RIOTS & DISTURBANCES

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2 die, 3 wounded in widespread unrest

PRETORIA. — An 18-year-old man was stabbed to death, another man fatally wounded and two men and a youth also wounded in unrest-related incidents throughout the country, according to the daily police report.

In an incident at Sweet Waters near Maritzburg, a group of blacks stabbed an 18-year-old man to death.

A group of blacks intimidated and threatened a security force member at at Boipatong, Vanderbijl Park. He warned them to disperse but when they refused he fired three rounds from his pistol, fatally wounding one of them.

Two men and a youth were wounded when a large group forced a man to strip naked and accompany them through the streets of Dambuza, Maritzburg, because he did not want to join their organization. As the man was being forcibly pushed along, an unidentified gunman fired on the group, wounding three people. Police arrested a man and a youth.

The report also said an explosion occurred early yesterday morning at a high school in Carletonville after commercial explosives had apparently been placed under a concrete step. The step and three window panes were damaged. Nobody was injured. Police are investigating. — Sapa and Own Correspondent

Cape Times 14/1/88

Teargas ends NP election meeting

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Police used teargas to stop fighting which erupted when militant AWB supporters shouted down NP speakers down at an NP by-election meeting in Standerton last night.

Transvaal NP leader Mr F W de Klerk, and Standerton's NP candidate for the by-election Mr Hennie Erasmus, were prevented from speaking as hundreds of AWB supporters shouted down chairman and Minister of Agriculture Mr Greyling Wentzel.

The trouble broke out almost from the start of the meeting during a community sing-along, and, when the meeting was opened, the chairman was shouted down with calls of "AWB".

One of the AWB supporters asked for a debate between Mr De Klerk and the AWB leader, Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche. The chairman said an opportunity would be given after Mr De Klerk had answered various questions.

This did not suit the AWB. Further chanting and a scuffle ensued, and teargas was thrown into the hall. A power failure finally ended the meeting. — Own Correspondent and Sapa

leader.

4 more killed in Maritzburg unrest

PRETORIA. — Four people were killed in separate incidents in the Maritzburg area, the SAP's Public Relations Division said in its overnight unrest report.

A 29-year-old man was stabbed to death at Slangspruit. At Sweetwaters a crowd of blacks attacked a 23-year-old man. A shot was fired from a shotgun and the man was fatally wounded. In the same area, police found the body of a 44-year-old man with stab wounds.

At Taylor's Halt police found the body of a man with numerous stab wounds, and at Vilakazi a private house was badly damaged when a petrol bomb was thrown at it.

"At Diepkloof, Soweto, a group slashed the tyres and smashed the windows of three private vehicles causing serious damage," the report said. — Sapa.

Death sentence has set legal precedents

Cape Times 29/1/85

Unlikely martyr is sitting out her last days in Pretoria jail's Death Row

By STEPHEN ROBINSON
of the Daily Telegraph

WHEN Theresa Ramashamola, a 24-year-old former waitress, drops from the gallows at Pretoria Central Prison later this year, she will become one of South Africa's unlikeliest political martyrs.

Until her arrest and conviction for the murder of a black township councillor in 1984, Ramashamola shared a one-bedroomed house with her mother in the squalid and overcrowded township of Sharpeville, commuting each day to Vereeniging for her work.

She is a practising Catholic and used to attend mass regularly at her local church Father Patrick Nonan, an Irish priest who has lived and served in Sharpeville for the past four years, describes her as an unsophisticated woman with no understanding of politics. She passes her days on death row reading religious pamphlets.

The gruesome ritual

On September 3, 1984, a large, unruly crowd protesting at township rent increases gathered outside the home of Sharpeville's deputy mayor, Khuzwayo Dlamini.

Stones were thrown, Dlamini pulled a gun and fired into the crowd. As he tried to escape over his garden fence, he was pulled down by three unknown assailants and disarmed of his pistol. More stones were thrown at him, until Dlamini was dragged unconscious onto the street and set alight

It was the sort of gruesome, ritualistic murder which occurred with sickening regularity in South Africa's black townships in 1984-85. Dlamini, a councillor working within an unpopular government-sponsored system, was murdered by a baying mob demanding "people's power".

Theresa Ramashamola was part of that crowd. She and five others were arrested, charged and found guilty of murder, even though the court acknowledged there was no direct evidence to suggest the conduct of any of them had contributed directly to Dlamini's murder.

The "Sharpeville Six" are to hang because the court found them to have "common purpose" with the crowd whose intention was to murder Dlamini.

One person's evidence

Ramashamola was convicted on the evidence of a single State witness, who claimed to hear her shout, "He (Dlamini) is shooting at us, let's kill him" — a charge she denied. She also allegedly slapped a woman who had remonstrated with the crowd not to burn Dlamini But no evidence was led to suggest she was guilty of physically killing him

"There are two deeply disquieting things about this judgment," says Edwin Cameron of the Wits Law Department

"It applied the doctrine of common purpose in a way that could implicate a crowd of thousands and render them liable to the death sentence

"It also established, for the first time in South African criminal law, that conduct not proved to contribute causally to a death can nonetheless lead to conviction for murder."

Most ominous of all, Cameron believes, is that "the Appeal Court has widened the doctrines of criminal liability in response to evidence of township revolt".

A petition for clemency

Lawyers acting for the six have played their last card, and delivered petitions for clemency to President P W Botha, the only man who can save them now

Sharpeville residents believe the six will hang as an example to others that government will not tolerate assaults on its system of black local administration.

It will be turning six unpoliticized blacks into political martyrs.

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The Argus Correspondent

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By BARRY HOPWOOD, Racing S

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Picture: RICHARD BELL

Soweto borrows R212m to 'stay alive'

JOHANNESBURG — The Soweto City Council is in financial difficulties and is surviving on operating cost borrowings totalling R212 million this year, the town clerk, Mr Nico Malan, said in an interview yesterday.

The 18-month-old rent boycott has also cost the council R132 million in rent arrears.

Mr Malan said the loans have been acquired from various financial institutions, including the country's major banks. He declined to name them.

"We definitely needed the R212 million in to order stay alive."

He said the council owed millions to the Rand Water Board and Eskom.

Describing the council's financial standing as a "very unhealthy one", Mr Malan attributed much of the council's predicament to the rent boycott.

He said only 30% of Soweto residents were paying rent — which contradicted earlier statements by the council that most residents were paying.

Children 'told to stay out of rent protest'

Pretoria Correspondent

SHARPEVILLE — Parents ordered their children to stay out of the rent increase battle which hit many black residents in the Vaal Triangle in 1984, the Pretoria Supreme Court was told yesterday.

Nineteen high-ranking members of the United Democratic Front and other community organisations have pleaded not guilty to charges ranging from high treason to murder and subversion.

The trial concerns events leading up to the outbreak of violence in the Vaal Triangle in September 1984 in which councillors were murdered and property valued at millions of rand was destroyed.

Mrs Maria Mokati told the court yesterday that she had attended several protest meetings about the rent increase.

She said that at a meeting on August 20 1984 she had made it clear to the children that they should not involve themselves in the rent increase battle, as they did not pay rent.

Mrs Mokati said she told the meeting: "My dear children, do not fight. The government is not fighting nor is the law involved in any fighting.

"I told them to stop breaking things and burning buses because the rent issue was a matter to be looked into by the parents only," she said.

At one of the meetings a priest told the children to leave their parents and give them a chance to take action against the Lekoa Council in court, Mrs Mokati said.

She said there was talk about signing a petition in protest against the rent increase of R5,90 a month but no mention was made of a stayaway or protest march.

Final appeal by Sharpeville six

By STAN MHLONGO

THE lives of Sharpeville's six residents sentenced to death for killing a Lekoa councillor during the 1984 Vaal riots, are now in the hands of State President PW Botha.

A Johannesburg attorney representing the six, this week told *City Press* that following the failure of the appeal against the death sentence in the Bloemfontein Appeal Court in November last year, "the six have appealed for clemency from the State President".

The six – Mojalefa Reginald Sefatsa, 30, Reid Malebo Mokoena, 22, Oupa Moses Diniso, 22, Duma Joshua Khumalo, 26, Francis Don Mokgesi, 28, and Theresa Ramashamola, 24 – were convicted of killing Lekoa deputy-mayor Khuzwayo Jacob Dlamini.

Rocket attack on N Tvl farmhouse

PRETORIA. — A rocket thought to be an RPG7 was fired into the lounge of a far Northern Transvaal farmhouse early today.

A number of rifle shots were also fired, the public relations division of the police said today.

River Farm, owned by Mr C T H Fisher, is about 15km west of Beit Bridge and about 200m from the river. A landmine found about 3km west of the dwelling on a dirt road was rendered harmless.

No casualties were reported. The extent of the damage is estimated at about R20 000. Police investigations are continuing.

In their daily unrest report police said that two municipal policemen on guard duty were shot at by unknown assailants last night in Orlando West, Soweto. Both were seriously injured.

In Kwatema, Springs unknown gunmen shot and wounded a man in the shoulder. His condition is not serious.

In the same area a group threw a petrol-bomb at a delivery vehicle, damaging it extensively.

Six men were slightly injured when a handgrenade was thrown at a group sitting outside a house in Tembisa, Kempton Park, last night. — Sapa.

Ten killed in unrest attacks

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PRETORIA. — Ten people were killed and several injured in incidents throughout the country, according to the latest police unrest report.

The bodies of two men, aged 18 and 15, were found with bullet wounds at Shongweni, Natal. At Taylor's Halt, also in Natal, a 27-year-old man was stabbed to death.

In the same area, police found the bodies of a 70-year-old man and his 60-year-old wife. Both had been stabbed to death. In another incident, the body of a 61-year-old woman was found with her throat cut.

A group of men hurled a petrol bomb at a house in Kwadengezi, Pinetown and fired numerous shots as the occupants fled. Three men and a woman were fatally wounded and two youths injured.

Three homes were extensively damaged by petrol bombs in Kwathema, Springs.

Minor stone-throwing incidents occurred at Kwamakutha in the Durban-Amanzimtoti area and petrol bombs were hurled at homes. — Sapa.

Stayaway protest over evictions

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Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Hundreds of residents in White City Jabavu, Soweto, stayed away from work yesterday in protest against renewed security force evictions of families who have not been paying rent.

At least 25 families were evicted in the area when a combined force of SAP and Soweto Council police moved into the area on Tuesday and yesterday morning and raided the homes of the families.

The evictions were the first major action against rent boycotters in White City Jabavu since August 1986 when about 21 people were killed in clashes with security forces.

Yesterday riot police used teargas and sjamboks to disperse a group of youths who threw stones while the evictions were being carried out.

The police also ordered two gatherings at the White City administration offices to disperse after warning residents the meetings were illegal.

Residents said they were woken about 7am by council police who went from house to house demanding payment of rent arrears and evicting those who allegedly owed large amounts.

Soweto town clerk Mr Nico Malan this week said residents owed the council R200m in rent arrears.

Evicted residents yesterday claimed that some of their household goods had been loaded on to trucks and driven away by police and only goods of less value were left strewn around the yards.

They said their television sets, refrigerators, radios, lounge suites and kitchen units — most bought under hire-purchase contracts — had been taken away by council police.

A spokesman for a law firm yesterday said: "It is illegal to confiscate goods bought under HP contracts if they have not been paid off."

The UDF condemned the evictions and said they would definitely not solve the country's housing shortage.

Police in Pretoria said later yesterday that no shots had been fired by police and no one had been injured.

"Incidents which occurred in White City today (Wednesday) will be considered for inclusion in our daily unrest report of tomorrow. As you know, it is not our policy to issue interim unrest reports unless the seriousness of the incident warrants it."

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Police break up illegal gatherings

PRETORIA — Police used quirts and tearsmoke to disperse two illegal gatherings in White City, Soweto on Wednesday, the South African Police Public Relations Division said in its overnight unrest report in Pretoria yesterday

The gatherings were held to protest against the eviction of White City residents for rent arrears.

In the same area a security official fired three rounds of birdshot at stone-throwers who attacked him.

No reports of injuries were received.

In other parts of the country, three coloured men were arrested in Kraaifontein, Bellville, after they had allegedly hurled stones at scholars of a local primary school.

At Kwa Thema near Springs extensive damage was caused to a private vehicle and a delivery vehicle when petrol bombs were hurled at them by groups of blacks — Sapa

Mrs Othenia Mohapi weeps outside her Soweto home, after police using tear smoke, had dispersed illegal gatherings. — Reuter

...would go under-
neath the R100-million
Blue Downs town centre,
still to be built.

A station will be con-
structed in the metropolitan area.
The first phase of the
20ha town centre devel-
opment should be com-
pleted by the end of this
year.

Police sjambok, teargas crowd

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In other parts of the country, three men were arrested at Kraaifontein after they had allegedly hurled stones at pupils of a local primary school, and at KwaThema near Springs extensive damage was caused to two vehicles when petrol bombs were hurled at them. — Sapa

Detentions stop peace talks

MARITZBURG. — The detention of top local UDF leaders has caused the cancellation of peace talks scheduled for today, Dr Khoza Mgojo, the president of the Methodist Church of Southern Africa, said here yesterday.

The meeting was to have been attended by Inkatha president Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi and UDF president Mr Archie Gumede.

However, the detention of UDF Natal Midlands joint secretaries Mr Sikhumbuzo Ngwenya and Mr Martin Wittenberg and other figures central to the peace-seeking process stopped the meeting from getting off the ground.

Dr Mgojo called on the warring organizations to desist from further violence.

● Meanwhile, in Ulundi Inkatha's central committee yesterday called on all organizations, groups and individuals in the Maritzburg area to bring peace to the capital's war-torn black townships

In a statement at the end of a central-committee conference, Inkatha said it deplored the "wanton killing" in the area.

It resolved to call on the ANC mission-in-exile to abandon attempts to develop "a people's war" as well as its instigation of black-on-black confrontations

Inkatha also called on the UDF and Cosatu toreject "not only of violence taking place in Maritzburg, but also of all violence committed for political purposes".

● At KwaTema (Springs) two houses were damaged in separate petrol bomb attacks An 18-year-old man and a 16-year-old youth were arrested, police said in Pretoria

Five people were wounded by gunmen in Clermont (Pinetown) on Sunday night The house of two of the victims was burned down The house's owner and his wife were wounded and taken to hospital. The same group went to a nearby shopping centre where they shot and wounded three security guards, who were also admitted to hospital. No arrests have been made yet. — Own Correspondent and Sapa

arising out of the hon the Minister's reply, may I ask him whether he is aware of any guidelines or instructions issued by Attorneys-General for the non-prosecution of people who contravene the Group Areas Act?

†The MINISTER: Mr Speaker, I am not aware of such guidelines since no such guidelines whatsoever exist because no such guidelines were issued.

KwaNdebele: independence

*15. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether with reference to his reply to Question No 11 on 6 October 1987, the State President acceded to the request by the Chief Minister of KwaNdebele to meet with him regarding the three requirements laid down for independence, if not, why not; if so, (a) (i) where and (ii) when was the meeting held and (b) what was the outcome of the meeting,

(2) whether these requirements for independence have been met by the KwaNdebele Government; if not, why not; if so,

(3) whether a date has been set for the independence of KwaNdebele, if so, what is that date?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING.

(1) Yes.

(a) (i) At the Office of the State President in Pretoria.

(ii) On 27 October 1987.

(b) The State President indicated that, in principle, the South African Government has no objection to independence for KwaNdebele. The three requirements laid down for independence were however reaffirmed

(2) No, it is receiving continuous attention

(3) Falls away

Regional Services Councils: bodies exempt from levies

16. Mr C J DERBY-LEWIS asked the Minister of Finance:

(1) Whether any bodies are exempt from paying the levies charged by Regional Services Councils; if so,

(2) whether pension funds are exempt from paying such levies; if not, why not?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF FINANCE (Dr G Marais):

(1) (a) Religious, charitable and educational institutions of a public character are *excluded* from the levy base on which the regional establishment levy is charged.

Exemption from the regional establishment levy has been granted, *in limited form*, to such organizations as amateur sporting clubs; non-profitmaking organizations established to represent persons with common interests; agricultural control boards; State divisions serving mainly other State divisions, and State divisions, persons or employers providing housing or accommodation on a non-profitmaking basis, while non-profitmaking organizations engaged in nature conservation or animal protection activities have been exempted completely.

(b) *Exemption* from the regional services levy has been granted to religious and charitable institutions of a public character and any non-profitmaking organization engaged in nature conservation or animal protection activities.

(2) Pension funds are liable for both the regional establishment levy and the regional services levy. Contributions by members and employers to such funds are, however, not subject to the regional establishment levy

The reason for subjecting pension funds to the levies is that they, like any other commercial undertaking, employ people and engage in independent and market related business operations

USA: restrictions on diplomats from RSA

*17. Mr C J DERBY-LEWIS asked the Minister of Foreign Affairs:

(1) Whether any restrictions are imposed by the United States Government on the activities of South African diplomats in that country; if so,

(2) whether his Department has made enquiries as to whether these restrictions apply to any other foreign diplomats stationed in the United States; if so, to diplomats of what other country?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

(1) and (2) South African diplomats in the United States are not subjected to any restrictions which are not also applicable to diplomats of other countries and are consistent with recognized international practice and the principle of reciprocity

*18. Mr C J DERBY-LEWIS — Home Affairs. [Reply standing over.]

Mixed couples: notices to vacate dwellings

*19 Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning·

(1) Whether, since 2 June 1987, his Department has in terms of the Group Areas Act served any mixed couples with notices requiring them to vacate the dwellings occupied by them; if so, how many such notices had been served in respect of (a) White and (b) other group areas as at the latest specified date for which information is available;

(2) whether his Department has received any responses to these notices; if so, (a) what responses, and (b) from whom, in each case?

†The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

(1) No

(2) Falls away

Notices to non-Whites in White group areas

*20. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning.

Whether any notices have been issued in respect of non-White occupants of premises situated in White group areas (a) to vacate rented premises and (b) to sell premises owned by them; if so, (i) (aa) how many, (bb) why, (cc) when, and (dd) on whose instructions, in each case in 1987 and (ii) in which towns or cities were these notices served?

†The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

No.

Secondary/high schools: unrest

*21. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Education and Development Aid:

(1) Whether any secondary or high schools falling under his Department were subject to unrest or disruption in 1987; if so, how many;

(2) how many secondary or high schools for Blacks were there in the Republic as at 31 December 1987?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF EDUCATION

(1) Yes, 97 secondary/high schools. The nature and intensity of the incidents cannot, however, be estimated from these statistics.

(2) 368 secondary/high schools. Information as on 3 3 1987.

Schools/pupils affected by boycotts/disturbances

*22. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Education and Development Aid.

How many (a) schools and (b) pupils under the control of his Department were affected by boycotts or disburbances in 1987?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

(a) 147 schools.

(b) It is impossible to judge the intensity by which pupils were affected. The total enrolment at the above-mentioned schools was 128 022 pupils of which, according to survey, no more than half were affected in some way or another by boycotts or disburbances

Alexandra Township: investigation

*23. Mr R J LORIMER asked the Minister of Law and Order

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 20 on 2 September 1986, the investigation into the incidents which occurred in Alexandra Township on 22, 23

and 24 March 1986 has now been completed; if not, why not; if so, (a) who conducted the investigation, (b) when was it completed and (c) what were the findings;

(2) whether any steps have been taken pursuant to these findings; if not, why not, if so, what steps;

(3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes

(a) The Divisional Commissioner, Witwatersrand

(b) Several cases were investigated and completed on various dates.

(c) The responsible person/persons could not be identified by the South African Police.

(2) No Because the responsible person/persons were not identified

(3) No

Charges against Vusumuzi Khanyile: investigation

*24. Mr J J WALSH asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether with reference to his reply to Question No 6 on 4 August 1987, the investigation of charges against Vusumuzi Khanyile has been completed; if not, when is it anticipated that the investigation will be completed; if so, (a) what were the findings and (b) what action has been taken as a result;

(2) whether this investigation included an investigation of this persons s alleged involvement in the organization and implementation of street committees in Soweto; if so, what were the findings;

(3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER

(1) No Because the investigations are extensive, it is not possible to indicate when they will be finalized

(2) No

(3) No

Mrs H SUZMAN: Mr Speaker, arising out of the hon the Minister's reply, as Mr Khanyile has been detained for many months now, can the hon the Minister tell us how much longer he anticipates it will take to complete the investigation which will enable him either to charge Mr Khanyile or to release him?

The MINISTER: Mr Speaker, as I have indicated, this investigation is extensive and it is not possible to indicate when it will be finished.

National security management system: review

*25 Mr R M BURROWS asked the Minister in the State President's Office entrusted with Administration and Broadcasting Services:

(1) Whether, within the past two years, the Commission for Administration was involved in a review of the national security management system; if so, what is the purpose of this review;

(2) whether the Commission has reported on this matter; if not, when is it anticipated that it will submit a report; if so, on what date;

(3) whether the (a) findings and (b) recommendations in this regard will be made available to the public; if not, (i) why not and (ii) who will have access to this information?

The MINISTER IN THE STATE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE ENTRUSTED WITH ADMINISTRATION AND BROADCASTING SERVICES:

(1) No

(2) Falls away.

(3) Falls away

RSA/Mozambique: meeting of Joint Security Commission

*26 Mr C W EGLIN asked the Minister of Foreign Affairs:

(1) Whether, since 16 June 1987, any requests have been made by the Government of (a) South Africa and (b) Mozambique for a meeting of the Joint Security Commission provided for in terms of the Nkomati Accord: if so, on what dates in each case;

(2) whether this commission has met since the above date; if so, when; if not, why not?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

(1) and (2) No. The Joint Security Commission as such has not met since 1985 However, it may be mentioned that following a meeting which took place in Cape Town on 6 August 1987 between Minister R F Botha and Minister J S Veloso, a Joint Liaison Committee was established, in an attempt to improve relations between Mozambique and South Africa. This committee has already met three times, namely on 4 September 1987, 24 September 1987 and 15 January 1988.

Soweto: funeral

*27 Mr J VAN ECK asked the Minister of Law and Order.

(1) (a) How many persons were allowed to attend the funeral of a certain person, whose name has been furnished to the South African Police for the purpose of the Minister's reply, in Soweto on or about 7 February 1988, (b) how many members of the security forces were present at the funeral and (c) what is the name of the person concerned;

(2) whether use was made of any aircraft on this occasion; if so, (a) what type of aircraft and (b) why;

(3) whether the aircraft descended to an altitude lower than the legally permissible one; if so, (a) to what altitude and (b) why?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) (a) 200 persons on 6 February 1988.

(b) Sufficient members to deal with a given situation

(c) The name furnished by the hon member.

(2) Yes.

(a) One helicopter and one fixed wing aircraft.

(b) For purposes of observation.

(3) No

(a) and (b) Fall away.

Guguletu: meeting prevented by SAP

*28. Mr J VAN ECK asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether a meeting scheduled to be held by the joint parents', teachers' and students' associations of Cape Town's Black townships at the Nondzwakazi Methodist Church in Guguletu at 18h30 on 28 January 1988, was prevented from taking place by the South African Police; if so,

(2) whether official permission for the holding of this meeting had been obtained; if so, (a) from whom and (b) in terms of what statutory provisions or regulations did the Police prevent the holding of this meeting,

(3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER·

(1) No

(2) and (3) Fall away

Victor Verster prison: death of W. Ndunjana

*29. Mr J VAN ECK asked the Minister of Justice:

(1) Whether a certain person, whose name has been furnished to the Minister's Department for the purpose of his reply, died in the Victor Verster prison recently; if so, (a) (i) on what date and (ii) at what time, (b) what was the cause of his death, (c) what sentence was he serving and (d) what was his name;

(2) whether, immediately prior to his death, he suffered an asthma attack; if so,

(3) whether he was given the required medication at the time; if not, why not;

(4) whether the prison authorities were aware of his being an asthmatic; if so, what precautionary steps had been taken by them in this regard;

(5) whether this person had been transferred from the George prison to the Victor Verster prison in 1987, if so, why?

†The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

Stayaway students end up in hospital

STUDENTS of three tertiary institutions in Pretoria and Johannesburg have been staying away from classes in the past week following complaints of poor tuition.

Security Forces allegedly intervened at two of the colleges, with at least 37 students treated for wounds and broken limbs.

The latest to be hit by a class boycott is the Soweto College of Education where the entire student population stayed away from classes yesterday. Earlier in the week, a number of students staged a two-day boycott.

All 1 800 students of Technikon Northern Transvaal in Soshanguve boycotted classes last Monday after Security Forces entered the campus to

By THAMI MKHWANAZI

quell unrest there.

According to the acting rector, Dr D J Van den Berg, 37 students received treatment at Ga-Rankuwa hospital following the Security Force action

Lieutenant R V Bloomberg of the public liaison division of the SAP said police fired teargas to disperse students who threw stones at the Security Forces He said one man was arrested.

At nearby Soshanguve Technical College, students said the SADF and SAP allegedly arrived in the company of the principal and raided the hostel after students had petitioned the principal to address problems at the college.

Lt H S Crowther of the SAP in the Northern Transvaal confirmed that the SAP were on the campus at the request of college authorities.

He said students threw stones at police, who took appropriate measures — though there were no injuries as claimed

More than 200 third year students boycotted classes on Tuesday after the rector, M M Morapeli allegedly refused to listen to their complaints until they returned to classes.

After students marched to the administration block on Wednesday, chanting slogans and singing freedom songs, the principal agreed to talk to students but failed to do so when students would not resume classes.

Students then called a meeting of the entire student population in the Bridgette Oppenheimer hall at which complaints were reported. It was resolved at this meeting that students would boycott class yesterday.

At all three institutions students complained of poor tuition.

At Technikon Northern Transvaal students alleged Afikaans speaking lecturers were not proficient in English and thus failed to convey the subject effectively, while at Soshanguve Technical College two lecturesr allegedly did not know their subject.

Van den Berg said poor tution at his technikon could be attributed to the fat that there were only 111 lecturers for 1800 students.

He said the problem could only be resolved by increasing the number of lecturers. However, this had been made impossible with government subsidy cuts.

Food was a problem at both Technikon Northern Transvaal and Soshanguve Technical College. At the former, students alleged that the food was "badly" prepared, while students of the latter complained of "smelly" meat.

Department of Education and Training regional director, Gunther Merbold confirmed there was a class boycott at the Soweto College of Education.

FOR THE RECORD

THE Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging has launched a campaign to keep blacks off East London's beaches, which have become *de facto* open.

Under the slogan "Save our beaches", the AWB has collected 600 signatures for a petition to be handed to the city council. The movement also plans a mass meeting for next month.

CISKEI police have denied that an explosion heard in Mdantsane represented an attack on the township's main police station.

Police said a limpet mine was found last Friday on a school sports field next to the police station, and safely exploded there.

THE military government of Transkei is to set up a rent board to stop exorbitant rentals being charged in the territory, Major General Bantu Holomisa announced in a speech in Qumbu.

FORMER speaker of the KwaZulu Legislative Assembly and a former president of the World Council of Churches, Bishop Alphaeus Zulu, died this week aged 82.

He was bishop of the Anglican diocese of Zululand and a former national chairman of Inkatha after he broke his ties with the ANC in 1975.

THE first case under the Fund Raising Act against an anti-apartheid organisation began this week when three officials of the Detainees' Support Committee in Pietermaritzburg appeared in the regional court.

Natal University academics Colin Gardner and Christopher Merrett and church worker Gay Spiller were not asked to plead and the case was adjourned to March 15.

MINISTER of Home Affairs Stoffel Botha has threatened action against the South African Council of Churches for refusing to submit copies of its journal, *Ecunews*, to his department for scrutiny.

In October the SACC's National Executive Committee resolved "not to comply with the order because any compliance with this State of Emergency proclamation would negate and militate against the very mission of the church in South Africa".

THREE people closely associated with applications against Pietermaritzburg "warlords" have died as a result of attacks allegedly by members of Inkatha.

Simon Mthembu was shot, allegedly by "war-lord" Sichizo Zuma. Philippina Nkomo died this week after an attack at her home last month. Her husband, Johannes Nkomo, was stabbed to death in the attack.

SOUTH African policeman Nkosinathi Hlengwa and nine others have pleaded not guilty to the murder of 13 people — many of them members of the Inkatha Youth Brigade — at KwaShange

A MEMBER of the Food and Allied Workers' Union has applied to the Grahamstown Supreme Court for an interim order restraining two security policemen from assaulting, threatening, harassing or intimidating him.

Kayaletu Norman alleged he had been assaulted by the policemen who had also threatened to discredit him by naming him as a police informer. The policemen have denied the charges.

Reports by Elnews, Weekly Mail Reporter, Pen and Ana

Mamelodi: investigation into deaths on 21 November 1985

89. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 268 on 8 September 1987, the further investigation by the South African Police into the deaths of persons killed in Mamelodi on 21 November 1985 has been completed; if not, why not; if so, (a) when, (b) what were the findings and (c) what action has been taken as a result of this investigation;

(2) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes

(a) 27 October 1987

(b) and (c) The Attorney-General instructed that an inquest should be held

(2) No

Accident at Halt Road, Elsies River: member convicted

90 Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Law and Order

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 5 on 28 July 1987, any departmental action has been taken against the member of the South African Police convicted of culpable homicide as a result of an accident in Halt Road, Elsies River, on or about 19 August 1986, if not, why not if so, (a) what action and (b) when,

(2) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER.

(1) No. Because evidence could not be found that the member concerned made himself guilty of any contravention of the Police Act, 1958 (Act 7 of 1958), or the Regulations promulgated by virtue of the Act

(a) and (b) Fall away

(2) No

Treasury: remuneration paid

304 Mr A E NOTHNAGEL asked the Minister of Finance:

(1) What total amount (a) was spent in each specified financial year from 1982-83 up to and including 1986-87 and (b) is it estimated will be spent in the 1987-88 financial year on (i) wages and salaries, (ii) bonuses, (iii) housing subsidies (iv) contributions to medical schemes and funds, (v) contributions to pension schemes and funds, (vi) motor-car schemes, (vii) leave and retirement gratuities and (viii) other forms of direct and indirect expenditure, in respect of persons whose remuneration is paid from the Treasury,

(2) what percentage of the (a) total State revenue (b) total State expenditure and (c) gross domestic product does the total of the above-mentioned expenditure comprise in each of these financial years?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE

(1) (a) and (b)

	1982/83 R'000	1983/84 R'000	1984/85 R 000	1985/86 R'000	1986/87 R'000	1987/88 R'000
(i) Wages and salaries	3 964 882	4 561 731	5 876 099	6 478 157	7 905 088	9 715 013
(ii) Bonuses	216 341	255 597	341 379	277 375	411 270	594 971
(iii) Housing subsidies	92 447	158 444	277 190	339 294	392 931	449 069
(iv) Contributions to medical schemes and funds	71 643	92 348	123 031	173 525	278 462	215 254
(v) Contributions to pension schemes and funds	701 170	764 084	998 134	1 132 011	1 552 090	1 842 701
(vi) Motor-car schemes	8 284	10 817	11 005	16 487	15 582	21 573
(vii) Leave and retirement gratuities	36 076	34 585	57 673	64 238	73 684	109 084

(viii) Other forms of direct and indirect expenditure	249 214	287 479	345 118	394 487	378 439	474 017
TOTAL	5 340 057	6 165 085	8 029 629	8 875 574	11 007 546	13 421 682

(2)

	1982/83 R'000	1983/84 R'000	1984/85 R'000	1985/86 R'000	1986/87 R'000	1987/88 R'000
(a) Total State Revenue	28,8%	28,9%	31,9%	28,7%	31,6%	33,5%
(b) Total State Expenditure	26,7%	26,2%	28,7%	26,1%	26,4%	27,9%
(c) Gross Domestic Product	6,5%	6,7%	7,4%	7,1%	7,5%	7,6%

Remark In terms of Resolution no 2, Second Report of the former Select Committee on Public Accounts, 1981 (2), detailed information regarding spending is no longer submitted to the Treasury and is therefore not available at a central point The only source from which the information can properly be obtained, is the control pay sheets. In terms of Archive instructions these documents are kept for three years only, after which they are destroyed Departments no longer have all the information at their disposal and calculations had to be made for the various items reflected in the question Consequently the Treasury cannot unconditionally endorse the correctness of the information

Sentenced prisoners: deaths from natural causes

332. Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Justice.

(1) How many sentenced prisoners died of natural causes in 1987,

(2) how many of these deaths were due to pneumonia?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

(1) and (2) Of the one hundred and fifty (150) sentenced prisoners who died from natural causes during 1987, eighteen (18) died of pneumonia

Offences against security of State: sentences served

335 Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Justice.

How many (a) males and (b) females were serving sentences in 1987 for offences against the security of the State which exceeded (i) 10 years, (ii) 5 years and (iii) 2 years?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE

(a) (i) 145

(ii) 95

(iii) 48

(b) (i) 1

(ii) 7

(iii) 3

Awaiting-trial prisoners in custody

345 Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Justice

What was the average number of awaiting-trial prisoners in custody on the last day of each month in 1987?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE

The figures concerning awaiting-trial prisoners who were incarcerated in South African prisons on the last day of each month during 1987, were as follows

31 January 1987 — 21 829
28 February 1987 — 21 373
31 March 1987 — 20 668
30 April 1987 — 20 429
31 May 1987 — 20 501
30 June 1987 — 19 030
31 July 1987 — 18 603
31 August 1987 — 18 609
30 September 1987 — 17 727
31 October 1987 — 18 450
30 November 1987 — 19 508
31 December 1987 — 20 096

Crimes against security of State: sentences served

346 Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Justice

How many (a) White, (b) Coloured (c) Asian and (d) Black persons were serving sentences for crimes against the security of the State as at

Murder case: Winnie in public gallery

Five people who allegedly took possession of an AK47 rifle at the home of Mrs Winnie Mandela and left in a car belonging to her went on a shooting rampage which led to the death of two men, according to information provided with an indictment in Johannesburg Regional Court yesterday.

Four men and a woman have been charged with two counts of murder, two counts of attempted murder and other charges relating to the possession of firearms and ammunition, including an AK47 rifle and a Scorpion machine pistol.

They have pleaded not guilty to the charges of murder and attempted murder, but have not yet pleaded on three charges relating to the possession of arms and ammunition.

They are Mr Oupa Alex Seheri (33), Miss Priscilla Lindiwe Mkhonza (29), Mr Ben Jabulani Dlamini (27), Mr Charles Bongani Zwane (18), all of Soweto, and Mr Setimbiso Buthelezi (25) of Alexandra.

The group is to be kept in custody to stand trial in the Rand Supreme Court on August 15.

Mrs Mandela and others in the public gallery shouted slogans.

In the "summary of substantial facts" attached to the indictment, the State, acting in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act, furnished facts which amplified the charges in the indictment.

Although the State is not bound by the summary, which is handed to the accused with the indictment, the summary provides a background to the charges.

It alleges that on January 24 1987 a fight broke out between Mr Seheri and a Mr Xola Mokhaula.

Mr Seheri produced a Scorpion machine pistol, but was disarmed. Mr Mokhaula hid the pistol

Mr Seheri and others went to Mrs Mandela's house, where they were allegedly given an AK47 by Mr Buthelezi.

They then went to Mr Mokhaula's home, where Mr Seheri began shooting, killing two people.

Azapo, Azacco men are detained

By Michael Tissong

The president of the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo), Mr Nkosi Molala, and the assistant co-ordinator of the newly formed Azanian Co-ordinating Committee (Azacco), Mr Thabo Sehume, were detained in Pretoria yesterday.

Azacco publicity secretary Mr Jackie Hlapolosa said the men were taken from their homes in Atteridgeville in the early hours.

The committee deplored the detentions and the crackdown on Azacco, which came within three days of the organisation being launched.

Police were asked to comment yesterday, but at the time of going to press there was no reply.

Mr Molala has been detained several times since taking over the presidency of Azapo in 1986. His left eye was injured by a teargas canister when he attended the funeral of people killed during rent raids in White City Jabavu, Soweto, in October 1986.

Mr Sehume was detained when the region organised a commemoration for people killed in an anti-rent increase demonstration in Mamelodi on August 26 1986.

Rivals' rumours led to hearse attacks — claim

JOHANNESBURG — The Azanian Cordinating Committee has called for a firm solution to avert further bloodshed after weekend killings in Soweto over "rumours" that children were being abducted for witchcraft rituals.

A spokesman for the Committee called on the community not to mete out "instant justice" without having the "facts to justify their actions".

He said offers made by "so-called Comrades" to escort hearses belonging to funeral director, Mr Daniel Kopane, were not a solution, as this could lead to "bribery, and protection fee demands."

A solution had to be found, he said, which applied "to all the affected parties."

Mr Kopane said that business rivalry among undertakers operating in Soweto was behind the false rumour of child abduction.

Three of his employees, including his brother, had been stabbed, stoned and set alight during the incident.

Mr Kopane said the attacks were intended to discredit him because he was giving some of his rivals a "rough" time.

He said that no missing child had been found to have been abducted by his people or any of the undertakers of Soweto.

The Soweto police public relations officer, Major Fanyana Zwane, confirmed that police had not received any report of a child abducted in a hearse or an ambulance.

Two other people killed in Mofolo were the owner of a funeral undertaking business in Orland West, Mr Aubrey Magez, and a driver, Mr Alson Twala. — Sapa

Cape Times 10/3/88

Soweto pupils threaten to kill officials

JOHANNESBURG. — Pupils at two Soweto schools threatened to kill education officials when they visited the schools, a high-ranking education official said yesterday.

At one school a car belonging to one of the inspectors was set alight.

Dr A B Fourie, director-general of the Department of Education and Training, said a group of five assistant directors and inspectors had visited Prudence and Naledi secondary schools on Tuesday.

"Radical" students at Prudence had threatened to stab teachers with knives, Dr Fourie said.

"While the inspectors were meeting teachers, a group of pupils slashed a front tyre of their car."

Dr Fourie said another group of "radical" pupils confronted the inspectors in the principal's office at Naledi Secondary School and threatened to kill them if they did not leave.

"In the meantime, approximately 1 000 pupils stoned and set fire to the inspectors' car" which had books inside worth R400, he said.

● An intensive manhunt is still under way on the Reef to track down a number of insurgents who injured nine municipal policemen in a grenade and AK47 attack in Mapetla, Soweto on Tuesday night. — Sapa and Own Correspondent

ATTACKS ON DET STAFF

Sowetan 10/3/88

A GROUP of assistant directors and inspectors of the Department of Education and Training were attacked but escaped unharmed in two separate incidents at Soweto schools this week.

The incidents took place on Tuesday when the officials had unpaid visits to Prudence Secondary School in Tladi and Naledi Secondary School to address educational matters.

In a statement, Dr A B Fourie, the DET director general, said at Prudence it was found that radical pupils had refused to attend classes. They had also threatened to stab teachers with knives.

Group

"While the inspectors were in a meeting with teachers, a group of pupils slashed a front tyre of their car. On their departure, the pupils had positioned themselves to stone the car and officials. However, the officials took a different route to another school," he said.

Pupils slash car tyre

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At Naledi about 1 000 pupils threatened to kill the officials.

They also stoned and set fire to their vehicle valued at R20 000. Inside it were books worth R400 which were bought by an inspector to further his studies.

"The pupils then locked the gates, cut the telephone lines, and converged on the officials. They incited one another to stab and necklace the officials. They, however, escaped uninjured through the timely intervention of six policemen on foot patrol," he said.

DR BRAAM Fourie

Stoned to death

Cape Times 16/3/88

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POLICE used tearsmoke to disperse a mob who had stoned a black man to death at Mohlakeng, near Randfontein, according to the latest police unrest report. No other incidents were reported.

Flashback. Youth members at a meeting to protest against the hangings

Double date with sorrow

By MONO BADELA

ON March 21 1960, State officials killed 69 people who took to the dusty streets of Sharpeville to protest against pass laws

On March 18, almost 28 years later to the day, State officials will put to death another six people who took to the streets of Sharpeville to protest against State policy

There may be marked differences in the circumstances surrounding the killings, but the end results are the same — death to those who oppose apartheid

The Sharpeville 69 were killed after a pass-burning demonstration outside the local police station

The six would be hanged in prison, despite uncertainty about their involvement in the killing of a Vaal township councillor for which they will now pay the supreme penalty

Show scars

And since 1985, the date March 21 has assumed a double significance to thousands of blacks in this country It is a double date with sorrow

For March 21 is the anniversary of the Sharpeville massacre in 1960 — an event that splashed the name of the Vaal township on newspaper front pages.

And exactly 25 years later, March 21 is another anniversary On that day another name, that of the dusty Langa township outside Uitenhage, hit the world headlines On that autumn morning, police shot dead 21 mourners marching to the funeral of unrest victims across the town in KwaNobuhle.

The official death toll was 21 In Langa they say the real figure was 43 dead, with scores injured

Today the communities of Sharpeville and Langa still show their scars

Sharpeville was a sombre, gloomy community when I visited the town this week

Although the Government has "abolished" the passes, I found very little has changed.

The police station where gun-toting policemen challenged the protestors is still there The only difference is that the police force has been reinforced by the SADF, kitskonstabels and municipal greenflies

Residents still face the same hardships and high rents The suffering is still there Not only have the people of Sharpeville been deprived of their only voice — the Vaal Civic Association is one of the 18 anti-apartheid organisations banned by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok — they are also prevented from holding public meetings

Deprived of their voices, the banned African National Congress and the Pan Africanist Congress, the people of Sharpeville and of sister Vaal townships did not give up the struggle. On September 3 1984 they again took to the streets to protest against high rents.

Many more were shot and many more lost their lives.

This week I talked to 55-year old Adam Malefane — crippled, full of scars and yet full of spirit.

Malefane remembers March 21 1960 as the day nine sten-gun bullets were pumped into his right leg. He was in hospital for more than three years. He still has three bullets in his right knee.

Despite this Malefane does not regret joining that historic pass law protest.

"The dompas (reference book) was like a rough chain round my neck," he says.

On the run

For this reason he joined others at Sharpeville police station as part of the demonstration inspired by the Pan Africanist Congress.

Today Sharpeville is united as ever Residents are still resisting high rent hikes, and have not paid rent since September 4 1984 Hundreds of young people are on the run or in detention

Several Sharpeville community leaders are among those facing high treason charges in what today is known as the Delmas Treason Trial, now being held in Pretoria.

Like the six facing death tomorrow, they are all among the many casualties of September 3 1984 when the rent boycott erupted and security forces moved into the township — bringing back vivid memories of March 21,1960

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This week, as I drove Regina Sefat- A veteran of the 1960 protest march

Sharpeville to be mourned — despite the clampdown

Weekly Mail Reporters

MONDAY is Sharpeville day, and all over the country commemoration services, rallies and other actions are being planned to mark one of South Africa's bloodiest anniversaries.

Preparations are going ahead despite the strong likelihood that the state will take steps to prevent protest meetings from taking place.

The shootings in Sharpeville on March 21 1960, and those in Langa township on the same day in 1985, will be mourned by a variety of organisations ranging from "Charterist" to black consciousness groups.

Details of some of the actions cannot be reported in terms of Emergency regulations that restrict reporting on boycotts.

Fourteen organisations affiliated to the now-restricted United Democratic Front have directed an appeal to "all the people of South Africa to commemorate the Sharpeville and Uitenhage massacres and to protest against extreme repression".

The statement, from women's organisations, the Transvaal Indian Congress, civic associations and youth groups, forms part of a broader call for protest against planned executions.

The Azanian Co-ordinating Committee (Azacco), a crisis committee formed after the effective banning of the Azanian People's Organisation and other groups, has announced a series of commemorative meetings to take place over the weekend and on Monday.

According to Azacco's co-ordinator Lusiba Ntloko, the meetings will go ahead despite the detention of three key Azacco figures this week, and probable restrictions.

Meetings will be addressed by leaders of various political organisations, community groups and trade unions, and are scheduled to take place at a minimum of 23 venues.

Azacco's call was endorsed by 18 groups, including the National Council of Trade Unions and the National Forum.

The Azanian National Youth Unity (Azanyu), which was not affected by the recent spate of restrictions on activist organisations, has urged people to participate in a "period of resistance" from March 18 to 21.

Azanyu has called for the wearing of black clothing, and has asked ministers of religion to ring church bells between 6 and 6.30am on Friday. From Saturday to Monday, "peaceful resistance" will take place, including the cleaning of graves and laying of wreaths in Sharpeville.

Residents of Uitenhage are also planning a major commemoration of the tragedy which befell their community three years ago. The Uitenhage Residents Civic Organisation has announced that Monday will be a day of mourning, including a rally at KwaNobuhle's Jabavu Stadium.

Business and shebeen owners have been called upon to close their premises from 10am to 5pm as a "token of solidarity with the bereaved community". In addition, people have been asked to refrain from playing sport, and to fast from 6am to 6pm.

2 die, 7 injured in incidents of unrest

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PRETORIA — Two people died and seven were injured in incidents of unrest nationwide, the South African Police reported yesterday.

Most of the incidents apparently stemmed from people marking the 28th anniversary of the Sharpeville uprising in which 69 people died.

Both deaths were in the Pietermaritzburg region.

At Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale, a 16-year-old youth was attacked and stabbed to death.

A 46-year-old man was stabbed to death by a mob in Imbali near Pietermaritzburg.

At Ashdown, in the Pietermaritzburg area, a black man was slightly injured when a bus was stoned.

At Sakhile near Standerton, a black man was shot and wounded by police and arrested, along with 15 others after several incidents in which stones and petrol-bombs were hurled at vehicles and dwellings.

At Tembisa near Kempton Park, a black man was slightly injured after a stone-throwing incident involving youths.

At Fredville in Inchanga, Natal, a black man was seriously injured and a private vehicle badly damaged when a group of blacks hurled a petrol-bomb at the vehicle.

A black man was slightly wounded and arrested after an incident in which a police vehicle was stoned at Inanda near Durban

Two black women who were passengers on a bus, sustained burns when a petrol-bomb was hurled at the vehicle at Clermont near Pinetown, in Natal.

Most of the incidents invloved the stoning or petrol-bombing of buses and houses, and police had to fire teargas, birdshot and rubber bullets on a number of occasions. — Sapa

Quiet, private protests mark Sharpeville Day number 28

SHARPEVILLE DAY on Monday was characterised in most townships by private protests rather than church services — and by a stayaway estimated at 80 percent in some of the country's industrial areas.

In KwaNobuhle cemetery, a solitary wreath of flowers lay on the vandalised memorial stone erected to more than 20 Langa residents shot by police during a funeral procession on March 21 three years ago.

In townships around Pretoria, residents visited cemeteries to clean the graves of those who died in unrest-related incidents.

A bus carrying members of the Federation of Transvaal Women, who were en-route to Sharpeville to clean the graves of the Sharpeville victims, was briefly stopped and surrounded in Diepkloof by security police.

Among the occupants were activist Winnie Mandela, and Fedtraw president Sister Bernard Ncube.

Weekly Mail Reporters

At Sharpeville, a contingent of women, including the wife of Archbishop Desmund Tutu, Leah Tutu, converged on the cemetery early in the morning to clean the graves of the Sharpeville dead, and services were held in the Catholic and Methodist churches.

An overwhelming majority of workers stayed away on Monday in the Eastern Cape, Pretoria and Johannesburg, despite a lack of organisational co-ordination; Emergency regulations prohibit calls for stayaways and boycotts.

In the Eastern Cape, a University of Port Elizabeth survey found 82 percent of Africans and 81 percent of coloured workers stayed away in Uitenhage; in Port Elizabeth, 82 percent of Africans and 22 percent of the coloured workforce stayed away. In Pretoria, the black stayaway was estimated at 80 percent, as it was in Johannesburg.

At 5am in Soweto, two tyres were burning in the middle of main roads in Tladi. But an hour later the streets of the township were deserted.

Mzimkulu Malunga reports: At 6am, a few uncertain people could be spotted at station platforms as they waited for an empty train which came and swallowed them all.

For the rest of the day, the township streets were turned into children's playgrounds.

Sharpeville Day, unlike other holidays, was characterised by quietness and calmness. The *gumba-gumba* noise which dominates the township at weekends was nowhere to be heard.

At about 9am people emerged from their houses and gathered at the gates in small groups as though something unusual had happened — or was about to happen.

Children started running in different directions in search of an open shop where they could purchase a loaf of bread. Some shops opened for a few hours in the morning but most stayed closed. Schools were deserted. As there were few cars operating in the streets, police stopped most vehicles they came across, ordering drivers out, opening doors and boots.

