any confrontation with UDF members.

black townships began cooling off after two years of turbulence.

Recent reforms by President F W de Klerk, such as allowing opposition rallies, have not eased the tensions in Natal. Most combatants are in their teens and early 20s, and their focus is largely on the local power struggle rather

than national political issues.

Poverty, unemployment, overcrowding and lack of political rights all are cited as causes for the Natal violence, although the same conditions prevail elsewhere. What distinguishes Natal is that it is the one part of the country where two powerful black factions

exist side by side.

Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, leader of kwa-Zulu, was long the major black political force in Natal. His Inkatha movement, which claims 1.5 million members, dominates rural areas.

But when the United Democratic Front was established in 1983, it won support from young,

urban blacks who embraced the organisation's aggressive anti-apartheid tactics and its alignment with the ANC.

The UDF advocates sanctions, boycotts and strikes to put pressure on the Government and generally favours a socialist-oriented economy.

Chief Buthelezi is a proponent of capitalism

and says sanctions harm all blacks.

Militants consider the chief a collaborator with the Government because he participates in the homeland system. But the Zulu leader says he sees tribal government simply as an interim step on the road to majority rule.

Both groups concede they have large numbers of young supporters they cannot control.

Frustrated residents have taken the law into their own hands, forming "defence committees" and "people's courts".

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Chief Buthelezi often is cited as the black leader most acceptable to whites, and the Government has tried to draw him into negotiations.

However, a Government official who requested anonymity, said surveys indicate the chief has minimal support aside from his fellow Zulus, who account for about 7 million of South Africa's 28 million blacks.

A well-advertised Buthelezi rally in December drew only 3 000 people to a 15 000-seat stadium in Soweto in site of hundreds being bussed in from hundreds of kilometres away.

"Black-on-black violence has become uglier and uglier and has now got about as ugly as it can get," Chief Buthelezi told the rally. "Without (black) unity we can forget about ever being able to destroy the white oppression."

Both sides have called repeatedly for peace, but talks broke off in August.

carnage, said Mr Ainslie. His monitoring group had recorded 1 500 violent acts in three years, but only five prosecutions. He said his group had submitted dozens of affidavits to police, but charges had not followed.

Vlok 'appalled'

The UDF says police refuse to act against Inkatha and sometimes assist Inkatha members carrying out attacks.

Police deny any bias and say they are unable to build criminal cases because potential witnesses, fearing reprisals, will not testify.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok, accompanied by Chief Buthelezi, recently visited several townships. He described the poverty and violence as "appalling".

Police have added 700 men to the forces in the area, but the Government has not offered long-term proposals to address the problems.

— Associated Press.

Natal's unlikely peaceemakers

DURBAN — The tenuous peace agreement between warring factions at Mpumalanga, the troubled township near Durban, is holding and appears to offer tangible evidence that intelligent intervention, rather than force, can help end the bloodshed in Natal and Zululand.

The intervention by a group of industrialists at Natal's worst hit industrial dormitory, dubbed "Little Beirut" because of the incessant fighting, began soon after the trouble flared up yet again during November following years of intermittent, and sometimes bloody, internecine clashes.

Not much is known of the exact details of the intervention as the white industrialists have vowed among themselves not to assume too high a profile for fear of "glory seeking" criticism.

But it is known that apart from horror at the killings they were — as largescale employers — concerned about maintaining the essence of any success-

ful business, a satisfied and contented workforce, not to mention keeping going factories on which thousands depend for their living.

Hammarisdale, the nearby industrial area, draws most of its labour from nearby Mpumalanga. Almost 15 000 workers commute every day "over the hill" into Hammarisdale, the textile centre of Natal. Primarily because of ample water supplies South African Nylon Spinners, Glodina, Gelvenor, Hebox, Pan and Natal Thread, among others, have large installations. Rainbow Chickens also has its head office and a large slaughter house in the area.

In the absence of any notable success generated by the politicians or the police, the employers decided to involve themselves.

Self-serving and materialistic? Maybe, but certainly their efforts helped end the trauma that the fire-bombings, killings and mayhem had brought. The fact that the Army eventually had a presence in the area may have helped as well, but it is generally accepted that the group — complete with learned boardroom negotiating skills — smoothed the way for structured, non-pyrotechnic talks.

Industrialists bring truce in township wars

VIC HANNA

The group has now quietly let it be known that it would be happy to pass on the experience that it wrought out of the situation to any other industrialists who find themselves drawn into the unrest which is affecting so many other parts of the country.

As with any all-embracing negotiations in southern Africa the first problem is determining who the real local leaders of the factions are. For example, recent peace talks kept breaking down in Inanda, to the north of Durban, because the local leader of the United Democratic Front was speaking to the wrong Inkatha representative.

The talks have still not got off the ground but at least the right people are now talking to each other. Then there have to be guidelines for the talks. And there has to be the process of breaking down mistrust and the building of confidence — a painstaking and delicate undertaking and one more used by the diplomatic fraternity. But the Hammarisdale industrialists proved that, Kiessenger-like, they could help in hammering out a workable ceasefire.

It's after the talks, though, that the real work has to be done.

The Hammarisdale industrialists say that immediate action must be taken and money spent so that the population can see that there is some kind of improvement. Schools should be painted, sports stadiums repaired and houses rebuilt — quickly.

But there are pitfalls. A UDF house should not be seen to be built before one for Inkatha. And self-help is very much part of the rebuilding process. Straight "conscience" money handouts are obviously not acceptable.

It is an intervention process that is peculiarly South African. No guidelines will be found in textbooks. No tertiary education lectures will give an insight. No overseas visit will help. But it could soon become a vital management process.

As one of the Hammarisdale industrialists put it: "For too long have politicians and industrialists ignored the real needs of the labour force. Once they leave the factory or the office we lose touch. Now we know that we have to find out much more detail about actual living conditions of all our workers."

And it is a problem that will have to be tackled on a far broader front than in just a small section of Natal. As the industrialist said of the Mpumalanga intervention: "If we can't get it right in a relatively small area here, what chance have we got for the whole of South Africa?"

Mob stones police after arrests on beach front

DURBAN — Violent confrontation sent holiday-makers running for safety on Durban's North Beach yesterday when a thousand-strong mob kept a group of policemen at bay by pelting them with stones and bottles after they had arrested two men for fighting in the childrens' paddling pool.

The mob forced the white and Indian South African Policemen, who held their fire, to release

Bid to beat crowding 'not racist'

CORRESPONDENT

DURBAN — Durban's Deputy Mayor, Mr. Jan Venter, said last night the municipality would consider the introduction of "limited access beaches" as one possible means of easing chronic overcrowding.

Mr. Venter stressed the purpose would be to limit the number of people using the beaches, and he denied a Transvaal newspaper report suggesting that the city council might revert to racial segregation at some beaches.

Mr. Venter said the City Engineer had been asked two or three months ago to report on the possibility of having controlled-access beaches which would be "in sympathy" with the city's Revel Fox beach plan. This report should be available within weeks.

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Meanwhile, Durban businessman Mr Norman Loubser said yesterday that 3 000 signatures had been collected for a protest petition to be sent to the city council complaining about the "dirty, crowded mess" and "chaotic noise levels" caused by huge numbers of visitors.

the two black men.

Overcrowding at the paddling pools became a problem yesterday as not too many people ventured into the surf due to choppy conditions and bluebottles.

This is the second time in a week that police on special duty on North Beach have had stones and bottles thrown at them.

Last Friday in a similar incident two policemen were attacked after they had arrested a black man.

During the fracas yesterday scores of white and Indian beachgoers fled in all directions to escape being trapped in the violent crowd.

Yesterday's incident is the worst to have occurred on the beachfront since the beaches were opened to all race groups. The armed policemen had to act with restraint out of fear that they could trigger off a riot.

Lieutenant Bala Naidoo police public relations officer for Port Natal, said police were called to the paddling pools at North Beach after two black men had started fighting with each other in the water.

"The two men were arrested and, while they were being escorted to the temporary charge office at the Rachel Finlayson Pool, a mob of about 1 000 charged at them.

"The mob was angry that the police had arrested the two men and were demanding their release. Stones and empty bottles were thrown at a group of about seven policemen. One policeman, Constable R Naidoo, was injured when a bottle hit him on the right hand.

"The mob managed to free the two suspects and then fled," said Lieutenant Naidoo.

Lieutenant Naidoo said that at one stage the

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policemen had to retreat when stones and bottles were hurled at them

"The police acted with considerable restraint. Although the policemen were armed they did not open fire as it was feared that innocent people may get injured. It could have also triggered off a riot," said Lieutenant Naidoo.

A kwaMashu man who witnessed the incident, accused the police of "interfering in a private argument".

He said that a young man and his girlfriend were arguing and, when another man intervened in an attempt to placate the couple, the police swooped.

"Several policemen

tried to take the two men away. The people were very angry at this interference in a private matter and drove the police away with stones and bottles."

The witness did say it was to the police's credit that they did not open fire.

"After half an hour or so, the people's anger had died down and everything was back to normal."

Another anonymous witness said that the incident was just like watching a film show.

"I was aware of some argument going on in the paddling pools area, but was not really paying attention to it."

"Then, I heard a loud shouting and the next thing I knew, bottles and stones were flying through the air," he said.

Good Samaritan helps little ones

Woman houses abandoned village kids

By SOPHIE TEMA

A DURBAN woman has made her home a refuge for scores of children whose parents have fled from Natal's trouble-torn villages.

The woman, who does not want her name published for fear of reprisals, is presently housing about 90 children who have lost contact with their parents.

Several white homeowners have given refuge to

desperate families who deserted their homes in Inanda, Umlazi, Inchanga and Mpumalanga.

Several of the homes are reported to be so packed that the people have to sleep in relays

The abandoned houses in the villages - most of them a lifetime's investment - have been gutted by fire as the violence spreads.

The situation has become so tense that Operation Hunger has not been able to enter some of the villages

East Rand workers face transport hassle

BY LULAMA LUTI

THOUSANDS of East Rand commuters will return to work tomorrow to face the transport problem they left at the start of the Christmas holidays.

The problem, which arose from a strike by about 150 Putco bus drivers, started at the beginning of December.

In KwaThema, the strike is still on and the Benoni City Council controlled bus service that operated in the Daveyton, Wattville and surrounding areas was withdrawn last week because of financial problems.

In KwaThema the worst affected are domestic workers, who have to pay extra for taxis to their workplaces in the suburban areas

Meanwhile, the Benoni Taxi Association (BTA) has arranged for extra taxis to ferry workers from Daveyton and Wattville to their places of work

A spokesman for the Putco Support Committee this week told *City Press* Putco management had issued a warning to workers to go back to work immediately or face the closure of the division. He said workers agreed to

conditionally go back to work pending an inquiry into their grievances

However, he did not say when the drivers would return to work, as they are still awaiting management's response to their proposals.

The bus ordeal which saw many KwaThema residents left almost stranded, started in December after drivers complained about local divisional manager P Gerber and demanded he be transferred.

Talks between management and the Transport and General Workers Union reached a deadlock shortly before the festive season.

BTA chairman Samuel Mtshali expressed his shock at the withdrawal of the bus service but said there were enough taxis and the situation was under control. He said pirate taxis would not be allowed to help ferry passengers to their destinations.

He added that fares to the various destinations would be R1,20 a single trip and that in case of problems, passengers should not hesitate to contact him at 845-3960 during office hours

Some villagers have been without rations for some time as drivers of delivery trucks are too scared to enter the troubled areas

Some refugees leave the worst-hit areas carrying as much of their belongings as they can salvage and frequently with nothing more than the clothes they are wearing

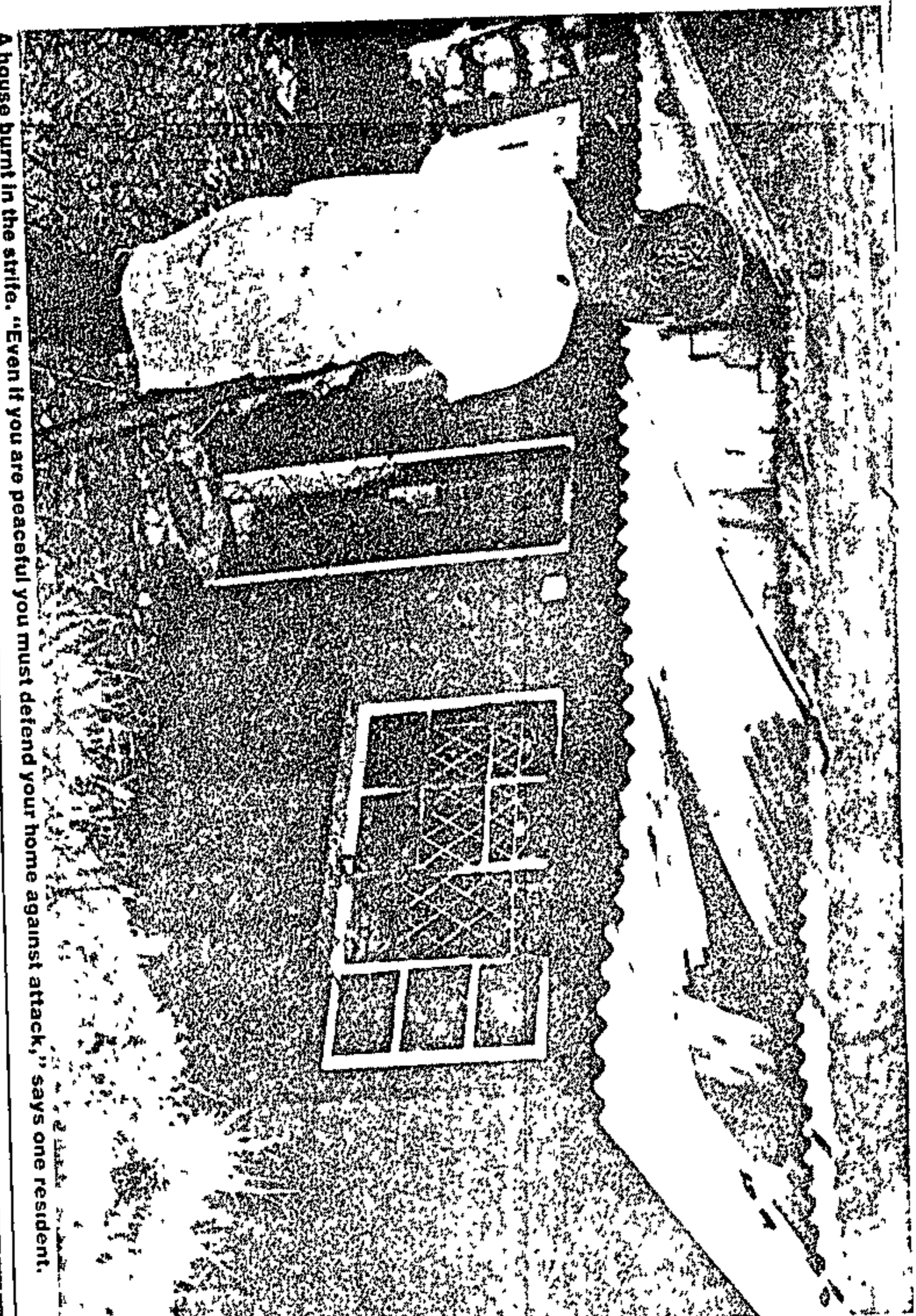
Operation Hunger regional director in Durban Dot Collins said the scale of the violence was difficult to imagine, making it impossible to even estimate figures on the number of people killed, injured and those who have been left homeless

Collins said even before violence broke out, Operation Hunger had identified a number of children in the first stages of kwashiorkor.

Collins said Operation Hunger had decided to call on churches to help deliver food supplies

While police reported Christmas Day was quiet a later report said that on New Year's Eve 10 people were killed and 15 injured in Wartburg

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A house burnt in the strife. "Even if you are peaceful you must defend your home against attack," says one resident.

No end in sight to Natal's grim power struggle

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DURING the bright, sunny days the green hills and streets full of laughing children give a deceptive sense of serenity to Inanda.

But during the sultry nights the township becomes a battleground in a power struggle that is three years old and still raging out of control.

Supporters of the United Democratic Front and Inkatha have been killing each other since late 1986, leaving an estimated 2 500 dead in Natal.

The violence, which began around Maritzburg, has spread across Natal and is most intense in Inanda, just outside Durban.

"There's no way to avoid the fighting. Everyone is involved," said Thulani Ncwane, 19, a UDF supporter.

"Even if you are peaceful you must defend your home against attack," he said. Ncwane's chin is scarred from a bullet wound. His younger brother was killed a year ago.

More than 160 blacks died in factional violence near Durban in December - the highest monthly toll yet according to a Democratic Party monitoring group. The second-worst month was November, when 62 died.

In Inanda rows of burnt-out houses sit inconspicuously on gently

Quiet days turn to nights of killing, burning

Frightened residents seek sanctuary in churches and the homes of their white employers and friends and young men gather in their neighbourhoods through the night.

"The political temperature just keeps rising," said Roy Amslie, head of the unrest monitoring group.

Natal's conflict began heating up in 1987 as the rest of the country's black townships began cooling off after two years of nationwide turbulence.

Recent reforms by President Fw de Klerk, such as allowing opposition rallies, have not eased the tensions in Natal. Most combatants are in their teens and early 20s and their focus is on the local power struggle rather than national political issues.

Poverty, unemployment, overcrowding and lack of political rights are all cited as causes for the Natal violence although

similar conditions prevail elsewhere.

What distinguishes Natal is that it is the one part of the country where two powerful black factions exist side by side.

Kwazulu leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi was long the major black political force in Natal. His Inkatha movement which claims 1.5 million members dominates rural areas.

But when the UDF was established in 1983 it won support from young, urban blacks who embraced the organisation's aggressive anti-apartheid tactics and its alignment with the ANC.

The UDF advocates sanctions, boycotts and strikes to put pressure on the white-led government and generally favours a socialist-orientated economy.

Buthelezi is a proponent of capitalism and says sanctions harm blacks.

"Black-on-black violence has become uglier and uglier and has now got about as ugly as it can get," Buthelezi told a rally in Soweto in August.

"Without (black) unity we can forget about ever being able to destroy white oppression," he said.

Frustrated residents have taken the law into their own hands, forming "defence committees" and "people's courts". Police have been unable or unwilling to stop the carnage.

Amslie said his monitoring group had recorded 1 500 violent acts in three years, but only five prosecutions. He said his group had submitted dozens of affidavits to police but charges had not followed.

The UDF says police refuse to act against Inkatha and sometimes help Inkatha members carry out attacks. Police deny any bias and say they cannot build criminal cases because potential witnesses, fearing reprisals, will not testify.

Law and Order Ministers Adnan Vlok recently visited several townships with Buthelezi. He described the poverty and violence as "appalling". Police have added 700 men to the forces in the area, but the government has not offered long-term proposals to address the problems - Sapa

Webster Trust calls for trial of policeman

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THE David Webster Trust has called on police to bring former policeman Ferdie Barnard to trial and to arrest all others suspected of being involved in the murder of David Webster.

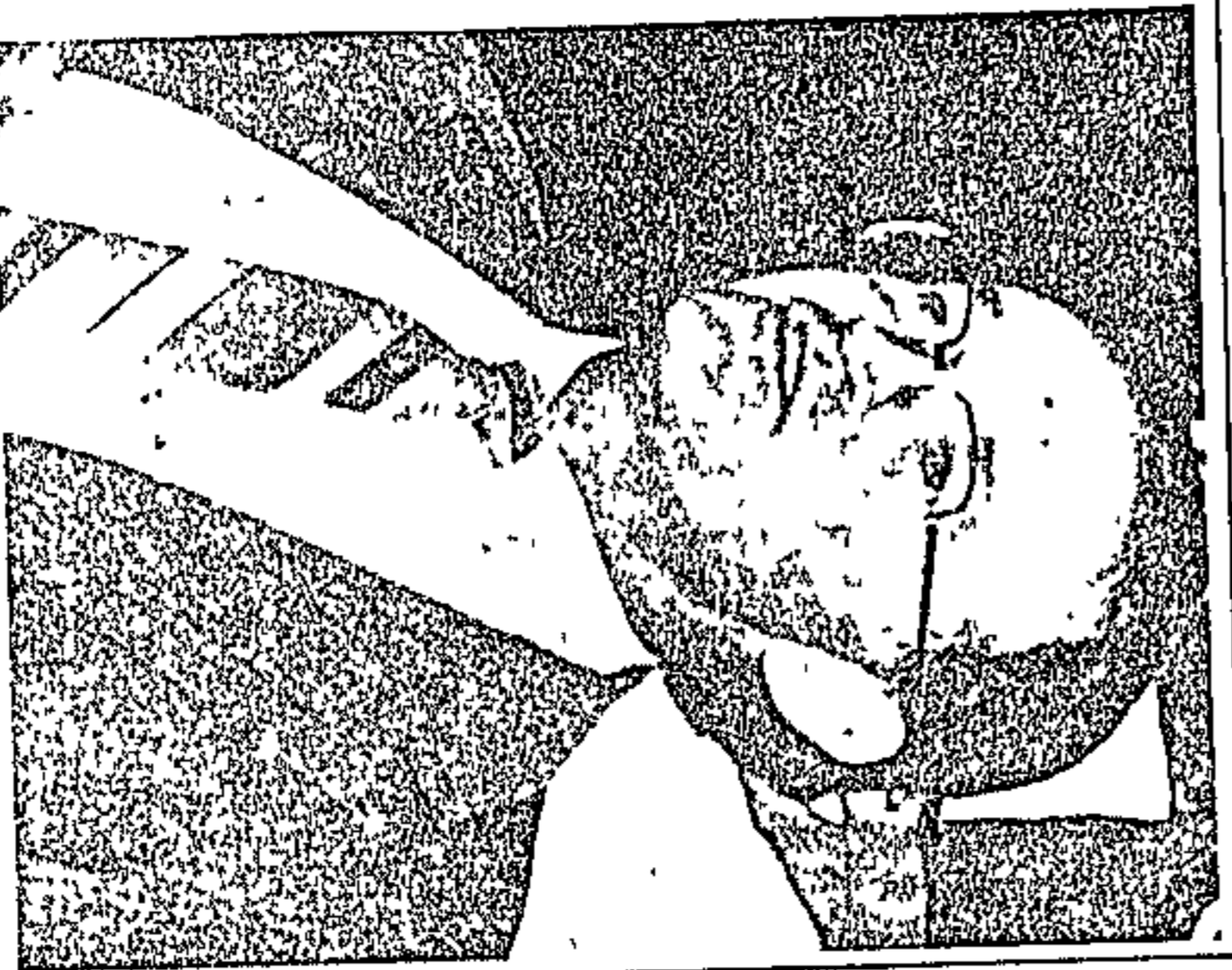
In a statement the trust said it noted with concern the continued detention without trial of Barnard, who is being held in terms of the Internal Security Act in connection with the murder of the Wits University lecturer and anti-apartheid activist.

"In accordance with David's own principles the David Webster Trust abhors detention without trial.

"Of course we would want all suspects to be brought to trial, and this is why we call on the police to charge Ferdinand Barnard without delay."

The trust said the continued detention of Barnard under Section 29 created the perception that the investigation was being contained so information which might implicate security officials could be suppressed.

"We call on the police to charge Barnard, and to arrest and charge any other persons who they reasonably suspect of complicity in the murder of David Webster," the Trust said - Sapa



David Webster... murdered outside his home.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

Police move on N2 car stonings

Staff Reporter

MARGUS 8/1/90 (25) (776)
POLICE patrols of the N2 highway are to be extended to include the Modderdam Road bridge, Athlone, where five cars were stoned on Friday night, police said.

One passenger, Miss Leigh Wentzel, 16, of Belhar, was slightly injured when a stone smashed the window of the car in which she was travelling.

Police reported several vehicles were also damaged on the road between Worcester and Robenson in the Western Cape in stone-throwing incidents.

Captain Hendrik Opperman said one group was believed to be responsible for the N2 stonings which took place between 9pm and 11pm on Friday. No stonings were reported for the rest of the weekend.

Captain Opperman said normal police patrols of the highway would now include a detour over the bridge and back on to the other side of the highway — about an extra 500m.

● Meanwhile from Pretoria the unrest report for the past 24 hours said that at Indalene, Richmond, a man was killed and another wounded when they were attacked by a group of people.

At Phatheni, Richmond, a group attacked a private house and then shot and killed a woman. The house was set alight.

At Kwamashu near Durban a man was arrested when shots were fired at a police vehicle.

At Fredville, Inchanga, a group of people attacked and killed a 17-year-old youth.

At Inanda, Durban, a group attacked and killed a man.

2 killed and 1 hurt in ²⁷⁶ Natal unrest

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Crime Reporter

Two people were murdered, one seriously injured and shacks were razed to the ground in Natal township violence at the weekend, police said.

A woman was killed and a man was seriously injured after a group of gunmen opened fire on a house in Durban's kwaMashu township.

At Inanda, also near Durban, seven shacks were set alight by a mob but no injuries were reported.

A mob stabbed to death a man in Gekoboza near Maritzburg, said the latest police unrest report.

Five suspects were arrested after youths stoned and damaged a private vehicle and a policeman's house in Masibambane near Elliot in the Eastern Cape. The mob was dispersed when police fired shots.

The incident happened after youths disrupted a meeting called by members of the local authority to discuss an upcoming election.

4 die in unrest - SAP

FOUR people were killed, including a woman and a teenager, one man was wounded and several houses and cars damaged at the weekend in unrest related incidents, according to the latest police unrest report.

In another incident, not unrest related according to police, three men were killed in a faction fight and one man shot dead when police used birdshot and R1 rounds to disperse two groups that clashed in Patensi, Natal.

SAP public relations headquarters in Pretoria could not say if the clashes were UDF/Inkatha related, and police in Natal declined to comment. (276)

In unrest related violence, a man was killed and another wounded at Indalene, near Richmond when they were attacked by a group.

At Fredville, Inchanga, a group attacked and killed a 17-year-old youth.

A man was killed at Inanda, Durban after a group attacked him. Sowetan 9/11/90

A woman was shot and killed at Phatheni, near Richmond, when a group attacked a private house which was then stoned and set alight.

At Lindelani, near Durban, arsonists damaged a private house, and another house was damaged in a petrol bomb attack at Protea, Soweto. - Sapa.

Eight killed in Natal unrest

PRETORIA. — Eight people were killed, one man was wounded and several houses and cars damaged at the weekend in unrest-related incidents, according to the latest police unrest report.

Three men were killed in a faction fight and one man was shot dead when police used R1 rounds to disperse two groups that clashed in Patensi, Natal.

A man was killed and another wounded at Indalene, near Richmond, when a mob attacked them.

At Fredville, Inchanga, a group attacked and killed a 17-year-old youth and at Inanda, Durban, another man was killed by a mob.

In another incident, a woman was shot and killed at Phatheni, near Richmond, when a group attacked a private house.

In the Western Cape several vehicles were damaged in stone-throwing incidents on the road between Worcester and Robertson.

● A blast which shattered the calm of central residential Durban and knocked out the power to two suburbs last night proved to be an electrical malfunction. — Sapa

Workers reluctant to enter townships

DURBAN — Frightened municipal employees are becoming increasingly reluctant to enter black townships without adequate security because of repeated attacks and threats.

Durban mayor Derrick Watterson said yesterday his city council and KwaZulu government representatives had discussed problems council officials were experiencing in attempting to provide essential services, especially electricity, to Kwa-Mashu and Umlazi.

"The problems include harassment, threats, and attacks on our staff who enter these areas to provide services and essential maintenance.

"The incidences of harrasment are increasing to an alarming extent — so much so that many of our employees, both black and white, are unwilling to service these areas without adequate security."

If protection was not provided ser-

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vices could be withdrawn. (276)

As provision of guards to protect working staff was not considered a municipal function, "various possibilities" were discussed with Ullundi.

Watterson said these included employing additional security personnel at KwaZulu's expense.

The possibility of using KwaZulu police as security escorts for council maintenance crews or adding a security surcharge to subscribers' accounts in troubled areas was also discussed.

However, Watterson said he did not believe it would be fair to expect electricity users to be surcharged for special protection services.

He said KwaZulu representatives had agreed to put the matter before the KwaZulu Cabinet "as a matter of extreme importance".

CHARLENE SMITH reports that Natal church leaders hope to meet Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok soon to discuss the escalating Natal violence, which has claimed more than 1 140 lives during the past two years.

The Minister's office said Vlok was expected to respond to their request early next week.

Methodist Bishop Khosa Ngojo said President F W de Klerk had written to him — following a request for a meeting with him — suggesting they meet the Law and Order Minister. In his letter, De Klerk assured the church leaders of his "concern about the escalating violence in Natal".

He called on the churches to "continue to exert a conciliatory influence" to help bring about "peace and stability in the region". He said he had asked Vlok to attend to the issue as a "top priority".

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NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 to January 1989:	668
February 1989 — January 7 1990:	475
Past 24 hours' official toll:	8
TOTAL:	1 151

Matric chaos ^{9/16-7/16} 9/16/90 in Natal black ^(S) schools ^{7/16}

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — There was chaos at many black schools in Natal yesterday when thousands of failed matriculation pupils tried to re-enrol to repeat their final year.

This followed the recent release of the national Department of Education and Training (DET) black matriculation results which showed a pass rate of only 42%.

Teachers at a number of schools in and around Durban said they did not know how to deal with the situation.

One teacher said: "Nearly all our pupils who did not pass are trying to re-enrol, and we can't enrol them yet as we don't know what the DET is going to do."

A KwaMashu teacher said: "Our classrooms are already overflowing. If we re-enrol those who have failed they will be sitting in the doorway and on the window sills."

"There are not enough facilities, not enough books or teachers, and not nearly enough schools."

Dr E P Ndaba, acting regional director of the DET in Natal, could not be reached for comment last night.

Mobs kill suspected 'witches'

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PRETORIA. — Eleven people — eight women and three men — were killed in the Port Shepstone district on the Natal South Coast between January 4 and 7, police here reported yesterday.

They said those killed were suspected or accused of witchcraft.

On January 4 two women aged 16 and 71 years were burned to death at Izingolweni; a man was burned to death and two women arrested at Melomyana; and a man was burned to death and two kraals were set alight at Paddock.

The following day a 50-year-old woman accused of being a witch was struck with a stone and then set alight by a

group at Ginga's Kraal in Oshabeni.

A woman was burned to death and another woman killed with a "sharp instrument" in Enkulu. Seven people — five women and two men — were arrested.

On the same day at Msinbini, Paddock, a 48-year-old woman suspected of being a police informer was set alight and killed.

At Maguchana near Margate, a group went to a kraal where they removed a 60-year-old man, his 60-year-old wife and a 30-year-old woman and brought them to a "people's court". They were apparently convicted of witchcraft and burned to death. — Sapa

SATS strike death toll now 27

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — A SATS bus conductor burned to death and a driver was seriously wounded after being attacked by a mob who set the bus alight on the South Coast road yesterday.

When the bus stopped near the Umlazi turn-off about 6.40am to allow passengers on board, it was surrounded by a crowd of men armed with knives.

Some of the group forced their way on board and stabbed the conductor and the driver before setting the bus alight.

The driver jumped out of his door and ran to a shop nearly 100 metres away before collapsing from multiple stab wounds in the chest.

The conductor tried to escape but was again stabbed and beaten and was trapped inside the bus where he burned to death.

The driver was treated by paramedics of the ambulance and emergency medical services while firemen extinguished the blaze. After being stabilised he was transferred to King Edward VIII hospital where he is in a serious condition.

'Disaster'

Yesterday's attack brings the total number of strike-related deaths to 27.

The Democratic Party's deputy spokesman on transport affairs, Mr Robin Carlisle, said the SATS strike "is now the bloodiest and the most destructive industrial dispute since the miners' uprising in 1922".

"The strike has become a national disaster, which will offset much of the positive progress made by the country over recent months."

The DP condemned the pattern of violence which had come to be associated with Sarhwu's

industrial activities. They also called on the government to "clearly state how it proposes to deal with the problems which SATS management is clearly incapable of handling".

The DP also called for a judicial commission to be set up to inquire into the role of both management and trade union.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

12 die as rioters besiege, burn house

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The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — At least 12 people were killed today when a house was torched in fierce fighting near Verulam in what is believed to have been a clash between Inkatha and United Democratic Front supporters.

Residents said the trouble at Cottonlands had been simmering for months and flared on Monday when three people were killed.

A businessman who was afraid to be named said he was told today that 12 to 14 people died early today.

HOME-MADE GUNS

He said three houses were burnt in the fighting and one man had his hands chopped off with a panga.

People in the area had home-made guns.

Police and Umhlanga Rocks Protection Services were on the scene near the Hazelmere dam wall today after a report of fire at 2.15am.

Five burnt bodies were found near the entrance to one gutted house and another seven died in the fire when one of the house walls collapsed.

TURNING ON INDIANS

Two other residents ran to the water's edge but it is not known if they also died.

Several residents were seen leaving the area. "This place is terrible," said one.

"There is fighting between Inkatha and the UDF and the blacks are turning on the Indians. I think it is time for us to leave."

A strong police presence was reported in the area.

Two held after 13 burnt to death

DURBAN — POLICE have arrested two people in connection with the burning to death yesterday of 13 people at Cottonlands near Verulam, according to an interim police unrest report.

The report, issued late yesterday afternoon by the South African Police liaison office in Pretoria, said there were six boys, four girls and three women among the dead. They were not named.

The victims died after a mob attacked two houses and set them alight early yesterday morning, the report said.

According to a businessman, who asked not to be named, another house was burnt in the fighting and a man had his hands chopped off with a panga.

A hunt was launched as soon as the incident was reported, and two people were arrested, police said. Investigations were continuing.

A reporter who visited the scene said one target of the attack was a house belonging to the

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local Inkatha chairman, which was being used for an all-night funeral vigil.

Three people had been killed on Monday. One of them was the son of the local Inkatha chairman, a Mr Makhathini.

When the reporter arrived at the burnt-out houses, police were sifting through the ash of a smouldering building for more bodies.

The corrugated roof of the house had caved in, and the charred remains of three bodies were lying outside.

The cause of the clash is unclear, but residents of Cottonlands said trouble had been simmering between Inkatha and the United Democratic Front since September last year.

Those who were killed today were relatives and children of Mr Makhathini.

Inkatha
kraal set
alight
by mob
13 dead

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Dr Dhlomo

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DURBAN. — Thirteen people burned to death when the kraal of the local Inkatha leader in the Cottonfields area near Verulam was set alight by a mob at 2:15 yesterday morning.

The bodies of six boys, four girls and three women were found in the ashes of the two houses by police and Umhlanga Protection Services personnel who arrived at the fiercely blazing scene soon afterwards.

The occupants — children and relatives of the local Inkatha leader, a Mr Makathini — were holding a vigil for a son of Mr Makathini's killed in a clash between Inkatha and UDF supporters on Monday.

Apparently months of trouble between the two groups came to a head during Monday's clash when three people were killed.

Inkatha secretary-general Dr Oscar Dhlomo expressed his shock, but said he was unable to comment as he had yet to be fully informed.

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17 die as UDF, Inkatha clash

By S'BU MNGADI

THE LONG-simmering conflict between Inkatha and UDF supporters in the Cottonlands area near Verulam on the Natal north coast this week erupted into violence which claimed the lives of 17 people - 14 of them in one incident on Friday.

This raised the death toll since December to 234 - with 56 people killed in January.

A resident in the area said fighting between Inkatha and UDF supporters broke out on Monday night, leaving three people - two of them UDF members - dead. The third victim was the son of a local Inkatha leader.

At about 2.15am on Friday Inkatha supporters and relatives of Inkatha leader A Makhathini were holding an all-night vigil for his son when the house was attacked by people who appeared to have first padlocked the door before setting the house alight.

The bodies of six boys, four girls and four women were found in the ashes by police and Umhlanga Protection Services who arrived to find the house already blazing fiercely.

A resident told City Press four badly burnt and wounded people managed to escape by fleeing in the direction of nearby Hazelmere Dam, hiding in the bushes until daylight.

A strong police presence was seen in the area on Friday afternoon as locals stayed away from work to guard their homes.

Indians who live side by side with blacks fled the area yesterday afternoon fearing violence would spill over to their homes.

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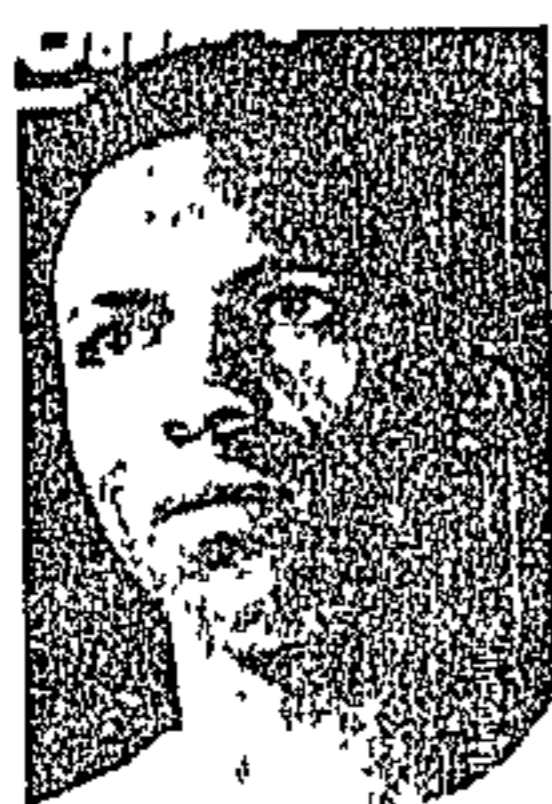
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Meanwhile, Victor Ntuli, who lost 13 members of his family when they were killed in cold blood in 1986, was killed after several attempts on his life.

Ntuli and an unidentified colleague were fatally shot last Sunday at a wedding of an Inkatha member - six days after both groups had agreed to a ceasefire mediated by local clergy.

Apparently Inkatha members had invited them to the wedding, with some of their colleagues disapproving.

The family of Ntuli, 19, an executive member of the UDF-affiliated KwaMakhutha Youth League, was killed at dawn by unknown assailants using AK-47 rifles.

The attackers had first asked for him. On being told he was not home, they opened fire, killing children as young as two years old.

The ceasefire was in the balance yesterday when the two activists were scheduled to be buried. Clergymen repeatedly appealed for calm. See page 5.



Savuka vocalist Mandisa Dianga in full swing.

Savuka thrills audience

JOHNNY Clegg and Savuka thrilled the audience at Johannesburg's Standard Bank Arena at a concert on the eve of their departure on a world tour.

The huge crowd of predominantly white fans, roared for more when the group paid tribute to Nelson Mandela, Steve Biko, Victoria Mxenge, Neil Aggett and David Webster.

Savuka performed to record crowds in Durban, Port Elizabeth and Cape Town.

The group leave the country on Saturday on a tour that will take them to Europe, the Far East and the US.

MOVE TO MILDNESS



CITY TELEVISION

Sisulu disturbed by Natal fighting

By SANDILE MEMELA

ANC leader Walter Sisulu has expressed deep concern at the continuing fighting in Natal and has blamed the lack of a solution on black leadership inside and outside South Africa.

Sisulu told *City Press* the raging battle between elements of the UDF and Inkatha made it difficult to hold a rally in the region.

It is feared that holding a gathering similar to the huge ANC "welcome home" gathering at Crown Mines, Johannesburg, may fuel the fierce fighting.

"The ongoing conflict among our people in the region is a source of grave concern to me personally and it is a shattering reality that no solution has been found by black leadership.

"I consider myself as responsible as anyone for failing to make a significant contribution to find-

Black leaders to blame for not finding solution

ing solutions to the raging violence among our people in the area," said Sisulu.

The matter has affected Sisulu so much that his voice chokes with emotion when the issue is raised.

Consequently he has committed himself to making it a major item on the agenda for his visit to Lusaka in the next few weeks and a challenge for the new year.

"I aim to raise the issue with the ANC leadership in Lusaka and call for a more vigorous campaign aimed at putting a stop to this violence," said Sisulu.

The violence has raged at a furious pace since late 1986, leaving an estimated 2 500 dead. The fighting which began in Maritzburg has spread

across Natal and is at its most intense just outside Durban.

"The fierce fighting is a horrible blot on the glorious history and noble ideals of our struggle for liberation. I am personally deeply affected that no significant contribution has been made by the leadership to solve the issue," said Sisulu.

He condemned the violence and the loss of lives "I find such events shocking," said the ANC stalwart.

"We have been condemning violence in the area and been calling for peace. It is really unfortunate a situation like this should develop at the break of a new decade.

"I hope people in that region will be calm. Such events in no way further the interest of the strug-

gle," he said.

The violence has tarnished the image of the black liberation movement so much that it becomes difficult for the leadership to account for it to foreign parties.

Sisulu said the issue was raised during his consultation with a huge American delegation, including visiting Congressman Howard Wolpe recently. However, no convincing declaration on the issue could be made.

He admitted not much is known of a serious concerted effort on the part of warring parties to end the conflict.

But the sad fact is that ordinary people at grass-roots level continue to be cannon fodder for differing ideologies.

The horror of the kill-

ings has aroused not only concern but embarrassment to the ANC leadership inside the country.

"We find it very disturbing," said Sisulu.

In the absence of any notable success by the UDF, Cosatu and Inkatha in solving the conflict, many quarters are now looking to the recently-released ANC leadership to find a solution.

"We are aware of the people's expectations and it is now up to us to do something about the whole issue. We hope to have come up with something concrete in the near future," said Sisulu.

The influence and prestige that Sisulu wields in the leadership in Lusaka could help end the trauma that the killings has brought to the troubled area in Durban.

He said finding peace in Natal would be the main challenge for black leadership inside and outside South Africa.

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Indians flee Natal battles

By RYAN CRESSWELL

INDIAN families are fleeing political violence at Cottonlands on Natal's North Coast as fighting in the region claimed 16 lives this week.

Battles between Inkatha and United Democratic Front supporters have become so severe over the past four months that around 100 residents have left their farms.

In the latest atrocities 13 people — four girls, six boys and three women — were burnt to death when two homes owned by a local Inkatha official were set alight on Friday.

Two men and the Inkatha official's son were killed in the Cottonlands area on Monday.

Police said they had arrested two men in connection with the attack on the two homes.

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Scared

A former resident of Cottonlands, Mr D Reddy, 20, said his family had fled the trouble spot about three months ago.

"I know of about 10 Indian families, or more than 100 residents, who have left their homes at Cottonlands in the past few months.

"After the burning a lot more Indian families are leaving.

"Everybody is scared of the black violence. We could not sleep at night so we sold the farm where I was born and moved to the centre of Verulam."

Mr Reddy said many of the families who had fled the violence had been very well established in Cottonlands.

● At least four men were killed in the Natal violence on Friday and yesterday in battles elsewhere in Natal.

8 killed in bloody Natal weekend

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PRETORIA. — At least eight people were killed in Natal unrest at the weekend, according to the police unrest report.

Two men were stabbed to death at Azingoweni, near Port Shepstone, when they were attacked by a small group of people.

At Sweetwaters two men died and five were hurt when a shotgun was fired from a crowd at a house.

In the same area, a group stabbed a man to death. Another group retaliated, killing one of the attackers and setting their vehicle alight.

A youth was killed by a crowd at Umlazi.

At KwaMashu a group of youths killed a man. A handgrenade was thrown at the home of Detective-Sergeant Samuel Kotswi, 56, in Tembisa, on the East Rand, at the weekend.

The grenade exploded inside a bedroom. The policeman's daughter Violet, 25, and her nine-month-old son Lebo, who were asleep on the bed, were not injured. — Sapa

Churchman's house looted, torched

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — The Rev. Thadeus Msomi was one of the victims when vigilantes went on the rampage in J Section, kwa-Mashu, next to the Richmond Farm squatter settlement early yesterday.

The minister's home was ransacked and damaged by fire. Four houses and four shacks were burnt out during the incident.

A resident said three buses arrived at 6 am and offloaded vigilantes who threatened to burn down homes.

The minister fled from the area and returned after the police had arrived on the scene.

Several people injured in the attack were taken to a clinic for treatment.

The minister's wife, mother of six Mrs Jabu Msomi, said: "I don't know where we'll sleep tonight."

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Houses set alight at Richmond Farm

Two killed, 8 hurt in Natal violence

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Two people were killed, eight injured and about 30 houses set alight at Richmond Farm, near Durban, at the weekend in clashes between members of Inkatha and the United Democratic Front, according to the Inkatha leader in the area, Mr Simon Mavundla.

The trouble, which has been simmering since last Monday,

flared on Sunday evening when an estimated 1 000 UDF supporters from kwaMashu streamed over the hills to Richmond Farm. Fighting quietened down only after a strong contingent of kwaZulu police and the SAP arrived in the area.

Fighting broke out again early yesterday. Buses and taxis were not running and thousands of residents were unable to get to work.

Mr Mavundla said yesterday

that he would like to meet the UDF leader, whom he blamed for the outbreak of violence, and discuss the possibility of a ceasefire.

"The problem is that we don't know who to contact from the UDF," he said.

Mr Mavundla and two Inkatha committee members were on their way to a newspaper yesterday to report the violence when they saw a young woman being attacked by armed men in uniform.

A charge of assault has been laid at the kwaMashu police station.

The woman, Miss Thandi Ndlovu (19), said yesterday that she had been attacked by armed men who had kicked, slapped and hit her with guns.

"We want our area patrolled by the police on a regular basis and we want the police to allow us to retain our sticks and assegais instead of confiscating them," Mr Mavundla said.

Nearly 1 000 residents have fled the area and more than 100 houses are now standing empty.

Hundreds flee Kwa-Mashu

Sowetan Reporter

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WITH the death toll in the current KwaMashu outbreak of violence now standing at six, hundreds of residents of the township's K and J sections fled the area on Monday - some soaking their houses before leaving to prevent their being set on fire later.

According to Mr Roy Ainslie of the Democratic Party's Unrest Monitoring Group, by late Monday three people had been killed in K section, two in H section and one at Richmond Farm, the squatter area bordering the township.

As violence continued in the area, he said smoke

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and flames were seen over parts of the township during the night, but as yet he had not had reports of the extent of the overnight violence.

On Monday hundreds of people were seen to be carrying all their belongings and at least one family had hired a truck to remove their furniture.

Roads in the area, strewn with bricks and glass, and many gutted houses bore testimony to the violence which has beset the area since Sunday evening.

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on Sunday when a vigilante gang from Richmond Farm attacked people in KwaMashu area on Sunday evening and again on Monday morning.

In the afternoon on Monday, the township was tense and KwaZulu Police and South African Defence Force soldiers were patrolling the area as residents braced themselves for another attack on Monday night.

Residents said that the KwaZulu Police were not doing anything about the situation and Ainslie said residents had told him the KZ Police were no longer able to control the situation.

Both DP members Mr Peter Gastrow and Ainslie were in the township monitoring the situation and community workers from the Institute for Democratic Alternatives for South Africa were helping people to move their belongings.

Ainslie described one incident in which he witnessed a local vigilante group, the Amasinyora, attack a school in K section, the third or fourth time the school had been attacked.

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3 killed in Natal revenge attack

JOHANNESBURG — A group avenging a people's court decision to execute eight people raided an impoverished Natal township, stabbing three people to death and setting several houses alight, police and witnesses said yesterday.

The police unrest report said the deaths raised to nine the number of people killed in unrest in the country over the past 24 hours.

The report said "a large mob" attacked and stabbed to death three "blacks" in Willow Fountain, a particularly poor township outside Maritzburg.

Local residents contacted independently said Tuesday's killings followed the convening of a people's court on Sunday that convicted eight people of murdering a youth.

The bodies of the eight were found on Monday.

In Guguletu the hacked and stabbed body of a man was found.

At KwaMashu, Durban, an unknown man shot a woman in the chest with a shotgun, fatally wounding her.

At KwaMakutha in the Amanzimtoti area, two men and a youth were shot dead by unknown gunmen.

A man was fatally wounded at Patheni, Richmond, when police fired shotguns at a group who threw stones at police. — UPI and Sapa

Natal fighting spills into clinic

DURBAN. — Fighting on the outskirts of Durban spilled over into a nearby clinic this week.

In the latest outbreak of violence in the area, nurses and workers at the KwaMashu Polyclinic said patients brought in with stab and gunshot wounds had been followed into the clinic by their adversaries who attempted to "finish them off".

A senior nurse at the clinic said there had been more than 32 gunshot victims on Monday night. "But the terrible thing was that they tried to continue the fighting inside here. People would follow their enemies in and try and stab them in their beds.

"The nurses and other staff members were hassled and roughed up a few times when they tried to prevent violence inside our clinic.

"And our security guards were totally unable to deal with the situation. There were not enough of them and they took sides, letting some people in without asking questions," the nurse added.

Internecine strife in Natal has left as many as 3 000 dead since 1987. — UPI

11 people massacred in Maritzburg

By Craig Kotze

Eleven people have been massacred in kraals near Maritzburg as Natal township violence continues unabated.

A man and a woman were stabbed to death by a mob in Bomela near Port Shepstone.

The latest killings bring the death toll in Natal since the weekend to at least 29.

ALL SHOT

Police said in their latest unrest report that the bodies of 11 people were found at four kraals in Sweetwaters near Maritzburg. All had been shot. Their ages ranged from 11 to 48.