The silence that blanketed most of Soweto was broken at Merafe barracks where municipal policemen continued their training and singing as usual.

The only buses operating in the deep Soweto area were those bearing Red Cross markings and transporting nurses. They were not escorted by police and encountered no problems. Towards midday a few taxis began operating locally.

Those who returned from work in the afternoon were welcomed by an unusual sight at the stations: the police escorts who normally make their presence felt during stayaways were nowhere to be seen.

Edyth Bulbring reports from the Eastern Cape that Maduna Road, the site where Langa residents were shot by security forces on March 21 three years ago, was deserted on Monday. But the road which runs through Langa township has not been busy for nearly two years — since June 1986, when 40 000 residents were forcibly removed from Langa to Kwanobuhle on the outskirts of Uitenhage.

The majority of shops, shebeens and schools were closed in Uitenhage and Port Elizabeth townships.

Limpet mine explodes in back garden of hotel

Cape Times 28/3/88 Sky 276 278

EMERGENCY UPDATED

PRETORIA. — A mini-limpet mine exploded in the back garden of the Pietersburg Holiday Inn police reported in an overnight unrest report.

No injuries were reported and the damage was slight. Police are investigating.

A man was stabbed to death in Georgedale, near Hammarsdale in the Natal Midlands. Police said the man was attacked by a mob who first fired a number of shots at the him, but missed.

A 16-year-old youth was injured when a group of people attacked a house in Mpumalanga, near Hammarsdale, and fired a number of shots at the house with a shotgun.

Police said an 18-year-old man was wounded and arrested in Inanda, Durban, when police fired a round of birdshot at a crowd who had gathered illegally and refused to disperse.

At Kagiso near Krugersdorp, a man was admitted to hospital after a mob attacked him with knives. They also stoned a house, police said. — Sapa.

Protest: 124 workers held

Staff Reporter

POLICE on Tuesday arrested 124 workers who were demonstrating against the Labour Relations Amendment Bill in Industria, Johannesburg.

Eyewitnesses said about 500 factory workers took to the streets during their lunchtime — singing, dancing and waving placards.

Shop stewards of the Paper, Printing, Wood and Allied Workers' Union; Food and Allied Workers' Union, and the National Metalworkers' Union of SA co-ordinated the demonstration, a union official said.

Those arrested appeared in Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday morning, and were granted R200 bail each.

3 February 1988	Mr G Ramaya	(a) Falls away.
3 February 1988	Mr R G Naidoo	(b) Falls away.
		(c) Falls away.

As from 1 March 1987 to 29 February 1988.

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HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

†Indicates translated version.

For written reply:

General Affairs.

Charges against Michael Roussos: decision by Attorney-General

305. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Justice:

Whether, with reference to the reply of the Minister of Law and Order to Question No 510 on 7 October 1987, the Attorney-General has reached a decision regarding possible charges against Michael Roussos; if not, when is it anticipated that he will reach a decision; if so, (a) when and (b) what was that decision?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

The docket referred to in the reply to Written Question No 510 of 7 October 1987 is a docket containing the results of a broader investigation without specific reference to Michael Roussos. It has already been decided to prosecute a number of people on the strength of the contents of this docket. Roussos is not one of these persons.

Cases of tuberculosis reported

415. Dr M S BARNARD asked the Minister of National Health and Population Development:

(1) How many cases of tuberculosis were reported in each province in 1987;

(2) how many cases of tuberculosis were hospitalized in each province in that year;

(3) how many tuberculosis patients died in each province in that year?

The MINISTER OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND POPULATION DEVELOPMENT.

(1) *Notified cases of tuberculosis in each province in the RSA*, 1987 †(As at 23 February 1988)

It should be noted that "cases" of tuberculosis refers to notified instances of contact, not patients or people. Repeat notification of individuals per annum is thus possible.

Province	Number of cases
Cape	20 374
Natal (including KwaZulu)	6 537
O F.S. (including QwaQwa)	3 415
Transvaal (including Gazankulu, Ka-Ngwane, Kwa-Ndebele, Lebowa)	11 705

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Cape	11 064
Transvaal	18 886
Natal	9 564
O.F.S.	1 348

(3) *Notified deaths from tuberculosis in each province in the RSA*, 1987. (As at 23 February 1988)

Province	Number of deaths
Cape	1 298
Natal (including KwaZulu)	62
O.F.S. (including Qwa Qwa)	74
Transvaal (including Gazankulu Ka-Ngwane, Kwa-Ndebele, Lebowa)	371

Persons killed in Alexandra Township: inquest

545. Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Justice:

Whether, with reference to the reply of the Minister of Law and Order to Question No 9 on 3 June 1986, the inquest into the death of persons killed in or in the vicinity of Alexandra Township during the period 15 to 19 February 1986 has been completed; if not, why not, if so, (a) when, (b) what was the cause of death in each case and (c) what were the findings?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE·

Yes. The inquests in respect of 17 persons have been finalized The records of proceedings are public documents and at the disposal of the hon member. In no case a finding was made that the death was brought about by an act or omission involving or amounting to an offence on the part of any person The places and dates on which the inquests were finalized and the numbers allocated to the inquest records respectively, are as follows:

Place	Date finalized	Number of record
Magistrate, Randburg	28.11.86	196/86
—do—	17.12 86	223/86
—do—	22.1 87	221/86
—do—	6.2 87	14/87
—do—	6.2 87	15/87
—do—	4.3 87	27/87
—do—	13.3 87	28/87
—do—	13 3 87	29/87
—do—	13.3.87	30/87
—do—	10.4 87	49/87
—do—	14.7.87	69/87
Magistrate, Johannesburg	3.8.87	760/86
Magistrate, Randburg	19.8.87	190/87
Magistrate, Johannesburg	7.3.88	349/86
Magistrate, Randburg	29 3.88	20/88
—do—	29 3.88	21/88
—do—	29 3 88	22/88

The inquest in respect of 1 person has not yet been finalized, since further enquiries were made to the South African Police

Overseas visits

579. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

(1) Whether he or the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs undertook any overseas visits in 1987, if so, (a) which countries were visited and (b) what was the purpose of each visit,

(2) whether he or this Deputy Minister was accompanied by any representatives of the media on these visits; if so, (a) what were the names of the journalists involved, (b) which newspapers or radio or television networks did they represent, (c) to which countries did each of these persons accompany him or this Deputy Minister and (d) why,

(3) whether any costs were incurred by his Department as a result; if so, what total amount in that year?

The MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

(1) Yes

(a) I and the Deputy Minister visited various countries in Europe, Africa and the Far East

(b) The media carried reports on the purpose of visits to some of the countries In the case of the others it would not be in South Africa's interest to disclose any particulars

(2) Neither I nor the Deputy Minister invited the media to accompany us on our visits. Media representatives who covered parts of the visits did so at their own cost.

(a), (b), (c) and (d) fall away

(3) No.

Municipal police in Black townships: identification

618 Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether members of municipal police forces in Black townships are required to (a) wear some visible form of identification and (b) produce their identification on demand by any member of the public, if so, what form of identification are they required to (i) wear and (ii) produce on demand, if not, why not,

(2) whether any action is to be taken regarding the wearing and production of identification by these policemen; if not, why not; if so, what action;

(3) whether these policemen are allowed to perform their duties in plain clothes; if so, under what circumstances,

(4) whether any complaints have been received regarding the actions of these municipal policemen; if so, (a) how many, (b) what was the nature of the complaints and (c) what action was taken as a result?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

The execution provisions of section 34 of the Black Local Authority Act, 1982 (Act No 102 of 1982) in terms of which the municipal police function was assigned to the various provincial governments on 1 October 1986 and according to information received from them, the following replies are furnished

(1) (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(i) Besides the prescribed uniform, badges are worn by the officers while on duty as prescribed by legislation

(ii) An appintment certificate issued when appointed; and

a document that declares the official as a peace officer.

(2) As answered in question 1(b)(i) and (ii) wearing and produce of identification

(3) Yes, only in the Cape Province when the commanding officer deems it necessary while the officials execute their duties as peace officers even when they are not on duty.

(4) (a) No complaints were received concerning the conduct of the municipal police in the Orange Free State and Natal In Transvaal and the Cape Province 349 complaints were received.

(b) Theft: reckless and negligent driving; unlawful arrest and assault; pointing of firearm; vehicle driven without licence or consent; under the influence of liquor while on duty; pointing of firearm and threatened with death, murder; attempted murder and assault, culpable homicide, serious assault, assault; unlawful arrest; theft of weapon; damage to property and attempted rape

(c) Each complaint received is investigated by the local authority or the South African Police. Complaints with substance are taken further by the local authority or the South African Police Upon conviction those concerned are sentenced Thereafter departmental disciplinary steps are taken in accordance with staff regulations.

Sectional title properties: purchase by non-Whites in White group areas

810. Mr C J DERBY-LEWIS asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

Whether non-White persons may purchase sectional title properties located in White group areas, if not, why not; if so, (a) since what date and (b) in terms of what statutory provisions?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING.

Yes, with the necessary authorization

(a) Since the inception of the Sectional Titles Act, 1971 (Act 66 of 1971).

(b) By authority of a permit issued in terms of section 21 of the Group Areas Act.

Hospitals: cuts in staff establishment

821. Dr M S BARNARD asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether any cuts in staff establishment have been determined at the (a) Bethlehem, (b) Boitumelo, (c) Odendaalsrus, (d) Parys, (e) Pelonomi, (f) Phekolong, (g) Sasolburg, (h) Universitas, (i) Virginia, (j) Voortrekker, (k) Welkom and (l) Harrismith Hospital in any staff category since 31 December 1987; if so, what cuts in each specified category at each of these hospitals,

(2) on what date or dates were the superintendents of the above 12 hospitals advised of the cuts in staff establishment;

(3) whether the withdrawn posts will be terminated with immediate effect as they become vacant, if not, what procedure will be followed?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

(1) Cuts have only been effected at the Pelonomi Hospital, in the following staff categories:

Chief Professional Nurse	15
Professional Nurse	23
Nursing Assistant	13
Student Nurse	34
Student Radiographer	5
Senior Provincial Administration Clerk	3
Provincial Administration Clerk	7
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(2) The medical Superintendent was not advised officially as the posts concerned had first to be abolished by the Commission for Administration.

(3) The posts which have been cut are all vacant and frozen posts which can be abolished immediately

Printing contracts awarded to two companies

840. Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Justice.

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Sabta: urgent talks

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JOHANNESBURG — The South African Black Taxi Association (Sabta) is blaming the government for the recent spate of deaths caused by bitter feuding between rival taxi groups.

In the face of spiralling violence, Sabta has organised 10 meetings throughout the country for today, to call on members to act with restraint and observe law and order.

The taxi-war has claimed six lives in six days, the latest victims being a Killarney shopkeeper, Mrs Ethne Sash, shot dead in Rosebank on Tuesday, and an unidentified man stabbed to death in the vicinity.

Sabta's marketing division managing director, Mr James Chapman, said yesterday if no action was taken with regard to the government's "undisciplined" approach in deregulating the transport industry, the future looked bleak.

A Witwatersrand police spokesman, Lieutenant Pierre Louw, said stronger disciplinary steps would be taken to halt the violence. — DDC

Arson in Duduza — SAP

JOHANNESBURG. — A report of arson and one of intimidation were the only unrest-related incidents reported by police overnight.

A vehicle belonging to a security firm was set alight by a group in Duduza near Springs.

At Tembisa, near Kempton Park, a man was arrested after allegedly initimidating others into damaging water and electricity meters, police said. — Sapa

NECKLACING - BAIL IS R1 000

SOWETAN Reporter

A middle-aged woman and three youths alleged to be connected with the death by necklacing of 67-year-old Mrs Christina Mthimkulu of Zola were each allowed R1 000 bail by a Soweto magistrate.

Mrs Anna Nkosi (54), Mr Lucky Nkosi (27), Mr Alfred Maseko (27) and Mr Mandla Madonsela (31), all of Zola II, appeared before Mr M E Muller charged with murder.

Their appearance is a sequel to the killing of aged Mrs Mthimkulu who died after she was accused of being a "witch" and summoned to a meeting at a house in Zola.

Gathering

At a gathering of more than 15 people including her husband, she was told that somebody had dreamt that she was "bewitching" people.

She was found guilty and "sentenced" to death and was to be tied onto a railway line so that a train should run her over.

Instead, it is alleged, a group dragged her to the backyard of her house, tied her hands, and a petrol-soaked tyre put round her neck and she was set alight.

The four did not plead and their case was postponed to April 28.

Alleged witch sentenced to death - claim

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Gunman shoots 5 in Soweto ambush

Star 22/4/88 By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter (278)

Four municipal policemen and a civilian were shot and wounded — apparently by a hidden gunman with an AK-47 rifle — when their vehicle was ambushed in Emdeni, Soweto, early today, police said.

A house in the area was also damaged, a police spokesman said.

A massive search has been launched for the gunman and police are investigating whether he was linked to the African National Congress, the spokesman said.

The wounded men were apparently taken to Baragwanath Hospital in Soweto.

The shootings happened at about 1 am when an unknown man opened fire on the vehicle in which the policemen were travelling.

The gunman was positioned in premises nearby, said the spokesman.

The civilian was shot in the neck, while the policemen all sufferred leg or thigh wounds, said the spokesman.

Municipal policemen and members of the SAP have often been the targets of insurgent attacks in Soweto.

Police shot in Soweto ambush

JOHANNESBURG. — Four municipal policemen and a civilian were shot and wounded when their vehicle was ambushed in Emdeni, Soweto, yesterday.

The police had been arresting residents for non-payment of rent.

The shootings happened about 1am, according to police, when a hidden gunman opened fire — apparently with an AK-47 — on the vehicle in which the police were travelling.

Senior Sergeant Gregory Beck, 31, who had been driving the vehicle, was shot five times. He said he had been returning to headquarters in Dube, Soweto, when he and his men were ambushed.

"I felt the shots hit me, and my leg went dead. It was broken. I knew I had to get away, so I used my left leg to work the accelerator and kept on going.

Search launched

"A few streets away we came to open veld and I stopped the vehicle and we crawled into the grass and lay down."

He said they had been arresting people for rent arrears.

A police spokeman said a search had been launched for the gunman.

The civilian was shot in the neck and the four policemen in various parts of the body.

A house in the area was also damaged, the spokeman said.

● At Ravensmead, Cape Town, a group of people stoned and damaged a delivery vehicle yesterday, according to the latest police unrest report.

The report also said a group stoned a bus at Bonteheuwel. — Sapa

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Police stoned, fire shots

PRETORIA. — Policemen on duty in Mdeni, Soweto, fired two shots at a group of people who stoned them, police said in their unrest report. A policeman and a woman were injured and two men were arrested.

An 18-year-old youth was shot dead in Mdeni, Natal, by an unidentified person. — Sapa

Too late for classification

DEATHS

ALLEN. — Nora, dearly loved mum and gran passed away peacefully on Saturday, 23rd April. Very deeply mourned. We will miss you. All our love Richard, Elaine, Michael, Melissa and Leigh.

KON. — Sophie, aged 77 years. Our dear mother and granny passed away peacefully on Sunday, 24th April. Sadly missed and deeply mourned by Hillel, Jill, Jeanette, Maurice, Tauby and Brian. Watch paper for funeral arrangements.

KON. — Sophie, our dear sister, passed away peacefully on Sunday, 24th April. Will

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Strike killing on vide

JOHANNESBURG. — A police video showing the still burning corpse of one of four railway employees allegedly murdered by co-workers during the SATS strike last year was screened in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

It was taken at Prolecon on the night of April 28,last year and early the next morning.

All 18 SA Railways and Harbours Union members charged with the murders of Mr Vhulani Joseph Mulaudzi, Mr Kati John Sebopelo, Mr Mulalelo Petrus Moremane and Mr Jerry Rudolph Goodman yesterday pleaded not guilty.

They also all pleaded not guilty to five counts of kidnapping, one of attempted murder, two of robbery with aggravating circumstances and four of assault.

Man set

Necklace case

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A SOWETO woman and three men alleged to be connected with the death by necklacing of 67-year-old Mrs Christina Mthimkhulu of Zola, yesterday appeared before a Soweto magistrate charged with murder.

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Mrs Anna Nkosi (54), Mr Lucky Nkosi (27), Mr Alfred Maseko (27) and Mr Mandla Madonsela (31), all of Zola II, were not asked to plead and Mr M E Müller postponed the case to May 16.

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Police to probe claim of SADF killings

PRETORIA. — Following a report in a Johannesburg daily newspaper, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, has ordered an investigation into allegations made at a Free the Children Alliance commission held at the University of the Witwatersrand last Saturday.

A statement issued by the police said the newspaper mentioned that Mrs Margaret O'Neil told the meeting a 12-year-old boy was shot dead at a Soweto school by security forces. She had also mentioned an incident in which a teenage girl was necklaced, while her brother was shot dead by security forces.

FULL SPEECH

Police said Mrs O'Neil had furnished them with a statement and handed them a copy of her full speech.

She had said the schoolboy was shot dead because "he made the mistake of running to pick up a schoolbook which he had left in the middle of the playground", said the statement.

It was alleged the teenage girl was an informer, and that her brother was killed four days after her, in front of their mother.

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Student run over by van

A FIRST-YEAR student at the Molapo College of Education was killed by a bakery van and another seriously injured on Tuesday, writes ALI MPHAKI.

The accident took place when the entire student body left the campus after resolving to continue with their lecture boycott.

The dead student, Mr Telane Ramokgopa was a first-year student in the civil engineering department.

The badly-injured student, Miss Mildred Molefe, was rushed to Baragwanath Hospital where her condition was described as stable. She is also in the civil engineering department.

The incident occurred a few metres outside the campus after security forces who addressed the students, asked them whether they wanted to continue with their class boycott or go back to class.

The students resolved to leave the college premises and after a few minutes there was screaming and shouting when the delivery van knocked the two van knocked down the two students.

Meanwhile there is no end in sight for the three-day-old boycott of lectures at the college.

A spokesman for the students said it has become increasingly clear that the rector, Mr H Louw, would not meet their demands for competent lecturers.

Mr Louw yesterday said the situation at the college was calm with both students and lecturers finalising funeral arrangements for Mr Ramokgopa.

Blast in SAP barracks

JOHANNESBURG. An explosion rocked the SAP single quarters in Kagiso township near Krugersdorp early yesterday causing extensive damage but no injuries.

In another, apparently insurgent-related, incident a handgrenade was flung into a private home in Mamelodi near Pretoria. No one was injured but the house was damaged, police said.

A Pretoria police spokesman said the Kagiso blast happened 45 minutes after midnight.

The device used has not yet been identified but an intensive investigation is under way to find the bombers.

Forensic experts visited the scene yesterday morning, the police spokesman said.

The explosion was one of several unrest incidents reported by police in the past 24 hours.

Also in Kagiso, a private house was damaged by arsonists.

On the East Rand, a delivery vehicle was heavily damaged when it was set alight in Kwa-Thema.

At Mitchells Plain a private vehicle was damaged by stone-throwing youths, two of whom were arrested.

At Zwide in the Eastern Cape, a school classroom was damaged by arsonists. — Sapa

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Police fire shots to disperse 'mob'

PRETORIA. — A man was shot, wounded and arrested in a Johannesburg suburb on Thursday after police fired shots to disperse a mob that set a car alight.

Police said in their unrest bulletin issued yesterday that the incident took place in Jeppe, a multiracial blue-collar suburb near the city centre.

A group of black people "gathered illegally" and set alight a private car. Another car was also damaged by stone-throwers and a nearby restaurant damaged after being stoned by the same group.

"Police fired a number of shots in order to disperse the mob. One black male was wounded and arrested," the unrest report said. — Sapa

Guard under siege over search

By MATHATHA TSEDU

A BLACK security guard was allegedly manhandled and had teargas thrown at him after he attempted to search a white woman's handbag at a well known store in Tzaneen last week.

Mr Calvin Baloyi of Holofane village near Giyane was arrested and spent several days in custody following the incident, a police spokesman, Colonel J van Eeeden, confirmed.

Sources at the Sales House store, where the incident took place, said trouble started when Mr Baloyi, who was on guard duty, attempted to search the bag of a white woman who was leaving the store. The woman is the wife of a warrant officer attached to the South African Police (CID) in Tzaneen.

The sources said the white woman refused to be searched and angrily went out of the shop. Minutes later, her husband and another police officer arrived at the store and allegedly started assaulting Mr Baloyi.

The two policemen, according to sources, then drew their guns and Mr Baloyi retreated into the store where he locked himself in. Customers were ordered to leave the store and one police officer threw a teargas canister into the storeroom.

Mr Baloyi was allegedly assaulted before being arrested as he staggered out blinded by the fumes.

Colonel van Eeeden confirmed the incident but said he did not have the exact report. He said a senior police officer was investigating the matter.

Township youth not brutalised — prof

By Sally Sealey

There is little evidence to suggest that South Africa's township youth have developed into a generation of irreparably damaged and brutalised people, says Professor Gill Straker, head of Wits University's division of applied psychology.

Professor Straker was lecturing on "Township youth: victims or villains" at the university's Autumn School.

In an interview, she said that four images of township youth had emerged in the liberal press in South Africa, namely the youth as victim or villain, or as liberator or traitor.

They had also been variously referred to as "emotionally damaged", "children of resentment", the "Khmer Rouge generation" and "psychopathic teenagers".

These labels, said Professor Straker, were "very problematic" and did not take into account any diversity. "They use a single concept to encapsulate characteristics of a whole generation."

DAMAGING

She said she had explored the validity of these labels with reference to the general body of psychological knowledge and with reference to numerous interviews with community leaders currently working with black youths, and had found them very damaging.

She said the South African situation encouraged repression and encouraged re-labelling of legitimate opposition as pathological.

"Violence cannot just be the sole terrain of one population group — one has only to look at the number of suicides and family murders in the white community."

Professor Straker said there was a whole body of evidence to counter the villain/victim scenario.

Research undertaken by Wits student Miss Serenne Lab had clearly indicated that adolescents living in Soweto resented the soldiers and police, as symbols of oppression, and not whites as a group.

Most of the youths quoted in her study voiced similar opinions, such as:

"I don't hate whites, but I hate their acts."

"Everyone in South Africa is prejudiced, even I myself am."

Professor Straker said community workers in the field found that adolescents in the townships were just like any other adolescents: vulnerable, and in search of a guiding ideal — looking for something to strive for and showing a definite level of concern for society and other individuals.

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"In my personal experience with youth from the Leandra/Wilgespruit crisis, I found the adolescents were extremely traumatised but were not incapable of concern. There was a remarkable level of co-operation and a capacity to help other members of the group to cope with trauma."

She said a strong family life was important and could offset enormous hardships. "Our present system does not support family life in black communities. I find this strange given that Christian National Education in white schools places strong emphasis on the family.

"A strong family life can insulate the individual against societal violence," she said.

Apartheid was an "abusive policy" but its psychological effects could not be seen to be exactly parallel to those of child abuse in the family on a day-to-day basis.

This, said Professor Straker, would be too simplistic. Although there was a greater tendency for abusers to have been abused as children, it had been proved that abused children did not necessarily become abusers themselves.

The same applied to children brought up under the violence of apartheid — it did not mean they themselves would be inherently violent, although they could become violent given the right circumstances.

Professor Straker said anybody, given the right environment, was capable of violence.

"If one looks at World War 2, many of the British soldiers were from happy, comfortable backgrounds exposed to relatively little violence, yet in particular circumstances they were capable of killing. But they were not labelled a 'brutalised generation'."

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Joburg class stayaway

JOHANNESBURG. — No pupils at six out of 60 secondary schools in the Johannesburg area attended classes yesterday, a spokesman for the Department of Education and Training, Mr Edgar Posselt, said. Senior staff of his department were investigating the causes of the stayaway, he said in Pretoria.

Mamelodi blast victim is buried

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By Mckeed Kotlolo, Pretoria Bureau

Hundreds of mourners yesterday paid their last respects to the 14-month-old Mamelodi girl killed in a bomb attack on the home of her policeman father this week.

Patience Hycentia Kulele of 855 Mamelodi Gardens, the only child of Constable Lucky Kulele, was killed when a hand-grenade exploded inside her parents' bedroom where she was sleeping with her mother, Rosemary (25), early on Tuesday morning.

After the funeral service, Mr Kulele (28) said he would be happy if the people who caused the death of her daughter could be traced and arrested.

He said: "I leave everything in the hands of God. I still do not know why they attacked me because I believe that I do not have any enemies. I do not even have any grudge against anybody."

He was not home on the night of the attack. It was his first day at work after a week's sick leave.

His wife was cut by flying glass and shrapnel. She was treated at the Kalafong Hospital and later discharged.

Mrs Kulele's cousin told The Star that the day after the blast a neighbour said she saw two people walking away from the scene. One of them said: "We finally got him."

Children sleep out in cold after shacks are smashed

Several shanties in Mzimhlope, Soweto, have been demolished — leaving 12 people, including children, one only two months old, sleeping in the open veld in freezing winter weather.

The Diepmeadow town clerk could not be contacted late yesterday for comment. Two squatters who contacted The Saturday Star said the people had been sleeping in the open after the council security police broke down their shacks.

The squatters wish only their first names to be used for fear of repercussions.

According to "Peter", a father of three children ranging from eight to 15 years of age, squatters built the shacks over four years ago when they were forced to leave the Meadowlands Hostel because of infighting.

"We paid R35 rent for living in appalling conditions at the hostel, never knowing when we would be knifed from behind.

"There was a lot of friction between those who lived in the single quarters and those who lived in the transit family area — which was only meant to be a temporary measure for people who were moved from other areas.

"The transit area still remains to this day.

"In the shanties we built we had no water or toilet facilities, but at least we were safe. Now we have nowhere."

A second squatter, "Moses", a father of two, says that in March 1987 they were visited by the police. Their names and details were taken.

They were promised houses in the near future.

"But the police arrived on May 3 and half demolished some of the 10 shacks", says "Moses".

"We asked even to pay rent to stay, but the council refused to let us do so."

Says "Peter": "They broke the things inside our house and told us to demolish everything and move away."

According to "Moses" the council police visited the camp again on Wednesday this week and demolished more shacks. Only two were left standing.

"My watch and R346 in cash was stolen while my shack was being knocked down," he says.

According to figures released recently by the Soweto Town Council, there are over 156 000 squatters living in shanties in Soweto alone.

Hand bag search guard in court

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THE black security guard who was involved in an incident in which police allegedly threw a teargas canister in a Tzaneen shop in a bid to arrest him has appeared in court.

Mr Calvin Baloyi was not asked to plead and no charges were put to him when he appeared in the Tzaneen Magistrate's Court late last week. He was released on R200 bail and is to appear again on July 29.

Woman

His appearance is a sequel to an incident at Sales House store in the town on May 3 when a white woman refused to have her handbag searched by Mr Baloyi. Police, including the woman's husband, later arrived and a scuffle developed between them and Mr Baloyi.

Mr Baloyi retreated into the storeroom where he locked himself in. Police then ordered all customers out of the store before allegedly throwing a teargas canister. Mr Baloyi was arrested as he staggered out of the gas-filled store.

Police act after grenade attack, mob violence

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A grenade was last night hurled into a house in Mapetla Extension, Soweto, causing little damage and injuring no one, police said.

The motive for the attack was unknown, police said in their latest unrest report.

Three men were stabbed to death by a mob in Shongweni in Natal.

At Sinating near Edendale, a "mob rushed police who were forced to use pistol fire to defend themselves". One man was wounded.

At Wheeler's Farm near Vereeniging, police used teargas to disperse a mob yesterday.

Later, another mob stoned buses and taxis. Police fired a round of birdshot to disperse them.

In another incident, another mob robbed a shopowner of cash and groceries.

At Phoenix near Durban, a large mob gathered at the Coca-Cola factory, stopped delivery vehicles and threw chairs at them. Six men men were slightly injured before police dispersed the mob with teargas and rubber bullets.

A private house in Inanda was badly damaged when a mob hurled a petrol-bomb at it. A man was stabbed and wounded when he fled the house.

Group stabs Dindi man

PRETORIA, — A man was stabbed to death at Dindi in the Taylor's Halt area by a group of people last night, according to the SAP's unrest report. A 30-year-old man, who was passing by, was also stabbed.

In addition, a group of people attacked and stabbed a man at Mpumalanga in the Hammarsdale area of Natal. The man's condition is unknown.

In other incidents, private vehicles were stoned at Phoenix in Durban by a group of people who were dispersed by police using rubber bullets. Three men were arrested.

At Katlehong in Germiston, arsonists caused serious damage to a private garage, and at Tembisa in Kempton Park a group stoned and damaged a bus. — Sapa

Constable stabbed, dies

PRETORIA. — A special constable was stabbed to death and another was seriously injured during a patrol at Emdeni, Soweto, last night.

The police public relations division in Pretoria said today that two special constables were checking a vehicle when they were attacked by a group of people. Both were stabbed in the chest, one fatally.

At Veeplaas, Port Elizabeth, a delivery vehicle was destroyed by fire after a mob hurled a petrol-bomb into the cab. — Sapa.

5 die in weekend violence in Natal

JOHANNESBURG. — Five people died in Natal and a policeman was "slightly injured" in a shooting attack on municipal police in Soweto, police said in their latest unrest report.

At Henley in Natal shots were twice fired at people by unknown gunmen.

Police said that in the first incident a man was killed and in the second a woman was killed and another wounded.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

At Taylor's Halt a man was stabbed to death.

At Mpumalanga, also in Natal, a woman was stabbed to death by a group who stoned her house. The report gave no further details.

At Kwadengeze police discovered the body of a man who had apparently been stabbed to death.

At Chesterville two men were injured when shots were fired at them.

Mr Leonardus Johannes Labuschagne, 70, was killed when his house on Witpoort Farm, Greylingstad, was stoned and set alight at midnight on Saturday.

Police said they regarded the incident as "normal crime" rather than unrest-related. — Sapa.

Assault by police claim: youths to sue Minister,

By Mckeed Kotlolo, Pretoria Bureau

Two members of the Mamelodi Youth Organisation (Mayo) have claimed they were assaulted, sprayed with teargas and threatened with death by about 10 black and white members of the Security Police because they refused to become informers.

Mr George Mochoele (20) and Mr Louis Theko (23), both of Mamelodi East, said they intended to sue the Minister of Law and Order for damages, injuries and medical expenses.

The Public Relations Division of the South African Police in Pretoria declined to comment on the allegations because the two complainants had not laid charges and were planning to sue the Minister of Law and Order.

Police said in a telex message to The Star: "Any person who has a legitimate complaint against any member of the force should report the matter to the SAP through any existing channels, in order that their allegations can be investigated."

Ex-mayor tells of bomb attack that killed two

Former Soweto mayor and Sofasonke Party leader, Mr Ephraim Tshabalala, described today how a Soweto political meeting turned into a bloodbath when explosive devices were hurled into the crowd yesterday, killing two people and injuring 40.

Mr Tshabalala narrowly escaped injury.

He had arrived at his party's meeting in Orlando West shortly before the attack, he said.

"I was about to address the meeting and then we heard the AK-47. It was coming from the direction of a shop."

Three grenades were lobbed into the crowd, he said. People standing close to him had been injured, one fatally.

No arrests had been made by this morning, said Soweto police spokesman Major Noel Hartwell. Earlier, he said the origins of the explosive devices had not been determined.

A Baragwanath Hospital spokesman said 11 people were admitted and 29 were treated in the casualty department and discharged. One person was dead on arrival and another died in the resuscitation room.

CRITICAL

One person, with head injuries, was in a critical condition, seven were stable and three had undergone surgery.

Estimates of the size of the crowd vary widely. Some reports put the crowd at 100, while Mr Tshabalala said it was Sofasonke's biggest meeting with nearly 8 000 people.

Mr Tshabalala had no doubt the assailants were people who criticised Sofasonke members as being "puppets" of the Government.

Three people in Baragwanath Hospital had confessed to the attack, said Mr Tshabalala. They claimed to be associated with a prominent anti-apartheid figure, he said.

But Major Hartwell, stating clearly that there had been no arrests so far, declined to comment today on Mr Tshabalala's claims that there had been shooting with an AK-47 and that people had confessed their organisational links. — Staff Reporters, Own Correspondent and Sapa.

Youth being questioned about attack

Sunday's grenade bloodbath described

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A 19-year-old youth has been detained by police for questioning in connection with the attack in Orlando West, Soweto, on Sunday which left two people dead and 38 injured, police said last night.

The attackers opened fire with AK-47 rifles and hand grenades on a crowd of people who were attending a political meeting organised by the Sofasonke Party.

The group's leader, Mr Ephraim Tshabalala, a former Soweto mayor, described yesterday how the meeting turned into a bloodbath and his own narrow escape.

"I was about to address the meeting and then we heard the AK-47."

He said three hand grenades were lobbed into the crowd and people standing near him were hit by shrapnel

Mr Tshabalala was addressing about 300 party members on the continuing rent boycott.

One person was killed in the attack and another died on the way to Baragwanath Hospital after sustaining severe injuries.

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One of the injured is in a critical condition, suffering from head wounds. — Staff Reporters and Sapa.

Victims recall horror of blast

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By Montshiwa Moroke

Victims of Sunday's attack at a Sofasonke Party meeting, today told of their frightening ordeal.

Some of those admitted to Baragwanath Hospital are Mr Silas Ntengo (66), Mr James Maqubela (86), Mr Crispen Salimson (who is in his 80s), all of Orlando West, Mr Steve Mokoanyane (61) of Orlando East and Mr Ernest Mbele.

The four are in the surgical admission ward with multiple wounds.

Speaking from his hospital bed, Mr Ntengo said he was standing just behind the former mayor of Soweto and president of Sofasonke, Mr Ephraim "ET" Tshabalala.

Mr Ntengo, whose eyes were covered in cotton wool, said he first heard a big explosion, followed by another He was sent flying to the ground.

"I don't know what happened next because I lost conciousness and when I came to, I was covered in blood.

"I thought I was going to die but thank God here I am, alive," he said.

Mr Mokoanyane said he heard what appeared to the sound of a firearm, followed by an explosion.

"There was again another explosion and the next thing I found myself lying on the ground. I was dead scared and was confused after that."

Tearful child kept father's death from mother of 5

By Montshiwa Moroke

One of the victims of yesterday's bomb attack in Killarney, Soweto, has been identified as Mr Lawrence Mosiapoa (58) of Ngakane Street, Phomolong, Orlando West.

His wife, Mrs Elizabeth Mosiapoa (57), wept bitterly today as she sat desolately on a mattress, a candle beside her frail frame, in traditional mourning.

Mrs Mosiapoa told The Star that she had last seen her husband alive when he visited her at a relative's home in Meadowlands, a neighbouring township, where she had spent Saturday night.

"My husband brought me some goods and told me he would be attending the meeting which had been called to discuss civic matters.

FATHER'S CLOTHES

"During the afternoon, one of my children came to me in tears but did not break the news.

"I learnt for the first time when I arrived back home that he had been fatally wounded in the attack", she said.

The broken-hearted mother of five said one of her sons returned from Baragwanath Hospital with his father's clothes.

Her husband had been out of work since November and had been trying to get money due to him from his employers following a strike.

The Mosiapoas live in a humble township municipal house, a walking distance from where the explosion occurred.

Man injured in Soweto unrest

A man was injured at Diepkloof, Soweto, when security guards fired birdshot at a mob stoning a delivery vehicle, according to the lastest report from the South African Police.

There were two other incidents of stoning, both in Cape Town, and six juveniles have been arrested.

At Bishop Lavis, Cape Town, three delivery vehicles were badly damaged in incidents of stone-throwing. No injuries were reported.

Police arrested two girls and four youths in connection with stoning passing trains at Khayelitsha, Cape Town

Cape Times 24/5/88

Soweto blast: Youth questioned

JOHANNESBURG. — A 19-YEAR-OLD youth is being held for questioning in connection with the attack in Orlando West, Soweto, yesterday that left two people dead and scores injured — many of them seriously.

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Soweto attack: youth held after two die

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One person was killed instantly in the attack and another died on the way to the Baragwanath Hospital after sustaining severe injuries Mr Tshabalala was not injured.

According to a Baragwanath Hospital spokesman 38 people were treated for shrapnel and gunshot wounds. Of these, 29 were discharged after treatment One of the injured was in a critical condition, suffering from head wounds.

Seven were in a satisfactory condition, and the condition of three others could not be ascertained. They were operated on yesterday afternoon.

According to police, the precise origin of the explosive devices and weapons was not known, but there is a possibility that they were of Soviet origin.

Mr Tshabalala's party, which takes part in municipal elections, is viewed as conservative and Mr Tshabalala has often been branded a 'sell-out" by radical opponents for participating in the system of local government. — Sapa

Man shot by private guards

PRETORIA. — A man was wounded when private security guards fired birdshot to disperse a group of people stoning a delivery vehicle in Diepkloof, Soweto, the police public relations division reported on Monday night.

Three delivery vehicles were damaged in incidents of stone throwing in Bishop Lavis, and six schoolchildren were arrested after stones were thrown at trains in Khayelitsha. — Sapa

Grenade and AK-47 attack on [illegible]

ANOTHER LIFE LOST

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By SY MAKARINGE

THE death toll in Soweto's grenade blast in which former mayor of Soweto Mr Ephraim Tshabalala narrowly escaped injury has risen to three.

Mr Samson Ngoma, of Orlando West, died at Baragwanath Hospital this week after sustaining serious injuries. Mr Ngoma, whose age is not yet known, was among several people who were injured when assailants attacked a crowd of people with hand grenades and AK-47 rifles at a Sofasonke Party meeting in Orlando West on Sunday afternoon.

His death was confirmed by a spokesman for Baragwanath Hospital yesterday The two other people who died in the blast are Mr Solomon Nkomo, an Orlando West tailor, and Mr Lawrence Kaelo Mosiapa, also of Orlando West.

Youth held

According to the hospital, about 38 people were admitted on Sunday and received treatment for shrapnel and gunshot wounds. Of these, 29 were discharged after treatment.

The police are questioning a 19-year-old youth in connection with the incident

Meanwhile, the executive committee of the Sofasonke Party, of which Mr Tshabalala is president, is to hold urgent meetings with the families of the deceased this week to make arrangements for their burial.

Witnesses to the incident said the assailants attacked the crowd soon after Mr Tshabalala rose to address the meeting.

Mr Mkhwanazi said the Orlando West meeting was called by the party to discuss, among other things, the rent issue.

THE Director of Protective Services for Diepmeadow City Council, Mr Tom Mabambe, yesterday issued a stern warning to Diepmeadow residents who litter the streets.

'Diepmeadow residents who are found littering or throwing garbage in

Death toll rises

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THE total number of people who died following the Sunday grenade and AK-47 attack on members of the Sofasonke Party is four, the Sowetan was told yesterday.

The fourth man, Mr Sipho Lesley Somdyala (71), of 7883 Orlando West, died at Baragwanath Hospital soon after arrival. He was not listed as a patient and his body was immediately sent to the Government mortruary.

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A family spokesman confirmed that Mr Somdyala was among several people who attended the Sofasonke Party meeting in which Mr Ephraim "ET" Tshabalala, former mayor of Soweto and president of the party, narrowly escaped death when the crowd was attacked with AK-47 rifles and hand grenades.

The other people who died in the incident are Mr Samson Ngoma, Mr Solomon Nkomo and Mr Lawrence Mosiapa, all of Orlando West.

Executive members of the party are having meetings with the families of the deceased with a view to holding a joint funeral. The funeral is expected to be held on Sunday.

'SADF threw tearsmoke into bus'

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By Paul Olivier

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A bus driver alleged in the Johannesburg Civil Court yesterday that a tearsmoke canister had been lobbed into his vehicle — while it was carrying University of the Witwatersrand students — by an SADF member after a May Day rally in Soweto.

He also claimed that the students were held at gunpoint while being searched.

Mr Stuurman Peto was testifying in a case in which 52 students are claiming damages against the Minister of Defence.

The students say their bus was stopped in Soweto and tearsmoke lobbed into it after they had obeyed an order to disembark.

They also say members of the SADF held them at gunpoint and forced them back into the bus before the tearsmoke had dissipated.

They claim that some of them "suffer from asthma which was aggravated by the tearsmoke".

In a statement the respondents admitted using tearsmoke but denied that it was thrown into the bus. They also denied holding the students at gunpoint and forcing them back into the bus before the tearsmoke had dissipated.

They said the bus was stopped to be searched for unlawful literature, and the students had refused to obey an order to disembark.

Mr Peto told magistrate Mr M P Prinsloo that when his bus was stopped "a soldier came to the door and knocked on it with his rifle.

"I opened it and he entered and ordered everybody out. As the students were leaving, a canister was thrown inside. I lost consciousness because of the smoke and found myself outside on the grass."

Mr Peto claimed that after being ordered back on the vehicle he had to drive with the window open because there were still fumes in the bus.

The hearing continues.

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Luxury hotel grinds to a halt as 245 workers are rounded up after demo

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Guests staying at Johannesburg's prestigious Carlton Hotel yesterday morning awoke to no room service and apologetic notices as 245 hotel staffers were arrested outside in a protest sparked by a change in the hotel's management.

Many of the international guests — delegates attending a promotional tourism workshop hosted by the South African Tourism Board — witnessed police arresting the demonstrators under emergency regulations and the Internal Security Act.

"I was horrified to see women placard-holding demonstrators being manhandled by the police as they were loaded into police vans," said a Taiwanese tourist, who did not want to be named.

She said the demonstration seemed peaceful and this had given her a "totally different perspective on South African laws".

Restaurant bookings at the hotel had to be cancelled and there was no bar service.

According to the hotel's marketing director, Mr Larry Macartney, the dispute arose after the disinvestment of the Seattle-based Western International (Westin) company on April 15 because the hotel staff expected a service bonus pay-out.

PAT DEVEREAUX

Mr Macartney said those protesting made it plain that their dispute was with Westin and not the Carlton. He said they seemed to misunderstand that they were employed by the Carlton and were not employees of the former managing company, Westin.

Eye-witnesses yesterday said the demonstrators, due to start work on the morning shift, had gathered outside the hotel demanding compensation which had allegedly been promised by Westin. Shortly afterwards the 142 men and 103 women staff members were arrested.

Late yesterday afternoon Mr Macartney said: "Bail of R100 each was paid by management personel and the demonstrators are being processed at John Vorster Square and then released."

The afternoon staff had failed to report for work but a meeting was expected to be held with the Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union (Harwu).

● The Saturday Star was prevented from publishing photographs of yesterday's demonstration in terms of the emergency regulations and the Internal Security Act.

World's dearest house

SATURDAY STAR FOREIGN NEWS SERVICE

LONDON — A Georgian mansion, called The Holme, in London's Regent's Park is being offered for sale — at R120 million. Agents handling the sale think this makes it the world's dearest dwelling.

The house, built in 1818, has superb park views and is close to all amenities. It has 40 rooms, including a banqueting hall, a library, sauna, whirlpool bath and exercise areas. Outside there is an all-weather tennis court, along with eight garages.

Landscaped grounds sloping down to a wide lake frontage helped earn the house the description of one of the most romantic places in London.

The estate agents will not name the present occupants. "There's a family living there whose lifestyle has changed," was all a spokesman would say.

A family from the Middle East is thought to have bought the property for about R20 million in 1984.

Soldier threw teargas into bus, court told

Star 39584 **By Duncan Guy**

A former Wits University student, Mr Stephen Pearce, told a Johannesburg Civil Court magistrate on Friday that he kicked open the rear window of a bus after a teargas canister was thrown in by an SADF man.

Mr Pearce and 51 others are claiming damages from the Minister of Defence.

Mr Pearce said that when he got out of the bus after a May Day rally in Soweto he thought he was going to be shot.

"Then I saw another student falling out the window and ran to catch her. If I hadn't she would have fallen on her head."

Under cross-examination by Mr N van der Walt, for the Minister of Defence, Mr Pearce denied that subversive pamphlets had been burnt shortly before the teargas incident. He said students had burnt paper to combat the teargas.

He denied passengers had displayed black power salutes to "make trouble with the army".

They had been singing at the rally and giving the salutes, when there was no SADF, and carried on in the bus.

Ms Leane Bricker testified she was told that passengers giving black power salutes should expect to be tear-gassed.

The case was postponed to a date still to be set.

Police fire at Wits protesters

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Police yesterday fired rubber bullets at a group of about 100 Wits University students who moved towards Jan Smuts Avenue, adjoining the campus, during a protest against the continued detention of university members.

The group was part of a crowd of several hundred who had gathered in the Great Hall for a meeting protesting against mass detentions without trial under the state of emergency.

The university administration had persuaded the students not to move off campus when a detachment of about 20 policemen approached.

A statement from the administration said a second detachment of police then approached the students from behind and fired a few rounds of rubber bullets. Police said only three bullets were fired. The crowd then fled.

No injuries or arrests were reported, police said.

The protest was described by witnesses as peaceful.

An advertisement protesting against the continuing detention of a senior Wits law lecturer, Mr Raymond Suttner, who has been in detention for 721 days without being charged, appeared in an afternoon newspaper yesterday.

The 200 signatories were mostly senior academics and lawyers.

Worker killed

AN AFCOL worker has been killed in Johannesburg in violence accompanying a dispute with the Paper, Printing, Wood and Allied Workers' Union (PPAWU), industrial relations manager, Mr George Kinmont, said at the weekend.

"The company deplores the violence surrounding the dispute that has already resulted in various assaults against non-striking workers and the death of at least one employee," Mr Kinmont said.

He said the man, an employee at Edblo Furnishers in Johannesburg, had been killed either on his way home from work or on the way to work.

Police public relations officer, Lieutenant Pierre Louw, could not confirm the murder.

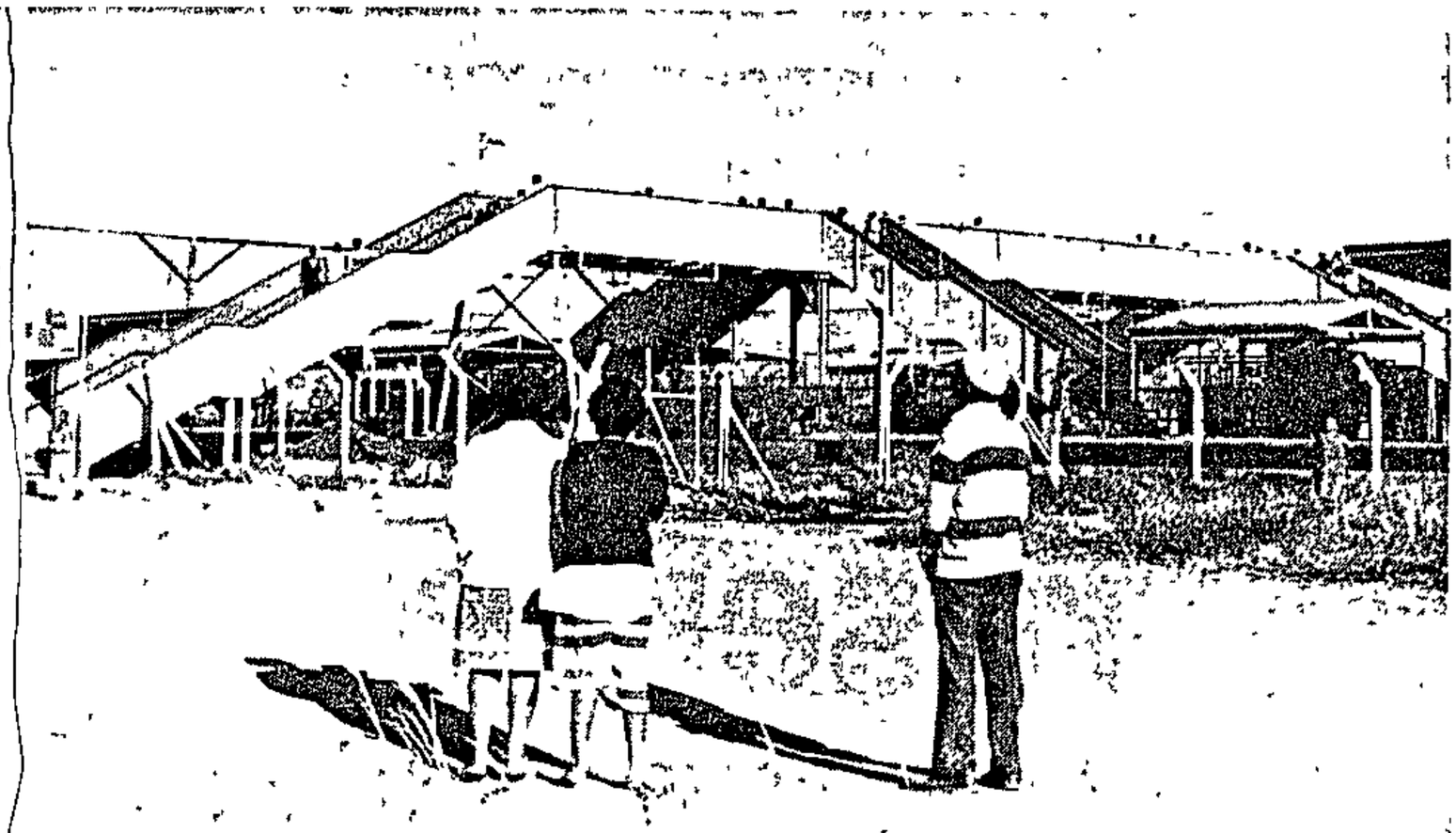
No SAP comment

POLICE would not issue any official statements on the stayaway because it was a contravention of the emergency regulations to give publicity to such actions, a Pretoria police spokesman said yesterday. Sowetan

"No official statements regarding the stayaway or intimidation will be issued because it is a contravention of the emergency regulations to give publicity to the stayaway or to further its aims," said the spokesman. 8/7/88

• It is an offence under the emergency regulations to incite or encourage members of the public to stay away from work or to go on illegal strike, or to publish anything which shows the extent to which a stayaway is successful or which discloses particulars of the manner in which members of the public are intimidated, incited or encouraged to take part in or support such action.

It is also an offence to give an account of any incidents in connection with stayaway intimidation, incitement or encouragement.



8am YESTERDAY: A deserted railway station in Soweto.

3 children killed in widespread violence

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3 DAY

SEVEN people, including three children, were killed in unrest related incidents on Monday night, the Bureau for Information disclosed yesterday.

Twenty-three people were injured and 21 arrested in connection with unrest incidents. In addition to the three children, three black youths and one black woman were killed in the incidents

Of those injured 13 were black women, five black men, one coloured man, three coloured youths and one policeman.

The arrests were of 14 black men, one black woman, two black youths, three white men and one white woman

One of the deaths occurred at Sakhile near Standerton when a group of blacks stoned municipal policemen on patrol The report says that a shotgun round was fired at the attackers and a black youth was fatally wounded

A hand grenade was thrown into the main bedroom of a private dwelling in Mapetla Extension, Soweto, at about 2,05am killing an 8-year-old black boy and wounding a black woman The house was badly damaged and police are investigating

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Free Mayekiso application turned down

By MUSA ZONDI

AN application brought by the defence for the discharge of Moses Mayekiso and his four co-accused was dismissed at the Rand Supreme Court this week.

The indictment against the five Alexandra residents contained all the legal elements necessary for charging them with treason and sedition, Acting Judge van der Walt found.

Defence lawyer David Soggot had earlier argued violence was the essential element of treason. Since there was nothing suggesting that the accused had seized Alexandra through violence, the five could not be charged with treason. The indictment, according to Soggot, did not allege any use of violence.

But the court found that a person commits treason when, with hostile intent, he or she disturbs or injures the authority of the state. Violence was a frequent element but not a necessary prerequisite, the judge said, adding "that treason can be committed in peacetime is clear in our case law".

Mayekiso, Paul Tshabalala, Obed Bapela, Richard Mdakane and Mzwanele Mayekiso are charged with attempting to usurp the authority of the state by creating "alternative structures" of "people's power".

All the charges relate to the 1985/6 period during scenes of intense unrest and involving the creation of "people's courts". The unrest was aggravated by a rise in rent which hit most black areas.

The case was postponed until August 1 when the defence case will begin.

Hunger strike ends as both sides agree to deal

By GAYE DAVIS, Cape Town

A HUNGER strike by 11 treason trialists protesting against unequal treatment based on racial criteria ended after four days when prison authorities undertook to resolve some of the problems.

The Yengeni Support Group — named after trialist Tony Yengeni, 33, — said in a statement the hunger strike had resulted in certain improvements. However, the trialists had warned that should prison authorities not fulfill their undertakings to meet certain demands, "further protest action would be resorted to".

Prisoners held in the "black male" section were now sharing a communal cell during the day and joint accommodation was being sought for them. Two women trialists, Jenny Schreiner, 31, and Lumka Nyamza, 25, had been seen by an "outside" doctor. The food had improved and the general attitude of warders was more friendly, the statement said.

The trialists began their water-only fast last Tuesday — Republic Day — and ended it on Friday after they were visited by high-ranking Pollsmoor officials. Undertakings were given that some of the problems would be resolved and that the two women would be treated equally.

"Whilst not all their demands have been met, the trialists have called off the hunger-strike and will use this opportunity to negotiate with the prison authorities regarding their demands," the statement said.

The trialists reappear in the Cape Supreme Court on July 5 on charges of treason, alternatively terrorism. They have not been asked to plead.

●Colonel DJ Immelman, liaison officer for the SA Prisons Service, made the following comment:

"The report in your telex dated June 8 1988 stems from a letter addressed to the commissioner of prisons dated May 20 1988 which was received on June 1 1988 in respect of which receipt was acknowledged on the same day and the matter was immediately referred for urgent investigation with a view to providing a comprehensive reply.

"Consequently you will understand that at this stage we are not in a position to comment on the various specific allegations as this will anticipate the findings of the investigation. Furthermore it must be pointed out that the outcome of the investigation will be communicated directly to the party who made the representations as it is policy for the prisons service not to communicate with family of prisoners or their legal representatives via the media. The prisons service expects the same professional approach from the parties concerned.

"The Prisons Service has done nothing for the complainants which in terms of prevailing policy does not also apply to other inmates of the same category.

"No negotiation has taken place or will take place and the Prisons Service will continue to administrate prisons professionally and according to accepted norms and standards."

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Nine die violently in Pretoria area

Nine people died violently in and around Pretoria at the weekend.

A police spokesman said one man died in Mamelodi Hospital after a midnight knife fight. The body of his opponent was found near the Mamelodi post office about an hour later. One of the men was Mr Modise Mathathe.

Mr J H P Fouche (52), of Rooiels Street, Moregloed, suffocated when his bed caught fire.

Three pedestrians were killed in separate incidents on the Pietersburg highway, in Mamelodi and in Quagga Road.

Mr David Makhetla was battered to death in Potgieter Street on Saturday and a man was run over by a train.

An unidentified man died in hospital after being stabbed in Mamelodi last night. — Pretoria Correspondent.

Helen Joseph is still in critical condition

By Duncan Guy

Veteran anti-apartheid campaigner Mrs Helen Joseph is still in Johannesburg Hospital in a stable but critical condition following a severe dose of flu that led to pneumonia.

She was admitted to the hospital on Friday night.

Mrs Joseph (83) has dedicated herself to opposing injustice and discrimination in South Africa, despite bannings, house arrest and mysterious attacks on her Norwood, Johannesburg home.

As one of the founders of the Federation of SA Women she helped organise a protest by 20 000 women in 1956.

Born in England in 1905, Mrs Joseph came to South Africa from India 57 years ago. Working as a social worker, she became involved in anti-apartheid campaigns at the age of 48.

'Claims do not apply to local media'

Political Staff

CAPE TOWN — The Bureau for Information has backed off from claims that journalists welcomed acts of terrorism as "hard news".

Chief of the bureau, Mr Dave Steward, when asked about the statement in a bureau document defending the emergency regulations, said the statement did not apply to the local media.

But, he said, there was little doubt that some representatives of the overseas media did.

Mr Peter Soal MP, Progressive Federal Party, today strongly condemned the bureau's attempt at justifying the curbs on the media saying they were "crude".

'Radical pupils' close 50% of Soweto schools

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Soweto high school education is again crumbling in the face of confusion and chaos as the era of "no education before liberation" appears to have returned.

More than 30 of the township's over 60 high schools are no longer functioning as institutions but as "political theatres", according to the Department of Education and Training (DET).

Some of the pupils interviewed last week blamed the situation on what they alleged was detention of SRC leaders from several schools — either at their homes or in the streets.

But police have denied any knowledge of such allegations.

"We will not go back to classes unless the SRC members are released and unless the police stop harassing us and making our schools their targets," the pupils said.

The DET mantains that all its programmes have been disrupted by what it considers to be "highly radical pupils" who are gradually turning the schools into political theatres.

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Part of crowd is dispersed

ACTION was taken by police to disperse some of the more than 3 000 people who attended yesterday's 12th anniversary commemoration service of the June 16 riots at Regina Mundi church in Soweto.

The incident took place after a few stones were hurled at police vehicles outside the church as the singing and chanting crowd left for home. The service was called by the Azanian Co-ordinating Committee, (Azacco).

There were no reported injuries after the service which heard speaker after speaker calling for unity among the oppressed in South Africa.

The general secretary of the National Council of Trade Unions (Nactu), Mr Phandelani Nefholovhodwe, told the cheering audience that the only stumbling block between Nactu and Cosatu unity was the idea of who will own the enemy.

"We are pre-occupied with the idea as to who will own the capitalists. The enemy is the enemy of the oppressed and not of Nactu or Cosatu," Mr Nefholovhodwe said.

Unity

Talking of the type of unity that prevailed during the '76 riots Mr Nefholovhodwe said "We would like to go back to the unity that existed in 1976."

Another speaker, Mr Tsepo Sibusi, of the Azanian Students Movement (Azasm), called for unity between Nactu and Cosatu.

"It is only after the two giant federations have united in principle that we as students can stop our loyalties to one of them and unite in the struggle. As students we are playing a supportive role and for us to have unity the working class need to be united first," he said.

The service was characterised by shouts of

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MEMBERS of the Azanian Co-ordinating Committee, Azanian National Youth Unity and ministers of religion held a commemoration service at the Avalon Cemetery yesterday at the grave of Hector Pieterson, the first victim of the June 16 riots 12 years ago. Seated on the left is Miss Popi Buthelezi, who was shot on the day when she was 17.

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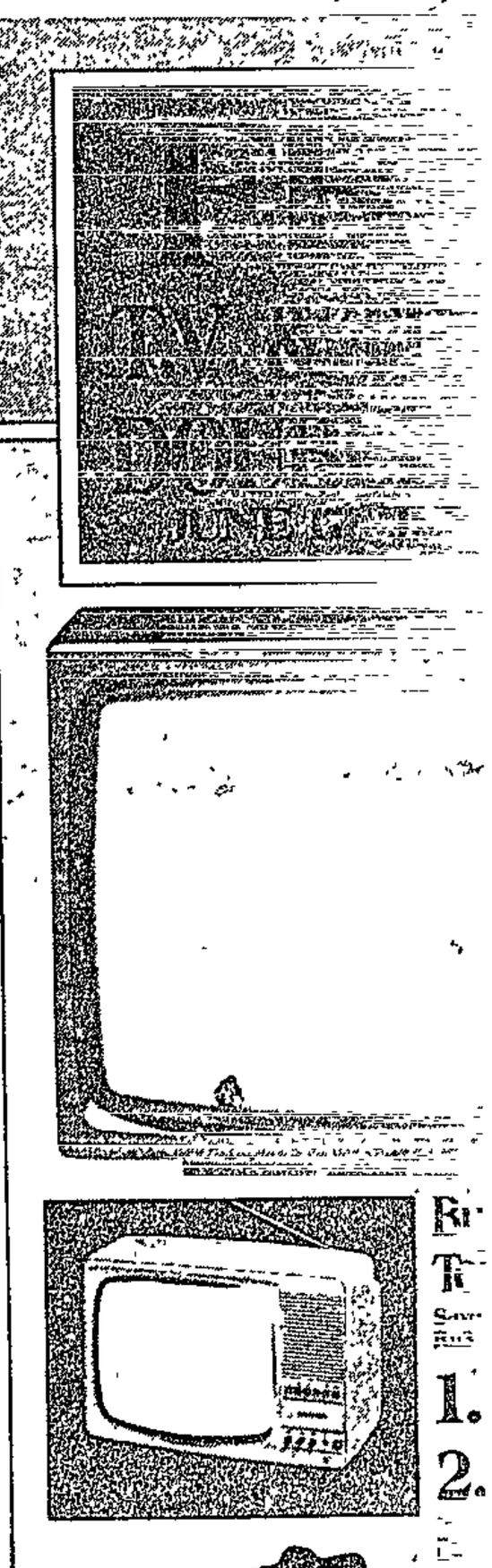

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Two men shot dead in hostel faction fight

Crime Reporter

Two men were shot dead and another was wounded when a man opened fire during a faction fight at a men's hostel in Wolhuter, Johannesburg, at the weekend, police said.

The shootings took place yesterday morning at the Wolhuter Hostel in Wolhuter Street.

The gunman, a resident at the hostel, opened fire in the quadrangle, killing two men and wounding another.

The wounded man was taken to hospital. Police have not released the hospital's name for security reasons.

A police spokesman said the dead men, from the homelands, had been identified but their names would not be released until their families were informed.

He said no arrests had been made.

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SOWETO, TWELVE YEARS

June 16, 1988, and yet another

It's no accident that the Soweto students who launched a new student organisation this week chose the eve of June 16 as the date. But will history be as unkind to them as it has been to their many predecessors?
SHAUN JOHNSON and THAMI MKHWANAZI report

LISTENING to three young township activists discuss the launch of a regional students' congress in Johannesburg this week was a disconcerting experience.

It was as if something very familiar had reappeared after an inexplicable absence, and looked and sounded just as before Only time had passed

The pupil leaders were announcing the programme of the Southern Transvaal Students' Congress (Strasco), a structure formed a week earlier to co-ordinate the activities of seven "sub-regional" pupil organisations in the province

The congress had resolved to establish "campaign committees" to oppose "government repression", promote "people's culture", and counter "state propaganda" Proclaiming loyalty to a vision of a non-racial, democratic South Africa, the group's theme was: "Advance to National Unity"

It was no accident that Strasco was launched on the eve of June 16 1988, the twelfth anniversary of Soweto Day According to its publicity secretary, Mbango Xaba, the new organisation was "dedicated to the students of 1976, to the nobility and sacrifices of students over the past 12 years to free themselves, their people and their country"

The birth of Strasco could be taken to "prove" two conflicting assessments of the state of political organisation among South Africa's black schoolchildren

One is that the phenomenal growth of organisation in the schools which took place four years ago has been entirely reversed. Strasco is starting from square one

In this interpretation, the similarity of Strasco's hopes and plans to those of pupil leaders in 1984 and earlier reflects only pathos A widespread belief in "imminent liberation" has been proved terribly wrong The new crop of young activists are doomed to fail, as their predecessors failed

The other view is that the launch demonstrates the extraordinary resilience and continuity of school-based resistance politics The fact that new leaders are prepared to start again from scratch, despite the state clampdown, indicates the permanence of the pupils as a powerful factor in extra-parliamentary activism

Not surprisingly, the second view is the one favoured by Strasco itself. "We realise students are again unorganised," said Xaba, "but they remain part of the broader mass of oppressed people and need clear-cut programmes"

Strasco says its primary task is to contribute to the provision of this programme and to reinvigorate the school-based movement "Are we going to salute the heroic deeds of the past years, and leave it at that? No, more words are not needed. What is called for is action involving us, parents, workers and all others"

At the level of rhetoric, we've heard it all before — and it is tempting to accept the pessimistic scenario But this might be unwise.

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The streets of Soweto, June 16, 1976: The scenes that came before and

By Sam Nzima, the man who took the picture

His June 16 picture of a dying Hector Peterson is world renowned, but photographer Sam Nzima himself never enjoyed much fame. Today he runs a bottle store in a small Eastern Transvaal town.
JOHN PERLMAN reports

THERE are two small brass-coloured marks on Sam Nzima's old Asahi Pentax SL, to the right of the lens, where countless pressings from his index and middle fingers have worn away the surface of the camera body

It is a camera Nzima has had for 20 years now It is the camera with which he took a picture of Hector Petersen, a 13-year-old Std 4 boy who lived at 1460 White City Jabavu, as he was carried away from the first gunfire of that June day in Soweto, 12 years ago

That picture — of Petersen, his anguished sister and Mbuyisa Makhubu, the strongly-built student carrying the lifeless boy in his arms — has stirred memories of that day, in South Africa and around the world, every June 16 for the past 12 years

For Nzima, June 16, 1976 had begun the night before, when Percy Qoboza, editor of *The World*, briefed him and reporter Sophie Tema to cover a planned demonstration by students against the imposition of Afrikaans as a means of instruction

"We arrived at Naledi High School very early, at six in the morning, to wait for the gathering of students," he recalls "We waited there a long time We did not know exactly when they would march" When the students began moving, at about 7am, to Sekano Ntoane and on to Ngungunyu, Morris Isaacson and Orlando West, Nzima followed and photographed

"I was concentrating on the placards 'We are being fed the crumbs of ignorance with the poisonous spoon of Afrikaans' was one."

When police opened fire on students gathered at the gate of Orlando West, Nzima was standing between the two, "trying to get both sides"

"I ran into a house, I just opened the door — there were even students under the beds — and I took a picture of the policemen as they fired"

The students who had fled up "Beverley Hill" nearby returned and showered the police with stones "All the police drove away but one, he tried to run and hit a pole They slaughtered him like a goat and set him alight I couldn't take pictures then," Nzima said.

It was some time later when Nzima saw Petersen, his sister and Makhubu coming towards him "It was 10.15 I will always remember that time very well I was standing next to our press car. They were looking for the nearest vehicle"

Nzima clicked the shutter six times, then opened the car door He, Tema and their driver, Thomas Khoza, squeezed into the front, the others laid Petersen out in the back and got in beside him The boy was dead on arrival at a nearby clinic

Khoza raced back to *The World* offices with the film Nzima stayed in the township for another six hours

While he was there the third of his six pictures hit the streets on the front page of *The World* It appeared in *The Star* and began circulating round the world

"The following day the manager said 'Congratulations, Mr Nzima, your picture was flashed around the world' I did not know the picture was going to make that impact."

Nzima had not really expected to become a newspaper photographer at all Born 54 years ago in Mhala, Gazankulu, he came to Johannesburg when he was 20. "I got a job in Hurlingham as a garden boy," he says

While at school, he took pictures of his friends with a Brownie box camera he'd bought by working part-time at the Kruger National Park.

As he moved on to other jobs — six years as a scullery worker and waiter at the Savoy Hotel, eight as a waiter, receptionist and switchboard operator at the Chelsea — he completed his schooling through night schools and bought another camera.

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For example, although the blanket boycott has been dropped by school-based organisations, students have stayed away from lessons in specific cases over the past year.

Pupils of Soweto's Motlana school area (Moletsane, Tladi and Naledi) have been boycotting for about two months in protest against alleged widespread detentions of students

The Motlana boycotts came in the wake of similar action, and for similar reasons, at all six high schools in the Soweto township of Diepkloof

Only this week, the Soweto Students' Congress (Sosco) claimed 91 pupils in the township were detained when the State of Emergency was re-declared

In response, Sosco has resolved to defy the Department of Education and Training's school re-opening date Pupils will apparently go back on July 13, nine days later than usual

There have been boycotts in other parts of South Africa recently Krugersdorp pupils came out in protest against teacher shortages and the DET's refusal to recognise student representative councils.

Elsewhere there were protests against local issues such as the closure of a tuck shop and poor examination results Campaigns for the election of SRCs are widespread

In addition to action on educational issues, pupils responded strongly to last week's days of protest called by trade unions

It is clear that a residue of organisation remains to match the schoolchildren's anti-apartheid commitment

The fact that boycotts are sporadic and specific is the result of the maturing of school organisation since 1986. After an extended period of virtually no schooling, the National Education Crisis Committee (NECC) succeeded in cementing an alliance between children, parents, teachers and the communities Militant youths were persuaded to return to school and continue their organisational work

The NECC has now been decimated by state action — it seems at least 90 percent of the organisation's leadership is in detention — but the tactical view and the commitment to broader alliances remains alive.

Pupils' organisations have changed in name and form over the years, but their central demands and beliefs are unchanged The banning of the Congress of South African Students (Cosas) in 1985 gave rise to the development of a host of local "congresses".

Although many were rendered moribund by the strictures of the Emergency, a great number survive Even where a particular organisation has been destroyed, the experience of its former membership remains, and can be utilised when conditions change

This reality — which underlies the Strasco launch — is of great long-term significance It also forces the observer to hesitate before ridiculing the defiant statements of young leaders like Xaba. He is saying: "Wait and see what we can do."

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The death of Hector Peterson: Left, Nzima's first two pictures of Peterson, as his sister and Mbuyisa Makhubu come looking for help; centre, the picture that went around the world; right, Nzima's fourth picture, Makhubu places the boy in the journalists' car

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16TH JUNE 1976-1988 A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

Khulu Sibiya

MY WAY

We remember those who died on June 16

Yesterday was the 12th anniversary of the Soweto uprisings, now commonly known as June 16. I was there on that day – June 16, 1976 – and I have observed every June 16 since then.

Driving through Soweto yesterday morning was like going through a ghost town. There was not a soul in the streets.

Had it not been that people like journalists and health and essential services workers were exempt, I would not have hesitated to join the millions of people who stayed indoors.

As I was drove through Eldorado Park and Lenasia, I was amazed at the contrast. Scores of cars were heading towards the city – it was business as usual for Johannesburg's coloured and Indian people.

I'm not saying everybody in these townships went to work yesterday – I'm saying that compared with Soweto and, I presume, other black townships, people appeared more enthusiastic to go to work in these areas.

We all know that race divides us in this country: What is seen as good for white people is not necessarily good for black people, and what is good for blacks is not necessarily good for coloured or Indian people. This is how the government wants it – hence our separate residential areas and race classification at birth.

But a day like June 16 should transcend racial barriers. It is a day when all South Africans – black and white – should join hands and remember those innocent souls who died unjustly at the hands of the system.

If people all over the world commemorate this day, what prevents our white, coloured and Indian brothers in this country from commemorating it?

Have they become so insensitive that they do not realise the importance of this day?

If they do not realise it now, how are they going to accept it when this day is declared a public holiday, which is inevitable.

This reminds me of an article by Eugene Nyathi, an economics adviser and former Namibian journalist, who said the political passivity of Indian and coloured people in this country was disturbing.

As for the government, one wonders just when it is going to learn. For 12 years now, black people have been steadfast in their demand that June 16 be a public holiday. This day will never be wished away. It is as indelible in their minds as December 16 is in the minds of the Afrikaner.

As I was driving out of my yard, there were helicopters and hippos all over the place There was really no need for this as the people were staying indoors.

I would like to know how much money and manpower the State uses on June 16 to stop what it calls agitators and intimidators. This money could surely be put to better use.

I would like to say to the big corporations that their influence on the government to declare this day a public holiday would not only help develop harmonious working relationships on the shop floor, but would also secure them economically in the future.

To the families of those who lost their dear ones on this day, I say there is no struggle without casualties Those people laid down their lives for a just cause. They died trying to remove the shackles of apartheid.

One day this country will have its own hero's acre, and those committed to our just cause will be remembered.

HISTORY

PROBE ON KILLINGS

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Rent march has court sequel

By MONK NKOMO

AN inquest into the death of 12 people, including pensioners, who were allegedly shot dead by police during a rent protest march in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985 will be held at the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court from today.

The official list of those killed during the police action was presented before court on January 11 this year by Mrs A van Tonder, a senior prosecutor appearing for the State.

The dead are Mr Feggie Paulos Mavimbela (67), Mrs Raesibe Sarah Tefo (66), Mrs Ntombi Miriam Mello (62), Mr Dipuo Jacob Sengo (24), Miss Thoko Beauty Malaza (28), Mr Moses Motsei (22), Mrs Salome Mamokete Mabena (50), Mr Jerry Shikoane Ngwato (19), Mr Melven Thabo Makola (16), Mrs Bapelile Elizabeth Msiza (41), Mr Fulubi Jacob Masanabo (32) and Mr Shomi Sam Nkonyane (51).

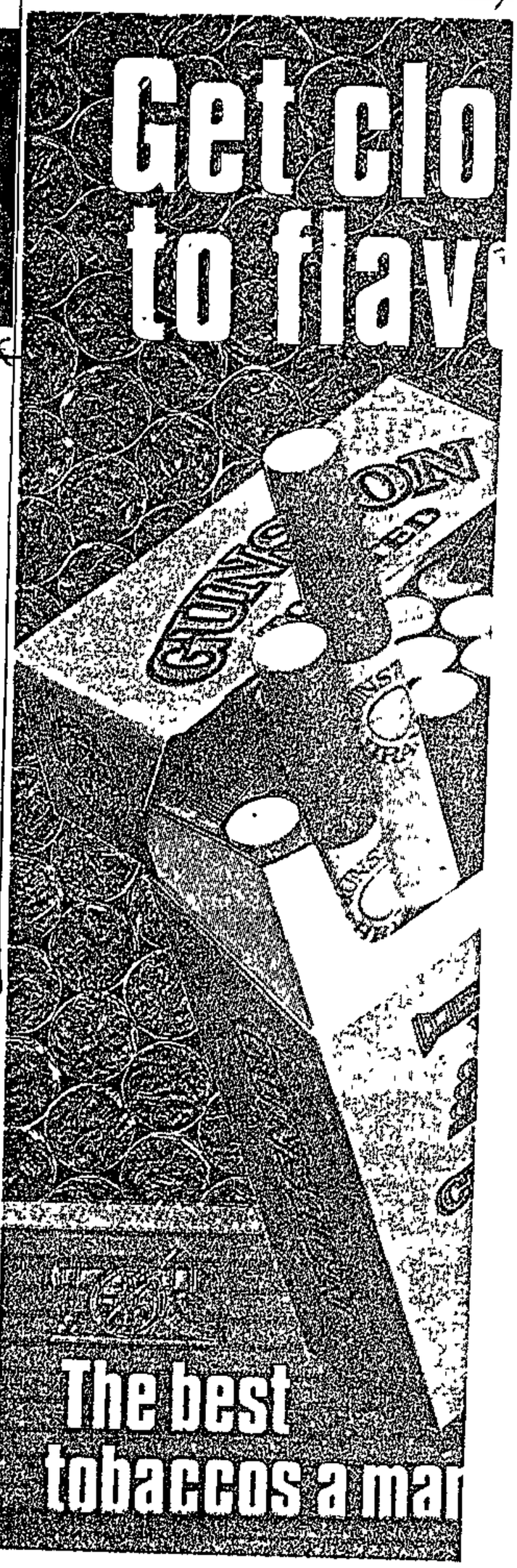
Gunshot

Mrs van Tonder has also placed on record that post-mortem results revealed that all the deceased had gunshot wounds and that 11 of them were certified dead on arrival at Kalafong and H F Verwoerd hospitals. She also told the court on January 11 that tests conducted by doctors showed that none of the deceased had alcohol in their blood stream.

The 12 were buried in a mass funeral in Mamelodi which was attended by representatives from the British, Dutch, Italian, French, USA, Belgium, West German, Australian and Canadian embassies.

Other personalities who attended the funeral included Mrs Winnie Mandela, Father Smangaliso Mkhatshwa, Mrs Helen Suzman and Dr Nico Smith of the Pretoria Council of Churches.

MIKE "Lollipop" Mhlanga, Orlando Pirates' midfield star, and Neil Tovey of AmaZulu are involved in a mid-air tussle for a high ball in their exciting Castle League game played at Orlando Stadium yesterday. Pirates crushed AmaZulu 2—0 to strengthen their third position on the log. See Page 24. Pic: JOE MOLEFE



Two men thrown from train in wave of strike unrest

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Four men have been murdered and several others assaulted in attacks on workers defying a strike at Afcol plants in Johannesburg in the last few weeks.

Two Eldorado Park men, Mr Johan Abrams and Mr Fazel Jappie, died after apparently being thrown from moving trains and two others, Mr I Singh and Mr D Haniriden are in a serious condition in the Johannesburg Hospital after they were attacked on their way to work at the Transvaal Mattress and Furniture Company in Village Deep.

The other two murdered men are Mr Ben Rampu, a shop steward for the Boilermakers Federation, who worked at the Edblo plant, and a casual worker, who has not yet been named, who worked at the Powercraft factory.

It is believed the four deaths and wave of assaults at the factories have been the result of some workers refusing to join a strike demanding the reinstatement of workers dismissed recently.

The sister of one of the dead men, who did not want to be named, said she was deeply shocked by her brother's death.

"Two weeks ago my nephew found a job at Transvaal Mattress. He told his father about it, and he also applied for work. They had only been working there a few days when this terrible thing happened.

STOPPED AT CAFE

"They were walking from the bus stop to work when my brother stopped at a cafe to buy cigarettes. My nephew was waiting outside when other people on their way to work came rushing past. They told him to run because they were being attacked.

"My nephew went into the shop to warn his father, and as they came out, they were confronted by this group. My nephew, who is only 16, managed to run away, but my brother could not run fast enough.

"They caught him and apparently beat him up in the coalyard before they took him back to the station. We are not sure exactly what happened, but the doctors told us he was thrown from a train."

The sister said her brother was 42 years old, was married and had six children, the youngest of whom was two years old.

"We can't believe that a thing like this can happen. It is really terrible," she said.

The human resources director for Afcol, Mr George Kinmont, said they were still investigating the situation.

"We are in a difficult situation because we still don't have all the facts. We know that a number of people who are employed in the Afcol group have been injured and that some have been killed. There's no way I can suggest why that might have happened but it is true that the employees who were killed were non-strikers," he said.

The labour dispute at Afcol plants was sparked several months ago after a number of workers at Star Manufacturers were dismissed for alleged assault. Workers at the factory went on strike and were then dismissed.

This was followed by a wave of sympathy strikes at other plants. Negotiations are in progress between Afcol and the union concerned, the Paper, Printing, Wood and Allied Workers Union to resolve the issue.

A spokesman for the union said it would issue a full statement today in response to inferences that its members had been involved in the murders and assaults.

"In terms of policy, we are a non-violent union committed to negotiation and we would never encourage members to commit such acts. The union will take steps to investigate the matter fully," she said.

Police confirmed four men were thrown from trains, two of whom have died, and said incidents of intimidation had been reported. They declined to give details in order to protect those involved.

Mamelodi inquest to resume today

Pretoria Bureau

An inquest into the Mamelodi shooting in which at least 12 people were allegedly killed by security forces during a rent protest, was due to resume today in the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court.

Attorneys acting for the families of the dead are to submit more names of people said to have been killed in addition to the 12 names so far submitted to the inquest.

At a previous hearing on January 11, Mrs A van Tonder, appearing for the State, said 11 people were certified by doctors as dead on arrival at hospital and a 12th body was later identified at the H F Verwoerd Hospital.

Before postponing the case on January 11 this year, the magistrate Mr J N Pretorius, warned 14 policemen to appear in court again today.

The mayor of Mamelodi, Mr Z B Ndlazi and the former kwaNdebele commissioner of police, Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, are among those who will give evidence.

The shooting took placed on November 21 1985 after thousands of Mamelodi residents marched to the local town council chambers to protest against high rentals and the presence of security forces in the township.

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Comrades were 'in local control'

Star 21/6/88 Pretoria Bureau

An inquest into the 1985 Mamelodi shootings, in which 12 people were killed, yesterday heard that the incident happened when the three Pretoria black townships were under the "total control of the comrades".

Former Divisional Inspector of the Northern Transvaal police Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, said that on November 21 1985, when security forces opened fire on a crowd protesting against the high rentals and police presence in the township, Mamelodi "appeared to have been under the total control of the comrades".

"There was no longer law and order, people reported cases to the comrades, they held courts, rent, water and electricity were no longer being paid. Schools were no longer being attended," he said.

Brigadier Lerm stressed that those who protested on the day of the shootings "were intimidated and forced to go there".

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WARNING LETTER

He referred to a letter which was earlier read in court, to show that they were intimidated.

The letter, purporting to be from the banned Congress of the South African Students, warned a person called "Solly" not to stay at home on November 21.

Brigadier Lerm's intepretation of the letter was that "Solly" stood for "soldier".

A State pathologist, Professor J D Loubser, said 10 people died of gunshot wounds while two died of heart failure. He said most of the victims were shot in the back. The wounds were inflicted by different types of firearms.

The dead were: Mr Sam Nkonyane (51), Ms Elizabeth Thoko Malaza (28), Mrs Salome Mabena (50), Mrs Sarah Tefu (66), Mrs Mirriam Mello (65), Mr Moses Motsei (21), Mr Jerry Ngwatle (19), Mr Jacob Songo (24), Mrs Elizabeth Msiza (41), Thabo Makola (16), Mr Jacob Masanabo (32) and Mr Freddie Mavimbela (67).

Brigadier testifies at Mamelodi inquest

'I did not order use of live ammo'

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By McKeed Kotlolo, Pretoria Bureau

A former divisional inspector of the northern Transvaal police, Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, yesterday told an inquest hearing that he did not give orders to use live ammunition during the Mamelodi shootings in which 12 people were killed.

Brigadier Lerm said he ordered only that teargas be used to disperse "about 8 000 residents" at the local town council offices on the morning of November 21 1985.

No need to shoot

He told the court there was no need to shoot at the people who had gathered there to present their grievances to the mayor, Mr Zikhali Ndlazi.

He added that the huge crowd had not threatened any violence.

The brigadier was testifying at the inquest into the death of 12 people, including pensioners, who were allegedly shot during a Mamelodi rent protest march. The residents had also called for the withdrawal of police from the township.

Brigadier Lerm said he was called to Mamelodi to bring in police reinforcements to help disperse thousands of residents moving from Mamelodi East to the town council offices in Mamelodi West.

He could not go into the township but was blocked by a crowd of residents at the entrance about 60 m from the town council premises.

He said he told Lieutenant-Colonel Loots, who asked him whether to use teargas to disperse the people, that he should "use teargas and nothing else" because there was no need to use firearms.

Brigadier Lerm ... 'ordered teargas only'.

Brigadier Lerm said he warned the crowd — which he estimated at 5 000 — three times and gave them 10 minutes to disperse before the shooting occurred.

He then ordered that the policemen in Lieutenant-Colonel Loots's vehicle fire teargas from a strategic point so that it could be effective with the direction of the wind. He stressed that no other weapons should be used.

The brigadier added that at the time some senior officers were in a helicopter which hovered over the crowds.

He also said that as the number of people increased, he asked them to go to the local stadium where the mayor would be able to address them, but they refused.

He said most of the people in the front row were women who appeared to be under the influence of liquor.

Brigadier Lerm said the shooting occurred at about 9.50 am. At about 1 pm — after an 11 am meeting with SAP and SADF officers — he received information that three men and five women were killed in the shootings. The number increased to 12 at about 5 pm, he said.

The hearing continues.

Some students go back

SOVENGA. — There was "some measure of attendance" at the University of the North yesterday after students had boycotted classes since June 13, a spokesman for the university said.

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Officer tells of protest crowd

PRETORIA. — Some of the people in a crowd of Mamelodi residents, 12 of whom were allegedly shot dead by police during a rent protest march in November 1985, were under influence of alcohol, Brigadier Hertzog Lerm told a Pretoria North Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Brig Lerm, who was attached to the office of the area's divisional police commissioner at the time, and was called to the scene of protest shortly before the alleged shootings, was giving evidence at the inquest into the death of the 12 Mamelodi residents.

State pathologist Mr Johan Loubser testified that ten of the 12 died as a result of R1 and/or R4 submachinegun fire and buckshot and two of them due to heart failure.

He said that after he was telephoned by a Lieutenant-Colonel Loots informing him that thousands of Mamelodi East residents were marching to the stadium to speak to the mayor, Mr Bernard Ndlazi, and after receiving a radio message that the residents had gathered at the local municipal offices, he drove to the scene.

"When I arrived at the municipal offices I saw thousands of black people, chanting and singing and standing shoulder-to-shoulder down the street. Mr Ndlazi was addressing them but their screams were drowning his voice.

"The front of the crowd was made up of women, mostly under the influence of alcohol. I ordered them to disperse and some started to retreat but a young black man moved forward shouting at the women not to listen to me," said Brig Lerm.

The brigadier said one youth told him: "Today you cannot win. We are much more than you are."

"I then asked the crowd why the demonstration was taking place. A youth told me the the mayor was building houses for himself and for the community; that tariffs were increased and that they were protesting against the presence of the SADF and police in Mamelodi."

He said the crowd then started to push him against the fence after which he requested them to go to the soccer stadium "as I feared they would trample each other to death".

Mamelodi shootings: Cop 'may have left out' facts

PRETORIA. — The man in charge of the police in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985, when 12 people died — 10 allegedly shot dead by police — yesterday told the inquest magistrate he may have left out some important aspects in his statement, taken six months after the incident.

Brigadier Hertzog Lerm was answering questions from Mr Morris Basslian, appearing for the families.

"I believe my statement in April 1986 was a true reflection of what happened that day in Mamelodi. I only wrote down what I could remember, although it is possible that I may have left out other important aspects," said Brig Lerm.

Brig Lerm also said he was told by a Colonel Loots that a group of people were approaching the administration offices from Mamelodi East and that they were unruly. Col Loots told him that if he was to stop them he would have to shoot thousands of them.

Brig Lerm said that while he was at the administration offices his life was not in danger. He did not see any people throwing stones, nor any petrol bombs. He also did not see any weapons on the scene.

The proceedings came to an abrupt adjournment yesterday when Mr Basslian disagreed sharply with magistrate Mr P J Pretorius's ruling on the use of a video-tape recording of the incident as evidence.

Mr Basslian disagreed with Mr Pretorius's ruling that the crowd appeared peaceful at first and that it later became aggressive.

"There was no single incident of violence; no use of weapons or objects and no hostile movement by the crowd," argued Mr Basslian.

The hearing continues. — Sapa, Own Correspondent

Brig tells court of violent marchers

Sowetan 22/6/88

A SENIOR police officer who was in Mamelodi when 12 people died during action by the security forces three years ago, reported to his seniors that they would have to "kill thousands of people" to stop a violent mob march in Mamelodi East, an inquest court was told yesterday.

Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, former Divisional Inspector of the SAP in the Northern Transvaal, who was in charge of the security forces that day, said Colonel Loots reported early that morning that a large number of people marching in the streets were violent an throwing stones near the Pienaars River bridge in Mamelodi East. The mob also carried placards.

Colonel Loots also reported to him that the police station and the police single quarters were being attacked. Brigadier Lerm said Colonel Loots, who died in November last year, also told him that: "We must kill thousands of people if we have to stop the mob."

He was testifying before the magistrate, Mr J M Pretorius at an inquest into the deaths of 12 people who died during security force action in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985.

Two of the victims died of heart failure. Mr Morris Basslian, assisted by Mr Dikgang Moseneke put it to Professor David Johan Laubscher, an expert state pathologist, that it was going to be argued that Mr Sam Nkonyane died as a result of a gunshot wound and that he was fit and healthy and never suffered from heart failure.

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Mr Basslian yesterday put it to Brigadier Lerm that police officers, including Colonel Loots, who were at the scene in Mamelodi East that morning, have not mentioned incidents of violence in their statements which have already been submitted before court. Brigadier Lerm stressed that incidents of violence were reported to him by Colonel Loots.

(Proceeding)

Woman killed, two youths hurt in attack

PRETORIA. — A woman was killed and two youths hurt in knife and panga attacks in Natal on Tuesday night, according to yesterday's police unrest report.

Police said the woman, aged 54, who was not identified, was attacked and stabbed to death at kwaShange in the Sweetwaters area.

At Hammarsdale in Natal, a youth was wounded in an attack by a group who stabbed him. In another incident in the same area an 11-year-old boy was injured when he was attacked and struck with a panga.

At Mofolo, Soweto, police arrested 12 women who allegedly refused to disperse when warned they were gathering illegally.

At Atteridgeville near Pretoria, a youth was arrested after he allegedly stoned a security force vehicle. — Sapa

Inquest views videos

Videos showing Mamelodi residents trampling each other during a protest march to avoid teargas, as well as the outbreak of shooting in which 12 people died, were viewed by a Pretoria magistrate on Tuesday.

The inquest into the deaths of 12 Mamelodi residents on November 21 1985 was adjourned until today to allow counsel for the families to study the four police videos handed in as exhibits to the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court.

The videos showed Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, who was in charge of the police on that day, talking to the crowd, using a loud hailer.

Another recording showed a large group of chanting, singing, and placard-waving people.

The outbreak of the shooting was also shown. Tearsmoke canisters were hurled into the crowd and people could be seen trampling each other in an attempt to get away from the fumes.

Another video showed groups walking away from the scene after the shooting, while the fourth depicted the situation as seen from the helicopter.

The magistrate said it was clear as the number of people increased, the mood of the crowd changed. — Sapa.

Still paying the price

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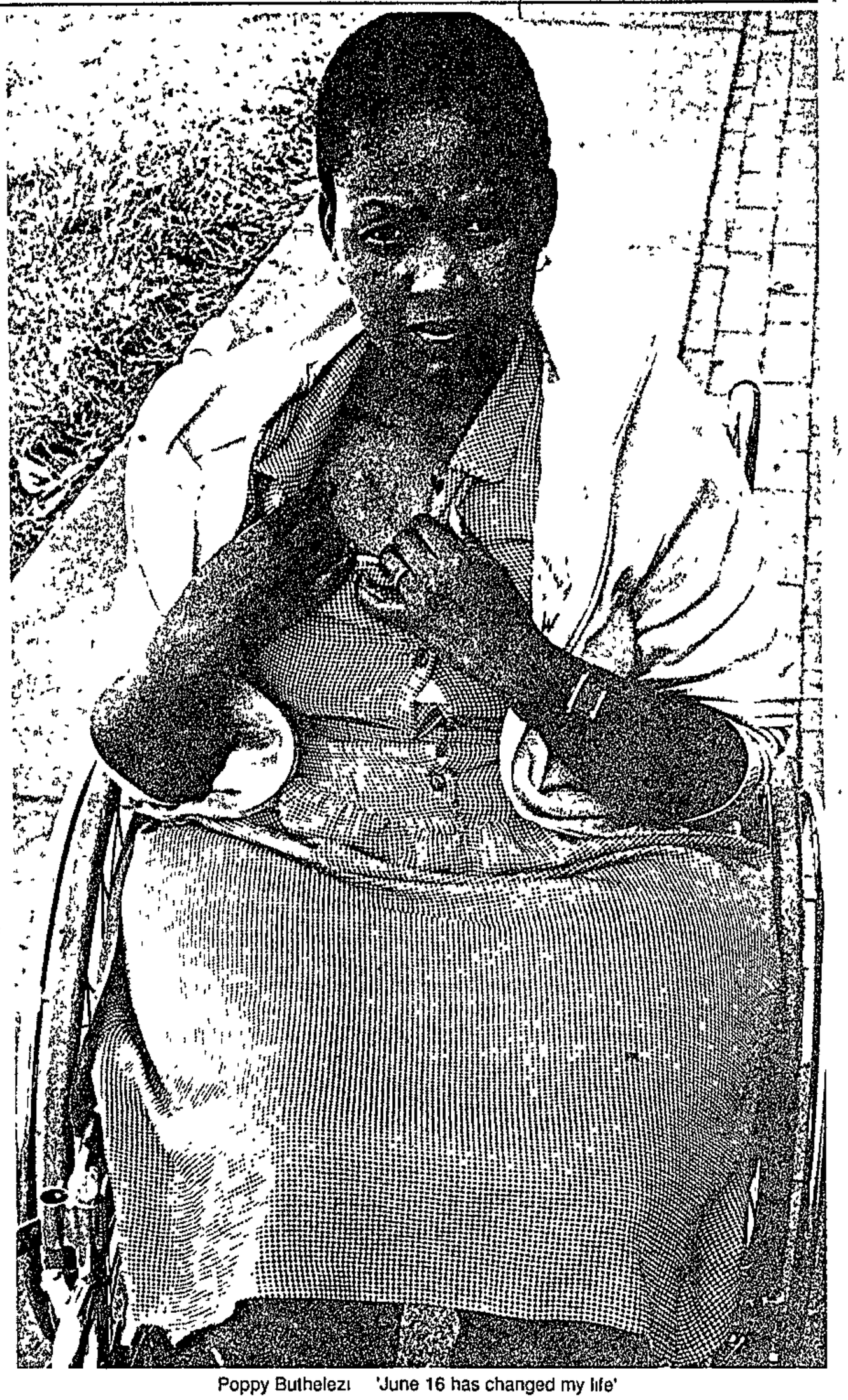
On June 16 1976 a 17-year-old Soweto pupil Poppy Zama Buthelezi joined thousands of other pupils to protest against Afrikaans being introduced as a medium of instruction at schools.

Today, after 12 years in a wheelchair — the result of bullet fired by police only hours after the "Soweto student uprising" started — she is still paying the price.

MONO BADELA spoke to her on the eve of the 12th anniverary of the 1976 Soweto uprisings.



Poppy Buthelezi 'June 16 has changed my life'

JOHANNESBURG — Twelve years ago Poppy Buthelezi used to dash happily to Senoane Junior Secondary school in Soweto

Today she depends largely on her three brothers and two sisters to push her wheelchair

Buthelezi said "I did not expect Soweto to go up in flames or that there would be shooting and teargassing when I joined my fellow pupils on a protest march

"As I was returning home with hundreds of other pupils, things started hotting up People were running away. I was hit and remember falling onto the dusty road. I woke up in hospital on June 19."

Nurses told her she would never walk again. At that stage the hospital was filled with wounded people, mostly pupils in uniforms

Buthelezi says: "I am trying to forget But I have this permanent injury that makes me remember myself as a healthy 12-year-old "

She is very bitter "But I do not regret being part of the demonstration We hated Afrikaans They tried to ram it down our throats "

No compensation

She remained in hospital for seven months After two years she decided to go back to school full-time In September 1981 her mother died and she could not concentrate on her matric studies She had to repeat Std 10 in 1982.

After passing her matric she attended typing lessons until she started working as an administrator at the paraplegics centre in Soweto, preparing wages for disabled workers and acting as receptionist She was not compensated as police claimed she was involved in a riot.

Buthelezi is still politically committed

"I have not given up the fight I attended a service to commemorate June 16 at Regina Mundi Catholic Church last week I cannot give up the fight, not after what happened to me "

Buthelezi was part of a group that last week visited the grave of Hector Pieterson, the first person shot dead during the uprisings in 1976

Young Muzi Nkosi of Soweto was nine years old when he was blinded by police fire in 1976 Today Muzi is 21 and has to be guided wherever he wants to go

But Muzi is not bitter "I don't know what it is to be bitter I was too young to understand and I still don't understand why they were shooting All I know is that they have blinded me "

Man shot in Maritzburg

PRETORIA. — A man was wounded in the ongoing unrest in the Martizburg area when an unidentified gunman fired at a group of people in Sobantu.

In other incidents of unrest in Natal, a delivery vehicle was gutted at KwaMashu, and at KwaDengezi a group damaged a private vehicle and assaulted three men.

At Mapetla, Soweto, a house was extensively damaged when it was set alight by arsonists. — Sapa

Tale of the tapes

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LAWYERS acting for the families of the 12 people killed during security force action in Mamelodi three years ago, will give reasons before a Pretoria North inquest court today why they oppose the magistrate's judgement on video tapes submitted as exhibits this week.

The inquest into the deaths of the 12 people, who include pensioners was postponed again yesterday following a delay by the police to give lawyers representing the families the four video tapes that showed scenes of crowds of people who had gathered in front of the administration board offices on the morning of November 21, 1985.

The magistrate, Mr J M Pretorius, after viewing the four tapes on Tuesday afternoon, said he had observed that although the large crowd was well-behaved and had waved to the police earlier, "the mood of the people changed as the numbers increased".

His observation was challenged by Mr Morris Basslian, assisted by Mr Dikgang Moseneke, who argued that no incidents of violence could be detected on all the tapes. He also submitted that the magistrate had ignored several relevant facts on the tapes.

'Aggressive' marchers ignored police orders

PRETORIA. — Thousands of Mamelodi residents taking part in a protest march three years ago were "aggressive" and had refused to obey police orders shortly before the security forces opened fire to disperse them, a senior policeman said yesterday.

Colonel David Frederick Calitz, former Northern Transvaal District Commander, was giving evidence at an inquest into the deaths of 12 Mamelodi residents who died after police opened fire on the crowd on November 21, 1985.