Police said the killings seemed to be linked and were probably carried out by a small group of assassins.

Detectives found empty cartridges at each kraal.

The killings were the second massacre near Maritzburg this week, following the discovery of the bodies of eight men at Willow Fountains.

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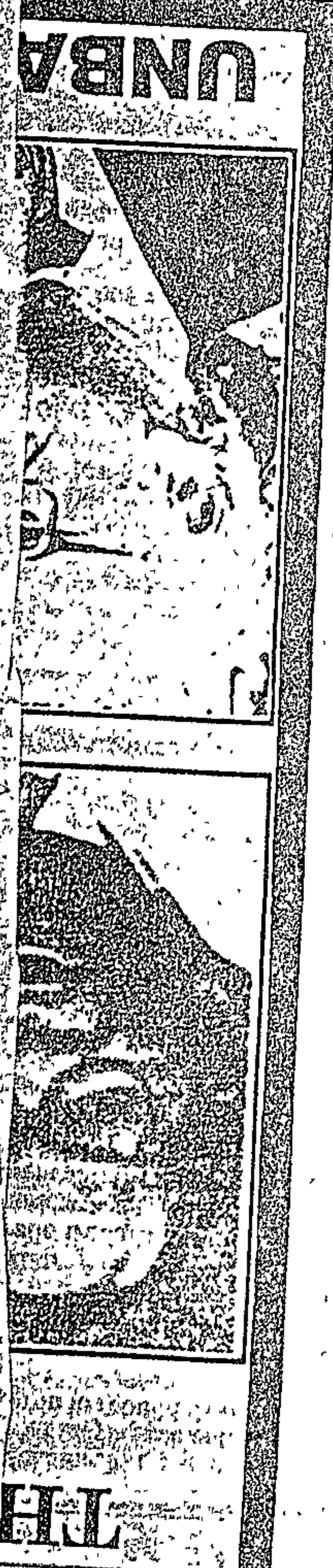
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ANOTHER NATAL DEATH, ANOTHER FUNERAL ... WHERE MORE CALLS ARE MADE FOR MORE DEATHS ...

The children who are food for the guns

Images from the carnage in Natal: A call for a vendetta at a funeral ... a principal shot dead for banning guns at school ... a toddler playing with his favourite toy, a bullet.
By **THANDEKA GQUBULE**

WHEN the 21-year-old Sibongiseni was buried last week, his mourning relatives called upon his spirit to perform one last task: to pursue his own killer and avenge his own death.

As he lay in the coffin next to his grave under a cloudy Durban sky, a relative anointed his bullet wound with a herbal mixture, covered his face with a watery fluid, then attached a string from his neck to his forehead and addressed him very sternly.

The dead youth was told to carry out a vendetta on behalf of his community.

Two men bent over the coffin. The younger man, clad in a blue suit, bent over and in near whispers said "Ubuye naye mfana". ("You come back with him, boy"). With the help of the medicine and the string, he said, Sibongiseni must pull down into the grave the man who fired the bullet.

His sisters wailed uncontrollably, "Usikhonzele kwabaphambili, nakumfowethu owasishya kanjena. Ingane zethu udkula kwesibamu..." ("Sibongiseni greet those who have gone before you. And greet your brother who died this way, this time last year. Our children are food for the gun.")

The hysteria of crying women peaked as Sibongiseni's comrades from all over kwaMashu township — who were armed to the teeth — sang long and somber hymns.

"We will meet above when all the tears are washed away and all the miseries have vanished," the hymn went.

The minister, who wore a slightly tattered cloak, asked the mourners if they all agreed that Sibongiseni's body be lowered into the ground.

To the tune of a bitter song and the thud of toyi-toyi and slogans, Sibongiseni's body was lowered into the grave.

THERE are other political funerals in progress at the same time in the same graveyard. The week before there had been four funerals in the same township and two more in a neighbouring township.

A popular song says that chances of reaching the age of 30 if you are black and live in a Natal township, are slim.

This largely Christian community in crisis, based in the urban ghettos of Pietermaritzburg and Durban, has traditionally sought medicine to cure itself — now more than ever before.

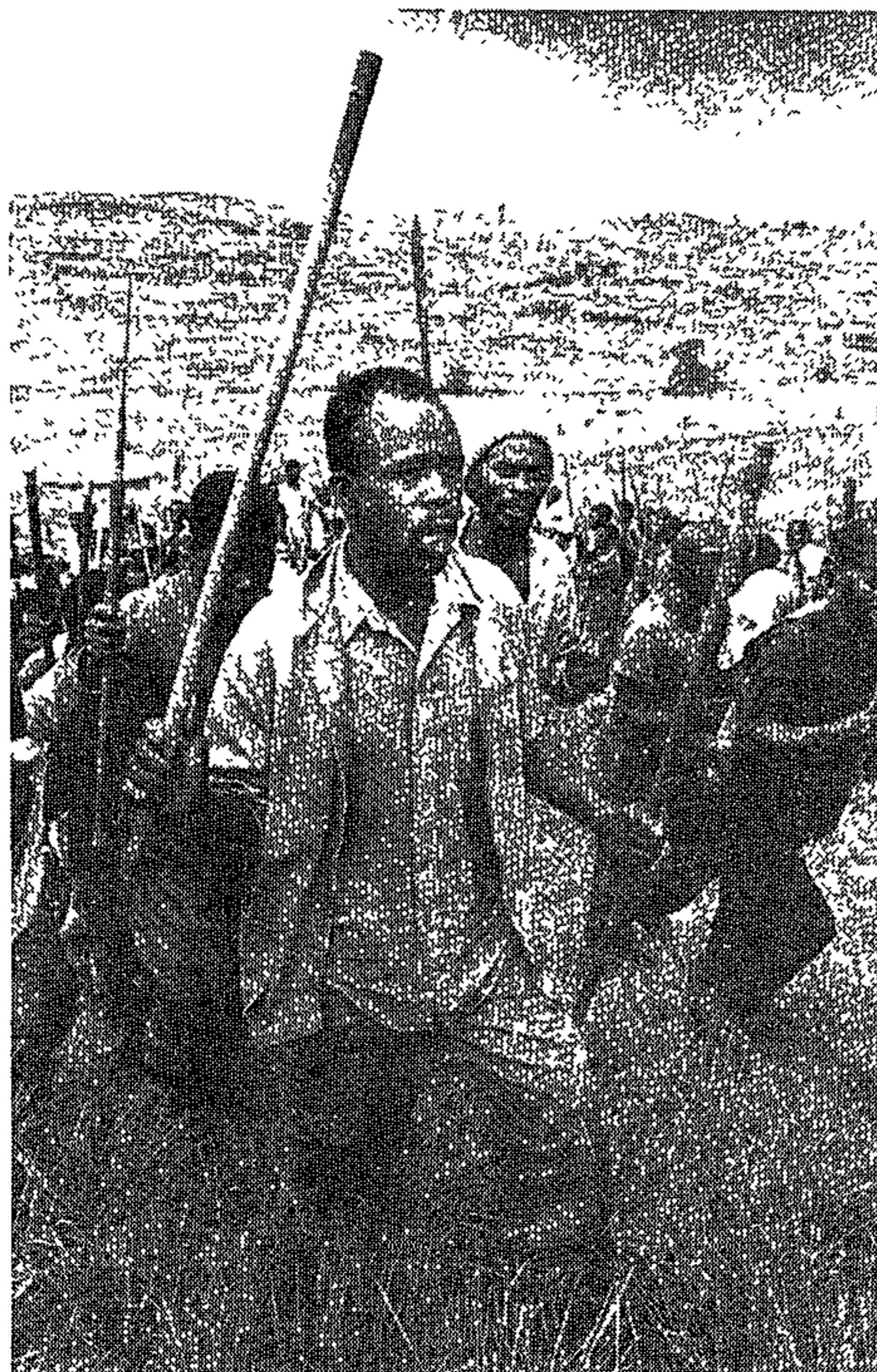
The images that crystallise as one trails the war from incident to incident from village to township, are those of violent graffiti, slogan chanting youth, guns, *umuti* and death.

Durban's squatter belt which looks like a rubbish dump is made up of hundreds of houses built out of boxes from Toyota car factories.

The *umuti* industry is booming. It is also expensive: for one particular group of nine comrades, protection from bullets cost them R500 in addition to promising to abstain from eating fish and from having sex for a month. The purchase price, however, only guaranteed the group's immuni-



On guard ... Pietermaritzburg residents guard their houses with homemade weapons



Death has no sting ... Inkatha imps send off a warrior at Elandskop Pictures by Guy Tillim, Afrapix

ty to bullets shot from a 9mm pistol — and the spell came with a shelf life guarantee of just three months.

The cement and tin toilets of the townships in this war-pitted area are hiding places for guns and herbs. The communities affected by this war are mostly working-class, often unemployed and almost invariably poor. In the light of such poverty it is all the more remarkable that so many people are so well armed. AK47s, R1 and home-made rifles abound, indicating the presence of a substantial black-market.

But when you understand how many strands exist in this complex web of war, it is easier to see why people would give up "luxuries" like furniture for the reassurance of a rifle.

YOUNG David Dlamini from C section of kwaMashu died last week at the age of 17.

He became a comrade after he was allegedly tortured by Inkatha members of kwaMashu at the age of 15. He had been accused of painting an anti-Inkatha slogan on the road outside his house.

His mother said her son had told her. "Mama, I would rather die for something I am guilty of." One night he was called out of his house by a boy he vaguely recognised. Two minutes later he crumpled under gun fire.

He was one of the new generation of Natal comrades. He was a "kitscomrade" born of the war, lives for the war and quickly dies by it.

A miracle as the Valley of Death finds peace

LAST year I visited the village of Ntshongweni, ghoulishly named "The Valley of Death", where I interviewed a man who preferred to be known only as Comrade Gadaffi. He ran an army of young boys who spent their nights in the bush or fighting with Inkatha.

The boys were hardly optimistic about the possibilities of peace in their village. The war, they said, would only stop when one side had totally wiped the other out.

They also said they would never surrender their arms if called upon to do so.

There was no normal family life in the village as their parents had fled. Donkeys rubbed their bodies against the walls inside what were once people's homes. Then the deserted village looked like a ghost town. Residents could not hear the appeals on Radio Zulu that they should attend peace rallies organised in the area. They were either living in the surrounding bush, could not afford radios or had fled to Pinetown or Durban.

But last weekend on our return to Ntshongweni, it was clear that things had changed dramatically. The first noticeable difference was the vastly increased number of people in the streets. And there were no barricades or burnt out cars to keep out the po-

A year ago, THANDEKA GQUBULE visited a village under siege, where both sides vowed not to stop fighting. This year, she found ... peace

lice and Inkatha. Many returned residents were carrying cement and corrugated iron to rebuild their houses with.

People had come back to the valley. There was life and a big slogan on the walls of a burnt out shop; it said *Phola, rest*.

Comrade Gadaffi was at home. Loud music was playing. The garden had flowers and the house that once looked so derelict had furniture.

The old tree under which the "comrades" had held their meetings and interviews with journalists still stood outside the house.

Comrade Gadaffi welcomed us into his house and showed us the dish of pickles he was preparing.

He said peace existed in Ntshongweni "and it is going to last". One day in September last year, a group of Inkatha people came across the valley with a flag. They were met by the comrades.

Harsh words were exchanged at

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The previous generation of militant youths had also called out in its slogans "Mayihlome" meaning "let us be armed". But that generation waited to be armed by African National Congress commander Chris Hani. This generation is too impatient to wait — it has its own guns.

Guns entered the playground last year when, after an armed attack by a local gang, *amaSinyora*, students demanded the right to carry arms to school.

The outraged principal refused, saying "guns will never become part of the school uniform".

A few days later his bloodied body was found in the back streets of kwaMashu. It had lain there all night — no one had called the police.

BEYOND the guns lies an hysteria

which is as likely to express itself in a strange joy as in intense grief.

Earlier this month residents of Stage 2 Imbali township got on to the roof tops and banged tins in jubilant celebration of the death of local Inkatha leader Thu Ndlovu.

One night last week a little boy of about four combed the sand for a bullet he had found and then lost. He begged a foreign journalist to use a torch to find it. They found the bullet and the little boy was jubilant.

IN the beautiful rural landscape of Elandskop, an Inkatha stronghold, mourners and an impi of about 200 men danced and chanted in a circle across the hillside, creating great clouds of dust.

They bared their weapons which

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APARTHEID BAROMETER

DETENTIONS

THE number of people being held in detention without trial in South Africa is believed to be at least 62. The number held under the Emergency regulations rose to 18 this week, according to the latest report by the Human Rights Commission. The HRC said that as of January 10 1990 17 people were being detained under the Emergency regulations in Natal and one in the Orange Free State. A further seven people are believed to have been in detention under the Ciskei National Security Act since late December and on Tuesday the Transkei Military Council announced that 14 people were being held in detention there. According to the South African Police 24 people were being held under section 29 of the Internal Security Act at the end of December last year.

RESTRICTION ORDERS

A total of 557 people are restricted under the Emergency regulations, according to the HRC. A total of 658 restriction orders were served on individuals between June 12 1989 and December 20 1989. This figure includes those restriction orders which were automatically renewed when the State of Emergency was renewed on June 9 1989. Over the past week a further four people have had their restriction orders revoked, bringing the total number of revoked restriction orders to 101.

Those who have had their restriction orders revoked come from the following areas: PWV (50); Eastern Cape (22); Northern Transvaal (10); Natal (18) and Orange Free State (one).

ENROLMENT AT WHITE SCHOOLS

The number of pupils who enrolled at 43 white Johannesburg government primary and senior schools dropped by an average of at least 36,7 percent over the past five years.

Figures released by the Transvaal Education Department show that the total has fallen from 19 801 in 1985 to 12 554 at the beginning of 1989 — a drop of 7 247. Further enrolment drops are expected at the beginning of next year.

The pupil shortage seems to be far more severe in primary schools than in high schools. At the following primary schools enrolment dropped by 50 percent or more: Goedehoop Primary (321 to 57); Joubert Park Primary (428 to 203); Roseneath Primary (473 to 227); IH Harris Primary (378 to 190); Observatory East Primary (350 to 173); Bramley Primary (406 to 168) and Fairmont Primary (466 to 228).

These schools face the prospect of being closed at the end of the year. The enrolment at Johannesburg Girls High fell from 505 to 237.

In addition to the above schools, a further 28 schools in the Johannesburg area have already experienced a 25 percent drop in enrolment figures.

According to the South African Institute of Race Relations a total of 196 white primary and secondary schools have been closed over the past 10 years. These had a combined capacity of 15 238 pupils.

The situation in white schools is paralleled by a dramatic rise in the enrolment figures at black schools, leading to a situation of severe classroom overcrowding.

According to figures released in parliament last year the pupil-teacher ratio in African primary schools was 29,5 to one. Twenty-one percent of the potential schoolgoing population between ages seven and 16 were not attending school.

The Minister of Education and Culture in the House of Assembly, Piet Clase, has made it clear that it is against government policy to allow black pupils to attend white government schools.

BORDER FENCE DEATHS

Last month the army released figures showing that at least 89 people had been killed on the country's electrified border fences over the previous four years, while another five had been shot trying to cross the border. Independent research suggests this figure may be an underestimate.

Nine people were killed between August and December 1986, 36 in 1987, 28 in 1988 and 16 between January and August 1989, while five more were shot during this period, according to the South African Defence Force's Colonel Hans Stempfle.

Three Zimbabweans were killed on the electrified fence erected by South Africa on its border with Zimbabwe, according to a report by the Ziiana news agency.

Five people were killed in 1988 and one in 1987 — all of them Zimbabweans.

The northern fence along the Zimbabwe border was switched on in 1986 and the eastern fence along the Mozambican border was switched on in 1987. According to the Catholic Bureau for Refugees 52 people were killed on the eastern fence between July and December 1988, excluding those shot.

In April this year Defence Minister Magnus Malan said in parliament that 64 people had been killed on the eastern fence up to the end of last year and six on the northern fence.

PRISONER OF CONSCIENCE

JOSEPH NTULIZWE NDULI, 50, African National Congress member, was abducted from Swaziland on March 26 1976, and the following year was sentenced to 18 years imprisonment. He is being held on Robben Island.

Nduli grew up near Stanger, Natal. After working as a herdboyc he attended school for just over a year and in 1955 worked as a gardener in Durban. After that he was employed as a domestic servant, restaurant worker and hospital watchman. In 1960 he joined the Hospital Workers Union and became active in the South African Congress of Trade Unions. The following year he joined the ANC, and later Umkhonto weSizwe.

In 1962 he was arrested for sabotage but was released on bail six months later. In May 1963 he jumped bail and went for military training in Algeria and the Soviet Union, and became a detachment commander. After spending two years in Zambia he participated in the ANC's 1967 Wankie campaign.

He later received political asylum in Swaziland but was declared a prohibited immigrant in 1972. He then went underground and returned to South Africa. In 1975 he moved to Maputo, and later to Tanzania, and then the German Democratic Republic, where he received further military training.

When he returned to Swaziland he was abducted, tried in Pietermaritzburg and sentenced to 18 years imprisonment, of which he has served over 12 years.

Nduli has since passed matric. He is married with two children.

BANNED BOOKS, PUBLICATIONS AND OBJECTS

Banned for distribution and importation:

Workers Revolution no 1 August 1989 (Workers Revolution, Glasgow); Lesbian Lovers (Harry Knox); Snowballing — film; River's Edge — video; Pet Sematary — video; Crack House — video; Naked Lady with Hat and Stockings Clutching Her Breasts — postcard (Art Unlimited, Amsterdam); Sisters in Arms (Art Unlimited, Amsterdam).

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The Book of Love (Dr David Delvin — not for persons under 18, may only be displayed in plastic wrapping); Stern Heft no 44 (Gruner and Jahr AG, Hamburg — not to be displayed with inner pages open)

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THE RELEASE MANDELA CAMPAIGN

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- The ANC has support both inside and outside the South African borders.
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- The ANC has, inter alia, — contributed in the formation of the OAU, — contributed in liberating many African countries.
- We look forward to the day when all shall say, "The People Shall Govern".



UNBAN THE ANC, LET THE EXILES RETURN

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More than 100 people die in 16 days in Natal's 'war zone'

The endless killings in Natal have spilled over the borders of the urban areas into the rural regions.

CARMEL RICKARD reports on the rising death toll

MORE than a hundred people have died in Natal political violence during the first 16 days of this year.

A startling feature of the killings so far has been the high number of mass murders.

In the midlands around Pietermaritzburg the death toll leapt to over 40 this week when 23 people were killed in just two days.

On Tuesday night some 11 people were killed in Sweetwaters outside Pietermaritzburg by a gang described by witnesses as "Indian and black" men armed with shotguns.

Six people were shot by the gang at one home and five at another.

Earlier in the week, eight people were killed at Willow Fountain in what residents said was a mass execution following the sitting of a local "people's court".

In the townships and rural areas around Durban, the death toll so far this year is over 60, with a similar pattern of mass murders.

At least 29 of the 62 deaths involved mass killings, while 39 of them were in rural areas.

At Cottonlands outside Durban last week, 14 people were killed when a home was attacked and set alight during a vigil.

Unrest monitors in both centres say predictions that the conflict would shift from urban to rural areas have proved true and that many of the serious incidents have occurred in outlying districts.

Currently the worst hit area in Durban is kwaMashu's K Section, where residents are under constant attack from the Sinyoras, a gang of thugs formed last April.

The Sinyoras charge "protection money" of between R10 and R200 a house. After an attack they leave behind a trail of deaths, injuries, rapes, looting and burnt down houses.

Residents said yesterday the Sinyoras had infiltrated the squatter areas of Siyanda and Richmond Farm, which adjoin K Section. They won the confidence of the local people, and were now inciting the squatters to attack their neighbours in K Section.

One woman said: "We people of K Section are really in danger from all sides. Children, schools, shops, clinics, churches. No one and nothing is safe."

The people of K Section feel particularly angry because they helped the people in the squatter areas when they first arrived, giving them access to schools, water and toilets.

"What we get is war instead of gratitude," said one woman whose home has been extensively damaged with every window broken.

On Monday night, following intense fighting, many injured K Section residents fled to the local polyclinic for medical attention.

They were chased by the Sinyoras who continued their attack inside the clinic, threatening staff who tried to prevent them killing patients.

"In fact they finished one boy who was lying on the table with an anaesthetic, being stitched," a resident said. "They came and shot him in front of the doctors and nurses."

The following day nurses and doctors refused to work to highlight the danger for staff and patients. Now there is a private security firm guarding the premises but few people feel secure even with their presence.

Residents praised the South African Defence Force and the South African Police, saying whenever they were called they came to help.

"It is only due to them that some of our houses are still standing," one resident said. "The windows are all broken and the goods have been looted, but at least they stop some from being burnt down."

"But they don't stay for ever. We would like them to put up a camp here and just stay until the whole thing is over."

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Township battle after attack by gang

Police and warring factions in battle

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Police and warring factions were involved in a running gun battle at kwaMashu yesterday as refugees fled the area.

Policemen were shot at and returned the fire when they went to break up a clash between two factions yesterday morning.

Kitskonstabels and uniformed, plain-clothes and camouflage-clad policemen chased the men across the neighbourhood.

Shackland

The gun battle took place after more than 50 of the AmaSinyora gang from Richmond Farm shackland were seen attacking kwaMashu yesterday morning.

A freelance journalist interviewing victims of violence in K Section, kwaMashu, reported hearing 30 shots at 8 am as armed men ran through the buffer zone separating the two areas.

An hour earlier, groups of men were seen congregating in the Richmond Farm area.

Cries in Zulu of "We are the Sinyoras" and "Kill them, kill them" could be heard from across the valley.

Dozens of small children as well as

women carrying babies fled the streets closest to the squatter settlement and took refuge at a nearby store.

Men and teenage boys brandishing knives, sticks and pangas took up defensive positions in front of their homes. Unarmed men ran to higher ground.

A Democratic Party unrest monitor and the freelance journalist left the area to alert the SADF and the police.

On their return, residents pointed out the men's hideout, a large concrete-built house in K Section. Men carrying weapons were seen surrounding the house. They scattered when a Casspir armoured vehicle arrived.

Residents stood on the opposite hillside and shouted instructions to the police: "He's inside" ... "Look in the garage" ... "Over the road".

Three men, identified as Sinyora members by residents, were captured by police after a chase through K Section.

The men were heading towards the Newlands West Indian residential area but were flushed out in the intervening Siyanda squatter camp to loud cheers and shouts of "We know that man" from residents. A fourth man escaped.

Police guarding the kwaMashu polyclinic reported no injuries.

Massacre in Natal

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killed were known Inkatha supporters.

According to Keys, a Mrs Mbanjwa had evidently opened the door of her home after hearing a knock and was gunned down along with her three sons, one of whom was nine. Two other youths at a nearby house were reportedly knifed to death in the second incident.

Keys, who had received confirmation of the killings from Mbanjwa's husband, said the attacks fitted the general political pattern where the targets were young men.

He said that Sweetwaters had recently seen a resurgence in conflict between Inkatha-United Democratic Front elements after a period of quiet.

According to Keys, the

killings of eight men in Willowfontein on Sunday, after allegedly being sentenced to death in the township, represented a departure from the usual role of people's courts.

"While the DP in no way condones the concept of a people's court, they have traditionally been used to discipline and keep control of unruly criminal elements. The severity of the sentence in this instance is most unusual," said Keys.

Four people were allegedly killed yesterday in retaliation for the massacre, with looting and arson accompanying the violence.

Police unrest reports in the last 48 hours have stated that eight people were killed with sharp instruments in Willowfontein on Sunday, while a further three men were

stabbed to death by a large mob in the township on Tuesday.

A police spokesman said yesterday that they had not received any reports of the alleged six deaths in Sweetwaters on Tuesday night. He also said that the police had received nothing to substantiate the existence of a people's court.

Detectives found empty cartridges of .32 and 9mm calibre ammunition.

The killings were the second massacre near Maritzburg this week. The bodies of eight men were found in Willow Fountains earlier this week.

At Inanda near Durban, a mob on Wednesday set fire to a house and shot a man in the shoulder, wounding him.

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11 bodies found in 576 Natal kraals

PRETORIA. — The bodies of 11 people between the ages of 11 and 48, all of whom had been shot, were found at four different kraals in the Sweetwaters, Natal, area, police reported yesterday.

Two other people died when a group of people attacked a man and woman and stabbed them to death with sharp instruments at Bomela near Port Shepstone.

At Nyandezulu, Port Shepstone, a man was seriously injured when he was assaulted and set aight by a group.

At Inanda, Durban, a man was wounded when he was shot at by a group which set fire to a private dwelling.

Suspected sabotage of the railway line between Umkomaas and Umgababa railway stations on the Natal South Coast caused a goods train to derail early on Tuesday morning. — Sapa.

PRETORIA — A woman was killed and two people were injured in unrest incidents during the past 24 hours, according to the latest police unrest report.

At Nkotaneni near Port Shepstone a woman was stabbed to death by a group of people.

A group of people set fire to a private house and fired at police at Feukisisi, near Durban. Police used birdshot to disperse the attack. Two people were injured by the group. A youth was arrested.

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Also in Natal, a house at KwaMashu and another at Imbali were petrol-bombed, destroying the former.

At KwaNdebushle, Port Elizabeth, a group of people stoned a private home.

A group of people set fire to a train coach at Khayelitsha. — Sapa

Lack of security starts clinic strike

By S'BU MNGADI

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EARLIER this week a security guard at the Kwamashu Polyclinic, Durban, watched helplessly as a woman gave birth outside the gate at dawn after a crippling two-day strike over inadequate security.

Staff at the polyclinic had complained of inadequate security, and said during the present outbreak of violence in the townships patients had been brought in with stab and gunshot wounds and had been followed into the clinic by their attackers who had attempted to kill them in the wards or examination rooms.

Earlier this week, six doctors had stayed away after a dispute between staff and medical superintendent Dr A Garachee, who they accused of being "abusive". Garachee had had the tyres of his official car

slashed on Monday.

An official of the KwaZulu's Department Of Health later tried to get staff to return to work.

The staff however demanded Garachee be reprimanded for leaving the community and insisted that a private security firm be hired to ensure maximum security in the area.

A senior nurse said the problems had started during the Christmas period when violence had spilled over into the clinic and the superintendent asked the Kwamashu police commander of the KwaZulu police for guards.

The guards subsequently stayed away after a prisoner had escaped before being treated and staff this week told the KwaZulu health official they no longer wanted the KwaZulu police as guards.

The nurse continued: "On Sunday more than 32 gunshot victims were brought in."

"The problem was that the attackers followed their victims and tried to stab or shoot them in their beds. During this episode, nurses and other staff were roughed up and at some stages had guns pointed at them when they tried to intervene. Our internal security guards were absolutely useless as they were not properly armed."

The staff said although letters had been written to Uthandi appealing for better security, there had not been any response.

Dr Frank Mdlatose, KwaZulu's Minister of Health, said he had not received any correspondence in this matter. However, he confirmed a private firm had been employed to maintain safety.

The KwaZulu Police were not available for comment.

Natal armies preparing for a full-scale war

AS the December-January Natal conflict death toll soared to more than 253 this week, the region appeared to be nearer becoming a war-zone – complete with military-style camps and “generals” on all sides of the conflict.

This week *City Press* toured the war-torn areas of Mpumalanga, Inanda, KwaSwayimane, Ntuzuma and Lindelani and emerged with a grim picture of how militarised those areas have become.

But the situation is confused as fighters are often unwilling to say which group they support.

There are military-style camps with strict disciplinary codes. Those involved receive little or no training yet are armed with large-calibre weapons, including AK47 and R1 rifles.

A Mpumalanga “kitsguerrilla” – so named because of their instant training – said he learnt to shoot after picking up a sporting shotgun from his comrade who had fallen from “enemy” fire.

“I simply picked it up and pulled the trigger each time I wanted to shoot until I had run out of ammunition.” Before this he had been using a home-made shotgun known as a “Qhwasha”.

He has since climbed up the “military” ladder to become second-in-command of one of the nine units. Each unit consists of between 50 and 100 young men, with a commander, a deputy commander and a political commissar in charge of political ideology.

At KwaSwayimane, Wartburg – the scene of the New Year’s Eve gunbattle which killed 15 people – many local men were allegedly trained in the use of sophisticated weapons and were taught political ideology at youth camps controlled by Inkatha warlords, according to a former recruit.

The peace talks between local Inkatha and UDF leaders a month ago saw the apparent closing down of the camps because many people who were being trained there had been forcibly recruited. But, he argued, the camps never closed down.

“Instead, they moved some of the people to the local home of a notorious Inkatha warlord and they are still heavily armed. The New Year’s Eve clash took place at the warlord’s home.

Militants on all sides have repeatedly sabotaged peace initiatives by their leaders. Victor Ntuli and an unidentified comrade – both senior activists of the UDF-affiliated KwaMakhutha Youth League – were fatally shot two weeks ago at the wedding of an Inkatha member six days after both groups had agreed to a ceasefire mediated by the local UDF.

The ceasefire hung in the balance as the two were buried

last Saturday. In 1986, Ntuli, 19, had 13 members of his family killed in cold blood with an AK47 rifle by unidentified assailants who could not find him.

Roy Ainslie, of the Democratic Party’s unrest monitoring action group, said he had noticed the vigilantes had well-organised and co-ordinated military-style structures.

“This allows the ‘generals’ to keep close contact with each other. We have since ascertained the fierce fighting on

December 6, 7 and 8 occurred after a thorough consultation between a Lindelani ‘general’ and his colleagues in the region,” said Ainslie.

He said although the UDF comrades had their own armies he had not seen a similar (military-style) pattern in the activities of “the people’s defence committees”.

Ainslie said to end the violence it was imperative that the “generals” of various armies be directly involved in the peace talks instead of political leaders speaking on their behalf.

“The real power now lies with the ‘generals,’” he said.

KwaZulu policemen deployed in the trouble spots to guard KwaZulu MPs and Inkatha central committee members have occasionally found themselves fighting side-by-side in the same “trenches” with Inkatha supporters.

Members of the SAP have been repeatedly accused by human rights bodies, lawyers and activists of openly fighting on the side of Inkatha – a charge strenuously denied by police spokesmen.

During the December clashes, 14 policemen were killed, according to a police spokesman, but it is unclear if they died taking sides, as alleged by residents.

The extent of the militarisation of the region this week prompted the DP’s four Natal Midlands MPs – Rob

Haswell, Mike Tarr, Pierre Cronje and Wessel Nel – to say: “Peace will continue to have an empty ring in the Natal Midlands this year for it is abundantly clear that the violence is out of control”

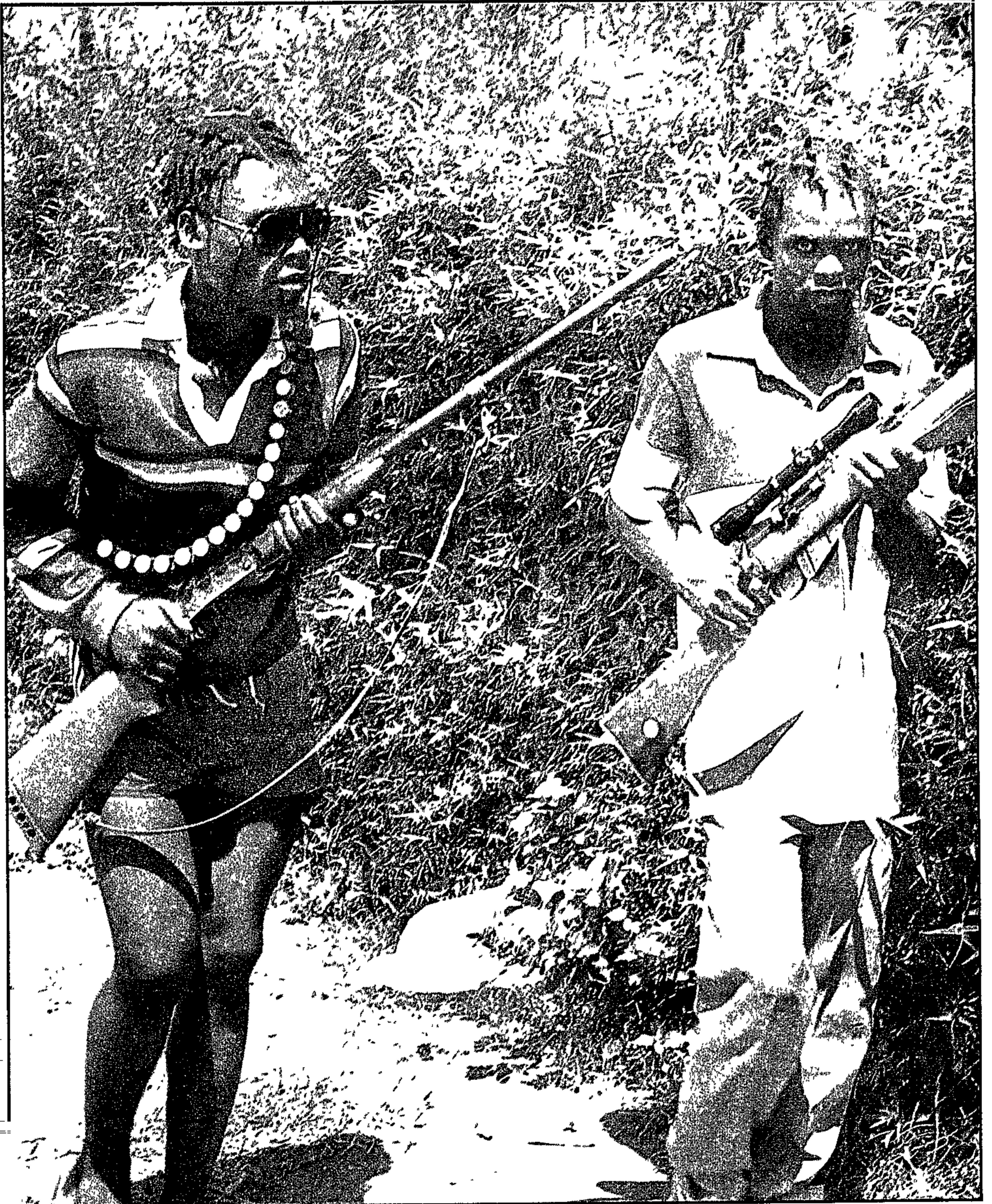
The use of muti is also rife among the various armies.

At Inanda we were led to one faction’s overnight camp of about 200 people, ranging in age from 12 to over 40, who had a two-hour stand-off with people from “the enemy territory” of Lindelani before we arrived. At midnight a commander, armed with a large calibre shotgun and a Russian-made Makarov pistol, ordered the men to leave in groups of fifty to the nearby house of an inyanga for a muti ritual which they believed made them immune from “enemy” bullets.

The hour-long ritual for each “unit” involved cutting of certain parts of the body and mixing muti with blood. They also bathed in muti and drank muti to spew on to the border separating their area and Lindelani.

**‘Generals’
must be
involved
in any
peace
talks**

By S’BU MNGADI



Two Inkatha warriors patrolling outside KwaSwayimane, Wartburg, home of an alleged warlord, where 15 people were killed during a New Year's Eve gunbattle. They are members of heavily-armed local "kitsguerrillas".

Destruction and death ²⁷⁶ in townships

Star 22/11/70
By Craig Kotze

- At least four people were killed in township unrest in Natal over the weekend, police said. In other townships, police were attacked and houses set alight.
- Three policemen were injured in the violence, and the home of another damaged in a grenade attack in Tembisa on the East Rand.
- In violence linked to the South African Transport Services strike, a railways hostel was petrol-bombed, but no one hurt.
- Three of the weekend killings took place in Inanda township at Durban.
- One victim was "necklaced", police said.
- Police were shot at when they arrived at the scene of one killing. They fired back.
- The bullet-riddled body of a man was found in kwaMashu township near Durban.
- A special constable was injured at Khayelitsha, near Cape Town, when he was hit by a bottle thrown from a passing train.
- A policeman was slightly injured when police dispersed a mob outside a beerhall at Suvkleba, Morgenzon, in the Transvaal. One person was arrested.
- A man was arrested in Khut-song near Carletonville after a police vehicle was petrol-bombed.
- A policeman's home was petrol-bombed, but the attackers were driven off.

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Necklacing in Natal, unrest claims eight

PRETORIA.—A man was necklaced in Natal at the weekend as countrywide unrest claimed at least eight lives.

Police found the bodies of six people killed in separate incidents in strife-torn Natal, where more than 3 000 people have died since the fighting between Inkatha and the UDF started in 1987.

One man was killed in Inanda when a petrol-soaked tyre was placed around his neck and set on fire, a practice known as "necklacing".

Three other people were killed and one seriously injured in other incidents at Inanda.

Police were shot at when they arrived on the scene of one Inanda incident. They returned fire with shotguns but no one was injured and no arrests were made.

At Nakotanene, Natal, Mrs L E Ndovela, 72, was kidnapped by 40 people and stoned to death — apparently because she was

a witchdoctor. No arrests were made.

A man's body was found riddled with bullet wounds at Kwamashu, Durban. The motive for the killing was unknown. No arrests were made.

Also at Kwamashu a security forces member was injured when police intervened in a faction fight in which 10 houses were damaged. Teargas fired by police stopped the fighting, but no arrests were made. No further details were provided.

At Silethle, Lothair, Eastern Transvaal, a man was beaten to death by a mob of about 200 people

Kagiso when a private home was attacked with petrol bombs.

In other incidents of unrest reported at the weekend:

● An SAP special constable was injured at Khayelitsha when he was hit by a bottle thrown from a passing train. No arrests were made.

● A policeman's home was damaged in Tembisa when a handgrenade exploded on the roof.

● A police member was slightly injured when police dispersed a mob outside a beerhall at Suvkleba, Morganson. One person was arrested.

● SA Transport Services living quarters at Soweto were petrol-bombed causing negligible damage, according to police. No injuries or arrests were reported. — Sapa

● Petrol bombs were thrown at a police vehicle resulting in the arrest of one man in Khutsong, Carltonville. — Sapa

'Talks' to end Natal violence?

Political Staff

ALEXANDER BAY. — Major moves are expected this week to end the Natal violence in which hundreds of people have died and thousands have been injured.

Minister of Law and Order Mr Adrian Vlok is hoping to start a negotiation process between all parties at a meeting in Durban

"We must take the bull by the horns and settle this very serious situation once and for all," he said at a weekend briefing for the media near Alexander Bay.

It is understood he will be leading a high-powered delegation of senior police officers and officials in an attempt to find the root cause of the problems

ANC Seven plan rally to end faction violence in Natal

From JOHN RYAN Argus Africa News Service LUSAKA. — The recently released leaders of the African National Congress (ANC) plan to stage a rally in Natal to try and end the violence in the province.

They also will try to meet King Goodwill Zwelithini, the ANC announced last night at a press conference here.

After an extensive three-day meeting between Mr Walter Sisulu and the other leaders from South Africa, the national executive committee and members of the ANC's military wing said the organisation viewed "this continuing massacre of the people" as totally unacceptable.

It said the situation in Natal was a national problem which required the direct intervention of "our national leaders to interact with the people affected by this violence and all other

forces interested in ending it". An attempt to end the violence would be made without delay.

The meeting, the first between external and internal ANC leaders, had emphasised the importance of engaging all South Africans in united action against apartheid, said a post-meeting statement.

It also had expressed grave concern that there were still "some patriots" on death row and demanded that they should not be hanged under any circumstances.

Those at the meeting also called on people working within the "Bantustan" structures to commit themselves to a united, democratic and non-racial South Africa.

However, the statement said nothing about what had been decided during the three-day conference on issues vital to the ANC — such as a strategy for possible negotiations with

the South African government and the specific role the released leaders would play in the hierarchy.

It merely said these leaders were part of "one united leadership of our movement" and would operate together with the national executive.

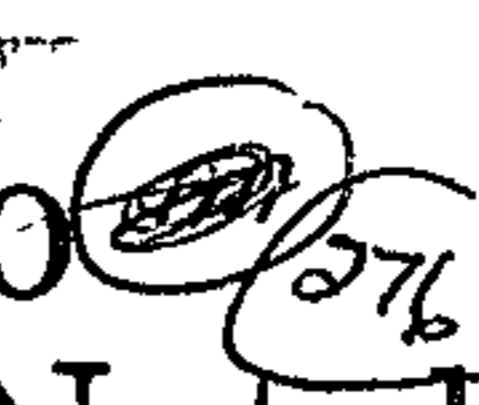
It is understood the ANC fears the leaders from South Africa could be rebanned if they are appointed to official positions within the banned organisation.

Today, the ANC leaders will attend a summit meeting of the frontline states which they asked to be held here.

The statement said the organisation would take the opportunity to extend to the frontline heads "our deep appreciation for the unswerving support for our movement and discuss with them what needs to be done further to intensify the offensive against the apartheid system".

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Clerics won't attend Vlok's Natal meeting

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DURBAN. — The Natal Church Leaders Group said yesterday they would not participate in a meeting here tomorrow arranged by Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok to discuss local violence.

The Rev Dr Khoza Mgojo said he had not been told which other organisations had been invited to the meeting, nor had the clerics received any formal invitation to the talks.

In spite of telephone calls to Mr Vlok's office, the group had no agenda for the meeting. They therefore "cannot attend with any clear mandate and thus will be represented only by two members who will attend in an observer status".

● Meanwhile the Democratic Party and Inkatha said in a joint statement yesterday that the process of negotiation had to involve all parties of significance in South Africa, including themselves. — Own Correspondent and Political Staff

Natal church group to shun Vlok meeting

Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG — The Natal Church Leaders Group will not take part in this week's meeting in Durban arranged by Minister of Law and Order Mr. Adriaan Vlok to discuss the violence in the province.

In a letter addressed to the State President, the group — which represents the Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian, Catholic and United Congregational churches — yesterday expressed concern at developments following an urgent appeal to President de Klerk last month for talks with him.

The Rev. Khoza Mgojo said Mr de Klerk had indicated in his reply to the church leaders that he had asked Mr Vlok to contact them.

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Dr Mgojo said the meeting arranged by Mr Vlok with various organisations in Durban on Thursday was very different from the meeting requested with the State President. *Star 24/1/90*

Despite a number of telephone calls to Mr Vlok's office, the church group was still not in possession of an agenda for the meeting.

"We believe that without an agenda we cannot attend this meeting with any clear mandate and thus will be represented only by two members, who will attend in an observer status," the letter said.

Union conflict at Haggie Rand plant still unresolved

ADELE BALETA

A DATE has not yet been set for a meeting to resolve the conflict between Inkatha's United Workers Union of SA (Uwusa) and the Cosatu-affiliated National Union of Metalworkers of SA (Numsa) at Haggie Rand's Germiston plant. Five workers have died and eight have been injured in inter-union conflict at the plant since September last year.

Haggie Rand's efforts to hold a meeting on January 17 with the unions to try and resolve the issue failed when Numsa withdrew at the last minute over a disagreement about representation at the meeting.

A management spokesman said there had also been three attempted shootings, eight voluntary resignations believed to be associated with the violence, and 11 workers had left the plant without giving reasons.

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The latest death occurred earlier this month when Numsa member Julius Nkosi was shot dead in Katlehong.

Uwusa spokesman A B Shundu said the battle between the unions began in September when Numsa embarked on an overtime ban. He said Numsa workers had tried to intimidate Uwusa members to join the industrial action. "Our policy is negotiation and we do not support Numsa in the overtime ban. Our aims and objectives on the shop floor are different from Numsa's," he said.

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were running at about 15% to 30% of capacity, he said.

Formerly Johannesburg High

ed library books, a piano, an overhead projector and science equipment, McGurk said.

Vlok's planned talks criticised

CHARLENE SMITH

DISSENT has arisen about a planned series of meetings with Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok in Durban tomorrow to secure peace in the violence-ridden areas in Natal.

Some of those invited say Vlok's office has ignored repeated requests for an agenda and they find it impossible to send mandated delegates if they do not know the purpose of the discussions.

Law and Order spokesman Brig Leon Mellet will not comment on these allegations, but says the talks will include members of the UDF, Inkatha and "interested individuals".

At least one group has declined the invitation. A group of prominent church leaders, including Catholic Archbishop Dennis Hurley and former Methodist president Khosa

Ngojo, who applied for an interview with President F W de Klerk last year and were referred to Vlok to discuss an end to the conflict, were among those who complained about the lack of an agenda.

They faxed a letter to De Klerk yesterday expressing their concern that their attempts for a private meeting to discuss the Natal violence were being ignored. They said Vlok had invited them to a further series of talks he was having with church people in Cape Town on January 29, but there was insufficient notice given of that meeting. (276) (127)

Vlok's discussions will be held at the Tropicana Hotel on the Durban beachfront tomorrow. (127)

Wilson's death 'great loss'

By Day 24/1/90
Armed pupils hold

school hostage

276 Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG — A Ladysmith school principal told yesterday how a former pupil at the Kruinsig High School burst into the school assembly, fired a shot into the ceiling with a double-barrelled shotgun, and ordered him off the stage.

The incident was the start of a five-hour hostage drama which ended shortly before 1pm when two 16-year-old schoolboys laid down their weapons — a .303 rifle, and a .357 magnum — and gave themselves up to police who were alerted by a teacher.

No-one was injured but several pupils were treated for shock.

Two 16-year-old white youths appeared in the Ladysmith Magistrate's Court yesterday in connection with a charge of malicious injury to property. No charges were put to them and they were remanded in police custody until February 6.

The boys demanded to be allowed to speak to the State President about "various political matters", including the admission of black pupils to the school, and demanded that animals in the Kruger Park be returned to Natal.

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In the heart of Natal's war

Under fire



A young "comrade" in Mpumalanga

From CHRISTINA SCOTT DURBAN. — The most striking feature of the war in Natal is its casualness. Families line the streets to watch the fighting. Small children come out of hiding giggling. Young boys tote homemade firearms without a thought.

In the past week, I have witnessed two attacks by vigilantes on a UDF township north of Durban and sifted through the debris of smoking shacks petrol-bombed by revengeful comrades.

Last Thursday morning, scores of armed men from Richmond Farm squatter camp plunged through the bush and tall grass into the valley where K and J sections of KwaMashu township intersect.

Cries of "bulala" ("kill them") and at least 30 muffled-sounding shots from the homemade firearms known as qwasas could be heard as they raced down the hillside.

"We are the amaSinyora", the men cried. The Sinyoras, named after a popular Brenda Fassie tune, "No No No Senor", are a criminal gang, according to police unrest reports.

However, the amaSinyora operate out of Richmond Farm, a "suburb" within the sprawling Lindelani shackland tightly controlled by former Inkatha Central Committee member Thomas Mandla Shabalala.

Looting

Sinyora members face prosecution for the murder of ex-hunger striker Christy Ntuli and have been implicated in affidavits in the deaths of dozens of youth activists in the patchwork of townships and shacks north of Durban.

Small children clutching toddlers and women with babies on their backs ran down the streets, through the Ndabazwe Higher Primary School sports field and up to the Enhlanjani ("Lucky") trading store.

The Sinyoras were looting the first row of houses closest to the squatter shacks, on Mhombothu Road.

An hour earlier, I had been on that road interviewing people whose shacks were gutted, houses petrol-bombed and belongings stolen in a similar attack on January 15. Nine people were reported injured.

Mrs Bettina Khanyile, with her two-year-old son Sinyobonga was moving her pots and mattress back into her gutted house after a night in the open.

As she spoke of her fear that she would be trapped in another attack, we looked up and saw groups of men congregating on the Richmond Farm skyline.

"Yes, that's them," said Moffit, another resident of Mhombothu Road. "They watch all the time."

South African and Kwa/ulu police vans drove past us then, but I witnessed no attempt to disperse the groups of men.

I had moved to another part of K section to interview a woman planning a "wives' delegation" to the South African Police headquarters to complain about alleged Kwa/ulu police assistance to vigilantes when the fighting broke out.

On the roads next to the fighting stood householders, older men, side by side with comrades dressed in



Relatives mourn for a victim of the Natal violence in Inanda, near Durban

print dresses, aprons, skirts and headscarves and armed with pangas, knives and sticks.

The comrades later explained that they wore women's clothing to deflect close scrutiny from both the security forces and the vigilantes.

A Democratic Party township fieldworker turned to me and said, "you must help the people. The people are suffering." We drove off to look for help.

On our return, we were met by a policeman from the Point Riot Unit clambering out of a Casspir with a rifle by his side. He seemed relaxed.

"Ja, it's some kind of faction fight," he said. "The people from Richmond Farm are attacking."

Any injuries, I asked. "No," he responded. "They're lousy shots, those ones. Why, are you hurt?"

We drove to the K section hilltop, where a triangle of new houses overlooks the distant Newlands West Indian housing estate and juts between the older township, Richmond Farm and Siyanda squatter camps.

Casspirs and vans from both the Kwa/ulu and the South African police were patrolling the area.

Residents pointed out a grey concrete-built, split level house on the opposite hillside, and said the gangsters had taken refuge there. Men carrying weapons could be seen lounging in front of the house.

Residents laughed delightedly. The

Sinyoras were facing the township and could not see a Casspir inching its way towards them from the direction of the squatter camp.

It turned the corner, men scattered and shots ran out across the valley. A variety of policemen spilled from the Casspir. Kiskonstables in blue overalls, uniformed, plainclothes and camouflage clad men.