He told the court how people laughed and danced when he asked them to go home as they were holding an "illegal" meeting. He could not tell the court, however, which law they were violating.

"I was also told by a man in the crowd that the police would not do anything that day because there were more residents than security forces, and we did not have enough ammunition," Col Calitz said during cross-examination.

He said that according to his observation, the presence of "so many people", their refusal to move or go home when asked to do so by the police, and the noise they made, indicated they were aggressive. — Sapa

Inquest told crowd was 'aggressive'

Colonel questioned on protesters' behaviour

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By Mckeed Kotlolo,
Pretoria Bureau

A retired district commander of the Pretoria North police, Colonel Fredrik Dawid Calitz, told the November 21 Mamelodi shootings inquest on Friday that the residents who had gathered at the local town council offices that day were "aggressive and threatened violence".

Colonel Calitz said that on several occasions he had warned the crowd to disperse, but they had refused.

Asked by Mr Morris Basslian, appearing for the families of the victims, how he had come to decide that the crowd was aggressive, the colonel said: "The situation was frightening. The people ignored the warnings to disperse and go home. They laughed, sang and danced. They made a lot of noise and caused a commotion."

They were aggressive even after the arrival of Brigadier Hertzog Lerm about 30 minutes after he (Colonel Calitz) had warned the people to disperse.

Brigadier Lerm had testified earlier that the crowd was not aggressive and did not threaten any violence.

The colonel also said the residents were aggressive when the mayor, Mr Zikhali Ndlazi, addressed them before the shootings.

The witness agreed with Mr Basslian when he said that in video recordings Mr Ndlazi greeted the masses and "they responded by saying 'Hello' ".

The colonel said certain sections of the crowd listened as they were addressed by the mayor and other police officers, but others were not co-operative.

Mr Basslian said that nowhere in the video tapes viewed in court did the residents show any signs of aggression nor did any of the statements submitted by other policemen and witnesses who were at the scene at the time mention any aggression on the part of the crowd.

Asked if he had seen any resident carrying a weapon at the town council offices, Colonel Calitz replied: "I did not see any weapon."

Asked if he had received any information from policemen about people carrying stones, he said he was not in charge that day and "nobody reported to me anything about stones or weapons".

He said in his 38 years in the police force the refusal to disperse when asked to do so was an "essential sign of aggression".

Mr Basslian suggested that he did not ask the crowd to disperse because that did not appear in any of the many statements submitted by policemen, the mayor and other witnesses who were at the scene.

He said teargas canisters were fired at the crowd after Brigadier Lerm had given them about five minutes to disperse.

Court to decide on conflicting views

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The inquest into the November 21 1985 Mamelodi shootings which left 12 residents dead, was postponed to today after the magistrate yesterday ordered lawyers for the families of victims to submit statements of witnesses who testified at a private commission of inquiry in 1986. Star 28/6/88

The three-man inquiry was under the chairmanship of advocate Arthur Chaskalson and was sponsored by the Pretoria Council of Churches (PCC).

Advocate Morris Basslian for the families had put it to a retired District Commander of the Pretoria North Police, Colonel Fredrik Dawid Calitz, during cross-examination on Friday that Colonel Calitz's evidence about residents being "aggressive" differed with a statement made by the mayor of Mamelodi, Mr Zikhali Ndlazi, during the 1986 inquiry.

Before postponing the hearing to today, Mr T N Pretorius ordered Mr Basslian to submit all the statements made at the 1986 commission of inquiry to the court.

Mr Dikgang Moseneke, also for the families, told the inquest that before they could submit the statements, they would have to consult the witnesses.

The instructing attorney in the case, Mr Nano Matlala, said the statements in their possession belonged to the PCC.

PRETORIA INQUEST TAKES NEW TURN

Mr ZIKHALI Ndlazi . . . statement.

THE presiding magistrate at the inquest into the deaths of 12 Mamelodi residents yesterday ordered lawyers representing the bereaved families to submit statements made by witnesses at a private commission of inquiry conducted by the Pretoria Council of Churches two years ago.

Mr J M Pretorius ordered Mr Morris Basslian and Mr Dikgang Moseneke, to submit all the statements, including that of Mamelodi mayor, Mr Zikhali Ndlazi. Sowetan 28/6/88

The private commission of inquiry into the death of the 12 including

By MONK NKOMO

pensioners, during security force action on November 21, 1985, was chaired by Mr Arthur Chaskalson SC and was conducted in 1986. (278)

The magistrate said he made this ruling following a submission by Mr Basslian on Friday that Mr Ndlazi had already testified somewhere that the crowd on the day of the shootings was not aggressive.

Mr Basslian submitted this while cross-examining Colonel David Calitz, former district commandant for the Northern Transvaal, who told the court on Friday that the crowd near the administration boards offices was aggressive that morning.

After a lengthy adjournment yesterday, Mr Pretorius postponed the hearing to today to give the defence lawyers time to consult people who testified at the commission of inquiry.

Earlier, Colonel Calitz, now in retirement, told the court that although he could move about in the large crowd that had gathered near the administration board's offices that morning, he felt threatened. The crowd was aggressive, he added. He conceded that although he told the crowd to go home, this was not reflected in the statement he has submitted in court.

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Ellis Park six in court

By Ayesha Ismail

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Six people, including a 16-year-old youth, appeared in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Courts yesterday in connection with last year's Kruger Day killings at Ellis Park Rugby Stadium.

Mr Sidwell Ntuli (20), Mr Mathews Matope (18), Mr Clement Mokotedo (18), Mr Siphiwe Tshabala (18), Mr Vusi Eric Koos Masitene (29) and the 16-year-old were not asked to plead and no charges were put to them.

The court is awaiting a decision from the Attorney-General.

Counsel for Mr Ntuli, Mr L Levisohn, said the case had been going on since October last year and that the Attorney-General had had enough time to formulate charges.

He told the court that none of the accused had been pointed out at an identity parade held last year.

Mr Levisohn said he hoped that charges would be put to the accused by July 4. He said if charges were not formulated by then, the charges should be withdrawn and the accused should be released.

Ms L van der Walt for the state said this was a difficult case which would take a lot of investigating.

She told the court the case was sensitive and politically orientated.

She added that the Attorney-General's decision would be ready on July 4.

DISPUTE OVER FALLEN FENCE

Top cop, mayor differ about event

EVIDENCE by the mayor of Mamelodi, Mr Zikhali Ndlazi that part of the fence bordering the local administration board offices was flattened by a large crowd on November 21, 1985 but only after tearsmoke was used, was not the truth, a senior police officer said yesterday.

By MONK NKOMO

Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, former Divisional Inspector for the Northern Transvaal, said the fence was flattened before the crowd was dispersed by the police with tearsmoke that morning.

Mr Morris Basslian, who is representing the families of 12 people who were killed that day, put it to the witness that Mr Ndlazi had testified at a commission of inquiry that the fence was not damaged before the police used tearsmoke.

"That is not true," replied Brigadier Lerm.

He was testifying in the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court at an inquest into the deaths of 12 people who were allegedly shot by security forces on November 21, 1985.

Cross-examined by Mr Basslian, who is assisted by Mr Dikgang Moseneke, Brigadier Lerm said he had ordered the large crowd thrice to disperse before he ordered tearsmoke be used.

Refused

The police officer said he wanted the crowd to go to the nearby football stadium but the crowd refused saying that they feared they would be teargassed," the court heard.

Brigadier Lerm said he ordered the crowd to disperse because he feared they would trample each other to death. There was pandemonium and the crowd was emotional. They were shouting and raising clenched fists, Brigadier Lerm said.

He agreed under cross-examination that none of the people in the crowd carried weapons, bricks or stones. He also did not hear of or see any acts of violence being committed by the crowd.

Mr Basslian put it to Brigadier Lerm that video tapes submitted in court as exhibits did not depict any scenes of violence or people being dragged or threatened.

"I believe what you say," replied Brigadier Lerm

The defence lawyer, following a court order on Monday, yesterday submitted 28 statements made by witneses during a private commission of inquiry which was conducted by the Pretoria Council of Churches in 1986. Mr Basslian submitted that although the police were invited to testify at the inquiry, they did not respond

Proceeding.

BRIGADIER Lerm . . . warning.

Sowetan 24/6/88 (27)

Kruger Day killings case

SIX people including a 16-year-old youth appeared in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court on Monday in connection with last year's Kruger Day killings at Ellis Park.

SOWETAN Reporter

Mr Sidwell Ntuli (20); Mr Mathews Matope (18), Mr Clement Mokotedo (18), Mr Siphiwe Tshabalala (18), Mr Vusi Eric Koos-Masitene (29) and the 16-year-old were not asked to plead and no charges were put to them.

The court awaits a decision from the Attorney-General before charges can be put.

The accused are appearing on allegations of two counts of murder, public violence and attempted murder.

Counsel for Mr Ntuli, Mr L Levisohn said the case has been on since October last year and felt that the Attorney-General has had enough time to formulate charges for the accused to plead.

He told the court an identity parade was held last year and none of the accused was pointed out.

Mr Levisohn said he hoped that charges would be put to the accused by July 4. He said if charges were not formulated by then, the charges should be withdrawn and the accused should be released from custody.

Ms L van der Walt for the State said this was a difficult case which takes a lot of investigation.

She told the court this case was sensitive and politically orientated.

Mr van der Walt said that the Attorney-General's decision would be ready on July 4.

Mr Ntuli, Mr Tshabalala and Mr Masitene were remanded. Mr Matope and Mr Mokotedo are out on R2 000 bail and the 16-year-old youth is out on R1 000 bail.

Mamelodi shootings: cameramen to testify

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By McKeed Kotlolo
Pretoria Bureau

The inquest into the November 21 1985 Mamelodi shootings was postponed to today following an order by magistrate Mr J N Pretorius calling the cameramen who shot the video tapes, submitted in court by the police as exhibits, to testify.

The order follows a request by Mr Morris Basslian, for the families, to get the crew that filmed the incidents to explain how the pictures were taken.

INTIMIDATION

The video tapes were yesterday viewed in court during a cross-examination involving the former divisional inspector of the northern Transvaal police, Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, so that he could point out scenes in the videos that showed intimidation of the residents.

Before postponing the hearing to today, Mr Pretorius ordered that the cameramen should appear before the inquest this morning.

Earlier in the hearing, Brigadier Lerm told the court that the people who stood in front of him when he spoke on his arrival outside the Mamelodi council premises had been "intimidated".

Mr Basslian put it to him that there were no scenes of people being intimidated in the tapes viewed in court.

Brigadier Lerm said that, before the shooting occurred, he had pleaded with the people to go to the local stadium where the mayor Mr Zikhali Ndlazi would address them, or to disperse to avoid being fired at with teargas.

Brigadier Lerm said their reply was: "We are not going to the stadium because we don't want to be fired (at) with teargas inside the stadium."

He later suggested they go to an open space opposite the council offices after he spotted thousands of people approaching from the side of the stadium. At the open space he asked them again to disperse.

He told the hearing that he also asked them to appoint a delegation to discuss their grievances with Mr Ndlazi.

ILLEGAL GATHERING

He said he had warned the crowd in both official languages, but Mr Basslian put it to him that "in the video tape you only used Afrikaans".

Brigadier Lerm warned the crowd that their gathering was illegal and said the masses had blocked the road and refused to move away when he requested them to do so.

Earlier, lawyers for the families submitted statements and affidavits made by witnesses at the 1986 inquiry into the shootings.

No sign of violence — SAP cameraman

Mamelodi 'peaceful before shootings'

Star 30/6/88

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By Mckeed Kotlolo
Pretoria Bureau

A cameraman who filmed the November 21 1985 Mamelodi shootings from a helicopter told the inquest court yesterday that there were no signs of violence from the residents before the shootings.

Major Warnick Rossouw of the South African Police said he received orders at about 10 am to go to Mamelodi and film the incidents. He left the SAP College in a helicopter shortly after 10 am and they arrived in Mamelodi 15 to 30 minutes later. They immediately started taking pictures.

Major Rossouw was testifying at the inquest into the deaths of 12 people who were allegedly shot during a Mamelodi rent protest march. The residents were also calling for the withdrawal of members of the police force in the township.

He said there were four people in the helicopter, including his assistant and the pilot. Any of the occupants who saw a scene worth filming could have drawn his attention to it.

He agreed with Mr Morris Basslian, for the families, that if they had seen "any stone-throwing, people surrounding a police vehicle or attacking something" they would have filmed the incident.

Mr Basslian asked if anything like a teargas canister was thrown or fired from the helicopter. Major Rossouw replied that nothing was fired from the helicopter.

People were not violent

The major repeatedly answered that the people were not violent before the shootings outside the town council offices and he also denied that there were people on the roofs of houses.

Asked by Mr Basslian if he had seen a fallen fence at the council offices before the shooting occurred, the major said he had not.

Major Rossouw told the court that he filmed about 40 burning objects in the township that day but only 33 appeared on the video tapes.

Asked by Mr J H Hugo SC, for the police, if there was any violence from the side of the police before the shootings, Major Rossouw said there was none.

The senior prosecutor at the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court said some Mamelodi policemen whose houses were allegedly attacked on the day of the shootings would testify in court today.

Court sees video tapes

A VIDEO cameraman who took pictures from the air during the Mamelodi shootings on November 21, 1985, yesterday told an inquest court that he did not see any act of violence being committed or people attacking security force vehicles.

Major Warnich Rossouw also told the court during cross-examination by Mr Morris Basslian, appearing for the families of 12 people who died on that day, that he saw no incidents of violence near the administration board offices even before security forces sprayed tearsmoke to disperse the large crowd that had gathered nearby.

Major Rossouw was testifying before Mr J N Pretorius in the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court at the inquest into the deaths of the 12 who were allegedly shot dead by security forces in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985.

Barricades

The police officer said that a number of streets in the township were barricaded with objects such as stones and burning tyres after the large crowd was dispersed with tearsmoke.

After viewing the two video tapes, taken by Major Rossouw, the court yesterday found that there were 33 burning objects in the streets. Most of these were tyres.

Cross-exained by Mr Basslian Major Rossouw said he did not see any of the people in the crowd near the administration board offices throwing stones, surrounding and or attacking a police or SADF vehicles while he took the shots.

Mamelodi inquest: Police videos don't confirm evidence

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The inquest into the deaths of 12 Mamelodi residents during a rent protest in March 1985 was yesterday shown police videos of the day's events.

The videos failed to confirm earlier evidence by KwaNdebele Commissioner of Police Brigadier Hertzog Lerm that a crowd of people had pushed over a fence outside the Administration Board building where they were gathered.

Police cameraman Major Warnich Roussouw said he had been unable to determine, from the helicopter in which he was filming, whether the crowd had pushed over the fence or had been behaving aggressively. The fence was stationary at the time when police opened fire with teargas canisters. Maj Roussouw said that as far as he was able to tell, the crowd had dispersed after the teargas was fired and had not regrouped.

The inquest had determined earlier that the 12 people killed all died of bullet wounds received during police action.

4 cars damaged

PRETORIA. — Four vehicles were damaged in unrest in the past 24 hours.

According to police a man in Dobsonville, Soweto, was robbed of his vehicle which was then set alight.

At KwaZakele near Port Elizabeth a vehicle was petrol-bombed twice. In another incident in the area, a vehicle was stoned.

In a third incident in the area, a vehicle was petrol-bombed. — Sapa

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Constable 'tried to put out fire in house'

I fired 4 shots at the crowd, says witness

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By Mckeed Kotlolo,
Pretoria Bureau

Constable Philemon Morudu, of Mamelodi, yesterday told the inquest into the November 21 1985 shootings in the township that he did not know if anybody was wounded when he fired four shots at a mob that stoned a policeman's house.

Constable Morudu said he was on patrol with a Constable Kabini at about 10 am on November 21, when they received orders over the radio to go to the house of the late Constable Sinki Vuma in Mamelodi East which was being attacked by a mob. He said smoke was coming out of the house and a mob of 200 to 300 people was stoning it.

Constable Vuma was not at home at the time and "I pushed the jarred door and got in to the house to save people who might be trapped inside", he said.

Constable Morudu was testifying at the inquest into the death of 12 people shot during a Mamelodi rent protest. The residents were also calling for the withdrawal of police from the township.

Constable Morudu said the mob continued to stone the house while he made five trips inside with a bucket of water to extinguish the fire.

Constable Morudu said he fired four shots from a shotgun after he was ordered to do so by a Captain Nemarwane who arrived at the scene and warned the mob to disperse.

The constable, who said he was not trained to control a crowd, told the inquest that he aimed his first shot at the feet of the crowd.

"I fired three more shots at the mob, which refused to disperse, and that seemed to provoke them. One of the attackers said they should not be afraid because I was firing birdshot, which does not kill," he said.

Asked by advocate Morris Basslian, for the families, if he knew whether anybody in the crowd was wounded, he said: "I did not see any wounded person, but it was possible that some could have been injured."

He told the court that "the mob would have killed us if I did not fire at them."

Fence was flattened

He said he did not see or hear of any policeman struck or injured by a stone from the mob. He said that one section of the high fence at the home of Constable Vuma was already flattened when they arrived.

He said the crowd had burnt car tyres, which made it difficult for him to give the court an estimate of the distance between the house and the mob during the stoning.

Asked if he was not taught during his training as a policeman, "to use minimum force to disperse a crowd, to first warn the people to disperse, then use teargas before using bird or buck shot," the constable replied: "That's what all policemen are taught during training."

He said some neighbours tried to help him put out the fire inside the house, "but I stopped them and told them to go away because I feared that the stone throwers might also join and pretend to assist while the aim was to kill us".

The hearing continues.

Mamelodi crowd not violent

CP Reporter

FORMER SAP divisional inspector for the Northern Transvaal, Brig Hertzog Lerm, this week told a Pretoria North magistrate that none of the people in the crowd that marched to the Mamelodi administration offices on November 21, 1985, carried dangerous weapons.

He added the crowd was not violent or aggressive, as earlier testified at the inquest into the death of 12 people.

Lerm said the crowd was, nevertheless, emotional and unsettled. His men fired teargas after the crowd ignored three warnings to disperse.

'Cop aimed at heads'

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A POLICE constable who was labelled an untruthful witness told the Pretoria North inquest court on Friday that when he fired three shots at a stone-throwing mob in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985, he had aimed at their heads.

Constable Philemon Morudi said he fired four shots at a mob of about 300 people who were stoning a Constable Vuma's house that day.

He aimed one shot at the feet and the other three at the heads following instructions to shoot by Lieutenant Nemorane. He did not know if anybody was wounded during the shooting.

Not struck

Constable Morudi said he was not struck by any of the stones. The police vehicle was also not damaged. He was never informed if any of his colleagues were hit by the stones, the court heard.

He offered no comment when the defence lawyer, Mr Morris Basslian, put it to him that if about 300 people were stoning the house the police would not have parked their van near the gate. Mr Basslian, who described the policeman's evidence as "amazing", put it to Constable Morudi that his evidence contradicted his statement submitted in court. Constable Morudi declined to comment.

Constable Morudi was testifying before Mr J N Pretorius at the inquest into the death of 12 people who were allegedly shot by security forces in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985.

By MONK NKOMO

Mr Basslian, assisted by Mr Dikgang Moseneke and Mr Nano Matlala, the instructing attorney, put it to Constable Morudi that he was going to argue at the end of the inquest that he was "deliberately evasive, untruthful," and that he had a deliberately evasive memory.

Another witness, Mrs Phyllistus Lerutla, told the court that she and 10 other people were ordered off a taxi while on their way to work about 8am that day. They were told to go to the local administration board offices. Mrs Lerutla said she was about 500 metres away from the offices when she saw tearsmoke being sprayed to disperse a large number of people who were fleeing in different directions.

"I was shot in the left leg," said Mrs Lerutla, who added that the bullet was still lodged in her leg. She told the court that she was choked by the tearsmoke fumes "and my face was hot."

Operated

Mrs Lerutla said she picked up a wet cloth in a street and wiped her face. She was taken to the local Day Hospital and later transferred to the Kalafong Hospital where she was operated on.

Cross-examined by Mr Basslian, Mrs Lerutla said she saw a number of people at the hospital who were also injured. "Two wards were full of people who were injured that day," Mrs Lerutla said.

Asked by Mr J H Hugo, SC, who is appearing for the police, if she knew where all the injured people came from, she replied: "They were all from Mamelodi."

(Proceeding)

Residents were not violent, inquest told

By Mckeed Kotlolo, Pretoria Bureau

A young Mamelodi mother, Mrs Phillistus Lerutle, who was shot in the leg during the November 21 1985 shootings in the township, told a magistrate on Friday that no residents were involved in stone-throwing or any form of violence.

Mrs Lerutle, with a bullet still lodged in her left leg, said she was on her way to work when a taxi she had boarded in Mamelodi East was stopped by a group of youths who told them to go to the local town council offices where there was a rent protest.

She said on the way to the council offices in Section 'A' Mamelodi West, they were dispersed by security forces using teargas and guns.

She told the court that there were many people, but she did not see anybody carrying or throwing stones. She also said she did not personally see the police.

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She said she heard gunshots and people scattered. "I saw white smoke from a distance and shortly afterwards the fumes choked me."

Mrs Lerutle said a short time later her left leg was "wet" and she sat down because she could not walk.

Other people had fallen, but she did not see whether they were bleeding or not. All she remembered was that many were overcome by the teargas fumes.

Asked By Mr Morris Basslian for the families whether she saw any police vehicle in the area at the time, she replied: "No, I only saw two helicopters."

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She also said she did not see anyone singing or dancing.

Mrs Lerutle said she was taken to the local day hospital from where she was transferred to the Kalafong Hospital where she found many wards full of Mamelodi residents.

Asked by Mr J H Hugo SC, for the South African Police, how she knew that those admitted to the two wards were from Mamelodi, she replied she could not walk "but some of them visited me and the nursing sisters at the hospital also told us".

The hearing continues.

an appearance in Yugoslav air force livery. Yugoslavia is try outside the Soviet bloc to purchase the new fighter.

Arts festival future is threatened by boycott

By Adrienne Sichel

GRAHAMSTOWN — The future of the Grahamstown Festival, which is facing serious boycott threats, will be discussed at a public meeting tomorrow.

"To be . . . or not to be: The Future of the Grahamstown Festival and the Cultural Boycott" is the title of the discussion.

It is organised by a concerned group of professional actors, directors and some progressive organisations in conjunction with the festival committee.

Representatives for the artists said that a meeting called by progressive organisations was held in Johannesburg on this issue last month.

The reasons for a possible boycott include that during a third state of emergency the festival remains elitist, white-orientated and located in one of the hardest-hit economically pressed areas in the country.

It was decided that since the Standard Bank National Arts Festival drew people from all parts of the country, it would be an ideal opportunity to create an open forum.

Kruger Day killings: 6 appear

Six people pleaded not guilty in a Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday to charges of murdering Mr Lodge van Druten and Mr Basil Godfrey, attempting to murder seven others, and public violence relating to last year's Kruger Day killings at Ellis Park.

They are Mr Sidwell Ntuli (20), Mr Mathews Matope (18), Mr Clement Makotedo (18), Mr Siphiwe Tshabalala (18), Mr Vusi Eric Koos Masitene (29) and a 16-year-old youth. The hearing was postponed to August 12.

Soldier fired at me, says Mamelodi witness

Pretoria Bureau

A Mamelodi mother told an inquest into the 1985 Mamelodi shootings yesterday that she was shot by a soldier while she was on her way home on November 21.

Mrs Evelyn Mthimunye, who still has pellets lodged in her buttocks, said she was en route from her aunt's place to her Section Q house, when she saw a group of youths running away from an army vehicle.

She said the youths had just passed her when she saw a soldier pointing a rifle at her. Then she heard a gunshot.

She said she was hit in the buttocks and fell to the ground. She estimated that the shot was fired from about 20 m.

Asked by Advocate D S Fourie, for the SADF, how she knew that she was shot by a soldier, she said she saw their "dark brown uniform" and that they were travelling in an army vehicle.

She also told the court that the running youths were unarmed.

The hearing continues.

SGT EMPTIED HIS GUN ON A MOB

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A MAMELODI police sergeant yesterday described how he fired eight shots at a stone-throwing mob of about 200 people who attacked his house on November 21, 1985.

Sergeant Esau Nkwe said he saw a woman lying on the road near his house after he had emptied his .765 pistol into the crowd at about 11,30am that day.

He did not know if the woman was killed or wounded. "I did not see her moving," he added.

Sgt Nkwe was testifying before a Pretoria North magistrate, Mr J N Pretorius, at the inquest into the deaths of 12 people, including pensioners who were allegedly shot by security forces in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985.

The policeman said the mob arrived at his Block A house and started throwing stones and other missiles. He was with two of his sister's children. "I feared that they were going to kill or injure us," Sgt Nkwe said.

He told the court that he took his .765 pistol which was loaded with eight bullets.

Examined by Mrs A van Tonder, who is appearing for the State, Sgt Nkwe said he fired all the shots through a window that was broken during a previous attack. Asked if he could see what he was firing at, the policeman told the court that he aimed at the feet of his attackers. Part of his roof was damaged during the attack.

Cross-examined by Mr Morris Basslian, Sgt Nkwe said the mob fled when police arrived at the scene in three Landrovers. Neither he nor the other policemen went to look at the woman who lay in the street near his house, he said.

"I was frightened. The police in the three Landrovers only took my particulars and even refused to leave one policeman with me to protect us," said Sgt Nkwe.

(Proceeding)

Cop tells of shooting at 200

PRETORIA. — A Mamelodi policeman recalled in the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court yesterday how he emptied his pistol at a group of 200 people who were stoning his house, wounding one of them.

Sergeant Esau Nkwe was giving evidence in the inquest into the death of 12 people killed during a protest march on November 21, 1985.

Sergeant Nkwe said he saw the group approaching his house and they started stoning it. He produced a pistol and fired eight bullets through a broken window, shattered earlier by stones.

After the shooting he saw a woman lying in the road. Sergeant Nkwe said he did not check whether the woman had been killed and he saw a group of boys carrying her later to a nearby house.

He had opened fire because he feared for his life and those of his family. — Sapa

Inquest court told of 'burning' threat

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By Mckeed Kotlolo
Pretoria Bureau

A former Mamelodi town council employee, Mr Jurie Jahannes Kuhn, told the Mamelodi shootings inquest yesterday that he and his black colleagues were warned to stop working or "they will burn us".

Mr Kuhn said small groups of unarmed youths passed near the council's workshop and "threatened to burn us if we continued to work".

At least 12 people died in Mamelodi on November 21 1985 after security forces opened fire on thousands of resident protesting against high monthly rentals and police presence in the area.

He was frightened, Mr Kuhn said, and had to lock the workshop at about 9.25 am. He then drove through groups of people who opened the way for him. The black staff used back doors to leave the workshop.

He said he did not see anybody carrying stones, sticks or any missiles — and he did not see any attacks on anything by the residents that morning. Star 6/7/86

The witness told the inquest that the following morning when he reported for work he found one side of the workshop's fence flattened, the storeroom slightly burnt and council trucks and window-panes of the building damaged.

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THREE people, including two women — one of whom died — were shot by members of the SADF in Mamelodi on November 21 1985, it was alleged in the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court yesterday.

'Woman gunned down'

"Mr Joseph Matimbe, of Block C Mamelodi West, who is also chief security official of Mamelodi Sundowns Football Club, said he was standing in his yard that morning when he saw a member of the SADF on a truck, pointing a firearm at him (Matimbe). There was a women he identified as Thoko Beauty Malaza. She was "walking at a fast pace" near his house.

Mr Matimbe said he then saw Miss Malaza fall in the street. "She was shot because she was bleeding from the head," said Mr Matimbe.

He added that he turned and walked towards the house. "I was then shot from the back. I fell. I was later taken to the local day hospital and transferred to Kalafong Hospital where I was operated on," said Mr Matimbe.

He was testifying at the inquest into the death of twelve people, including Ms Malaza, who were allegedly shot by security forces in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985.

Another witness Mrs Evelyn Mthimunye told the court she was on her way to work that morning when five sjambok-wielding youths ordered her to join other residents to discuss the rent issue at the local administration board offices.

Mrs Mthimunye said on her way home she saw a SADF vehicle behind a group of running youths.

She added: "I saw a member of the SADF on and ordered her to join a hippo pointing a firearm at me. I then heard a shot. I lost consciousness after being shot in the buttock. I was taken to Kalafong Hospital. Some of the gunshot pellets are still lodged in my buttocks."

(Proceeding)

DAY WOMAN LOS HER RIGHT HAND

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Shot while on her way home

A 26-YEAR-OLD woman yesterday told the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court how she lost the use of her right hand after being shot in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985.

By MONK NKOMO

Miss Doreen Baloyi of Section D in Mamelodi West, an employee at the local Cheney's Dry Cleaners, said she and eight others were on duty at about 9am that day when an unidentified man came in and ordered them to close shop. The man told them that nobody in the township had gone to work that morning.

He also told them that only adults were requested to attend a meeting at the local administration board offices to discuss the rent issue.

Miss Baloyi said they were frightened and decided to close the premises and left at about 9.30am. She went home.

While on her way home she saw a stationary SADF vehicle about 200 m away. She was walking between Section B and C near the football stadium.

Pain

"I then felt a pain in my right hand. I fell to the ground. A number of people helped and took me to Kalafong Hospital where I was told that I had been shot at. I was admitted to the hospital until December 30, 1985," said Miss Baloyi.

She added: "After being shot I saw a bone sticking out of my hand. I cannot use my right hand anymore. I still undergo regular treatment at the hospital."

Miss Baloyi was testifying before the magistrate, Mr J N Pretorius, at the inquest into the death of 12 people, including pensioners, who were allegedly shot by security forces in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985.

Examined by Mr Morris Basslian, assisted by Mr Dikgang Moseneke, Mrs Baloyi said at the time she was shot at, she was not doing anything unlawful.

"I did not see anybody carrying stones, bottles or sticks or attacking the army and police vehicles", she said.

(Proceeding)

SADF shot three people in Mamelodi, court told

PRETORIA. — Three people, including two women — one of whom died, were shot by members of the SADF in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985, it was alleged in the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Mr Joseph Matimbe, chief security official of Mamelodi Sundowns Football Club, said he was standing in his yard that morning when he saw an SADF member on a truck, pointing a firearm at him.

He was testifying at the inquest into the death of 12 people allegedly shot by security forces that day.

He said he saw Miss Thoko Beauty Malaza who was "bleeding from the head" fall in the street. She died later.

He said he was then shot from behind. — Sapa

'Lieutenant told me he killed 2 men'

Cameraman tells of Mamelodi shootings

By McKeed Kotlolo, Pretoria Bureau

A cameraman for the South African Police, Sergeant Paul Henry Nel, who filmed the November 21 1985 Mamelodi shootings, yesterday told the inquest into the shootings that a Lieutenant le Roux told him that he (Le Roux) had shot and killed two black men that morning.

Sergeant Nel, who shot video films from a Casspir vehicle and from the ground, was testifying at the inquest into the shootings that claimed the lives of 12 residents. The inquest was postponed to December.

Sergeant Nel, of the SAP's video unit, said Lieutenant le Roux had taken him to two houses in Section C in Mamelodi West, where the two people were shot dead shortly after teargas was used to disperse the crowd that had gathered outside the town council offices.

At the first house, Lieutenant le Roux had told him: "A group of black men was standing against a wire fence They started throwing stones and bricks at the Casspir and wounded a warrant officer and damaged the right-hand-side headlight of the Casspir."

The sergeant said. "Le Roux told me that he shot and killed the man. Later, he took me to another house where he told me that a group of black men on the roof of the house hurled stones and bricks at a passing patrol. Members of the SAP and the SADF were injured by the bricks"

Sergeant Nel added that Lieutenant le Roux had told him that "I shot and killed a man with an R1 rifle". He then showed him a pool of blood near an outside toilet where the man had fallen.

The video tapes played in court showed a man in uniform on top of the roof of house No 780 'C' Mamelodi West, where the second man was shot. And at the edge of the roof on the side of the house lay two bricks.

During cross-examination by Advocate Morris Basslian, for the families, Sergeant Nel said that since he arrived in the township that morning before the local mayor, Mr Z B Ndlazi, addressed the crowd outside the council premises, until the time of the shootings, "I did not see any person carrying stones or weapons".

'Taken by surprise'

He also denied seeing a violent incident or the crowd being aggressive.

Sergeant Nel told the inquest that the crowd had been "orderly" after requested to go to an open field opposite the council premises. He expected some action but the firing of teargas "took me by surprise".

He added that before the firing of teargas into the crowd, he had not been frightened by the people around the Casspir he was shooting films from.

Sergeant Nel told the court that after the firing of teargas, he stopped filming because he had been affected by the fumes.

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COP TOLD HOW HE SHOT VICTIMS

By MONK NKOMO

A POLICE lieutenant shot dead two people who allegedly attacked and wounded security force members in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985, according to a police video cameraman who filmed the scene in the township on that day.

Sergeant Paul Henry Nel yesterday told a Pretoria North inquest court that he filmed a scene where Lieutenant le Roux explained to him that he had shot dead two black men.

Sgt Nel said Lt le Roux told him that one of the men was killed when a group of people, standing against a fence at house No. 780c, threw stones and bricks at the police. A warrant officer was wounded and the right headlight of a casspir was damaged.

Sgt Nel, who was testifying at the inquest into the death of 12 people in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985, said he also filmed a scene at another house where le Roux told him that he shot dead a black man with a R1 rifle.

Lt le Roux, the court heard, also told him that the group of people on a roof of a house hurled stones and bricks at a passing patrol. He told him that members of the South African Police and the South African Defence Force were wounded during the attack.

"Lt le Roux explained that the shot fired from the R1 rifle was fatal as the body of the black man was found some metres away from the house near an outside latrine," said Mr Nel.

Another witness, Mr Moses Sekgatle, a motor mechanic at the council's workshop in Mamelodi contradicted earlier evidence by a former white employee of the Administration Board in Mamelodi that seven town council vehicles were damaged by unknown people that day.

Soweto school stayaway extends to fourth day

JOHANNESBURG. — Thirty-six high schools in Soweto stood empty for the fourth day, the Department of Education and Training said yesterday.

The other 21 Soweto schools reported low attendances. Half of these were able to operate normally, and only five had an attendance of more than 80%.

Attendance is normal everywhere else in the country, DET spokesman, Mr Richard Chernis, said.

He said the three secondary schools in Alexandra were back to normal yesterday.

Parts of Diepkloof in Soweto, including the posh Diepkloof Extension suburb, were blacked out on Wednesday night as authorities began carrying out their threats of cutting off electricity because of non-payment of rates.

Soweto's chief electrical engineer, Mr R E du Toit, said this week that parts of Soweto would be blacked out from time to time because of non-payment.

"It is unfortunate that those who pay their rent, water and electricity will suffer as much as those who do not."

Angry and frantic residents in Diepkloof Extension said they telephoned the electricity department seeking explanations but got no reply.

Later the council said that a substation caught fire in Zone Three.

A power failure in Orlando also caused the postponement of the key Castle League National Soccer League game between Mamelodi Sundowns and Bush Bucks at Orlando Stadium.

Spectators milled around the stadium for two hours after the scheduled kick-off time in the hope that the lights would be restored.

But their long wait went unrewarded as the power failure persisted and officials reluctantly postponed the match. — Sapa

12 die violently

Soweto 12/7/84 (278)

TWELVE people were killed in various acts of violence in Soweto, the Vaal Triangle and on the West Rand during the weekend, a police spokesman said yesterday.

Three people were arrested in three of the murder cases reported in Soweto, and one person was arrested in connection with an attempted murder.

Police conducted 18 raids in the area and 15 people were arrested for theft.

Thirty-three muggings were reported, seven houses were burgled, 15 cars were stolen and 15 business premises were broken into.

Police recovered 21 stolen cars in Soweto and six people were arrested in connection with the thefts.

Ten shebeen-owners were arrested in Soweto and the police liquor and drug squad confiscated 250 cases of beer and three dozen bottles of wine.

Three people were arrested for dealing in dagga.

scape now transformed into little

'Necklacing' pair are given leave to appeal

Pretoria Correspondent

Two Nelspruit men on death row successfully applied in the Pretoria Supreme Court yesterday for leave to appeal against their convictions and sentences, and to reopen their case to hear new evidence.

Elliot Malindana Nkuna (37) and Mpande Joseph Malhalela (30) were convicted for the necklace murder of Mr Mike Mpapne on June 7 1986.

The court found no extenuating circumstances and the two men were sentenced to death.

During their trial, the State successfully argued that a mob, including the two accused, arrived at Mr Mpapne's house, took him to an open veld, poured petrol over him and placed a tyre around his body before setting him alight.

Mr Justice Kriegler agreed that the case be reopened to hear the evidence of two witnesses as well as an expert's testimony on mob psychosis.

Counsel for the defence told the court Dr Donald Foster's evidence could be heard only after the trial had finished because of a lack of funds.

The defence had since received financial support from the Lawyers for Human Rights.

Dr Foster, head of the University of Cape Town's psychology department, told the court individuals changed in crowd situations.

"That is, there is a change in the characteristics of mind, identity and behaviour ... to warrant the status of extentuating or mitigating circumstances in the case of what may be termed 'crimes of collective passion'."

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FATHER CLAIMS R65 000

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'Daughter shot by cops'

THE father of a 16-year-old girl who became blind after allegedly being shot in the face by the police in Nelspruit two years ago, has claimed R65 000 damages from the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok.

By MONK NKOMO

Mr Petrus Maluma, a machine operator from KaNyamazane near Nelspruit, said in papers that his daughter, Sibongile, was allegedly shot by police on February 13, 1986.

A spokesman for lawyers representing Mr Maluma yesterday confirmed that they filed a claim against the minister. He also confirmed that summonses had been issued and the claim would be heard in the Pretoria Supreme Court on August 2, 1988.

Sibongile was a standard 7 pupil at the Khalipane High School at the time of the alleged shooting.

According to the claim, she was allegedly shot without just or reasonable cause by the police.

Suffering

Mr Maluma has claimed R65 000 for pain, suffering and permanent disability.

He also submitted that the policeman who allegedly shot at his daughter was a servant of the defendant and acting within the cause and scope of his employment.

Mr Maluma has also claimed for the cost of the case as well as interest on the amount at the rate of 20 percent a year from the date of judgment to the date of payment. He has also claimed costs.

Woman tells of burnt shack

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AN ALEXANDRA Township woman yesterday told a Johannesburg magistrate how a group of "comrades" stormed her landlord's yard and started burning her backyard shack.

Mrs Thembeni Sikhakhane was testifying before Mr H S van Heerden against seven Alexandra men charged with public violence, alternatively arson, and being in possession of a firearm and ammunition.

Mrs Sikhakhane said one of the Mhlongo twins known as "Donono" who is appearing in court, told her that the "comrades" were coming to burn down her shack.

She said shortly thereafter, a group of youths singing freedom songs and some carrying containers, came towards her. She ran away.

Burning

Mrs Sikhakhane said: "When I came back, I found my shack burning."

Under cross-examination by the defence lawyer, advocate Mr Andrew Redding, Mrs Sikhakhane said she was not sure whether the man who brought her the report was one of the twin brothers.

The seven accused are Mr Joseph Seemela (37), Mr Joseph Mhlongo (18), Mr Abram Maseko (18), Mr Josia Mhlongo (18), Mr Samson Chauke (27), Mr Moses Raphalanyane (51), all of Alexandra and Mr Jack Shabangu (18), of Tembisa township. They have pleaded not guilty to the charges.

The State alleges that the offences were committed on September 16, 1986. The accused are out on bail of R1 500 each. The case was postponed to today.

(Proceeding)

Soweto blackout beaten by cold

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SOWETO. — Cold weather was the reason town clerk Mr N Malan cited for the Soweto City Council restoring power to blacked-out areas.

Mr Malan said the decision to reconnect was taken last Friday and power had already been restored to parts of Pimville this week.

Vast areas of Soweto have been blacked out by the council in response to a four-year rent boycott.

The Soweto pupils are expected to return to school today.

For seven days no pupils have turned up at 49 of the 60 high schools in Soweto. Four schools reported attendance below 80% and only seven operated normally.

This follows a call made at the weekend by the National Council of Trade Unions and the Black Consciousness Movement of Azania for pupils to return to school.—Sapa

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Police exposed BBC lies — Vlok

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Police investigating the BBC's *Suffer the Children* TV programme have exposed lies by two people featured in the documentary, according to the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok.

In a statement released yesterday he said: "Investigations by the SAP have brought to light that certain claims made in the programme are flagrant lies.

"The two children featured in the programme, William Modibedi and Esther Megale, said during an interview with the SAP — captured on videotape — that they were not assaulted or maltreated by the SAP."

He added· "According to William, he was coached by two people linked to the Detainees' Parents Support Committee on what to say and he simply repeated the allegations."

The committee could last night not be reached for comment.

Mr Vlok's statement also said the BBC programme alleged that a 15-year-old girl was detained in a cell with men.

He said. "It is not necessary to say that this is an utterly shocking allegation and that such an incidemt would be a serious breach of regulations.

"According to a sworn statement obtained from the person involved, it appears that she is 26 years old and was definitely not held in a cell with men."

● The Argus Foreign Service in London reports that the poor quality of a film intended to respond to *Suffer the Children* left journalists at a well-attended Press conference snickering.

The film was shown at the South African Embassy after staff moved to dampen mounting criticism over the detention of children and the Sharpeville Six.

Professor S A S Strauss, professor of criminal law at Unisa, was introduced to the Press to explain "procedures" in the Sharpeville Six case.

He said he thought it unlikely the case would be resolved until October or November.

The trial judgment had been "fully in accordance with manifest legal view of the Appeal Court over a long period of time".

Professor Strauss rejected suggestions that politics influenced the judgment. He said: "Any judge in South Africa would reject any interference with the judicial process."

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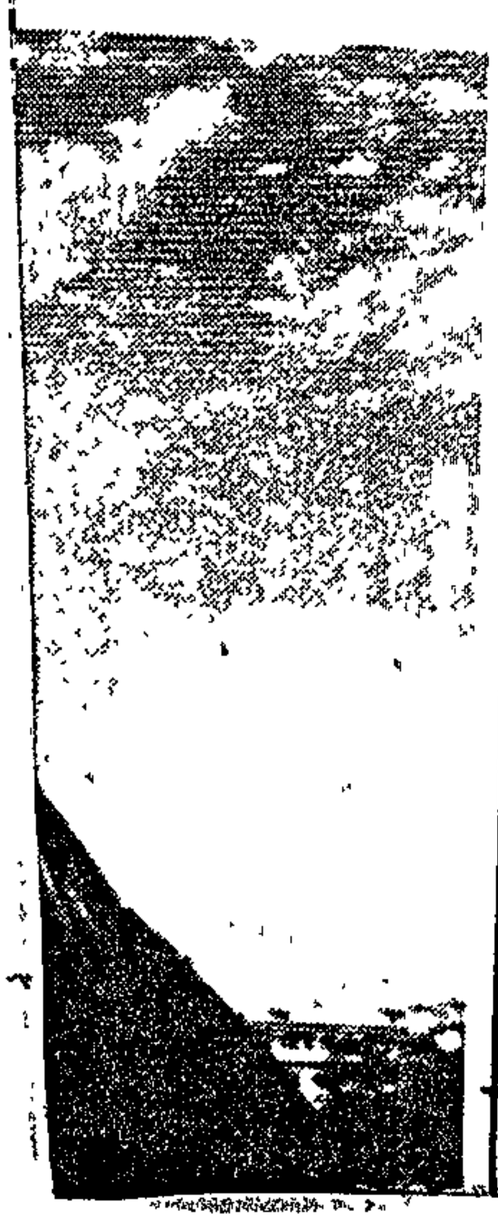

Strikers held after man in balaclava aids police

JOHANNESBURG. — A balaclava-clad man helped police in arresting eight striking Afcol workers at the Klipspruit Dutch Reformed Church in Soweto last Friday, a Paper Printing and Allied Workers' Union (PPAWU) official alleged yesterday.

Mr Farouk Jardin said about 50 policemen had surrounded the church, where about 1 200 striking PPAWU members were meeting. The strikers were paraded before the disguised man, who was possibly a member of the National Union of Furniture and Allied Workers' (NUFAW). Two men were pointed out, but another six were arrested.

He said the union suspected the arrests were related to the recent series of abductions in which eight NUFAW members were thrown off moving trains. Three men died as a result of the incidents.

Fifteen guilty of necklace killing

Respite for Death Row man

A 25-YEAR-OLD Soweto man who was last year sentenced to death for the "necklace" murder of an alleged informer, was yesterday granted a stay of execution by a Pretoria Supreme Court judge.

Mr Acting Justice O'Donovan also granted Abram Mngomezulu, who was due to be hanged this morning, leave to petition the chief justice. The order also enables him to petition the State President, Mr P W Botha. Sowetan 14/7/85

Mngomezulu and four others were sentenced in the Rand Supreme Court on November 25, last year, following the "necklacing" of Mr Mandla Justice Khoza. No extenuating circumstances were found to exist in their case and they were refused leave to appeal 278

No classes after threats to teachers

Education Reporter

Classes at a Soweto high school were suspended yesterday after Department of Education and Training officials were threatened and had their cars stoned and tyres slashed, said the chief director of the DET's Johannesburg region.

Mr Gunther Merbold said it was clear conditions for meaningful education at Namedi Secondary School, in Diepkloof, did not exist.

All classes would be suspended until an official investigation was completed.

He had also asked for a police investigation into criminal charges.

The vandalism was the only incident that marred the return to school yesterday of Soweto pupils after a seven-day stayaway.

School stopped after stonings

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Arson: 7 acquitted

SEVEN men who yesterday appeared before a Johannesburg Regional Court magistrate, charged with public violence alternatively arson and being in possession of a firearm and ammunition, were found not guilty and discharged.

The magistrate Mr H S van Heerden said there was no evidence that the seven took part in either damaging or burning the shack of Mrs Thembeni Sikhakhane of Alexandra, and also of being in possession of a firearm and ammunition.

The seven, Mr Joseph Siyemela (37), Mr Joseph Mhlongo (18), Mr Abram Maseko (18), Mr Josia Mhlongo (18), Mr Samson Chauke (27), Mr Moses Raphalanyane (51), all of Alexandra township, and Mr Jack Shabangu (18) of Tembisa township, were arrested in 1986 during the riots in Alexandra

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TEACHER'S DEATH

Application to Supreme Court

By ALINAH DUBE (278)

AN inquest into the death of a Garankuwa teacher, who was allegedly assaulted by white men, among them policemen, was postponed yesterday following an application for a Supreme Court review of the magistrate's ruling that no other witnesses would be allowed to give evidence.

The magistrate, Mr A C G Stander, postponed the inquest to November 24 pending the outcome of the review.

Mr E H Jordaan, counsel for the dead man's family, applied that the matter be referred to the Supreme Court after Mr Stander had refused him permission to call more witnesses.

He told the court that among the witnesses he was intending to call was Professor W H E Bunge, a State pathologist who conducted the post-mortem on Mr Johannes Mogotsi (24).

Mr Mogotsi died of brain injuries and internal bleeding on December 14, 1986. He and other people were allegedly assaulted in Sinoville, Pretoria, the previous day.

Asked by the magistrate if Prof Bunge would be able to tell the court who was responsible for the dead man's injuries, Mr Jordaan pointed out that there was evidence to show that he was already wounded when he arrived at the Pretoria North police station on the day of the incident.

Mr Jordaan pointed out that according to the statement of a police officer who was in charge at the police station on the day of the alleged assault, he (the police officer) refused to take Mr Mogotsi into the police cells because of the seriousness of the injuries he had sustained.

That was after another policeman had indicated to the officer in charge that Mr Mogotsi was facing a charge which he did not disclose.

In a statement read in court, the police officer in question, Constable Willemse, said: "The man, Johannes Mogotsi, was so assaulted that he had blue eyes, could not walk with ease and his clothes were blood-stained."

Mr Jordaan told the court that many questions arose from the pathologist's report. He said that it was therefore important for Prof Bunge to testify in order to tell the court an approximate time when Mr Mogotsi was injured.

He said that the evidence of Dr Gregory Thabiso Lebona, who examined the dead man at the Garankuwa Hospital, was that the man was not seriously injured at the time.

In the light of such evidence, only the pathologist would be able to state if Mr Mogotsi's injuries had been present at the time Dr Lebona examined him.

"There is a strong possibility of Dr Lebona's examination having been incomplete," the lawyer said.