One solitary black policeman hopped down the road in a kind of sideways llop, his rifle in front of him. A Sinyora broke from cover and he fired two shots and took off in pursuit.

"Ungaphakathi! (he's inside!)" shouted the residents. As the police fanned out and hunted, locals gave directions at the top of their lungs. "Look in the garage," "Over the road" and "Up the hill."

Four Sinyoras ran past us to Siyanda squatter camp. The entire township was out on the streets yelling for the Casspir to move our way.

A man in camouflage gear ran out of the Casspir.

"Where is he?" he asked a group of about 50 comrades armed with pangas and knives.

"There, there," they said, pointing to the deep grass where a man was making his way to the Indian subdivision on the next rise.

He fired twice. "Bopha (arrest him!)," urged the youths. Several kiskonstables ran down the hill and collared the suspect.

Another man in green overalls, with one sleeve hanging loose from his back, was flushed out on the comrades' directions.

"Shaya (hit him)" shouted one comrade, who was immediately slashed.

As both men were being manhandled to the Casspir, a man in a torn white T-shirt made a break for it out of one of the Siyanda shacks.

"Buya, mana" (come back, stop) shouted the comrades. Police ran into the shack settlement but were greeted with calls of the wrong "skipper" or "I-shirt" when they brought back a man with an untorn shirt.

The fourth man, in a red T-shirt, ran out of a nearby shack and tore off into the heart of the settlement.

"Thank you, thank you," the residents cried as the police drove away.

"If police did that all the time, there would be no warfare here," said a 23-year-old KwaMashu matric student.

However, a SAP member later confirmed that all the men were released the same day for lack of evidence.

Last Saturday, we went to the buffer shacks in the Richmond Farm squatter settlement. Nine were smouldering. A dozen others had been kicked in.

Township residents claimed the petrol bombing was in revenge for an earlier attack in which youth



A funeral procession through the killing fields of Pietermaritzburg

league members Simphiwe Soni and Moses Zaba, 28, were shot dead with R1 long range rifles.

A man carrying a yellow plastic bucket of water from the only tap to a corner of his home denied this.

KM Shabalala, a cleaner, pointed to a shack shop, its shelves bare of mealie meal, cigarettes, vegetables and mineral water and said, they are the aggressors.

A 32-year-old woman with two children pointed to the township metres away and said, "This side's UDF. This side's Inkatha. I don't like the UDF. They use the petrol bombs (she made a swift throwing gesture) and they burn."

"We have lost so much," said a 30-year-old man who later claimed he was a security spy.

"So we have to pay revenge. The SAP and the SADF, they say we must not attack, we must stay inside but they lead the UDF. It's an inside job."

The same tale was repeated on the Sunday morning. Ten Inkatha shacks had been petrol-bombed close to the township after midnight.

A painter-carpenter, George Malimela was scraping through the ashes of their home with two spoons. His barefoot wife Juliet, a transistor radio tied around her wrist, jumped in the air. "Iyatsisa (it's hot)" she said, pointing to where embers had burnt her feet.

Revenge

They found a ladle, two spoons, a candle-stick holder, a bread knife and a Yale lock with nothing more to protect.

A neighbour, brushing his teeth as the sun rose, said "We like the ZP. The ZP they have been helping us. The SAP, SADF they go with comrades. They stop us when we fight."

As we came on to the main road through Richmond Farm, a group of armed men were congregating.

"Get out! No picture!" they cried. We moved back down to the township. No police could be seen after the Richmond Farm people streamed down to launch a revenge attack.

Our first warning was a red car that tore along the boundary road hooting. The crackle of R1s could be heard as squatters ran bent-backed from gutted house to gutted house.

As they came down, comrades ran up another slope to sling two petrol bombs. The glass bottles did not break and they retreated. A township youth armed with a qwasha ran past my hiding place but I did not see him fire.

A comrade on a "safe" road brought out a bucket of water and a grass whisk. Close to 50 people lined up to be sprinkled with water to minimise the chances of being burnt by petrol bombs.

Almost immediately, a DP field worker called for the SAP and SADF. They arrived in vans, buffets and Casspirs, including a detachment of shirtless policemen who were obviously caught unaware.

The violence subsided. By midnight it had broken out again.

Snooker star released on bail

Own Correspondent

LONDON — South African snooker champion Silvino Francisco, 42, has been released on bail while detectives continue probing an alleged R1.4-million betting fraud.

Officers of Scotland Yard's international and organised crimes squad arrested Francisco at his home in Chesterfield, Derbyshire, on Tuesday but charges were not laid.

Francisco is to present himself at Chesterfield police station on February 1 for further questioning.

Reef school now non-racial

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — For the first time in Barnato Park's 102-year history, black and white pupils sat together on the first day of school.

The former Johannesburg High School for Girls — closed by the government at the end of last year — reopened yesterday as a private non-racial and co-educational high school.

The 256 pupils who started yesterday were predominantly from Soweto.

From SIMON BARBER

WASHINGTON. — Ms Makaziwe "Maki" Mandela, daughter of ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela by his first marriage, says she was "very angry" that her father "chose arrest rather than exile".

She was bitter that he tried to make her answer to Mrs Winnie Mandela rather than her own mother.

She believes she received more help in life from the SA Institute of Race Relations than from her own family.

Her remarkably frank views are laid out in a lengthy interview she gave recently to the Washington Post from her home in Amherst, where she is reading for a doctorate in anthropology at the University of Massachusetts.

She ascribes what she sees as her father's choice of arrest in part to a sense of "self-aggrandisement", but she also accepts that he believed "some leaders have to stay inside and be the galvanising force for the people".

She still feels he treated her mother, Ms Evelyn Ntoko, badly.

The divorce took place in 1958, when she was four.

"My father never discussed the whole issue with her. My mom just read about it in a newspaper. The man didn't even have the decency to let her know 'Look, I no longer love you'."

Mr Mandela was arrested when she was eight and at boarding school in Swaziland.

"My father had the opportunity to leave the country when he travelled throughout Africa and went to London. You ask yourself 'Why did he go back to SA?' because he definitely knew he would be caught. He was hunted. I have really been bitter for not having my father, and very angry — at my father — for not being there."

Reconciliation began slowly in the late 1970s, when her mother persuaded her and her brother Makgatho — now a

Frankness from first Mandela daughter

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store owner in Cofimvaba — to visit their father on Robben Island.

Even then there was "friction" because "whatever we would request from my father, my father would say 'Go to Mama-Winnie'."

Ms Mandela studied at Fort Hare till 1981 and did social work in Transkei for a while before being prodded by her parents to finish her degree at the University of Natal.

With more such "prodding", she won the Fulbright scholarship that brought her to Amherst.

Only last year, when Mr Mandela was allowed to celebrate his 71st birthday with a broad array of family and friends, did the two finally come to understand each other.

"Our inhibitions were thrown out there. For the first time he opened to me as a father."

She prefers not to talk about the controversy that has surrounded her stepmother recently — the Soweto mansion, the soccer club — but she has little doubt that it will make her father's life more difficult when he is free.

She worries that too much will be expected of him once he is out. "He has earned this image of being this more-than-hero, this fairy godfather, who has a magic wand in his hand, who, when he comes out, will make everything rosy. No single man can achieve that."

Police open fire — two killed

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JOHANNESBURG. — Police opened fire on a crowd stoning a police vehicle during a protest gathering in Carletonville yesterday, killing two people and wounding three others, police said.

Thirteen people were arrested.

In an unusual midday statement on political unrest, police acknowledged that two people died in police gunfire after some 5 000 people gathered to protest at the death of a youth in police custody.

Organisers of the rally, the

National Union of Mine Workers, said police opened fire without provocation, killing the two and wounding as many as 20 people. But the police announcement said police used live ammunition only after demonstrators stoned a police vehicle, smashing its back window.

In Ntuzuma, KwaZulu, on Tuesday, police exchanged gunfire with demonstrators near a courthouse in the township, killing one woman, police said.

Police liaison in Pretoria yesterday that a man was hacked to death with pangas in Soweto and

a man was shot and fatally wounded by a group of men in KwaMashu, near Durban.

Also in KwaMashu two policemen were shot and wounded by schoolchildren. Police headquarters at Ulundi said a Sergeant Simamane and a Constable Zuma were talking to staff at a school on Tuesday when they were attacked by gun-wielding children.

Sgt Simamane is in a critical condition in hospital and Const Zuma's condition was described as satisfactory. The reason for the attack is not known — Sapa, UPI

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ward was withholding vital information.

Vlok optimistic about end to Natal violence

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DURBAN — Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said here yesterday that he was "carefully optimistic" about prospects for peace in strife-torn Natal.

He also said the question of special courts and special investigators was to be considered in order to deal with the violence and promised to investigate the

cases of local leaders of the UDF who had been banned and restricted.

Vlok spoke at a Press conference after a meeting at a Durban hotel attended by Inkatha, Cosatu and church representatives.

Lawyers representing Cosatu and the UDF said

they had "used the opportunity to put on record some of our reservations about both this meeting and the way the issue of violence in Natal is handled".

They said Vlok had assured them during the meeting that their allegations would be investigated, but "only time will tell whether he is being sincere". (276) (DA)

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Vlok to review banning orders

By TERRY VAN DER WALT

MAJOR stumbling blocks in Natal peace talks could soon be removed after Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok undertook to review banning and restriction orders on prominent leaders.

UDF president Archie Gumede, ANC leader Harry Gwala and prominent UDF members in Natal are on a list of names given for review to Mr Vlok, it was revealed yesterday.

Mr Vlok gave the undertaking this week at his peace initiative in Durban, which was threatened with collapse when church leaders, Cosatu and the UDF refused his invitation to take part.

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However, the Natal Church Group and lawyers representing the two bodies agreed to attend.

Mr Vlok sent a message of reconciliation to the UDF, whose members have been imprisoned and restricted over the last few years. He also pleaded with the ANC, UDF and Cosatu to help find a way to stop the Natal violence.

Durban attorney Miss Linda Zama told the Sunday Times she had, as requested by Mr Vlok, drawn up a list of banned and restricted people she considered could play key roles in bringing about peace.

Meanwhile, more violence erupted in the centre of Maritzburg on Friday night, claiming an estimated five lives.

But the police unrest report could only confirm two deaths and said two more people were injured in the running battle near a beer hall when a group of men attacked and killed a man with knives and pangas.

When the police arrived, a shot was fired at them. They returned the fire and a man was killed. Two other people were slightly injured.

A policeman was admitted to Grey's Hospital with concussion after being hit with a brick.

Natal peace plan to be unveiled

By S'BU MNGADI

RECENTLY-released ANC leaders, backed by the ANC and the MDM, will unveil a bold plan at Durban's King's Park Stadium next month to end the Natal violence.

After a three-day meeting between ANC veteran Walter Sisulu, six other former detainees and other MDM leaders, and the national executive committee and members of the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto we-Sizwe, a statement was issued saying the ANC viewed "this continuing massacre of the people" as totally unacceptable.

The statement said the situation in Natal was a national problem which required the direct intervention of "our national leaders to interact with the people affected by this violence and all other forces interested in ending it".

An attempt to end the violence would be made without delay.

Dr Diliza Mji, national president of the National Medical and Dental Association and member of the National Reception Committee, yesterday confirmed an open-air rally would be held on February 18 and the MDM

expected over 100 000 people to attend.

Mji also represents the UDF in a five-man Cosatu/UDF delegation to the peace initiative with Inkatha.

Meanwhile, the joint Inkatha/UDF/Cosatu working committee has adopted a dual approach - to continue to remove obstacles in the way of implementing the peace proposals and to concentrate on local peace initiatives, without appearing to be interfering unduly.

Mji said two members from each delegation of the joint working committee had been meeting in-

formally since December to try to revive the peace process "scuttled by KwaZulu Chief Minister and Inkatha president Gatsha Buthelezi when it had reached an advanced stage last August".

Buthelezi declared a moratorium on further peace talks between Inkatha and the Cosatu/UDF alliance "until there is the prospect of success".

Inkatha general secretary Dr Oscar Dhlomo echoed the Namda President's comment that the local-level approach to the problem seemed to be working.

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Church leaders to meet Vlok on peace plan

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DURBAN — Church leaders will meet Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok in Cape Town today to discuss a strategy to bring peace to Natal.

The Anglican Bishop of Natal, the Rt Rev Michael Nuttall, said the church had been trying to negotiate a meeting with State President Mr F W de Klerk to discuss the situation. *Star 29/11/90*

"The State President's response to our second request to see him was that we must first meet Mr Vlok. We feel it was right to accept his invitation to see him and we are looking forward to the meeting."

He added: "Church people have been involved at both top level and local level and as a result of the church initiative the well known five a side talks resulted in a remarkable peace strategy.

"When these broke down a fresh initiative took

place on our part and we have been able to start again, this time on a two a side basis."

Bishop Nuttall said there had been a significant drop in the violence when the first talks got under way last June.

"There seems to be a correlation between the peace talks and the extent of the violence."

A "think tank" of about 20 church organisations was initiated by the kwaZulu Christian Ministries this week. The Rev Lawrence Buthelezi, convenor, told the gathering that enough funeral services had been conducted, enough children and parents had wept and enough people had died.

Mr Gavin Woods, from the Inkatha Research Institute who was present at the think tank, said the violence could not just be put down to the Inkatha/UDF confrontation.

PRETORIA. — At least four people were killed, all in Natal, in unrest incidents at the weekend, police reported.

A man was stabbed to death when a group attacked him at Inanda township near Durban and a group of youths stabbed a woman to death with knives and assegais at Ineolweni, near Port Shepstone, the report said.

At Maritzburg a group of men attacked and killed a man with knives and pangas. When the SAP arrived on the scene a shot was fired at them.

They returned the fire and a man was fatally wounded and two others were slightly injured.

Also at Inanda five private dwellings were attacked with petrol bombs and extensive damage was caused. No police action was taken.

At Table Mountain near Maritzburg police arrested seven youths and eight men after a private dwelling was set alight and two other houses were stoned.

At KwaMashu near Durban shots were fired at a South African Defence Force vehicle. The fire was returned and a man was wounded in the arm and arrested.

At Imbali near Maritzburg two men were

At least four die in Natal weekend unrest incidents

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wounded when shots were fired from a group of people. Injuries were slight.

Also at Imbali an unidentified man was seriously wounded when he was shot twice in the stomach by a group that petrol-bombed his house.

In the same area two people were slightly injured after police used birdshot to disperse a stone-throwing crowd at a local school.

At Roodepoort, in the Transvaal, a group attacked security officers at the CMR mine hospital.

A security officer was seriously injured by the crowd.

Extensive damage was done to the hospital's interior. — Sapa

Natal unrest claims two more victims

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Crime Reporter

At least two people were killed in Natal township unrest at the weekend, police said.

A man was stabbed to death by a mob in Inanda township near Durban.

The second victim was a woman stabbed to death with knives and assegais at Inolweni, near Port Shepstone, by a mob of youths.

Natal township violence has claimed thousands of lives in recent years. Most killings have been the result of continual feuding between Inkatha and the UDF, or as a result of tribal fighting.

'ANC ^{CAC} ^{7/4/90} must ^{30/1/90} help end Natal ²⁷⁶ violence

Political Staff

THE ANC would ultimately have to become involved in resolving the conflict in Natal, the Rev Stanley Mogoba, presiding bishop of the Methodist Church, said yesterday.

He and eight other Natal church leaders met the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, in Cape Town yesterday but "agreed to disagree" with him about the government's refusal to appoint a commission of inquiry into the province's bloody turmoil.

"Ultimately, the big guns — the government, the ANC and the government of KwaZulu — are the principal people who must be involved," he said.

"What is happening now is just the beginning of the process to ensure that peace comes to Natal."

While the delegation believed a commission would have given the people of the province the correct signal, it agreed to the appointment of a working group under the chairmanship of an ex-judge to attempt to resolve the violence.

But the Anglican Bishop of Natal, the Rt Rev Michael Nuttall, explained at a media conference later that the group had accepted the working-group concept but believed it should be in "conjunction with" and not as an "alternative to" the proposed commission of inquiry.

The leader of the delegation, which previously refused to see Mr Vlok in Natal, the Rev Khoza Mgojo, said Mr Vlok had promised to present the case of a commission to the President, Mr F W de Klerk.

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Bishop: ANC must help in Natal unrest

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Delegation leader the Rev Khoza Mgojo said Vlok had promised to present the case of a commission to President FW de Klerk.

Members of the delegation said Vlok had been opposed to a commission on the grounds it would be too costly and would take months before it completed its work

Own Correspondent

and action could be taken on its recommendations.

The feeling was, however, that the commission could conduct its investigations while the working group was operating.

Mogoba described the three-hour talks as "very open and very frank".

The delegation submitted a memorandum to Vlok outlining the history of the conflict, and a series of tables detailing the death toll in various areas and now totaling almost 3 000.

It said several peace initiatives had broken down.

Prosecutions

"There has been a significant increase in violence, and this development led to the decision by church leaders to request a meeting with the President," delegates said.

Their concerns were:

- The apparent ineffectiveness of the security forces in stopping the violence;
- The lack of prosecutions, the delay in prosecutions, and their quality;
- The growing lack of respect for human life and property in the region;
- The problems caused by homelessness and an ever-growing number of displaced people.

MIKE ROBERTSON reports that a spokesman for Vlok said the minister was still awaiting a list of names from lawyers in Natal of people whose restriction orders he should consider lifting. Only then would the matter be considered.

New 'killing field' erupts as Natal violence spreads

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The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN — A new "killing field" in the spreading Natal violence has emerged following the reported deaths of two people since the weekend in the previously peaceful Table Mountain area outside Maritzburg

Gunshots were heard at 8 am today and four houses were set alight

In a dramatic telephone call as mobs were approaching her area, Mrs Gaye Maphumulo, wife of Chief Mhlabanzima Maphumulo who controls the area, said she feared for the life of her husband who had left at dawn to visit residents affected by the clashes

"Mobs on the way"

"We have heard that mobs are on the way to the tribal court area. There are only a few women here at the moment," she said

She said she had heard several gunshots in the valley below the tribal court earlier.

"I only hope my husband is alive," she said

In the wake of the killings and the burning of more than 14 homes, people are streaming out of the troubled area to seek refuge from the violence

The area appears to have come under attack by rampaging mobs from neighbouring Manyavu under the control of Chief Mdluli

ANC 'welcome' at Natal talks

Political Staff

THE African National Congress would be welcome to have a representative on the government-created working committee to tackle the political violence in Natal and Kwazulu, a government spokesman said

Senior police suggested to the Natal Church Leadership Group at a meeting with the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, this week that the working committee be set up

Church leaders are considering the idea. The government envisaged that representatives from the police, the Defence Force, the Kwazulu police, the Justice Department and other government departments, Inkatha, the United Democratic Front, Cosatu and church groups should sit as a permanent working committee, chaired by a retired judge

The ANC could be represented if it wanted to, the spokesman said, possibly by an attorney. "They are part of the solution. The more we start accusing one another, the less we are going to start getting to the bottom of this problem"

Clashes over the weekend resulted in more than 400 people seeking refuge at Chief Maphumulo's tribal court.

Most of them had returned home after police moved into the area yesterday

Meanwhile from Pretoria Sapa reports that the police unrest report for the past 24 hours included a policeman being shot dead by an unknown gunman at Kwamashu in Durban

At Inanda, Durban, a group of men attacked a special constable, deprived him of his shotgun and shot him with the same weapon. He is in a critical condition in hospital

In another incident in the area, at a place known as Shembe's village, police found the bodies of two men with stab wounds and burns

Petrol bomb attack

Also in Durban, at Kwadabeka, a man was shot and wounded by unknown attackers

At Imballi in Maritzburg a private dwelling and a private vehicle were gutted in a petrol bomb attack on the property. No injuries were reported

In Bloemfontein a man was shot and wounded when a mob attacked the municipal offices at Mangaung

In another incident in the area, a bus was extensively damaged when it was set alight by a mob

Lightning sparks fires, damages houses

By HANS-PETER BAKKER and SHARKEY ISAACS

Staff Reporters

LIGHTNING struck two houses and caused a fire halfway up Table Mountain when a heavy thunderstorm cracked and rumbled over the Peninsula early today.

Mr Freddy Coetzee of Edgemoed was jolted awake at 4.20am, bathed in blue light and stunned by a loud crack. "Like a whip, only a thousand times louder," he said, still incredulous.

The lightning bolt cracked part of his newly renovated house and loosened the brickwork, showering plaster over his driveway.

NO ELECTRICITY

The bolt then appeared to crash through an open lounge window, smashing a large mirror in the lounge and deflecting on to the opposite wall, leaving a blackened hole about 10cm wide.

Mr Coetzee said the shock activated several car alarms in the area, including his own, and knocked out his electricity and that of some of his neighbours.

The whole neighbourhood was awakened and Mr Coetzee fumbled for his torch to survey the damage. A lounge littered with mirror shards and blasted plaster.

He said he was insured against "acts of God" and



Pictures: LEON MULLER, The Argus

SHOCKED: Mr Freddy Coetzee of Edgemoed at the hole in the wall of his lounge caused by lightning today.

would soon be installing a lightning rod.

A house in Table View was also struck by lightning, sparking off a fire in the lounge

The fire was at 29 Tritonia Road and the occupants extinguished the flames themselves.

The Milnerton fire department was called and found that lounge furniture and electrical appliances had been extensively damaged.

A lightning bolt also ignited fynbos on Table Mountain, halfway up, above Cecilia Forest

About 50 State and municipal firefighters were sent

when the fire was spotted after 3am

It spread through vegetation on inaccessible crags, sending smoke pluming high above Kirstenbosch. The light rain which accompanied the storm was not sufficient to douse the flames

Mr Rudolf Andrag, regional chief of the Department of Nature Conservation, said "We don't believe it will spread very far in the moist vegetation and we are at this stage looking at about 50 hectares of damage."

A weather bureau spokesman at D F Malan Airport said the rain and cloudy conditions were expected to clear by late today

Turned ANC guerilla tells inquest of AK-47

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DURBAN — A former ANC guerilla who is now a security policewoman told an inquest here yesterday that six Chesterville youths examined an AK 47 assault rifle that minutes later was allegedly used by a police hit squad to kill four of them and wound a fifth

Appearing in the screened witness stand at the inquest was Constable Xolclwa Virginia Nompumelelo Shosha, a member of the police C-1 counter-insurgency squad, who described herself to the court as a "special-duty policeman".

Constable Shosha is alleged to have been among seven C-1 members, three of them former ANC guerillas, who intentionally shot up a Chesterville

shack in which Mr Charles Ngcobo and five other suspected "young comrades" waited in the small hours of June 20, 1986

In a statement made to police about eight days after the killings, Constable Shosha said the police, posing as an ANC cadre from Piet Retief, infiltrated a "young comrades" hide-out.

She said the "young comrades" were worried about a Chesterville vigilante group known as the "A-Team" who had "necklaced a lot of people".

Constable Shosha and two others met Mr Ngcobo and five other suspects at a shack in bushy terrain and showed them a captured AK 47 to "prove" they were an ANC cadre.

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Past 24 hours official toll: 0
TOTAL: 1 233

He said it was too early for legal proceedings to be instituted against Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok.

'African heads may have to mediate in Natal'

ULUNDI — Natal's devastating violence might finally need the mediation of African heads of state, KwaZulu Chief Minister Dr Mangosuthu Buthelezi told a representative of Zaire's President Mobuto Sese Seko yesterday. Buthelezi, also Inkatha president, stated the possibility in a memorandum on discussions with former Zairean foreign minister Bula Nyati Mandungu, who is now special advisor to Mobuto. He said it was time to get negotiations going in SA by telling State President F W de Klerk "we are prepared to back anything he does to legis-

late real change into existence". He was not afraid of a white president taking the right steps in the right direction. But there was need for caution about proposing a "once-only, big-bang event" which would launch black politics into a position of ascendancy and make whites subservient. The violence in Natal between the AN-C/UDF/Cosatu alliance and members of Inkatha had already cost more than 2 000 lives, and he feared that unless it was diffused national negotiations might not take place despite white willingness for them, Buthelezi said. Sapa.

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**Armed pupils hold
school hostage**

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MARITZBURG — A Ladysmith school principal told yesterday how a former pupil at the Kruinsig High School burst into the school assembly, fired a shot into the ceiling with a double-barrelled shotgun, and ordered him off the stage.

The incident was the start of a five-hour hostage drama which ended shortly before 1pm when two 16-year-old schoolboys laid down their weapons — a .303 rifle, and a .357 magnum — and gave themselves up to police who were alerted by a teacher.

No-one was injured but several pupils were treated for shock.

Two 16-year-old white youths appeared in the Ladysmith Magistrate's Court yesterday in connection with a charge of malicious injury to property. No charges were put to them and they were remanded in police custody until February 6.

The boys demanded to be allowed to speak to the State President about "various political matters", including the admission of black pupils to the school, and demanded that animals in the Kruger Park be returned to Natal.

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support, they would set an important and symbolic example.

The comrades and vigilantes at ground level might then lay down their weapons.

The unbanning of the ANC and other opposition groups and a new climate of open debate has created new possibilities for resolving South Africa's conflict.

Still, it will be no easy road to peace.

If the violence continues to escalate, Natal may prove to be an insurmountable stumbling block on the way to a national political settlement.

SCARS OF WAR . . . fear leads a family laden with their most precious possessions to join the hundreds of refugees who fled

HIGH HOPES have been pinned on Nelson Mandela as catalyst and mediator for national peace talks.

His release may be the breakthrough for the kind of inclusive negotiations needed to end the civil war in the townships of Natal — he could also play a role as peace broker in this intense regional conflict.

Although some truces have been observed at local level, all attempts to negotiate a regional peace accord to date have foundered.

Brave initiatives by the Maritzburg Chamber of Commerce, Inkatha, Cosatu, UDF affiliates, local chiefs, church groups, the SAP, and most recently, the Minister of Law and Order, have failed to secure lasting peace.

Emergency restrictions, biased policing, voluntary non-participation and established antagonisms have hamstrung past attempts to get representative talks off the ground.

Inadequate

One of the actors always feels excluded or unable to participate.

Certainly, the state of emergency has scattered recognised leaders and disorganised the nascent organisational structures of the UDF.

When progress is made in negotiations, the leaders of the warring parties seem unable to enforce fragile agreements with their grassroots memberships.

The existing political institutions of the tricameral system are inadequate.

And where allegiances are violently contested by UDF and Inkatha supporters, rather than debated from political platforms, it is unlikely a new code of political conduct will emerge.

The hegemonic traditions of white and black South African politics do not encourage pluralism. Nor do they breed tolerance of diverse political affiliations and constituencies within a multi-party system.

Amid the internecine feuding and revenge in Natal, there is always a new score to settle. In this climate, criminal actions are legitimised, although the original political causes are forgotten.

by **Graham Howe**

editor of *Indicator South Africa*, a quarterly report from the University of Natal

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The comrades, vigilantes, warlords and sinyoras (thugs) appear to be accountable to nobody.

They operate without organisational disciplinary procedures and beyond the reach of the law. The territorial imperative takes over in a struggle for dominance.

Gangland has come to shackland.

These are the overt political dimensions of the Natal conflict over the last three years. What are some of its specific features and consequences?

The number of fatalities has increased annually since the initial outbreak of violence in Maritzburg's townships in mid-1987.

This contagious conflict has spread like wildfire to the urban and peri-urban areas — in the corridor between the provincial capital and Durban, catching on in Mpumalanga (Hammarsdale) in 1988, the Shongweni Valley in 1989, then Inanda and KwaMashu.

More recently, the violence has penetrated the rural areas and city centres.

Caught in the frontline, black communities have been torn asunder. The cost of this social upheaval is enormous, leaving an ugly legacy of political division, intolerance and suspicion.

Anguish

Neighbour fears neighbour. More people have died in the Natal conflict than in national civil unrest from 1984 to 1988.

Bare statistical comparisons confirm this, although they obscure the anguish and suffering of ordinary township residents.

Indicator Project SA monitored 2 449 conflict fatalities in the Transvaal, Cape and Free State between September 1984 and December 1988.

Independent monitors in Natal have recorded 1 816 fatalities in

the Midlands (Mooi River/Maritzburg/Hammarsdale) and about 750 in the greater Durban area since 1987 (total 2 566).

At least 20 000 homes and shops have been burned to the ground, leaving an estimated 100 000 people homeless, with all their possessions lost.

The Natal casualty list of 2 566 is probably an undercount, and excludes the thousands of maimed and psychologically scarred victims. A death toll on this scale is higher than that recorded in Northern Ireland (2 500 dead in 20 years) or in Lebanon over the same period.

These tragic facts provide some measure of the depth of conflict and the extent of social dislocation.

Ferocious

To talk of a civil war under these circumstances is no exaggeration. (Unlike Angola, Mozambique and Zimbabwe, this war has broken out prior to a national political settlement.)

There are many theories, but no simple explanations for the origins and course of the conflict. Most commentators attempt to answer two burning questions.

Why did the violence flare up in Natal at the precise moment when civil unrest was subsiding in the other provinces? Why has the violence persisted, becoming ever more ferocious and widespread?

The conflict has been attributed to a combination of five major causes:

RAPID URBANISATION: The influx of new arrivals and the lack of urban infrastructure intensifies conflict over material resources in densely populated areas, for instance, over access to land, housing, social services, the patronage of local leaders.

MODERNISATION: In the melt-

ing pot of mixed rural/urban communities, the values of the traditional elders clash with the assertive youth. (A youthful interviewee comments: "They beat our fathers, they have not beaten us." A traditional leader comments: "I am Zulu . . . we know where we have come from and are going to.")

HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT: Poorly qualified and unlikely to find work, the black youth is alienated from society. Research has shown that about 90 percent of recorded acts of violence are perpetrated by youths in the 14-25 age group.

TERRITORIAL MOBILISATION: Competing political movements undertake aggressive recruitment drives, creating fierce loyalties to partisan symbols and traditions.

In this deadly power game, conservatives and militants are not prepared to tolerate rival groups on their "turf", whether they are Inkatha, charterist black consciousness or Pan-Africanist.

STATE COLLUSION: Both the South African and KwaZulu security forces increase conflict where they openly side with Inkatha. Victims of the violence have little faith in the legal system and have taken matters into their own hands to avenge attacks. (There have been few criminal charges laid during the conflict.)

Comrades

After 36 months of conflict and shifting battle lines, it is a difficult task to untangle the complicated web of events.

The violence has no single source. And with Inkatha reputedly on the retreat in peri-urban and urban areas, the struggle for political hegemony will reach a new peak in 1990.

It would take a major act of reconciliation to bring all the warring parties together. Active mediation by someone such as Nelson Mandela may persuade all the actors to sit down at the conference table.

If leaders of national stature were to agree to peacefully disagree on their political objectives and democratically contest their

Natal death rate higher than Northern Ireland or Lebanon

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UMTATA. — The president of the Congress of Traditional Leaders of Southern Africa (Contralesa), Chief Mhlabunzima Mapumulo of Kwazulu Natal near Maritzburg, has sought political asylum in Transkei.

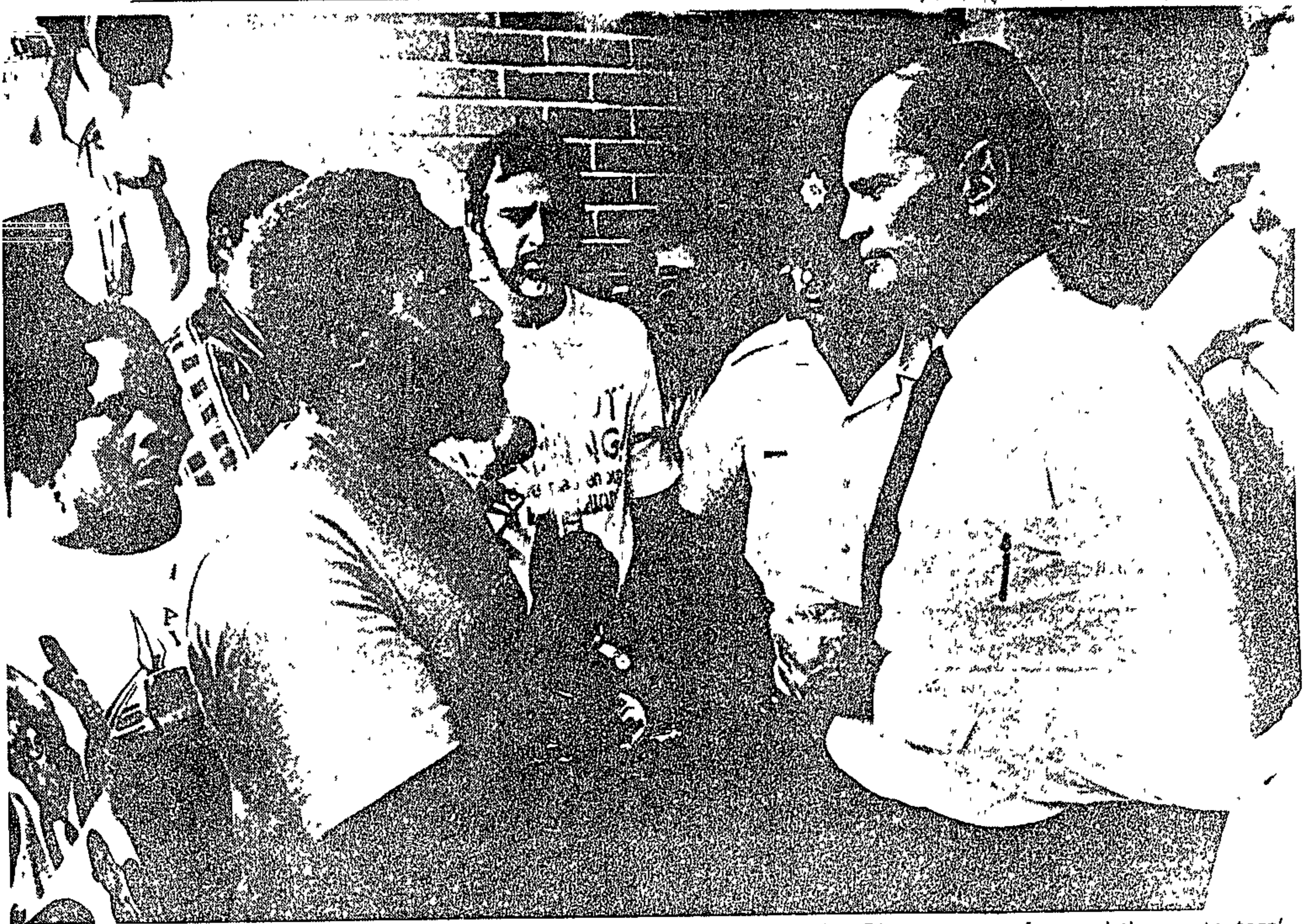
Chief Mapumulo, who arrived in Umtata on Saturday morning, told reporters at K D Matanzima Airport that he decided to flee after his house was burned down on Thursday night. He blamed Inkatha and special constables for the incident.

He said there had been a dispute between him and another chief over a certain piece of land which Chief Mapumulo claimed belonged to his area. Since the dispute became an issue he had lived under constant harassment.

"After I identified some of the people behind the campaign I filed an urgent Supreme Court interdict asking the court to restrain these people from harassing me and my family," Chief Mapumulo said.

He said the application is due to be heard at 2.30pm on Friday in the Supreme Court, Maritzburg.

Chief Mapumulo is expected to meet the authorities today.



ANTI-TOUR DEMANDS ... Chairman of the Anti-Tour Committee, Mr Pat Bhengu, puts forward the protesters' demands to Major-General Roy During at the weekend outside the Jan Smuts stadium in Maritzburg. In the biggest cricket tour protest so far, several thousand demonstrators gathered outside the stadium following a spectacular march through the capital.

Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG. — It was all quiet here yesterday after rebel English cricket captain Mike Gatting and his team faced their biggest tour protest so far when several thousand demonstrators gathered outside the Jan Smuts Stadium on Saturday following a spectacular march through the capital.

Police were in and around the stadium yesterday but there were no incidents.

Busloads of protesters started arriving at Churchill Square in the city centre from about 9am on Saturday.

ANC banners and flags and scores of anti-tour placards were held high as the march got under way shortly after 11am after a rousing singing of the anthem Nkosi Sikelel i'Africa.

Marshals battled to keep the high-spirited crowd under control as it snaked its way through town.

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Rest day for protesters in Maritzburg

Some of the younger protesters taunted riot police watching the march from school grounds in Commercial Road and children at Alexandra High who watched the procession pass their school were shouted at.

Tensions ran high when a delegation from the anti-tour organisers was informed by police and cricket organisers at lunchtime that Gatting would not be coming out to receive a memorandum from them till the tea break at 3.20pm.

Minutes into the tea break, Gatting, tour organiser Dr Ali Bacher,

manager David Gra-veney and vice-captain John Emburey, walked out of the grounds and were immediately surrounded by the anti-tour organisers and hordes of local and overseas reporters and cameramen.

NSC general secretary Mr Krish Naidoo said yesterday that the SACU was prepared to cancel the rebel English cricket tour three weeks ago if the anti-tour National Sports Congress paid the SACU a R3-million cancellation fee to the English cricketers.

Dr Bacher said the claim was "totally untrue".

Tragedy mars 'victory' celebrations

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By LECHESA TSENOLI

A CELEBRATORY toyi-toyi by Lamontville youth following the announcement of the unbanning of the ANC ended in tragedy when a 14-year-old boy was shot dead by police.

Bafu Malinga — a pupil who could not find a place in a local high school this year because of overcrowding — was among a group of about 50 youths who were waving ANC flags and chanting slogans on their way to a meeting.

As the group passed the police station a policeman opened fire, critically injuring Malinga who fell to the ground about 10 metres from the police station

Malinga was taken by ambulance to the King Edward Hospital where he died just over an hour later.

His brother, Jabavu Malinga, said the family was considering legal action

"I am very unhappy about what happened. Why did they have to shoot an unarmed child?" Malinga

said.

The police unrest report confirmed that a youth was "wounded" in the township when a police vehicle was fired on.

A man was shot dead and a youth injured when they were attacked by a group at Imball near Pietermaritzburg, the police public relations department said in its daily unrest report on Saturday.

According to the report, "a group of blacks, waving ANC flags, threw stones and fired at a police

base at Lamontville near Durban at 8.35pm on Saturday.

"In the incident a vehicle returning to the base was shot at. While removing the vehicle to safety the driver was fired at by four blacks

The driver returned the fire, wounding a youth. Two others were arrested in the incident

"The group were displaying ANC flags and shouted that the SAP should withdraw from the townships as the ANC was in charge of Lamontville," the report said.

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'War' breaks out as SADF pull out

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DURBAN. — Between three and nine people are believed to have died since Sunday when "war" broke out again in Maritzburg's troubled Mpumalanga area following a pull-out by the Defence Force on Saturday.

A spokesman for the Legal Resources Centre (LRC) said that while the SADF was in the township in December and January there had been "absolute peace".

The latest round of violence began on Sunday, hours after the SADF withdrawal.

LRC spokesman Mr Richard Lyster said he received reports that on Sunday about 30 men, armed with assegais and shotguns, went into the township and attacked a number of houses.

Three homes were gutted, three partly gutted and 12 vandalised.

The LRC has contacted Democratic Party MP Mr Peter Gastrow to try to intervene to get the SADF to return to Mpumalanga.

In Thokoza on the East Rand

youths from three schools commandeered a tractor and crashed it into a car to block off the road from police.

Two people were hurt after police used buckshot to disperse the large gathering of pupils.

A doctor in the township said he had treated at least six injured people yesterday, including a six-year-old child. Police said they knew only of the two people hurt by buckshot.

A police spokesman said the clash took place after 800 pupils put up barricades which included the stolen municipal tractor.

The clash was a sequel to an incident on Friday when pupils tried to set their teachers alight. Police arrived in time to save the teachers.

● The Congress of Traditional Leaders of South Africa (Contralesa) president and chief of the Maguongo area, Chief Mhlabuzima Maphumulo, said at least five people had died and about 5000 others fled their homes near Maritzburg during violence over the past few days.

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Chief tells of attack on homestead

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"Livestock and personal property was taken from members of my tribe," he alleged.

Contralesa national organiser Mr Sipiwe Thusi said he believed the attacks were aimed at "destabilising the efforts" of Contralesa, a country-wide organisation involving rural chiefs who said they worked towards unity and broad-based democracy.

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He said at least three Contralesa chiefs and their tribes were attacked.

Mr Maphumulo said the Defence Force pulled out of the area about a month ago.

He urged the people of Natal to demand peace. "We want democracy and we must demand democracy."

The situation in Natal made it impossible for peace proposals to continue, he said. — Sapa.

Police still bar Pressmen from unrest

The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — Police have maintained they still have a right in terms of the emergency regulations to order journalists from unrest situations.

This was despite the fact that emergency regulations forbidding reporters from being at scenes of unrest were abolished by President De Klerk on Friday and gazetted on Saturday.

On Monday journalists were ordered away from clashes in Tembisa on the East Rand. Mr Peter Reynolds, lawyer of the Star, sister newspaper of the Argus, said that according to Mr De Klerk's speech nearly all the media emergency regulations had been scrapped.

The only restriction which was still applicable related to visual material of "unrest situations".

"There appears to be no basis for the police to have ordered the reporters from the scene. I think the police have acted hastily in this instance."

6 die as 'necklace' executions resume

The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — Six people have been killed during unrest which has seen the return to the townships of the dreaded "necklace" and other execution burnings.

Three of those killed on Monday were burned to death, including one murdered by the infamous method of setting alight a tyre placed around his neck.

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By Craig Kotze

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Two policemen were injured when they were stoned while escorting private vehicles from Tembisa. Two men allegedly in possession of petrol bombs were arrested by police.

At Ikageng near Portchefstroom, two private vehicles were set alight by mobs.

Natal violence could get worse — Buthelezi

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LONDON. — Chief Mangosothu Buthelezi has told The Times that he fears the violence in Natal, which has cost 3 000, lives could get worse.

He denied all responsibility for the violence, claiming that much of it was committed by criminal elements beyond the control of either Inkatha or the UDF, and added: "I pray only for the violence to stop."

He told the newspaper's correspondent in Natal that Inkatha had opened fresh peace talks with the UDF, "but I fear the violence is only going to get worse now that young ANC insurgents will be dribbling back from exile, bringing their AK-47s with them".

"They'll try to do what Swapo did last year and send their fighters streaming back, gun in hand. It's essential for everyone that this is not allowed to happen."

While repeating his assertion that he was ready for immediate talks with the ANC, Chief Buthelezi also accused it of manipulating international opinion and getting "the foreign Press to swallow their version of events".

Chief Buthelezi heaped fulsome praise on President De Klerk, claiming (with a laugh) that the president might even poll more African votes than he himself.

"At any rate, he's fulfilled all my conditions for negotiation and so I'm ready to negotiate now.

"If the ANC aren't ready that's their problem. They chose the armed-struggle path and criticised people like me who stayed inside the country and organised.

"Well, now we've got our organisation and I don't see why we should sit around waiting for them to get their act together."

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'800 troops in townships'

CAPE TOWN — There were fewer than 800 troops acting in support of police in black residential areas, the Deputy Minister of Defence, Mr Wynand Breytenbach, said at a press briefing yesterday.

In the Durban-Maritzburg area, troops were sustaining a limited presence in support of police, and the perception of these townships being under siege was totally wrong.

Civic leaders in Natal had requested him to increase the number of troops, he said.

Mr Breytenbach also told the briefing that the Government denied giving assistance to Renamo, but had heard rumours of unofficial South African support.

● President de Klerk was considering the appointment of a judicial commission of inquiry to look into the political violence in Natal and kwaZulu, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr

Adriaan Vlok, said yesterday. He said Natal unrest was one of the reasons that the state of emergency was being maintained.

He said calls for a commission of inquiry were not made in an effort to find the real causes of the fighting, but "to put the security forces in the dock".

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Only Mandela can end the Natal violence

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These structural problems are caused by "the collapse of apartheid planning" and inability to deal with the rapid urbanisation in Natal, particularly around Durban.

University of Natal labour researcher Ari Sitas said a pattern in the conflict had been noted in which newly established squatter communities fought more permanent township settlements for access to water and other civil amenities.

Sitas said this gave rise to the phenomenon "warlordism" where residents were forced to pay protection money and homage to local gang leaders. These "warlords" tended to join Inkatha for protection from arrest by the KwaZulu or South African Police, he said.

Hindson said a peace settlement that was not accompanied by a coherent development plan was bound to fail. Unemployment, cited by many academics as a leading cause of the conflict, would have to be countered by stimulating Durban's economy.

He said the possibility of achieving such a long-term plan would be considerably improved if the two sides could reach a political settlement.

Chances of such an agreement being reached were more likely with the help of an unbanned ANC, which would be able to organise local branches to tackle the problems of squatters, housing, civil amenities and even such issues as the jurisdiction and boundaries of Natal's urban areas.

Hindson also pointed out that organisations operating without government restrictions would also be able to exert more effective control over those elements within their own ranks who wanted to act against a peace accord.

But, according to Morris, whether peace will come to Natal depends on how Buthelezi sees his options in the search for a negotiated settlement for all South Africa.

Morris believes the Inkatha leader has three options: he can seek an accommodation with the ANC, he can seek recognition for being the primary political force in Natal or he may seek a DTA-type option by aligning himself with the middle ground — the coloured Labour Party and the array of Indian parliamentary forces.

The latter option depends on how these groupings see their own options, the second would most likely isolate him in a minor regional role, leaving the first as the most attractive.

However, Morris says, Buthelezi has set his sights too high if he hopes to have equal status with the ANC, and would be better off seeking recognition as a constituent in the forces for national change.

COULD A FREE MANDELA END NATAL'S VIOLENCE?

By THANDEKA GQUBULE

FREEDOM for Nelson Mandela and the unbanning of the ANC could provide the key to ending Natal's civil war, say researchers who have monitored the three-year conflict.

University of Natal political scientists Mike Morris and Doug Hindson believe peace talks presided over by Mandela are likely to succeed because both sides claim to owe at least some respect to the ANC leader. **W/maill 9/2 - 15/2/90**
Hindson says Inkatha has tried to make a distinction between Mandela and the ANC and that both the UDF and Inkatha have quoted Mandela in justifying their cause. He added that neither side would want to fall foul of Mandela's counsel.

Inkatha leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi would also acquire the advantage of enhancing his own stature by entering

into a peace drive with Mandela, Hindson and Morris believe.

Buthelezi wants a prominent place in any framework for negotiations, a place that would assure him sufficient influence over his adversaries. His inability to achieve this has been a factor leading to the failure of previous peace initiatives, they believe.

Buthelezi has also indicated that he is willing to serve under Mandela in a national government and has taken exception to what he sees as attempts by the UDF and Cosatu to oust him from the anti-apartheid fold.

Buthelezi is said to want some recognition from the anti-apartheid movement and is irritated by claims that he is an extension of the apartheid system. Morris said Inkatha's role in the Natal conflict had been "very problematic" but

that there were "deep structural causes to the war that need to be addressed".

In his watershed speech last week President F W De Klerk cited the Natal conflict as one of the reasons why the State of Emergency could not be withdrawn fully.

But Hindson believes that the emergency regulations will not solve the Natal conflict, which instead requires a coherent development strategy as well as a political accord between the two sides.

Walter Sisulu and other ANC members have also said that the Emergency is delaying Mandela's release, a further factor in the search for peace in Natal.

Morris says that even if the political parties reach a peace settlement, "structural problems" in the region will still generate violent conflict.

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Violence, never far from the surface in Natal, has again erupted — this time in a remote rural area outside Maritzburg, so far almost unscathed by the fight for political dominance between Inkatha and UDF/ANC-aligned organisations.

The attacks, which have left at least two dead, many injured and about 30 houses and shops damaged, seem to be directed at Chief Mhlabunzima Maphumulo, president of the Congress of Traditional Leaders of Southern Africa (Contralesa).

He lives in the area of Table Mountain, formerly a home for refugees from the township violence. But since an attack by a 300-strong mob on Maphumulo's house last Friday morning, people are streaming back into the city to escape the fighting.

Contralesa, formed just over two years ago, is a rurally based grouping of chiefs and sub-chiefs who have affiliated to the UDF.

This, and the fact that their president is a Zulu chief (since stripped of his title by Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi), has earned for the organisation the wrath of Ulundi, which sees them in direct competition to Inkatha (*Current Affairs* December 15).

Court order

On the day his house was attacked, Maphumulo won an interim order in the Maritzburg Supreme Court, restraining the SAP as well as people under the control of a neighbouring chief from taking part in, or allowing, unlawful attacks on people under his jurisdiction.

He claims there has been conflict in his area between Inkatha supporters and people

opposed to the organisation; in papers before the court he listed incidents alleging that special constables and members of the SAP had accompanied youths in his area who were searching houses and stopping vehicles.

After the attack on his house, Maphumulo first fled to the Transkei, then arrived in Johannesburg this week. At the time the *FM* went to press, he could not be contacted.

However, Maritzburg lawyer John Jeffrey, who represents Maphumulo and who received a phone call from his wife when the home was under attack, confirmed reports of fighting in the area.