In another turn of events yesterday, Dr Lebona told the court that the dead man's file was missing from the hospital records. He had earlier promised to submit an original copy of the bed letter in which he made recordings when examining the teacher.

In graffiti on the wall at Archbishop Tutu's home in Soweto 'Tutu' was changed to 'tu' (Sotho for please), and "Please, we want jobs" has been changed to "We do not want jobs under apartheid". Inset: Two printed slogans. ● Pictures by Alf Kumalo

Graffiti daubed on Anglican churches

Crime Reporter

Two Anglican churches in Lichtenburg in the western Transvaal were sprayed with anti-Tutu graffiti this week, the rector, the Reverend David Cator said

A third church in the town, a Catholic church, was also apparently sprayed with graffiti, Mr Cator said

He said the Anglican churches involved were St Barnabas in the town itself and St Andrews in Itsoseng township

The graffiti had apparently been sprayed — in red paint — either late on Wednesday or early yesterday

Slogans scrawled included "Hang Tutu", "Kill Tutu and "Tutu hang us with sanctions".

Mr Cator said the police had been informed of the incident, but no police comment was available at the time of going to press

Anti-Tutu pamphlets and posters, carrying sexual connotations, have also been distributed in the Johannesburg city centre and surrounding areas

The poster, stuck on several shop windows, depict a man dressed in "drag" Pictures of Archbishop Tutu, the Reverend Frank Chikane, the Reverend Allan Boesak and Dr Beyers Naude surround the figure

UK bishop defends Tutu against harsh critics

By Sue Leeman
The Star Bureau

LONDON — The Bishop of Aston, the Rt Rev Colin Buchanan, has stepped in to try to end a war of words which has broken out in the letters column of the *Birmingham Post* over Archbishop Desmond Tutu

In Thursday's edition of the *Post*, Bishop Buchanan hit out at a number of readers who claimed Archbishop Tutu supported violence and the ANC

Readers were responding to the announcement that Archbishop Tutu had accepted an invitation from Bishop Buchanan to lead a Christian festival in Birmingham next April

One correspondent accused the archbishop of being an avid supporter of "the communist-dominated African National Congress". Another said his speeches encouraged violence while a third condemned him for equating politics and religion.

PEACE AND JUSTICE

Bishop Buchanan countered that the archbishop had been misrepresented. Archbishop Tutu, he said, "does not support the ANC, but he does talk to its leaders, just as he has talked to the South African president".

Far from advocating violence, Archbishop Tutu was looking for peaceful ways to bring about peace and justice And Bishop Buchanan said he endorsed the Archbishop's belief that politics and religion could not be divorced

Bishop Buchanan said some of the archbishop's critics "appear to see apartheid as simply another political system I do not I see it as an evil in which something like six million whites deprive 27 million non-whites of their rights by the use of force."

He insisted that Archbishop Tutu was coming to Birmingham to minister to the Anglican community, not to lecture on South African politics.

BBC refuses to screen 'torture' film

LONDON — The BBC has turned down a request by the South African Government to screen a video in which people deny claims of torture which they made in a recent BBC programme called Suffer The Children, according to *The Guardian* newspaper

It quoted a BBC spokesman as saying: "The video prepared by the South African Government contains claims which the BBC does not find convincing." — Sapa

Findings on Bop unrest 'applied'

MMABATHO. — The Bophuthatswana government had found that most of the recommendations of the commission of inquiry into unrest incidents in the Winterveld in March, 1986, had either been implemented or had been overtaken by events, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and acting State President, Mr Solomon Rathebe, said yesterday.

He said the government had studied the report of the commission of inquiry headed by Mr Justice E A T Smith and appointed by the State President to investigate the circumstances of "the unfortunate incidents of unrest" in Winterveld.

"The government is satisfied that its recommendations have either already been implemented as a matter of course or have, by and large, been overtaken by events," he said.

"In particular, the central figure in this matter, Brigadier M A Molope, was assassinated by unknown persons for unknown motives." — Sapa

52 shots fired from bakkie: Cope injured

JOHANNESBURG. — A total of 52 shots were fired at two policemen on the Soweto highway yesterday.

Constables Wouter Vermaak and Hansion Westraad were wounded when shots were fired from a red bakkie carrying about eight men.

A police spokesman said the shooting occurred when the men went to investigate a red Datsun 1400 bakkie at a filling station in Soweto.

Constable Vermaak was reported to be in a stable condition in the Rosebank Clinic.

In a separate incident, a man claiming to be a UDF member lobbed two handgrenades at a crowd attending a Sofasonke Party meeting discussing the October municipal elections in White City, Soweto, yesterday morning, a police spokesman said.

No one was injured. Police were still investigating. — Sapa

Police shoot man in Natal unrest

PRETORIA. — Police shot a man dead and found the bodies of two others in unrest-related incidents in Natal.

In their regular unrest bulletin on incidents countrywide, police yesterday said they "fatally wounded" a man after an incident in KwaMashu near Durban during which two men allegedly intimidated a woman.

The men fled when police arrived and one fired a shotgun at police. Police returned fire, killing the man.

At Hammersdale in Natal, police found the burned and stabbed body of a man after arsonists set fire to a private house.

At Mpumuza, also in Natal, police found the body of a man who "appeared to have been shot".

Two handgrenades were hurled at a Sofasonke Party meeting in White City, Soweto, at 11am on Sunday. No one was injured.

This is the second time there has been an attack at a Sofasonke Party meeting in less than two months. Two people were killed and several injured when gunmen attacked the crowd with handgrenades and AK-47 rifles at a meeting in Orlando West on May 22. — Sapa

PIC LEN KHUMALO

Walkout at Tembisa

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PUPILS at eight Tembisa secondary schools are on a class boycott and have demanded the withdrawal of public violence charges against two of their colleagues who were arrested last week.

A 15-year-old youth and a 17-year-old, both Std 7 pupils at Tembisa High School, were allegedly arrested by police on their way to a shop outside the school premises during lunch time last Tuesday.

They have since appeared in court on charges of public violence and were released into the custody of their parents. Police said two men were arrested in Tembisa after throwing stones at police vehicles.

A member of the

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Tembisa walkout

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Students' Representative Council (SRC), at Tembisa High, said yesterday that the decision to stayaway from classes was taken at a meeting last Friday.

It was also decided that a parents-pupil meeting be called on Sunday to brief parents about pupils' grievances. The meeting will be held at Tembisa High from 10am.

Mr J H Booysen, the DET Highveld regional director, confirmed yesterday that there had not been normal schooling at high schools since an incident at Tembisa High last week.

According to Mr Booysen, he could not comment on the pupils' demand for the dropping of charges.

Comrade goes to jail for assault

AN Alexandra township "comrade", Moses Maseko, was yesterday sentenced to four years' imprisonment, and a further three years to run concurrently with the four years, after being found guilty on four counts of intimidation and assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

Earlier, Maseko (30) had appeared with Mr Aaron Buthelezi (25) and David Manyathelani (34) after being arrested in Alexandra in October 22, 1986.

The State withdrew the case against the other two men. Maseko appeared in the Johannesburg Regional Court.

The magistrate, Mr I J J Luther, said that the court was convinced that Maseko, who called himself a comrade, arranged a meeting at a house in Alexandra in October 6, 1986 where Mr William Madisha refused to be the yard committee chairman.

Comrade

Mr Madisha was made to lie with his pants lowered and Maseko inflicted serious sjambok wounds on his buttocks.

Mr Luther also said that Maseko threatened Madisha with the "necklace death" if he reported the beating to the police.

The magistrate also said that Maseko forced Mr Madisha to assault Mr Stephen Matshika and another person, known as Betty, who were alleged to have been laughing and passing remarks when Maseko sjamboked Madisha.

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Security force patrol stoned

PRETORIA. — A member of the security forces was seriously injured when struck by a stone during an attack by a security force patrol by a group at Lingelihle, near Cradock, on Wednesday night, the SAP Public Relations Division reported yesterday.

In their daily unrest report, police said two vehicles were damaged in the attack and two men and two women arrested.

In another incident at Soweto, Port Elizabeth, a man was burned after a petrol bomb was hurled at him, the report said. — Sapa

Six killed in Natal unrest

PRETORIA. — At least six people died in incidents of unrest in Natal at the weekend.

The police unrest report said a man was stabbed to death at Sweet Waters when a group attacked a private house.

Police killed two men after they were fired at on Friday at Neamalala in Zululand while investigating the discovery of the bodies of two men who appeared to have been stabbed to death.

Police returned the fire, killing two men. Fourteen men were arrested.

At Kwandegezi, near Pinetown, a member of the security force was wounded by an unknown gunman who fired a shot at the police. His condition is not known.

At Mbimbali in Natal, police found the body of a man who had been stabbed to death.

In Soweto, Johannesburg, handgrenades were hurled at three house, but nobody was injured.

Minister pays mother R20 000

By Mckeed Kotlolo, Pretoria Bureau

The Minister of Lanand Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, has paid an out-of-court settlement of R20 000 to a Mamelodi mother

Mrs Rose Dimpe (47), a former cleaner at 1 Military Hospital, Voortrekkerhoogte, was arrested by military police on July 2 1986 while on duty Later she was handed over to the SAP.

Mrs Dimpe's attorney, Mr Allen Lephoko, told The Star that he received the cheque from the Minister's office yesterday.

According to a court summons, she was stripped naked and tortured on the day of her arrest, and again on July 8.

Her attorney said Mrs Dimpe was released from detention on August 29 before a Supreme Court interdict for her release was heard She was not charged.

Mrs Dimpe had claimed a total of R55 000 from the Minister for wrongful arrest and assault

The summons alleged that after her arrest she was taken to a military police station by three members of the police force where she was blindfolded and taken to a military prison for questioning.

There she was "stripped naked, tied to a chair for several hours, water was poured over her and electrical shocks were applied".

As a result of her detention and subsequent "unlawful and malicious assault by members of the police force", she suffered "severe mental shock and anguish, a gross infringement of her dignity and self-esteem as well as an aggravated form of embarrassment," the summons said.

She also sustained physical injuries "with a resultant permanent disability" and would require prolonged psychiatric treatment.

All the time during the lengthy interrogations she was questioned about the "burning of the house of a Mr Mabaso", said a medical report.

The Minister denied all allegations in court papers but confirmed her detention.

A spokesman for the Police Directorate of Public Relations confirmed that the Minister had paid an out-of-court settlement of R20 000 to Mrs Dimpe. He also paid the costs of the action without admitting liability in the case.

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Soweto grenade attack

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JOHANNESBURG. — The personnel manager of Soweto City Council, Mr Bereng Qakisa, and his family escaped injury on Saturday when a hand-grenade was thrown into his Pimville home, causing damage estimated at R20 000.

'PAC 2 killed in gun fight'

TWO of the four people killed by police during a gun and handgrenade battle near Lichtenburg in the Western Transvaal at the weekend have been positively identified by police as Pan Africanist Congress members trained in Yugoslavia and Libya. Source Sun 24/7/85

Many of the weapons captured by police after the clash on Sunday morning were of Chinese origin, including stick grenades. Sten sub-machine guns were also found among the haul.

A spokesman for the SAP directorate of public relations in Pretoria confirmed last night that two of those killed had been trained in Libya and Yugoslavia. He did not specify whether one of them was the woman killed in the clash.

The other two dead have not yet been positively identified.

'Torture' case: police decline to comment

By Mckeed Kotlolo, Pretoria Bureau

It was not known whether any action would be taken against policemen responsible for the alleged torture of a Mamelodi mother who was this week paid R20 000 in an out-of-court settlement by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok, a spokesman for the Police Public Relations Division said yesterday.

The Minister paid Mrs Rose Dimpe (47) R20 000 in damages after she was allegedly wrongfully arrested and detained for two months in 1986. She was also allegedly unlawfully assaulted during interrogation.

The spokesman for the police said even if action had to be taken, it was not departmental policy to comment on its internal administrative matters.

According to an affidavit submitted to court, Mrs Dimpe was stripped naked and tortured on the day of her arrest and again on July 8.

She was released from detention on August 29 before a Supreme Court interdict for her release could be heard. She was not charged.

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Arson probe into fire at Mandela home

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Police have begun an arson investigation after scores of schoolchildren stoned and set fire to one of the two Mandela homes in Orlando West, Soweto.

Nobody was injured in the noon attack, which took place while the house was empty, police said.

The blaze is the second for Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of jailed ANC leader Nelson Mandela. Her house in Brandfort, in the Free State, burnt down after she was banished there in 1977.

Damage estimated at thousands of rands was caused by yesterday's blaze, which destroyed the inside of the house and its contents.

Police today could not confirm reports that the attack was motivated by rivalry between the pupils and Mrs Mandela's soccer team.

But members of the Mandela soccer team said last night that there was a "grudge" between the team and pupils from the nearby Daliwonga Secondary School.

THREE POLICEMEN

They said they were shocked that the pupils had apparently chosen to attack Mrs Mandela's home instead of taking the matter up with them.

Mrs Mandela refused to comment last night.

Last night three policemen guarded the home, along with some members of the soccer team.

According to some of the players, about five or six pupils arrived at the house before the attack and asked whether Mrs Mandela was in.

When they heard the house was empty, a large group of pupils, estimated at between 30 and 50, arrived at the home and and stoned it, smashing windows.

They then set it alight.

● Soweto police said today they were investigating claims that the PAC was responsible for the Mandela attack.

However, Soweto CID chief Brigadier G van Zyl said he did not know about unsigned pamphlets, purporting to come from Azapo, saying the fire was "convenient" and that Mrs Mandela would move to the "comforts of the R2-million white elephant" home built in Soweto but not yet occupied by the Mandelas.

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Talks on Tembisa school boycott crisis

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By Abel Mabelane

The educational crisis at the eight Tembisa secondary schools will be discussed at a meeting of parents, teachers and pupils at the Tembisa High School on Sunday.

Pupils at the secondary schools have been boycotting classes since Friday last week in protest against the arrests of two pupils who were later charged with public violence.

A spokesman for the Tembisa Student Organisation co-ordinating committee, said the Sunday meeting would help to resolve the situation in the schools.

He added that attempts by Tembisa High School pupils to return to classes on Tuesday, were thwarted when members of the security forces took action against them.

The regional director of the Department of Education and Training in the Highveld, Mr J H Booysen, yesterday said the situation at the Tembisa secondary schools remained unchanged.

He said it was not true that members of the security forces took action against pupils at the Tembisa High School on Tuesday.

People's court: 5 guilty

By Celeste Louw

Five Soweto men were yesterday found guilty of sedition over a people's court they conducted in 1986.

Johannesburg magistrate Mr H du Toit also found themguilty on three counts of assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

The men who appeared in Johannesburg Magistrate's Court are Alfred Ntshilele (62), Joseph Modibedi (18), Joseph Ntsoelengo (21), Elias Khethwa (20) and Ezekiel Mothhomaha (24).

Mr du Toit found that the State could not prove charges of kidnapping and intimidation against them.

People had been locked up in toilets to be assaulted, not merely to be deprived of their freedom, Mr du Toit said.

He added that letters requesting people to attend the "trials" were not enough to prove that people had been intimidated.

The men conducted a court at the Inkanyezi Youth Club in Moroko North from March to August 1986.

Ntshilele said he was not aware an offence had been committed.

The men will be sentenced on August 5.

Clash looms

ne period.

POLICE and a fireman at the house of Mrs Winnie Mandela in Orlando West, Soweto, yesterday after it was set alight by a mob of schoolchildren.
Pic: JOE MOLEFE

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Mandela home burnt

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THE Soweto house of Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of jailed African National Congress leader, Nelson Mandela, was reduced to ashes after a group of pupils set it alight yesterday.

The house in Orlando West was completely gutted save for the backyard room which was not attacked.

A spokesman for the South African Police yesterday said a group of schoolchildren from a Soweto school pelted the house with stones before setting it alight using petrol.

Police were investigating arson, the spokesman said.

It took the Soweto Fire and Rescue Department team about two hours to put the fire out.

According to eye witnesses, the pupils arrived at about noon and stoned the house. Petrol from a generator in the yard was used to set the three-roomed house on fire.

Members of the security forces later arrived on the scene and surrounded the house while firemen battled to stop the huge flames.

Another witness who declined to be named said the attack was retaliatory following the alleged assault of three

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Home Soweto burnt

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pupils by members of the Mandela United Football Club on Wednesday night

The woman said the boys were "punished" for allegedly raping an Orlando West schoolgirl

The three boys, one aged 13 years, were admitted to the Baragwanath Hospital yesterday, the witness told the *Sowetan*.

Mrs Mandela and her daughter, Zinzi, arrived at their home about an hour after it was gutted.

She did not get out of the car and declined to comment as the barrage of local and foreign reporters pursued her with questions. The car left within minutes of its arrival.

Five found guilty

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FIVE Soweto residents, including a 62-year-old man, were convicted in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday for holding a "people's court" and assaulting three people

The magistrate found Alfred Ntshilele (62), Joseph Modibedi (18), Joseph Ntsweleng (22), Ezekiel Mothamaha (23) and Ellias Khetha (21), all of Soweto guilty of sedition and assault with intent to do grevious bodily harm between March and August 1986 in Moroka North, Soweto.

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The magistrate found that they undermined the authority of the State and usurped the role of the police by holding a people's court.

They summoned people to appear, tried them and confined them to toilets They were also convicted of assaulting three people with fists, sticks and sjamboks.

They were acquitted on four counts of intimidation, two counts of kidnapping and one of assault.

Ntshilele who gave evidence in mitigation said he suffered from hypertension, diabetes and short-breath:

Very little remained of the Mandela home after a fire gutted it yesterday afternoon.
● Picture by Sean Woods.

Black pupils in arson attack on Mandela's home

By Craig Kotze and Jovial Rantao

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ESCALATION OF VIOLENCE

Reacting to the attack, South African Council of Churches general secretary, Rev Frank Chikane, said in a statement that the attack could "escalate the violent situation we find ourselves in".

● Soweto police said today they were investigating claims, made in phone calls to The Star and at least one other newspaper, that the Pan Africanist Congress claimed responsibility for the Mandela attack.

However, Soweto CID chief Brigadier G van Z said he did not know about unsigned pamphlets purporting to come from Azapo in which it was said the fire was "convenient" and that Mrs Mandela would move to the "comforts of the R2-million white elephant" home built in Soweto, but not yet occupied by the Mandelas.

3 Soweto schools closed

JOHANNESBURG. — Classes at three secondary schools in Soweto have been suspended "with immediate effect" following large-scale disruptions on school property on Monday, the Department of Education and Training (DET) said yesterday.

Mr Peet Struwig, acting chief director, added in a statement that the Johannesburg regional office of the DET would recommend to the Minister of Education and Development Aid, Dr Gerrit Viljoen, that "these schools be closed until such time as parents can give assurances that normal teaching can be resumed".

The three schools identified in the statement were the Ibongo, Fontanus and Madibane secondary schools. — Sapa

Court told of Alex's 6-day war

JOHANNESBURG. — Mr Richard Mzameni Mdakane, 29, an Alexandra community leader, told the Rand Supreme Court conditions in the township were so bad during the "six-day war" that a medical clinic had to be set up.

He was testifying at the trial of Mr Moses Mayekiso, 38, Mr Paul Tshabalala, 38, Mr Mdakane, Mr Obed Kopeng Bapela, 28, and Mr Mzwanele Mayekiso, 22, who have pleaded not guilty to charges of treason, subversion or sedition.

The state alleges they attempted to usurp the authority of the state by forming the Alexandra Action Committee (AAC), uniting the residents of Alexandra into committees and launching a rent and consumer boycott. — Sapa

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'Comrades' murder plot denied by wife

JOHANNESBURG. — The wife of a Soweto businessman who approached Mrs Winnie Mandela for help in her marital problems denied in papers before the Rand Supreme Court that she and her son organised "comrades" in an attempt to kill her husband.

Mrs Joyce Leballo also denied that she used the common home to accommodate "ANC-trained terrorists".

She made the denials in her answering affidavit to allegations made by her husband, Mr John Billy Leballo. He obtained an urgent interdict restraining his wife and Mrs Mandela from threatening, abusing, harassing or injuring him.

The order also restrained Mrs Leballo and Mrs Mandela from removing or damaging property belonging to the joint estate of Mr and Mrs Leballo.

The hearing was postponed to August 23.

Mrs Leballo said she was introduced to Mrs Mandela in June 1986 by a neighbour, a Mrs Tshabalala. She said Mrs Tshabalala was previously helped in her own troubles by Mrs Mandela, "a respected social worker".

She said Mrs Tshabalala was a relative of Mrs Mandela.

NOT POLITICAL

She said Mrs Mandela later told her it seemed there was no hope of saving the marriage and suggested that she discuss the matter with lawyers.

Mrs Leballo said it was not true that she became "politically active or got involved with Mrs Mandela".

"I have never been involved in any radical or political movement," she said.

Mrs Leballo said she was an active member of the Seventh Day Evangelist Church in Dube, Soweto. She never kept company or associated with "gangs, comrades or political activists", she said.

On a few occasions Mrs Mandela had asked her to accommodate for a night "young" members of soccer teams who were from out of town to play the Mandela United Football Club, which Mrs Mandela established, Mrs Leballo said. "I was happy to oblige." — Sapa.

Five bus passengers gunned down in Natal

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Five bus passengers gunned down at Mpumalanga were among eight people killed and 11 others injured in unrest-related incidents in Natal at the weekend and no injuries were reported when a limpet mine exploded at the Marula Sun in Bophuthatswana.

According to the weekend police unrest reports, a group of men shot and threw stones at two buses, killing five men, and seriously wounding another five men and a woman. No arrests have been made so far.

In another incident in the same area, two men were injured when they were attacked.

Two men were killed in Inanda by an unknown group.

At Ndeweshone a man was killed and a woman slightly injured when they were shot at by a group.

A man was injured at Ashdown when an unidentified person fired on a group of mourners at a burial service.

At Imbali, a woman was injured and two private houses were extensively damaged when petrol bombs were thrown at the houses by a group of unknown people.

At Nhlalakahle, a man was slightly injured when a private house was stoned.

A delivery vehicle was gutted at KwaMashu.

In Soweto, a private house was damaged extensivly by petrol bombs and the police arrested four men.

Sapa reports that a mini limpet mine exploded in one of the casinos at the Marula Sun in Bophuthatswana at the weekend.

No one was injured as all the customers were evacuated. A suppression blanket was thrown over the mine after security staff at the hotel discovered the mine shortly before it exploded late on Friday night.

The blast caused little damage.

Scores of patrons were hurriedly evacuated from a casino hall and other function rooms, according to casino spokesman Mr Ian Heron.

Mr Heron said a blanket designed to suppress explosions was placed over the bomb and the premises were evacuated.

"It exploded about 10 minutes after discovery," he said.

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Two knifed to death in Natal

PRETORIA. — The bodies of two men have been found by police in Natal, according to the latest unrest report.

At Mnyandu police found the body of a man who had been stabbed and shot.

At Hammarsdale police found the body of a man who had been stabbed to death.

At Edendale, near Maritzburg, a bus which had been set alight was found beside the road.

'At Bekkersdal, Westonaria, a group attacked and threw stones at teachers at a school. Two arrests were made. — Sapa.

AUDIENCE: A crowd of about 500 listens to Dr Zac de Beer, Progressive Federal Party leader.

Ex-Sats workers guilty of murdering non-strikers

JOHANNESBURG. — Eight former South African Transport Services workers have been convicted in the Rand Supreme Court of murdering four non-strikers who were found stabbed, beaten and burnt during a strike last year.

Eight other accused were found guilty on charges ranging from culpable homicide, to kidnapping, intimidation and attempted murder.

Two accused, Mr Isaac Mogorosi and Mr Jacob Mmatloa, were acquitted.

Statements by 16 of the 18 members of the South African Railways and Harbours Workers' Union were handed into court. In the statements, accompanied by new pleadings, the accused explained their roles in the kidnapping, assault and murder of Mr Vhulani Mulaudzi, Mr Kati Sebopelo, Mr Mulatelo Moremane and Mr Jerry Goodman.

The 18 accused all originally pleaded not guilty of five kidnappings, four murders, one attempted murder, four assaults with intent to do grievous bodily harm, two robberies with aggravating circumstances and intimidation.

Bongisi Sibisi, Wilson Matshili and Mafemane Rikhotso, were convicted of four counts of murder, attempted murder, and five counts of kidnapping and intimidation.

George Maungedzo, Patrick Molefe and Takalani Mamphaga were convicted of four counts of murder, attempted murder and intimidation.

David Dzevhe was convicted of three counts of murder and one of intimidation, while Phineas Netshitungulwane was convicted of four counts of murder and one of intimidation. — Sapa.

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SATS non-strikers died after threat to stoppage

JOHANNESBURG. — Participants in last year's SATS strike decided that five non-strikers should be killed because it was believed that their refusal to join the strike could cause its collapse, the Rand Supreme Court was told yesterday.

Mr Bongisi Sibisi, a member of the SA Railways and Harbours Workers' Union, said in a statement to the court that the decision to kill the non-strikers was taken after it became increasingly difficult to control the strike.

He and 17 other former SATS workers were charged with murdering four non-striking colleagues and the attempted murder of a fifth. They initially all pleaded not guilty, but Mr Sibisi and six co-accused, on agreement between the state and the defence, yesterday pleaded guilty to the four murders at the start of the state case.

8 pupils in court over Mandela fire

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Eight school pupils appeared in Protea Regional Court yesterday in connection with the arson attack on the Orlando West home of Mrs Winnie Mandela following arrests during a joint SAP-SADF operation at a Soweto school.

Daliwonga High School principal Mr Michael Mkhize said police and soldiers surrounded the school last Wednesday for three hours, holding staff and pupils at gunpoint. They arrested 22 pupils.

He said security force members entered his office and demanded he point out members of the SRC and Soweto Students' Congress.

'Treated roughly'

He said he was treated roughly and when he refused to identify the pupils he was arrested. Mr Mkhize said members of the security force refused to let him phone the school inspector regarding the incident at the school.

"We have taken control of your school, we are the bosses now," he was allegedly told.

Mr Mkhize said the pupils were forced out of the classrooms at gunpoint and separated into their respective sexes. The boys were made to lie down in the quadrangle while the girls were held in the classrooms.

The teachers who also refused to identify pupils were made to stand against the wall with him, Mr Mkhize said.

When the assistant director of the DET, Mr Ishmael Kutoane, arrived he was also treated roughly and made to join the staff against the wall.

He said 22 pupils were arrested and left in the custody of the security forces. Fourteen were later released without being charged. The eight pupils appeared in court last Friday in connection with the arson attack on Mrs Mandela's home which gutted the house on July 28.

Bail application

The bail application yesterday in the Protea Court was heard in camera as four of the pupils are under age.

The other four accused are Mr Joseph Mogotsi, 21, Mr Eric Kgopotso, 18, Mr Bafana Mkhatshwa, 21, and Mr Khumbulani Khumalo, 19.

Magistrate Mr A J du Toit set bail at R300 each on condition they report to the Jabulani police station on Mondays and Sundays.

The case was postponed to September 12 for further investigation and the decision of the Attorney-General. No charges were put to the accused.

1 school closed, 2 others reopen

JOHANNESBURG. — The Department of Education and Training (DET) suspended classes at another Soweto high school while two others, which were recently closed, were reopened yesterday.

According to a report in the Sowetan, a DET spokesman confirmed that classes at Lamula High School in Zone 5 Meadowlands were suspended on Tuesday.

The schools where classes resumed yesterday are Madibane High in Diepkloof and Kwa-Mahlobo Secondary in Meadowlands. — Sapa

I burnt friend, youth tells court

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A Tembisa youth was told by a group of youths to set his friend alight or be burnt himself, the Rand Supreme Court was told yesterday.

In evidence, the youth said he and his friend were abducted by a group of youths, who handed him a box of matches and said that if he did not set his friend alight he would be burnt.

He said he took the matches and "started burning" his friend.

He was giving evidence at the trial of six teenagers charged with the necklace murder of Mr Laurence Sipho Thibi in Tembisa on May 11 last year.

The six are also charged with attempting to murder the 20-year-old youth.

Mr Zebulon Paulus Ndlovu, 19, Mr Jeremiah Menzi Shongwe, 18, Mr Alfred Bongani Nzama, 20, two 17-year-olds and a 16-year-old have all pleaded not guilty.

It is alleged that he and Mr Thibi were abducted from his house by a group which included the accused and taken to a place where Mr Thibi was struck with bottles, stones, sjamboks and pieces of wire.

Schools 'boycott' killings

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JOHANNESBURG. — About 80% of the schools in the Sibasa area, Venda, have been closed following boycotts in protest against ritual killings in the area.

At the centre of the controversy is a strongly-held belief by students and a large section of the community that about 15 people have been killed for ritual purposes this year.

As the controversy raged, with more schools joining in the boycott, students have called for the immediate dismissal of the Minister of Justice, Mr A A Tshivhase.

Two of the four cases reported by the police have been linked to senior government officials.

The Director-General for Education, Mr S Makhuvha, said the institutions wanted "an assurance from the police that ritual murders are going to stop". — Sapa

Mandela home arson: Move to halt case

JOHANNESBURG. — Soweto community leaders are trying to halt the prosecution of eight black pupils accused of burning jailed black nationalist Mr Nelson Mandela's home.

The Soweto house was gutted by flames on July 28. Neighbours said it was torched by pupils of a nearby school after an argument with members of a youth club that operates from the home.

Eight pupils appeared in court in Soweto on Wednesday, charged with arson and public violence. They were released on bail of R300 each.

The Rev Frank Chikane, spokesman for a committee of six community leaders, said Mr Mandela had asked that no one should be prosecuted.

He said he had asked Mr Mandela's lawyer, Mr Ismail Ayob, to pursue the matter with police.

Mr Ayob said he wrote to police last week telling them that Mr Mandela did not want anyone prosecuted.

"Mr Mandela told me that he did not want anyone to be punished or prosecuted for the destruction of his home," he said. "I have told the police this again. I am still talking to them." — Sapa-Reuter

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VIOLENCE CLAIMS 17 LIVES

SEVENTEEN people were murdered in Soweto, the Vaal Triangle and on the West Rand at the weekend.

Vaal Triangle police spokesman Major Tienie Halgryn said Vaal and West Rand police reported five murders, two attempted murders, 14 robberies and nine rapes

In Soweto 12 murders, five attempted murders, 12 rapes, two armed robberies and 22 muggings were reported.

Soweto police spokesman Major Noel Hartwell said police also reported five housebreakings, four burglaries of business premises, 14 ordinary thefts, eight thefts from motor vehicles and 18 stolen vehicles.

Liquor

The Liquor and Drug Squad arrested 28 shebeen keepers for dealing in alcohol illegally and confiscated 300 cases of beer and 62 bottles of liquor. Nine people were caught dealing in dagga, Major Hartwell said

Two people were arrested in connection with two of the murders and eight men in connection with six of the rape cases.

Five men in two stolen cars and two men in two suspected stolen vehicles were also arrested.

Police recovered four stolen vehicles and 29 suspected stolen vehicles. — Sapa.

Mandela arson 'unfortunate'

JOHANNESBURG. — The Soweto Students' Congress (Sosco) said yesterday it was "most unfortunate" that Mrs Winnie Mandela's house was set alight "at a time when the enemy was desperately trying to scandalize and discredit our organizations and leadership".

Sosco said in a statement it was "strongly opposed to the long sustained confrontation between students and the Mandela Football Club". — Sapa

Lorry bombed

PRETORIA. — A private lorry was petrol-bombed in KTC on Monday, police said.

According to the police report yesterday, the lorry was extensively damaged.

In another incident, a group of pupils set fire to the woodwork room of a Soweto school, causing fairly serious damage. — Sapa

Car bombed

PRETORIA. — A private vehicle was petrol-bombed in Soweto and a private house was damaged by arsonists in Inanda, police said yesterday. — Sapa

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Venda acts on death claims

THOHOYANDOU. — President Frank Ravele of Venda has appointed a commission of inquiry to investigate alleged ritual murders in Venda.

The Chief Justice of Venda, Mr Justice H G le Roux, will head the commission.

President Ravele has also nominated an independent criminal investigator.

President Ravele said: "I would like to inform all the people (Venda citizens), particularly teachers and schoolchildren, that I have requested the assistance of experts from outside Venda who specialize in criminal investigations to come and conduct a full investigation concerning all the rumours spread around Venda.

"I am nominating a commission of inquiry under the Chief Justice of Venda and I am also nominating experts from outside the Republic of Venda who will investigate cases of ritual murderers which the people are complaining about."

He said anyone who had evidence should hand it to those conducting investigations.

He appealed to pupils who boycotted classes in protest against an alleged police cover-up of ritual killings to return to school.

He also asked chiefs and headmen to encourage the pupils to go to school and said all workers should go back to work.

Some alleged ritual murderers had been arrested, and were being prosecuted.

He called for people to help the police in their investigations.

The Sowetan newspaper reported yesterday that students and a large section of the community maintained that at least 15 people had been killed for ritual purposes this year.

The police said four ritual murders had been committed this year and that these cases were being investigated or were already in court.

The police denied any cover-up and said students were being used to disrupt the elections next month — Sapa

Boycott in Venda ends

PRETORIA. — The school and work boycott in troubled Venda appears to have ended with hundreds of workers and pupils returning to work and school yesterday.

The director-general of Information in Venda, Mr N D Nethomonda, said hundreds of pupils and workers returned to school and work "and everything appears to be back to normal".

The boycott, which lasted five weeks, was the result of allegations of ritual killings.

The pupils demanded the dismissal of the Minister of Justice, Mr A A Tshivhase, whom President F N Ravele relieved of his portfolio last week. A spokesman for Thohoyandou magistrates court said the inquest into the death of Mr James Mukosi Mavhina, 30, whose death sparked the boycott which started in the Tshakuma area and spread throughout the homeland, will resume this week. — Sapa

Police 'use sjamboks' on boycotting Venda pupils

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THOHOYANDOU. — Police, wielding sjamboks, allegedly tried to force school pupils to return to classes in Venda yesterday.

Schoolchildren have been boycotting classes for almost three weeks after an alleged cover-up of ritual murders in the homeland.

In what was described as a "chaotic situation" in the Venda capital, many young men of school-going age were allegedly sjambokked by police and told to return to classrooms. Police also "hunted" students at the Thohoyandou shopping centre, Shayandima and at Tshakhuma.

Some cashiers at the Thohoyandou branch of a supermarket said youths were dragged from the building and sjambokked.

It has been alleged police have conducted house-to-house raids in certain parts of Venda looking for stayaway pupils.

Students blamed the police for the class boycotts. They say a mass meeting to review the boycott was disrupted when police sjambokked everybody at the gathering.

Principals in schools in and around Thohoyandou held a meeting at Dimani High School yesterday to try to work out ways of persuading pupils to return to classes. But the pupils said they would not do so unless arrested classmates were released.

Businessmen and taxis complained of poor business yesterday because people were afraid to go to Thohoyandou for fear of being sjambokked by police.

Grenade attack on Soweto house

Crime Reporter

A grenade was hurled at a Soweto house last night in the second such attack in as many days — while continuing township unrest in Natal left one dead and three injured, police said.

In Natal, a mob stabbed a woman to death in Fredville, near Inchanga.

A man was slightly injured in kwa-Dabeka, Durban, after a bus was stoned.

Four incidents were reported in Pinetown townships:

● A man was arrested and extensive damage was caused to buses in kwa-Dengezi when the vehicles were stoned in three separate incidents. Police used birdshot to disperse the mobs.

● At Fanin, a man was slightly injured and a bus was damaged when a mob stoned the vehicle.

● At Klaarwater, a man was slightly injured and a bus damaged in a stone-throwing incident.

● At Dassenhoek, a bus was virtually destroyed after a mob forced the occupants out and then set fire to the vehicle.

Mandela home: Police won't drop charges

PRETORIA. — Police have not withdrawn charges against people suspected of having burnt down Mr Nelson Mandela's Soweto home in spite of calls to do so.

Police said it was a matter between the State and the alleged arsonists, the Mandela Crisis Committee said yesterday.

The damaged house, the police said, was the property of the Soweto Council.

A press statement by the committee said that although assurances had been given to the police in writing that the house was being restored to its original state, the children from the Daliwonga High School would still appear in court on Monday, September 12.

"We believe that this action against the children will not make the resolution of broader problems allegedly related to the burning of the house easier," the statement said.

A spokesman for the police public relations division in Pretoria, Captain Reg Crewe, said the children had already appeared in court on charges of public violence and the case had been postponed for further investigation. — Sapa

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Woman dies in Natal violence

MARITZBURG. — Police reported yesterday that a woman had been stabbed to death by a mob in Natal as a civil rights worker said violence was continuing despite hopes last week that a truce between Inkatha and the UDF was imminent.

The unidentified woman was killed in Fredville township near Inchanga, about 25km from Maritzburg, police said.

The fighting is continuing after Cosatu and Inkatha signed an accord last Friday condemning violence.

Inkatha Youth Brigade chairman Mr Musa Zondi said it was too early to say if the conflict was cooling.

Mr Zondi said Inkatha wanted to draw the UDF into the accord but could not approach UDF leaders, who are restricted under the emergency regulations.

At KwaDengezi near Pinetown extensive damage was caused when three buses were stoned.

At Dassenhoek, Pinetown, a bus was badly damaged after a group of men forced the passengers to alight and then set fire to the vehicle.

The house of two Soweto municipal employees who did not join a strike by about 3 500 workers was attacked with a handgrenade. The grenade injured nine-year-old Aleline Mdiko in Naledi township.

Police are investigating. — Sapa

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Stonings reported

PRETORIA. — Vehicles and property were damaged by sporadic stone-throwing on Thursday night, the overnight police unrest report said yesterday.

A shop in White City, Soweto, was seriously damaged, as were a number of buses at KwaDabeka, Durban. Four youths were arrested.

A number of buses were also damaged at KwaDengezi and Clermont, Pinetown. — Sapa

4 killed, 7 injured in townships

PRETORIA. — Four men were killed and seven injured in several attacks in townships, mainly in Natal, over the past 24 hours, according to police.

Arsonists set fire to the administration building of a school in Dobsonville, Soweto.

Shots were fired at security forces from a house in Molweni, Durban. The fire was returned and one man was killed and four others were injured. Police arrested 25 men.

A man was arrested at Sweetwaters, Natal, after he had attacked a security force member with a panga.

Unidentified gunmen fired shots at a private house in Mpumalanga, Natal, killing two men and injuring two. In another incident, a man was injured when a group stoned his house.

A group stoned a bus at Nxalala, Natal, and afterwards fatally stabbed the driver. A man was arrested.

On Saturday police said a woman was killed and another woman seriously injured in several unrest-related incidents.

A group stoned a security force vehicle at Regina Mundi in Soweto, and one of the men was arrested.

A group hurled a petrol bomb at a house in Imbali, Natal, causing burn wounds to three youths. A woman who ran from the house was shot dead.

A number of buses were damaged in several stone-throwing incidents at Clermont, Natal. A man was arrested.

A group attacked and stabbed a woman at Umawoti, Durban. She is in a serious condition. — Sapa

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'Winnie threatened us,' youth tells court

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A young witness told the Magistrate's Court here yesterday that he and a relative were threatened by Mrs Winnie Mandela just before they were assaulted and had initials carved on their bodies.

Mr Isaac Mokgoro, 19, Mr John Jusaf Morgan, 60, and Mr Absolom Dumisane Madonsella, 20, have pleaded not guilty to two charges of kidnapping and assault alleged to have occurred on May 26 last year.

The state alleges Mr Phillip Makanda, 18, and his 16-year-old relative were removed from their Soweto home at gunpoint and taken to the home of Mrs Mandela.

The court heard that Mrs Mandela told Mr Makanda that if he did not speak the truth, the men would hurt them, he said.

They were then allegedly assaulted and "Viva ANC" and "M", allegedly denoting Mandela, were carved on their bodies.

They were then allegedly taken to another house and kept in a garage from where they later escaped and ran to Meadowlands police station.

The trial will continue tomorrow.

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Girl killed, boy hurt during police raid

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — A 12-year-old girl was shot dead and a boy was slightly wounded during a police raid in Clermont, near here, this week.

Police said members of the Reaction Unit and Security Branch went to a house in Clermont after they received a tip-off.

The house was searched and a Skorpion machine pistol and ammunition were found.

The spokesman said one of the policemen was then kicked on the ankle and a shot went off when he fell backwards, killing Nosipho Khumalo and wounding Nhlanhleni Phiri, 11, in the right knee.

The owner of the house was arrested.

● Four people, including a three-month-old baby, were wounded in Diepkloof, Transvaal, yesterday when police opened fire during a pursuit of an alleged guerilla, police said.

The suspected guerilla was under police guard in an unidentified hospital. — Sapa

SAP kill husband: Wife gets R60 000

PRETORIA. — The Minister of Law and Order was ordered yesterday by the Supreme Court here to pay R60 000 damages to a Mamelodi woman whose husband was shot dead by a member of the South African Police nearly three years ago.

Mr Acting Justice Roos ordered the minister to pay the amount to Mrs Cuma Mabel Mathebula. The minister has also to pay all legal costs.

Mrs Mathebula, 29, said in documents that her husband, Mr Ngungunyane Andries Mathebula, was killed unlawfully during police action in Mamelodi on September 7, 1985.

Mr Mathebula, 35, worked as a motor mechanic and was the sole supporter of his family. — Sapa

Imperilled peace and order — judge

By Cathy Stagg

The judge who sentenced eight Alexandra men yesterday said the squalid living conditions in the township at the time the crimes of sedition were committed were unfortunate, but the court could not place too much weight on this fact.

Mr Justice F H Grosskopf said in the Rand Supreme Court that he had been urged to return the accused to their families, but the court could not ignore the seriousness of what they had done or the interests of the community.

Every subject, high or low, was amenable to the law, he said, and none could be punished except by a properly constituted legal tribunal. The "people's court" run by the accused at 64 15th Avenue was not legal. The accused had committed crimes against the judicial authority of the State and also in defiance of the South African Police.

"They certainly were imperilling public peace and order. I regard holding a people's court in a serious light. It could never be tolerated in any civilised country. They ran it according to their own unjust rules," the judge said, referring to the fact that a witness was beaten with a sjambok because he had not answered questions to the satisfaction of some of the accused.

It was submitted that their conduct had to be viewed against the abnormal circumstances in Alexandra at the time, but this was a double-edged argument. The abnormal situation in the township facilitated their actions, the judge said.

The court heard that the SAP and municipal police were driven out of the township and the residents were told to report crimes to the "comrades". Residents who were found carrying weapons were assaulted during the anti-crime campaigns run by the accused.

The judge said the deeds of the accused spoke for themselves.

Five of the accused had admitted assaulting a suspect, which the judge took into account in their favour, but he did not agree that they had shown remorse.

There was no evidence the accused were influenced by older people, the judge said, but nevertheless the court found them to be the "soldiers, not the generals".

Basic human rights were ignored

Alex youths jailed over 'people's court'

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By Cathy Stagg

The minutes of a "people's court" in Alexandra showed it had started out helping Alexandra residents but had degenerated into a system filled with violence and injustice, Mr Justice F H Grosskopf said in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

Ashwell Zwane and his seven co-accused, Vusi Ngwenya, Andrew Mafutha, David Mafutha, Arthur Vilakazi, Albert Sebola, Piet Mogano and Phillemon Phalongwane, were each sentenced to an effective four years' imprisonment for sedition.

They took part in unlawful anti-crime campaigns and the running of a "people's court" in Alexandra during 1986.

After sentence, Zwane led a chorus of shouts of "Amandla!" and said: "In the name of the Alexandra Youth Congress we believe freedom will come in our lifetime."

"The accused showed themselves to be ignorant in this field (the law) and prejudiced. The basic human rights of citizens were disregarded," Mr Justice Grosskopf said.

The eight men were arrested on July 7 1986 and the judge said he took into account that they had been imprisoned for more than two years.

He also took into account their relative youth and the fact that they were "the soldiers, not the generals".

Zwane, Ngwenya, David Mafutha and Mogano were each sentenced to eight years' imprisonment, with four years conditionally suspended for five years.

Ngwenya, Andrew Mafutha and Sebola, who did not play a leading role, were each sentenced to six years' jail, with three years conditionally suspended for five years.

Phalongwane was placed in a special category on his own because he was 16 at the time of his arrest and was the only accused under the age of 20 and also the only scholar. The whole of his four-year sentence was suspended.

The judge said the accused used violence during the anti-crime campaigns and in the running of the "people's court".

A man suspected of causing someone's death was assaulted because he did not answer questions to the satisfaction of some of the accused. Then he had petrol poured over his face.

"This shows the inherent dangers of such a process," the judge said, noting that petrol had a special significance for Alexandra residents at that time.

The "court" also tried two cases in which people had died from stab wounds.

All the accused have been studying while in prison and the judge asked that a representative from the Attorney-General's department pass on his request to the Prisons Department that they should be assisted in continuing their studies if possible.

Mr E du Toit, assisted by Mr Z van Zyl, appeared for the State. Mr N Kades, assisted by Mr F Rautenbach and instructed by Pricilla Jana, appeared for the accused.

People at a vigil organised by the Save the Patriots Campaign yesterday light candles in solidarity with those on death row. Police used teargas and confiscated film at the vigil at the Central Methodist Church in Johannesburg. About 200 people attended.

Police act at vigil for condemned four

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Police used teargas and confiscated film at a vigil in Johannesurg yesterday for four men on death row who were granted a stay of execution at the weekend.

The "Addo Four" — Similo Wonci, Mziwoxolo Makeleni, Ndumiso Siphenuka and Makhwzana Menze — were sentenced to death in January 1987 and were due to be executed today.

They were moved from death row at the weekend following a successful stay of execution granted to Wonci, a spokesman for the Department of Justice said today.

The men have been given a month to seek further remedy.

The vigil took place at the Central Methodist Church in Johannesburg and was called by the Save the Patriots Campaign. A police video crew was present throughout the service, which was also addressed by the general secretary of the National Union of Mineworkers, Mr Cyril Ramaphosa.

After the service, people with candles who wanted to stage a peaceful protest outside the Supreme Court were warned by police to disperse.

Later a young Wits student was briefly detained — as he was walking away from the scene — and questioned before being released. Teargas was sprayed in the face of one photographer, and the car of others was stopped and searched.

Wonci (23), Makeleni (24), Siphenuka (27) and Menze (43), all members of the Addo Youth Congress, were sentenced to death for the murder of a Kirkwood farmer and his wife in June 1985.

Legal sources in Pretoria said it was unusual that all four of the Addo men had been removed from death row by the Prisons Department when a stay of execution for only one of the men had been sought and granted.

This is believed to be the result of growing South African opposition to capital punishment.

Recent developments include:

- The Black Sash has publicly called for the establishment of a commission of inquiry into capital punishment — last investigated more than 50 years ago
- Mr J P J Coetzer, SC, of the Pretoria Bar, concluded a recent article in the legal journal *Consultus* by noting: "The time has come for (an) investigation to be instituted (into capital punishment)."

2 free after months on death row

By Claire Robertson, Pretoria Bureau

Six men convicted of killing five alleged informers during unrest at a Vaal mine in 1986 have had their sentences reduced and in some cases set aside by the Appeal Court in Bloemfontein.

Two of the men were released from Pretoria Central Prison on Saturday after spending 16 months on death row.

They are National Union of Mineworkers members Mr Solomon Mangaliso and Mr Paulos Tshehlane, whose murder convictions and death sentences were respectively reduced to 30 days' imprisonment and overturned completely.

Tyelovuyo Mgedezi's appeal was successful on two charges, but his appeal against two other death sentences failed.

Siphiwe Mbalombaka's appeal on two 10-year sentences failed.

Frans Makhanya's appeal was also successful. His murder charges were substituted for public violence. He still has to serve three months'.

Mr Edward Masike's sentences were set aside.

Age Times 4/10/88

Unrest: 2 die in violence

PRETORIA. — At least two people died violently at the weekend, police reported yesterday.

The body of a man was found by police at Mohlakeng, Krugersdorp.

One man was killed and another seriously stabbed when two groups clashed in strife-torn KwaDengezi, near Pinetown.

In further incidents of unrest, a group attacked and seriously injured a man and woman with pangas at Sweetwaters in Natal.