Jeffrey said he visited Table Mountain last Sunday and, while the fighting seemed to have abated, he heard reports of more bodies being discovered. He also said an "enormous" number of refugees had arrived in the city from Table Mountain to escape the violence. ■



Mr Gastrow

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A SPECIAL "summit" between President F W de Klerk, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi and Mr Nelson Mandela should be held to solve the raging conflict in Natal which could delay reform, Mr Peter Gastrow, Democratic Party MP for Durban Central, said yesterday.

With feelings running high in the province yesterday, Mr Gastrow said the Minister of Police, Mr Adriaan Vlok, could not solve the problem on his own.

What was happening in Natal was not only politically inspired, it was also a battle for facilities and infrastructure.

"Mr De Klerk, Chief Buthelezi and Mr Mandela, when he is released, must put their heads together," said Mr Gastrow.

"We also need a military peace force to be available in townships which, in conjunction with community leaders, want it," said Mr Gastrow.

There was chaos and spiralling violence, in which no reform programme was going to work.

Natal: Sisulu quiet on Buthelezi talks

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Internal leader of the ANC Mr Walter Sisulu would not be drawn yesterday on whether the leadership of the ANC in South Africa would be prepared to meet Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, Chief Minister of KwaZulu and president of Inkatha, to discuss the violence in Natal.

On Thursday Mr Sisulu said the ANC hierarchy was keen to meet King Goodwill Zwelithini. This followed the receipt of a letter from the Zulu king in November, inviting the ANC leaders for talks with himself and his uncle, Chief Buthelezi.

Mr Sisulu said ANC officials would be prepared to meet the king after they had consulted with their members in Natal.

He said the letter had been acknowledged, but a formal reply had not yet been sent since the matter was still under consideration.

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Maritzburg faces refugee crisis

MARITZBURG. — A crisis situation has developed in Maritzburg after hundreds of refugees started streaming into the city from the trouble-torn Table Mountain area last week.

The city council's health committee was still meeting late yesterday to discuss the health problem created as a result of 400 displaced people seeking shelter at Cosatu House here.

And at Winterskloof, near Hilton, more than 40 youths from Table Mountain have been accommodated in a marquee erected on a small plot owned by the director of Sawubona Youth Trust, the Rev Dennis Bailey.

Sawubona Youth Trust is at present accommodating 25 traumatised and parentless children and 10 aged

people, Mr Bailey said.

He was informed by the Mount Michael Health Committee this week that legal action was being considered against him for contravening the Squatter Act.

He has been asked to inform the committee before February 20 what he intends doing about the refugees staying on his property.

Mr Bailey said they would return to the Table Mountain area "as soon as humanly possible", hopefully by the middle of next week.

The chairman of the Mount Michael Health Committee, Mr C J Ballenden, said his committee was not unsympathetic but in terms of the Town Planning Ordinance they were obliged to serve written notice on Mr Bailey.

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ANC committed to help find peaceful answer to raging violence in Natal

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By SANDILE MEMELA and CONNIE MOLUSI

THE ANC has publicly committed itself to help find solutions to the raging violence that has claimed at least 2 500 lives in Natal over the past three years.

At the first rally to celebrate the unbanning of the organisation held at St Mary's Cathedral, Johannesburg, this week, ANC stalwart Andrew Mlangeni delivered the keynote address and told the gathering his organisation was committed to addressing the violence between members of Inkatha and the United Democratic Front as soon as possible.

"The violence cannot be allowed to continue as it is a blemish on our noble struggle and may prove to be a major stumbling block to future negotiations," said Mlangeni.

The rally was organised by the

Transvaal branch of the UDF and was a thanksgiving occasion for the unbanning of the ANC and other political organisations in the country.

But pandemonium broke out when riot squad police confronted a crowd of more than 1 000 people who sang pro-ANC songs, toy-toyed and waved the black, green and gold flag at the end of the service at St Mary's Cathedral.

A scuffle broke out between the chanting youths and the SAP riot squad when the youths would not disperse at the end of the gathering.

The police also ordered journalists to leave the scene.

A visitor from Britain, John Whitehead, was left baffled as to what caused the scuffle between police and people from at the rally.

"I thought with the unbannings there would be nothing wrong with

people waving the ANC flag and singing freedom songs.

"I do not think there was anything illegal in what the people were doing," he said.

Police said the people involved failed to disperse when they were asked to do so, Sapa reports.

Witnesses said police then "waded into" the group and people fled in all directions.

People scrambled over steel road barriers and darted into nearby shops and across the concourse of the Johannesburg station with police hot on their heels.

Police said one officer was slightly injured and they had received no further reports of injuries.

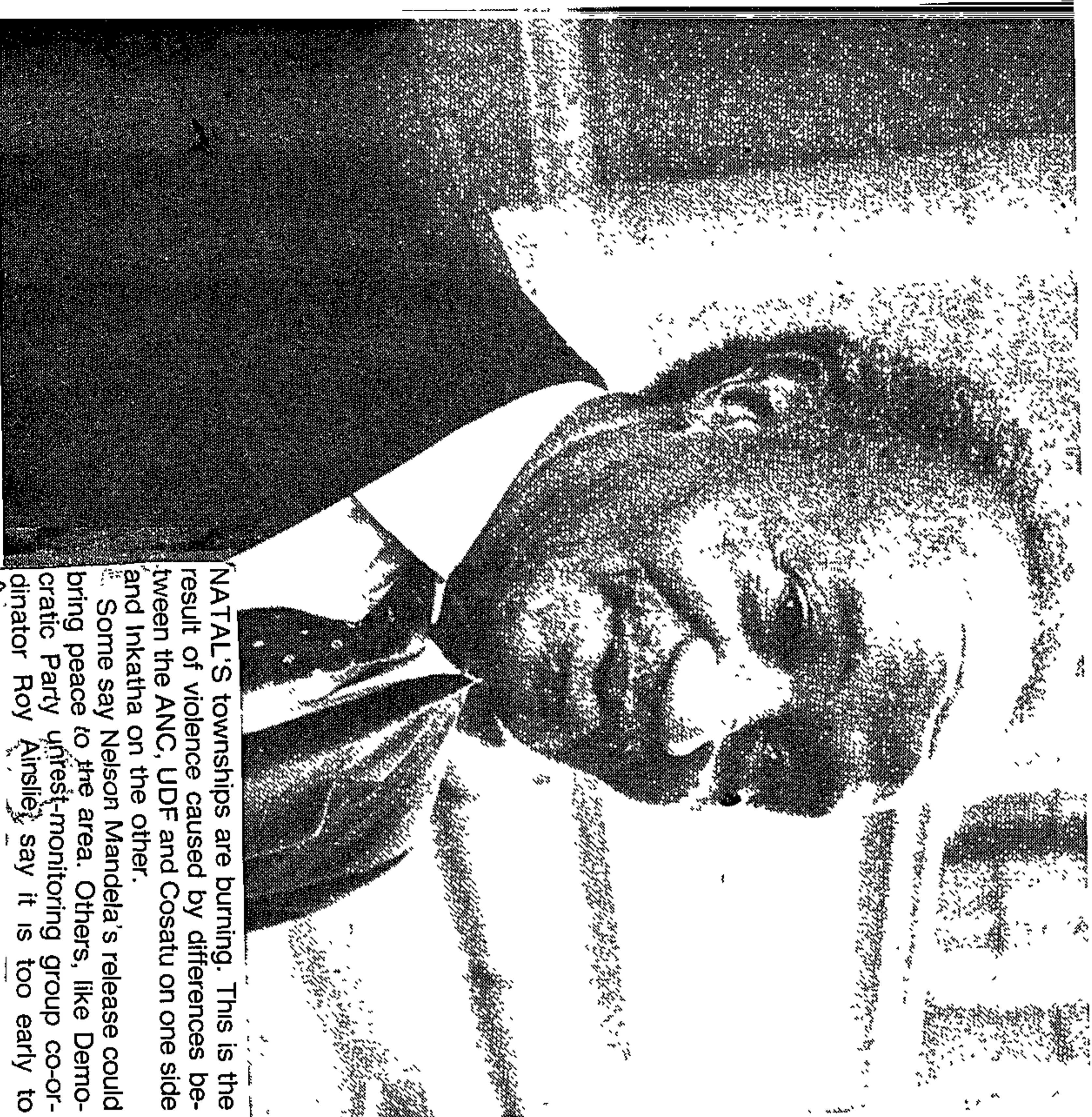
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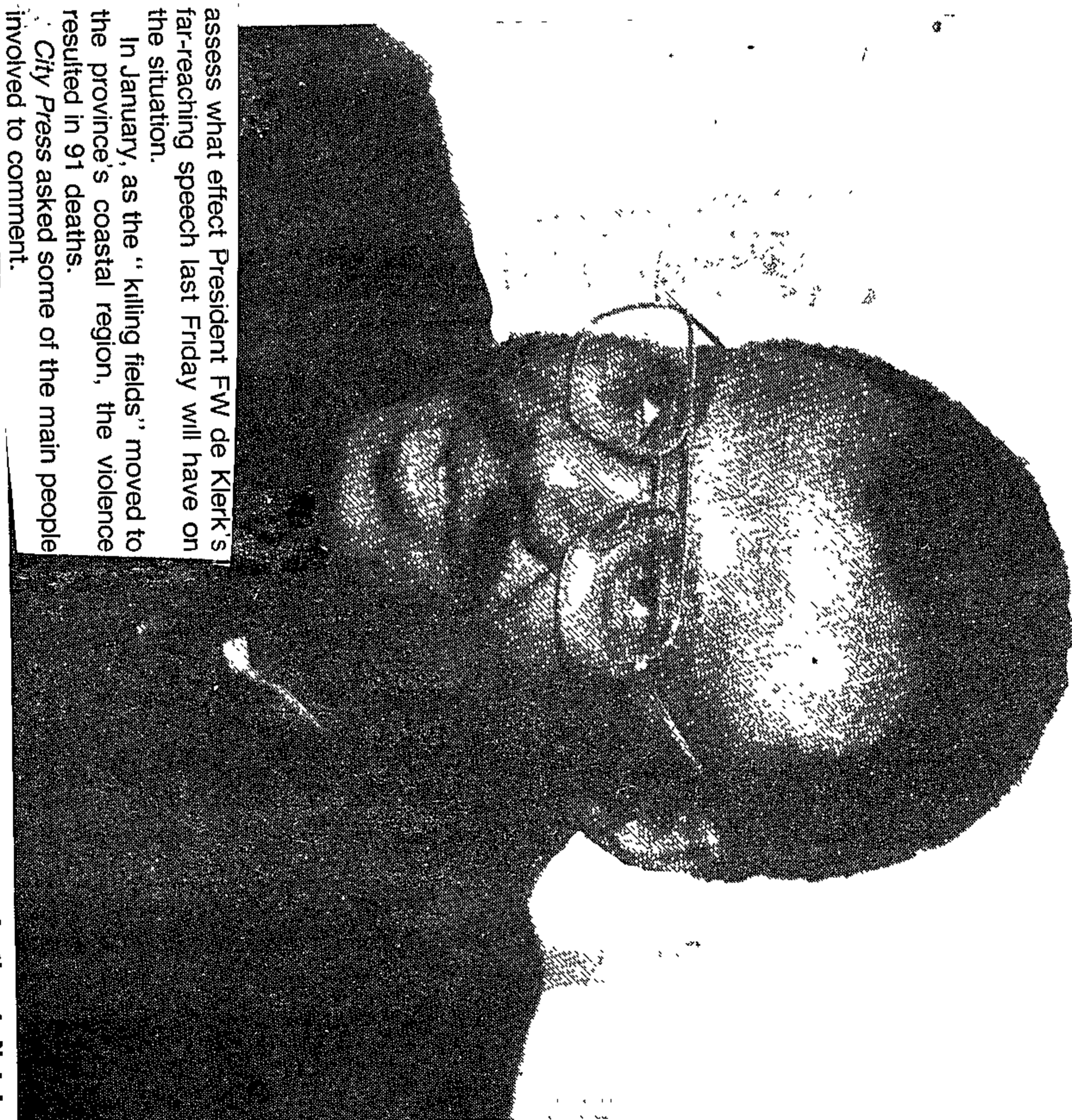
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The Natal War

Views of two men who have the future of the region in their hands



With his restrictions lifted, UDF co-president Archie Gumede is set to join peace moves in Natal.



Mangosuthu Buthelezi... calls for the burying of political divisions between factions in Natal.

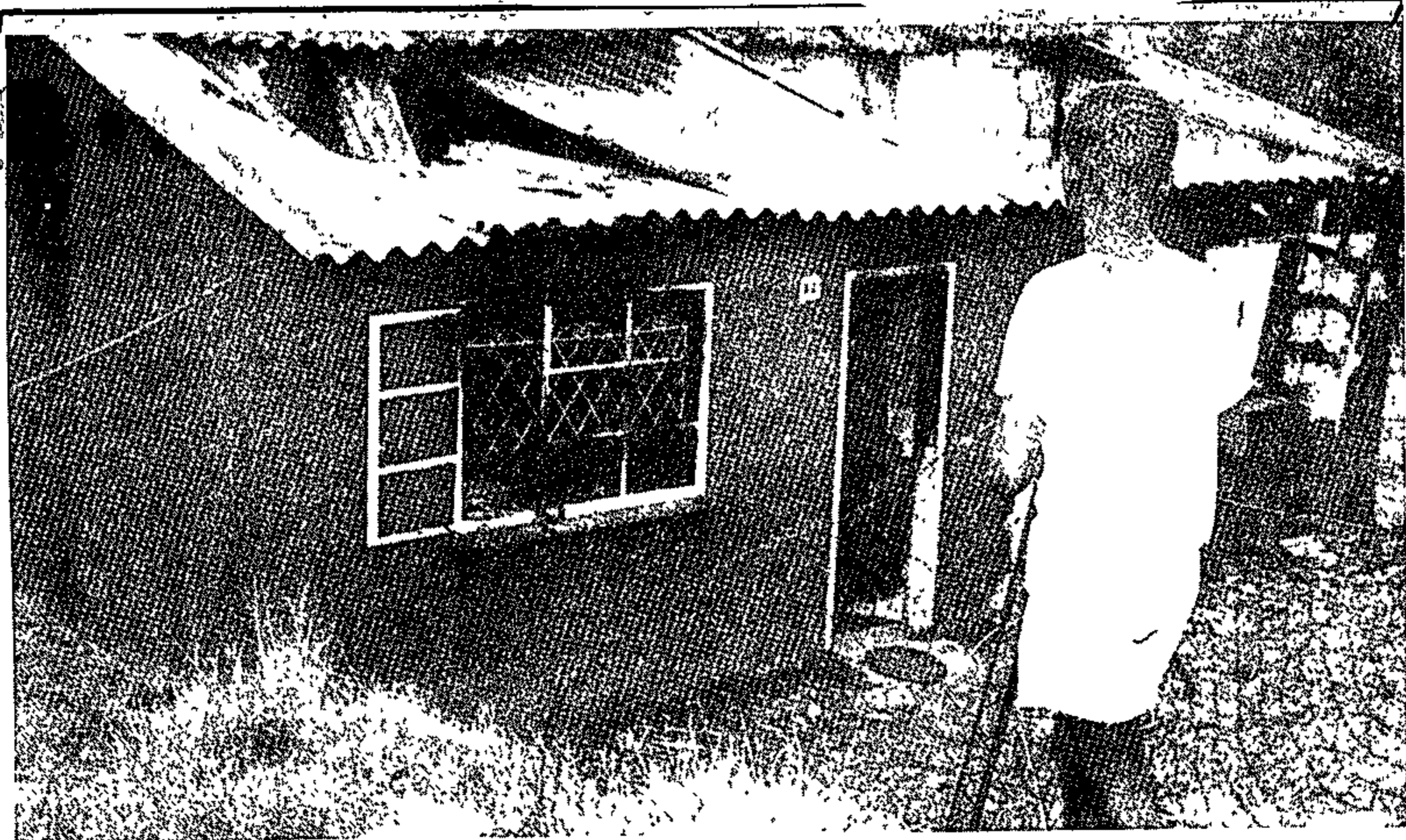
NATAL'S townships are burning. This is the result of violence caused by differences between the ANC, UDF and Cosatu on one side and Inkatha on the other.

Some say Nelson Mandela's release could bring peace to the area. Others, like Democratic Party unrest-monitoring group co-ordinator Roy Ainsley, say it is too early to

assess what effect President F.W. de Klerk's far-reaching speech last Friday will have on the situation.

In January, as the "killing fields" moved to the province's coastal region, the violence resulted in 91 deaths.

City Press asked some of the main people involved to comment.



More than three years of violence in Natal has left over 2 000 dead and many homeless.

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Peace prospects greatly improved

NATAL has been ravaged by violence for the past three-and-a-half years. More than 2 000 people have been killed; hundreds of thousands of others have been wounded or have lost their homes.

Alec Erwin, a member of the Joint UDF-Cosatu Working Committee dealing with the violence, puts the violence into focus in this interview.

What are the implications of the violence for the country as a whole?

Erwin: The extent of the Natal violence makes it a problem of national proportions.

Vigilante-type forces may be encouraged by what is happening in Natal and the violence and lawlessness could spill over into other regions.

We must defeat the forces who want to use warlords and vigilantes for their own ends. It is in the interests of all people who believe in a stable and just society to see

that peace is brought about in the area.

What are the prospects for peace, both at local and regional level?

Erwin: At local level there are functioning peace initiatives. In the Maritzburg area the situation is greatly improved. Peace initiatives are also meeting with success in Camperdown, Mpumalanga, Shongweni and KwaNdengezi and are being pursued in a number of different areas.

The chances of the regional peace initiative being started again are reasonably good.

The SAP has been criticised for being biased in dealing with the violence. How does the JWC see the role of the police in the violence?

Erwin:

It is vital the police bring to justice the perpetrators of the violence. Otherwise a peace agreement can be reached in a particular area but it will disintegrate when it becomes clear the police are not going to discipline those who break the agreement.

What role has business played, especially as the situation has affected the economy in the region?

Erwin: We urge business to continue holding talks between us, Inkatha and local communities. In many areas workers are directly affected by the violence.

All must guard against forcing or rushing agreements. Such agreements require wide consultation in the area, as all parties have to support an agreement if it is going to succeed.

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Gumede will step in for UDF to stop Natal carnage

AFTER two years of restrictions UDF co-president Archie Gumede is ready to contribute to attempts at finding a lasting solution to the Natal conflict.

He wants to intercede for the UDF as a matter of urgency in the fighting which has claimed the lives of more than 2 000 people over the past three years.

Gumede feels the solution lies with KwaZulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi

"If he tells his followers not to respond with violence to criticism then the violence could end

"The UDF, together with Cosatu, recently met his deputies and I sincerely hope the chief minister is going to respond positively

"If he does not respond favourably I will assume the violence benefits him in his efforts to prevent the achievement of the people's aspirations."

For Gumede the future cannot be built on grudges.

"Peace can only exist when there is a common goal I plead for calm Give leaders in the country a chance to effect the necessary changes for prosperity."

Gumede was restricted in terms of the State of Emergency in February 1988

A year later he was placed under house arrest. But after last Friday's far-reaching speech by President FW de Klerk at the opening of Parliament, the Durban lawyer can once again pursue his political career

He spoke about his restriction and other issues affecting South Africa

"The days of my restriction were very tough as I was unable to talk to more than 10 people at a time," he said

"With restrictions over my head, it became virtually impossible for me to get involved in peace initiatives in the violent conflict sweeping Natal

His message to De Klerk was: "Don't land South Africa in chaos by stalling now. Get on with the task you have already undertaken"

Gumede said the future was bright "as long as appreciation and understanding of the interests of all prevails".

However, he was uncertain about the present so-called "truce".

"The international community should, accordingly, maintain their concern about what is taking place in South Africa. Sanctions should remain in force in so far as it is necessary."

Now that restrictions on his movements have been lifted, Gumede wishes to visit the headquarters of the ANC in Lusaka as soon as possible - but he does not have a passport

"My previous applications have been unsuccessful Two months ago I filed another application and, now that I am free to move, I am going to follow it up with the authorities.

"I would like to see one big organisation under the umbrella of the ANC one day in this country As a supporter of the Freedom Charter I believe there is no other organisation as equipped as the ANC to ensure the actual implementation of that historic document"

Depending on the course taken by any restructuring within the UDF, Gumede, together with Albertina Sisulu, will go on steering the UDF ship towards the shores of freedom. - ANO.

We must put our houses in order, says Inkatha chief

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View from Ulundi - KwaZulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi spells out his opinion.

LET me first of all say that the death, destruction and suffering breaks my heart. I have had close friends and colleagues murdered and maimed. I read terrible accusations that Inkatha leaders are allegedly to blame.

We are painted as hypocrites who speak of peaceful change while eliminating our opponents.

Members and supporters of Inkatha have tragically been involved. Equally, members and supporters of the UDF, Cosatu and other groups have been involved. Individuals acting on their own have been involved.

None of us can shirk responsibility for our actions and it rests on our shoulders to do what we can to put a stop to the barbarous behaviour.

There are differing viewpoints. "Goodies" and "baddies" are pigeonholed. This has got us nowhere.

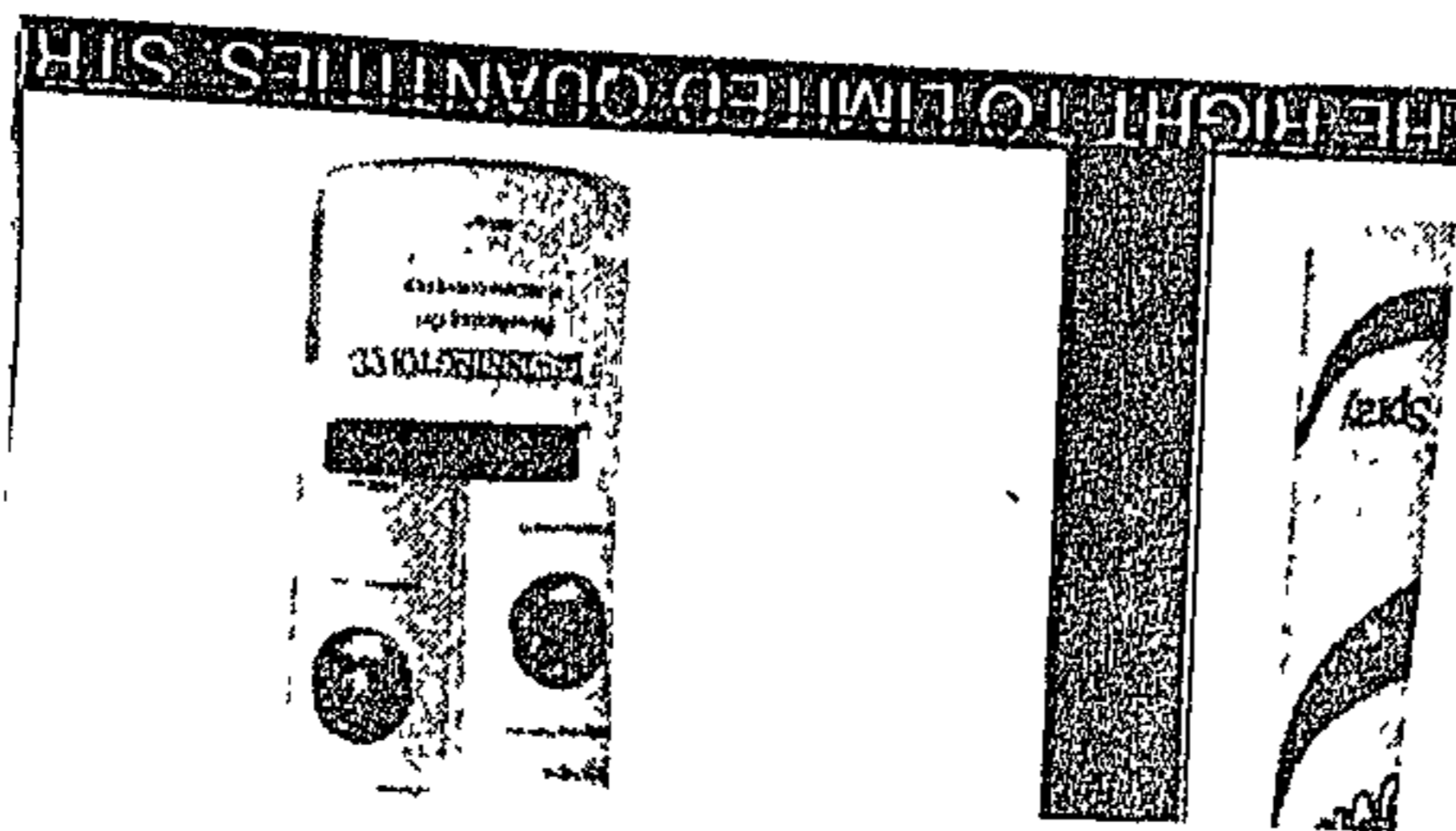
What must we do? It is time we all put our houses in order.

I must quote from an ANC document dated June 1985 - entitled "Commission on Cadre Policy, Political and Ideological Work - Commission on Strategy" - which throws light on political aspects of the problem.

"The openly counter-revolutionary role that Chief Gatsha Buthelezi has assumed is noted. Buthelezi, unlike Mphahlele, cannot be dismissed as a mere puppet of the racists."

"He projects the illusion of autonomy from the enemy and pretends to pursue national aims. His counter-revolutionary role must be exposed and we must work to win over his supporters and deprive him of his social base."

In June there were peace talks in which members of UDF/Cosatu participated with Inkatha. They produced a document which they read in front of the presidents of ANC, Inkatha, the UDF and Cosatu.



Clergy want talks with FW

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THE worsening Natal violence has prompted church leaders to request a meeting with the State President to raise the following points:

- Discussion on ways in which State agencies can regain credibility and effectiveness in resolving the crisis and restoring order.
- The appointment of a judicial commission of inquiry with the following terms of reference:
 - To investigate the violence and make recommendations.
 - The period under investigation shall be from January 1, 1987, to the present.
 - The area of investigation shall be the province of Natal. (including Kwa-Zulu).
 - The commissioner shall be a neutral and impartial person who shall be a Judge of the Supreme Court of South Africa.

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■ He shall have the powers to subpoena witnesses to give evidence before him and to examine any relevant documents.

■ Witnesses shall give evidence under oath.

■ Any witnesses appearing before the commission may be cross-examined by a legal representative of any of the major parties involved.

■ The right of people to comment on the violence and the breakdown of law and order shall not be restricted by the commission.

■ The establishment of the commission shall not affect any individual or group's rights to relief from civil and criminal courts.

■ The hearings shall be open to members of the public.

■ The commission shall complete its task as speedily as possible and an interim report be tabled before the close of the 1990 parliamentary session.

26 die in weekend upsurge of unrest

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By Craig Kotze

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Twenty-six people were killed in unrest at the weekend — 13 in an upsurge of violence in Natal on the day ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela was released.

Five of those killed were shot by police during petrol bombing and stoning incidents in Katlehong on the East Rand on Saturday, police said.

Two people were killed in Durban in apparently racially motivated attacks by blacks on Indians.

Three people were killed in kwaMashu near Durban, according to the latest police unrest report.

A policeman shot and killed two people in Nkululeko near Barkly East after a mob attacked his home. Another two people were shot and seriously wounded.

Two Indians were killed and 15 injured in a clash with blacks in Warwick Avenue, Durban.

A mob stabbed a woman to death and injured a man in Imbali near Maritzburg.

At kwaNobhule near Uitenhage, police found the body of a man with stab wounds.

Police shot dead five people and another 45 were injured in Katlehong during clashes with police.

In Imbali, a boy aged 14 was stabbed to death by a mob. In the same area, a boy aged 15 was seriously injured when stabbed in the chest.

Other deaths reported by police were:

● In Imbali, a man was stabbed to death and police found the body of another black man in the area.

● A man was shot dead in nearby Sweetwaters.

● Four men were killed in a series of killings in Sweetwaters. A man was first shot dead in a house and his alleged killers were killed by residents.

● Mobs murdered two men in Nxamalala.

● A man was shot dead in Lamontville near Durban.

● At kwaMakhuta near Amanzimtoti, a man was shot dead by a mob which petrol-bombed his home.

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Gunfight in Durban

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DURBAN. — Police rushed to the Umgeni Road area here early on Saturday and broke up a gunfight between the occupants of two minibuses, police confirmed. Thirteen people with gunshot wounds were taken to hospital.

Durban: Violence mars celebrations

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DURBAN. — Celebrations marking Mr Nelson Mandela's release were marred by outbreaks of violence — which left three people dead — in several townships here yesterday.

Residents of KwaMashu said violence, which started with the burning of shacks in the squatter areas near Newlands East yesterday morning, moved to the new K Section in the afternoon.

The smoke from burning homes could be seen from as far as Umhlanga.

According to a KwaZulu policeman, initial reports were that three people were killed, and that the defence force and the South African Police were called in to help control the situation.

There were many spontaneous celebration marches in the townships, with more than 5 000 people attending a rally in Ntuzuma. Marches were also held in Inanda, from Clermont to Kwa-Dabeka, and another in Umlazi.

One of the marches in Inanda was called off after marshals were warned of an impending attack by vigilantes from Mshayazase. Residents said shots were heard in the area and five cars were stoned.

A report that a Natal Technikon arts student had been shot in the chest could not be confirmed last night.

Other residents interviewed in Umlazi, Ntuzuma and Clermont reported great jubilation in the streets with dancing, singing, toyi-toyi-ing and displaying of ANC banners.

Soccer match abandoned

MARITZBURG. — A soccer match between top national teams, Jomo Cosmos and Amazulu, had to be abandoned at Edendale 20 minutes before the end of play yesterday when thousands of chanting people with ANC flags invaded the pitch.

As the news spread that Mr Nelson Mandela was free, everyday life came to a standstill while a jubilant crowd of about 10 000 took to the pitch and then to the streets, singing, dancing and toyi-toyi-ing in celebration.

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50 die, 1 000 flee as Natal unrest erupts

DURBAN. — About 50 people have died since fighting erupted in Natal townships at the weekend, and more than 1 000 women and children have fled the Siyanda and Richmond Farm squatter settlements — near Kwa-Mashu, Durban — to take refuge in the neighbouring coloured area of Newlands East.

An emergency clinic was set up on the Newlands East sports ground and medical personnel took nearly 40 victims of the violence to hospital yesterday morning.

Five people have been killed in KwaMashu alone since Saturday.

Groups of people belonging to Inkatha and the ANC-affiliated UDF, as well as criminal gangs, rampaged through townships and central Durban and Maritzburg, fighting, burning houses and looting.

A co-ordinator of the Democratic Party's unrest-monitoring group, Mr Roy Ainslie, said the DP was concerned at the apparent lack of action taken by security forces during the violence.

He said it was believed that recent editorials in the Inkatha-owned newspaper *Ilanga*, racist pamphlets, the unbanning of the ANC and the release of Mr Nelson Mandela had all helped fuel the violence.

One of the worst-hit areas is Mpumalanga, where community leaders say 17 people have been killed since Saturday. Police have confirmed 13 of the deaths, and said nearly 200 houses in the area had been burnt.

Mr Ainslie said most Durban townships were affected by the violence, which has also hit Sweetwaters and Imbali near Maritzburg.

In an upsurge of unrest in the rest of the country, 14 people including two policemen were killed.

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DURBAN. — More than 30 families in Umlazi, south of here, have been sitting in the dark for a week because endless violence is preventing the city's electricity department from entering the township to repair a damaged pole.

The department's assistant engineer for distribution, Mr Alan Gower, said it had yet to attend to more than 200 complaints from township residents of continued power failures. The latest power cut was caused by lightning.

"We only managed to get a quick look at it last week before reports of unrest forced us to get out," he said.

The SA Police reported yesterday that 20 other people were injured in violence which erupted on the day ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela was freed.

In the WCape a policeman was killed when unknown attackers opened fire on him and his friend at Old Crossroads in Cape Town. His colleague was wounded. And in Guguletu, the body of an unidentified man was found.

Also at Guguletu, two policemen were injured when a mob threw stones at the police station. Police used tearsmoke and birdshot to disperse the mob. No other injuries were reported.

Other WCape violence included a stoning and petrol-bombing at Roodewal, Worcester, during which a man was injured, and a stoning at Mbekweni, Paarl, in which a municipal policeman was injured.

A handgrenade went off at a councillor's home at Molapo in Soweto. And at Thabong, Welkom, a child was injured when a private vehicle was stoned. — Sapa

Anarchy explodes in Natal townships

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By Craig Kotze

Natal townships exploded into anarchy yesterday, with 50 people reportedly killed since ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela was released on Sunday.

Police in kwaZulu reported 13 murders in Mpumalanga township yesterday alone, said kwaZulu police commissioner Brigadier Jac Buchner.

He said kwaZulu police had placed special units on duty to cope with the crisis, although he added most of kwaZulu was quiet.

Most of the violence is concentrated around Maritzburg and Durban.

Police public relations chief Major-General Herman Stadler said violence had escalated "tremendously" in Natal.

Another police spokesman said police were being overwhelmed with reports of incidents of violence, murder and arson across the province. Police have also been attacked several times.

Yesterday police reported at least another six unrest-related deaths, although not all were necessarily in Natal.

Thousands of refugees are streaming from townships such as strife-torn Mpumalanga near Maritzburg, where UDF members held 60 Inkatha bus passengers hostage amidst escalating violence.

The upsurge in violence has been linked to the "raised political temperature" created by Mr Mandela's release and his statement that the ANC's armed struggle would continue.

However, Brigadier Buchner said the immediate trigger for the violence was the murder of two Inkatha supporters by UDF members in Mpumalanga on Saturday. "That set the pot boiling," he said yesterday.

The 13 Mpumalanga victims were killed with guns. "This represents a worrying escalation," he said.

Most of the fighting in Natal is between the ANC-backed UDF and the Zulu Inkatha movement, although police say criminal elements are also taking advantage of the chaos.

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At least 50 die, 1 000 flee in Natal fighting

DURBAN — More than 1 000 women and children have fled Siyanda and Richmond Farm squatter settlements near KwaMashu, and have taken refuge in the neighbouring coloured area of Newlands East, after fighting erupted throughout Natal at the weekend — leaving at least 50 people dead since Saturday.

An emergency clinic was set up on the Newlands sports ground. Medical personnel took nearly 40 victims of the violence suffering from gunshot, stab wounds and smoke inhalation to hospital yesterday morning.

Durban town clerk Wilf Stone said refugees who had gathered on the council's sports field had been accommodated in two church halls.

Church organisations, the Red

Own Correspondent

Cross and the Salvation Army were providing food.

Five people have been killed in KwaMashu since Saturday.

Groups of people belonging to Inkatha and the ANC-affiliated UDF, as well as criminal gangs, have rampaged through many of the province's black townships and also central Durban and Pietermaritzburg, fighting, burning houses and looting.

Editorials

"Widespread violence is rocking Natal, and it is increasing at an alarming rate," DP unrest monitoring group co-ordinator Roy Ainslie said.

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killed since Saturday. Police have confirmed 13 of the deaths.

A policeman in KwaMashu's C-section said fighting had broken out about 9am yesterday and a man was hacked to death in front of him and his partner. All they could do was to radio for help.

Nearly 200 houses in the area had been burnt.

Sources in Maritzburg said three people had died in Sweetwaters near Pietermaritzburg and two in Imbali.

A community leader in the North Coast town of Mandini said 10 people marching in praise of Mandela's release died after KwaZulu police vans ploughed into them on three separate occasions.

Other marches in Durban, Maritzburg, Matatiele and Mtunzi celebrating the release of Mandela went off peacefully.

More than 30 families in Umlazi south of Durban have been sitting in the dark for a week because endless violence is preventing the city's electricity department from entering the township to repair a pole slightly damaged by lightning.

Ciskei to free all political prisoners

CISKEI yesterday afternoon announced it would release all political prisoners with immediate effect.

In a statement to Sapa, the Ciskei's directorate of communications said the government strongly recognised that "genuine changes in SA" required "corresponding changes within Ciskei".

"The Ciskei government resolved as part of the southern African community, to release all political prisoners in Ciskeian jails with immediate effect," said the statement.

"This decision forms part of moves which are in line with the expectations of all peace loving people of our sub-continent.

"It is the honest opinion of the Ciskeian government that these measures should be taken in order to facilitate a conducive climate for negotiations without delay in order to avoid any unnecessary confrontation that is bred by mistrust and lack of openness."

According to the statement the following people have been released: Mzwakhe Nelson Ndlala, Linda Stofile, Mveleli Gladwell Gqibithole, Mzimasi Isaac Giwu, Sivuyile Botwe Qegu, Msokoli Eric Mgubasi, and Xolile Matebese. — Sapa.

NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September '87 — January '89.....	668
February '89 — February 11 '90: 592	
Past 24 hours' official toll:.....	12
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Inkatha suspends township

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DURBAN — At a mass rally in Mpumalanga yesterday more than 5 000 Inkatha supporters decided to suspend the existing ceasefire and "heavily defend themselves" against United Democratic Front attacks.

At the same time it is reported that more troops are to be sent into kwaZulu to try to contain the spread of violence in the area.

The ceasefire has been in force since November last year when a group of Hammarsdale industrialists mediated in talks between Inkatha and the UDF and helped structure peace talks, which led to the cessation of hostilities.

As a result of the Inkatha decision it is expected that the troubled township could soon erupt in mass killings and burnings.

Both sides appear well armed with guns, including R-1 and R-4 rifles.

An Inkatha central committee member living at Mpumalanga, Mr Nqobizwe Nkheli, said after the rally that Inkatha youths wanted to march immediately on UDF strongholds in Unit 3 of the township.

Mediation

"I was able to convince them not to do so after telling them that I would have discussions with the police about the problem," he said.

Mr Nkheli said the time for mediation had ended and it was up to the leaders of both groups to resolve their differences.

Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok and Minister of Defence Mr Magnus Malan discussed the political violence yesterday, a spokesman for Mr Vlok confirmed.

The Minister had asked General Malan for reinforcements to be sent to the troubled areas following a sharp increase in deaths in the past two days, the spokesman said.

At this stage no additional information on the reinforcements has been released.

At a media briefing last week, Deputy Minister of Defence Mr Wynand Breytenbach said there were 800 troops in black townships at the moment, most of them in Natal.

At least 19 people have died in war-torn Mpumalanga, and violence throughout Natal is on the increase, according to the Democratic Party's unrest monitoring group coordinator Mr Roy Ainslie.

Sapa reports Mr Ainslie saying, in his situation report yes-

terday, that most deaths occurred on Sunday.

Four people died on Monday and there were further casualties overnight.

He added that the SAP and kwaZulu Police had shot dead a number of people and wounded several in attempts to restore law and order.

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Most of the dead were from Mpumalanga, followed by kwa-Mashu, Umlazi, Lamontville and Inanda.

Mr Ainslie said he was concerned about the spreading of violence into Indian areas near Durban, particularly Phoenix and Isipingo, where "an anti-Indian flavour has shown itself over the past four days".

Stonings had been prevalent in both these areas.

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Relief plans for Natal refugees

By Craig Kotze

Operation Hunger hopes to launch a massive relief operation for refugees who have fled the Natal township anarchy.

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The policeman was hacked to death by a mob in Plessislaer near Maritzburg when he tried to prevent a robbery.

Operation Hunger in Natal has appealed to the public to come forward and make donations, particularly clothing, for those who have lost all their possessions in the intensive fighting.

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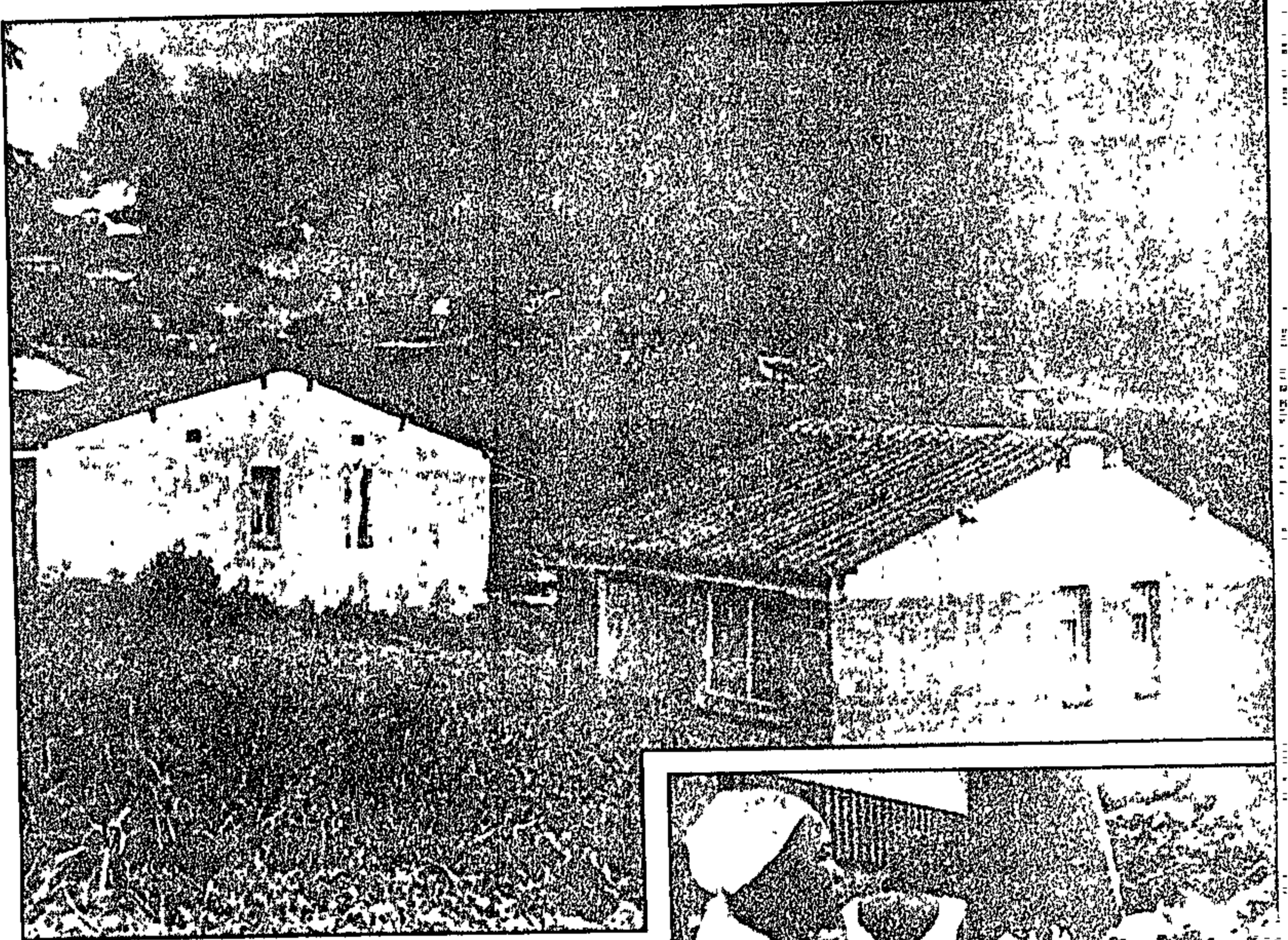
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Inkatha ends peace talks

DURBAN — About 8 000 Inkatha members decided at a rally in Mpumalanga yesterday they would suspend their peace talks with the UDF because Inkatha was convinced the UDF was not honouring the agreement.

And a spokesman for Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said more troops were to be sent into Natal and KwaZulu in a bid to contain the escalating violence, which has left at least 51 people dead since Sunday.

The Mpumalanga rally was held on a patch of waste land between the Inkatha-dominated squatter area of Woodyglen and Ward 10. Placards reading: "The UDF was the first to murder", "Are these peace talks slowly poisoning us?" and "Enough is enough" had been erected in Unit 10 by Inkatha youth.

Inkatha Central Committee member Nqobisizwe Nkehli said in view of the recent upsurge in violence in the area in which at least 17 people have died, the rally had resolved to suspend the six-week-old peace talks.

He said Inkatha inhabitants of Ward 10 had been trapped in the area by "UDF comrades" who had barred their only exit from Mpumalanga on a road which ran

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through UDF-dominated Unit 3.

He said on Monday a man going to work at Cato Ridge abattoir was hauled off a bus by "comrades" and burnt while 60 passengers were prevented from going to work.

Nkehli said 12 people involved in the incident were missing, but he believed they had gone into hiding.

He said the long series of recent UDF attacks signified that it was "all sides of the UDF here involved in the violence. Now we have resolved to suspend the peace talks and withdraw our delegates."

He criticised the fact that the original UDF delegation had been replaced at least twice since talks began.

Meanwhile, fighting continued in many of Natal's townships yesterday, with a number of incidents of arson, and refugees continued to flee from the strife-torn areas.

Police said a 13-year-old schoolgirl was stabbed to death by a mob in Lamontville. Staff and students at the Mangosuthu Technikon in Umlazi were sent home because of fears of violence in their area.

Residents in Kwa Mashu said children had been called out of their schools "to come and fight" yesterday, and houses in K-section were burnt.

In Inanda the atmosphere was very tense, with residents arming themselves with pangas and firearms before leaving their homes. Small children were spotted siphoning petrol out of underground tanks at a garage which was gutted during the violence.

Police said no incidents occurred in Inanda yesterday.

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NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 — January 1989:.....	668
February 1989 — February 12 1990:.....	605
Past 24 hours' official toll:.....	9
TOTAL:.....	1 282

Violence on the increase in Natal

AT least 19 people have died in war-torn Mpumalanga, between Durban and Maritzburg, and violence throughout Natal is on the increase, according to the Democratic Party's unrest monitoring group coordinator Roy Ainslie.

In his situation report yesterday - which is comparable with those from almost any other so-called trouble spots in the world - Ainslie said most deaths occurred on Sunday.

Four people died on Monday and there were further casualties overnight, but the number has not

yet been established.

He said the SAP and the KwaZulu Police have shot some people to death, and wounded others, when they tried to restore law and order.

He said he was concerned that Defence Force men were accused of having stood by and observed fighting without making stopping the violence during their "presence patrols". He said he has reported the matter to the SADF.

He has been told that "people claiming to be Inkatha supporters" from the Woody Glen area, attacked two areas acknowledged to be dominated by

ANC supporters - and that security forces moved in to quell the fighting.

Township violence continues to spread in Natal.

There have been increasing reports of fighting from Port Shepstone, and also Hibberdene, on the Natal south coast, as well as from some north coast areas, he said.

And unofficial reports are that at least 50 people have died violently since Saturday - though Ainslie says about 40 deaths have occurred since the beginning of this month.

Most of the dead were from the

"old" trouble spots - the worst of them being Mpumalanga - followed by KwaMashu, which sprawls around Durban, as well as Umlazi, Lamontville and Inanda.

Ainslie says he is also concerned about the spreading of violence into Indian areas near Durban, particularly Phoenix and Isipingo, where "an anti-Indian flavour has shown itself over the past four days."

Stonings have been prevalent in both these areas.

Ainslie makes it clear that his organisation is strictly a monitoring one, not one that apportions blame for deaths, destruction or damage. - Sapa

Troop reinforcements for Natal as violence mounts

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MARITZBURG. — In an attempt to contain the mounting violence, more Defence Force troops are to be sent into Natal and Kwazulu.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adrian Vlok, and the Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, discussed the political violence yesterday, Sapa reports.

A spokesman for Mr Vlok confirmed that the minister had asked General Malan for reinforcements to be sent to the troubled areas.

Residents from strife-torn areas in Natal have called repeatedly for a strong SADF presence as they are "impartial".

Police confirmed 39 deaths since Sunday and, in unrest reports yesterday, reported eight deaths, including that of a policeman at Plessislaer.

Hacked to death

The report said the policeman, who had attempted to prevent three men from robbing a bus driver, was shot in the back and hacked to death.

In a second incident involving the police, a constable who tried to separate two clashing groups at Nxamalala, Natal, was injured when he was shot in the stomach.

During the clash, police returned fire and two men were killed, while three women were injured and houses were set alight during the fighting.

Earlier yesterday, police reported a man was shot to death in Nxamalala and the bodies of two men with stab wounds were found in the area.

"heavily defend themselves" against United Democratic Front attacks.

The ceasefire has been in force since November last year.

As a result of the Inkatha decision it is expected that the troubled township could erupt again in violence.

● The Argus Foreign Service reports from Washington that the publicity secretary of the UDF, Mr Terror Lekota, says Inkatha leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi is the main problem in Natal's violence because he is not interested in finding peace.

The UDF spokesman also said he did not believe the Mass Democratic Movement's collective leadership would be in favour of Mr Nelson Mandela meeting the Zulu leader.

He told a meeting of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace that Chief Buthelezi made a lot of noises about wanting peace, but not everyone who talked peace really wanted it.

Mr Lekota said the MDM had plans to end the violence in Natal, which had been designated an absolute priority. Whether Chief Buthelezi wanted to join in this or not, was really irrelevant.

"The sad thing for Chief Buthelezi is he is losing support faster than ever before, which means effectively we are going to kill him politically. We will not kill him in the sense of shooting him, but we will kill him politically," he said.

The other deaths were in Unkomaas and Mpumalanga, while journalists reported three deaths in Kwamashu.

The Commissioner of the Kwazulu police, Brigadier Jac Buchner, said the situation in most areas of Kwazulu had almost returned to normal. He said two youths had been detained after an attack on the Bhekithemba police station in Umlazi at the weekend, during which a youth was shot dead.

● From Durban, The Argus correspondent reports that at a mass rally held in Mpumalanga yesterday more than 5,000 Inkatha supporters decided to suspend the ceasefire and

the South African regime has

DP warns on unrest spread

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DURBAN. — The Democratic Party yesterday warned that escalating political violence in Natal, which has left at least 51 people dead since Sunday, is spreading to new areas.

Their unrest-monitoring committee co-ordinator, Mr Roy Ainslie, reported yesterday that there had been increasing reports of fighting from Port Shepstone and also Hibberdene on the Natal South Coast, as well as from some North Coast areas.

Police said four people were killed in a weekend clash between two unidentified groups at Nayengini in Hibberdene. Three were shot dead and the fourth was stabbed to death.

The outbreak of fighting in new areas came as as 8 000 Inkatha members decided at a rally in Mpumalanga yesterday that they would suspend their peace talks with the UDF because Inkatha was convinced that they were not honouring the agreement.

And a spokesman for the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, said more troops

were to be sent into Natal and KwaZulu in a bid to contain the escalating political violence.

Mr Ainslie said in his situation report yesterday that at least 19 people had died at Mpumalanga since Sunday.

Mr Ainslie was also concerned about the spreading of violence into Indian areas near Durban, particularly Phoenix and Isipingo, where "an anti-Indian flavour has shown itself over the past four days".

In Durban politicians, businessmen, religious and other leaders are forming a crisis committee to deal with the outbreak of violence between Africans and Indians in Durban.

Meanwhile, fighting continued in many of Natal's townships yesterday, with a number of incidents of arson, and refugees continued to flee from the strife-torn areas.

● The Commissioner of the KwaZulu Police, Brigadier Jac Buchner, said yesterday that the situation in most areas of KwaZulu hit by unrest during the past four days had almost returned to normal. — Sapa

Police: Unrest continues, but SA is 'quieter'

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PRETORIA. — Unrest continued across the country yesterday, but police last night said the situation was "somewhat quieter".

In an interim unrest report released last night, the police reported no further incidents besides five deaths from Natal and the Eastern Cape.

Police had said in their morning report that had unrest escalated in the previous 24 hours, claiming six more lives.

Besides the ongoing fighting in Natal between Inkatha and UDF supporters and in the Eastern Cape between the Africanists and the Charterists, police reported that on Monday:

● In the Transvaal a number of buses were hijacked at Soshanguve near Pretoria. All the buses were later recovered with smashed windows.

Elsewhere police used tearsmoke to disperse stone-throwing mobs on several occasions, including a large group of schoolchildren at Letlabile township as they marched towards Brits.

● At Old Crossroads a number of petrol-bomb attacks on houses were reported.

Police used teargas and rubber bullets to disperse stone-throwers at Tinkhwana (Hoopstad).

● Violence in the Free State has decreased and more children have returned to school.

A spokesman for the Bloemfontein office of the Department of Education and Training said that although more pupils attended school yesterday than on Monday, classes were still being boycotted. — Sapa

1 000 more troops for Natal

GOVERNMENT is to deploy an extra 1 000 SADF troops in Natal because of escalating violence and a severe police manpower shortage there.

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This was just one of several emergency measures announced by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok in Parliament yesterday, as the death toll from unrest since the beginning of the year reached 249.

Vlok said 42 people had died during 89 incidents of unrest since Sunday. A total of 230 homes had been destroyed during the past three days.

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Vlok said that although euphoria over ANC leader Nelson Mandela's release was understandable, murder and destruction of property were "unacceptable. His release is no free pass to violence and chaos."

There are less than 800 SADF troops now supporting police in townships. The bulk of these troops is stationed in Natal, and the remainder limited to three areas in the rest of the country.

Vlok said additional measures which would be employed to put an end to the

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ongoing violence would include:

- setting up more mobile police stations in townships;
- utilising more vehicles and additional air support; and
- dispatching more detectives and security personnel to supplement existing numbers, as well as the use of all available legal means to round up and prosecute ringleaders and organisers of violence.

Vlok said the troop deployment was a response to requests from responsible leaders.

Since the beginning of the year, 249 people had died and 250 were injured in 916 unrest incidents.

Between the beginning of the month and Tuesday 101 had died and 135 more were injured in 656 incidents.

Vlok added that 19 security force members were murdered and 104 seriously injured during the two years of violence.

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Help for undermanned police amid growing violence

Extra 1 000 troops on way to Natal

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CAPE TOWN — An extra 1 000 troops are to be sent into Natal to try to curb the political violence that is claiming up to seven lives a day, Mr Adriaan Vlok, Minister of Law and Order, announced in Parliament yesterday.

Mr Vlok said the decision to send in troops stemmed from requests from several responsible community leaders and was unavoidable because of the shortage of policemen.

He announced that police presence in the area would be expanded, however, and more vehicles and additional air support would be sent in, plus more mobile police stations.

In the first 13 days of February, there were 656 incidents of unrest countrywide, and in the past two weeks 101 people had been killed and 135 injured.

The situation in Natal was very worrying as since January 1 249 people had died and 250 had been injured in 916 incidents of violence.

He said that as a result of the unrest, 19 members of the security forces had died in the past two years in Natal, and 104 had been injured.

From Durban it is reported that thousands of pamphlets denying that a recent spate of violent incidents in the Warwick Avenue/central

Durban area was politically motivated will be distributed in the area today by the Durban Central Residents' Association.

The association's chairman, Mr Sayed Iqbal Mohamed, told a media conference in Durban yesterday that there had been many rumours about black-on-Indian violence but he had no evidence to show that the recent killings and assaults were racially or politically motivated.

Sapa reports that the police have established a permanent police force in the Warwick Triangle area in Durban where tensions are running high following the circulation of inflammatory pamphlets against Indians in the area.

The Regional Commissioner of Police for Natal, Major-General Johann van Niekerk, said in a statement yesterday he had been disturbed by the situation that had developed.

A "crime watch" is to be established in the area with the co-operation of taxi and bus owners, vendors, businessmen and other interested parties.

● The deputy chief of the Nxamala tribe at Sweetwaters near Martsburg, Mr Amon Dladla, yesterday called on his people to stop fighting and to rebuild community life. Ten people had been killed there in the past four days.

No further outbreaks of violence were reported yesterday.

All want end to Natal carnage

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The major parties to the violence which has claimed hundreds of lives in Natal today again committed themselves to working for an end to the carnage.

In a special two-hour interview with *Nightline* anchorman Mr Ted Koppel of ABC News at the University of the Witwatersrand's Great Hall this morning, the African National Congress (ANC), the United Democratic Front (UDF), the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu), Inkatha and the government committed themselves to end the violence which has torn Natal apart, and the immediate restoration of peace in the province.

Police role

Speaking from Lusaka via satellite, ANC information secretary Mr Thabo Mbeki said the organisation's internal leaders should bring all concerned parties together as a matter of urgency to discuss the situation.

Mr Mbeki, Cosatu general secretary Mr Jay Naidoo and UDF general secretary Mr Popo Molefe said while they wanted the violence ended soon, they were also concerned by the role police — especially those under the Kwazulu government — had played in the conflict by appearing to side with Inkatha.

Inkatha was represented by the leader of its Youth Brigade, Mr Musa Zondi.

Brigadier Leon Mellet, spokesman for Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok, said there were "rotten apples" in the police force, but the majority of police were well-behaved.

Brigadier Mellet, who was in the studio audience, welcomed the organisations' desire for peace in Natal, and said police would participate in such talks.

The Conservative Party's Mr Koos van der Merwe left the interview when it became apparent Mr Mbeki and former ANC general secretary Mr Walter Sisulu were going to participate in the discussions. It was the CP's policy, he said, not to talk with "a communist organisation" like the ANC.

Mr Mbeki affirmed Mr Nelson Mandela's view that the ANC could not foreswear the armed struggle.



Picture: DION TROMP, The Argus

RELEASED: The first six ANC prisoners released from Robben Island yesterday after spending three to 10 years are from left, Eddie Khumalo, Nelson Qobeka, Mohau Mmoledi, Vuyisile Mbundu, Bushy Maape and Norman Yengeni. Western Cape UDF spokesman Trevor Manuel is in the white shirt. At the back is Mr Amos Lengisi, joint secretary of the UDF in the Western Cape.

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THE government is taking urgent steps to control the conflict in Natal where 42 people have been killed and many more injured in 89 incidents of unrest since Mr. Nelson Mandela's release on Sunday.

Since the beginning of the year, 249 people have been killed in 916 incidents, and more than 250 have been injured.

Announcing the plan in Parliament yesterday, Law and Order Minister Mr. Adriaan Vlok said also that 19 members of the security forces, most of them policemen, had been killed in Natal in the past two years.

He said the latest wave of "shocking unrest" and violence had forced the government to take the following steps:

- Increasing police strength in the area.
- Establishing more mobile police stations to create a large police presence.

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- Deploying an additional 1 000 troops, at the request of many responsible leaders.
- Using more vehicles and additional support in the area.
- Employing extra detectives and security men to strengthen the existing teams.
- Intensifying action to remove leaders and organisers of violence from the community.

Mr. Vlok emphasised that the government was determined to end the current conditions in Natal. "I earnestly appeal to all responsible leaders to control their supporters," he said.

Also in Parliament yesterday Mr

Pierre Cronje, Democratic Party MP for Greytown, said the government's new attitude to the ANC and MDM provided the basis for a comprehensive peace initiative in Natal.

Because one side in the conflict had been seen as the "enemy of the state" in the past it had been treated differently, which had resulted in a breakdown of confidence in the police.

"With the acceptance of the ANC and MDM as legitimate parties, the defence force and the SAP should now do all in their power to resume their basic role in providing security and good, old-fashioned law and order."

Meanwhile, violence continues to rage in Natal with five more deaths

reported by police.

An off-duty policeman was attacked by a mob and killed soon after he arrested a man who tried to rob a bus driver in Imbali township.

A police spokesman said Constable Dumisani Mbambo, 29, was shot at six times, struck once in the upper body and stabbed once.

And at Mpumalanga a mob of blacks stopped a bus, removed two men and shot them dead. They then fled.

Extensive damage was caused when a mob attacked and ransacked a number of private dwellings in the same area.

At least 19 people have died in Mpumalanga since Sunday, and commu-

ity leaders in the area, as well as the Democratic Party, have criticised government orders which prevent the SADF from taking any action in unresisting situations unless they are accompanied by the SAP.

This follows incidents of unrest on Sunday and Monday in which several people were killed. The SADF were unable to take any action, a SADF member deployed in Mpu-

langa said: "If we see an unrest incident, we can only sit and watch." In one incident on Sunday morning in Unit 3, residents were celebrating the release of ANC leader Mr. Nelson Mandela when a white BMW con-

ing vigilantes ploughed into the tail end of the march. The car was set alight by some of the marchers and the two occupants were killed. Later, vigilantes from Unit 4 massed at the local football ground and in retaliation marched on Unit 3, where they looted and burnt about 10 houses and five vehicles, attacking people in the area. About 90 SADF members are at present deployed in Mpumalanga. Yesterday Mpumalanga residents said they welcomed the presence of the SADF in their township, but wanted the SAP to leave. In the Warwick Triangle area of Durban, where tensions are running high following the circulation of inflammatory pamphlets against Indians in the area, police have established a permanent police force. Meanwhile, the location of a three-day battle, culminating in "siege" of Nxamalala in Sweetwaters on Tuesday morning, was quiet yesterday. Political Staff, Own Correspondent and Sapa

Indians victims of Durban riots

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DURBAN teetered on the brink of a replay of the vividly-remembered 1949 Grey Street and 1985 Inanda riots against Indians this week as a suburb was invaded, businesses were torched, two people killed and individuals attacked in the streets.

Mr TG Mthembu, editor of *Langa*, denied the attacks were sparked by a vicious article and crude cartoon attacking the Natal Indian Congress in the Inkatha-owned mass-circulation newspaper last week.

KwaZulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi, who last year told 70 000 Inkatha members at a Dur-

ban rally that Indians were subverting black youth and providing military training, has also disclaimed responsibility.

He blamed disaffected unionists for an anonymous anti-Indian pamphlet distributed in KwaMashu and Umhlati. He claimed Indians were "bent and committed to revenge the bitter uprisings of 1949".

The pamphlet called Cosatu an Indian-controlled organisation and said Indians were stealing black jobs.

UDF and Cosatu leaders admitted there was deep resentment against

the NIC's cabal, which controls funding money in the province and has supporters on the executive of every anti-apartheid organisation.

But they denied that the ANC's recent call for the NIC to reform the cabal could have triggered the attack. They blamed the violence on criminal elements.

Mr Ahmed Moosa, owner of a shop in the sprawling Inanda peri-urban area, refused to wait to hear who was responsible for the violence.

Moosa loaded his goods into an eight-ton truck and two bakjies on Tuesday and left, after his brothers

two stores were looted and burnt. Next to his store stood the rusting ruins of his hardware store, torched during the 1985 riots.

With a gun at his feet and SAP Casspirs with kitskonstabels parked outside his store, Moosa said: "I'm not going to come back if I get out of this."

The UDF-affiliated Inanda Youth Organisation (IYO) in a statement denied allegations by SAP kitskonstabels stationed at the store that UDF "comrades" were to blame for the violence. **DURBAN/NEWS**

Police 'targets for attack'

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PRETORIA. — Police were the targets for several attacks in the past few days, according to yesterday's police unrest report.

In Natal, three incidents in which police were attacked by crowds were reported and there were also reports of attacks on police on the East Rand and in the Eastern Cape.

An off-duty policeman, Sergeant M P Khuzwayo, was shot in the leg and then stoned in Chester-ville, Natal. Other policemen arrived and saved his life, the report said.

At Ntuzuma near Durban a crowd stoned a police vehicle and fired shots at it. Police replied with teargas and birdshot, resulting in an injury to a youth. A burnt-out bus was later found in the area.

At KwaMashu outside Durban shots were fired at a police vehicle, causing the driver to lose control. The vehicle overturned and the two policemen were injured.

In another incident of African on Indian violence in Natal, a large group of blacks threw stones at an Indian shopping complex at Isipingo near Durban.

Seven Indian men received slight injuries and looting allegedly took place.

At KwaDabeka near Pinetown, a vehicle driven by a black man was stoned. Although he was not injured, the man's car was badly damaged. He fired a number of shots to ward off the attack and four men were wounded.

In Maritzburg's Slangspruit township a man was arrested after a car was stoned. In another incident in the area, two groups clashed. Shots were fired and two men were wounded.

● Twenty church organisations in strife-torn Natal have launched a five-pointed plan aimed at ending the violence between supporters of the UDF and Inkatha

A statement yesterday said the group, known as the Natal Peace Commission, would involve itself in educational, social, health, youth and sports programmes.

"Appealing to the people to stop the murder and arson is not enough. We need to offer some practical solutions to the people who are suffering," said the co-ordinator of the project, the Rev Lawrence Buthelezi.

Stayaway

"Our Christian peace mission plans to network together hundreds of churches with the specific aim of providing help not only for those who have lost everything, but also provide special community programmes," he added.

Uneasy calm returned yesterday in Uitenhage's troubled KwaNobuhle township after renewed faction fighting which claimed at least 13 lives and left a trail of destruction.

Another rally organised by the Mass Democratic Movement will be held at Jabavu Stadium in KwaNobuhle today. It will discuss proposals of township sub-committees established to try to resolve fighting at grassroots level.

● Meanwhile, thousands of workers from Volkswagen, Goodyear, Dorbyl and other major employers have not yet returned to work.

Workers and school pupils stayed away this week to be with their families, fearing for their safety since a new outbreak of fighting between Pan Africanist Movement and UDF-affiliated supporters in KwaNobuhle.

A spokesman for VW said the company was concerned about the situation and it was felt that workers had to be given time to negotiate an end to fighting.

He said it was fully understood that their presence was demanded at home until the situation in the township was normalised.

Goodyear spokesman Mr Mike London said earlier that it depended on the outcome of the rally when everyone could be expected back at work.

A police interim unrest report confirmed that up to 11 people have been killed in the feuding so far, but residents believe two more are dead.

Pan Africanist Movement spokesman Mr Timothy Jantjies said a peace proposal had been given to a three-member delegation from the MDM, who approached the movement for negotiations — Own Correspondent, Sapa



A face from the past ... it took Mr Nelson Mandela a few seconds to recognise Mr Albert 'Ali' Mahopo yesterday. Mr Mahopo, a handyman at the Mandela home in the old days before the Rivonia Trial, acted as courier between Mr Mandela and Mr Walter Sisulu. He was among the scores of Sowetans who continue to flock to the Mandelas' Orlando West home. ● Picture by David Sandison.

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**ANC comrades
welcome army**

MARITZBURG — In an extraordinary reversal of allegiances, the "comrades" — political activists loyal to the African National Congress — have welcomed the South African Defence Force back on to the streets of townships here to protect them from attacks by gangs loyal to the Zulu Inkatha movement.

To shouts of "Viva SADF", two Hippo troop carriers of the SADF returned to Imbali township on Tuesday after more than 40 people in the area were killed.

In Natal, the official death toll is 240 so far this year, but the Democratic Party monitoring unit in Durban puts the figure at more than 400.

Fighting has intensified since the release of Mr Nelson Mandela, as armed gangs apparently loyal to the traditionalist Zulu organisation, Inkatha, and its leader, Chief Mangosuthu Buthe, engage township dwellers loyal to the ANC and its ally, the United Democratic Front. — The Independent News Service.

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40 bombs thrown at 3 SAP vehicles in E Cape

Attacks against police increasing

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Attacks on members of the police have increased considerably in the past few days and in one incident more than 40 petrol bombs were hurled at three police vehicles in the eastern Cape.

And in an incident of black-on-Indian violence in Natal, a mob of blacks threw stones at an Indian shopping complex at Isipingo. Seven Indian men sustained slight injuries and looting allegedly took place.

Police were also attacked in Natal — an off-duty policeman, Sergeant M P Khuzwayo, was shot in the leg and then stoned in Chertville. The arrival of other policemen probably saved his life.

At kwaDabeka near Pinetown, a mob stoned a vehicle driven by a black man. Though he was not injured, his car was badly damaged. He fired several shots to ward off the attack, and four men were wounded.

Lost control

A mob stoned a police vehicle at Ntuzuma near kwaMashu, and shots were fired at the police from out of the crowd. Police returned the fire with teargas and birdshot, and a youth was shot in his buttocks. In the same area, police found a burnt-out bus.

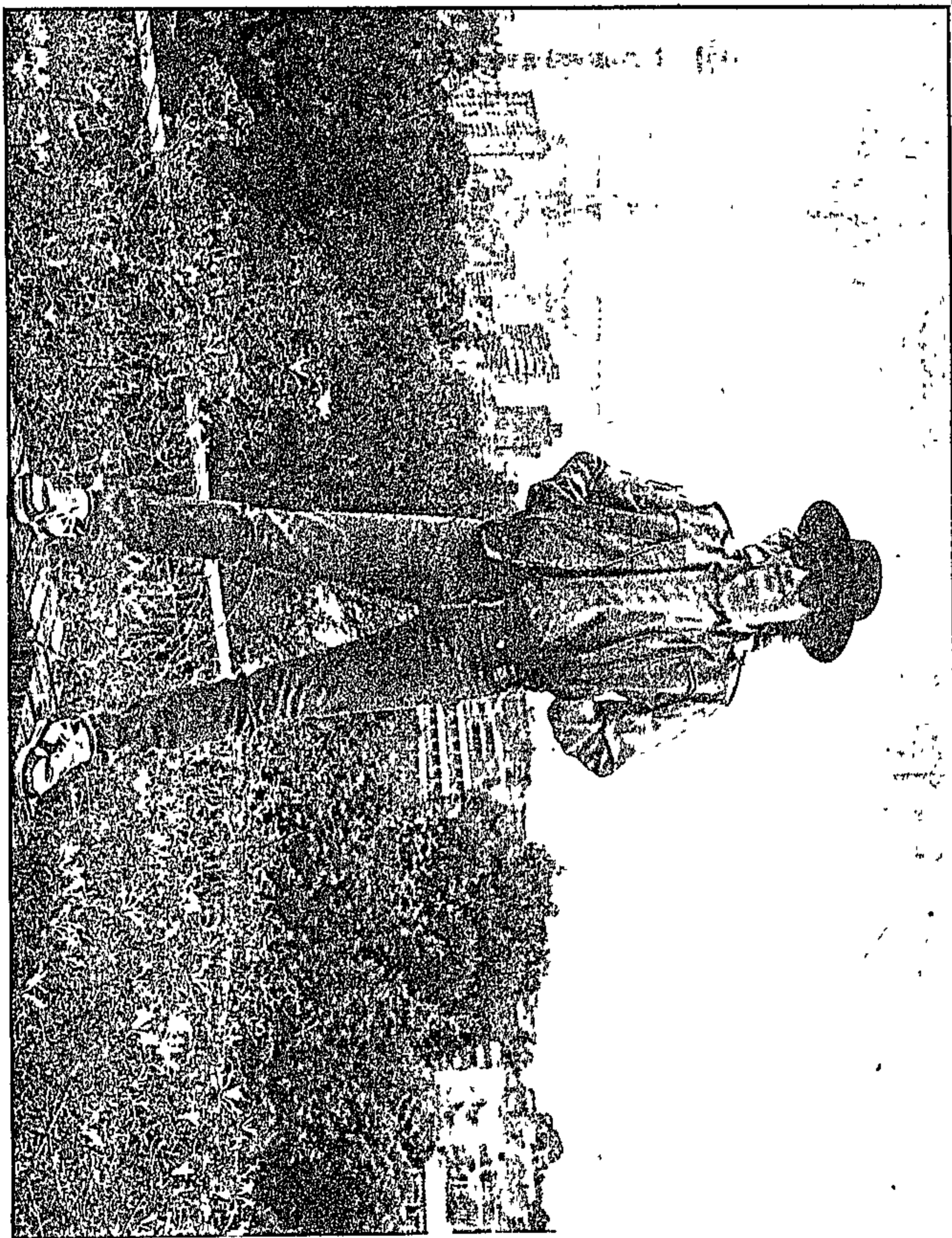
In Maritzburg's Slangspruit township a black man was arrested after a car was stoned. In another incident in the area, two groups clashed. Shots were fired and two men were wounded.

At kwaMashu unknown gunmen fired shots at a police patrol vehicle. The driver lost control of the vehicle and it overturned. Two policemen were injured and the vehicle was badly damaged.

Isipingo town clerk Mr Harry Reddy confirmed that about 150 members of the council's labour force had had their services terminated as from last Friday for taking part in an illegal strike.

Most of the strikers were blacks and several were Indians.

Mr Reddy said the workers had been given several weeks within which to appeal or make representations to the council on an independent committee of inquiry's finding that they had taken part in an illegal strike, but they had not responded to this opportunity.



Former South African musician Trevor Rabin, now a member of internationally acclaimed rock group Yes, is in the country for a brief visit to his family. He leaves for the United States, where he now resides, tomorrow. Rabin has been nominated for a Grammy Award in the "Best Music Video" category for the song "Something to Hold on to" off his

recently released album "Can't Look Away". Rabin said he was delighted to be in the country for Nelson Mandela's release, and in light of the recent encouraging political developments he would be exploring possibilities of performing in this country at some stage.

Picture by Etienne Rothbart.

Yes man
Rabin pays
a visit to SA

Mandela calls ²⁷⁶ for Natal probe

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JOHANNESBURG. — Mr Nelson Mandela yesterday called for an urgent judicial commission of inquiry into the violence that has racked Natal since 1986.

Mr Mandela issued the call in a series of wide-ranging interviews with local journalists at his Soweto home.

"One of the main problems, which has now complicated the whole situation, is the role of the police. There is evidence that they have actually been inciting and supporting Inkatha against the UDF," he said.

Asked whether he would be prepared to use his personal relationship with Chief Buthelezi to resolve the internecine bloodshed, Mr Mandela said: "I would be happy to play a direct role if asked to do so by the ANC leadership." — Sapa

Natal's war spreads to Indian areas

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By CARMEL RICKARD

WHISTLES in the streets of kwaMashu yesterday almost sparked a panic — residents, their nerves already stretched to breaking point, rushed into the streets ready to fight for their lives, only to find the whistles coming from rubbish collectors emptying garbage bins.

The whistles have become the daytime signal of imminent attack, and all who value their lives and property have learnt to respond instantly when they hear the sound.

KwaMashu and the squatter areas adjoining the township were this week the scene of some of the worst fighting yet seen in the Natal violence.

In all, at least 50 people died over the weekend of Nelson Mandela's release, and well over a thousand people have fled their homes, confirming fears that in the immediate aftermath of his release, political tensions in Natal would soar.

Jubilant youths marching in the streets were attacked by vigilantes, while in other areas comrades are said to have taken the initiative, attacking their opponents.

Despite police assurances of strong action to prevent further outbreaks of violence, and an announcement by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok of further security reinforcements for

Natal, Durban townships were in the grip of rumour and fear yesterday.

Adding to the township tension, anti-Indian violence of a scale not seen since 1985 led to many Indian families leaving Inanda and other areas.

At least six Indian-owned shops and a garage were destroyed in this week's violence, and the owner of one of the few surviving businesses in Inanda said last night he was staying at the shop day and night "to guard it with fire arms".

Hundreds of children from Oakford Convent were sent home yesterday morning after threats were reported to some of the children, and frightened residents of several Indian areas refused to go to town following rumours they would be attacked.

Unrest monitors blamed the upsurge of anti-Indian violence on an anonymous Zulu-language pamphlet circulated over the last fortnight, which urges action be taken against Indians.

The leaflet claims Indians are bribing union officials to call strikes so that black workers will lose their jobs and these will then be filled by Indians.

The unrest monitors also point to a



The *Ilanga* cartoon accused of causing all the trouble

cartoon and editorial in the Zulu-language Inkatha-owned newspaper *Ilanga*.

Ilanga accuses the Natal Indian Congress of leading the Mass Democratic Movement by the nose, and of poisoning them against Inkatha and the Zulus.

Editor TG Mthembu, however, denied *Ilanga's* opinion-piece was in any way responsible for the anti-Indian violence.

Both Mandela and Inkatha president Mangosuthu Buthelezi slammed the anti-Indian violence and said it should immediately cease.

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and means

thing tangible in exchange for the dramatic steps he has taken. Among some Nat supporters there is a feeling of "too much, too suddenly."

"Increased sanctions or even the continuation of sanctions would be shortsighted on the part of the West. We can only move ahead with reforms if we stay in power,"



Botha



Suzman

Botha told the FM.

Mandela's release and other reform steps by De Klerk have already been hailed by some multinational companies which have remained in SA, but under enormous pressure to disinvest. Among them is Shell SA, whose CE, John Kilroe, has welcomed the release. "It is symbolic of the new hope being offered for a rapid and peaceful transition to a free, democratic and nonracial SA."

The relaxation of sanctions, as recommended by Margaret Thatcher, would be an important gesture of encouragement to De Klerk. He has vindicated her carrot-and-stick approach. ■

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Hard times (276) (10/1)

As Natal and KwaZulu reel after the worst yet weekend of violence in the politically volatile region, community leaders are asking: why now?

Nelson Mandela's release was expected to bring mass rallies, marches and celebrations. Instead, more than 50 people were killed in clashes between political groups and in mob violence.

Hundreds of houses have been looted and gutted. Refugees were still streaming from the townships by the mid-week and, despite more police and army patrols, townships from Maritzburg to Durban were tense.

Unlike violence associated with Mandela's release in other parts of the country — mainly due to massive crowds, bad planning and criminals — the bloodshed in Natal has taken the old pattern: "comrades" versus "vigilantes" which, broadly, translates into the UDF-ANC against Inkatha.

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A disturbing new trend has also emerged: indiscriminate attacks on members of Durban's Indian community. At Warwick Triangle, just off the centre of Durban, two Indian men were murdered and several injured last Saturday by a mob of African people. This is the third such attack there in two weeks.

There appears to be an orchestrated anti-Indian campaign. It has been promoted by anonymous pamphlets attacking Indian political leaders in the MDM and some insensitive and at times inflammatory editorials in *Ilanga*, the local Inkatha-owned Zulu newspaper. But this cannot explain the upsurge of violence since Mandela's release.

KwaZulu government minister and secretary-general of Inkatha Oscar Dhlomo says the increased violence "leaves me as dumbfounded as anyone else." Together with UDF representatives, Inkatha had recently been sitting on a peace committee to try to end the violence.

"All along," says Dhlomo, "we thought we were doing very well. Besides trying to overcome obstacles in the way of a joint peace plan, we were also trying to promote local peace initiatives, in areas such as Mpumalanga" (scene of violence last year, but quiet until the weekend, when up to 17 people were killed).

Dhlomo says he can only speculate that heightened political excitement at Mandela's release sparked off the latest round of fighting. "Even the police can't explain it," he says.

The DP's unrest monitoring group head, Roy Ainslie, sees a number of factors behind the bloodshed, precipitated by "too much of a heady mixture. The whole political temperature has increased out there. Then there has also been the media and pamphlet attacks on the Indian community — and what people in the townships have gone through in the last few months. It has just proved too much."

He also points out that people living in the townships seemed to have reached a point where they see no alternative but to take events into their own hands.

"In KwaMashu's K Section alone, 32 people have been killed, mainly by the Asinyora gang (a conservative vigilante group), with not a single arrest that I know of. The community have simply lost patience — they don't see any police action being taken."

He said the DP would continue to push for a judicial commission of inquiry into the violence and, better yet, impartial policing.

Mandela's planned visit to Durban is being awaited with some apprehension. But Dhlomo says: "It might depend on whether

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he makes contact with Chief Minister Buthelezi beforehand and discusses the violence. If he does, something positive could result." ■

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Buthelezi slams Mandela cop claim

ULUNDI. — Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, yesterday criticised statements allegedly made to the press by Mr Nelson Mandela, in which the ANC leader is quoted as saying police were supporting Inkatha in Natal

Chief Buthelezi, who is also the president of Inkatha, said Mr Mandela should question those who had informed him, because their information had led to errors of judgment on his part

The chief minister said in a statement yesterday that people in the Lindelani area affected by the violence had approached him with allegations of partisan police action

He had approached Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok to investigate the matter "so that if there was any truth in

the matter, we could act against the stated involvement of the SAP".

"Mr Vlok came, saw and made a statement. In that statement he pointed a finger at the UDF.

"Now Mr Mandela says there is evidence that the SAP are supporting Inkatha in violence against the UDF that the police incite and he says: 'One of the clearest illustrations of this was when he (Mr Vlok) met Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi and made a public statement accusing the UDF and its affiliates of being responsible for this (the violence)'."

Chief Buthelezi stressed he was reacting to press reports only. "I react cautiously because Mr Mandela is who he is and I have not yet sat down to talk with him on a wide range of issues which should claim our attention.

"Sadly the facts do not tally with the interpretation which Mr Mandela places on them."

Both he and Mr Mandela were on the telephone, Chief Buthelezi noted, "but he did not even pick up the phone to check my side of the story".

A letter from Ulundi to ANC leaders, suggesting possible dates for negotiation, had not been acknowledged.

The Inter-organisational Committee set up by Inkatha, the UDF and Cosatu to explore ways of co-operating to eliminate violence was teetering "because UDF and Cosatu have just not got any answer back from the ANC about the issues we have tabled", said the Inkatha president.

"The ANC must not remain petulant while SA burns. Where, Mr Mandela I ask, is your hand of friendship?" — Sapa

The TOWNSHIP of DEATH

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By RYAN CRESSWELL

IT is open war again in Mpumalanga, Natal's most battle-weary township, after the suspension of a ceasefire agreement between Inkatha and the United Democratic Front. It is now feared that the latest fighting in the strife-ridden area could continue for weeks or even months.

Yesterday Inkatha president, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, played down earlier comments he made about ANC leader Nelson Mandela's remarks that police had sided with Inkatha in attacks on the UDF. He said the he had since been contacted by Mr Mandela.

"We discussed the matter and while I do not want to speak on behalf of Mr Mandela, I say that I am entirely at ease and satisfied that there still is the love and respect between us which has always been there," Chief Buthelezi said.

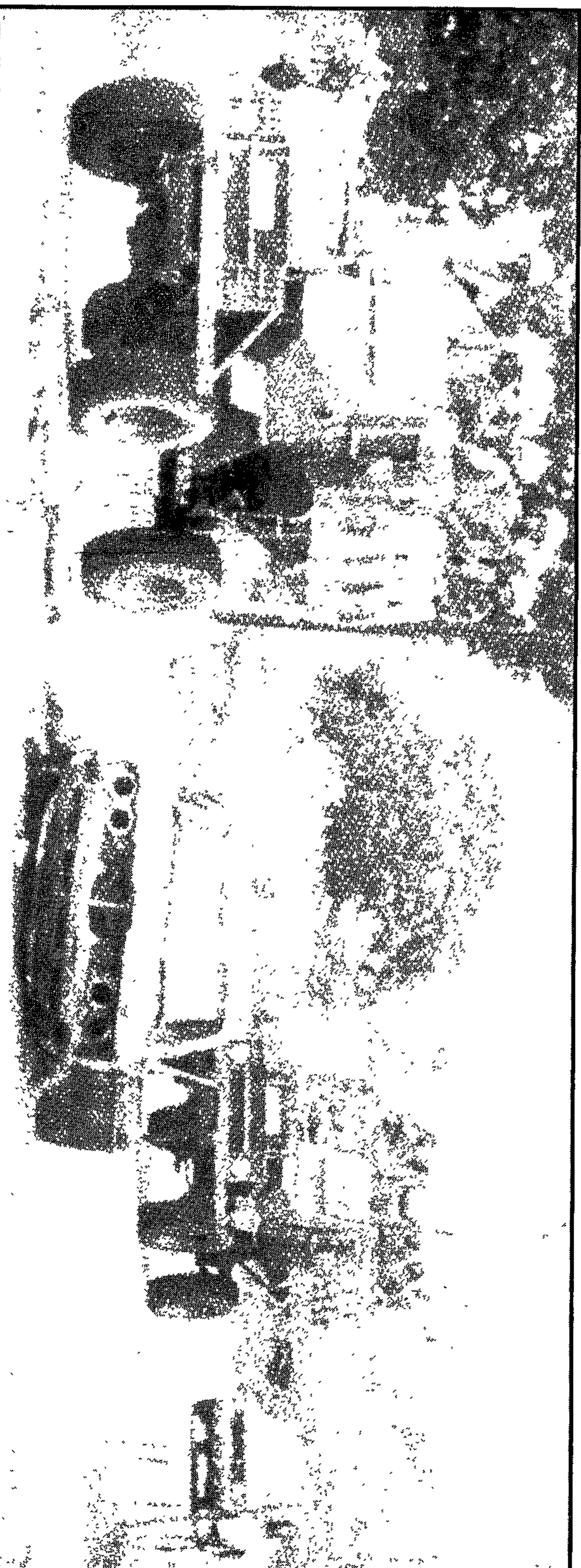
Further opportunities for reconciliation will arise during a meeting between senior ANC and Inkatha leaders aimed at bringing peace to Natal.

The meeting, which will not be attended by Mr Mandela, is set to take place before the ANC leader's rally at Durban's Kings Park on Sunday February 25

Family

The need for a settlement became urgent on Tuesday, when more than 5 000 Inkatha supporters attended a rally in Mpumalanga and

It's war again in Little Beirut as ceasefire shatters



ROAD TO HELL... armoured troop carriers roll past the burnt-out shell of a car. The vehicle's owner was killed in the violence in Mpumalanga

Pictures: JIMMY HUTTO

decided to suspend the cease-fire

Local Inkatha leaders said they were being forced to "defend themselves" against repeated UDF attacks

They claimed the latest flare-up began when young UDF comrades burnt an Inkatha supporter and killed three members of his family

But UDF spokesmen in Mpumalanga claimed that Inkatha started the trouble by mounting a massive attack on their territory last Sunday in which nine people were killed and about 15 injured

Violent death is always just around the corner for the thousands living in Mpumalanga, but this week the street-to-street fighting reached terrifying proportions.

Heady

About 16 of those killed were from Mpumalanga, although police confirmed 13 deaths in the area.

Political violence between Inkatha and the ANC-affiliated UDF also erupted in at least six other townships in Natal, resulting in more than 50 deaths.

Observers said the heady atmosphere following the release of Mr Mandela was partly to blame for this week's heavy fighting.

Mpumalanga has been the scene of some of the fiercest territorial battles between UDF supporters and Inkatha members for nearly four years, earning it the name "Little Beirut".

It has borne the brunt of rampages by a growing "third force" — opportunistic gangs of thugs.

Caches

Despite hopes by most of the residents of Mpumalanga that the fighting will stop, and despite intermittent peace negotiations, the death toll over the years amounts to hundreds.

Scores of homes stand empty after their occupants fled the area to live the hard, uncertain lives of refugees.

The UDF and Inkatha hide caches of arms and sometimes "umuti" — which some fighters believe protects them from bullets — in the township.

Since last December, a peace treaty and the presence of members of the



Mdundisi Msimande points to a window shattered by a petrol bomb

SADF kept an uneasy peace in Mpumalanga.

Last Friday the army left the area and on Sunday an orgy of fighting and burning began. Troops streamed back into the township and an army command post was set up, but the fighting continues and residents expect it will get worse.

Both sides blame the other for the latest violent outbreak.

Mpumalanga is a divided township with young UDF comrades — some only 13 years old — control Unit Three of Mpumalanga. Just down the road, around the corner in Woody Glen, Inkatha fighters rule.

Now Inkatha residents claim they are living in a state of siege because they have been cut off from schools, supplies and work by UDF comrades who have cut

off the road that leads to the outside world.

UDF fighter Wiseman Mkize, who is only 19, told the Sunday Times why there was a blockade.

Pointing out the burned homes of two of his neighbours, the UDF member spoke about an Inkatha attack on Unit Three, in which he fought last weekend.

Loss

"Inkatha came at lunch-time on Sunday and attacked us. There were more than a hundred of them — some with 303s, an AK-47 and one R-1. We fought them but there was not much we could do.

"They threw petrol bombs at the houses and cars. About 10 houses were burned down.

There was screaming and burning for hours.

"Inkatha killed nine people in this area on Sunday and about 15 were injured. They even killed old Mr Thebekulu who was about 97."

Wiseman also claimed that the SAP "helped Inkatha get us". But earlier this week police spokesman Major Pieter Kitching said members of the riot unit had entered pitched battles in Natal and prevented devastation and loss of life.

UDF peace negotiator Peter Dlomo said local leaders in the organisation hoped the peace talks would continue.

"They have the big guns — our youth just have 9mm pistols. And the police riot unit definitely help Inkatha," he said.

"They even chase UDF people when there is no fight-

ing. We pick up the police. There is no fighting when the army is here.

"This time Inkatha started it — they travelled kilometres to our area."

But a local Inkatha leader and peace treaty organiser from Woody Glen near Mpumalanga, who did not want to be named because he feared reprisals, was adamant that UDF "comrades" had started the latest outbreak by burning a man and killing three members of his family.

"Early on Sunday morning, they dragged an Inkatha member, Mr Mandla Ngulo, out of his BMW, put him underneath it and then set it alight. They also killed three members of his family.

"When we heard he was being killed, we all went up there. They started shooting at us and that is how the big fight started.

"There were no police with us. The KwaZulu police came later and then the SAP and the UDF stopped the fight," he said.

"Later in the day UDF youths coming from a burial attacked our people near the Mzila shopping centre and five Inkatha people were shot and wounded, two seriously."

Action

● On Wednesday, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok announced in Parliament that a plan to control the Natal conflict would be put into effect.

It will include increasing police strength, deploying an additional 1 000 troops, using more police vehicles and air support, establishing more mobile police stations, employing extra detectives and intensifying action to remove "leaders and organisers of violence".

The minister added that 19 policemen had been killed and 104 seriously injured in the Natal violence during the past two years.

Major peace initiative for strife-torn Natal

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A MAJOR peace initiative has been launched to counter threats of racist attacks against Indians in Natal.

Task forces were formed this week in the wake of several racial incidents and continued threats of violence.

Organised by the United Democratic Front — together with affiliates in areas such as Phoenix, Welbedacht and the Warwick Avenue triangle in central Durban — groups of political activists met residents in an effort to defuse tension following rumours about impending attacks on Indians by Africans.

UDF co-president Archie Gumede called on people to "remain calm" in the face of widespread rumours and "not to take the law into their own hands".

He condemned the violence in several areas in Natal and blamed "criminal elements" for sparking off mob attacks on people.

Panic

"This has got to stop — we in the UDF are trying our best to monitor the situation and work towards getting both Indians and Africans to ward off suspicion and not be influenced by mischief-makers who want to divide our communities and cause racial disharmony," Mr Gumede said.

Since Thursday afternoon, multiracial groups of UDF and Cosatu members wearing peace stickers distributed pamphlets have spoken to people in central Durban about their fears over the violence which erupted in the Warwick Avenue area over the past two Saturdays.

Mrs Ela Ramgobin, a member of the UDF executive, said an attempt was made by the monitoring

By SHARON CHETTY

groups to reassure commuters and speak to people about the recent racial incidents in the area.

People working with monitoring groups and community organisations said the greatest problem they faced was "a blind panic caused by unfounded rumours".

Mr Sham Maharaj, chairman of the Phoenix Working Committee, said community organisations in the township had formed a special unit to monitor the area.

"There has been some unrest in Inanda but so far nothing has happened in Phoenix.

"We have met with residents from the Bambai and Amouti settlements nearby and the major part of our discussions has centred on peace," he said.

Vital

"They, like us, realise that we have to live near each other no matter what happens, so establishing good race relations is vital.

"The threat of violence has hung like a dark cloud over the area but, with our monitoring groups we have managed to keep a check on Phoenix and the border areas to reassure people."

Buthelezi

to meet ²⁷⁶

Mandela

in bid to

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heal rift

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Mr Nelson Mandela and Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi will meet soon, a statement at the weekend by the Inkatha leader said.

The planned meeting has been confirmed by ANC sources.

Chief Buthelezi's statement comes after he and Mr Mandela clashed over the reasons for the UDF-Inkatha fighting in Natal.

Mr Mandela had said there was evidence that police were helping Inkatha against the UDF. Chief Buthelezi issued an angry denial on Friday, saying Mr Mandela had not contacted him "to check my side of the story".

The weekend statement says Mr Mandela did telephone Chief Buthelezi on Saturday.

"This was a courtesy I greatly appreciated," Chief Buthelezi said.

"We discussed the reports indicating conflict between us and while I do not want to speak on behalf of Mr Mandela, I say that I am entirely at ease and satisfied that there still is the love and respect between us which has always been there."

Natal peace effort

When asked at a press conference last week whether he would be prepared to sit with Chief Buthelezi on the same platform and discuss the Natal violence, Mr Mandela said: "If the ANC decides I should be the man to negotiate with Chief Buthelezi, I'd do so with humility and without reservations."

Mr Mandela is due to address a rally in Durban on Sunday. Chief Buthelezi is unlikely to attend.

Mr Walter Sisulu and other key ANC leaders will visit the violence-torn areas of Natal three days before the rally in an effort to bring peace to the area, which has claimed 3 000 lives in the past three years and left more than 70 000 refugees.

The latest violence has been centered around an area called Table Mountain near Greytown. According to estimates 5 000 people have fled the area in the past week.

● The PAC has criticised the ANC's decision to "talk about talks" with the government, and described President F W de Klerk as a nazi.

"I want to say that this is not the time when you can compromise with the enemy. I say negotiation is nothing else but appeasement," said PAC leader Mr Zeph Mothopeng on Saturday.

"You cannot appease De Klerk, he is a nazi," he told a cheering rally in Johannesburg, attended by about 250 supporters.

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Policeman shot in hospital

PRETORIA. — Two men were found stabbed to death in separate incidents in Natal at the weekend and a policeman was admitted to hospital after being shot by unknown gunmen.

At Mpopomeni and Ntuzuma the unidentified men were found stabbed to death yesterday.

According to the police unrest report for Saturday the policeman was guarding the Lamontville High School, near Durban, when he was shot.

According to the police unrest report for Saturday a group of people gathered at a house in Botlakong near Bethlehem in the Free State.

When police searched the house for stolen property the group refused to disperse and police were forced to disperse them with tearsmoke and a thunderflash. Three males and a female were arrested.

At Amzinyati in Natal a man was arrested when a mob stoned police. — Sapa

Another killing in Natal township war

By Craig Kotze

Another man has been killed in the ongoing Natal township war which, the Government says, is delaying the lifting of the state of emergency

But violence, which left 10 dead, between Pan Africanist Congress supporters and ANC members in the eastern Cape last week, seems to have subsided and police yesterday reported no incidents in the area.

Police said in their latest unrest report that a mob stabbed a man to death in Ntuzuma near Maritzburg — scene of some of the most intensive violence which has claimed more than 3 000 lives over the past

three years *Star 10/2/90 (276)*

The fighting is primarily between the ANC-backed UDF, Cosatu alliance and the Inkatha movement and up to 126 people may have died since ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela was released

High-level talks between various leaders on both sides and a new six-point plan by Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok have so far not halted the violence, although it has decreased significantly since last week

When he unbanned the ANC, PAC and SA Communist Party, President F W de Klerk said he would not lift the emergency because the violence in Natal could not be contained without it

Last week, the Defence Force moved 1 000 troops into the townships surrounding Durban and Maritzburg in a new bid to restore peace.

A man was arrested in Amzinyati, Natal, at the weekend after a mob attacked and stoned police. Police used teargas and detained the suspect.

Four people were arrested in Botlakong near Bethlehem in the Free State at the weekend after police used teargas and a thunderflash at a house

Police tried to search the house for stolen property after an illegal gathering was held there but the crowd refused to allow them in

Probe into Tokoza and Tembisa councils

Pretoria Correspondent *Star 10/2/90 (277)*

A public investigation into the local councils of Tokoza and Tembisa has been announced by the MEC responsible for local government in Transvaal, Mr Olaus van Zyl.

Mr van Zyl said a report concerning tariffs and municipal accounts of the Tokoza council must be submitted to the executive committee of the Transvaal Provincial Administration (TPA) with-

in two weeks
In a second phase, charges concerning alleged irregular activities in the administration by councillors and officials will be investigated

The Tokoza investigation will be led by Mr Faan Schutte, director (financial administration) of the TPA, with evidence and representations from the council heard at the Tokoza municipal offices on February 26 and 27.

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Namibia killing: man held for questioning

The Star's Africa News Service

WINDHOEK — Police are questioning a man arrested in Middelburg in the Cape in connection with the possibility that he has links to four escaped right wing alleged killers

A spokesman for the SWA Police, Brigadier S Eimbeck, said detectives in Namibia had been in close contact with their counterparts in South Africa following the arrest of the man

There is a possibility he may be linked to three right-wingers who are still on the run after escaping from police custody while facing a murder charge

They allegedly murdered a Namibian security guard during an attack on the Untag regional office in Outjo in August last year.

FALSE PLATES

The three men — Mr Leonard Veenendal (23), M Darryl Stopforth (22) and Mr Horst Klensz (52) are also wanted in connection with the alleged murder of SWA Police constable Ricardo van Wyk, who was shot when the three escaped in December last year

According to Brigadier Eimbeck, the SWA Police last week launched an intensive, but unsuccessful search in Damaraland after information that two bakkies with false number plates had been seen in the area, and that a man identified as Mr Klensz had been seen

Mandela, Buthelezi to discuss unrest

EDYTH BULBRING and
CHARLENE SMITH

ANC leader Nelson Mandela and KwaZulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi have agreed to meet to discuss the Natal violence and other issues, and ANC leaders plan a tour of the province's trouble spots next week. *19/2/90*

Walter Sisulu and other key ANC leaders, will visit the violence torn areas of Natal on February 22 in an effort to bring peace to the area, which is seeing an average of three deaths a day and where unrest has left more than 70 000 refugees.

Sisulu said those in the ANC party would include Ahmed Kathrada, Wilton Mkwayi and Andrew Mlangeni.

Nelson Mandela would arrive in Durban on February 25 where he will address a rally at Durban's King Park.

The ANC leaders would be briefed by the inter-organisational committee, set up by Inkatha, the UDF and Cosatu, on February 22 and would meet other individuals and the families affected by the violence, Sisulu said. *(276)*

Mandela telephoned KwaZulu Chief Minister and Inkatha president Mangosuthu Buthelezi on Saturday to inform him of his arrival in Natal on February 25, Inkatha general secretary Oscar Dhlomo said yesterday.

He said the conversation was cordial and the two agreed to meet when their schedules permitted although a date was not set.

Late last week Mandela accused the

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Unrest

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SAP of "inciting and supporting members of Inkatha against the UDF" in Natal. He condemned Law and Order Minister Adrian Vlok for blaming the UDF for the violence without meeting them.

However, in a statement released on Friday Buthelezi accused Mandela of not checking out the facts either.

Buthelezi said recently residents of the strife-torn areas had come to him "deeply concerned by what they saw as SA Police involvement in the violence against them." He said he contacted Vlok who visited the area and blamed the UDF.

Tribal chiefs in the Pietermaritzburg area met yesterday to discuss peace moves in the region. Late last week key leaders in Natal, including church leaders, were in Harare discussing the conflict with the ANC after failing to secure a meeting with President F W de Klerk.