An explosion occurred at a takeaway outlet in Wentworth, Durban, on Sunday night. Police are investigating the cause of the blast. — Sapa

Magubane loses case against cops

JOHANNESBURG. — Internationally renowned photographer Peter Magubane has lost a civil law suit of R37 000 instituted against the police in the Rand Supreme Court.

Mr Magubane, of Soweto, instituted the claim for medical costs and lost earnings after he was shot twice with a shotgun on July 13, 1985, during unrest in Katlehong, Germiston.

Mr Justice D A Melamet said there were two versions of the incident. According to Mr Magubane, a group of people were singing in the street when fired upon from a Casspir. Police said the group had attacked a bottle store and the Casspir.

Working for Time magazine when he was shot, Mr Magubane was earning R1 000 a day. — Sapa

Six hurt in limpet mine explosion

CAPE TIMES 8/10/88

PRETORIA. — Six people were injured in a limpet mine explosion at the Tembisa municipal offices on Thursday afternoon.

Police said one of the injured was in a serious condition.

The injured people were taken to Tembisa Hospital.

Several windows were shattered and the ceiling and roof of the building were badly damaged.

The mine exploded under an asbestos bench in a corridor in the centre of the building, which is about 200m from the Tembisa police station.

"I just heard a great sound, then looked at my arm which was bleeding, and turned and ran away," said Mr Esrom Motlhaga, 23, who was hurt in the blast.

He was one of three people walking in the corridor of the building when the mine exploded. Two people with him were also hurt.

Mr Motlhaga had shrapnel wounds in his back and the bone in his lower left arm was shattered.

Security force members used batons to disperse an illegal gathering in Johannesburg on Thursday, police said. One security force member was slightly injured.

At Tselete Mine in Vryheid two men were arrested after a crowd stoned police. Police said they used batons and tearsmoke to disperse the mob.

And in Edenvale this week three homes were petrol-bombed.

No one was hurt and damage was minimal.

A police spokesman in Pretoria said the attacks happened in Edenglen and Highway Gardens suburbs on Wednesday night and early on Thursday.

The first attack happened about 9.50pm at the home of Mr Terrence Havell in Highway Gardens, the second in Edenglen at the home of Mrs Ann Zeeman and the third at the home of Mr Raymond Erington in Edenglen

None of the victims is politically active. The only seeming link is that the daughters of two of them go to the same school. — Sapa

Nine killed, 12 injured by bombs and unrest attacks

Crime Reporter

Four policemen were hurt by a limpet mine blast in Tembisa on the East Rand early yesterday in one of many explosions and other politically related attacks which left nine dead and 12 injured over the long weekend.

Yesterday's explosion happened at 2.05 am at the police barracks in Tembisa. Damage was slight. Those injured were hit by flying glass and discharged from hospital after treatment.

The explosion, the eighth terror blast so far this month, was the second in Tembisa since Thursday when a limpet mine exploded outside municipal offices and injured six people.

It follows other blasts at Duduza, also on the East Rand, on Friday, and in Bishop Lavis in the Cape on Saturday.

Two grenades were also thrown at a house in Duduza.

Police said one of the nine dead was found in Naledi, Soweto. Two men were stabbed to death and another two injured in Natal townships.

Five of those killed were murdered in feuding in kwaMakhita township near Durban. Another was found dead at Mxanalala in Natal.

Two people were slightly injured when firebombs exploded at CNA branches in Pinetown and Durban on Friday.

Election candidates assaulted, bombed

JOHANNESBURG. — The administrator of Tsakane township in Brakpan, Mr Raymond Radebe, is fighting for his life in hospital after he was attacked by a group of men in the township on Monday night.

In another incident, a house belonging to the administrator of Duduza in Nigel, Rev Simon Mahloko, was attacked with what is believed to be a limpet mine.

Another man, Mr Walter Moseki, claims he was assaulted by council police at his Soweto home on Monday night.

All three are candidates in the forthcoming municipal elections.

Mr Radebe is in a critical condition at the Far East Rand Hospital in Springs.

A spokesman for the East Rand police yesterday confirmed they were investigating the attack on Mr Mahloko's home and the assault on Mr Radebe.

Mr Moseki said two uniformed council policemen came to his house at about 7pm. He said they accused him of intimidating people and telling them not to vote for another candidate. One of them punched him in the face until he fell to the floor.

"He kicked me all over my body. The assault continued for about 30 minutes," Mr Moseki said. — Sapa

Demand for pay sparks sit-in strike

By Adele Baleta

Seventeen Construction and Allied Workers' Union (Cawu) members were arrested and three wounded when riot police used dogs to break up a sit-in by about 100 workers at Faiart Ceramics in Rustenburg, the union said yesterday.

The workers, according to Cawu, were demanding wage increases for over 30 colleagues reinstated earlier this year.

According to Cawu, the court found that workers had been unfairly dismissed for joining the trade union.

The company's lawyers, however, said workers were dismissed for incompetency and the court ruled that the dismissal procedure was unfair.

A union spokesman said workers staged the sit-in on Tuesday after meetings with management had failed to secure the wage increases for the reinstated workers.

He said the company called in the riot police and dogs were set on the workers.

A police spokesman confirmed the riot unit was called by management to help remove the workers from the company's premises.

He said five workers had paid admission of guilt fines, three were released after a warning and nine were due to appear in court yesterday.

Lawyers for the company said attempts by management to find out why employees had staged a sit-in were fruitless.

They said that according to the Industrial Court ruling, the reinstated workers were entitled to the same increases as their colleagues.

Gunman fires on cops, 10 people arrested

Capt Times 15/10/85

PRETORIA. — A gunman fired on security force members in Pinetown and arsonists caused damage to buildings in the West Rand, according to Thursday night's police unrest report.

At Klaarwater, Pinetown, a gang threw stones at security force members. A gunman from within the group fired several shots at the security forces. No injuries were caused. Ten men were arrested.

At Sebokeng, West Rand, arsonists caused damage to a private house and a school. In the same area stone-throwers caused damage to a delivery vehicle.

At Inanda, Durban, a group of people attacked four men with knives causing serious injury to all four.

5 die in unrest at weekend

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PRETORIA. — Five people were killed and a substation was extensively damaged in several unrest-related incidents at the weekend.

The police reported that two men burnt to death when a house in Mpumalanga, near Maritzburg, was petrol-bombed. Eleven men and one woman received minor burns in the fire.

In another incident in the same township police found the body of a man with several stab wounds in the chest and back.

A man was shot dead by another with an AK47 rifle in Soweto, Johannesburg. A man was later taken into custody.

The body of another man who had been stabbed to death was found at Hammarsdale near Maritzburg. No arrests were made.

A mini limpet mine caused extensive damage to a substation in Soweto, Johannesburg. No injuries were reported and no arrests were made.

An explosion rocked Katlehong municipal barracks on Saturday morning, damaging the building slightly but injured no one.

The bomb, which was detonated at the back of the local authority barracks at 4.30am, was the second in the PWV area in 10 hours.

A bomb extensively damaged an unused electricity sub-station in Soweto early yesterday morning, police said. Nobody was injured.

A member of the security forces was shot at, presumably with an AK47 rifle, by two unknown men in Umlazi near Durban. The security force member was wounded in both legs and then robbed of his service pistol. No arrests have been made. His condition is not serious.

At Inanda a police vehicle was extensively damaged by stones. — Sapa

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EMERGENCY UPDATE

Two hacked to death, houses burnt in unrest

PRETORIA. — Two people were hacked to death with pangas in separate incidents of continuing township violence, police reported today.

The police unrest report said a group of people attacked a home in Mpumalanga, Natal, and another in Mpumuza, Edendale, and hacked the owners to death. Their homes were set alight.

Four women, two in each incident, were arrested after the killings.

At Hammersdale, Natal, a group attacked and wounded a man with "sharp instruments", according to police.

A man was also stabbed and wounded at Mpumuza. — Sapa.

Car bomb kills guard

PAMPLONA (Spain). — Suspected Basque separatists detonated a car bomb when an armoured car of the paramilitary civil guard passed by, killing one guard and injuring seven, police said. — Sapa-AP.

Four injured in four bomb blasts on Reef

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Four bombs exploded on the Reef at the weekend, one of them injuring four people at Johannesburg's Vanderbijl Square bus terminus, only metres from the spot where 19 victims were hurt in a similar explosion several weeks ago.

In another terror-related incident at the weekend, a man was shot dead with an AK-47 rifle. Police arrested a man in connection with the killing, said a police unrest report.

Last night an unidentified explosive device detonated at the Alexandra municipal offices at 10.15. Damage was slight and no one was injured.

EAST RAND

Explosions also took place at the Katlehong, East Rand, municipal offices and at a disused power station in Soweto, police said. No one was injured in the two explosions and damage was slight.

The Katlehong bomb, the latest of several terror-related incidents on the East Rand last week, went off behind the municipal barracks at about 4.30am on Saturday, slightly damaging the building.

In Soweto, a mini-limpet mine exploded at a sub-station, causing some damage.

Those injured in the Vanderbijl Square blast were Mr Owan Moran, 56, of Hillbrow, Miss Miriam Naka, 22, Mr Johannes Medupi, 24, and Mr Jacob Mototsi, 32. They were only slightly injured in the 6.20pm blast on Friday.

Police flee from enraged mob in Brits township

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

Two policemen narrowly escaped death when a mob stoned them and set their car alight in Oukasie township near Brits after one of the policemen had shot a suspect yesterday.

Four people were arrested.

Warrant Officer Roelf van Wyk (48) and Detective Constable Jaco Schoeman (23) were investigating a car theft and dagga case in the township when they saw a suspect. Constable Schoeman gave chase on foot.

He warned the suspect to stop, but when the man refused, the constable fired a shot, wounding the man in the stomach. He was joined by Warrant Officer van Wyk and the suspect was arrested.

A large crowd then surrounded their car, set it alight and threw bricks and stones at them.

"There were about 200 to 300 of them and they were shouting 'kill them, kill them' ... We split up and ran. The crowd followed us but we outran them," said Warrant Officer van Wyk.

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Sun City visitors attacked by Bophuthatswana mob

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By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

Four young people on their way to Sun City had to flee for their lives after they were attacked and their car stoned by a mob in Bophuthatswana's Thlabane township outside Rustenburg at the weekend.

The violence on Saturday night also apparently sparked an outbreak of stonings on the road, and a bus and several other vehicles were pelted with stones and other objects.

Mr John Dann (19), a Potchefstroom University student, his friend, Mr Antonie Troskie, and two girls were on their way to Sun City on Saturday night when they stopped in Thlabane.

Mr Dann went into a shop to buy something to drink. Inside, a crowd of people started pushing him and he heard others stoning his car outside.

His three friends sped off in the badly damaged vehicle, leaving him.

His mother, Mrs T Dann, said: "While they rushed off to get help, John found himself with all these people around him. They wanted to kill him and some drew knives. They tripped him up but he managed to get away and run into the road, where he was picked up by a motorist.

"The mob also stoned that car as it drove away," Mrs Dann said.

The latest incident was the second outburst of mob violence in rural Transvaal townships at the weekend.

In Oukasie near Brits, two policemen were forced to run for their lives when a mob stoned them and set their car alight on Sunday.

An SAP spokesman said a complaint had been laid at Rustenburg police station, but the incident happened across the border and should be investigated by Bophuthatswana police.

Mrs Dann criticised the SAP and Bophuthatswana police yesterday for not helping her son and his party.

Riots worse than 1984 forecast

Vereeniging Bureau

The effect of post-election disillusionment among voters in the Vaal Triangle's black townships could spark off violence far greater than in the 1984 riots if irresponsible campaigning by municipal election candidates in the area is permitted to continue.

This is the opinion of Mr Ben Scott, town secretary of the Lekoa Town Council, who maintains that political gullibility is running rampant in Vaal townships.

The townships under Lekoa's jurisdiction include Sharpeville, Sebokeng, Boipatong, Bophelong, Zamdela and Refengkgotso.

In an urgent appeal to the public, Mr Scott yesterday stressed that it was the moral obligation of employers to make black voters more aware of irresponsible campaigning and its effects.

He said it was clear that certain candidates in the Lekoa area were "promising more than they could ever hope to make good".

He added that many voters were inclined to believe all they were told, and that the consequences of this could be disastrous.

Some of the promises being made by candidates apparently include the reduction of service charges to sums as low as R10, the writing off of arrears in rent, or that no rent will have to be paid. Some candidates are even claiming they will see to it that the Government squares all their debts.

Mr Scott warned that if the 1984 riots were sparked off by merely contemplating a R5 increase at the time, the consequences could be catastrophic when elected councillors are unable to fulfil their promises.

Mr Scott said he had been instructed by Mr John Mavuso, Transvaal MEC, to investigate the issue and compile a list of candidates who are allegedly campaigning under false pretences.

A total of 36 wards are being contested and eight candidates have been declared duly elected.

Police teargas Wits student demos

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Staff Reporters

Police fired teargas and rubber bullets and held at least five people at the University of the Witwatersrand yesterday after a protest meeting on the eve of the municipal elections.

According to a statement from the police in Pretoria, there were no injuries or arrests.

A student spokesman, Mr Anton Roskam, said at least three students were injured, including one whose hand was fractured by a teargas canister.

Mrs Winnie Mandela accompanied marching students to the edge of the campus.

Those held and later released by police included a television crew, Wits student Mr Nathaniel Moodley and three others.

After a two-hour meeting in the Arcadia Hall, about 400 students marched singing and dancing to Yale Road.

The flag of the banned African National Congress was hoisted briefly.

Hundreds of other students followed the main procession.

The students, who spilled over into Yale Road, chanting and holding posters, were met by a large contingent of riot policemen and regrouped on Jorissen Street.

Here, outside the Wits Little Theatre, police fired several rounds of teargas, sending students fleeing into university buildings.

For nearly two hours students marched, retreated and regrouped.

On Jan Smuts Avenue, the Wits deputy vice-chancellor for student affairs, Professor Mervin Shear, asked Lieutenant-Colonel Barry van der Wildt why he had not come to speak to him before firing at the students.

"My van was here. You could have come and spoken to me," the policeman replied.

More teargas was fired when students flung rocks and bottles in the direction of the police.

Sapa reports that in a statement an SAP spokesman confirmed that tearsmoke and rubber bullets were used to disperse students at the university after police were stoned.

Dr Beyers Naude has words of comfort for Mrs Johanna Mofokeng, mother of Tumahole Youth Congress activist Joseph Mofokeng who was shot by police on Monday. Looking on are (from left) Mr Ace Magashule, of the Tumahole Civic Association, Mr William Thobala and Mr Tom Letsuenyo.

Residents of Tumahole want police restrained

By Jo-Anne Collinge

Tumahole community organisations are preparing to go to court to seek an order restraining the municipal police from harming members of the community — particularly youth activists and their families.

The announcement by the Tumahole Civic Association comes in the wake of the killing of a second Tumahole Youth Congress member, Mr Joseph Thekiso Mofokeng, who was shot by police early on Monday morning.

Two months ago another TYC member, Mr Johannes Nakeli, was shot dead by municipal police. Residents have disputed the official explanation that police acted in self-defence when one of their number was stabbed.

Another member of the TYC, Mr William Thobala (26), told a Johannesburg Press conference yesterday that he had been with Mr Mofokeng at the time they were confronted by the police and the fatal shooting occurred.

"We were trying to trace another comrade who was supposed to give us some money," said Mr Thobala, with tears spilling down his face. "Unfortunately we met the municipal police at the corner. Joseph took his direction and I took my direction.

"(As I ran) I was actually missed by a bullet. I managed to escape and hide in the next street. Then someone came with a message that Joseph had been shot dead."

The official police statement confirms that Mr Mofokeng was shot by police. But it says that Mr Mofokeng attacked the police with an axe. It described Mr Mofokeng as a terrorism suspect.

Mr Thobala agreed that Mr Mofokeng had been carrying a "small axe" at the time of his death. This was because he was repairing furniture, he explained.

13 die in faction fight

THIRTEEN people were killed and 40 huts razed in faction fighting in the Escourt district at the weekend, police reported. (278)

A police spokesman said 150 members of the Ngubane and Mtshali faction fought 50 men from Mlaba with matchetes and sticks in the Imandleni area over a land dispute.

The Mlaba faction suffered 13 dead and one man from the Ngubane faction was seriously injured.

Forty huts belonging to the Mlaba faction were burned down and five cars were also set alight. Sowetan 8/11/87

A gun was also used in the fighting. — Sapa.

Burial set for killed youth boss

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YOUTH leader Mr Joseph Tsekiso Mofokeng, who was allegedly gunned down by a municipal policeman last week in controversial circumstances, will be buried on Friday at Tumahole near Parys in the Free State, a spokesman for the Tumahole Civic Association said yesterday.

Police said Mr Mofokeng was a suspected terrorist and was shot dead when he attacked a policeman with an axe.

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An eye-witness has refuted the police version, saying he and Mr Mofokeng were walking along a street in Tumahole on Monday morning when he heard shots. They fled for cover.

Mr Mofokeng, a member of the Tumahole Youth Congress, took cover in a nearby house, but was dragged out by a municipal policeman.

The witness said people in the house saw the policeman gun down Mr Mofokeng while the deceased held his hands up.

The witness agreed the deceased had been carrying an axe but had not attacked the policeman.

Mr Mofokeng will be buried at 10am — Sapa.

Fifth beats death

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A fifth man, Mr A Kheswa, narrowly escaped death when he was ambushed by a group of unknown gunmen in July last year as he was waiting for a bus near the hostel. He was shot on the knee but managed to escape.

All five were members of Inkatha and stayed at the KwaThema men's hostel.

Mr Enoch Sgubudu said all five men, including his son, were shot in the same fashion. He said they were waylaid by their assailants between 9 and 10 in the evening while on their way to work.

He said: "They were killed because they refused to resign from Fawu and join Uwusa. Two weeks before my son was killed, he complained that there were people who were threatening him with death if he did not join Uwusa I will not rest until his killers are arrested."

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AMBUSH

Councillor's gun used in union killing say police

MR Enoch Sgubudu... son shot dead.

ONE of the four members of the Food and Allied Workers' Union who died mysteriously was shot with a gun belonging to a KwaThema, Springs, councillor.

By MZIKAYISE EDOM

This was revealed yesterday by the Benoni Murder and Robbery Squad after ballistic tests on bullets which killed the unionist and a gun belonging to the councillor.

The four, the *Sowetan* was told, were killed because they refused to join the Inkatha-backed United Workers' Union of South Africa.

A spokesman for the Benoni Murder and Robbery Squad said the ballistic tests were completed two weeks ago. He said the tests proved positive that the firearm and bullets used in the murder of Mr Abion Sgubudu (29), who was gunned down on January 27, last year, belonged to the councillor.

The *Sowetan* knows the identity of the councillor.

The police also confirmed that they were still conducting further ballistic tests on the councillor's gun and three other guns, including a shotgun, all belonging to the KwaThema town council to check if they were not used in the other killings.

Police expect to complete the tests within the next two weeks before taking any action against the culprits.

The three workers who were killed were Mr Moses Ntuli, Mr Eric Dlamini (both killed in 1986), and a man known only as Lucas, who was shot dead by two unknown gunmen at the superintendent's office at the local men's hostel late last year.

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PEOPLE'S COURT THE 'IN THING' IN ALEXANDRA

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Terror accused tells Judge

By MANDLA NDLAZI

THE "people's court" became a popular phrase among the residents of Alexandra township during the unrest period, the Rand Supreme Court judge was told yesterday.

A group of people found talking on a street corner or in a yard would say, if asked, they were holding a "people's court." Even children in groups would talk about a "people's court."

This was said by Mr Paul Tshabalala, one of the five treason trialists appearing before Mr Justice P J van der Walt. It was his second day in the witness box.

Subversion

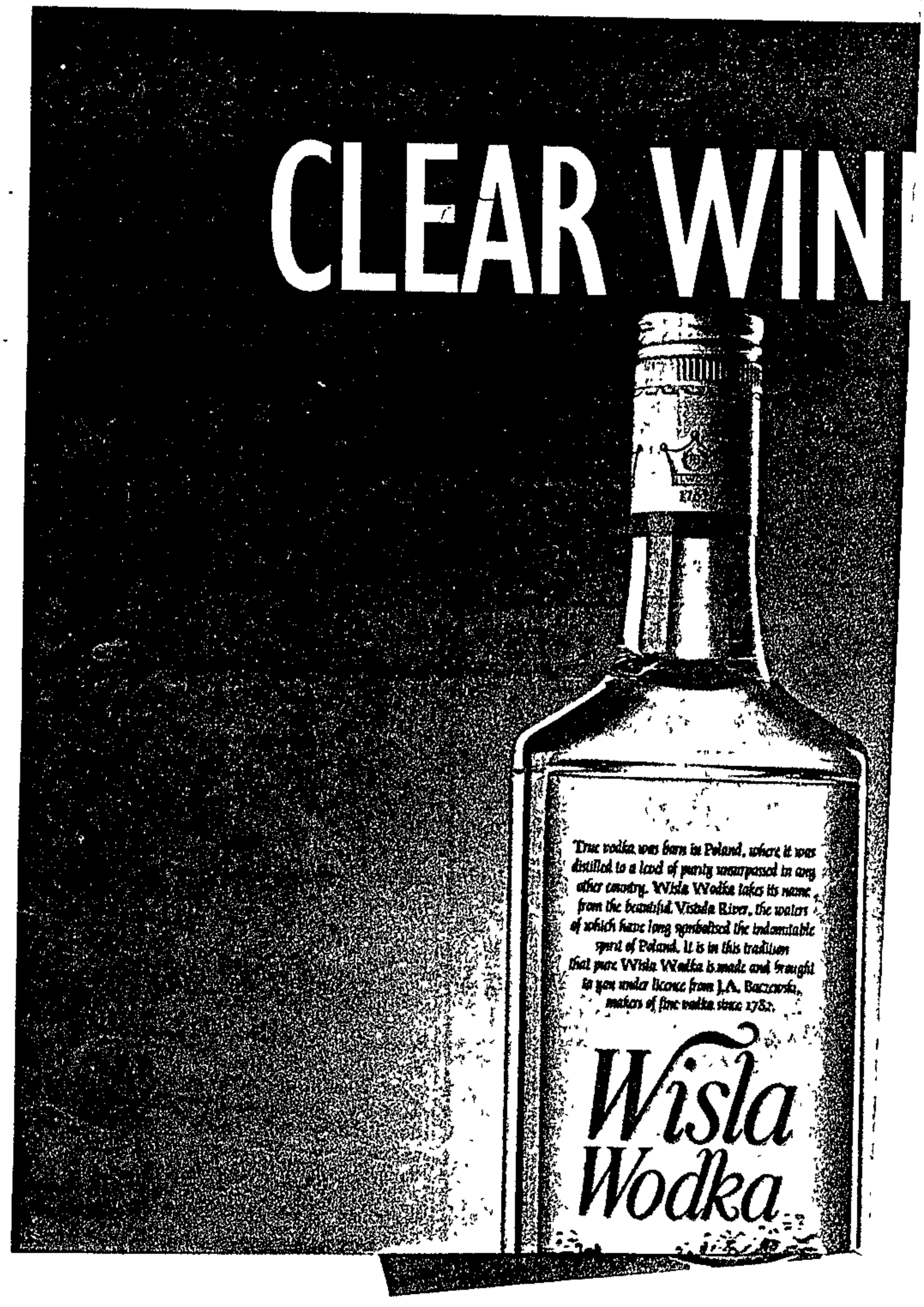
The others are, Mr Moses Mayekiso (40), Mr Richard Mdakane (29), Mr Obed Bapela (39) and Mr Mzwanele Mayekiso (22). They have pleaded not guilty to charges of treason, alternatively sedition or subversion.

Led by Defence Counsel, Mr David Soggot, SC, Mr Tshabalala was giving evidence in his defence He said the "people's court" became the "in thing" with the residents of Alexandra, especially among the women and the phrase became popular.

Mr Tshabalala said he was not in favour of the people's court and did not take part in its proceedings He said he was not in favour of it because of what he saw and heard about it.

Mr Tshabalala said he heard that offenders were sjambokked in such a court that was held in a shack, and he was against sjambokking. He said he saw a group of youths outside and inside the shack. When he asked one of them what they were doing, he was told it was the people's court in session and the case being dealt with was of a person accused of having stolen clothing

He said he was not in favour of the proceedings.



Policeman, two ANC men die in gunfight

Star 10/11/84 (278)

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

Two ANC members were shot dead and a security policeman killed in a gunfight yesterday in Orlando West, Soweto — the third reported incident involving terror suspects in the past 11 days.

A third suspect was arrested at the scene of the battle.

Police said the three entered South Africa through Botswana. They are investigating information that the group were to return to Botswana after completing an unspecified mission.

Yesterday's clash happened only two days after police cornered and shot dead an insurgent, trained in Angola, linked to the Witbank car bomb and to the 1981 rocket attack on Voortrekkerhoogte in Vosloorus on the East Rand.

The policeman killed in yesterday's shoot-out was explosives expert Sergeant Fanie Pretorius (26) of the Soweto police. He leaves his wife Elize, who is a warrant officer stationed at John Vorster Square in Johannesburg and his parents.

Sergeant Pretorius was hit twice in the chest and once in the stomach, by shots apparently fired from a Soviet-made AK-47 assault rifle.

One of the suspects was killed during the 4.30 pm clash, while the second later died in hospital.

Police seized a quantity of Soviet-made arms after the incident but would not reveal the contents of the cache.

An intensive follow-up operation was today under way in the township, but a police spokesman said no further arrests or contacts were made.

A Pretoria spokesman said police yesterday received information that a terrorist group was hiding out in a house in Orlando West. This information was acted upon but as police approached the house they were shot at by the occupants. Sergeant Pretorius was hit.

His colleagues returned the fire and a grenade was hurled into the house.

A man was killed and another wounded inside the house.

'Sergeant did his best for country'

Pretoria Bureau

The family of the policeman who was killed in a shoot-out in Orlando West last night was comforted by the knowledge he had done his best for his country, said his sister, Sergeant Rowena Pretorius, today.

Sergeant S C (Fanie) Pretorius (26) was hit by three bullets in a clash with a group of alleged terrorists.

Sergeant Rowena Pretorius, an instructor at the Pretoria Police College, said the family fully understood his work and the risks involved because they were also in the police force.

Fanie's wife, Warrant-officer Elize Pretorius, was stationed at John Vorster Square, Johannesburg, and his father Mr Sakkie Pretorius, of Hammanskraal, retired from the force two years ago.

She said though the family was devastated by its loss, everyone was satisfied Sergeant Pretorius had died while "doing his best for his country."

"We bear no hate or desire for revenge and though it is difficult to accept his death, it is not for us to question why," she said.

SOWETO BATTLE

Alleged ANC men and a policeman are killed

TWO ANC members were shot dead and a security policeman killed in a heavy gunfight in Orlando West, Soweto — the third reported incident involving suspected insurgents in the past 12 days.

By *SOWETAN* REPORTER

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As police approached the house, they were shot at by the occupants. Sergeant Pretorius was hit.

His colleagues returned the fire and a grenade was hurled into the house. A man was killed and another wounded inside the house.

● On October 31/November 1, another foreign-trained insurgent was arrested on the East Rand along with a courier, police said.

● On the same day, a man wanted for questioning on a terror incident was shot dead by a policeman after he allegedly attacked him with an axe in Tumahole near Parys.

● The name of the man linked to the Witbank blast has not yet been released. Police said this would be done when his family had been traced.

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Shootout

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One of the suspects was killed during the 4.30pm clash, while the second later died in hospital.

Their names have not yet been released.

Police seized a quantity of Soviet-made arms after the incident but would not reveal the contents of the cache. However, it is understood an AK47 rifle was part of the haul.

A Pretoria spokesman said police went to a house in Orlando West after receiving certain information.

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Accused denies takeover

Sowetan 11/11/88

THE Alexandra Action Committee (AAC) did not plan to take over control of Alexandra township, Mr Paul Tshabalala, vice-chairman of the committee, told a Rand Supreme Court judge yesterday.

He said he was elected vice-president at a meeting of the township's block representatives on May 25, 1986. He remained vice-chairman until he was arrested, he said.

Mr Tshabalala said the meeting was organised by the AAC and chaired by his co-accused, Mr Moses Mayekiso. Many issues were discussed and the elections involved people from grassroots level in a democratic fashion.

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Mr Tshabalala said this on his third day in the witness stand when he continued with his he continued with evidence in his defence. He was led by Mr David Soggot SC council for the defence.

The AAC had organised the meeting for the residents to discuss their common daily problems, he said. Among the issues discussed, he said, were the activities of the youths in the townships. He said the lashing of the people by the youths was criticised.

Mr Tshabalala said the "people's courts" were discussed at the meeting and it was decided that such courts should be stopped.

Answering other questions, Mr Tshabalala said the AAC did not plan to make Alexandra ungovernable. He said the AAC played an important role in discussions with Mr Steve Burger, who was administrator of the area. He said Mr Burger was told of the poor living conditions of the residents in the area.

Mr Tshabalala said the main concern of the AAC was to get the residents together to discuss their daily common problems. There were no plans, he said, to make the area ungovernable.

Answering another question, he said he recalled attending the night vigil of a schoolboy who was shot. He said the night vigil was on April 4, and it was attended by a huge crowd of mourners, and there were many police.

Mr Tshabalala said he spoke at the vigil and told the crowds not to carry stones and sticks as this could aggravate matters with the police.

(Proceeding)

THE FAMILY FUN COMPETITION

day, November 16, 1988

Murder docket opened against 2 force members

13 POLICE BULLETS PUMPED INTO MAN

Sowetan 16/11/88 (278)

By ALI MPHAKI

THE son of a well-known Soweto businessman, Mr Velani Thula, who was shot dead at the weekend, was killed by thirteen bullets fired into his body by the police.

Post-mortem results released yesterday contradict earlier reports that Mr Thula (21), was killed by seven bullets.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for the Soweto police, Major Fanyana Zwane, said a murder docket has been opened against the two policemen who were at the scene of the shooting.

He was a first-year student at the Soweto College of Education. Mr Thula, affectionately known as "Veja", also played a sterling role in the Bophelo Self Help Projects that are headed by his mother, Mrs Nanana Thula.

He will be buried on Thursday after a two-hour funeral service at the St Margareth's Anglican church in

SHOOTING OF FIVE MINERS

Sowetan 17/11/88

Councillor's gun sent for more ballistic tests as probe continues

POLICE are conducting further ballistic tests on three guns belonging to the KwaThema Town Council, including one owned by a councillor, to determine whether they were not used in the shooting of five mine workers.

The Benoni Murder and Robbery Squad announced last week that one of the four members

By MZIKAYISE EDOM

of the Food and Allied Workers' Union who died mysteriously during the last two years, was shot with a gun belonging to a Kwa-Thema, Springs, councillor.

The men, the *Sowetan* was told, were killed because they had refused to join the Inkatha-backed United Workers Union of South Africa.

All four were members of Inkatha and stayed at the Kwa-Thema men's hostel.

The five miners, all employed by Zinc Corporation (Zincor), near Springs, were shot on April 11 last year at the company's men's hostel. They all stayed in Room H 510.

They were attacked by four men, all armed with firearms, while they were asleep. Two of them were seriously injured and the others were treated and allowed to go home.

Police confirmed yesterday that the guns and the bullets used on the night of the shooting have been sent to Pretoria for ballistic tests.

The councillor's gun was used in the shooting of one of the Fawu members.

The shot miners all belong to the National Union of Mineworkers and the *Sowetan* was told they were shot because they refused to join Uwusa.

A spokeswoman for Zincor, Mrs Erin Malan, confirmed the shooting incident and also said the matter was being investigated by the police.

Court convicts two men for Soweto murders

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Star 19/11/84

By Cathy Stagg

Oupa Seheri (33), who stored arms at Mrs Winnie Mandela's house, was convicted yesterday of committing two murders, two attempted murders and being in unlawful possession of a Scorpion machine pistol, an AK-47 rifle and ammunition.

Priscilla Mkhonza (29), who told Seheri to "shoot the dog and wipe out the evidence" was convicted of the second murder.

Setimbiso Buthelezi (25), who stayed at Mrs Mandela's house in her daughter, Zinzi's room from time to time, was found guilty of being in unlawful possession of the two firearms and sentenced to an effective three years' imprisonment.

Charles Zwane (18) was convicted only of being in unlawful possession of the Scorpion pistol. All of his one-year sentence was suspended.

Mr Ben Jabulani Dlamini (27) was acquitted of all charges.

The trial was postponed until November 30 when the court will inquire into whether there are extenuating circumstances in the murders.

FIGHT AT SHEBEEN

Mr Justice B O'Donovan presided over the trial in the Rand Supreme Court with two assessors.

The court found Seheri went to Mrs Mandela's house in Soweto on January 24 last year. He left an AK-47 there and opened a parcel that had been left for him. He took out the Scorpion and left.

Later that night, Seheri was at a shebeen at Mhonza's home. He burnt a hole in Mr Xola Mokhaula's trousers and a fight broke out. Mr Mokhaula was winning the fight and Seheri tried to use the machine pistol. It was taken away from him by Mr Mokhaula's friends, who refused to give it back.

The court rejected Seheri's evidence that he had been injured in a fight, in which he was the innocent victim, and was on his way to hospital when he changed his mind about getting medical treatment and went back to Mrs Mandela's house.

The court found his intention was to collect the AK-47 and get others to help him retrieve the Scorpion by a show of force. Seven men went looking for Mr Mokhaula and his friends. One of the cars they used was Mrs Mandela's Audi.

DENIED KNOWLEDGE

Seheri shot, and injured, Mr Collin Dlamini. Mr Mlando Ngubeni told Seheri that Mr Mokhaula's sister, Faith, knew where the Scorpion was and said: "Shoot this woman."

Seheri shot and killed Mr Ngubeni. Despite being told she would be shot, Faith denied knowing where the firearm or her brother were.

Mkhonza told Seheri where one of Mr Mokhaula's friends lived.

After they left, Faith moved the Scorpion from the diningroom to an outside coal-bunker. Then her brother came home, pursued by Seheri and Mkhonza. Mr Mokhaula, Faith and their mother, Judith, pleaded with Seheri not to shoot him and he went back into the house.

Miss Faith Mokhaula said it was Priscilla who incited Seheri to go after him. Seheri said "I have come to kill you" and shot him in the head.

Mrs Mandela and her daughter Zinzi were both in court yesterday. They were not called to give evidence during the trial.

'One of our most pressing problems'

Sharp rise in terror incidents

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MALEOSKOP (Northern Transvaal) - While unrest continues to level off, the rate of terror incidents in South Africa is soaring dramatically.

This emerged from a special briefing of parliamentary journalists by the Chief of the Security Branch, General Basie Smit, in the Northern Transvaal this week.

The briefing was held at the SA Police counter-insurgency training farm at Maleoskop, near Groblersdal. It was attended by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, and several other police generals and senior officers.

General Smit said that, in the eight years from 1976 to 1984, there were 267 cases of terror. In the four years since then there were 847.

This had become one of the security force's most pressing problems and everything possible would have to be done to reduce this, he said.

According to General Smit there was a sharp rise in the number of terror victims as a result of the surge in incidents.

From 1976 to 1982, 26 people were killed in terror attacks.

In 1983 alone 22 people died, dropping back to 15 in 1984 and then 23 in 1985.

In 1986 56 people were killed, 30 died in 1987 and, so far this year, 38 had died.

DAVID BRAUN
Political Correspondent

The number of people injured in terror attacks had also risen dramatically with 345 in 1986, 341 last year and 500 so far this year.

General Smit said the number of ANC terrorists eliminated had also increased over the years.

Whereas 42 were arrested in 1986 and 63 in 1987, 63 had been arrested so far this year.

The number killed was 29 so far this year, compared with 25 in 1987, 40 in 1986 and 15 in 1985.

General Smit also gave a breakdown of the terror targets.

Of the 245 terror incidents so far this year, 56 were aimed at the police, 14 at the SA Defence Force, six at the judiciary, 65 at the system (including local authorities), 30 at the economy and 73 at civilians.

The general said attacks against the system peaked in the two months before the countrywide municipal elections, but attacks against these targets had fallen away considerably since the polls.

General Smit would not elaborate on his earlier announcement that more organisations could be restricted.

He said memoranda on two orgamisations had been forwarded to the Minister for a decision in this regard.

Pretoria massacre death toll rises

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Last week's shooting spree in Pretoria has claimed another victim. Mr Abdul Carrim has died in the H F Verwoerd Hospital. Star 24/11/86

His son, Feroz, said it appeared his father had died of a heart attack.

A hospital spokesman confirmed Mr Carrim (52), who was shot in the leg, died on Tuesday night.

Mr Carrim shouted at the gunman moments before he was shot in his

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jewellery shop in Prinsloo Street.

He asked the gunman, who was standing at the entrance to the shop, if he was crazy.

The gunman then shot Mr Carrim and three customers who were standing in the shop.

He is survived by his wife Amina and three children Feroz, Salim and Razina.

'Necklace followed kidnap'

SW 24/11/87 (278)

Court Reporter

Two young men who allegedly murdered three people by necklacing one and throwing the other two in a burning car, heard in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday that their trial will start in the Rand Supreme Court on May 15 next year.

Mr Themba Radebe (23) and Mr Eric Mdlalase (21), both of Soweto, are facing three charges of murder and a charge of damaging property.

It was alleged that an ambulance was stopped on March 4 by the accused after a boy was earlier kidnapped. He was allegedly found in the ambulance.

Mr Radebe and Mr Mdlalase then allegedly instructed the crowd to kill Mr Malan Ramalobela, Mr Buzanani Gumedi and Mr Johnny Morris.

Policeman shot dead, another wounded

PRETORIA. — Four men, including a policeman, died and four others arrested at the weekend, according to police unrest reports.

On Saturday, it was reported that an unknown gunman shot a policeman to death at the Kwa-Mayandin railway station in Umlazi. Another policeman was wounded at Lindokuhle station in Umlazi, also by an unknown gunman.

In Mpumalanga in Natal, two men men were stabbed to death, and in Maritzburg, a man was killed and another injured when opposing groups clashed.

In other incidents, a group of men attacked and stabbed two men at Hammarsdale, Natal, and at Ntuzuma, Durban, a private house was damaged when unknown people hurled a petrol bomb at it.

Yesterday's report stated that four men were arrested in three unrelated petrol bomb attacks.

Two private homes were attacked, one in Thembisa township on the East Rand, where two men were arrested, and one in Georgedale in Natal, where one man was arrested.

A man was also arrested after a petrol bomb attack on a police vehicle, but it was not reported where the attack occurred.

Police made no mention of injuries in any of the incidents. — Sapa

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2 killed in Ellis Park shooting

JOHANNESBURG. — Two soccer fans were killed and a security guard seriously injured outside Ellis Park stadium on Saturday afternoon, SAP liaison officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Frans Malherbe has confirmed.

Col Malherbe said a crowd had gathered at the north-western gate of Ellis Park rugby stadium waiting for tickets. When told the tickets had been sold out, some of the crowd started throwing stones at an Ellis Park security guard, Mr Steve Matetwa.

When the crowd became unruly and tried to break into the security office, an off-duty policeman, Sergeant B S Ndela, tried to stop the stone throwing and fired four warning shots. Despite this, the crowd continued to throw stones at Mr Matetwa. "I decided the only way to stop them was to shoot at the leader of the group," Sgt Ndela said. The man died instantly.

His identity will not be made known until his next of kin have been informed.

The crowd then moved off and gathered again around the corner, away from the security office. When they dispersed from this spot a second body was found with a bullet wound through the left side of his chest. He had been shot from the front. Sgt Ndela said he had not been reponsible for this death, Col Malherbe said.

A City Press photographer, Mr Bongani Mnguni, had his camera and film confiscated. Col Malherbe said this would be returned to him once it was established that no photographs had been taken that might contravene the regulations on police action.

Mr Matetwa is said to be in a serious condition. — Sapa

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MINERS SHOT AS COUNCILS GUNS USED

POLICE have confirmed that three guns belonging to the KwaThema Town Council, including one owned by a councillor, were used in the shooting of five mine workers.

By MZIKAYISE EDOM

The Benoni Murder and Robbery Squad announced two weeks ago that one of the four members of the Food and Allied Workers' Union who died mysteriously last year, was shot with a gun belonging to a KwaThema, Springs, councillor.

The four, the *Sowetan* was told, were killed for allegedly refusing to join a rival trade union.

Police announced yesterday that the councillor's gun, including three others owned by the KwaThema council, were used in the shooting of the five miners.

One of the council's guns, police said, was a shotgun.

A spokesman for the Pretoria Murder and Robbery Squad yesterday said ballistic tests have proved positive that the guns and bullets used in the shooting of the miners belonged to the council and the councillor.

He said no one has been arrested as police investigations were still continuing.

The tests were completed last week by Pretoria police.

The five miners, all employed by Zinc Corporation (Zincor), were shot on April 11 last year at the company's men's hostel for allegedly refusing to join a rival trade union. They all stayed in Room H 510.

They were attacked by four men, all armed with firearms, while they were asleep. The five were all members of the National Union of Mineworkers.

SOWETAN, Tuesday, November 29, 1988

Mamelodi policeman fired birdshot

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By MANDLA NDLAZI

A MAMELODI police constable yesterday told the Pretoria North Inquest Court that he fired at a mob stoning a local policeman's house on November 21, 1985, but the crowd just stood there saying the bullets fired were "bird shot" that will not kill them.

Constable Philemon Morudi said he fired four shots at a mob stoning Constable Vuma's house in Mamelodi East that day. He said he first fired a single shot at the crowd's feet following instructions from a Captain N Moerane.

Constable Morudi added that the stoning continued for a period he could not determine and he fired three more shots at the mob. "The crowd just stood there and remarked that it was birdshot that was fired and that it will not kill them", Constable Morudi said.

He told the court that he did not know if anybody was wounded during the shooting. It was possible that some people could have been injured, Constable Morudi added.

He was testifying at the inquest into the death of twelve people, including pensioners, who were allegedly shot dead by security forces during a rent protest march on November 21, 1985.

Mr Morudi said he was accompanied by a Constable Kapine when they received information that Constable Vuma's house was being attacked by about 200 or 300 people. Constable Morudi said the mob continued throwing stones as he tried to extinguish a burning sofa inside the house. The stoning only stopped when police reinforcement arrived at the scene, he added.

Cross examined by Mr Morris Basslian, assisted by Mr Dikgang Moseneke and the instructing attorney Mr Nano Matlala, Constable Morudi said he was not struck by the stones that were thrown by the mob. Constable Kapine also did not tell him if he was hit. The police vehicle they were travelling in was not damaged by the stones, the court heard.

(Proceeding)

Lekoa secretar pleads not guilt

THE owner of a company that went insolvent in 1985 told a Vereeniging Regional Court yesterday that R220 000 was split between him and the Lekoa Town Council secretary.

Mr Johannes Jacobus Opperman, owner of the Nolits Fencing and Engineering Construction Company said this when cross-examined by H O Des, counsel for the defence.

Appearing before Mr O J G Olivier on 104 charges of fraud involving R492 450 was Mr Ben Scott, secretary of the Lekoa Town Council. He has pleaded not guilty.

Cross-examined by Mr Des for the defence, Mr Opperman said if according to council auditors he was paid R220 000, half of it went to him and the other half to Mr Scott. He said for the work he did for the council he doubled t amount for paymer This was an arrangem entered into with M Scott. Sc 1 + Cm 1/7/88

He said he went 50-5 with Mr Scott and c occasions he would g more, though he coul not remember th amount. He said he ga the documents for th work he did to Mr Scot who was in his office.

Still on the cross examination, Mr Opper man said his construction company went insolvent in 1985. He said he paid his employees R90 a week.

Bina proves writer wrong

WEST African writer Ayi Kwei Armah once wrote "the beautiful ones are not yet born". But with the likes of petite Bina Makinita, surely the African writer must review his statement. The lass hails from Diepkloof, Soweto, and is presently in matric.

Politicised crime

A GREAT deal of crime is being committed in the guise of politics, according to the chairman of the Ministers Council of the House of Delegates, Mr Amichand Rajbansi.

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Two shot dead

TWO unionists were allegedly shot dead by police who were investigating a case of theft at the Basil Reed Construction Company's hostel at Creecy near Naboomspruit last week.

Mr Reuben Sithole and Mr Lucky Khumalo, who are both shop-stewards of the Cosatu-affiliated Construction and Allied Workers Union, were discussing with colleagues in the hostel when the police fired shots at them, a union official claimed.

Basil Read's manpower director, Mr Brian Maynard, yesterday confirmed the incident which he said has caused "a lot of interest in the company's ranks".

He said police were summoned to the hostel to investigate a case of theft. He did not know what had happened during their investigation, but he understood that shots were fired and the two men were killed.

"We are obviously concerned about the alleged shooting and will institute our own inquiry into the circumstances leading to the fatal shooting," Mr Maynard said.

The matter has been reported to the police who are investigating, he added.

The SAP public relations division in Pretoria yesterday said on November 20, 1988 at about 20h00 two black men were arrested at the Basil Read compound, Naboomspruit. They were suspects in a case of theft of a power generator.

When the two constables arrived at their police vehicle with the suspects, they found that the vehicle was surrounded by a large group of black men. They were busy pushing a third constable around and taunting him. The group was warned to disperse but they took no notice.

AAC sought clergy's counsel

By MARTIN NTSOELENGOE

CAN executive member of the Alexandra Action Committee this week told the Rand Supreme Court the situation during the Alex "six-day war" in March 1986 became so explosive that the group had to seek help from church leaders.

Mzwanele Mayekiso, the last treason trialist to testify before Judge PJ van der Walt, said he saw police fire teargas at mourners after a funeral.

Mayekiso, 24, Moses Mayekiso, 40, Paul Tshabalala, 30, Richard Mdakane, 39, and Obed Bapela are charged with treason and sedition, alternatively subversion..

They have pleaded not guilty to all the charges.

Mayekiso said heavy fighting between the police, soldiers, vigilantes and residents prompted the group to ask church leaders to intervene.

The State alleges that they conspired with the ANC, UDF, Cosatu and Alexandra Youth Congress to overthrow the government by violent means.

They are also alleged to have incited residents against the security forces and the Alexandra Town Council.

They also allegedly formed yard and street committees.

Cross-examined by advocate J van Staden for the State, Mayekiso denied that the AAC had organised a consumer boycott and "people's courts".

He said the consumer boycott had been organised by disgruntled residents who operated underground

The case was postponed to February 1. The defence, led by David Soggot, SC, indicated it intended calling overseas experts to give evidence.

Tearsmoke 'reasonable way' to disperse crowd

The Argus Correspondent ARGUS 6/12/88

PRETORIA. — Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, retired divisional inspector of police in the Northern Transvaal, said he regarded tearsmoke as the most reasonable method of dispersing a crowd of 8 000 in Mamelodi on November 21 1985.

An inquest following the death of 12 people, including children, allegedly caused by security forces, resumed in Pretoria North Magistrate's Court yesterday before Mr J N Pretorius.

The deaths came during a protest of Mamelodi residents against high rents and the presence of security forces in the township.

Brigadier Lerm said he tried to reason with the people and ordered them to an open area near the administration offices.

He claimed to have warned them in several languages to disperse or else tearsmoke would be fired.

Brigadier Lerm conceded that when he considered using tearsmoke he foresaw the possibility of people stampeding and that some might be injured.

He had ordered a helicopter to leave because he feared the crowd might not be able to hear him speak or hear his warnings of tearsmoke.

"It was the most reasonable method to disperse the crowd, especially in the tense atmosphere where many had been threatened into taking part," he said.

Tearsmoke was fired because he and other senior police officers foresaw the possiblity of violence.

He was not aware at the time that the homes of councillors were attacked soon after tearsmoke was fired.

He refused to comment on evidence by a police cameraman who testified that the people were quiet when Brigadier Lerm addressed them and was surprised when tearsmoke was fired.

The inquest was postponed until tomorrow.

POLICE STOP SERVICE

POLICE interrupted and ended a church service in Johannesburg on Tuesday night for the recently convicted 11 Delmas trialists, after an earlier Delmas trial protest meeting at the University of the Witwatersrand was banned.

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About 30 armed policemen entered the Central Methodist Church at about 9.20pm while UDF patron Dr Allan Boesak was addressing the over 800 strong audience.

The Rev Peter Storey told the crowd the gathering had been "declared illegal," adding: "I don't know why," and requested everyone to leave quietly so as to avoid a "nasty confrontation."