A researcher for the Centre for Continuing Education at the University of Natal, in Pietermaritzburg, which is monitoring the violence, said there were estimates that 5 000 people had fled the area in the past week. The Pietermaritzburg town council is sheltering 400 refugees.

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**Woman stabbed
and burnt to death**

PRETORIA. — In stark contrast to recent unrest reports, police today reported only one incident throughout the country.

The police public relations division said a woman died at Thelawakeyeka, in Natal, when she attempted to flee after arsonists set her house alight.

She was caught, stabbed and burnt to death, the police said.
— Sapa

Viva! ... a week late

MELBOURNE. — More than 500 people celebrated the release of Nelson Mandela with a noisy demonstration in Sydney yesterday. — The Argus Foreign Service.

20 die in Natal faction fighting

PRETORIA. — Twenty-three people died and 51 were injured in incidents of unrest throughout the country — particularly in Natal, according to the latest reports.

Twenty people died in a faction fight in Harding, Natal, involving the Kobela and Wela tribes on Sunday. In addition, about 12 huts were set alight.

In a separate incident a township councillor of Ntuzuma, north of Durban, Mr Phillip Gasa, was killed at the weekend when his house was razed.

In neighbouring Kwamashu, a policeman was shot and "necklaced" to death.

Another policeman was shot and wounded at the Umlazi railway station on Saturday night.

Police said a woman died at Thelawakeyeka, in Natal, when she attempted to flee after arsonists set her house alight. She was stabbed and burnt to death.

One person was killed and at least 50 others injured when police used quirts and teargas to disperse a crowd of people at Giyani in Gazankulu yesterday, SABC radio news reports. — Sapa

20 die in bloody clash

IN A bloody clash between two factions 20 people were killed and several huts set alight at Harding, near the Transkei border at the weekend.

Lieutenant Bala Naidoo, police public relations officer for Port Natal, said the clash between the Kobela and Wela factions occurred at about 5.30am on Sunday. It is believed that the dis-

pute was over the grazing rights for cattle.

Naidoo said it is not known which clan attacked first. In the first clash three people were killed and a hut set on fire.

Retaliated

The other clan retaliated and killed 17 people. More huts were then set on fire.

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Naidoo said all those killed were stabbed with spears and hacked with pangas.

Police arrived at the scene and arrested five men.

The situation was calm in the area yesterday and there was a strong police presence.

Councillor (276)
killed 20/2/90

A TOWNSHIP councillor of Ntuzuma north of Durban. Mr Phillip Gasa, was killed at the weekend when his house in F Section was attacked and set on fire.

The commissioner of the KwaZulu Police, Brigadier Jac Buchner, told SABC radio news other members of the Gasa family escaped unhurt. No arrests had been made yet.

Policeman ²⁷⁶ necklaced

A POLICEMAN was shot and "necklaced" in KwaMashu on Sunday and another officer was shot and wounded in Umlazi, police, said yesterday. *Sowetan 20/2/90*

A Port Natal police spokesman, Lt-Col. Charl du Toit, named the dead man as Const. T. S. Khumalo, who died after the 3pm attack. He was off-duty at the time. Det-Sgt T C Mapamulo was attacked at the Umlazi railway station on Saturday night.

Ministers pick up negotiation pace

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THE presence of four senior cabinet ministers in a delegation to the Natal-Kwazulu Indaba has been interpreted to indicate government interest in parallel regional and national political settlements.

Political sources said the seniority of the government delegation which met Indaba representatives yesterday was significant, showing that the whole pace of negotiations had picked up.

Constitutional Development Minister Dr Gerrit Viljoen was accompanied to the meeting by Dr Stoffel van der Merwe, Minister of Development Aid; Foreign Minister Mr Pik Botha and Finance Minister Mr Barnd du Plessis.

FURTHER DISCUSSIONS

Also in the delegation were Mr Roelf Meyer, Deputy Minister of Constitutional Development, senior Natal National Party MP Mr Jurie Mentz and Mr Renier Schoeman, the NP's chief director of information.

The Indaba was represented by its chairman Dr Oscar Dhlomo, executive director Mr Peter Mansfield and its former executive director Professor Dawid van Wyk.

A statement after the meeting said they had agreed to have further discussions to try

to find greater agreement on issues raised by Indaba proposals.

The political sources said that, a few years ago, the government had considered these proposals premature, but now thought their time had come so was keen to explore them in parallel with other initiatives.

FEAR OF KILLING

Yesterday's meeting stemmed from a meeting last July between Mr Stoffel Botha, then Natal leader of the NP, and Dr Dhlomo. A decision taken then, to set up a forum to discuss differences between the Indaba and the government, had simply been overtaken by

events, the sources said.

They felt that white interest in the Indaba had waned in light of the political violence in Natal and KwaZulu which has had claimed 3 000 lives since 1987. There was a fear that introducing a regional political settlement could up the stakes in the violence, and hence up the killing rate.

● Meanwhile, members of and lawyers acting for the United Democratic Front and Cosatu met with Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok in Cape Town yesterday to discuss the Natal violence. They made several suggestions to Mr Vlok on how it could best be combatted.



Dr Gerrit Viljoen



Dr Oscar Dhlomo

Mr Vlok was accompanied in the talks by the Commissioner of Police, General Johan van der Merwe.

Four killings: Senior politician in court

Own Correspondent.

DURBAN. — A KwaZulu deputy cabinet minister appeared in Pinetown Magistrate's Court yesterday in connection with the killing of four people, and one of attempted murder.

Prominent Clermont resident Mr Samuel Jamile, 60, was not asked to plead and no charges were put to him when he appeared before Miss C Murray.

He is in custody at the Pinetown police cells pending an application for bail lodged at the attorney-general's office.

Also alleged to be involved in the series of killings is a 17-year-old youth also of Clermont.

MARITZBURG — Democratic Party MP Mr Rob Haswell is to meet the Ministers of Law and Order and Defence urgently to arrange for troops to be sent into the violence-plagued Table Mountain area near Maritzburg.

The move comes after a meeting this week called by the town clerk and attended by representatives of various groupings involved with unrest in the Natal area, including Cosatu and the DP.

At the meeting representa-

Army may be called in to quell violence

tives for refugees affected by the violence insisted people would not go back to Table Mountain until the defence force was in the area.

The mayor of Maritzburg, Mr Mark Cornell, said refugees' in-

sistence that the army be called into the area was no indictment on the police, and would certainly overcome the people's fears of returning to their homes.

He said police had reacted positively to the request, but, Mr Cornell added, there was a problem with returning the refugees in that tents had to be found for them to live in while they rebuilt their homes.

Mr Haswell would ask Defence Minister General Magnus Malan for tents.

ANC to help solve Natal violence

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DURBAN — Senior ANC members, among them Mr Walter Sisulu and Mr Ahmed Kathrada, will visit strife-torn areas of Natal today.

They will make a personal assessment of the violence which has claimed more than 3 000 lives and displaced at least 60 000 people.

A congress of the UDF, Cosatu and Mandela Reception Committee says it is to make an all-out effort to restore peace.

It has also decided to set up local peace committees in a bid to stem the faction violence and combat crime.

The congress thinks the skirmishes are being stirred by an organised element. — Sapa.

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Man shot dead as mob stops car

The Argus Correspondent

MARITZBURG. — A man has been shot dead and his travelling companion wounded in the back after a hostile crowd stopped their car.

Police said Mr Daniel Madune, 38, and Mr Elliot Mncwabe had stopped yesterday after a large group of people blocked a road in Imbali township. One of the mob drew a firearm and shot Mr Mncwabe in the back.

He escaped into the bush, but Mr Madune was shot dead.

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Court renews Ximba attacks restraint

MARITZBURG. — An interim order restraining the police and residents of the KwaMayavu tribal authority from participating in, encouraging or allowing attacks on people in the Ximba area in Ehlanzeni was extended in the Supreme Court here yesterday.

Responding to an affidavit submitted by Chief Zibuse Michael Mlaba, Lieutenant Daniel J Meyer of the Riot Unit denied there had been a complete breakdown of law and order in the Ximba area in November last year.

Lt Meyer, who was responding on behalf of the Minister of Law and Order and the Commissioner of the SAP, also denied that members of the SAP had actively assisted in, or permitted, criminal activities against the inhabitants of the Ximba tribal authority. — Sapa

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Natal unrest: Activists talk to Vlok

Cape

SENIOR anti-apartheid activists held talks with Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok yesterday in a bid to end conflict between Inkatha and the UDF in Natal, where Mr Nelson Mandela will this weekend spell out a message of peace.

A delegation from the UDF and Cosatu met Mr Vlok in the city to discuss how to end the conflict which has cost more than 2 000 lives in the past three years.

The meeting followed police reports that two people had been necklaced in Natal in the past 24 hours.

Police found the body of a man who was necklaced in Ntuzuma, outside

Durban, and in a separate incident, the body of a woman was found at Mpu-malanga, near Hammersdale.

In further incidents in the daily police unrest report, a man was seriously wounded at Clermont, near Pinelown, and a man was injured when a house and vehicle were burnt at Imbali, near Maritzburg.

Following the meeting with Mr Vlok, Cosatu spokesman Mr Alec Erwin said: "We put a number of detailed proposals to the minister and raised the problems we experienced. We found he was quite ready to deal with these problems."

He declined further comment till he

had received a detailed reply from Mr Vlok about the proposals.

In response, Mr Vlok said the proposals would be considered by his department. However, he again emphasised the need to end recriminations and not to implicate the police by any accusations of whatever nature.

Meanwhile, Democratic Party MP Mr Rob Haswell is to ask Mr Vlok and the Minister of Defence urgently to arrange for troops to be sent into the violence-plagued Table Mountain area near Maritzburg.

The move follows a meeting this week attended by representatives of various groupings monitoring and in-

olved with the Natal unrest. The secretary-general of Inkatha, KwaZulu cabinet minister Dr Oscar Dhlomo, and Indaba representatives met Dr Gerrit Viljoen, Minister of Constitutional Development.

Ormande Pollok reports that the Indaba meeting appears to have been particularly significant and could represent a major shift in government attitudes to the Indaba proposals.

It could not be confirmed last night but it is understood that a number of ministers and not only Dr Viljoen, who is the government's "chief negotiator", met the Indaba delegation. — Sapa and Political Staff

Another bid for peace in Natal 276

DURBAN — Talks aimed at launching a major peace initiative to end the communal conflict in Natal have been held between Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and representatives of the joint congress of the United Democratic Front and Cosatu.

UDF-Cosatu delegation spokesman Alec Erwin has been quoted as saying they have put forward a wide range of detailed proposals designed to improve the general situation in the province.

These include the need to bring about effective policing and a reduction of the violence.

Erwin would not elaborate on the proposals, except to say the talks were constructive.

In response, Vlok said the proposals would be considered by his department. *B/Day 21/2/90*

However, he re-emphasised the need to end recriminations and not to implicate the police.

The joint congress and the Mandela Reception Committee say they will make an all-out effort to restore peace in the strife-torn areas and the congress has also decided to set up local peace committees in a further bid to stem the faction violence and to combat crime.

The congress believes inter-racial tensions in and around Durban are being stirred by an organised mobile element.

Today senior members of the ANC, including Walter Sisulu and Ahmed Kathrada, will be visiting the strife-torn areas to make a personal assessment of the violence, which has claimed more than 3 000 lives and displaced over 60 000 people. — Sapa.

NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 — January 1989.....	668
February 1989 — February 19 1990.....	626
Past 24 hours' official toll.....	2
TOTAL.....	1 296

Local peace committees for Natal

THE joint congress of the United Democratic Front, Cosatu and the Mandela Reception Committee says it is to make an all-out effort to restore peace in the strife-torn areas of Natal. 21/2/90

The congress also decided to set up local peace committees in a further bid to stem the faction violence and to combat crime. (276)

Referring to the outbreak of inter-racial tensions in and around Durban, the congress was of the view that the skirmishes were being stirred by an organised mobile element.

Today senior members of the ANC, including Mr. Walter Sisulu and Mr. Ahmed Kathrada, will be visiting the strife-torn areas to make a personal assessment of the violence, which has claimed over 3 000 lives and displaced over 60 000 people. - Sapa. 21/2/90

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Natal: steps to end violence/loss of life
1. Mr L T LANDERS asked the Minister of Law and Order.

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Whether, in the light of the current crisis in Natal, he or the Government has taken steps to bring the violence and loss of life in this province to an end; if so, what steps?
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The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER: Mr Chairman, in my speech on 14 February 1990 during the discussion of the Part Appropriation Bill I specifically referred to the situation in Natal and to the maintenance of law and order in South Africa.

Today I want to reiterate that anarchy and lawlessness are not acceptable to the majority of South Africans. They demand and are entitled to the protection and safeguarding of their lives and their property. In this regard the Government is adamant that it will normalise the situation and will not give in to ringleaders and organizers of violence.

By using the legislative powers at our disposal we might cause discomfort and suffering to some people but the blame for this cannot be placed on the Government or the South African Police.

However, we are not prepared to compromise on these issues because violence is unacceptable and totally unnecessary.

An analysis of statistics shows that the majority of unrest-related incidents which have been reported in South Africa in recent weeks occurred in Natal. I wish to emphasise that this state of affairs is of great concern to the Government. Hon members will agree with me, however, that the long-term solution should be sought in the maintenance of law and order while at the same time attention should be given to the social, economic and political spheres.

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To combat the violence in the short term certain urgent steps are being implemented under the supervision of senior police officers. The numerical strength of the police in the region is about to be increased and an additional 1 000 troops of the Defence Force are about to be deployed in the areas concerned in order to supplement the request of responsible leaders in the unrest-torn areas. Additional vehicles and air support are already being utilized. Additional detectives and security police are about to be deployed to strengthen existing investigating teams. [Time expired] *Hansard 21/2/90*

Mr L T LANDERS Mr Chairman, this interpellation was born out of our deep concern at the fact that since 1987 between 2 000 and 3 000 people have died in the killing fields of Natal. Thus, in spite of the fact that South Africa is governed under a state of emergency and in spite of the enormous powers granted to the authorities and the Police in terms of our security laws.

To quote Graham Howe, editor of *Indicator South Africa*:
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More people have died in the Natal conflict than in national civil unrest from 1984 to 1988.

In the light thereof it is important to question the role of the SA Police and the Government during this time, to question their lack of action and/or overreaction and whether in the process the Government has taken adequate and timely steps to bring the violence and the killing to an end.

There is evidence of the Police standing back and allowing the violence and the killing to escalate and run its full course before stepping in. Was this as a result of a political decision handed down to them—a case of “let the Blacks kill one another off”? When one hears—as I did from someone who witnessed it—of a case of a child of eighteen months being shot through the head at point blank range, then there is cause for serious concern.

Many affected communities and their leaders have lost confidence in our Police. They are saying that the Police are part of the problem in that they have taken sides. Assurances to the contrary have not been convincing.

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We have listened to what the hon the Minister has said here, but we have to ask Why so late? [Time expired]

*The MINISTER OF THE BUDGET. Mr Chairman, as the hon member for Durban Suburbs said, this interpellation is merely the result of our feelings about what is happening in Natal.

†I do not want to delve too deeply into the history, but I had the opportunity to visit the area on Saturday. If one sees the hundreds of people that are squatting, having run away from the situation, there will be greater understanding for the current situation there and in Natal in general.

Hundreds of innocent people who are the victims of this misunderstanding of the unrest situation, are suffering in the end. It is not only adults. The greater majority of those people are living under the most atrocious conditions because of the unrest. [Time expired.]

Mr E J TWYNHAM: Mr Chairman, the unrest situation in Natal caused many men, women and children to be maimed, homeless or burned to death.

In the Warwick Avenue area of Central Durban violence has resulted in the death of two persons and 17 being injured. Pupils en route to school in the Marrann Ridge area were terrorised and robbed of their pocket money. There are a large number of illegal weapons, including firearms and home-made weapons in the townships.

A pregnant woman was chased by a mob outside Port Shepstone, and was stabbed and burnt to death by being necklaced.

An off-duty policeman was shot and necklaced near KwaMashu. In Umhlati a detective constable was shot, stabbed and robbed of his pistol. At the Chesterville police station a policeman on guard duty was shot and wounded by an unknown gunman. In Pietermaritzburg a constable was attacked and stabbed several times by a mob. [Time expired.]

Mr P T C NAPIER: Mr Chairman, at a school pupils requested to see the principal about money that had been collected for a specific purpose and then used for something else. The Police were called in and without the children's being given a chance to voice their objections, the Police laid into them with sjamboks.
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At another time unrest were suspected in a township and the Police were called in from Pietermaritzburg. These policemen indiscriminately lashed anybody between the ages of 16 and 30 years old. An old woman of 75 years was caught in the sjambok crossfire and ended up in hospital. This woman was taking small children of eight to nine years old home after giving them religious instruction. I feel that the overreaction of the Police is as much to blame as their laxity of action in causing problems.

Mr L T LANDERS. Mr Chairman, to add to what other hon members have already said we would like the hon the Minister to tell us why the actions that he has undertaken in the last two or three weeks come as late as they have done.

There is a group of refugees in my constituency and from them we hear stories of the police in action. Therefore the call for an independent judicial commission of inquiry to look into the causes of the violence, to examine the role of the Police and to examine the socio-economic conditions of the affected areas is supported and endorsed by the LP. Will the Government do the same, or will it persist in its attitude of this is a case of out of sight, out of mind?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER: Mr Chairman, I would just like to finish what I was saying. Additional mobile police stations—so-called strong points—have already been established in order to maintain law and order in this area. Actions have been increased through all available legal measures in order to apprehend ringleaders and organisers of violence and to remove them from the community. I once again wish to call on all responsible leaders—this includes the hon member sitting on the other side of the House—to exercise control over their supporters and to help us. If they have the well-being of South Africa and all its peoples at heart, I call upon them to assist the Government and the SAP to normalise the situation.

*I want to tell the hon member immediately that this is not the first time that we have tried to put an end to these problems. I have announced similar steps in the past. We have sent thousands of policemen and members of the Defence Force to those areas. We placed them on duty in an attempt to resolve the situation. If we think that we can bring the problems in Natal to an end by accusing the Police, however, we are making a big mistake. These problems are much worse and

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much more profound than what we are addressing [Time expired] *276*
Debate concluded *281*

Reservation of Separate Amenities Act: amending legislation

2 Mr J A RABIE asked the Minister of Planning and Provincial Affairs

(1) Whether the Government intends introducing amending legislation in respect of the Reservation of Separate Amenities Act, No 49 of 1953, in the present session; if not, why not, if so, when,

(2) whether he will make a statement on the matter? *House of* 21/2/90

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*The MINISTER OF PLANNING AND PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS: Mr Chairman, may I say in the first place that it is an exceptional honour and privilege to speak in this House for the first time. [Interjections] Thank you very much

I should like to quote from the hon the State President's opening address in which he said the following

One matter about which it is possible to make a concrete announcement, is the Separate Amenities Act, 1953 Pursuant to my speech before the President's Council late last year, I announce that this Act will be repealed during this session of Parliament

That was 19 days ago The hon member for Reigerpark will understand that I have been a member of the Cabinet only since very recently and that I have no intention of differing with my hon leader in respect of the statement he made. Consequently this Act will be repealed during the present session.

*Mr J A RABIE. Mr Chairman, it is a pity that the hon the Minister came here for the first time only to repeat something the hon the State President had announced in vague terms. We want him to give us a specific time at which this Act will be repealed Since the matter is so urgent, I thought it would have been discussed by the joint committee already so that it could be deleted from the Statute Book once and for all

The previous President's Council made recommendations in this connection and a former Deputy Minister announced here that the Gov-

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ernment intended to repeal it That did not happen, however The hon the Minister must remember that this legislation harms the country and that it has damaged human relations considerably, if not irreparably Carletonville and Boksburg are eloquent examples of this. In Boksburg we even had to establish a "Save Boksburg Committee" As a result of the CP town council's implementing this Act, our people had to drive from Boksburg to Benoni and Germiston to do their shopping *House of*

Once again I ask the hon the Minister to tell us whether or not this legislation is going to be laid before the joint committee soon so that it can be abolished. The CP, the AWB and the BBB are not wrong in taking this kind of decision on local government level Nor are they wrong when they continue to keep holiday resorts in Overvaal in the Transvaal—which do not exist elsewhere in the Transvaal—closed so that only the White population can use them [Time expired]

*Mr J DOUW Mr Chairman, I am pleased that the hon the Minister referred to the hon the State President's speech, because I have two specific questions to put in that connection Is the Government going to continue to transfer all holiday resorts to own affairs administrations as from 1 April this year? I am referring *inter alia* to Overvaal How is this going to be implemented?

The other question is whether this Act is going to be devolved to local governments so that they themselves will decide which facilities they want to throw open. The hon the Minister must bear in mind that his answer in this connection will serve as evidence before the committee that is going to abolish this Act in due course.

Mr G H J THOMAS. Mr Chairman, the question that comes to mind is what is being done about the Reservation of Separate Amenities Act The beaches have now been opened, but our people doubt whether they would be within their rights if they were to enter any venue of entertainment Over the years we have borne the brunt of insults and at this point in time we cannot carry on in this manner if we are supposed to be moving towards change

*Mr J A RABIE. Mr Chairman, the hon member Mr Douw also referred to the matter of Overvaal The hon the Minister must make that announcement. Are certain holiday resorts going to be transferred to own affairs so that they fall *containing* 29 125/126

outside the jurisdiction of this particular Act? The hon the Minister must also tell us how soon we are going to see this amending Bill so that the matter can be concluded

*Mr P W SAIMAN: Mr Chairman, it is true that especially where there are few facilities, it is easy for other groups such as the CP to hide behind the implementation of this Act They say that it is on the Statute Book and that the Government is continuing to maintain it That is why they discriminate against us, especially where there are very few facilities, as in the rural areas. We simply cannot duplicate facilities any more. It is impossible. We have to move ahead, and we need that money. It is also urgently essential to be part of the climate of negotiation that must emerge. Consequently we want to appeal to the hon the Minister to get this Act to the joint committee so that it can be abolished and we can proceed to tackle the next discriminatory legislation.

*The MINISTER OF PLANNING AND PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS: Mr Chairman, I want to agree with the hon member for Reigerpark immediately that we must get this matter to the joint committee. The hon member will forgive me, however, if I am a bit deliberate in saying that we have not been able to get a joint committee together yet. [Interjections] This was

the result of certain situations that arose, and the hon member will understand that

*An HON MEMBER: That was lucky! [Interjections.]

*The MINISTER. Consequently it has simply not been possible for me to get that Bill—whatever shape it might be in at this stage—to a joint committee. In addition I have an arrangement with the hon the Chairman of the Ministers' Council of this House that before I publish legislation, I shall clear that legislation with the various components of the relevant joint committee. The hon member will understand that to date I have not had the time to do that I know in any case that this matter is being regarded with some urgency. In addition I am aware that negotiations with the hon the Chief Whip of Parliament are in progress and I want to assure the hon member that as soon as the committee sits, or as soon as we are in a situation of negotiation, I shall place that Bill before that joint committee.

With reference to the question of the hon member Mr Douw in connection with the transfer to own affairs, I can merely say that the position is that the transfer of the Overvaal resorts has already taken place. [Interjections] That is as far as I know. That is the factual position, and in addition I tell hon members [Interjections] [Time expired]

Debate concluded.

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Deaths in Natal violence: kwaZulu Minister in court

DURBAN — Mr Samuel Jamile (61), deputy Minister of the Interior in the kwaZulu Government and high-ranking member of Inkatha, appeared in the Pinetown Magistrate's Court on Tuesday in connection with four counts of murder and one of attempted murder.

The charges arise from incidents of unrest in the area.

He was not asked to plead and was remanded to the Pinetown police cells to March 6, pending a decision by the Attorney-General on an application for his release on bail.

The appearance of Mr Jamile, who is from Clermont, Pinetown, is linked to the appearance in court on Monday of a 17-year-old youth in connection with the same charges.

The teenager's case was postponed to March 19. There has been no application for bail on his behalf. — Sapa.

Inkatha, ANC meet for peace

DURBAN. — ANC and Inkatha leaders are to meet today in historic peace talks to discuss the Natal violence.

The ANC leaders will visit troubled townships and speak to people directly affected by the fighting. The mission will end with an ANC rally at Durban's Kings Park Stadium on Sunday, which will be addressed by Mr Nelson Mandela.

ANC leaders including Mr Walter Sisulu, Mr Ahmed Kathrada and Mr Andrew Mlangeni will meet representatives of Inkatha and the Cosatu/UDF alliance "as a preliminary step to further negotiations".

The Inkatha representatives are Dr Oscar Dhlomo, Inkatha's secretary-general and KwaZulu Minister of Education and Culture, and Dr Frank Mdlalose, KwaZulu Minister of Health and Social Welfare. The Cosatu/UDF representatives are Dr Diliza Mji, president of the National Medical and Dental Association, and Mr Alec Erwin, education officer for the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa.

Police, in their 24-hour unrest report, said the only incident in Natal occurred when a man was shot dead at Imbali, near Maritzburg, after a house was attacked. A woman and a youth were also wounded in the incident.

Meanwhile, thousands of Inkatha supporters, who gathered at the home of Inkatha leader and member of the KwaZulu Legislative Assembly Mr David Ntombela, at Elandskop yesterday in the wake of an attack on buses in the area, on Tuesday night, resolved yesterday to request Mr Mandela to call on his followers in Natal to stop the killings and particularly intimidation of Inkatha members.

Police have confirmed that one man was killed and that five others were injured when nine buses transporting workers home were ambushed and attacked with stones, firearms and petrol bombs by a large group at Inadi on Tuesday night.

However, residents say at least two people were killed, five were seriously injured and many others received minor injuries.

There was a strong police presence at yesterday's meeting which was attended by thousands of angry people.

● Mr Mandela will visit Lusaka next week and meet the leaders of the six frontline states, Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda said yesterday.

Mr Mandela is also expected to brief the ANC on his talks with the SA government and the intensive array of discussions he has had with diplomats, church, tribal and political leaders since his release. — Sapa and Own Correspondents

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ANC brings Inkatha and Cosatu to peace talks

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DURBAN — ANC and Inkatha leaders will discuss the Natal violence for the first time at a meeting here today, as part of the ANC's "peace mission" to the strife-torn province.

The mission will include visits by ANC leaders to troubled townships and discussions with people directly affected by the violence.

It will end with a mass ANC rally at Durban's Kings Park Stadium on Sunday. The rally will be addressed by Nelson Mandela.

Organisers said yesterday that between 175 000 and 250 000 people were expected.

ANC leaders including Walter Sisulu, Ahmed Kathrada and Andrew Mlangeni arrive at Louis Botha airport this morning and will meet representatives of Inkatha and the Cosatu/UDF alliance this afternoon.

Leading the Inkatha delegation is secretary-general Oscar Dhlomo.

The Cosatu/UDF representatives are Dr Dhliza Mji, president of the National Medical and Dental Association, and Numsa education officer Alec Erwin.

One of the organisers Anne McKay estimates costs for the rally as approaching the R175 000 mark. Sapa reports from Maritzburg that

Own Correspondent

Unrest victims admitted to Natal/KwaZulu hospitals are stretching health services to their limits and officials may call for help from the SA Defence Force.

Northdale Hospital medical superintendent Dr L. Dvartapetsad told reporters yesterday trauma-related cases had more than doubled over the past few years.

Severe wounds

Trauma-related cases came from all over the Edendale valley. Many patients were afraid to go to the Edendale Hospital.

Whereas in the past the hospital had dealt with between 350 and 450 cases a day, the Northdale Hospital was dealing with more than 800 cases a day, he said.

"About 50% of our black out-patients

NATAL UNREST DEADLINES

September 1997 — January 1998: 623
 February 1998 — February 20 1998: 623
 Part 24 hour official toll: 1271
TOTAL: 1271

come in with severe wounds and have to be admitted," he said.

ACHMED KAPTEM reports that the spate of faction killings in Johannesburg since last March, in which at least six people have died, originated in the Masinga area of Natal, according to Natal University (Maritzburg) adult education head John Alitchison.

Alitchison, a prominent researcher on the Natal conflict, said yesterday land pressure had been a problem at Masinga — an impoverished area bordering white-settler land — since the turn of the century.

"The tribal dispute has no political content in the real sense, and has been exacerbated by the way SA has been ruled," said Alitchison.

Johannesburg's most recent faction fight witnessed by a Business Day reporter, flared on the streets of Hill-brow this week and involved at least 10 people from rival Zulu groups.

The incident, in which a 24-year-old man was gunned down, took place on Tuesday night around spin outside the Mimosa Hotel in Louis Botha Avenue.

Witwatersrand police liaison officer Capt Eugene Opperman said police found nine spent cartridges at the scene of the murder.

He said it was a tribal matter "and these groups believe nobody should interfere".



● ERWIN... Numsa delegate



● DHLOMO... Inkatha leader

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Police accused of standing back

Natal blacks 'left to kill each other'

There was evidence of the police standing back and allowing the violence and the killing in Natal to escalate and run its full course before stepping in, Mr Luwelyn Landers (LP Durban Suburbs) said in the House of Representatives yesterday.

He asked whether this was as a result of a political decision handed down to them — "a case of 'let the blacks kill one another off'".

Mr Landers was speaking during an interpellation debate in which he asked the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, whether in the light of the current crisis in Natal, he or the Government had taken steps to bring the violence and loss of life in this province to an end.

Since 1987 between 2 000 and 3 000 people had died in Natal.

"This, in spite of the fact that SA was governed under a state of emergency and in spite of the enormous powers granted to the

authorities and the police in terms of security laws."

Many affected communities and their leaders had lost confidence in the police.

Replying to the debate, the Minister said mobile police stations had already been established and he asked all responsible leaders to exercise control.

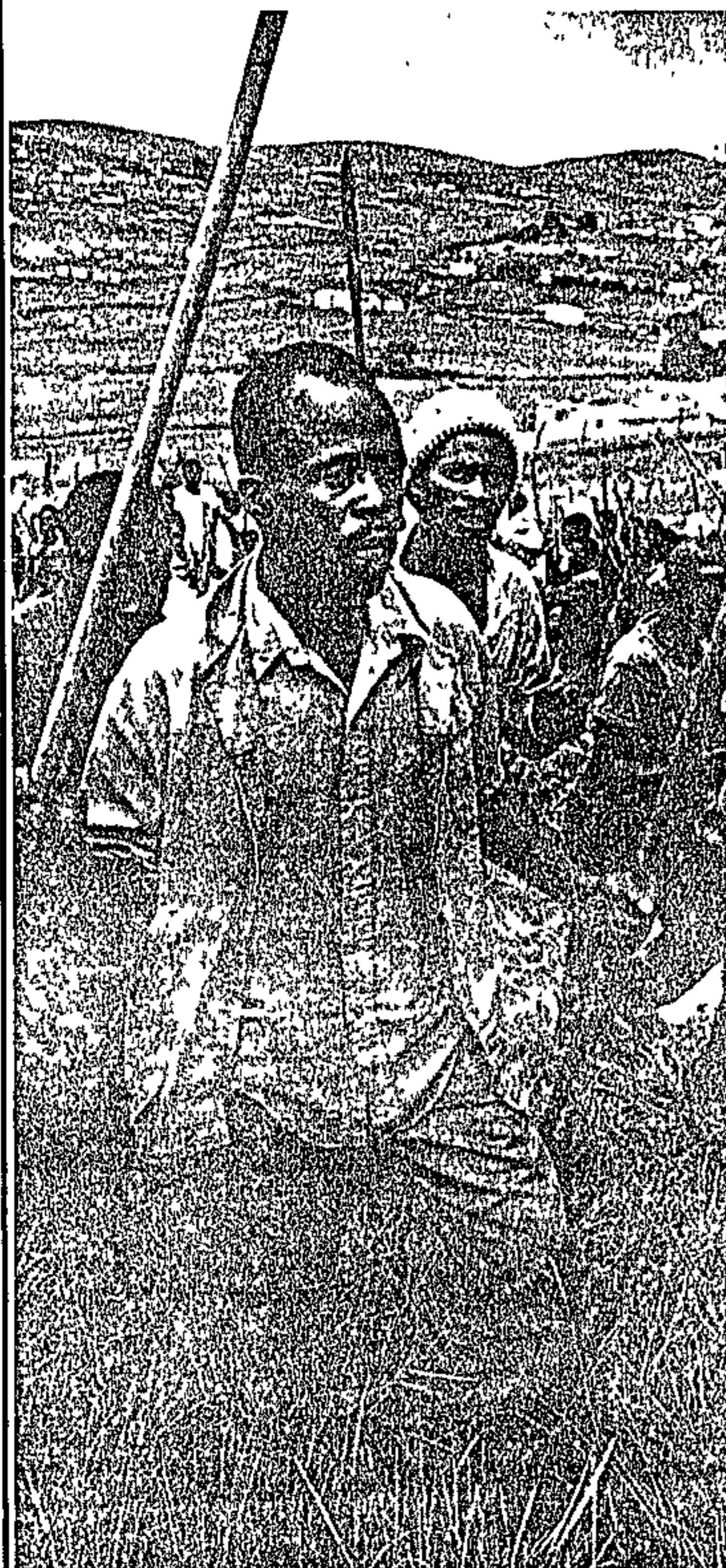
"It was not the first time steps like these have been taken," Mr Vlok said, after repeating the steps taken to help control the violence in Natal, announced earlier this month.

"We make a mistake by accusing the SAP of the situation," he said.

The call for an independent judicial commission of inquiry to look into the causes of the violence, to examine the role of the police and to examine the socio-economic conditions of the affected areas was supported and endorsed by the Labour Party, Mr Landers said, asking if the Government would do the same. — Sapa.

Top ANC leaders to take message of hope to Natal

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Inkatha impi at a funeral in Elandskop near Maritzburg

DURBAN — The dove of peace will wing its way through the ANC message to its Natal constituency at Sunday's mass rally here

But one of the main players in the three-year civil war will not be standing in the King's Park cricket and rugby fields to hear Mandela's words on ending the violence

KwaZulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi left for abroad on Tuesday and will not return in time for the rally, Uluhlozi sources said

Speculation has it that Buthelezi will make political mileage out of the apparent refusal of the ANC in Natal to

issue an individual invitation

Last Friday, Nelson Mandela phoned the Inkatha leader after Buthelezi had complained that the ANC leader had not contacted him since his release from jail

Residents in UDF areas such as the Durban township of Ntuzuma have invited Inkatha squatters from the Inedani shackland (population 300 000) to the rally

Walter Sisulu and other released ANC leaders are due on Thursday to begin a fact-finding tour of the public townships of KwaMashu and Inanda and Durban as well as Maritzburg

The ANC leaders, to be joined by

Mandela on Sunday, are also planning to visit the grave of the late ANC president and Nobel Peace Prize winner Chief Albert Luthuli in Grootville on the Natal North Coast

Grootville, where Luthuli was banished until his death, adjoins Stanger, site of the country's first ANC office, administered by former Robben Island prisoner Justice Mpanza

The rally is likely to be a focal point for moves to end the violence, with organisers considering unprecedented headline steps to ensure quiet

Neighbourhood marshalls will accompany township youths to prevent the outbreak of violence triggered by Mandela release marches which left

50 dead

Bus passengers weapons, which and the 2 000 may be armed - undergone "no about stern member of the

The King's Park rock concert - 70 000 Inkatha ber, has been the ANC

Organisers are although the the massive 10- quarter of a BANNEWS

Peace

IT is a tale of three of the most violent patches of land in Natal Mpumalanga, half-way between Durban and Maritzburg, next-door Shongweni and KwaMakhutha on the South Coast

The first had a peace pact, which failed

The second had a peace pact, which succeeded

The third is in the laborious process of hammering out a peace pact

How is it that some commitments to peace succeed and other crumble?

Residents of Natal's battle-weary townships this week kindled new bloody violence, which has claimed thousands of lives in the past few brought to an end.

The entire ANC leadership in the country, including Nelson Mandela, Walter Sisulu, will visit the area on a mission to bring lasting peace to the re correspondent CHRISTINA SCOTT reports on their formidable task kers:

SHONGWENI

PRETORIA police captain Ray Harrald returned armed and in uniform on Tuesday to Shongweni, once called the Valley of Death, to

celebrate the success of "his" peace pact

He was trailed by a contingent of SAP publicity munders — some of whom doubled as an SABC camera crew — proud that in his five-month tour he had brought together two warring factions after all but 15 percent of the 40 000 Shongweni population had fled the fighting

Residents were obviously glad to see him

At Mkhize's Supermarket, toffees were marked "Our Captain's Favourite — four cents" and old men drinking utshwala (sorghum beer) on the bench outside lined up to say hello Children at a school re opened after the fighting faded, sang to welcome him

"I've kept my promise, you've kept yours — I'm very pleased," said captain Harrald

The Shongweni Youth Congress (SYC) saluted his facilitator role but slammed the police for making "propaganda" out of the work of an individual and refused to be filmed by the SAP/SABC crew

"Comrade Gaddafi," the former leader of the UDF fighters, said they "objected to the manner in which members of the SAP are operating in other areas, such as Mpumalanga"

Outside the police strongpoint at Charles Memorial School, where UDF slogans have been painted over, SYC executive leader Thaddus Sithole said the 17th peace attempt worked because the people were exhausted of war

Inside the classroom strongpoint, a policeman read a James Hadley Chase thriller in front of a blackboard chalked with the message, "Remember the Police - The Friends of the Nation"

Peace is possible anywhere, said Harrald

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The bulk of Natal's peace-keeping defence force sent into the townships this week went to Mpumalanga

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Comrades defending K Section, Kwamashu, following an Inkatha revenge attack after about 60 shacks at Richmond Farm were petrol-bombed

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ANC leaders Walter Sisulu and Nelson Mandela

Inkatha's Buthelezi. Won't be at the rally

Bus passengers will be frisked for weapons, which will be confiscated, the 2 000 rally marshalls — who be armed with sjamboks — have gone "no mercy workshops" stern discipline, according to a of the organising committee. The King's Park rugby stadium and concert venue, which housed 000 Inkatha members last Novem has been rejected as too small for ANC Organisers are predicting 100 000, in the sports fields surrounding massive 10 metre stage can hold a of a million people — DUR-ANEWS

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ried new hope that the past few years, will be

Mandela and Walter to the region. SOUTH task as peacebro-

The peace pact held over times of the Christmas holidays, the re- of children to school

Last week, Inkatha chairman Nqo Nkehl announced that Inkatha pulling out of the agreement be the UDF were not sincere"

He disputed reports that the current of brutal killings was sparked by Inkatha vigilante attack from Glen squatter camp in which s of houses were stoned and and four people died

A further 17 people died on the weekend of Mandela's release

Nkehl pointed out that the schools are barred to Inkatha people and that 000 people in one unit were under as comrades controlled the only road

An Inkatha bus was hijacked and one killed and an Inkatha man in BMW was placed beneath the wheel the handbrake released as unit 3 entered the siege, Nkehl

His opponents claimed 10 houses following a decision at an rally to pull out of the peace after the UDF delegation was re- for the third time, leaving of the original voters

"I'm not going to stand in Inkatha's when they are attacked. It's seri- I know. It's very bad business," sighed before urging journalists to out of the range of R1 rifles al- possessed at a nearby UDF- hilltop

Nkehl said he would reconsider the if the UDF could provide credible with a demonstrated ability to their followers

"I'm very sceptical if Mandela and can have any influence on the hooligan element," he said

KWAMAKHUTHA

ne times they are a-changing A security branch policeman was on the need for trust at week's meeting of the Kwa Mbutha Youth League, concerned yman, Inkatha members and se- KwaZulu police

As an example, he singled out a member of the KYL who refused to give his right name or address when they first met

"Derek, you wouldn't even look me in the eyes," said Major L Botha. Derek looked him in the eyes "You were detaining me," he reminded him pointedly

The talks-about-talks in Kwa-Makhutha are off to a shaky start. Leading Inkatha councillor Ephraim Buthelezi was hospitalised after his house was patrol bombed last week

Seven KYL activists were buried in a mass funeral last weekend following violence triggered during marches celebrating Mandela's release from prison

And the secretary of the Inkatha delegation, SP Mazibuko, confessed that his role was an unofficial one. His position was not one where he could enforce discipline on fellow Inkatha members

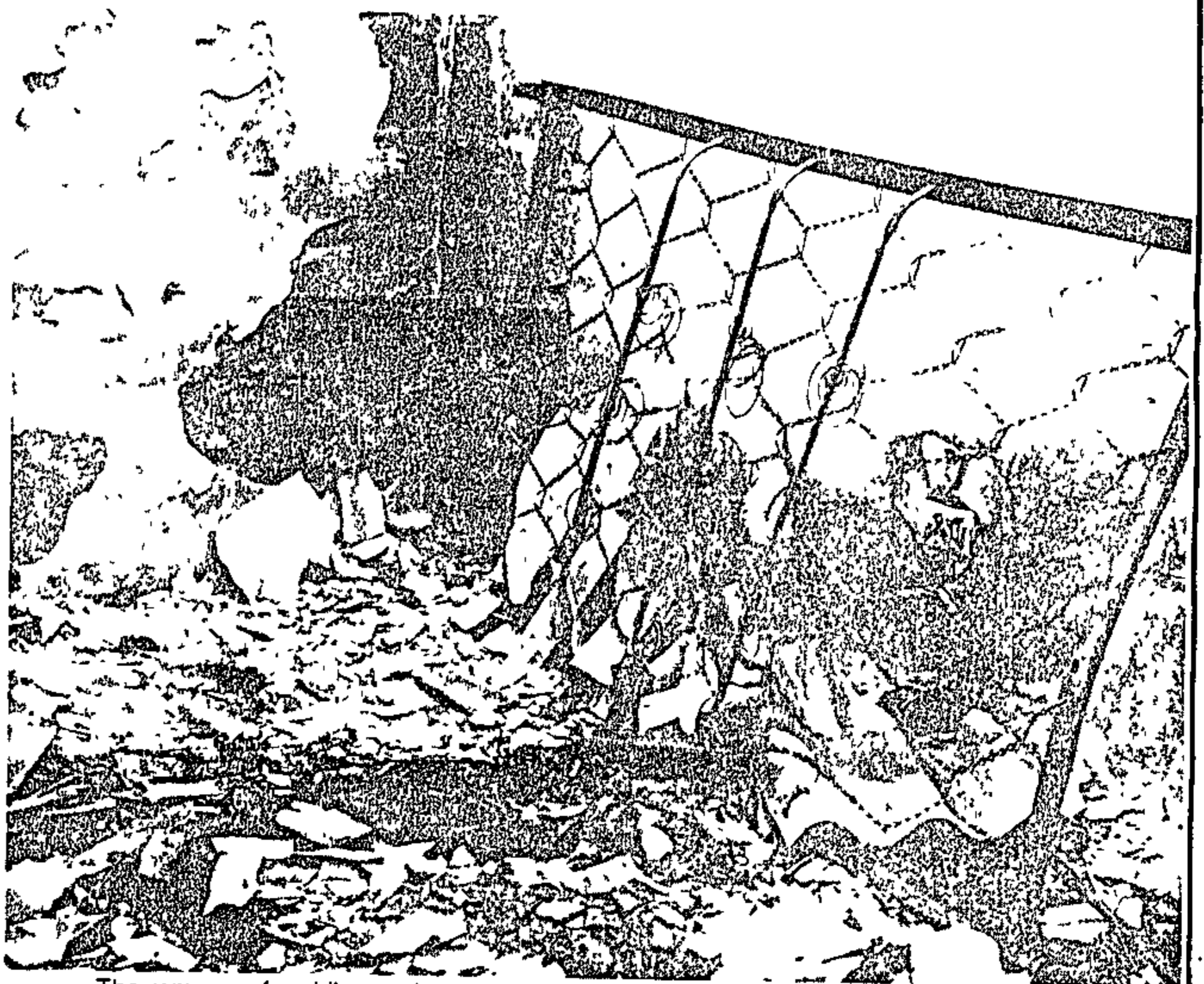
Still, the frank discussion as 18 people sat on beige plastic stack chairs in the middle of an auditorium was a start

"This point that everybody is afraid of the ZP should be discussed," a UDF delegate said in the form of ZP Lt Col VA Dubé

"The former station commander said he rejected peace talks because he was not allowed to be involved in peace talks," said a numster

"Inkatha has a problem with the SAP also — they raid the houses of Inkatha members, kicking children," responded an Inkatha member

"It's not good just saying, 'he's a warlord'. It serves no purpose if you say that this man here has killed. I want the facts. I want to help," said the SB Major — DURBANEWS



The remains of middle-aged woman's house in Mpumalanga after an attack by Inkatha vigilantes. This week, comrades took revenge by blockading Inkatha suburbs

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Comrades, with home-made weapons, guard houses in Maritzburg

Refugees return to Table Mountain

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THE 1 000 refugees who fled the recent fighting in Table Mountain, outside Maritzburg, have begun to slowly trickle home

However, fighting has been renewed in nearby Flandskop, another rural village outside Maritzburg

One man was shot dead and five bus passengers were injured when UDF supporters allegedly attacked nine buses in celebration of a rumour that a local warlord had been

arrested on Tuesday

The warlord, Inkatha leader David Ntombela, said he was busy trying to defuse an armed impl of 1 000 men who guarded his house and wanted to mount a revenge attack

The fighting has underlined unrest monitors' predictions that although the increased troop presence in the township has made for a quiet week, the fighting has migrated to rural areas

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lence and loss of life in this province to an end.

Since 1987 between 2 000 and 3 000 people had died in Natal.

"This, in spite of the fact that South Africa was governed under a state of emergency and in spite of the enormous powers granted to the authorities and the police in terms of security laws."

In replying to the debate, the minister said

mobile police stations had already been established and he asked all responsible leaders to exercise control.

"It was not the first time steps like these have been taken," Mr Vlok said.

"We make a mistake by accusing the SAP of the situation," he said.

The call for an independent judicial commission of inquiry to look into the causes of the violence, to examine the role of the police and to examine the socio-economic conditions of the affected areas was supported and endorsed by the Labour Party, Mr Landers said, asking if the government would do the same. — Sapa

Smiles after Natal meeting

Talks raise hopes for end to violence

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DURBAN — The smiles on the faces of ANC leader Mr Walter Sisulu and Inkatha secretary-general Dr Oscar Dhlomo after an historic two-hour meeting in Durban last night raised hopes for peace prospects in Natal's strife-torn black townships.

A short statement, read by Dr Dhlomo to journalists, said the spirit of the meeting between the two organisations "was a very firm commitment to end the violence in Natal".

Obstacles

Mr Sisulu flew to Durban yesterday morning at the head of an ANC "peace delegation". He told a press conference at the airport that the meeting, arranged with a working committee of Inkatha and UDF/Cosatu representatives for later in the day, was in his view a historic occasion.

The statement released after last night's talks said Mr Si-

sulu and his delegation were briefed by Inkatha representatives Dr Dhlomo and Dr Frank Mdlalose and by the UDF/Cosatu's Dr Diliza Mji, and Mr Alec Erwin.

The obstacles to peace talks had been fully canvassed.

"All concerned felt that the discussions were very constructive and the spirit of the meeting was a very firm commitment to ending violence in Natal.

"It is firmly hoped that such co-operation will expedite the peace process."

Dr Dhlomo told journalists he was satisfied with the meeting.

Asked what the next step in the peace process would be, he said: "The statement is self-explanatory. The agreement was that we would not elaborate on it. The (ANC) leaders are still on their mission. It is not yet accomplished."

The ANC delegation is due to visit Mpumalanga and other townships today and to have discussions with church leaders and business leaders.

'Historic' ANC-Inkatha talks

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — The first steps towards peace in Natal were taken yesterday when ANC and Inkatha leaders met here in what all concerned heralded as a "historic occasion". And in a surprise move, Inkatha central committee members in the greater Durban area encouraged their members to attend the ANC rally on Sunday to welcome Mr Nelson Mandela as a "hero and martyr of the black struggle for liberation".

Both ANC leader Mr Walter Sisulu and Dr Oscar Dhlomo, Inkatha secretary-general and KwaZulu Minister of

Education and Culture, were positive about the meeting and said they hoped it would lead to peace in the province.

Dr Dhlomo said it was the first time the ANC component of the peace talks had become directly involved, and that this was "very significant".

ANC leaders arrived in Durban yesterday morning and toured townships outside Maritzburg, meeting community leaders to discuss the violence. Steady drizzle did nothing to dampen the enthu-

siasm of ANC supporters in the townships, who emerged from their houses chanting and waving ANC flags and banners.

A meeting behind closed doors at the Edendale Lay Ecumenical Centre was held with about 50 township representatives from areas such as Ashdown, Caluza, Haza, Mpumalanga, Gezibuso, Sinathingi, Slangspruit, Taylor's Halt and Elandskop, which have been the scenes of death and destruction for the past three years.

Mr Sisulu said criminal elements that were exacerbating the situation in Natal were the result of poor social conditions.

He said they would have to be put right by providing people with adequate education.

Inkatha's central committee, in their call for support of the Mandela visit, appealed to everybody for calm as "we are concerned that fresh violence may break out as emotions build up closer to the day of the rally". They also called on rally organisers not to let

enthusiasm and emotions lead them to act in a provocative and offensive manner which would lead to violence.

Recalling incidents the organisation claim were perpetrated by the ANC/UDF/Cosatu alliance during the release of Mr Mandela, they called on the three organisations to "openly warn" their members and supporters against:

- Singing derogatory songs against Inkatha and its leaders.
- Attacking houses of Inkatha members and of all those who do not wish

to be forced into activities of the ANC/UDF and Cosatu.

● Verbally abusing other organisations by calling their supporters and leaders names.

● Harassing, intimidating and forcing people to go to the rally.

● Acting in any provocative manner whatsoever.

The statement claimed that on the day Mr Mandela was released, derogatory songs and slogans were chanted denouncing some of Inkatha's local leaders and Chief Mangosuthu

Buthelezi, and that houses of some of the organisation's members and leaders were attacked, that people were harassed and verbally abused and that cars were stoned.

The committee appealed to both the ANC/UDF/Cosatu alliance and Inkatha supporters for calm in view of the prevalent tension in areas surrounding Durban.

"We call on every self-respecting black patriot to render the historic visit by Mr Mandela to Durban an honourable and memorable event in the history of our country," said the committee. — Sapa

Sisulu noods peace talks in Maritzburg

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THE ANC peace delegation to Natal yesterday met representatives from the troubled areas around Maritzburg.

The delegation led by Walter Sisulu met about 40 people from areas such as Ashdown, Taylors Halt, Sweetwaters and Elandskop, where scores of people have died in the past three years.

The meeting in Edendale outside Maritzburg was attended by Sisulu's delegation, his wife Albertina, UDF leader Mr Archie Gumede, Dr Diliza Mji and Mr Alex Erwin of the working committee set up to resolve the conflict in Natal. Earlier, Sisulu said

criminal elements who were exacerbating the situation in Natal were the result of poor social conditions.

They would have to be put right by providing the people with adequate education. The delegation was

also expected to visit some of the worst-hit areas around Maritzburg before returning to Durban for a meeting with In-

katha and UDF/Cosatu representatives. Sisulu described the meeting as an historic occasion. - Sapa.



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High stakes (276)

A meeting between Nelson Mandela and Inkatha Chief Mangosothu Buthelezi has yet to be announced. Mandela will address the first rally of the unbanned ANC in Natal — Inkatha territory to many — on Sunday.

For this reason, as well as the backdrop of the Natal violence, there is great interest in the event and in what Mandela will say.

Relations between Mandela and Buthelezi are supposed to have been cordial over the years but the chief's relationship with the ANC in exile is another matter.

Replying to journalists' questions last week, on government's decision to send 1 000 troops into Natal (while the ANC calls for troops out of the townships), Mandela said he didn't think more troops would help; a judicial commission of inquiry was needed.

He claims one of the problems complicating the situation is the role of police. "There is evidence that they have been actually inciting and supporting members of Inkatha against the UDF."

Buthelezi responds: "Sadly, the facts do not tally with the interpretation Mandela places on them and he should seriously question those who give him the kind of background information which leads him to make these kind of serious errors of judgment. I am on the telephone and he is on the telephone but he did not even pick up the 'phone to check my side of the story." Recrimination against him and Inkatha "by no less a person than Mandela are just intolerable," says the KwaZulu leader.

He adds: "The ANC, which Mandela wants to instruct him, has done nothing about the violence in the KwaZulu/Natal region." His letter suggesting a meeting with the ANC president was not acknowledged.

According to Buthelezi: "The Inter-organisational Committee set up by Inkatha, the UDF and Cosatu to explore ways of organisational co-operation in eliminating violence, is only teetering on because UDF and Cosatu have just not got any answer back from the ANC about the issues we have tabled. ANC Lusaka cuts us dead, cuts the peace process dead. I wonder whether Mandela will receive any instructions at all."

He adds: "Where, Dr Mandela I ask, is your hand of friendship?"

Answers to such questions could emerge at King's Park stadium, Durban, on Sunday.

Mandela is also due to address a rally in Bloemfontein later on the same day. He is likely to travel to Lusaka next week, then on to Dar es Salaam and Sweden, for talks with the ANC's national executive committee and ANC president Oliver Tambo.

The question of Mandela's formal post in the ANC does not appear to be a problem for the ANC or himself. Insiders scoff at any suggestion of a problem over leadership. Secretary general Alfred Nzo recently described Mandela as a "national leader as well as one of the leaders of the ANC." In his first

speech after release Mandela observed that the leadership of the ANC gets elected at a congress.

Since the ANC's next national conference is to be held in SA on December 16, perhaps the leadership issue will be cleared up then.

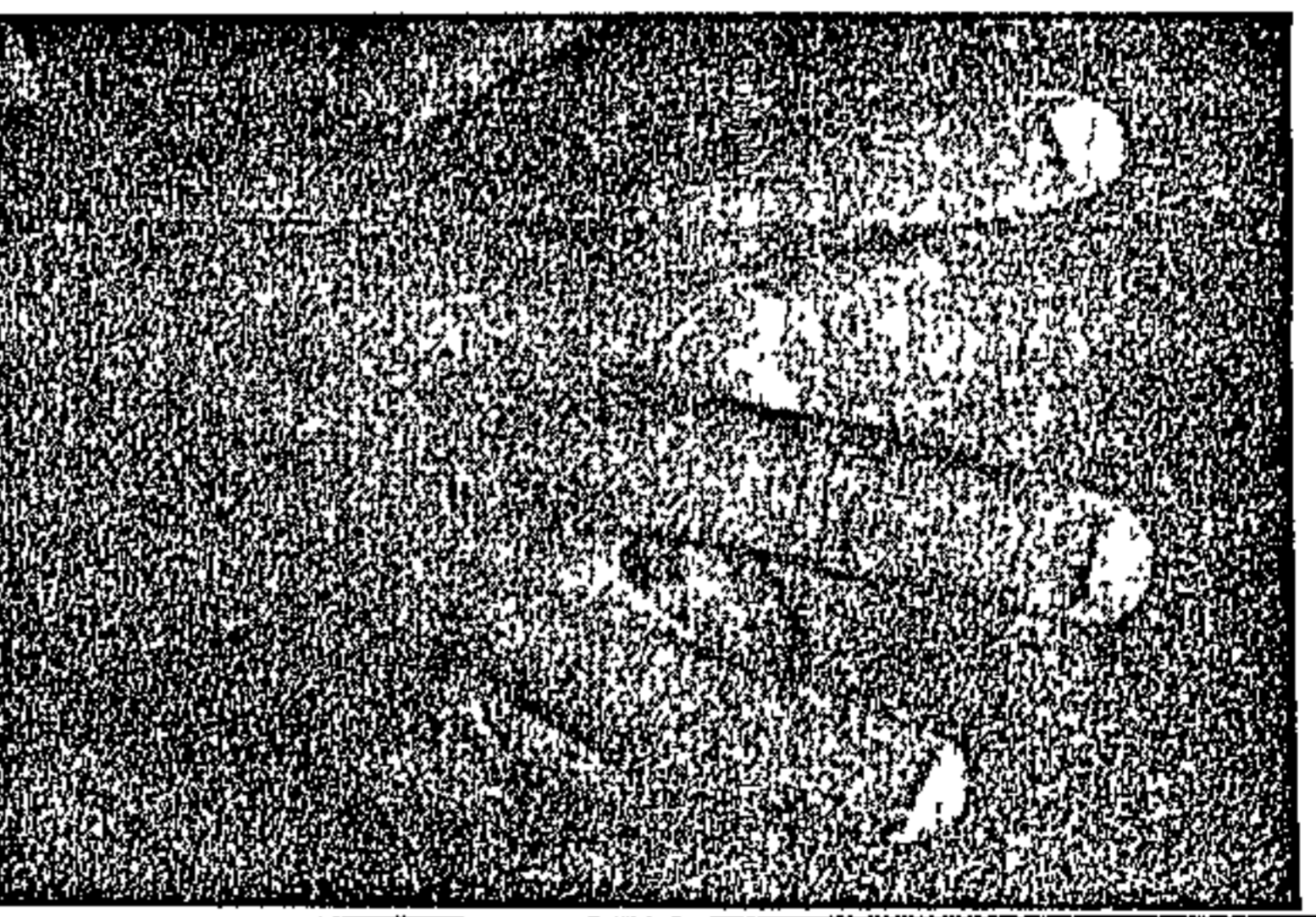
In its formal response to President FW de Klerk's initiatives the ANC executive announced last Friday that it would send a delegation (including ANC figures already here) to meet him to discuss obstructions to the start of negotiations.

For the moment, Walter Sisulu has been appointed chairman of a largely technical committee to arrange the ANC's re-establishment in SA. ■

AS NATAL AWAIT THE MANDELA VISIT AN INTERVIEW WITH A 'SOLDIER IN THE WAR'

When you see the enemy's shackles blaze, you can't help feeling good

Interview by CARMEL RICKARD



Reluctant soldier Comrade P hides his identity

History's made as Inkatha, ANC in talks... AS a major new drive for peace gets underway in Natal, officials of the African National Congress and Inkatha sat down together last night for their first encounter in over 10 years.

"WHEN you hear the whistles blow there's no time for morals, you just grab your weapons and run," says "Comrade P". "Comrade P" appears to be a normal, intelligent, sensitive young supporter of the United Democratic Front. But like thousands of youths on both sides of the Natal conflict, he has been forced into playing his part in a brutal civil war.

In the week that an ANC delegation visits Natal in an effort to end the bloodshed, we talk to a 'young soldier' who matter-of-factly describes how he cannot stop fighting, even though he wants to

Speaking on condition of anonymity, he gave details of battles against the "attacking enemy", how youths are "press-ganged" into fighting, and how people's courts implement the "call-up". He feels his side is justified in driving back the Inkatha supporters, but admitted that in the heat of the battle, his only concern is to win.

When you see the fire and the smoke of the enemy's shacks you cannot help feel triumphant. People might find it difficult to understand, but you cannot help feeling great. You forget why you are there. You just feel you have defeated them. Earlier this year people in his community decided that each household should pay R10 towards "equipment" — a euphemism for weapons and multi which would protect the fighting squads charged with defending the largely UDF-supporting area from attack by their Inkatha neighbours.

"Before we go into the fighting, some people at the houses near the battlefield stand outside with buckets of water and multi. They dip a broom into the mixture and sprinkle it over us as we run past. "If you want extra protection, you can also go to an *inyanga*, but that costs more. "Comrades believe the multi will stop the bullets from hitting them and will give them courage. "It was also decided each household where there are sons have to provide at least one for the defence units. Failure to report for duty exacts a heavy price — a meeting of the people's court considered the case of 10 youths who refused to "serve", and

sentenced them to 100 lashes each. The punishment was meted out by 10 "comrades" who took it in turns, each swinging the spankbook 10 times across the back of every "offender". He says the punishment is not unusual — alleged rapists have been given 700-800 lashes, and some offenders have landed in hospital. Members of the defence unit range in age from 12 to 25, the average being about 18. Some girls also serve as fighters, but they do so voluntarily. And there is some irritation about adult men who do not join in the fighting and leave the youth to defend the area. "When we pass them leaning against the doorways just watching, the comrades make remarks about how they should also go to fight." After an attack is launched by the "enemy", the comrades reiterate immediately. If it is a day light attack, sentries blow whistles to warn comrades to bring their weapons and gather at specially demarcated spots. If it's at night, the comrades would be ready at once — during times of tension they are usually "camping out" together at a strategic place, spending the night in political debate, keeping one another awake while waiting for an attack. The battle plan is drawn up as the youths, several hundred strong, move into enemy territory to repulse an attack. "We decide who goes which way but everyone who hasn't got a firearm wants to be with someone who is well armed. "It is frightening when you hear ordinary guns are really very bad. Every time I go in I think this could be it. I have seen people hurt but no one killed on our side. "There is very little hand-to-hand combat. It's mostly guns and therefore you don't have to get very involved. Details of the battles he remembers vividly. "On my first time we went after them after an attack. We were first pushed back. Then when we got in to their territory it felt great to be there — to have defeated them. The women on our side who watched us were shouting triumphantly and they shouted, 'Mkhonto has gone in'. "When we came back we were *loying*. It felt great. "But later he became increasingly concerned about some of the things that happened. "People are talking about one of the people who attacked us. They say he was shot and tried to run away, but he fell and was stabbed. They say someone cut off his genitals and took them away. "On another occasion he came across the burning body of an alleged attacker. "It was the worst experience of my life, seeing this guy burnt. "Something happened in my body. I just felt cold. Each time I think about it I want to vomit. He was not totally burnt and the fire was getting to his bones, which were turning to ash. "The police arrived and we ran away. When the police come we run into the houses. They don't chase us because they are scared there are lots of guns and they could get shot. "Although guns are difficult to come by, there are bullets in abundance. "In the thick of the battle, if someone runs out of bullets he shouts for more, and if anyone has any he hands it over. "There is real comradeship. It is amazing. They share their weaponry and do not begrudge anything. "With the looting as well. When people come to a shack and there is good stuff inside they take it all and share it out — you don't keep it all yourself. And if you are injured, they take care of you and make sure you get out OK. There's an unwritten rule that you never ask anyone's name, and even if you know it, you never use it. "My parents do not sleep at night. Each time I come back I have to reassure them I have not killed anyone. I do not think I am ready to do that

ANC and Inkatha meet in 'historic' peace talks

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Meanwhile, Inkatha central committee members in the Durban area said in a statement that Mandela's visit to the strife-torn province was "highly welcome".

"We accordingly expect that most people, black people in particular, will go to greet this hero and martyr of the black struggle for liberation,

NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 — January 1989:.....	668
February 1989 — February 21 1990:.....	629
Past 24 hours' official toll:.....	1
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after 27 years of incarceration for the noble ideals of our struggle for freedom."

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□ In their unrest report yesterday, the SAP said a man was killed and two men and two women wounded when shots were fired by people who attacked buses with stones and petrol bombs in several incidents at Edendale in Natal, Sapa reports.

The police said the death and injuries occurred in one of the incidents in which shots were fired by the attackers.

A man was wounded by unidentified attackers in a shooting incident at Taylors Halt in Natal.

Call for peace as Durban braces for Mandela rally

DURBAN. — This city is bracing itself for the massive ANC rally at King's Park Stadium tomorrow, and the organisers — the ANC, Inkatha, the UDF and Cosatu — appealed yesterday for all concerned to be disciplined and behave with restraint.

A spokesman for the rally organisers said yesterday that they were expecting "at least 200 000 people".

Inkatha issued a statement on Thursday urging its members to attend the rally to welcome Mr Mandela "as a hero and martyr of the black struggle for liberation".

The Natal Cricket Board announced yesterday that they had called off all their matches tomorrow, and appealed to their members and supporters to attend the rally.

About 500 buses, excluding minibuses, are expected to transport

people to the rally from all over Natal, Transkei, the OFS and the Transvaal.

Thousands of pamphlets inciting black people to attack rally-goers have been distributed in townships surrounding Durban, and have been soundly condemned by both Inkatha and ANC leaders.

The pamphlet alleged that Mr Mandela was instigating trouble in Natal and was guilty of defaming the Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

Dr Oscar Dhlomo, secretary-general of Inkatha, said the pamphlets had absolutely nothing to do with Inkatha.

Meanwhile, ANC leader Mr Walter Sisulu last night urged township residents in Natal to contain their feelings and look on the mistakes of the past as a lesson never to be repeated.

— Own Correspondent and Sapa

Mandela must douse the flames

MR Nelson Mandela's reputation for statesmanship and non-sectarian breadth of vision will tested to the full tomorrow.

It is then that he, as a leader of the ANC, addresses 150 000 or even more people at King's Park Stadium in Durban, most of whom will be supporters of Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha movement.

He will do so at a critical junction in the war which has been raging in black townships and squatter settlements around Durban and Natal's capital city of Pietermaritzburg.

The savage conflict has left entire communities in a state of bereaved exhaustion, in many cases life in Natal's black areas has been reduced to a supplicating desire for revenge or a terrifying prospect that another attack is imminent or a combination of both.

Since 1983, but particularly since September 1983, people have been shot, axed, stabbed and burnt to death in the on-going war between pro-ANC forces — drawn from the United Democratic Front and the Congress of South African Trade Unions — and loyalists of Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha movement.

More than 2 500 people have died in an undeclared war which has not spared women or children, so far peace-makers from the churches, from big business and even from the ranks of the adversarries themselves have failed to end the conflict.

Mr Mandela has defined himself as "a loyal and disciplined member of the ANC". He is thus, at one level, not a neutral observer. At the same time, however, he has abhorred the appalling violence and called for an end to the strife in the name of black unity.

Challenging task

He has committed himself to unity in a letter to Chief Buthelezi.

"The most challenging task facing the leadership today is that of national unity," he says. "I consider it a serious indictment against all of us that we are still unable to combine forces to stop the slaughter of so many innocent lives."

He now has the chance to deliver the same message in person to what ANC organisers expect to be one of the biggest political gatherings in South African political history.

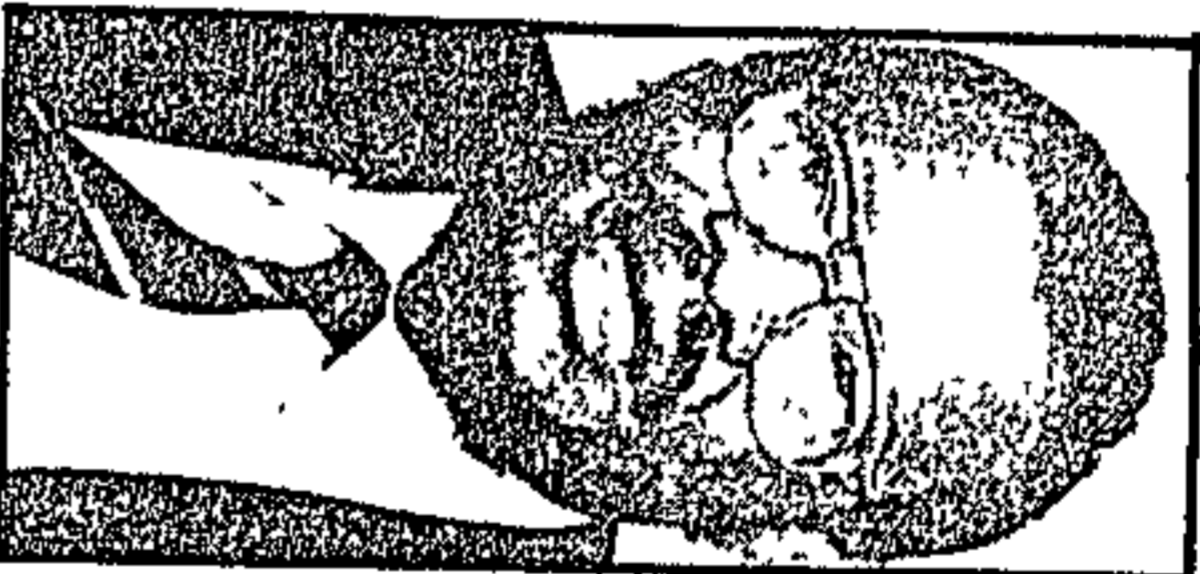
Judging from his judicious comments at the rally in Soweto on February 13, he will certainly add the immense authority of his voice to the growing clamour for peace.

When Mr Mandela speaks, 3 000 ANC marshalls will keep a watchful eye over the huge crowd. They will be dressed in the brown uniforms and wear the black berets which characterised the ANC in the 1950s under the leadership of that humble but great

Faced by a crucial test: can he stop the brother slaying brother in Natal?



NELSON MANDELA. He will need all his statesmanship to achieve unity.



CHIEF BUTHELEZI. Loyal to ANC tradition.



DR OSCAR DHLOMO. Inkatha pro-capitalist.



MR OLIVER TAMBO. words over Inkatha.

Zulu, Chief Albert Lutuli. Observers will be struck by a curious irony: the uniforms and the berets will be similar to those worn by Inkatha members, the colours on their scarves or sleeves — black, green and gold — will be identical to those used by Inkatha devotees.

The similarity between ANC and Inkatha uniforms and their identical colours helps to explain the fratricidal nature of the strife. To understand it fully, however, a little history is in order.

Inkatha was originally founded in 1922 by King Solomon ka Dinuzulu to promote Zulu culture and advise him on political matters. It became moribund soon afterwards.

It was revived as a national liberation movement in 1975 by Chief Buthelezi and his top lieutenants. They did so with the encouragement of the ANC. During its first four years of life, Inkatha enjoyed cordial relations with the ANC. No objections were raised, publicly at any rate, over Inkatha's adoption of ANC colours.

The split came in late 1979 after a meeting in London between top leaders of Inkatha and the ANC. Thereafter relations became bitter and deteriorated into physical war.

Chief Buthelezi, who describes himself as loyal to the tradition of the ANC's "founding fathers", gives an account of the quarrel between Inkatha and what he calls the ANC External Mission, or ANC (EM), in a 28-page affidavit presented to court in 1988.

It was generated, Chief Buthelezi says in the af-

fidavit, by an ANC (EM) bid to "hijack" Inkatha and reduce it to a "surrogate" organisation. When he resisted the ANC's bid to take over Inkatha, he was criticised and Inkatha attacked in an attempt to destroy its power and influence, he adds.

"The ANC (EM) proclaims itself the sole and authentic representative of the people. It aims at a total take-over and control. It is ruthless in its dealings with those who are not its supporters."

"The ANC offers a different version. It does not deny it encouraged Chief Buthelezi to form a 'mass democratic organisation'. It admits that it hoped Chief Buthelezi, as a former member of the ANC, would help mobilise 'the masses' in the fight for a united and non-racial South Africa."

'Personal power-base'

"We failed to mobilise our own people to take on the task of resurrecting Inkatha," the ANC president Mr Oliver Tambo says in a report to the ANC national executive.

"The task of reconstituting Inkatha therefore fell on Gatscha Buthelezi himself, who then built Inkatha as a personal power base far removed from the kind of organisation we had visualised."

Gatscha Buthelezi dressed Inkatha in the clothes of the ANC, exactly because he knew that the masses to

The verbal skirmishes led to open fighting after five students were killed at the University of Zululand by imps chanting the praises of Chief Buthelezi. The students are alleged to have incensed the stick-wielding imps by making scatological references to Chief Buthelezi.

The fighting has continued ever since, fed by underlying sociological forces — manifest starkly by envious squatters bivouacked on the periphery of established towns and even townships — the conflict has grown in intensity and ferocity.

The adversaries, however, have a great deal more in common than their black, green and gold colours. Their war is a fraternal war. But brothers locked in strife remain brothers and, therefore, potential allies. As Dr Oscar Dhlomo, secretary general of Inkatha, says: "I don't think there are unbridgeable differences."

They are minimised by their converging aims. Central to both the ANC and Inkatha is commitment to universal adult suffrage and establishment of a non-racial, united and democratic South Africa. There are, of course, differences. Dr Dhlomo identifies some of them.

Inkatha is pro-capitalist, the ANC leans toward socialism as its programme to nationalise banks, mines and "monopoly industry" shows.

Inkatha suspects that the ANC's declared intention — in its 'constitutional guidelines' — to outlaw the advocacy of 'racism, fascism and nazism' or incitement of 'ethnic or racial exclusiveness', may be abused to proscribe opposition parties and establish a dictatorship.

Distribution of wealth

● The ANC attaches, in his view, greater importance to state power than Inkatha, thus tilting it against the devolution of power and decentralisation.

But, Dr Dhlomo reiterates, these are not insurmountable differences.

Thus the ANC's rationale for nationalisation of sectors of the economy is that it will facilitate redistribution of wealth to the black proletariat. Inkatha agrees that if liberation is to be meaningful to blacks there must be a reallocation of wealth, but it thinks that privatisation and heavier taxation of the rich are a better means of achieving it.

Chief Buthelezi's response to Mr Mandela's release is worth quoting. "Let our tribute to him be the tribute he would most want — the tribute of black unity."

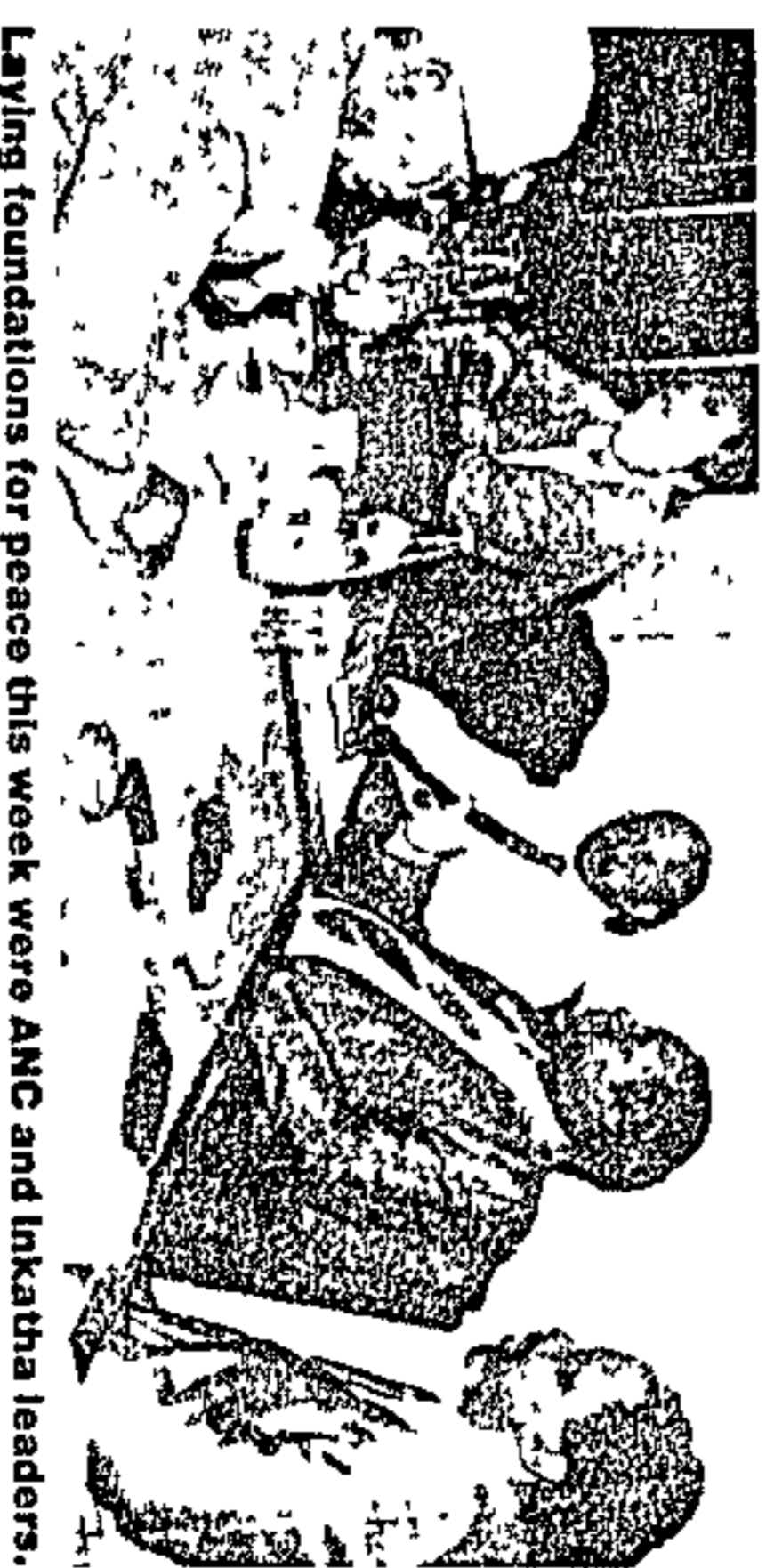
Mr Mandela has declared, "My fervent hope is to see, in due course, the restoration of the cordial relations which existed between the two organisations in the seventies." Judging from his remarks since his release from prison, it remains a top priority.

The meeting at King's Park is critical to the expressed hopes of both men and to peace in the war-torn of townships of Natal's beautiful hills.

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Laying foundations for peace this week were ANC and Inkatha leaders.

By SBU MINGADI

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250 000 could flood stadium to hear Mandela



The secret is out at last - Yvonne's joy is a baby boy

By HAPPY ZONDI

SUPERSTAR Yvonne Chaka Chaka's secret is out - she has given birth to a bouncy baby boy. Also leaked to City Press this week was that the baby was born on February 11, the date Nelson Mandela was released.

But there is a danger for her fans countrywide. African tradition prevents the star from showing the baby to the public for another two weeks.

Her doctor husband Tiny Mhinga refused to allow reporters to see the mother and child. He is also not revealing the name of the baby.

Asked why this was not possible, he said it was "personal".

Mhinga, who is believed to be a traditionalist, is from a Tsonga royal family.

In Tsonga custom, a baby can only be introduced to the public after a month. Said one traditionalist: "Before

Six die as discontent explodes into violence

By SANDILE MEMELA

AT LEAST six people died and more than 20 were injured as discontent over Gazankulu's government exploded into violence this week.

By late on Friday the territory was reeling from the slayway of almost the entire workforce, which saw homeland headquarters in Givana, a situation could deteriorate into a full-scale civil war.

The township of Givana, nearby Elim, Kuywana, Linyenyi, Nkawkowa and Bona.

Violence erupted at Nkawkowa, near Tzaneen, where Chief Minister Hudson Ntswanisani's home was attacked by more

than 30 000 people after four people were shot at the local stadium on Wednesday.

Several houses belonging to police and government-linked people were attacked by late on Friday two more unidentified youths were believed to have been shot at Kuywana, near Tzaneen.

It was feared that the situation could deteriorate into a full-scale civil war. Ntswanisani, 'bottle of rage' and 'gate' in Nkawkowa were destroyed by the mob.

Ntswanisani fled to the Coach House Hotel in Agatha, 15km south of Tzaneen. Although hotel management denied that

Ntswanisani booked in, he was said to have been seen there.

Scores of youths from the recently launched Givana Youth Congress have been to the hotel in search of him. Hundreds of youths are said to have fled from their homes. Pallon Mboweni, leader of the SRC at Thum-ben College of Education in Nkawkowa, is one of at least five in detention.

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Pamphlets distributed in Durban inciting Natal people to turn the rally into a bloodbath were yesterday condemned by both the ANC and Inkatha.

The ANC, whose advanced guard has been touring Natal's war-torn townships, appealed to all at the rally to act in a disciplined, peaceful and dignified way during and after the rally.

Yesterday, Sisulu said:

- Their mission was aimed at securing peace in Natal;
- In all the visits they had been met by enthusiastic and disciplined people,
- They had been given very frank accounts of the way in which the violence had affected people's lives, and
- They had urged people to look upon mistakes of the past as a lesson never to be repeated.

One of the steps towards peace in Natal was a historic meeting between Sisulu's party and the Cosatu-UDF-Inkatha joint working committee for peace.

The committee comprises Dr Oscar Dhlomo and Dr Frank Mdlalose of Inkatha, and Dr Dihza Mji and Alec Erwin, both of the Cosatu-UDF alliance.

After the meeting, the Inkatha Central Committee encouraged members in the greater Durban region to attend the ANC rally to welcome Mandela as a "hero and martyr of the black liberation struggle".

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Mandela faces big test over peace call

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NELSON MANDELA will today face his biggest public test — bringing peace to Natal.

Addressing a huge ANC rally in Durban, he will plead for an end to the violence that has racked Natal, leaving thousands dead in townships and villages.

Walter Sisulu, who led an ANC delegation to investigate the violence in Natal this week, said in Durban yesterday:

"This distasteful violence which has caused so much trouble and pain to our people is a great obstacle to our cause in many ways."

Mr Sisulu, together with other ANC leaders, visited Natal townships this week to get first-hand accounts of the internecine violence that has left about 3 000 people dead and tens of thousands homeless over the past three years.

"I will leave him in no doubt as to the need to call for an end to the violence," Mr Sisulu said when asked

By SHARON CHETTY

about his briefing to Mr Mandela

Mr Sisulu said he welcomed Inkatha's statement urging its supporters to attend today's rally.

Asked whether he had invited the Chief Minister of Kwazulu, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, to the rally, Mr Sisulu said it was not the practice to give individual invitations

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"He knows about the rally. He and Mr Mandela have been in contact, although it has not been in connection with the rally"

Fears of an outbreak of violence cast a shadow over an almost festive Durban that has spent the past week frantically preparing for the historic event.

On Friday night, an anonymous pamphlet was distributed in some areas accusing

Mr Mandela of undermining Natal leadership and warning of bloodshed at the stadium.

Both the ANC and Inkatha have condemned the pamphlet

City police will be on standby, but a task force of over 3 000 marshals has been briefed on crowd control, and special security has been organised for Mr Mandela and other speakers.

About 200 000 people are expected to attend the rally on the playing fields outside King's Park stadium, and medical units staffed by more than 300 volunteers will work from five emergency stations throughout the grounds.

And to cater for the huge crowd, more than 20 000 cases of cool drinks have been stockpiled, 300 extra water taps fitted and 150 chemical toilets specially erected.

● Police yesterday found the bodies of six youths at Sokhulu near Empangeni. Maj R Crewe said six other people had been wounded, apparently with a shotgun.

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Mandela's Peace Plan

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DURBAN. — Mr Nelson Mandela yesterday carried a message of peace to strife-torn Natal, urging a crowd of 200 000 to "close down the death factories" and end the war with Inkatha.

"Take your guns, your knives and your pangas and throw them into the sea", he told the crowd at King's Park rugby stadium.

Mr Mandela said the ANC recognised the importance of talking with Inkatha to achieve peace. The ANC was preparing for a meeting with the Zulu monarch, King Zwelithini Goodwill kaBhekuzulu, and Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

But while Mr Mandela drew cheers or his appeal for peace, murmurs and booing rippled through the crowd when he spoke of reconciliation with Inkatha, prompting him to stretch out his arm to quiet the crowd.

According to UPI, midway through his 50-minute address dozens of youths left the stadium, apparently dissatisfied with his conciliatory tone.

'Commend Inkatha'

Mr Mandela's plea came against the background of another bloody weekend in Natal which claimed nine lives, six bodies being found in a church near Empangeni.

"If we do not bring a halt to this conflict, we will be in grave danger of corrupting the proud legacy of our struggle. We endanger the peace process in the whole of the country," Mr Mandela said.

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He said the ANC recognised the right of all organisations which were not racist to participate in political life.

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"We condemn, in the strongest possible terms, the use of violence as a way of settling differences among our people."

Mxenge murders

He said the root cause of the violence in Natal was the apartheid system which had acted as a "deadly cancer", creating disunity among black people.

Mr Mandela said the ANC was committed to building a single nation, including blacks and whites, Zulus and Afrikaners, and speakers of every language.

He also said the people responsible for the murders of Mr Griffiths Mxenge and his wife, Victoria, should be brought to book.

He said there were still doubts about the role of the police in society and this was jeopardising the finding of political solutions.

The rally ended peacefully in spite of fears that the presence of UDF-Cosatu and Inkatha supporters might lead to violence.

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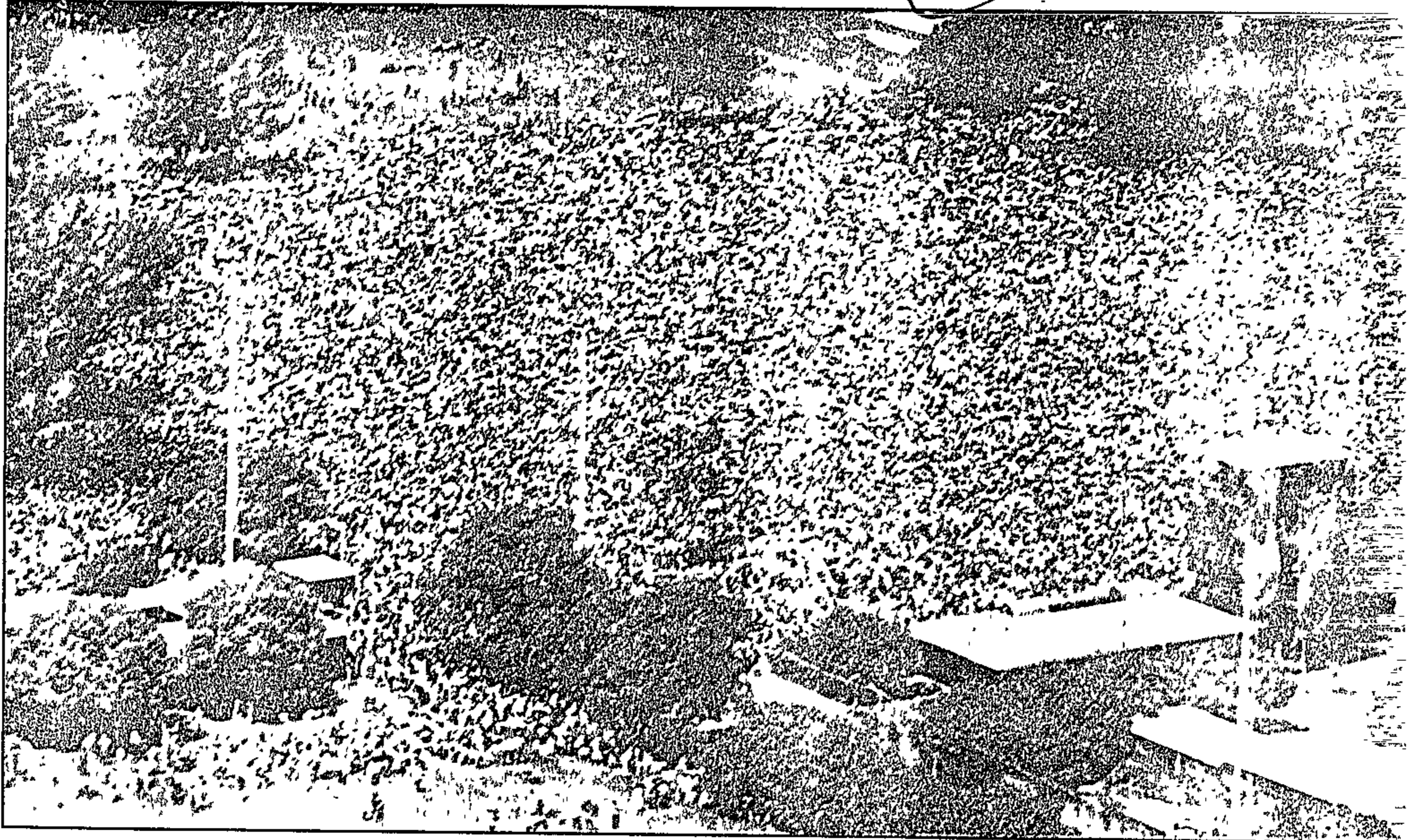
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An estimated 100 000 to 180 000 people gathered outside Durban's King's Park Stadium yesterday to hear Mr Nelson Mandela

'Close the death factories'

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Making a powerful plea for peace in Natal, Mr Nelson Mandela yesterday urged the people of the province to close their "death factories".

Addressing a massive rally at King's Park stadium in Durban, the ANC leader said to cheers: "My message to those of you involved in this battle of brother against brother is this. Take your guns, your knives and your pangas and throw them into the sea."

He added he was very disturbed by recent acts of violence against "our Indian compatriots". The perpetrators were the enemies of the liberation movement

Reporters estimated the size of the King's Park crowd to be about 100 000, police said between 80 000 and 90 000 attended; while organisers of the rally said the crowd was about 180 000-strong.

The ANC, he said, offered a home to all those who subscribed to the principles of a free, democratic, non-racial and united South Africa. All forms of factionalism and regionalism had to be eradicated.

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Suspend armed struggle — bishops

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The call followed a meeting of the Anglican Church's Synod of Bishops, which met in Jabavu, Soweto, last week. The synod, chaired by Archbishop Tutu, represents bishops from South Africa, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, Swaziland and St Helena

Archbishop Tutu has said previously that he understood why black groups took up arms against the state, although he did not support violence

But yesterday he and other bishops issued a statement saying that President de Klerk's reforms removed many of the reasons black groups used to justify the armed struggle

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The bishops also condemned the use of violence within communities as a means of enforcing political opinions

"There can be no 'new South Africa' if at the heart of our people there is moral decay," they added

The bishops have written to President de Klerk commending him for his "courageous leadership" and assuring him of their prayers. Similar assurances of "prayerful support" were sent to Mr Nelson Mandela



Salute ... Mr Mandela and his wife, Winnie, yesterday during the ANC leader's first visit to Natal since his release.

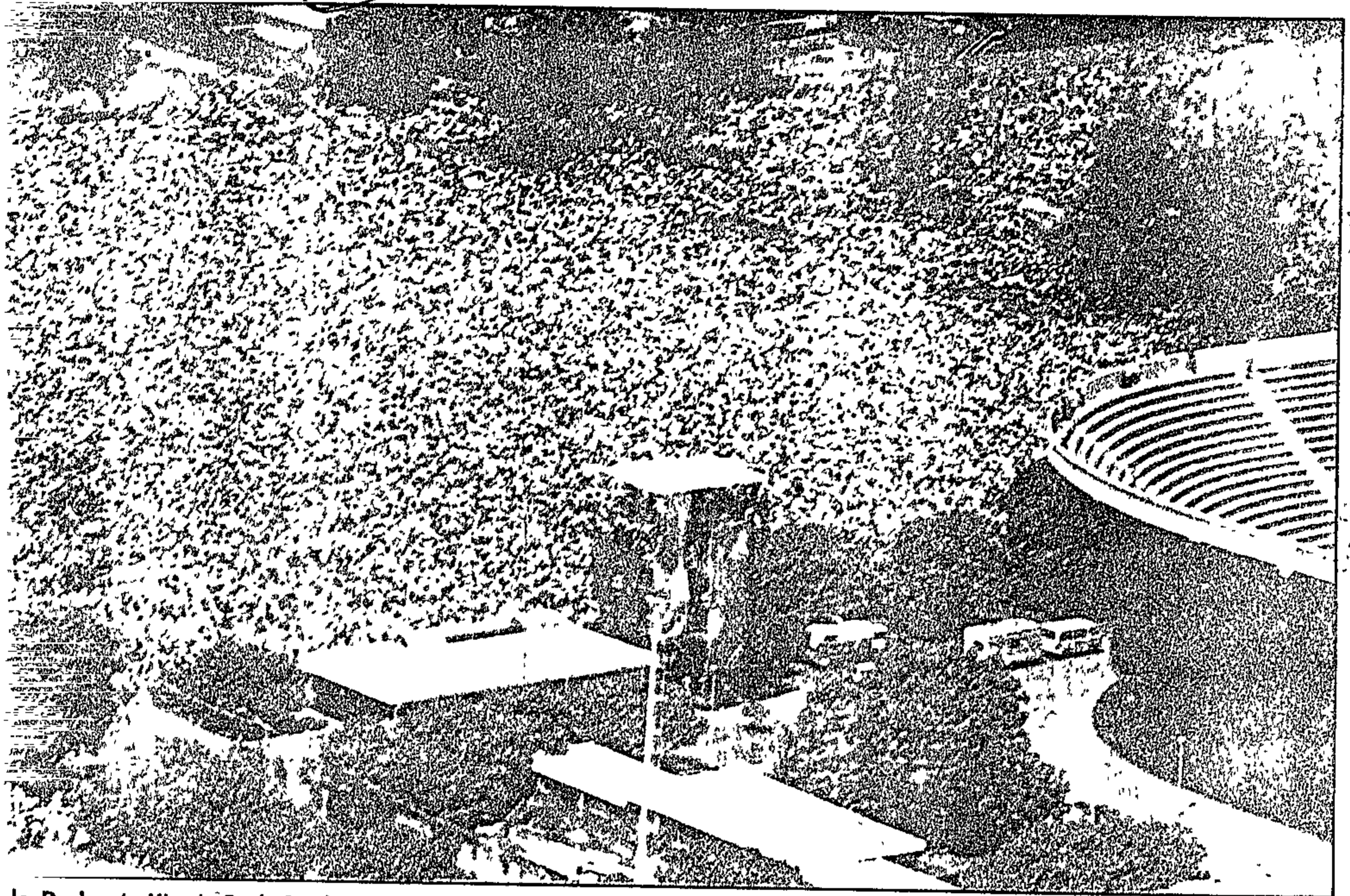
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Mr Mandela added "We recognise that in order to bring the war to an end, the two sides must talk. We are pleased to inform you that we are at present preparing for a meeting in the near future between ourselves and the present Zulu monarch, King Zwelithini Goodwill kaBekhuzulu

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Mr Mandela called on residents of various townships involved in recent violence to join hands

He also called on Indians, coloureds, blacks and freed loving whites to unite to give apartheid its final blow and in the process develop what he termed active democracy.

Democratic structures which served the people should be established in every school, township, village, factory and farm

On the stage with Mr Mandela and other ANC dignitaries — including Mr Walter Sisulu and Mr Ahmed Kathrada — was Prince Israel Mcwayizeni Zulu, uncle of the Zulu king.

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Bodies of six youths found in Natal church

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The bodies of six youths were discovered in a disused church in Sokhulu, near Empangeni on the Natal north coast at the weekend, amid continuing violence in the strife-torn province.

A spokesman for the SAP's public relations division yesterday said the victims had been shot. Spent shotgun shells were discovered nearby.

The motive for the killings was not yet known but the discovery of the bodies followed reports made to the police at kwaMbonambi regarding "murders, attempted murders and assaults", the spokesman said.

Following the reports, local detectives launched an immediate in-

vestigation. On Friday night they discovered a youth had been shot in the hand. On Saturday, police found four wounded youths, three males and one female.

In another incident in Natal, an off-duty policeman was found stoned to death at Verulam on Saturday night. Police said Constable P F Maliwa was waiting at a bus stop when he was attacked. No one was arrested.

Also on Friday, police found the hacked and burnt bodies of two black men at Diepkloof, Soweto. The bodies were lying in the veld near the Roodepoort road.

"Both had apparently been hacked with pangas and set alight," the report said.

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'Women of Natal must begin peace'

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Mr Nelson Mandela called on the women of Natal to help in the ending of violence.

"It was you who, in 1929 and again in 1959, identified and struck out at one of the roots of oppression. You launched powerful campaigns around beer-halls," he said at yesterday's mass rally in Durban.

"More recently, the women of Chesterville arranged all-night vigils to protect their children. Mothers, sisters and daughters of Natal, it falls to you once again to intervene decisively.

"It is you, in your wisdom now, who must begin the work of bringing peace to Natal. Tell your sons, your brothers and your husbands that you want peace and security.

"It is you who must show them the real enemy. Open the cooking pots and ask them why there is so little food inside.

"There is only one answer, and that answer is our common deprivation. Go out and meet the women on the other side. Their story is the same. Then take your men with you.

"I want to hear from you. From each and every community I want a report. I want to hear the story of how you made the peace."



IN THE CROWD . . . A vision of a shared future — whites and blacks mingled without incident at yesterday's ANC rally at Durban's King's Park Stadium. About 200 000 people attended the gathering, which was addressed by Mr Nelson Mandela.

Picture: REUTERS

First wife tells of life with Nelson

LONDON. — Mr Nelson Mandela's first wife has broken her silence and at the weekend disclosed details of their 14-year marriage.

In a blunt and often bitter, lengthy interview from her home in Cofimvaba, Transkei, Mrs Evelyn Ntoko Mandela, 69, dismisses descriptions of her ex-husband as the saviour of South Africa.

"It's very silly when people say this kind of thing about Nelson. He is only a man," she said.

Mrs Mandela, mother of their four children, married the charismatic young lawyer 46 years ago. At first, she said, the marriage was happy but their relationship deteriorated when Mr Mandela got involved in ANC work.

After a final "terrible" argument, Mrs Mandela moved out of their house. She obtained custody of their children after their divorce.

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World leaders arrive for Mandela meeting

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Heads of state and foreign ministers from around the world have begun arriving in Lusaka to welcome Mr Nelson Mandela, who arrives there tomorrow.

ANC information officer Mr Tom Sebina confirmed that Australian Prime Minister Mr Bob Hawke, Canadian Prime Minister Mr Brian Mulroney and Palestinian leader Mr Yasser Arafat were among those expected.

Commonwealth secretary-general Sir Sonny Ramphal has already arrived and so has the entire ANC national executive committee.

OAU chairman, Egyptian president Mr Hosni Mubarak, is expected, as well as the Malaysian Foreign Minister and presidents of all seven frontline states.

One of the issues to be discussed is the ANC's first negotiating team, which is expected to arrive in SA as soon as President F W de Klerk sets a date.

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Sexy tabloid on Mandela bandwagon

Own Correspondent

LONDON. — As Britain continues to be swept along on a wave of Mandela Mania, even the most notorious of the "sex-and-scandal" tabloids has climbed on board the bandwagon.

The News of the World claimed that the queen is to confer a high honour on the ANC leader.

Quoting unnamed sources, the newspaper claimed she was likely to make him a Companion of Honour during his visit to Britain "at Easter", saying this was part of a plan to make him "the first governor-general of South Africa when it rejoins the Commonwealth".

ANC grave visit

GROUTVILLE. — Veterans of the ANC, hopeful of bringing peace to a province torn by inter-necine violence, on Saturday visited the grave of Chief Albert Luthuli, the movement's leader at the time it was outlawed 30 years ago. Hundreds of villagers also gathered around the grave. — UPI

6 bodies found in Natal church as unrest takes its toll

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PRETORIA. — Thirteen people were killed in countrywide unrest at the weekend — and six of the bodies were found in a church in the strife-torn Natal area.