Earlier the Commissioner of Police, Gen Hendrik de Witt gazetted an emergency regulation order prohibiting a gathering at the University of the Witwatersrand organised by the Delmas Trialists Ad-Hoc Support Committee. All other protest gatherings against the Delmas trial have also been prohibited.

Other speakers at the prayer meeting included the general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, the Rev Frank Chikane, who welcomed the congregation which included members of some of the convicted trialists families, diplomats, foreign clergymen and foreign and local journalists.

Mr Chikane repeatedly requested the rowdy crowd, which chanted, sang and displayed the clenched fist salute, to "remember that this is a church service and to behave accordingly even though emotions are running high."

REV CHIKANE

REV BOESAK

'Violence threatened'

'Intimidation at Mamelodi'

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By Mckeed Kotlolo, Pretoria Bureau

Former Divisional Inspector of the Northern Transvaal police, Brigadier H C Lerm, yesterday told the inquest into the November 21 1985 Mamelodi shootings that the people in the crowd were intimidated by "radicals" to disobey his orders to disperse.

Brigadier Lerm was being cross-examined by Mr Morris Basslian who represented the families of the 14 victims of the November 21 shooting.

Forced to march

He said some of the elderly people he spoke to outside the Mamelodi council premises on the morning of the shootings told him that they were forced to join the protest march to the council offices

He also said that most of the people he spoke to were drunk.

He said police were forced to use tearsmoke not because there was physical violence but because the situation threatened to turn into violence with some groups of people dancing "with clenched fists in the air while others waved a placard that said: 'Away with the police' ".

He said he arrived at the scene at about 9 10 am and between then and 9.35 am he, with some officers, had warned the crowd several times in Afrikaans and some black languages before he finally ordered that tear-smoke be fired.

He agreed that some people in the crowd might not have heard his orders to disperse. The brigadier said they were intimidated by groups in the back of the crowd that prevented them from leaving.

After video tapes of the shootings had been replayed, the brigadier declined to comment on the statement of the cameraman and some scenes on the tapes.

Contrary to tapes

Mr Basslian put to him that his evidence was contrary to the tapes and that of the cameraman because there were no signs of violence on the tapes. "People on the tapes were excited. They danced and waved at the cameraman."

Brigadier Lerm insisted that the people did not move away from the road when oredered to and said the scenes on the tapes showing people moving to an open space, away from the road, were untrue.

The hearing continues today.

Police action slammed

CHURCH leaders and the Human Rights Commission have deplored the action of police in firstly: banning the meeting to protest the Delmas trial judgment; and secondly: breaking up a church service held to pray for the trialists.

By ALI MPHAKI

The prayer service at the Central Methodist Church in Johannesburg was halted by armed police on Tuesday night.

The church leaders said in a statement the police had "crossed the line between freedom of worship and its violation."

The president of the Methodist Church of Southern Africa, Rev Stanley Mogoba, said news of the interruption came as a shock. "We understand that our local chairman of the district, Rev Peter Storey, tried his utmost to dissuade the police from taking this action, but without much success," Mr Mogoba said.

Rubicon

Mr Mogoba said the police have crossed the Rubicon of propriety. "We have had earlier experiences of a similar nature in our churches in East London (Mdantsane) and in Queenstown where people were killed on our premises, and we lost a lot of property due to a stampede caused by police violence," he said.

"How long, we ask, will the police continue to undo our work of reconciliation by fermenting racial hatred. This country can certainly do without this kind of unwarranted interference with church services, for whatever reason, Mr Mogoba said.

A statement from the Human Rights Commission said by continuing to close down all opposition voices and prohibiting all peaceful protest the State itself is encouraging violent revolution and endangering any plans for negotiation

The Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) said it has become abundantly clear in the last year that the Government's view is that the place of the majority is merely to accept whatever is dished out to us.

"It is no surprise that the State is already using the words of the judgment to categorise and stereotype organisations."

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Professor Schlemmer has just returned from a visit to the People's Republic of China and this will be his first public briefing on his visit, where he was struck by similarities in the problems both countries

SCHOOL teacher, Mrs Annah Kope, was congratulated by her husband, Herman, when she went on retirement. She was school teacher for 43 years in Wattville.

'Unwanted' council

A PRETORIA North inquest magistrate yesterday heard that Mamelodi residents marched to the local town council offices to "get rid of the council."

This was said by Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, former divisional inspector for the Northern Transvaal police, during an inquest into the killings of 14 Mamelodi residents on November 21, 1985.

He was being cross-examined by Mr Morris Basslian, for the families of the victims; before Mr J S Pretorius.

Asked by the counsel if the residents' aim had been to go and talk to the local mayor, Mr Zikhali Ndlazi, about their grievances Brig Lerm said the main demand was that the council be done away with.

The court also heard that the residents accused the mayor of "building for himself" without considering the community and also demanded that police and the army be withdrawn from the township.

When asked to name those who called for doing away with the council, the former police officer could not present the court with names.

"Although the grievances were presented to me verbally, one man handed me a list in which some of the grievances were contained. There were many understanding residents in the crowd who begged that the troops not be withdrawn.

"Attempts to find out who the leaders of the march were, were unsuccessful. I also did not get the names of those who were co-operative because they would have been burnt to death on the same night," Brigadier Lerm said.

After he was asked to give details of the incidents in which people were killed for co-operating with the police, he replied: "This took place in many areas including Atteridgeville."

Brigadier under fire

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COUNSEL for the victims of the 1985 Mamelodi shooting yesterday lashed at Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, former Divisional Inspector for the Northern Transvaal police for giving conflicting evidence before a Pretoria North magistrate.

Mr Morris Basslian told the former police officer that his evidence was in direct conflict with the events shown on a video film during an inquiry into the death of 14 Mamelodi residents on November 21, 1985.

The inquest is being heard before Mr J N Pretorius.

The counsel argued that a gathering of 40 000 people at the administrative offices that day did not necessarily imply that there would be violence. In his reply, Brig Lerm said although the people were not involved in "a physical fight", some were intimidated by "radicals" and also forced to join the march.

Asked to explain why there were no scenes of violence on the video film shot on the day of the incident, the former policeman refused to comment.

Firing teargas

"Those people had staged an illegal gathering and they were there to break the place down. Some of them did not even obey my instructions that they should move away from the road," he said.

After repeatedly telling the court he noticed that some of the women were drunk and also reeking of liquor, advocate Basslian asked that the court should adjourn to give the witness time to point out such incidents including those of alleged violence on the video film.

The retired policeman said: "I do not know where the cameraman was standing and what he filmed."

He pointed out one placard bearing a slogan, "Away with the police." According to him, the slogan was inciting and the situation was about to get out of hand.

The witness would not say if police were justified in firing teargas because of the placard. He also refused to comment on the statement made in court by one of the cameramen that the mob was friendly and quiet.

(Proceeding)

Mamelodi crowd 'told me of their grievances'

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Events leading to the alleged shooting of 12 Mamelodi residents on November 21 1985 were yesterday described in Pretoria North Magistrate's Court.

The events were described by Brigadier Hertzog Lerm, retired divisional inspector of police in the northern Transvaal, and Colonel David Frederick Calitz, former district commandant for the northern Transvaal, at the inquest into the alleged shooting

Brigadier Lerm told the inquest court he arrived at the administration offices in the township on the morning of the alleged shooting. There was a large crowd in front of the offices.

The brigadier spoke to some of the people in the crowd and asked them why they were there. "They told me they had a number of grievances to present to the township's mayor Mr Bennett Ndlazi."

Pretoria Correspondent

Some of the grievances were presented to him by word of mouth while others were written down on pieces of paper. Asked how many people told him about the grievances, Brigadier Lerm said he could not say how many they were.

He said there were a number of people who helped the police on that day, and some of them even asked for police protection

Asked by Mr Morris Basslain — for the families of the victims — whether the police did promise the people protection, Brigadier Lerm answered: "It is our duty to help people who need police protection."

He said the people who helped the police needed protection because they were afraid they were going to be burnt. Star 9/12/88

He told the inquest that there were problems in Mamelodi during 1985. "It is a well known fact that many people were burnt during 1985 and that there was a rent boycott in the township."

Colonel Calitz said he spoke to a number of people in the township before the alleged shooting. The people told him about their grievances.

He added that he arrived at the administration offices before Brigadier Lerm.

At the offices, the people said they wanted to speak to Mr Ndlazi. They were told they should move to the local soccer stadium and those who did not wish to do so should go home.

"Instead of responding to the call, the people sang, laughed and danced in front of the administration offices."

gin of the grenade has not been established but police are investigating

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Soweto rent crisis talks

JOHANNESBURG. — A Soweto Residents' Committee including Archbishop Desmond Tutu, the Rev Frank Chikane, Mr Cyril Ramaphosa and Sister Bernard Ncube, will meet the Soweto City Council today to discuss ways of resolving the rent crisis in Soweto.

Natal mob stab man to death

PRETORIA. — The body of a man stabbed to death was found near Taylors Halt in Natal after a mob attacked a home, police said yesterday.

The body was found at Ndindi at daylight — about three hours after the attack.

A man was also injured at Botshabello in Bloemfontein when a group set a house alight.

Police said they baton-charged a large group of placard-wielding demonstrators outside the Karos group's Johannesburger Hotel when they refused to disperse. Four men and a woman were arrested. Workers have been on strike for three months over wages and the dismissal of colleagues who observed the June 16 stayaway. — Sapa

EMERGENCY UPDATE

Three policemen shot in Soweto ambush

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Three municipal policemen were seriously wounded by AK-47 rifle fire in a Soweto ambush, police said.

The policemen were shot while patrolling Diepkloof on Saturday night in the latest of several attacks on security forces in the township this year.

Another three policemen were in the vehicle and a report issued earlier said all six had been wounded.

Three men, one with a Soviet-made AK-47 rifle, fired on them from the dark, riddling them and the van with bullets.

The gunmen ran away.

Security police picked up 25 spent AK-47 cartridges.

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Constable R Magavha was hit in the head and chest, while Constable E Kalipa was wounded in the leg in the 8.35pm shootings, police said.

Constable P Mapoli was hit in the stomach and leg. The three are in Baragwanath Hospital.

A manhunt has been launched but no arrests have been made.

In Machibisa township near Maritzburg on Friday a policeman was stabbed to death and a man was arrested.

A bus driver was shot and another man was stabbed when a mob attacked a bus at Edendale, Natal.

A man was shot in the arm and a house was set alight at Nxamalala near Edendale.

3 municipal cops wounded

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Three municipal policemen were wounded, one seriously, when a patrol in Diepkloof Extension, Soweto, was attacked with gunfire on Saturday night, Soweto police said yesterday.

The attack, which took place at 8.35pm, was carried out by three unidentified men.

● A West Rand police spokesman said that on Friday at 3.30pm a 17-year-old youth from Mindalore, Krugersdorp, shot himself in the head with his father's service revolver. He is in a critical condition.

Two policemen shot dead in AK 47 ambush

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Two members of the South African Police were shot dead and another seriously wounded last week in an AK-47 ambush in Orlando, Soweto, police confirmed today. (tues).

The attack happened two days before three Soweto municipal policemen were shot and seriously wounded in Diepkloof, Soweto, on Saturday night. News of the killing of the policemen was released for the first time today.

The attacks are the latest in a series of ambushes by suspected ANC members on security forces in Soweto this year.

Security police have launched an investigation into both shootings and have appealed for information.

It is not yet known whether the two attacks were linked, but detectives are investigating the possibility. Both ambushes were carried out in the same way and under similar circumstances.

A police spokesman for the Directorate of Public Relations, Captain Ruben Bloomberg, confirmed that Thursday's shootings occurred at 9.20pm in Orlando.

Those killed have been identified as a Sergeant Mabasa and a Constable Mkhasbi. The wounded policeman was taken to Baragwanath Hospital where he is in a satisfactory condition.

Police have declined to name him for security reasons.

Sergeant Mabasa and Constable Mkhasbi were killed when "unknown gunmen" opened fire on their vehicle next to the Orlando Stadium and riddled it with bullets.

The weapon used was a Soviet-made AK-47 rifle. Spent AK-47 cartridges were found at the scene.

The gunman or gunmen apparently waited for the policemen at a stop street next to the stadium before opening fire from the dark on their vehicle.

Astonishing stake-out blunder sparks bloody night gun battle

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I'm pregnant and penniless, says Gourkov ex-wife Cheryl

By JANINE LAZARUS, DE WET POTGIETER and VICTOR KUPISO

AN UNDERCOVER police squad was ambushed by SADF troops in Soweto this week in a tragic night-time mix-up that left two policemen and an informer dead.

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BUBBLY SINGER TOLD: IT'S INCURABLE

Tragic Marti dying of cancer

By JEREMY BROOKS
London

BUBBLY Marti Caine, the singer and dancer who has delighted thousands of fans at Sun City, is dying of cancer.

The tragic star, one of Britain's best-loved entertainers, bravely opened in her Christmas pantomime last night after disclosing that she had secretly known for four months that

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The drama began when an SADF patrol raided the house after receiving information that arms were being stored there. It was not clear if weapons were discovered but the soldiers immediately staked out the house to await the return of the occupants.

But, unknown to the army, the police were also hot on the same trail. Detectives questioning a suspected car thief the same day were amazed when the man offered to lead them to a house in Soweto where, he claimed, arms had been stored.

When the police arrived at the house they broke down the door and burst into the darkened home. Seconds later a volley of fire from the army detail inside killed two of the policemen and the informer. A third policeman was wounded.

Witnesses claimed yesterday the remaining policemen pulled back and called for reinforcements.

They said a furious gunfight lasting for at least 30 minutes then erupted, with the army fire from the house being returned by a growing police contingent.

One man said the "whole place was swarming with police" after the shootings

A witness said terrified residents ducked for cover during the firefight.

Forced

A neighbour told how he was shocked from his sleep by heavy gunfire.

He said: "The whole thing lasted for at least half an hour. I saw people running across the road for cover while others lay down on the floor with their hands covering their heads."

Another neighbour, Mr Richard Gondolwane, said he could not understand what was happening. "I didn't know my neighbours well as they had only lived there for a short time."

Yesterday morning, four policemen were standing guard at the house.

The front door, which had a large hole kicked in it, appeared to have been forced open. Inside drawers were emptied out, clothes lay strewn across the floor and furniture was lying overturned

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Outside, police had laid out at least 30 empty bottles to mark the spots where spent cartridges lay.

A police spokesman confirmed the incident. He said: "On investigation it was found that defence force members, who had the same information, were inside the house. When the policemen entered, shots were unintentionally fired by the SADF."

The spokesman declined to comment on how long the firefight had lasted or whether police reinforcements had been called. He also refused to give the names of the dead S/Times 18/12/88

The White City deaths top a growing toll of violent incidents in township streets.

- Six policemen were wounded in Katlehong in the middle of October AK-47 cartridges were found at the scene;
- Two policemen were stoned by a mob and their car was set alight in Oukasie near Brits on October 16 after one of the policemen shot dead a suspect. Warrant Officer Roelf van Wyk, 48, and Detective Constable Jaco Schoeman, 23, were investigating a car theft and dagga case,
- Sergeant Fanie Pretorius, 26, attached to the Soweto police, was killed in a shootout in Orlando West on November 9. Two ANC members were also shot dead in the incident,
- Early in November, a policeman was wounded and later died of injuries sustained while chasing an escapee from Tembisa Hospital;
- A policeman was shot dead by an unknown gunman at KwaMayandin Railway Station in Umlazi, near Durban, on November 25;
- Another policeman was wounded at Lindokuhle Railway Station in Umlazi on the same night when a gunman fired a shot at him,
- Sergeant Mabasa and Constable Mkhasbi were killed in an ambush in Orlando on December 8 Another policeman was wounded in the incident,
- Three municipal policemen were seriously wounded by AK-47 gunfire in Soweto while they were on patrol duty in Diepkloof on December 10.

PICK 6

TURFFONTEIN:
A NETT pool of R858 587 ensured a healthy payout of R171 717,40 to five winners of the Pick Six at Turffontein yesterday. The winning numbers were: 9; 12; 11; 9; 4; 1.

SCOTTSVILLE:
In contrast, punters at Scottsville went empty-handed as outsiders wrecked any hopes of winning the pool of R355 782,50. It will carry-over to Wednesday's meeting at Clairwood. Winning numbers: 3 10 13; 15; 6; 1 9; 4; 1.

Bowler ban

TRANSVAAL'S Brian McMillan was banned from bowling after being warned three times for damaging the pitch in the Currie Cup game against Northern Transvaal at the Wanderers.

Fire death

PETER VAN DYK, 83, died yesterday in a fire which caused R20 000 damage to an outbuilding at Northway, Durban North.

Fatal fall

RONALD IAN SLATER, 18, of Randburg, was killed yesterday when he fell off a bakkie in front of an oncoming vehicle at Plettenberg Bay.

Woman killed, 31 injured as angry pop fans rampage

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A woman died and at least 31 people were injured, four seriously, when pop fans attacked motorists and artists — including singer Yvonne Chaka Chaka — at the Magaliesrus resort outside Rustenburg.

Nine people were arrested after the violence, which spilled on to the Rustenburg-Sun City road, where motorists were stoned.

The violence started when fans became angry at the late arrival of artists and musicians.

Members of the Chaka Chaka group in a minibus bearing the singer's name escaped by jumping out as the driver manoeuvred through the mob.

Miss Mpunkie Letsholo of Tweelaagte Village, near Tlhabane, was knocked down and killed.

Miss Chaka Chaka described her escape as "miraculous". A man who helped her through the crowd was stabbed and seriously wounded.

Cars burnt

The enraged mob — said to number about 4 000 — burnt at least two cars, one belonging to a concert promoter, and hurled rocks and bricks at a dozen vehicles.

Twenty-six people were taken to Rustenburg Hospital.

Mrs Evelyn van Niekerk and her daughter Sharon, 14, were transferred to Johannesburg's Princess Nursing Home with serious head injuries.

Miss Denise Ralph, 22, seriously injured, was taken to the trauma ward of Johannesburg Hospital.

A man in Rustenburg Hospital has serious head injuries.

Two houses were damaged in the riot, which happened about 25km outside Rustenburg in South African territory.

South African and Bophuthatswana police and emergency services were called. Police reinforcements were rushed to the area from as far away as Potchefstroom.

The mob was finally dispersed after a battle in which the police used teargas.

Near the Marula Sun hotel north of Pretoria, a Johannesburg couple, Mr Egon Freund and his wife Marion came under fire early yesterday as they drove towards Pretoria. They were not injured.

ANC informer 'told both sides'

The civilian killed in a shoot-out between police and army members in Soweto last week had supplied both the SAP and SADF with the information which led to the shooting, police said yesterday (A78)

A police statement said the civilian, identified in earlier news reports as an ANC informer, approached four members of the Defence Force and alleged that a group of armed men had robbed him of his motor vehicle and were hiding at a house in Soweto.

"Later that same day, he gave this information to four members of the SA Police.

"The complainant was shot and killed together with two special constables.

"The occupant of the house is a Mr Trevor Ndlovu.

"He is requested to contact Brigadier Stoltz of the SA Police urgently at telephone (011) 980-8300 during office hours." — Sapa. Star 20/12/88

Tragic shootings

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THE civilian killed in a shootout between police and army members of Soweto last week had supplied both the SAP and SADF with the information which led to the shooting, police said yesterday.

A statement by the SAP Public Relations Division said the civilian, identified in earlier news reports as an ANC informer, originally approached four members of the defence force and alleged that a group of armed men had robbed him of his motor vehicle and were hiding at house 623C, White City, Soweto.

"Later that same day, the same person gave this same information to four members of the SA Police and they immediately proceeded to the given address where the shooting incident occurred.

"The complainant was shot and killed together with two special constables. The occupant of number 623C White City is a Mr Trevor Ndlovu and up until the present time, the police have been unable to trace him.

"He is requested to contact Brigadier Stoltz of the SA Police urgently at Telephone (011) 980-8300 during office hours.

"At this stage, there are no grounds whatsoever for believing that the civilian who was killed had any malicious intent.

"He openly accompanied the members of the SA Police to the address concerned and entered the premises with them." — Sapa.

Shot man 'was not ANC informer'

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By Stan Hlophe

The wife of Mr Morris Alexandra, a Soweto man who was shot dead in an SADF ambush, yesterday denied reports that he was an ANC informer.

This was backed up today by a police spokesman, who also said Mr Alexandra had not been an ANC informer.

Mrs Grace Alexandra, in an interview with The Star, said her husband was a dedicated businessman and had never been involved in politics nor with the police.

She said he was a peace-loving family man who had acquired his panelbeating business in Nancefield two years ago after years of hard work with a Johannesburg panelbeating firm.

According to Mrs Alexandra, three young men came to her home last Wednesday afternoon looking for her husband who was out on business in Pretoria. "The three men, driving in a White Chev, forcibly took a lounge suite and drove off. We were later informed that the same men arrived at his business and took a TV set.

"At about 7 pm on the same day another man arrived and told us that Morris should not report the matter to the police.

"When Morris arrived home a few minutes later he got mad and went out alone to search for the culprits. But we warned him not to go alone as the men were known to be dangerous.

"We advised him to ask for police protection.

"It was then that he was accompanied by the police to White City to look for the men."

Mr Alexandra (41) will be buried at his home town, Rustenburg, on Christmas Day.

Ambush probe regarded as 'a matter of urgency

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South Africa's acting Police Commissioner, Lieutenant-General Johan van der Merwe, has ordered that the investigation into the ambush blunder in Soweto last week be finalised "as a matter of urgncy".

The investigation into the incident is taking place under the personal supervision of a Major-General Joubert of the Criminal Investigation Division.

General van der Merwe said last night that on completion of the investigation, the evidence would immediately be submitted to the Attorney-General of the Witwatersrand to establish what form the further legal process should take.

"The Attorney-General's office has undertaken to give urgent attention to the matter. The police have already released all information which can be made known without infringing the legal process."

The owner of the Soweto house where the shootout took place last week yesterday disputed reports suggesting that his house was an ANC "hideout".

Mr Trevor Ndlovu visited The Star offices to dispel what he described as the "smear" against his name.

It had earlier been claimed that the house was used for "harbouring" ANC insurgents and for storing arms.

Two policemen and a civilian, Mr Morris Alexandra, were shot dead and another policeman was wounded in an ambush.

"The mystery shootout happened after I had been to Mr Alexandra's panelbeating firm in Nancefield and his home and took away his property to recover my debt.

"Mr Alexandra owed me R1 800 which he refused to pay. The stuff I took from his house I stored in a friend's shack with the intention of giving it back when he settled my debt."

On his way home, he saw SADF vehicles and Mr Alexandra's car in his yard. Later, Mr Alexandra drove past but returned accompanied by police. The soldiers also arrived and this was followed by shooting. — Staff Reporter and Sapa.

'More than one patrol involved in shoot-out'

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Crime Reporter

More than one Defence Force patrol was involved in the Soweto SADF-SAP shootings which left three men dead and another wounded last week, police said.

In a statement, the SAP Directorate of Public Relations said: "It appeared that a number of Defence Force patrols were, in one form or another, involved in this incident.

"The incident occurred at night and since the Defence Force members were not readily available the next day, difficulties were experienced in the immediate obtaining of the necessary information.

"It is ludicrous to suggest there was any attempt to conceal the incident, since the death of any policeman is never kept a secret."

Police had waited for the necessary particulars so a reasonable account of what had happened could be released.

"In the interim, the media became aware of the incident and, on inquiry, it was confirmed that the incident had taken place," said the statement.

Particulars about the shootings were not released immediately because members of two forces were involved and the correct versions of all concerned had to be obtained first.

"It must also be kept in mind the four Defence Force members directly involved in this incident can be regarded as possible accused in this case and, as such, are entitled to the normal rights of an accused person."

The statement said Mr Trevor Ndlovu, occupant of the house where the shootings took place, could not be traced but had later contacted the police.

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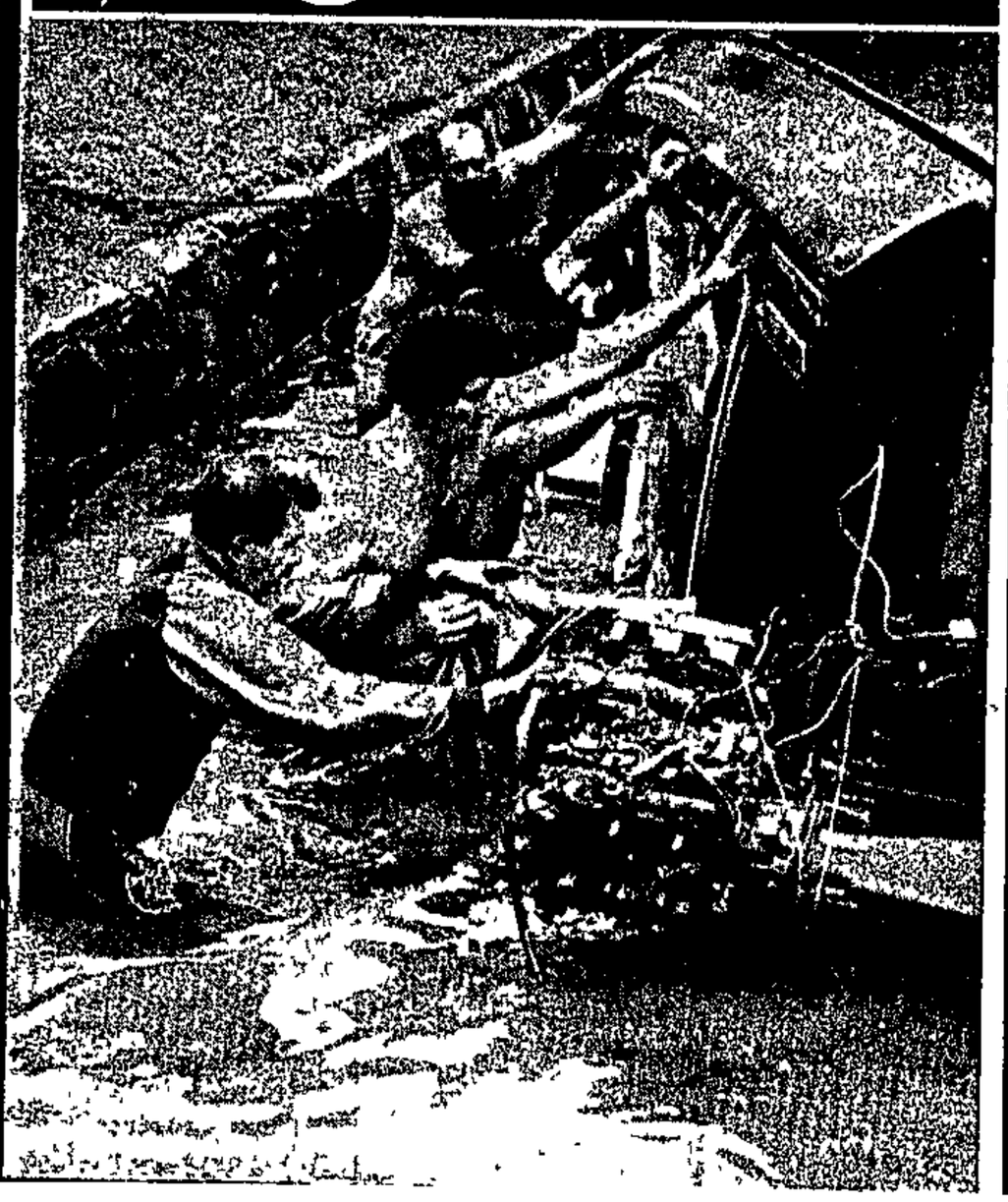

SAPA

SEVEN people were killed and three injured in unrest-related incidents over the past 24 hours, the SA Police public relations division reported in Pretoria yesterday.

The motive for the fusilade on five people in Soweto last night remains unknown, police said.

No arrests

A small group of assailants armed with an AK assault rifle killed four men and a woman who occupied a house in Orlando East. A man and a woman were injured.

One of those killed was a police constable from Orlando.

Police said they were investigating and no arrests had been made.

The SAP also reported the following unrest-

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black police constable was shot in the thigh by another policeman while trying to arrest an escaped prisoner in Soshanguve, near Pretoria, at the weekend.

Lieut Crowther said two police constables trapped the man inside a house at block H.

The prisoner, who was serving a 12-month sentence, threw an object at one of the policemen, who kept guard near a window.

One of the policemen fired a shot which hit his colleague in the thigh. The prisoner was shot twice.

He is under police guard at the Garankuwa Hospital.

Three armed men — one who wore a police uniform — held a cashier, Mrs Valerie de Lange (54), at gun point and robbed her of R32 527 at the United Building Society in Bronkhortspruit at the weekend. No arrest has been made.

Riddle of the Goodwill shebeen massacre

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — At least 35 AK-47 rifle bullets were fired by the gunman who shot dead four men and a woman and left another two people injured in a shebeen in Soweto.

Detectives picked up 35 empty AK-47 cartridges from the death house after the Day of Goodwill killings.

The gunman was one of a three or four men who entered the Orlando East home five minutes before midnight and opened fire.

A hunt is on for the gang. No motive has yet emerged for the massacre and no arrests have been made.

Although police have not officially released names, one of those killed has been identified as Mr Themba Solomon Malindi, 20, the son of an Orlando East shopkeeper.

Policeman

Others killed included a policeman stationed at Orlando, his brother and a woman identified only as Zanele.

The wounded included the shebeen owner, Mr Joel Oupa "Outier" Mabule and a woman called Dudu, believed to be the dead woman's sister. Both are in Baragwanath Hospital.

Another policeman, a sub-tenant, escaped unharmed.

The shootings were the latest in a series of AK-47 attacks in the township recently in which 17 people have been killed or wounded.

Two policemen have been shot dead and several municipal policemen wounded in ambushes.

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AZE BROBE

[illegible] police are investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of seven people — including a nine-month-old baby — who died when their shack caught fire in Tsakane, Brakpan.

The family was asleep at the time of the blaze.

A police spokesman said no arrest had been made but arson is suspected.

The blaze happened at about 1am on Wednesday. All seven members of the family died instantly.

The cause of the blaze is not yet known.

Those dead are: Mrs Mamokotso Matauana Smith (56), her children, Diakawane Mokotso Smith (21); Poseletso Smith, (17), and her grandchildren, Diakatso Smith, (5) Seabata Smith (1), Ankie Smith, (4); and nine-month-old Neo.

According to eyewitnesses they heard loud screams from the trapped family.

One neighbour said when she went to investigate she could smell petrol.

"I tried to break down the door with an axe but could not. I then decided to look for help. By the time others joined me it was too late. The fire had engulfed the shack and we could not get near for the flames. It was heartbreaking to watch helplessly while people were dying inside. This is one incident I will never forget in my life," the neighbour said.

The charred remains of the family were removed by police seven hours later.

No funeral arrangements have yet been made.

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Burnings: 3 die in Soweto unrest

PRETORIA. — Two women and a man died yesterday in unrest in Soweto, and police found an injured man who had burns on his upper body and head in KwaNobuhle, Uitenhage.

The Bureau for Information's unrest report also said a young security force member was seriously injured by shotgun fire in Alexandra, near Johannesburg.

A man and woman were set alight by about 20 "radicals" at Emdeni, the Bureau said.

Another woman was set alight by about 90 "radicals" in White City.

A charge of attempted murder was being investigated after security forces found a man with burn wounds on his upper body and head in KwaNobuhle. His feet had been tied, the bureau said. — Sapa

Weekend of violence in Leandra and Tembisa

Three men were killed in township violence in Tembisa and Leandra at the weekend.

Police say their deaths are unrelated but an activist says they were killed by vigilantes in a war on "comrades".

Two versions are given below (the accounts appear to differ, among other details, on the name of one of the victims):

Police say

Police have opened murder dockets following the deaths of three men, one of them a soccer player and prison warder, in separate incidents on the East Rand.

A spokesman for Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria, said the deaths of Warrant Officer K S Mkonde, Mr Fixon Mashakgomo and Mr Medikanya Vowiywa were being investigated.

Warrant Officer Mkonde (32), a prison warder at Sonderwater Prison and a midfield soccer player, died of a gunshot wound at his Leandra home on Sunday.

He was apparently gunned down after an alleged argument with a man after a soccer match.

Mr Vowiywa (18) was stabbed and hacked to death by a group of men in Tembisa on Friday. Police said his body was doused with petrol and set alight.

Mr Mashakgomo (19) was killed in a similar way in Tembisa on Sunday.

Police said the incidents were unrelated.

A man has been arrested in connection with the death of Warrant Officer Mkonde. No further arrests were made.

Activist says

An activist, who asked not to be identified, said a group of "vigilantes" known as the Smart Centre had declared war on activists in the township.

He said the group, which operates from Emoyeni Section, Tembisa, started attacking activists in the township on December 14.

On Christmas Day the group attacked activists at Enxiweni and Baca sections, said the informant.

On December 27, nine homes were badly damaged at Emsifihlweni and Enxiweni sections and four people were injured, one seriously, when the owners failed to produce the "comrades".

The Smart Centre vigilantes are alleged to have killed one person the next day when they attacked patrons at the Zniko nightclub.

The informant said that on Sunday a youth, Fixon Mashakgomo, who stays at the Emfuyaneni Section, was allegedly forcibly pulled out of a taxi and hacked to death by the vigilantes between Emoyeni and Emfihlweni sections.

Another youth, Milton Manxasana, was necklaced at Emoyeni Section on Friday. It is not known who was responsible.

A youth who stays at Mqantsa Section was allegedly forced to drink petrol and was set alight by unknown people when he went to the toilet at his parents' home.

He was taken to Tembisa Hospital, where he is being treated for severe burns.

The Star's informant said the situation in most parts of the township was tense and many activists were on the vigilantes' hit list. He said the vigilantes wanted to control the township

Ribeiro killings: Robey still missing from home

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By Rob Nuttall

An ex-Rhodesian soldier linked to a vehicle apparently used by men who shot dead Dr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife Florence in Mamelodi last month was still absent from his rented home in Schoemansville, near Hartbeespoort dam, yesterday.

Mr Noel Robey, once a sergeant in the Selous Scouts, left the house with his family about a week after the December 1 killings.

Witnesses who saw two men leave the Ribeiros' home immediately after the couple were shot said they escaped in a car with an NPN registration number then swopped vehicles with two men who met them in a Land-Rover with the registration KYK899T.

Both vehicles headed towards Pretoria and witnesses said both groups of men were armed.

Inquiries revealed that the registration number KYK899T was issued to Mr Noel Robey.

After attempts to interview Mr Robey failed — his wife told reporters he was not home — the family left their Marais Street home. By yesterday they had still not returned

Efforts to establish Mr Robey's occupation have been unsuccessful. When he enrolled his children at school his occupation was listed simply as "soldier"..

His wife told reporters her husband was a security consultant with a Pretoria firm called President Security Consultants. Although still registered as a company, efforts to trace the firm failed.

ON HOLIDAY

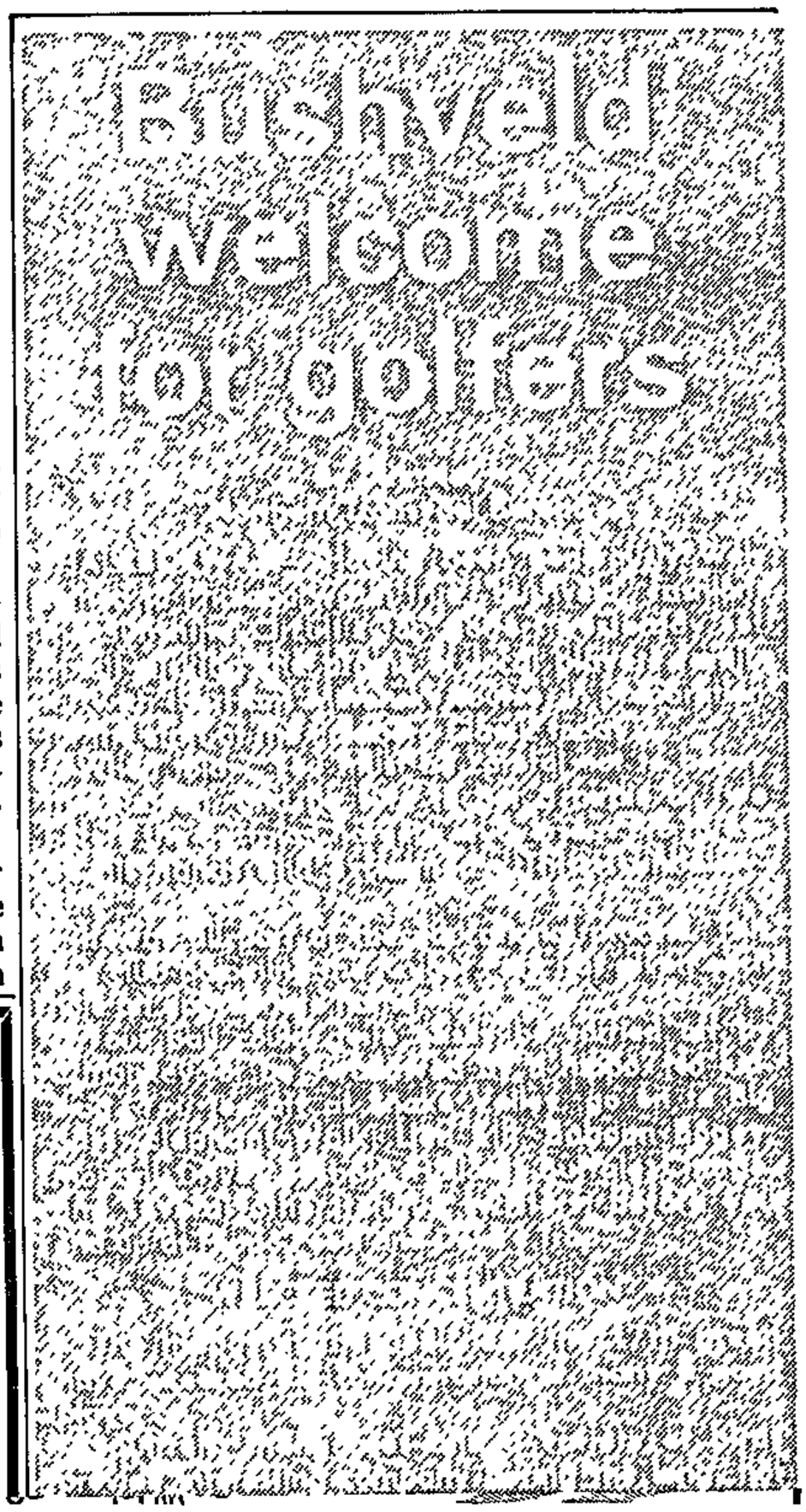
The owner of the house rented by Mr Robey, Mr S Bosch, said yesterday Mr Robey had phoned to say he would return this week.

Mr Bosch said the family was on holiday on the Natal coast.

Police have repeatedly refused to divulge any information about their investigations into the Ribeiro murders.

When contacted last month, Lieutenant-General S Schutte, head of the Criminal Investigation Department, had no comment.

Yesterday General Schutte again declined any comment. He would not say whether a published police appeal for information about the murder had produced any leads.



Transplant patient has relapse

CAPE TOWN — South Africa's first pancreas transplant patient, Miss Marinda Myburgh (23), of Durban, is in an unsatisfactory condition in Tygerberg Hospital after suffering a

Soweto rent boycott 'ending'

JOHANNESBURG. — The six-month-old Soweto rent boycott is gradually being broken, with the city council collecting 80% of its normal monthly income last month, the acting town clerk, Mr R E du Toit, said yesterday.

This did not mean that 80% of Soweto's 75 000 households, of which 50 000 were rented homes and 25 000 99-year-leasehold properties, had paid their rent for December, he said. It was a subjective estimate of the moneys collected for that month.

"The rent boycott has not been broken, but it is improving," he said.

Increased income had been gradual, but he would not provide figures of losses, saying any business reserved the right to keep its books a secret. "We do not have to give our enemies ammunition."

The council had run R12 million into arrears for electricity and water payment to Escom and the Rand Water Board, but this amount constituted service charges and not rents. The overall annual running costs were R150 million.

"The arrears are small," he said.

Mr Du Toit would not confirm the figure of R59 million given by an independent survey and quoted in a Johannesburg newspaper as the arrears for rents since June. — Sapa

A member of Abigail Kubheka's family examines the damage after yesterday's bomb attack. Picture: WALTER DHLADHLA, AFP.

Second 'Info' singer bombed

By SEFAKO NYAKA

SOWETO singer Abigail Kubheka was admitted to Baragwanath Hospital yesterday morning after her Orlando West home was firebombed .

Kubheka, who took part in the controversial Bureau for Information song *Together we will build a brighter future*, is believed to have sustained burns and head injuries. Two bedrooms and a diningroom in her home were extensively damaged.

The Bureau for Information yesterday confirmed the attack.

Kubheka is the second "Info artist" to be attacked. Two months ago the Pimville home of blind singer Steve Kekana was destroyed in a petrol-bomb attack

Info singer hurt by petrol bomb

By ANDREW DONALDSON

ABIGAIL KHUBEKA — one of the musicians who took part in the controversial Bureau for Information song, "Together We Will Build a Brighter Future" — was injured in a petrol-bomb attack on her Soweto home on Wednesday night.

Miss Khubeka, 40, suffered injuries to her hands caused by flying slivers of glass and was admitted to Baragwanath Hospital, the Bureau said yesterday.

Her condition was "stable", a hospital spokeswoman said last night.

Two bedrooms and the dining room of her Orlando Road home were extensively damaged.

Miss Khubeka was last year ousted from the judges' panel of the R1,5-million Shell Road to Fame Contest as organizers feared the controversy surrounding the Info song would hamper the intentions of the contest — to audition for black musical talent in townships around the country.

The Bureau said there were "allegations" that Wednesday's attack was made "in view of the fact that Miss Khubeka was one of the artists who participated in the recording of the song ... with the purpose of promoting peace and co-operation between the peoples of South Africa".

As one of the song's lead singers, Miss Khubeka has featured prominently in the frequently televised video recording of "Together We Will Build A Brighter Future".

Kgame is shot twice

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By SAMKELO KUMALO

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MR STEVE KGAME, president of the United Councillors' Association of South africa (Ucasa) and Dobsonville's housing chairman, was shot twice as he closed his shop on Friday night.

He is unconscious and in a serious condition in a private hospital.

His wife, Jenny Kgame, said three men attacked them as they were preparing to close for the night.

She said they assaulted her husband and then threw her violently to the floor.

"A number of shots rang out," she said, "but I couldn't count them."

Mr Kgame's house was destroyed by a petrol bomb in 1985.

INFO SINGER HURT IN BOMB ATTACK

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Singer Abegail Khubeka is lying in hospital after a petrolbomb attack on her home yesterday.

By SANDILE MEMELA

SINGER Abegail Khubeka is lying in hospital with burns.

She was admitted to Baragwanath Hospital yesterday after her Orlando West home was petrolbombed early yesterday morning.

Khubeka, who was believed to be in the house at the time of the attack, suffered burns when she tried to put outthe fire in the house.

The singer's daughter, Palesa, was treated for shock and discharged yesterday.

Though Khubeka's Orlando West neighbours were tight-lipped about the attack, it is believed it was connected with her taking part in the controversial "Info Song".

At the time of going to press, *City Press* could not establish Kubheka's condition.

The Bureau for Information confirmed the attack on Khubeka's home.

A spokesman also confirmed that the singer had been admitted to hospital. But the spokesman said they could not say whether Khubeka was still in hospital or not, nor whether her condition was serious or not.

Earlier, reporters were chased away from the Orlando West home by a group of youths guarding it.

They said the singer was not available as "she was still in consultation with her manager."

This was the second house belonging to singers who took part in the "Info Song" to be attacked during the past month.

The attack on Kubheka's house comes a month after the Pimville house of blind singer Steve Kekana was gutted by fire after several petrolbombs were hurled into it.

Kekana's house was attacked while he was on tour in Namibia.

Blind guitarist Taylor Pasha, who was in the house at the time of the attack, later died in hospital due to severe burns.

Pasha – rescued from the blazing house by friends – died at Bara hospital.

Kekana was one of the top black singers featured in the "Info Song".

At the time of going to press it had not been established how much damage had been done to Kubheka's house.

Sources in the Khubeka neighbourhood told *City Press* that the incident occurred early yesterday morning.

About ten youths yesterday apparently guarded the attacked home. Some were seen leaning on a white Mercedes – believed to belong to Khubeka – parked outside the house.

Attempts to trace Kubheka's whereabouts proved fruitless – as the youths flatly refused to reveal where she could be contacted.

On the scene observation revealed that the lounge cum dining room and a bedroom had been gutted by the fire.

Broken windows, charred remains of burnt furniture and blackened walls were all that could be seen.

The youths outside the home told reporters that they had no authority to speak to the Press.

One youth told reporters that carrying reports on the attack would be "at your own risk."

Though the motive for the attack is not known, there is speculation that Kubheka's home may have been attacked because of her involvement in the R4,3-million "peace song", which incensed a large segment of the community.

Shooting is sign of worse to come

By Rich Mkhondo

The Mayor of Daveyton, Mr Tom Boya, said today the shooting of Dobsonville councillor and former journalist Mr Steve Kgame, the attempt on his own life and the death threat he received at the weekend "are signs of worse things to come in South Africa".

Mr Kgame, president of the Urban Councils Association of South Africa (Ucasa), was shot at his shop on Friday by three masked men. It is believed a bullet is still lodged in his head.

Mr Kgame was in a stable condition in the Baragwanath Hospital's intensive care unit, said medical superintendent Dr H Lazar today.

Mr Boya said that, hours after the shooting, unknown men "randomly opened fire at my house, but fortunately I was not in".

"Later, a man, speaking with a heavy Afrikaans accent and calling himself Kruger, phoned me while I was at my filling station." He delivered a death threat, Mr Boya said.

Bureau reports death by necklacing in Soweto

A man died in Soweto at the weekend when a tyre was put around his neck and set alight, the Bureau for Information said in its unrest report.

Mr S Mkhavele was murdered in Emdeni South, it said.

There were also isolated stonings, petrol bomb attacks "as well as a few cases of arson," the Bureau said. — Sapa.

Businessman stable after shooting

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JOHANNESBURG. — Soweto businessman Mr Steve Kgame was yesterday in a stable condition in Baragwanath Hospital after being shot and wounded by attackers on Friday night.

This was confirmed late yesterday by the hospital's medical superintendent, Dr H Lazar.

Hospital staff hope to move Mr Kgame from an intensive-care ward today or tomorrow.

In other incidents of unrest reported by the Bureau for Information at the weekend, a Soweto man, Mr S Mkhavele, died on Saturday when a tyre was placed around his neck and set alight in Emdeni South.

The killing pushed the toll to at least 383 since the start of the state of emergency. Mr Mkhavele was the 10th person killed this year.

In KwaNobuhle two shots were fired at an unidentified person from a group of about 20 people. No one was injured and no arrests were made.

There were also isolated stonings, petrol-bombings and a few cases of arson, the bureau said.

Mr Kgame, president of the United Councillors Association of South Africa (Ucasa) and housing chairman for Dobsonville, Soweto, underwent a lengthy operaton after being shot in the forehead and chest.

Three men attacked him and his wife Jenny as they were closing their shop on Friday night.

Mrs Kgame said on Saturday that the men assaulted her husband and threw her violently to the floor.

"A number of shots rang out but I couldn't count them," she said.

In 1985 Mr Kgame's house was destroyed in a petrol-bombing after a call for all councillors to resign from government-created institutions.

Barry Streek reports that Mr Kgame, 59, is a former teacher and Rand Daily Mail political reporter who opted to work within local government structures to change apartheid.

Although strongly critical of government race policies, Mr Kgame argued that however inadequate, black town councils could be used to improve the quality of life in the townships.

His decision to participate in these structures was strongly criticized in anti-apartheid circles, particularly among those groups who called for boycotts of local authorities.

But Mr Kgame rejected these criticisms and has been a key figure in the establishment of Ucasa, officially recognized by the government as the voice of black town councils.

1 000 attack police in Cradock

PRETORIA — Security forces used birdshot to dispersed an estimated 1 000 people who stoned them in Lingelihle, near Cradock, yesterday.

The Bureau for Information's unrest report yesterday said: "The assailants were dispersed with birdshot. A security force member sustained slight facial injuries. No arrests have yet been made.

"Other reported unrest related incidents comprised isolated stone throwing and petrol bomb attacks. No injuries or arrests were reported."