Police found the bodies of six youths in the disused church at Sokhulu, near Empangeni in Natal, on Saturday.

Another youth was found injured at the church. Spent shotgun shells were found at the scene.

Six people were injured in the violence, according to a spokesman for the police public relations in Pretoria.

Motive unknown

The discovery of the bodies followed reports made to the police at KwaMbonambi regarding "murders, attempted murders and assaults", but as yet the motive was unknown, the police spokesman said.

After the reports, local detectives launched an immediate investigation. It was discovered that about 8pm on the previous day (Friday), a youth had been shot in the hand.

On Saturday four youths — three males and one female — were found to have been wounded.

They were receiving treatment at a local hospital.

"All the injured claimed that the incidents occurred at Sokhulu near Empangeni," the spokesman said.

And last night, police reported that two black uniformed policemen were stabbed and shot to death while investigating complaints at Imbali near Maritzburg about 6pm.

A police spokesman said the body of one of the men had been found in the police vehicle, while the other man had been found on the road about 20 metres behind it.

In a separate incident in Natal, a youth was killed at Nsimbini near Port Shepstone.

Police said a crowd had attacked

and stoned a house. The owner fired shots at the attackers, fatally wounding one youth and wounding two other youths and two men.

In the Sabie area, a man was killed and another slightly injured when police used birdshot to disperse a crowd — some armed with pieces of wood and broken bottles — at Mondl Timbers, police said. Thirteen people were arrested.

Meanwhile at Diepkloof, Soweto, police found the hacked and burnt bodies of two men in the veld near the Roodepoort road.

A 17-year-old youth was killed and another youth wounded when a policeman's house at Ikageng near Potchefstroom was attacked and he fired birdshot at the attackers.

Petrol bomb

In another attack on a policeman's house at Ikageng, youths attacked and threw stones and a petrol bomb causing serious damage to the house.

The headmaster of a school at Izingolweni near Port Shepstone was slightly injured by stone-throwing youths. The youths had gathered on the school's sports field and accused the headmaster of buying a car from school funds.

Arson incidents were reported at Botshabello, in the Bloemfontein area, at Thabong, Welkom, and at Kirkwood near Port Elizabeth.

At Silobela, near Carolina in the Eastern Transvaal, pupils from various schools in the area held a sports meeting. Fighting broke out between the pupils and stones were thrown. A number of buses and a private vehicle were extensively damaged.

At Langverwacht, Eastern Transvaal, youths stoned and damaged two police vehicles. Tearsmoke was used to disperse the mob and a youth was arrested. — Sapa

'Stop the violence'

The Argus Correspondent in Durban

FROM a stage built high above the crowd's heads at Kings Park in Durban African National Congress leader Mr Nelson Mandela yesterday made a powerful plea for peace in Natal describing the violence as a cancer which destroyed our unity.

To the thunderous cheers of the huge crowd estimated at about 100 000 he said 'My message to those of you involved in this battle of brother against brother is this — take your guns your knives and your pangas and throw them into the sea'

Mr Mandela also traced the history of the joint struggle against racial discrimination by the Indians and the blacks in South Africa. We remind the people of Natal of this long and proud tradition and we are extremely disturbed by recent acts of violence against our Indian compatriots. The perpetrators of these acts are enemies of the liberation movement,' he said.

Mr Mandela denounced the tribal chiefs who had 'profited from apartheid' and who 'had increased the burden on their people'

'There are also chiefs who collaborated with the system, but who have since seen the error of their ways. We commend their change of heart'

He said that he was confident that members of the Zulu royal house would act in ways that would promote the wellbeing of all South Africans.

The ANC he said, offered a home to all those who subscribed to the principles of a free, democratic, non-racial and united South Africa.

He said the ANC was committed to building a single nation including blacks and whites Zulus and Afrikaners and speakers of every other language.

Diversities

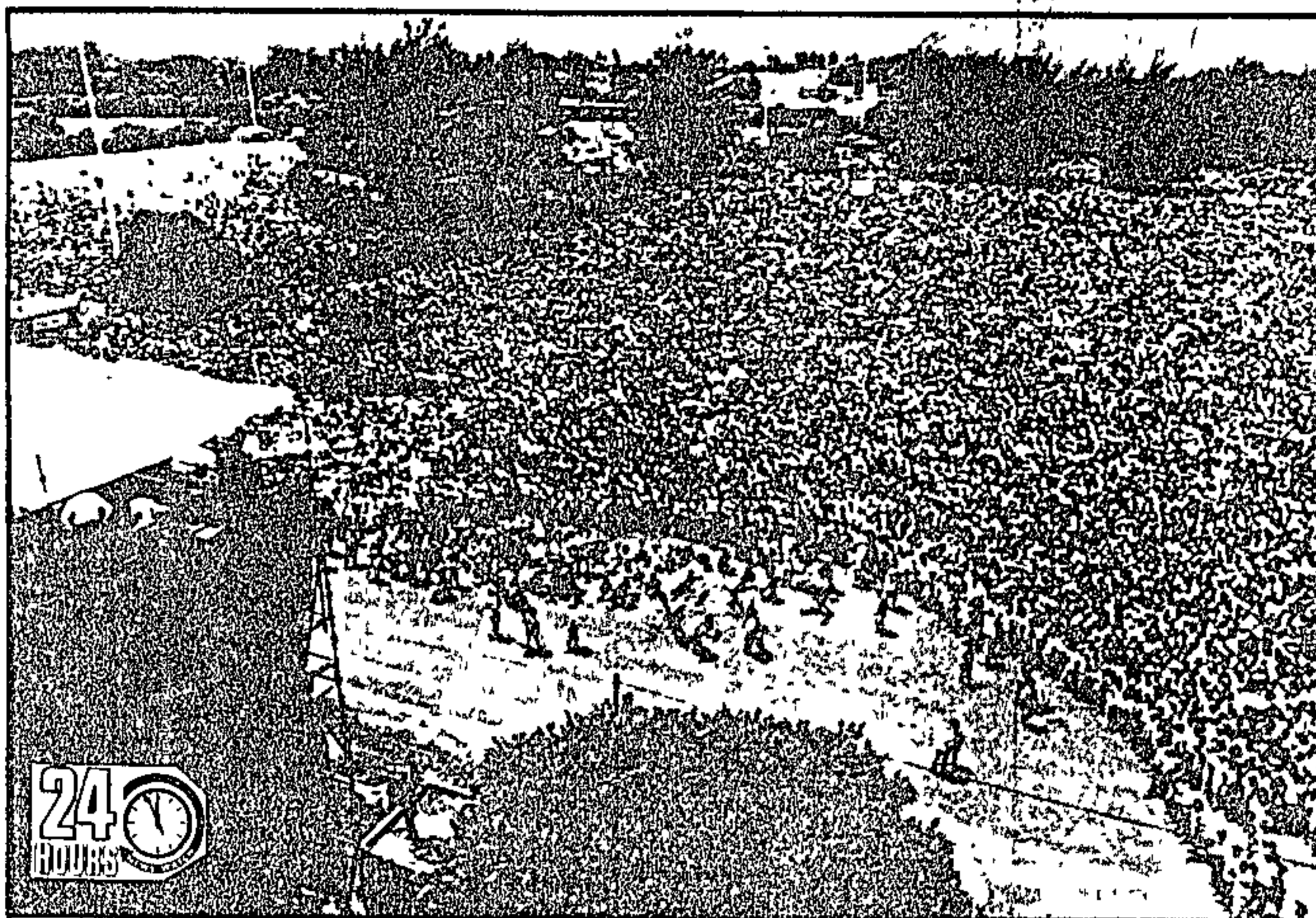
Quoting ex-Chief Albert Luthuli, Nobel Peace Prize-winner and the later president general of the ANC he said 'I personally believe that here in South Africa, with all of our diversities of colour and race we will show the world a new pattern for democracy. I think that there is a challenge to us in South Africa to set a new example for the world'

He said that all forms of factionalism and regionalism must be eliminated.

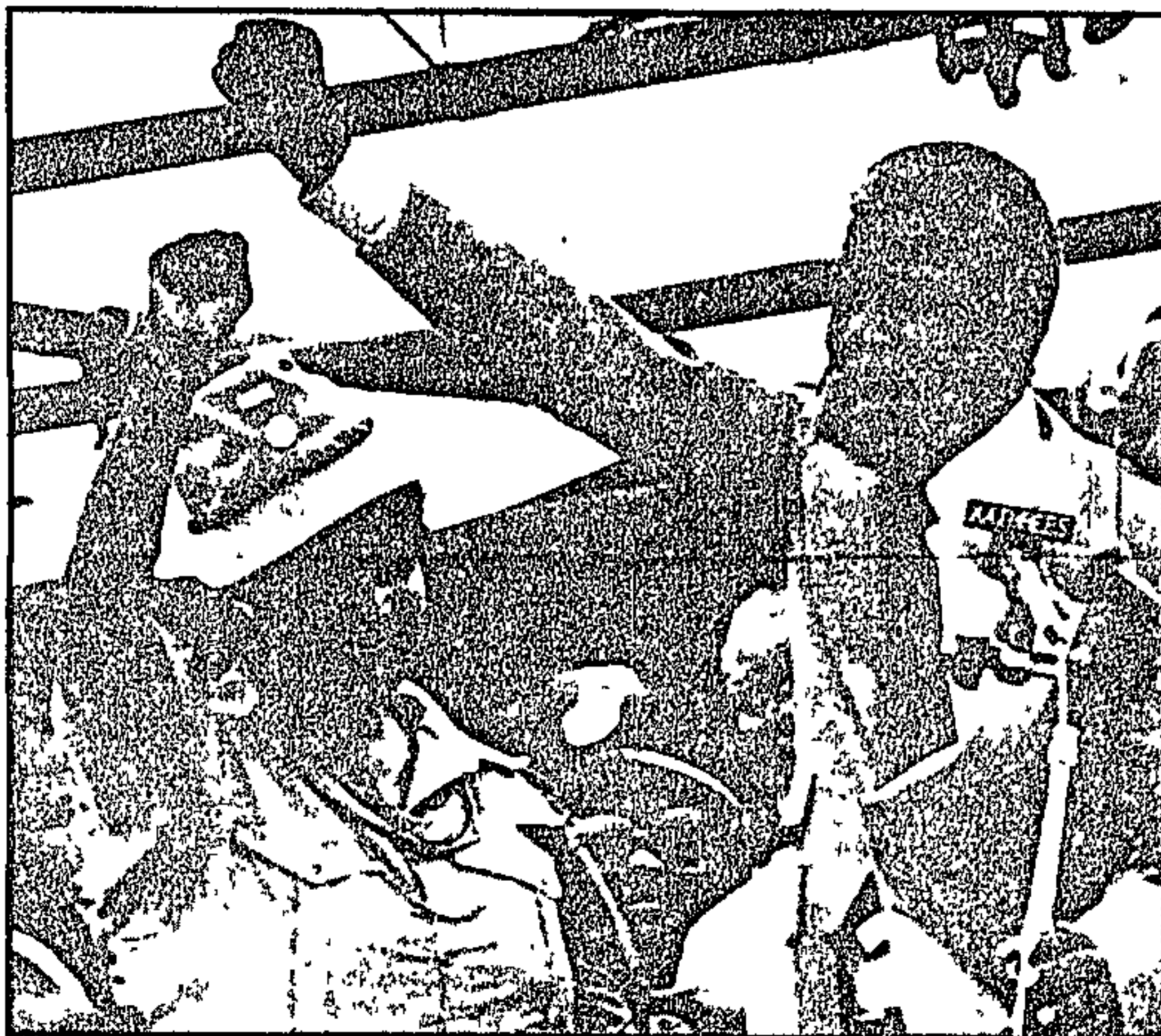
'We praise all organisations which have fought to retain the dignity of our people. Although there are fundamental differences between us, we commend Inkatha for their demand over the years for the unbanning of the ANC and the release of political prisoners, as well as for their stand of refusing to participate in a negotiated settlement without the creation of the necessary climate.'

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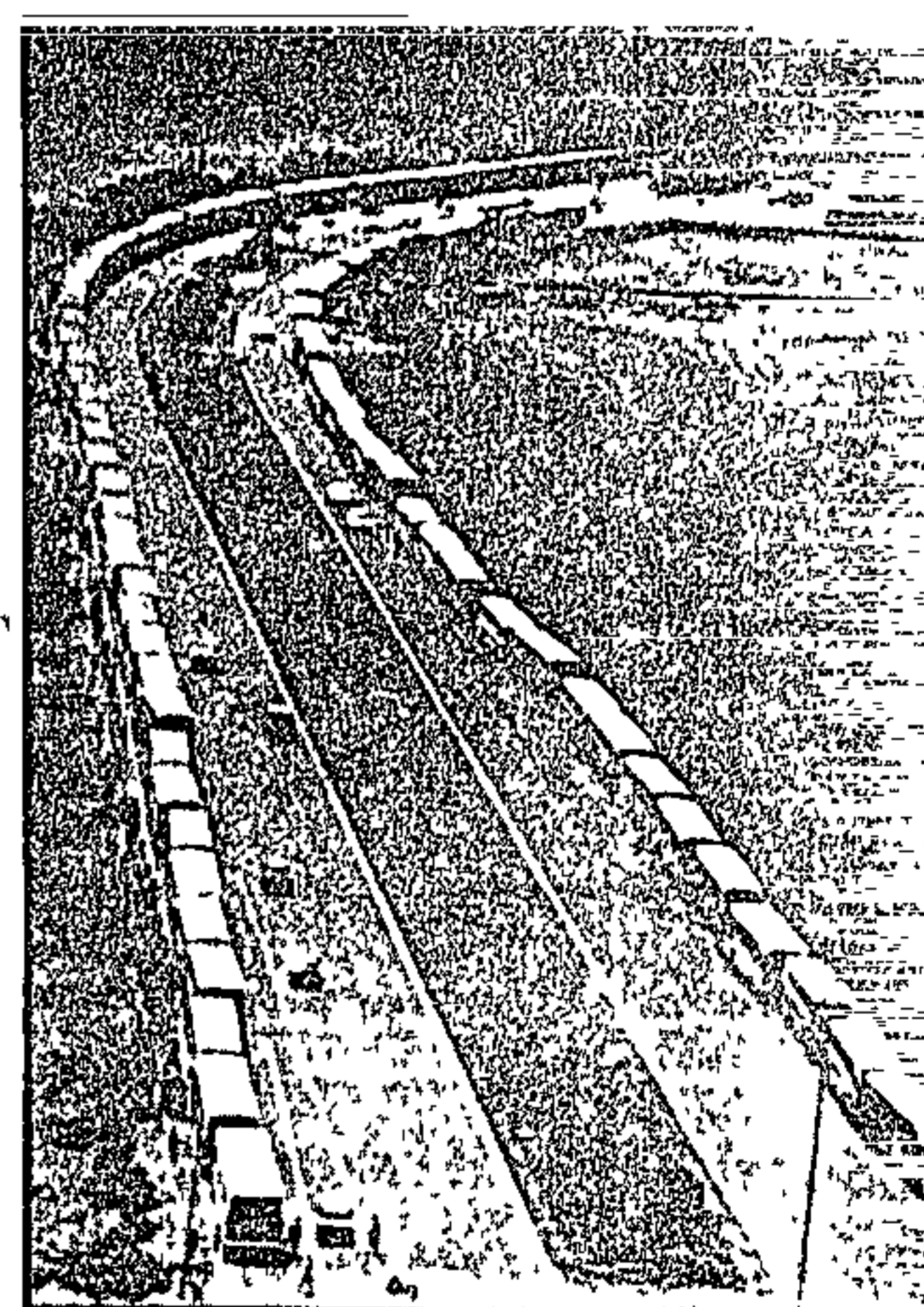
He said the 1986 Indaba solution proposed for Natal broke new ground insofar as it addressed the question of the exclusion from political power of the African popula-



A vast crowd estimated at about 100 000 people at King's Park, Durban, listen to Mr Nelson Mandela



Mr Nelson Mandela and his wife Winnie react to applause at the meeting in King's Park, Durban.



Hundreds of buses which carried crowds to King's Park are parked outside the stadium

Mand pup back

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MR Nelson Mandela yesterday received a multicoloured welcome from more than 25 000 people in the Natal State capital — the town where the ANC was founded in 1912.

Addressing his second day of the day Mr Mandela to a cheering crowd 'The ANC conceived here in 1912 turns to its mother stronger and wiser. The grown ANC leads our people to freedom'

Despite a bus boycott, people started filing into Free State stadium at 8am passing the time with cultural events until the leader's arrival at 3pm.

As people many ANC colours peacefully paraded shortly after, heavily-armed police blocked off the city

tion of Natal and sought to make regional change pioneer national change.

'We are on the edge of a much greater step forward, for all our people throughout South Africa. There can be no separate solution for Natal under these conditions, nor can it be argued any longer that there is a need. We believe that Inkatha and all the people of Natal would genuinely welcome a unitary, non-racial democratic South Africa, the goal of millions throughout the country.'

Our call is one nation, one country'

He called for a minute's silence for the thousands killed

in the violence in Natal and said that in the last few years of his imprisonment his greatest burden was caused by reports of the 'terrible things' which were happening in the province.

'If we do not bring a halt to this conflict, we will be in grave danger of corrupting the proud legacy of our struggle. We endanger the peace process in the whole of the country.'

'Apartheid is not yet dead. Equality and democracy continue to elude us. We do not have access to political power. We need to intensify our struggles to achieve our goals, but we cannot do this

as long as the conflict among ourselves continues.

'Vigilantes, thugs and gangs like the Sinyoras have taken advantage of the hardships experienced by our people to profit and gain for themselves. We can stop them and the descent into lawlessness and violence, only by ceasing our feuds.'

Mr Mandela said that it was recognised that 'the two sides must talk' to end the violence.

'We recognise that in order to bring the war to an end, the two sides must talk. We are pleased to inform you that we are presently preparing for a meeting in the near

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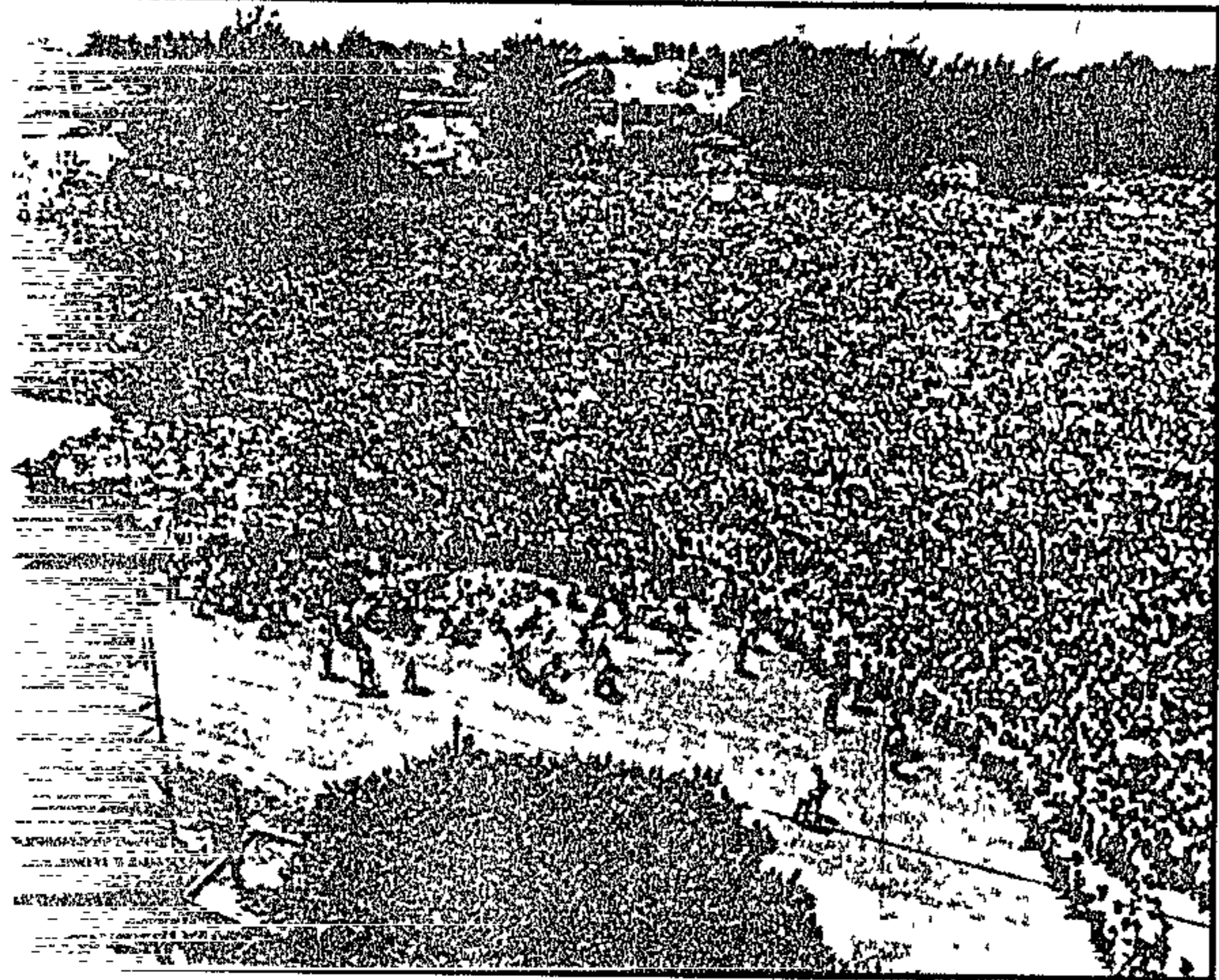
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greater wisdom than menfolk. It was you who, in 1929 and again in 1959, defied and struck out at one of the roots of oppression — the launch of powerful beerhalls.

'More recently, the women of Chesterville arranged night vigils to protect children. Mothers, sisters, daughters of Natal, it falls to you once again to act decisively.'

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Mandela urges pupils: Go back to school

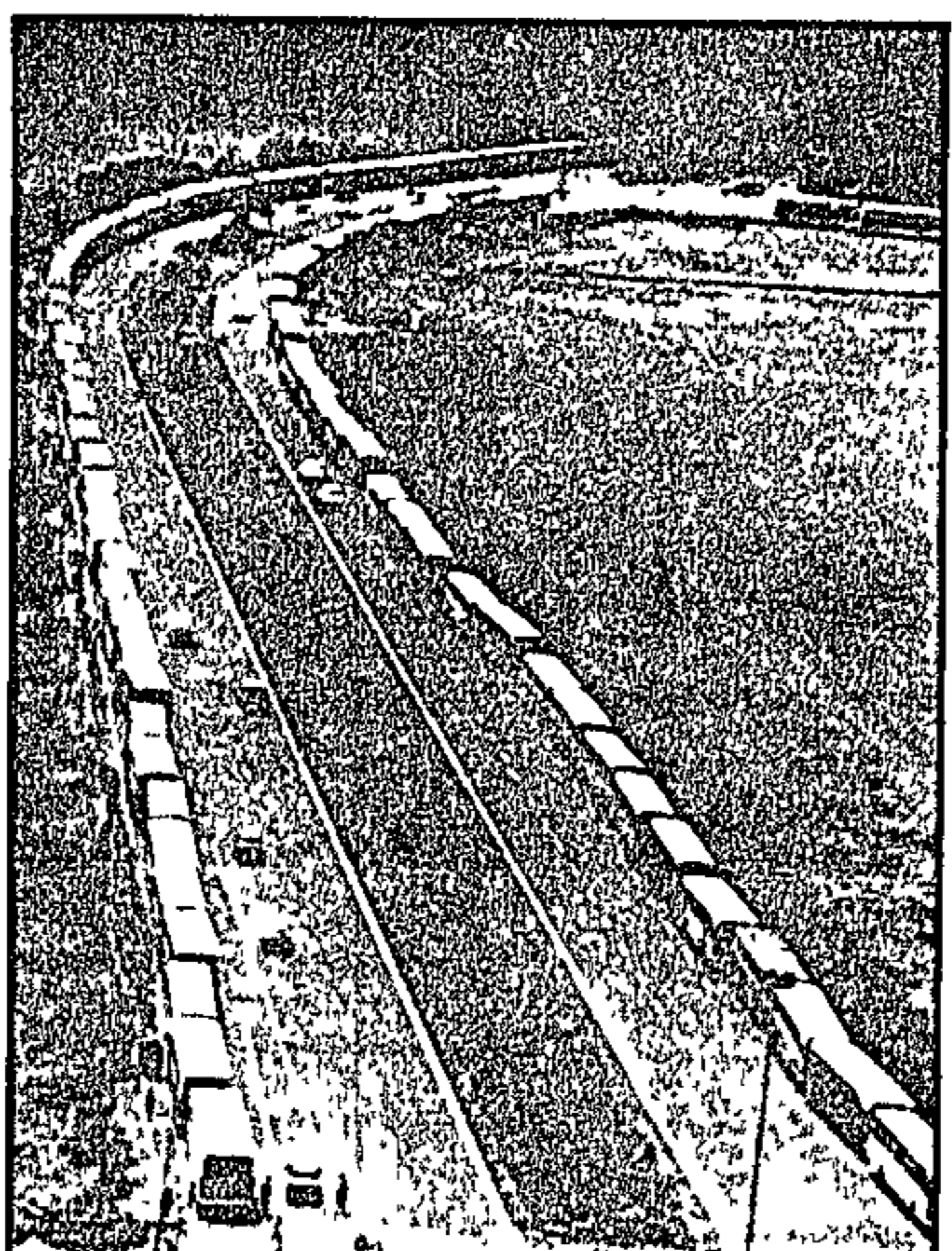
The Argus Correspondent in Bloemfontein

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prevent looting. No incidents were reported. In a conciliatory address Mr Mandela reiterated appeals made since his release two weeks ago. He called on pupils to return to school, saying future black leaders without education and skills would be totally useless to the ANC and the country and would be shadowed by their white counterparts. Paying tribute to a late son of this hard land of conservatism, Rivonia defence lawyer Mr Bram Fischer Mr Mandela called on all peace loving Afrikaners to join the ANC's struggle for freedom, democracy and non-racialism. The proud spirit which gave the Free State its name should guide Afrikaners to become involved in a struggle for even greater freedom, he said.



... and his wife Winnie react to applause at the meeting in King's Park, Durban.



Hundreds of buses which carried crowds to King's Park are parked outside the stadium

It was in Bloemfontein that the ANC had adopted a non-racial approach in the 1940s prior to which it only articulated African demands. Now the ANC did not only strive for African unity but for unity among all South Africans. "We are one nation in one country", he said to loud applause. Noting the poverty of many in a province rich in gold and diamonds, Mr Mandela reiterated the ANC's commitment to a more equal distribution of wealth. He said the ANC would demonstrate its moral superiority and the justness of its cause by negotiating with the government.

Equal rights

The final goal of negotiations was a non-racial democratic South Africa in which equal rights and the protection of all South Africans would be guaranteed. Noting that some in our ranks may be sceptical about talks, he said the ANC delegation, which would soon hold preliminary talks with the government, would use the opportunity to demonstrate the legitimacy of the organisation's demands.

He also announced that an ANC delegation would hold talks with the QwaQwa government, which had appealed against an earlier court ruling that the Bloemfontein township of Botshabelo should not be incorporated into the homeland. To great applause, he lashed out against the homeland's government for not taking into consideration the wishes of the people in the region — which was contrary to the spirit of the first king of the Sothos, King Moshoeshoe.

Mr Mandela was accompanied by his wife, Winnie, Mr Walter Sisulu and his wife, Albertina, and several members of the National Reception Committee.

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Police are continuing investigations. — Sapa.

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February 1989 — February 22 1990:.....	630
Past 72 hours' official toll:.....	8
TOTAL:.....	1 306

Huge crowd told to end Natal war *BIDM*

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Throw guns into the sea, says Mandela

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DURBAN — ANC leader Nelson Mandela yesterday appealed to a huge crowd at Kings Park Stadium to end the war in Natal, and commit themselves to building a single nation.

"My message to those of you involved in this battle of brother against brother is this: 'Take your guns, your knives and your pangas, and throw them into the sea'", said Mandela.

"Close down the death factories. End this war now."

In order to take up the challenge of one nation, all forms of factionalism and regionalism had to be eliminated.

Mandela and his wife Winnie arrived by helicopter at the sports ground to roars of greeting from a crowd estimated by organisers at 200 000, Sapa reports.

At one stage Mandela had to interrupt his speech to move to another part of the stage so that a particularly rowdy section of the crowd could see him.

It was his third outdoor address since his release two weeks ago.

About 3 000 ANC marshals were assigned to control the crowd.

Mandela said apartheid was a deadly cancer in Natal, "eating away the precious ties that bind us together".

He said the rally was aimed at reaffirming a united stand against apartheid



● MANDELA

Own Correspondent

The ANC commended Inkatha — although there were fundamental differences between the two organisations — for its demand over the years for the unbanning of the ANC and the release of political prisoners, as well as its stand on refusing to take part in a negotiated settlement without the creation of the right climate.

Inkatha's stand had contributed to making it difficult for government to implement successive schemes designed to perpetuate minority rule.

Mandela said the Natal fighting had disturbed him deeply. He wanted to remind people of everyone's "responsibility" and said the peace process could be endangered.

Apartheid was not yet dead, said Mandela. "We need to intensify our struggles to achieve our goals, but we cannot do this as long as the conflict among ourselves continues."

Mandela said doubts about the role of the police jeopardised the finding of a solution. There was an onus on the police to convince the public of its impartiality.

If there were renegade elements operating within the security forces, they should be exposed and stopped.

"We recognise that in order to bring the war to an end, the two sides must talk," he added.

Mandela "extended a hand of peace" to Inkatha.

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ANC were the "premier political force" in the country, he said.

"Wherever divisions occur, such as the strife here in Natal, it is a reflection against us and our greater goals. We need to be rigorous in identifying our own contribution to the escalation of violence wherever it may occur."

While he commended the youth for the "ground they have gained" he said they should be ready to demonstrate discipline, or risk losing that ground.

"Both sides share a common enemy: the enemy is that of inadequate housing,

forced removals, lack of resources as basic as that of water, and rising unemployment. We demand that the government provides these basic necessities of life," he said.

Meanwhile in Bloemfontein, Mayor Norman Doubell said the ANC was once again back home in the city where the movement was launched in 1912. Mandela was due to fly to Bloemfontein to address another rally there after his Durban speech.

□ Pan Africanist Movement leader Joseph Renene said in Dar-es-Salaam at the weekend the PAC was close to reuniting with the ANC, Sapa-Reuter reported.

Close the death factories, ANC leader tells Natal rally

End war

Mandela

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Nelson Mandela ... "The violence must stop."

By SY MAKARINGE

MR Nelson Mandela yesterday said the ANC planned to meet Zulu King Zwelithini Goodwill kaBhekuzulu to discuss the Natal conflict.

Mandela was addressing more than 150000 people at an open-air rally outside the King's Park Rugby Stadium in Durban.

He told them the ANC was preparing to meet King Zwelithini to establish a basis on which to deal with the problem which had claimed more than 2000 lives during the past three years.

"We must stop all forms of violence. Let's bury the past and look to the future. There must be peace between Cosatu and UDF on the one hand and Inkatha on the other.

"There is no other way. If you want peace, let's sit down with Inkatha so that we can concentrate on building this

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Mandela talks on Natal strife

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nation," Mandela said. He said the Natal strife was a waste of energy.

"Take your guns, your knives and your pangas and throw them into the sea.

"Close down the death factories and end the war now," he pleaded.

But some hardliners in the huge crowd were not pleased with the prospect of the ANC meeting Inkatha.

They showed their disapproval by booing and interjecting, saying they did not want to have anything to do with Chief Gaissha Buthelezi, the movement's president.

The call for unity and peace in the region was repeated several times in the 50-minute speech.

Mandela said Natal had a proud history of resistance since the days of the Isandlwana Battle in 1879.

"We must eliminate all acts of sectionalism and regionalism.

"We commend Inkatha for their demand that the ANC be unbanned and its leaders released, and their refusal to negotiate with the Government.

"Inkatha contributed in a small measure to make it difficult for the Government to perpetuate minority rule," he said.

Mandela said there could be no separate solution for Natal.

He said the peace process would be endangered if the Natal carnage was not halted.

"We need to intensify our struggle to achieve our goals. But we won't achieve these goals as long as there is a conflict," he said.

Expressing doubt about police impartiality, Mandela said renegade elements in the police force should be exposed.

Earlier in the day another ANC stalwart, Mr Ahmed Kathrada, said the organisation was saddened by what was happening in Natal.

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Natal violence: 4 policemen killed

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The Argus Correspondent
DURBAN — Four policemen were killed in Natal at the weekend — one was stoned at Verulam on the North Coast, two were stabbed and shot at Imbali and the fourth was attacked while waiting for a bus.

Police said the two policemen were stabbed and shot while carrying out investigations at Imbali, near Maritzburg, about 6pm yesterday. The motive for the murders is not known.

In another incident an off-duty policeman was waiting for a bus on Saturday night when he was attacked and killed by a mob about 30 strong, police said.

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ANC and red flags welcome Mandela

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The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Four bright colours dominated the mass rally at King's Park yesterday — the red of the communist flag and the black, green and yellow tricolour of the African National Congress.

Each flag had a place on the main stage and many in the crowd were either wearing the colours on T-shirts or carrying homemade flags, some of them a few square meters big, mounted on poles.

The crowd appeared remarkably well-controlled with only a few interruptions in the proceedings, one when youths broke through the cordon of marshalls and swamped the VIP area in front of the stage.

The high point of crowd excitement came when two helicopters emerged from the rugby stadium, having obviously just deposited Mr Nelson Mandela and his entourage.

Proceedings abruptly came to a halt as the crowd, as one, came to its feet and roared its welcome.

Mr Mandela's speech was received attentively with anger being expressed when he mentioned the "siyanoras", arch-enemies of the "comrades" of which there were many at the rally.

There was derisive laughter when Mr Mandela spoke of



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chiefs who had used apartheid for their own ends and an even louder laugh when he spoke of those chiefs who had seen the error of their ways.

His appeal to the women of Natal to help in the ending of violence drew a loud response with women holding their hands high to signify their approval.

At first, Mr Mandela had to move from one side to the other of the large stage so that the crowd could see him. He also came tentatively to the very edge, holding firmly on to the handrail, to show himself to youths who had gathered directly below the platform.

Sapa reports that Foreign Affairs Minister Mr Pik Botha this morning welcomed the call by Mr Mandela yesterday for knives and pangas to be cast into the sea.

He said the hatred and mistrust of the past should also be thrown into the sea. "These are also knives and pangas which cut and prevent people coming together," he said.

Violence goes on despite Mandela peace appeal

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN: — Fierce fighting continued today in the squatter settlement of Malagazi, near Isipingo, as more shacks were set on fire in a violent clash between supporters of the United Democratic Front and Inkatha.

The fighting started only hours after Mr Nelson Mandela's call on Sunday for warring factions in Natal to bury the hatchet.

So far more than 200 people have been left homeless and the figure is expected to rise rapidly.

At least 42 shacks have been razed by rampaging mobs which have terrorised residents since Sunday night. Last night at the height of a thunderstorm 30 shacks were gutted, following the burning of about 12 others on Sunday night.

VERY TENSE

Police said the situation was very tense at the squatter settlement today and there was a strong police presence in the area.

According to police, a man was shot dead when his house was attacked by a group of men in the squatter settlement yesterday.

Early today members of the police riot unit had to be called out because about 1 000 school-children were marching, toy-totyping and singing. Their destination was unknown.

Last night firemen from the Amanzimtoti fire department had to be escorted into the area by police and members of the SADF to fight the fires and stop the blaze from spreading to other shacks.

Lieutenant Bala Naidoo, police public relations officer for Port Natal said fighting started on Sunday night when a mob set fire to about 12 shacks.

Last night the fighting resumed and 30 more shacks were gutted.

Residents claimed that fighting started after groups of UDF supporters returned from the Mandela rally at King's Park on Sunday.

It is alleged that Inkatha supporters began to taunt them and they then attacked the

At the rally Mr Mandela made a plea to end the fighting in which more than 2 000 people have lost their lives.

He appealed for those responsible to "throw their guns, knives and pangas into the sea".

SHOT DEAD

Meanwhile, a taxi driver was shot dead at Inanda yesterday and several passengers were injured when an unknown gunman opened fire.

In another incident in the area, a man was arrested after he fired shots at an army patrol. Police have taken possession of a home-made gun.

Flames leaped into the air and black smoke billowed out of torched shacks when a news team visited the area.

Women and children stood nearby and watched their possessions burn. A truck of soldiers pulled up and ran towards the flaming homes cocking their weapons.

Further on, at least 11 police vans were parked and a group of Kwazulu police with automatic weapons stood on the roadside, metres away from the ashes and rubble of shacks that had burned out.



Smoke from burning shacks rises from Malagazi township near Durban.

4 cops killed

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FOUR policemen were murdered in three separate incidents in Natal at the weekend.

South African Police spokesman Lieutenant Bala Naidoo yesterday named them as Constables EK Ndloyu, VJ Ngcobo, Philemon Fano Maliwa and Sergeant ZS Nkable.

Ndloyu and Ngcobo were found in Vuza Street in Imbali township outside Maritzburg about 6pm on Sunday.

Both had been shot through the head.

Maliwa was stoned to death on Saturday evening in Verulam.

Nkable, who was stationed at Isipingo, staggered into a house in Umlazi township, south of Durban, shortly before 9pm on Sunday.

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tributable to outside shareholders, at the first half year.

Killings go on despite peace call

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DURBAN — Inkatha secretary-general Oscar Dhlomo and Foreign Affairs Minister Pik Botha yesterday welcomed ANC leader Nelson Mandela's call for peace in Natal. But the deaths continued.

A 22-year-old man was killed, allegedly during an attack on a home at Imbali on Sunday.

Two others, one a six-year-old boy, were seriously injured in the attack. 15/11/90

Four SA Police members were murdered in three incidents in Natal at the weekend.

Police named them as Const E K Ndlovu, Const V J Ngcobo, Const Philemon Fano Maliwa and Sgt Z S Nkabile. — Sapa. 27/12/90

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September 1987 — January 1989.....	668
February 1989 — February 25 1990.....	640
Past 24 hours' official toll.....	3
TOTAL:	1 311

There are two sets of clues, but the

4 more policemen killed

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By Craig Kotze

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Four policemen were murdered at the weekend in Natal's townships, bringing to 20 the number of policemen killed in the past two years in the Inkatha-UDF war, Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok said yesterday.

Special measures are to be taken to arm policemen in the area and protect their families, homes and property from attack, he said.

And from now on those who attacked policemen would be fought mercilessly and large rewards would be offered for information on killers of policemen.

Mr Vlok said more than 100 policemen had been seriously injured in attacks over the past two years.

● Police report that two people were

murdered in the strife on Monday.

A man was shot dead at Malangazi, a squatter settlement near Isipingo, after a mob attacked a house.

At least 42 shacks have been razed by rampaging mobs since Sunday.

Residents said fighting had started after Inkatha supporters had taunted groups of UDF supporters returning from the Mandela rally on Sunday. They said UDF members from Umlazi had then attacked the settlement. A second victim was killed in Inanda when he was stoned by a mob.

Police also reported that a municipal policeman was shot and wounded in Katlehong on the East Rand, a man was set alight and seriously burnt in Khutsong near Oberholzer.



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Discovery of bodies rocks Natal accord

The Argus Correspondents

DURBAN. — A fragile accord which brought an uneasy calm to the squatter settlement of Malagazi after three days of bloody violence and house-burnings could be upset by the discovery of three more bodies in the area.

A police spokesman said all three had been stabbed.

The violence, which began on Sunday and apparently ended with "white flag" talks late yesterday, has now claimed at least five lives — one person having been "necklaced" by a mob of youths and another having been shot.

The necklacing took place early yesterday after the victim had been attacked and stabbed to death. Several shacks were razed after petrol bombs were hurled at them.

FIGHTING

Ferocious fighting between supporters of the United Democratic Front and Inkatha erupted hours after a call on Sunday by ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela to end the bloodshed in Natal, which has claimed at least 2 000 lives.

Lieutenant Bala Naidoo, police public relations officer for Port Natal, said the situation at both Malagazi, near Isipingo and U Section, Umlazi, was tense today.

Although there were no reports of further clashes last night police were watching the situation carefully.

It is believed that the representatives from both groups met yesterday to end the violence. A peace agreement was struck and the meeting has been adjourned to Friday.

In Cape Town yesterday, Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok said more than 20 policemen had been killed in Natal's vicious township war — seven of them this year.

More than 108 unprovoked attacks had been made against

policemen in the townships this year and more than 100 policemen had been seriously injured in attacks over the past two years.

Mr Vlok announced special measures to arm policemen and protect their families, homes and property from attack.

And, he said, those who attacked policemen would now be fought "mercilessly", with large rewards being offered for information on killers of policemen.

● Two men and a woman were stabbed during a faction fight in Mbekweni, Paarl, yesterday. Police vehicles were stoned and damaged and tear-gas, rubber bullets and bird-shot was used to disperse the opposing mobs.

● A man was stoned to death at Inanda near Durban on Monday and a youth was shot and wounded after a Defence Force patrol was attacked there, according to the police unrest report.

● Six people have died during the past two days in the Malemulele and Jimmy Jones districts of Gazankulu as violence linked to a stayaway continued in the homeland.

Political Staff

POLICE in conflict-ravaged areas of Natal are to get police protection on duty and at their homes, Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok said yesterday.

Declaring war on elements attacking the police, he said he was seriously concerned about a politically motivated and deliberate campaign to intimidate and physically prevent the police from doing their work in the unrest areas.

"Murder and attacks on the police are on the increase. Since the beginning of the year seven have been gruesomely murdered in 108 attacks. Four were killed last weekend," he said.

Most of the attacks were with firearms against police patrols and some

Special protection for Natal police

members of the force were even shot at while doing investigations. Police homes were also being attacked at night.

"These attacks are treachery against the public who are entitled to the protection and service of our police," said Mr Vlok.

"They are already burdened by senseless violence which has already claimed hundreds of lives. It cannot be tolerated."

Preliminary inquiries had shown that at least some of the attacks had a political motive.

"In light of this and because of the

fact that more than 20 members of the police force have been murdered in the past two years in Natal and more than 100 seriously injured, I want to direct a serious warning at those who are hunting the police — you will be mercilessly opposed with everything at our disposal," he said.

"I and the Commissioner of Police will under no circumstances allow police men and women to be intimidated in any way from doing their duty."

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even if it means they must have police protection."

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The District Commissioner of Police in Natal, Major-General Johan van Niekerk, had already informed him of what steps were being taken to protect the police and he had agreed

with them. Large rewards were also being offered for information which would lead to the arrest of murderer and perpetrators of violence.

"I want to assure all members of the force they will enjoy all the necessary protection to do their duty. From now on, police who live or work in the unrest-ravaged areas will be physically armed, even when they are off duty."

"The necessary protection will be provided at their homes to protect members and their families and their property."

Natal rivals disregard Mandela call

Rampaging mobs terrorise residents

ONLY hours after the call from ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela, for warring factions in Natal to bury the hatchet, fierce fighting between supporters of the UDF and Inkatha burst out in the squatter settlement of Malagazi near Isipingo, leaving more than 200 homeless.

At least 42 shacks have been razed to the ground by rampaging mobs who have been tearing through residents since Sunday night. Last night, at the height of the thunderstorm, 30 shacks were gutted, following the burning of about 12 others on Sunday night. Police said the situation was very tense at the settlement yesterday and there was a strong police presence in the area. Early yesterday members of the police Riot Unit had to be called out

because a group of about 1 000 schoolchildren were marching, toying and singing. On Monday night firemen from the Amanzimtoti fire department had to be escorted into the area by police and members of the SADF to light the fires and stop the blaze from spreading to other shacks. Lieutenant Bala Naidoo, police public relations officer for Port Natal, said fighting started on Sunday night when a mob set fire to about 12 shacks. On Monday night, the fighting resumed and 30 more shacks were gutted. About 200 people are homeless.

Groups

Residents claimed fighting started after groups of UDF supporters returned from the Mandela rally at Kings Park on Sunday. It is alleged that Inkatha supporters began to taunt the UDF members from U section. Umlazi, who then attacked the settlement.

At Sunday's rally Mandela made a plea to end the fighting in Natal in which more than 2 000 have lost their lives in unrest incidents.

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He appealed for those responsible to throw their guns, knives and pangas into the sea. In another incident in the area, a man was arrested after he fired shots at a SADF patrol. Police have taken possession of several passengers injured at home-made gun.

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Police in Natal conflict areas to get protection, says Vlok

CAPE TOWN — Police in conflict ravaged areas of Natal are to get police protection, on duty and at their homes, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said yesterday.

Declaring war on elements attacking the police, he said he was seriously concerned about a politically motivated and deliberate campaign in certain circles to intimidate and physically prevent the police from doing their work in the unrest areas.

"Murder and attacks on the police are on the increase. Since the beginning of the year, seven have been gruesomely murdered in 108



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derers and perpetrators of violence. Four were killed last weekend," he said.

Most of the attacks were with firearms against police patrols and some members of the force were even shot at while doing investigations. Police homes were also being attacked at night.

"These attacks are treachery against the public who are entitled to the protection and service of our police," said Vlok.

Preliminary inquiries had shown that at least some of the attacks had a political motive.

He said in Natal more than 20 police force members had been murdered in the past two years and over 100 seriously injured.

"I want to direct a serious warning at those who are hunting the police — you will be mercilessly opposed with everything at our disposal," he said.

Slurry dumped in sea as 'preferred option'

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CAPE TOWN — Up to 5 200 tons of gypsum, from which plaster-of-Paris is made, are being dumped into the sea at Richards Bay each month.

And this was done with the full permission of the Department of Water Affairs, Minister Gert Kotze said in Parliament yesterday.

Replying to questions by DP Port Elizabeth Central MP Eddie Trent, Kotze said it had been investigated and the dumping was the "preferable option" for the environment.

The quantity and quality of the gypsum slurry was checked by the Mhlatuze Water Board.

The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research also did comprehensive monitoring.

New drought relief scheme

CAPE TOWN — The House of Assembly Administration hoped to announce a new drought relief scheme which would benefit farmers working to conserve their farms rather than those who exploited their land and then looked to government to take over the risk in the bad years.

This was announced yesterday by Agricultural Development Minister Kraai van Niekerk in the debate on the Additional Appropriation Bill.

The difficulty of distinguishing between these two categories of farmer when granting relief had been a cause for alarm.

The conservation-minded farmer would in future become the norm by which the necessity of relief was judged.

The department would give a report later on the full extent of

irregularities in disaster relief claims by farmers.

Because his department had not had sufficient manpower, farmers had in some cases been asked to make sworn statements of their flooding losses, he said.

Spot checks had shown that in seven out of 10 cases, the farmers' actual losses did not coincide with their reported losses.

Some of these were technical mistakes, but three out of 10 were clear, blatant, false statements, he said.

Because of this, it had been decided that officials should go through all claims.

These matters would be handed over to the police for investigation and the farmers concerned would have to repay the full amount plus interest, and face prosecution. — Sapa.

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Four more killed in Gazankulu

UNREST continued in the troubled homelands of Gazankulu, Venda and Natal yesterday, with at least seven people being killed in violent clashes.

In Gazankulu, four people were killed, one person went missing and about 30 dwellings were burnt down yesterday.

Chief Minister Hudson Ntsanwisi's administration said the killing of the four and the torching of homes happened in an area called Jimmy Jones, near Malamulele.

Meanwhile police in Venda have joined the civil servants' protest calling for higher pay.

Homeland sources said a serious water shortage had developed as the workers' stayaway continued.

A Lutheran Church pastor said rumours were rife that water provided by the army had been allegedly laced with a lethal substance.

The superintendent of Tshilidzini Hospital near Thohoyandou said "numerous" people had arrived at the hospital with abdominal pains

NATAL UNREST DEATHS

September 1987 — January 1989	668
February 1989 — February 26 1990	643
Past 24 hours' official toll	2
TOTAL	1 313

and 20 had been admitted for observation.

She said the water was not poisoned but she believed it had been contaminated by substances on the surface of the reservoirs due to the shutdown of pipes.

On Monday, police in the homeland presented a petition to their Department demanding salary increases of between 80% and 90%.

Thousands of teachers are boycotting classes and civil servants, including magistrates, have joined the protest.

Meanwhile, two young boys, including a seven-month-old baby, were burnt to death in Tshikhundeni village near Venda's capital Tho-

hoyandou on Monday evening.

Police said the children were killed when a group of youths burned the hut in which they were sleeping. The youths alleged the children's parents were practitioners of witchcraft.

In Natal, fierce fighting continued in the squatter settlement of Malagazi, near Isipingo, yesterday. Shacks were set alight in a violent clash between UDF and Inkatha supporters.

Police said the situation in the squatter settlement was very tense yesterday.

The SAP said a man was shot dead on Monday when his house was attacked.

Malagazi residents claimed the fighting started after UDF supporters returned from the Mandela rally at Kings Park on Sunday. They claimed Inkatha supporters taunted the UDF members, who then attacked the squatter settlement. — Sapa.

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Six villagers reject Allied's B7 measure offer