Meanwhile, the government's Inter-departmental Press Liaison Committee has reported that 79 news reports out of a total 319 submitted to the committee since 11 December 1986 were refused authorisation for publication. — Sapa

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Kgame attack not ANC linked

POLICE have found no evidence linking the African National Congress with the attempt to kill Steve Kgame, president and founder of the Urban Councils Association of South Africa.

A senior Security Police officer told *Weekly Mail* that the investigation into the attempted murder was continuing but that so far there was no indication the would-be killers were members of an ANC assassination squad.

Kgame, a former teacher and journalist and mayor of Dobsonville, is recovering in hospital from emergency surgery to remove bullets.

He was gunned down outside his shop in Dobsonville last Friday, his attackers having spurned the shop keys offered to them by Kgame's wife, Jenny. They flung the keys back at her before opening fire.

With robbery apparently ruled out as a motive, the would-be assassins must have been driven by political considerations.

As president of the nation-wide Ucasa and a staunch defender of participation in controversial black town councils, Kgame was an outspoken and conspicuous political figure.

By PATRICK LAURENCE

In March, 1985 Ucasa was recognised as the official mouthpiece of black local authorities and granted representation on the government-established council for the co-ordination of local government.

In 1985 his house was petrol-bombed by "comrades". He was undeterred and pressed ahead with discussions with Constitutional Affairs Minister, Chris Heunis.

It was perhaps for that reason that the newly-established United Christian Conciliation Party under Bishop Izak Mokoena was quick to blame the ANC for the attempt to murder Kgame.

But, given the absence of clues linking the killing to the ANC, the political focus would seem to be narrower: within the often intense squabbles of township politics.

The attempted assassination of Kgame is reminiscent in some ways of the as yet unsolved killing of Edward Manyosi, who was shot dead in Soweto in December 1984 on the eve of elections for a new major of Soweto.

Last year Kgame faced a challenge to his leadership of Ucasa when Ucasa vice-president and Daveyton Mayor, Tom Boya, formed a rival faction which he claimed was the authentic Ucasa.

Boya, however, spoke of "our president" in his shocked reaction to the shooting of Kgame, saying: "I am hopeful Mr Kgame will pull through so he can identify the people who tried to kill him."

Pending final reconcilation of the rival factions, the affairs of Ucasa remain critical, and its role as an agent for local government reform is jeopardised.

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Azapo official's uncle shot dead

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By ANDREW DONALDSON

THE Azanian People's Organization yesterday accused members of a United Democratic Front affiliate of the murder in Soweto this week of a relative of an Azapo official.

The UDF was also accused of "declaring war" on Azapo — an accusation a UDF spokesman described as "unfounded and untrue".

The man killed on Wednesday was Mr Washington Linda Wauchope, 44, the uncle of the Azapo general secretary, Mr George Wauchope. His death is the latest incident in the feud between supporters of the black consciousness Azapo and of the Freedom Charter-inclined UDF.

Mr Wauchope died after being cornered by a group of men who shot him in the head and body. His nephew, Mr Kenneth "Lucky" Dlamini, 23, was wounded in the face.

"The people responsible for these things are members of the Soweto Students' Congress (Sosco, a UDF affiliate)," Azapo's publicity secretary, Mr Muntu Myeza, told a press conference.

He said the latest incident was "indicative of declaring war on Azapo".

"We've said to the UDF and its affiliates that they must make a definite commitment to the cessation of this hostility. They've been wishy-washy about it," Mr Myeza said.

The president of the Transvaal Indian Congress and a patron to the UDF, Dr Essop Jassat, told the Cape Times from Johannesburg there was "nothing wishy-washy" about the UDF's commitment to non-violence.

"This internecine fighting has produced many accusations of violence against organizations on both sides but no evidence," Dr Jassat said.

He would not comment on the latest incident.

Sosco spokesmen could not be contacted for comment yesterday.

The acting national secretary of the UDF, Mr Murphy Morobe, could not be reached for comment.

Banned Putco ad examined boycott

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The Putco advertisement banned yesterday by the Inter-departmental Press Liaison Committee (IPLC) of the Bureau for Information made an attempt to put forward Putco's position on the boycott being waged against the company.

The advertisement explained why Putco's fares are constantly rising and employees are being retrenched. It also described the company's services to commuters.

This advertisement was submitted, unsuccessfully, to the IPLC on the advice of lawyers for the Sowetan.

Putco said in a statement yesterday: "We believe in communication with the community and with our staff and we do not think the decision is helpful in this regard."

4 gunmen kill policeman's father

Staff Reporter

THE father of a Soweto policeman was shot and killed by four men on Thursday night, apparently after the attackers failed to find his son at home, the Bureau for Information said yesterday.

The bureau said a group of "four radical blacks" went in search of the policeman at his house late on Thursday.

"Upon not finding him at home they opened fire with an automatic rifle, killing the father," the unrest report said.

The police has been the target of four other attacks this year, according to official reports.

Three policemen have been killed and eight injured in the attacks.

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Boy, 9, shot in 'attack by radicals'

PRETORIA. — A nine-year-old boy was "slightly wounded in the shoulder when a group of radicals opened fire on a security force vehicle", the Bureau for Information reported at the weekend.

No arrests have been made, the burea said on Saturday in its unrest report for the 24 hours from midnight on Thursday to midnight on Friday.

"Other reported unrest-related incidents comprised isolated cases of stoning," the bureau said.

For the 24 hours to midnight on Saturday, the bureau reported "isolated unrest-related incidents, mainly stone throwing and arson". The majority of incidents occurred in Soweto.

"Damage caused was minimal and no one was injured or arrested." — Sapa

Hunt goes on for Ribeiro murderers

Pretoria Bureau

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Police said today they were still following a number of leads in the investigation into the mysterious killing of medical practitioner Dr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife, Florence.

Brigadier Koos Nel, chief of the Northern Transvaal CID, confirmed there had been no arrests.

The investigation into the killing of the Ribeiro couple and the shooting of a witness is being handled by Pretoria Murder and Robbery Squad.

Dr and Mrs Ribeiro were gunned down outside their home in Mamelodi West on December 1 last year. Ten days later, a witness to the killings and another friend were shot and wounded in the yard of the Ribeiros' home.

Tribesmen 'harassing' residents

By Montshiwa Moroke

Residents of Phiri in Soweto said yesterday they were being harassed by blanket-wearing tribesmen who allegedly went to several homes at the weekend demanding money.

The area where the alleged extortions were said to be taking place was the scene of fierce fighting in December between residents and tribesmen usually known in the townships as "Russians".

Five residents were officially reported killed during the clashes. It has still not been established how many "Russians" died.

Women and youths had to flee their homes as the men went on a house-to-house search for "comrades."

Residents told The Star that groups of men visited their homes, mainly on Saturday, and demanded money to cover funeral expenses and for other damages they claimed to have incurred as a result of the fighting.

Homes belonging to the opposing sides were set alight.

The incidents have not been reported to the police.

Township funerals restricted

PRETORIA. — Permanent restrictions on funerals for unrest victims in several Johannesburg townships were issued here last night under an emergency regulation.

Soweto Divisional Police Commissioner Andries van Zyl made the restrictions applicable in Soweto, Diepkloof, Meadowlands and Dobsonville.

The orders include a ban on:

- Holding a funeral without prior police permission for someone who died during "security action" or unrest.
- Holding a funeral out-of-doors or using a public-address system.
- Displaying placards or flags.

— Sapa

'Toti killings: police hold victim's son

DURBAN — The man thought to have been the target of Wednesday's attack on a kwa-Makhutha home in which 12 people were shot dead, has been detained for questioning, police said yesterday.

Mr Victor Ntuli, whose father, Willie, was shot dead along with 11 relatives at their home early on Wednesday morning, is a member of the kwaMakhutha Youth League, a United Democratic Front affiliate. He has been in hiding for two months, according to township sources.

Meanwhile, police are working round the clock to round up the killers in the pre-dawn attack. — Sapa.

Petrol bomb kills 400th unrest victim

JOHANNESBURG. — A child died in a petrol-bomb attack in Durban's Umlazi township at the weekend as family gathered to bury four children killed in a bloody massacre in nearby KwaMakhuta.

The Bureau for Information yesterday reported that the child, Mensi Ngwani, burnt to death when her home in Umlazi was attacked.

Mensi was the 400th victim of unrest since the nationwide state of emergency was imposed on June 12. She was the 26th person killed this month.

The attack coincided with the burial in KwaMakhuta of four children killed on Wednesday when unidentified gunmen burst into the home of local activist Victor Ntuli and shot 12 people to death in their beds.

Victor, 16, was not at home at the time of the attack. His father, Willie, was among the victims of the shooting blamed by UDF activists on Inkatha.

UDF officials said schoolboy Victor was a leading member of the KwaMakhuta Youth League and probably was the target of the shooting.

About 3 000 members of the Apostolic Gospel Church braved rain and joined parents Ernest and Faith Thusini at the graveside for the burial of their children, Phumzile, 8, Vukile, 7, Mbuso, 6, and Sanele, 4.

The couple's two older children survived the attack, but one of them, 10-year-old Nomfundo, was still in a critical condition yesterday in a local hospital.

The bureau spokesman said police did not know the motive for the petrol-bomb attack and had not yet established whether it was linked to the funeral for the four children.

In other incidents of unrest reported at the weekend there were "only very few unrest-related incidents, mainly in Soweto". They were mainly stone-throwing and individual cases of robbery and petrol-bomb attacks.

Two people were arrested in connection with several incidents of stone-throwing and a few petrol bombs thrown at buses in Soweto.

"The rest of the country was quiet," the bureau said. — UPI

Umlazi youth dies in bomb attack

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PRETORIA — A youth was burnt to death in Umlazi, Durban on Saturday following a petrol bomb attack on a home, the Bureau for Information reported yesterday

The victim was identified as Mensi Ngwani, who was said to be under 18 years.

The motive for the attack was unknown and no arrests were made, the bureau said.

The house was extensively damaged.

According to the bureau, most of the country was "quiet with very few exceptions" during the 24 hours to midnight on Saturday.

"Several incidents of stone-throwing and only a few incidents of petrol bombs thrown at buses were reported in Soweto during this period.

"Two people were arrested in connection with these incidents.

"Relatively little damage was caused and nobody was injured," the bureau's report said. — Sapa

Inkatha house razed

RANDFONTEIN. — The house of a senior Johannesburg Inkatha official, Mrs Lettie Nkomo, was destroyed by fire in the township of Mohlakeng near Randfontein on the West Rand yesterday afternoon. Neighbours and passers-by fought the blaze for more than two hours. The cause of the fire is not known

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Bureau 'concern' for Info musicians

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The Bureau for Information has contacted the police in connection with alleged intimidation of artists involved in the Government's controversial R4,3-million song, *Together We'll Build a Brighter Future.*

In a statement the bureau said it was "deeply concerned about the terrorist attacks which have take place against artists who participated in the project".

"The bureau has raised the matter with the police to assure effective protection. It is the right of South Africans to expect protection from brutal intimidation.

"A number of artists who participated in the project have been intimidated. Many of them have been threatened. Others have been blacklisted and some have been attacked.

"Steve Kekana's home in Soweto was firebombed on December 5. His friend, Taylor Phasha, a blind guitarist, was burned to death in the attack. Four others were injured. Abigail Kubheka's home in Soweto was firebombed on December 7."

The bureau also said it found "cynical" the pardon announced at a meeting of members of the South African Musicians' Alliance (Sama), the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) and the United Democratic Front (UDF).

"It is difficult to imagine how those extending the 'pardon' could give guarantees without some form of contact with, and influence over, those directly involved in the process of intimidation."

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Reward offer after shooting

JOHANNESBURG. — Police have launched a manhunt and have offered a R1 000 reward for information leading to the arrest of a group of suspected guerillas who have gone on the rampage with two Russian Scorpion machine-pistols in Alexandra township and a neighbouring suburb.

The group have been linked to the killing of a Wynberg cafe owner, and the gunning down of three security force personnel and a municipal policeman since December 15, police said.

Paralysed

Police believe the same men and weapons may be involved in another shooting in Alexandra on Sunday when a patrolling municipal policeman was shot at but not hit.

One of their victims, Lance-Corporal Gary Orwin, was paralysed when he was shot in the side on December 15. He is still in Pretoria's 1 Military Hospital, police said.

Police yesterday appealed to members of the public for assistance and handed out pamphlets and put up posters in the township announcing the R1 000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the suspected insurgents.

The shootings police have linked to the group are:

□ December 15: Corporal Orwin, another SADF soldier and a municipal policeman were wounded when they were shot at while manning a roadblock;

□ Shopkeeper Mr George Ioannou was killed when he was gunned down in a robbery in his Wynberg cafe; and

□ January 1: Lance-Corporal A Pearce was wounded while manning a roadblock in the township about 1am when men with two machine-pistols opened fire on him.

Meanwhile, our Durban correspondent reports that a critically injured KwaMakhutha shooting victim, Nomfundo Thusini, 10, died in Durban yesterday.

Nomfundo's death brings to 13 the number of people killed in last Wednesday's South Coast massacre.

A spokesman for the King Edward VIII Hospital said doctors "hoping for a small miracle" kept Nomfundo on life-support machines after she was declared brain-dead on Monday. However, her heart stopped beating about noon yesterday.

Nomfundo was shot in her stomach and hip when gunmen burst into the home of United Democratic Front activist Mr Victor Ntuli early in the morning, spraying the rooms with bullets.

The spokesmen said Nomfundo was conscious, responding to people and even trying a smile on Thursday. However her condition deteriorated rapidly at the weekend and on Monday she was declared brain-dead.

Hand-grenade

Her life-support machines were not switched off until after her heart stopped beating yesterday.

Four of Nomfundo's brothers and sisters died in the shooting.

□ The Bureau for Information's situation report for unrest in the 24-hour period until 6am yesterday said that a hand-grenade was thrown at a Chesterville home late on Tuesday night. No one was injured in the incident in which a window was broken and a hole blown in one of the walls.

Three other police districts reported unrest-related incidents involving stone-throwing and a petrol-bomb attack. No injuries or arrests were reported and damage was minimal. — Sapa

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3 burnt by petrol bomb

PRETORIA. — Three people received serious burn wounds in a petrol-bomb attack on a Soweto home on Wednesday morning.

According to a Bureau for Information unrest situation report yesterday, "radicals threw a petrol bomb at the home of a woman in Dube".

"Two black men and a black woman sustained serious burn wounds and were admitted to hospital. The house was seriously damaged. No arrests were made."

There were an unspecified number of incidents of stone-throwing and petrol-bomb attacks on private homes and vehicles, as well as security force vehicles. No injuries or arrests occurred. — Sapa

Women hurt as train stoned

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — Two women were injured, one seriously, when a group of youths armed with rocks stormed the white compartment of a train stopped at Westbury station, near the Bosmont coloured township on the West Rand at 5pm yesterday.

One of the women fell to the ground after a black youth, aged about 16, entered the compartment and hit her on the head with a rock.

Her condition and whereabouts are not known.

No arrests were made, an SAR police spokesman said.

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Grenade injures policeman

PRETORIA. — Three hand-grenades were thrown at a single quarters building in Magwalareng near Potgietersrus slightly injuring a member of the Lebowa police force, the Bureau for Information said.

Those responsible for yesterday's attack were not identified, the bureau reported.

"The extent of the damage is not known yet and no arrests have been made."

ATTACK ON ANC

The Commissioner of Police, General Johann Coetzee, yesterday lashed out at the banned ANC for hand-grenade attacks on "defenceless people" in their homes, saying most of the victims were children.

In a statement he said it was clear the ANC was concentrating on such attacks because their efforts to hit "hard targets" had been thwarted.

General Coetzee said there had been an increasing number of hand-grenade attacks on homes in black townships.

● Five of the six people who were injured in a hand-grenade and AK 47-rifle attack on the home of Diepmeadow town councillor Mrs Sinnah Senokoane on Saturday, were discharged from Baragwanath Hospital yesterday, a spokesman said.

The sixth victim, municipal policeman Constable Cedric Phophe, had been transferred to the Hillbrow Hospital, spokesman said. — Sapa.

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Policeman wounded

PRETORIA. — A policeman was wounded when three "unidentified radicals" threw three hand-grenades at a single-quarters building in Magwalareng near Potgietersrus on Monday.

"A member of the Lebowa police force was slightly injured in the incident. The extent of the damage is unknown and no arrests have been made," the Bureau for Information said in its daily unrest report.

The bureau said there were several incidents of stone-throwing. No injuries or arrests were reported and damage was minimal. — Sapa

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Five men necklaced

Mercury Correspondent

EAST LONDON—Five people were burned to death by the 'necklace' method and a sixth was stabbed to death after a row at a shebeen at Mdantsane outside East London.

The Ciskei Police said 30 men had been arrested and two vehicles confiscated.

The five burned to death were aged between 16 and 20 This is believed to be the first time necklace killings have taken place in Mdantsane.

After fighting broke out at the shebeen, residents grabbed five men and took them to an area near the railway station where they were bound with wire and set alight with tyres that had been doused in petrol.

Unrest down 70%, says Govt

JOHANNESBURG—Unrest had decreased by 70% in the second half of last year — after the introduction of the state of emergency on June 12 — the Bureau for Information said yesterday.

The number of deaths also decreased 'dramatically' during the second half of the year — from 665 to 251.

This showed the introduction of the state of emergency had 'saved lives and protected property', the bureau said

During the last six months of the year the number of unrest incidents averaged 20 a day — compared with 68 a day from January to June

The bureau said a daily average of 3,7 deaths was recorded from January to June, in comparison with a daily average of 1,4 for the period July to December — a decrease of 62% — (Sapa)

The man, posing as Mrs Marot's driver walked behind her, holding the knife against her, into the office of the garage.

'They could not cash the cheque as the garage did not have R300 available in cash,' Mr Marot said

'The staff, who know my wife well, realised she was upset, but did not suspect the cause,' he said.

However, the man suddenly bolted from the office and drove off in Mrs Marot's car, leaving her at the garage

Police were notified and yesterday afternoon the car was found, undamaged, in an alley off Point Road, about 400 m from NMI service station.

No arrests have yet been made

Technikon 'won't axe staff yet'

Mercury Reporter

PERMANENT staff at the Natal Technikon in Durban will not be retrenched immediately, but some people may be laid off in the long term

This was said by Mr Barry Clements, the institution's chief public relations officer.

He was responding to widespread speculation among staff after a statement to all heads of department said the services of some permanent employees could be ended.

Mr Clements said a cut of R1 700 000 in the Technikon's Government subsidy had necessitated a complete re-examination of the running of the institution

The Technikon was like 'a ship starting to sink', he said

Either it would continue to sink or something would be done to lighten the load.

Fever scare

WINDHOEK—Thirty people thought to have been in contact with a congo fever patient have been released from quarantine. — (Sapa)

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Man fires at principal

PRETORIA. — A bystander was wounded when a man who had threatened a Soweto school principal fired "several wild shots", the Bureau for Information reported today.

"The man threatened the principal of the Ngungungane Secondary School in Soweto. He fired several wild shots in his direction, seriously wounding a bystander.

"No arrests have yet been made and police investigations are continuing," the report said.

Other unrest-related incidents reported up to midnight "comprised petrol-bomb attacks on private homes, causing considerable damage". — Sapa.

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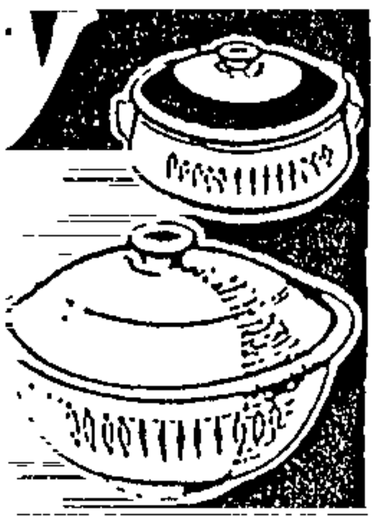

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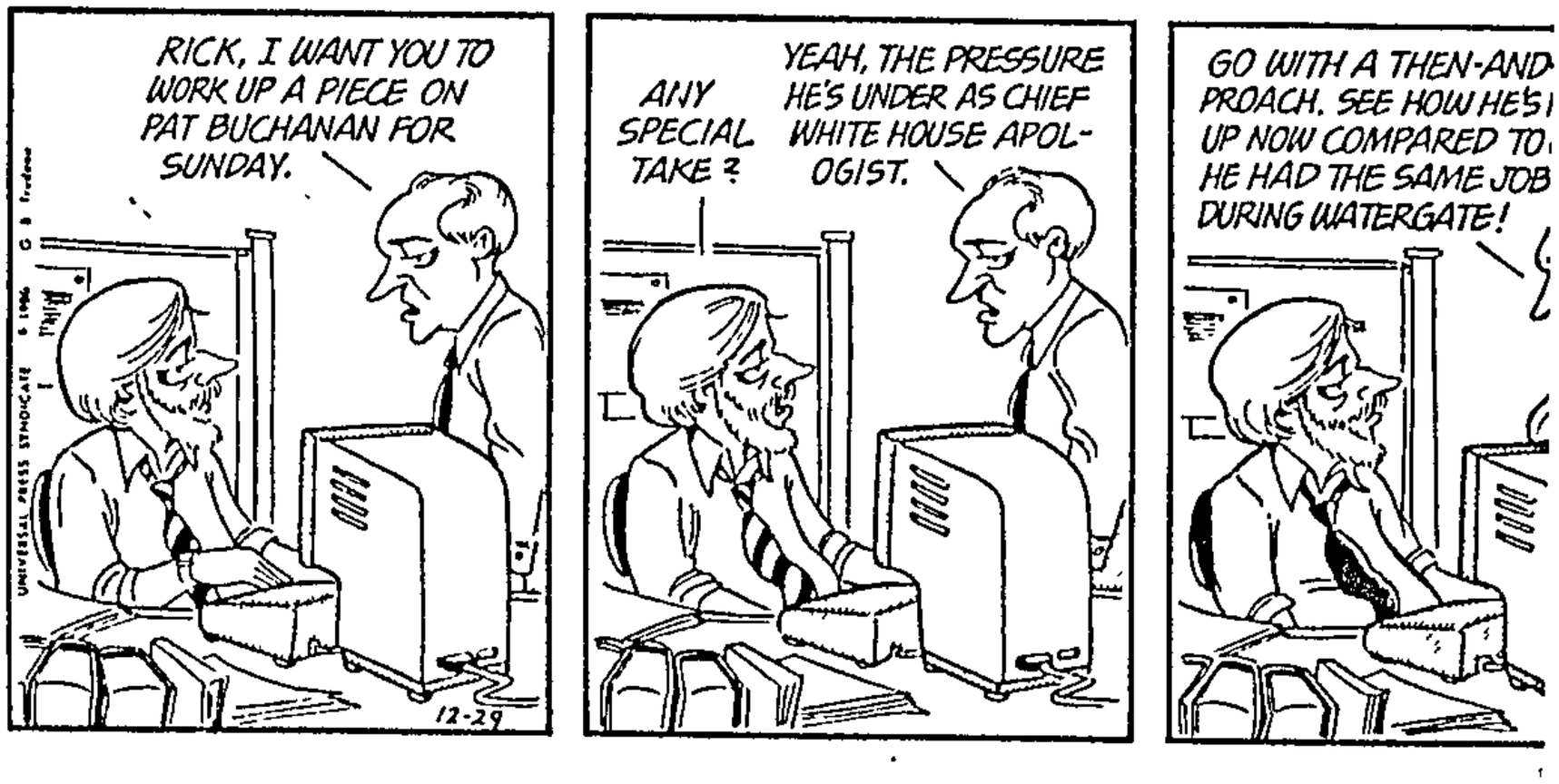

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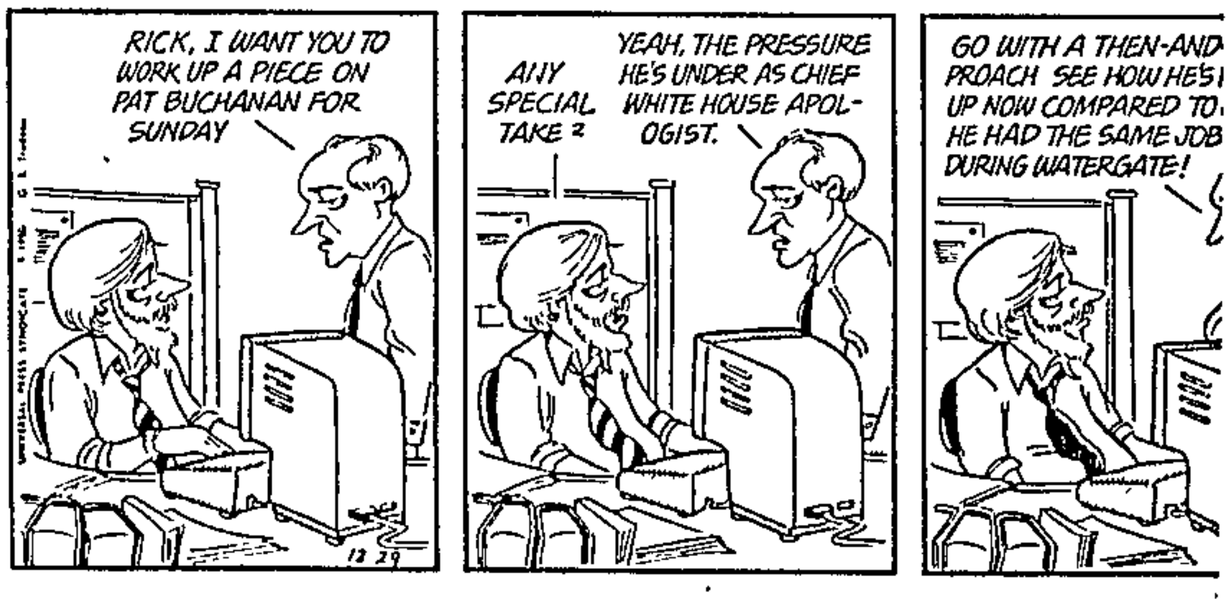

Bid to set alight Sisulu house

JOHANNESBURG. — Arsonists tried to set alight the Soweto house of United Democratic Front president Mrs Albertina Sisulu early yesterday, but little damage was caused.

The incident happened at Mrs Sisulu's Orlando West home about 3am while the family was asleep, a family friend said.

A relative woke up early and spotted a window which had been charred when petrol was apparently splashed on it and set alight.

According to Mrs Sisulu, the arsonist was disturbed by dogs and scrambled over the fence.

Mrs Sisulu's husband, Walter, is serving a life sentence for sabotage at Pollsmoor Prison, with Mr Nelson Mandela and others.

She alleges "the system" was responsible for the attack.

"I have no doubt whatever. It is the filthy action of the system. I have only one enemy and that enemy is a common enemy of my family," Mrs Sisulu said.

A week ago, an attempt was made to set alight her son Zwelakhe's car while it was parked outside her house. Only one tyre was burnt.

Zwelakhe, editor of the Roman Catholic-funded New Nation newspaper, has been in detention under emergency regulations since December 12.

□ The Bureau for Information reported yesterday that the body of a young man was found in Clermont township on Thursday.

It said in its unrest report that no arrests had yet been made in connection with the death of Mr Manuel Nzuza, 21, "who had apparently been knifed and hacked to death".

Other unrest incidents reported "comprised isolated cases of stone-throwing at buses and petrol-bomb attacks on private homes".

No injuries or arrests were reported as a result of the incidents which caused "considerable damage", the bureau said without elaborating. — Sapa

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Mrs Sisulu's home under attack again

JOHANNESBURG. — The home of Mrs Albertina Sisulu, wife of Robben Island life prisoner Walter Sisulu, was attacked by arsonists at the weekend.

It was the third attack in three weeks, The Sowetan newspaper reported today.

Mrs Sisulu was at home with her two-year-old granddaughter Vuyelwa when the arsonists poured petrol on the lounge window and tried to set it alight. Slight damage was done.

Mrs Sisulu is a vice-president of the United Democratic Front and an anti-apartheid campaigner.

"I have no enemies among my people. It's anybody's guess who is responsible for this," she said last night.

Her theory is that the arsonists did not want to break the window because the act would have awakened her. They were hoping that the window would crack and the house would catch fire.

She did not report the incident to the police as it was "useless to do so".

Two weeks ago, Mrs Sisulu said, burglars broke in and stole a new silver watch which she bought for her husband. Last week arsonists attacked a car belonging to her son Zwelakhe and burnt all four tyres. — Sapa.

Security forces targets of attacks

SECURITY force staff came under attack in two black townships on Friday, but nobody was injured, the Bureau for Information said.

Three black men threw petrol bombs at the house of a security force member in Soweto, and shots were fired at an army personnel carrier in Alexandra. — Reuter.

Nov/Dec 1990 (SAIRO National) Sapa

'Soccer man' held after Soweto shooting

JOHANNESBURG. — A man who police say is "connected with soccer" has been detained and charges of attempted murder are being investigated following an alleged shootout with police in Soweto early on Saturday morning.

Police would not disclose his name yesterday. The liaison officer for police headquarters in Pretoria, Lieutenant R Olivier, said: "Who he is we cannot say. We can't give his name because he is still a suspect at this stage."

However, Lt Olivier confirmed there had been a shootout at a house in Orlando East involving police and a man "connected with soccer".

In other incidents in Johannesburg townships at the weekend, the government's Bureau for Information reported, three men threw petrol bombs at the house of a security force member in Soweto on Saturday, and shots were fired at an army personnel carrier in Alexandra, but they said there were no injuries or arrests.

A group attacked a member of the security forces in Sebokeng (Vereeniging). He fired two shots and a man was slightly injured. No arrests were made.

In its Sunday report the bureau reported that a delivery vehicle was set alight in Bethal. Nobody was injured or arrested.

A television shop was set alight in White City Jabavu (Soweto). Damage was extensive. — Sapa

Women cantors

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Arson attack on Sisulu's house — 3rd incident

JOHANNESBURG — The home of Mrs Albertina Sisulu, wife of Robben Island life prisoner, Walter Sisulu, was attacked by arsonists at the weekend This was the third attack in three weeks, a Johannesburg newspaper reported yesterday.

Mrs Sisulu was at home with her two-year-old granddaughter Vuyelwa, when the arsonists poured petrol on the lounge window of the house and tried to set it alight Slight damage was done as only the windows were charrred.

Mrs Sisulu is a vice-president of the United Democratic Front (UDF) and a strong anti-apartheid campaigner.

Mrs Sisulu said: "I have no enemies among my people. It's anybody's guess who is responsible for this."

Her theory is that the arsonists did not want to break the window because the act would have woken her. They were hoping that the window would crack and the house catch fire.

She said she did not report the incident to the police as she found it useless to do so.

Mrs Sisulu said the attack was the third in three weeks. Two weeks ago, she said, burglars broke in and stole a new silver watch that she bought for her imprisoned husband.

Last week arsonists attacked a car belonging to her son, Zwelakhe and burnt all four tyres.

She was told by neighbours that her dogs started barking at about 3 am, and believes that that was the time the attackers were present. — Sapa

Blast victim fights for life

JOHANNESBURG — Jaco Roos, the eight-year-old seriously injured in a landmine blast last August, has been transferred from Pretoria's Eugene Marais Hospital to the Princess Nursing Home here.

Since the blast Jaco has been fighting for his life. —Sapa

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Police arrest three men at Mandela home

JOHANNESBURG. — Police arrested three young men at the Soweto home of Mrs Winnie Mandela yesterday.

A spokesman at her home said police yesterday afternoon searched the house and then took away the three, who were working in the garden.

Nothing was confiscated, but the spokesman said Mrs Mandela was to approach Protea police station in the township to query the arrests.

Mrs Mandela maintains police raided her house seven times last Friday.

An SA Police Directorate spokesman, Lieutenant Robbie Olivier, said in Pretoria: "The SA Police did visit Mrs Mandela's home on Friday, February 6, in connection with a routine police investigation.

"It is however denied that her home was raided seven times."

□ Meanwhile according to the daily unrest report from the Bureau for Information, three men were seriously injured in a petrol-bomb attack on a private home in the Bethal township on Monday.

Mr Kiet Mahlangu, 35, Mr Vuzi Dludlu, 22, and Mr Elaja Nkazi, 20, were admitted to the Bethal Hospital. No arrests have yet been made. Damage to property was minimal.

□ The SA Institute of Race Relations said yesterday that political violence has claimed 2 326 lives between September 1984 and December 1986.

The Institute added that available data indicated that fatalities had continued to decline sharply since the middle of last year.

The Institute said that the average daily fatality rate between January 1, 1986, and the end of the first state of emergency in March last year was 3,8, but had risen to 6,4 after the emergency was lifted. Since the imposition of the second emergency the rate had dropped to 2,1. It stressed that it did not claim that its figures were definitive.

Nurse testifies at Myers inquest

Staff Reporter

A NURSING sister assigned to the intensive care of a post-operative patient explained to a city inquest court yesterday that she had not mentioned his falling blood pressure to a doctor because she ascribed it to his sedative.

Sister Irené Laing was being cross-examined by Mr Deon Irish, for the family of Mr Adrian Myers, a 37-year-old Cape Town businessman.

Mr Myers died in City Park Hospital's surgical intensive care unit on July 16 last year, after extensive internal bleeding following a colon operation.

Mr Irish said that from 6.30pm to 8.30pm Mr Myers' central venous pressure readings had fallen from 8 to 3, his arterial blood pressure also dropped, and his pulse rate went up from 64 to 92.

Heart attack

Sister Laing said she attributed this to the valium she had given Mr Myers. Blood pressure often dropped, she said, and a "fluid challenge" was given to correct it. She was sure she had done so in this case, "probably 200mm".

Mr Irish said it was not recorded on the flow chart. He asked her why she had not mentioned the "fluid challenge" to Dr Peter Horrigan during his check-up call that evening.

She said she could not remember what she said to Dr Horrigan, as it had happened so long ago.

The case proceeds.

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'Deviants' blamed for attack on Sisulu home

JOHANNESBURG. — The recent attacks on the home of Mrs Albertina Sisulu was part of a campaign against the UDF and its affiliates, said Mr Murphy Morobe, acting national publicity secretary for the organization.

Mrs Sisulu is a vice-president of the United Democratic Front.

The home of Mrs Sisulu, wife of one of the ANC leaders, Mr Walter Sisulu, was attacked by arsonists at the weekend. This was the third attack in three weeks.

Mrs Sisulu was at home with her two-year-old granddaughter Vuyelwa when the arsonists poured petrol on the lounge window of the house and tried to set it alight. Slight damage was done as only the windows were charrred.

Mr Morobe added that Mrs Sisulu's stature in the community was such that no one except political deviants and agents of apartheid would attempt arson against someone who had done so much for the liberation struggle in South Africa.

Mr Morobe said the community of Orlando West would be offering Mrs Sisulu the "security she deserves".

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3 injured in bombing

Business Day Reporter

TWO men were slightly injured when security forces used dogs to disperse a crowd during an illegal gathering in Naledi, Soweto yesterday.

The Bureau for Information said no arrests were reported.

In Daveyton, Benoni, about 13 "radicals" stoned a private vehicle and two men and a youth were arrested.

A home was petrol-bombed in the black township of Bethal yesterday. Three men were seriously injured and admitted to hospital. There were no arrests.

The Bureau said a few other incidents of petrol-bombing were reported from two other SAP districts. Damage was minimal and no arrests were made.

Killer gang on rampage in Alex

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Suspected trained insurgents and the security forces are engaged in a deadly cat-and-mouse game to control Alexandra, north of Johannesburg.

The killing of Mr José Manuel Alves Coelhoe has sent shock-waves through the white business community of Wynberg, an industrial area neighbouring Alexandra.

Mr Coelhoe was gunned down with a Scorpion machine pistol by two men at his shop, Ace Fast Foods.

On December 15 last year, a man brandishing a Scorpion fired 14 shots at a SADF patrol vehicle, seriously wounding Corporal Gary David Orwin. Corporal A Pearce was shot and wounded with a Scorpion on New Year's Day and a municipal policeman was wounded on January 10.

Police believe the attackers are ordinary criminals, but many township residents believe they are trained insurgents.

Attacks on bus drivers in the township have forced Putco to withdraw its services from the area. Since November 17 last year 41 attacks on drivers and buses have been reported.

kwaNobuhle march — new facts unearthed

By Rob Nuttall

An organisation monitoring unrest and unrest-related incidents, Operation Real South Africa, has taken statements from 41 people involved in or affected by a mass march by vigilantes in kwaNobuhle, Uitenhage.

The march, on January 4, left two people dead and several others seriously injured.

The march was organised in an effort to rout "troublemakers" according to a subsequent police statement.

Mr Rory Riordan, director of Operation Real South Africa, said today several people who had taken part in the march had made statements saying they had been coerced, along with many others, into joining the vigilante action.

The march began at about 4 am on Sunday, January 4, when a crowd estimated at about 1 500 gathered in a section of Kwanobuhle and marched through the township. They selected the homes of "targets" and attacked a number of people suspected of participation in political activity.

Two people died as a result of injuries received and several others were seriously injured. Mr Riordan said between 20 and 30 homes were attacked.

"There was an apparent instruction that the houses themselves were not to be damaged so the furniture and possessions of the targets were dragged into the streets and burnt.

"Major Everson described the march as 'calm' and said that after four hours the group was dispersed following warnings."

Mr Riordan said the statements taken would be handed to the Progressive Federal Party and be passed on to the Minister of Law and Order with a request for an investigation of events during the march.

Crossroads/KTC: unrest

30. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Justice:

Whether any persons have been prosecuted for *(a)* arson, *(b)* theft, *(c)* malicious damage to property, *(d)* assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, *(e)* common assault, *(f)* murder and *(g)* attempted murder in connection with unrest in (i) Crossroads in May 1986 and (ii) the KTC area in June 1986; if so, *(aa)* how many in each category and *(bb)* what was the outcome in each case?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

The Attorney-General concerned has studied his records in an attempt to obtain the required information On account of the large number of cases which are dealt with in the courts daily and the fact that it is almost impossible to identify cases as being related to an unrest situation in an area which does not necessarily correspond with a magisterial district, it is not possible to furnish precise information. He cannot identify any prosecutions as being related to unrest mentioned by the Honourable Member. If the Honourable Member requires information with regard to a specific incident, I shall on receipt of further particulars readily try to obtain the information which he requires.

Kabokweni: deaths

47 Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Justice

(1) Whether, with reference to the reply of the Minister of Law and Order to Question No 3 on 26 August 1986, the decision of the Attorney-General has been made known in regard to the deaths of persons at the Kabokweni magistrate's court near White River in the Eastern Transvaal on 11 March 1986; if not, when is it anticipated that his decision will be made known; if so, *(a)* when and *(b)* what was that decision;

(2) whether any inquest has been held into this matter; if not, why not; if so, what were the findings;

(3) whether the findings relating to the investigation into this incident have been made public; if not, why not; if so, when;

(4) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

(1) Yes.

(a) During July 1986.

(b) The Attorney-General instructed that an inquest be held from 4 to 6 May 1987 in the Magistrate's Court, Witrivier.

(2) and (3) Fall away.

(4) A statement is not necessary

Detainees

50. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Justice:

(a) How many persons have been detained in terms of section 31 of the Internal Security Act, No 74 of 1982, since 12 June 1986 and *(b)* in respect of what date is this information furnished?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

(a) 63 persons

(b) 12 June 1986 till 31 January 1987

Detainees

51. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Justice:

How many females *(a)* were detained in 1986, and *(b)* had been detained as at the latest specified date for which figures are available, in terms of section 31 of the Internal Security Act, No 74 of 1982?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

(a) 22.

(b) 7 on 31 January 1987.

Bankrupt persons

97. Mr H H SCHWARZ asked the Minister of Justice:

How many persons were declared bankrupt in each Division of the Supreme Court in 1986?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

Division	Persons
Transvaal Provincial Division	3 000
Cape of Good Hope Provincial Division	539
Orange Free State Provincial Division	662
Eastern Cape Division	311
Northern Cape Division	128
Natal Provincial Division	319

Liquidation

98. Mr H H SCHWARZ asked the Minister of Justice:

How many companies were placed under compulsory liquidation in the area of each Master of the Supreme Court in 1986?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

Division	Companies
Transvaal Provincial Division	1 450
Cape of Good Hope Provincial Division	246
Orange Free State Provincial Division	103
Eastern Cape Division	115
Northern Cape Division	24
Natal Provincial Division	365

Motor vehicles stolen

99. Mr H H SCHWARZ asked the Minister of Justice:

Whether any *(a)* prosecutions were instituted and *(b)* convictions were obtained in respect of motor vehicles reported stolen to the South African Police in 1985 and 1986, respectively; if so, how many in each category as at the latest specified date for which figures are available?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

The information is not readily available in the Department. In an effort to be of assistance to the Honourable Member, the following information was obtained from the Central Statistical Services:

1. For the period 1 July 1984 to 30 June 1985

   (a) 7 619 prosecutions instituted

   (b) 4 937 convictions obtained.

2. For the period 1 July 1985 to 30 June 1986

   (a) 7 131 prosecutions instituted

   (b) 4 730 convictions obtained.

Corporal punishment

135. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Justice:

(1) How many males *(a)* under the age of 18 years, *(b)* aged 18 to 20 years and *(c)* aged 21 years and over in each race group were sentenced to corporal punishment in 1986,

(2) how many strokes were inflicted in respect of each category of persons?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

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Mamelodi residents: TV film 'pack of lies'

Staff Reporter

MAMELODI residents are furious about a documentary screened by SATV on Tuesday night claiming they welcome the presence of security forces in their township, according to Mamelodi community workers.

The documentary, which featured an interview with the Mamelodi mayor, Mr Bennet Ndlazi, and footage of soldiers playing with local children, was screened on both TV2 and Network.

It was made by an independent Swiss film company, according to Network chief Mr Christo Kritzinger, who said the SABC was satisfied that the programme was "a true reflection of the situation in Mamelodi" and that the mayor was "an elected leader".

But people living in Mamelodi have described the documentary as "a pack of lies" and claim almost the whole of the township is "hopping mad" about it.

Thirteen Mamelodi residents were shot dead by police in November 1985 when 50 000 people marched to the local administration board offices to protest at conditions in the township

Call on councillors to return to Soweto

JOHANNESBURG. — A meeting held at Soweto's Orlando East township yesterday called on the fugitive Soweto councillors to come back and lead the people from within.

Speakers among the 2 500 conservative people at the Communal Hall complained that they did not know whom to take their problems to and urged the councillors to come and be seen among the people they were supposed to lead.

Twenty-two councillors fled last year to live at Octavia Flats in Fordsburg after their lives had been threatened and some had their houses burnt.

Only five councillors, including the mayor, Mr Nelson Botile, and the Housing Committee chairman, Mr Letsatsi Radebe, have remained.

A weekend report said the councillors were now going to move into 12-roomed houses at Orlando Power Park, near Soweto.

Mr Radebe said in an interview after the meeting that Johannesburg City Council had handed the land over to the Soweto Council and the councillors would be responsible for rent-payment.

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UK gives further R1,5m aid to Maputo

From JOHN BATTERSBY

LONDON — The British government has donated R1,5 million to the R14 million emergency famine appeal for Mozambique launched by Britain's two largest overseas aid agencies.

The donation follows warnings from both the British government and aid officials that the famine in Mozambique could reach disaster proportions — on the scale of the Ethiopian famine — unless urgent steps are taken.

The British donations, which came within 24 hours of the first-ever joint appeal by Oxfam and Save the Children, brings to R6m the UK government's famine relief to Mozambique in the past week.

Earlier in the week Mr Christopher Patten, Minister for Overseas Development, handed out R4,5m to Mozambique in famine relief and special aid to Mozambican children.

He also gave R31,5m in development aid to Mozambique.

Britain has also appealed to the European Community to come forward with urgently needed food aid for Mozambique where nearly one-third of the population are believed to be facing starvation.

Mr Patten, who returned at the weekend from a tour of the frontline states, said: "There is a serious food situation and if we act now we can stop it turning into a disaster."

Britain's rapid escalation in aid to Mozambique fits in with its strategy of a closer engagement with black Africa — and particularly the frontline states — to show there is a "flip-side" to Britain's rejection of sanctions against South Africa.

In recent months the UK government has identified more closely with the frontline struggle for economic independence from South Africa.

But Mr Patten made it clear last week that the new British strategy did not extend to helping the frontline states impose sanctions against South Africa.

He said that during his recent trip he had heard little about sanctions and more about the need for Western aid.

The director of Save the Children, Mr Nicholas Hinton, warned that there had been a total collapse of the Mozambican currency and economy and the country had the highest infant mortality rate in Africa.

with whites. — Sapa

Cape Times 17/2/87 p28

'Comrades' kill man

JOHANNESBURG. — The Bureau for Information yesterday said that a Chesterville man was killed at the weekend because he refused to join the comrades.

According to the report three black "radicals" shot and killed Mr Jeremiah Sipho on Sunday. He had apparently refused to join the comrades. No arrests were made and police investigations are continuing.

The bureau also reported that several incidents of stoning occurred on Sunday, most of them in Soweto. No injuries or arrests were reported and damage was minimal. — Sapa

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Councillors to move

JOHANNESBURG. — Soweto councillors holed up in a run-down block of flats in Fordsburg following a number of attacks on them, will soon move to an exclusive area on the outskirts of the township.

This was confirmed this week by Soweto's mayor, Mr Nelson Botile.

The posh suburb, until recently a whites-only residential area, is on a hillock not far from the Orlando power station.

Houses in the area consist of at least 12 rooms each. Councillors will also enjoy facilities such as tennis courts, bowling greens, a clubhouse, a bar lounge and a nursery school.

The move also comes soon after an Indian MP requested that the councillors leave Octavia Flats so that they could accommodate Indians, as they are supposed to.

The plush suburb is enclosed by a high security fence and each entrance is manned by heavily armed policemen. — Sapa

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Policeman shot dead in Soweto

PRETORIA. — A policeman was shot dead in Soweto on Monday, and a youth aged about 17 — arrested on Monday for stone-throwing — died when he jumped from a moving Cassipir, reports said yesterday.

The Bureau for Information reported that an off-duty security policeman, Constable D Sono, was "shot dead by unidentified persons in Meadowlands, Soweto, yesterday".

No arrests have been made yet and police are investigating, the bureau said.

Police in Pretoria said yesterday the dead youth was arrested "for throwing stones at vehicles on the Vanderbijl Park-Pretoria highway". He died "when he jumped from a moving Casspir vehicle".

"The man, whose name cannot be released because his next of kin have not been informed of his death, allegedly attempted to escape from custody."

The matter was being investigated.

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'White on black violence'

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Pretoria police investigating reports of white youths attacking blacks at the weekend are handicapped because no official complaint has been laid.

A senior police spokesman in Pretoria said last night that police had heard about an alleged attack that left one person injured, and were looking into it.

Sapa reports that a gang of white youths attacked five black people in the Waterkloof area last Friday and Saturday nights.

The youths were allegedly armed with wheel spanners and iron rods.

Mr Isaac Modisa, of Waterkloof Ridge, said he was walking in the suburb with friends when he was attacked with what he thought was a flat-iron.

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Pretoria youths on the rampage

PRETORIA — White Pretoria youths wielding wheel spanners and other objects have gone on the rampage, leaving a trail of severely-injured blacks in the city's upper middle class eastern suburbs.

Several people were hurt — at least five of them seriously — when white youths, armed with what victims decribed as pangas, wheel spanners, crowbars and knobkieries attacked blacks in the Waterkloof area at the weekend.

Mr Isaac Modisa, of Waterkloof Ridge, said he was walking in the suburb with friends when a vehicle stopped next to them.

He was then attacked with what he thought was a flat iron. He suffered a broken wrist and a cut on the arm for which he received 10 stitches.

Black diplomats are the only blacks who may normally live in the Waterkloof area, but since the abolition of the pass book system an increase in the number of blacks in the area has been noted.

They apparently live with domestic servants in the area.

Irate residents have complained about an increase in the number of burglaries and crime in the area over the same period.

The exclusive Pretoria Country Club erected a razor-bladed fence around its golf course to deter vagrants.

In another attack, a group including Mr Jerry Xekiso and a woman known only as Johanna were attacked by youths — believed to be the same gang.

Johanna's forehead was gashed with a sharp object and Mr Xekiso was beaten up.

Mrs Margaret Leelo and a friend were attacked after leaving premises in the area on Friday night.

Mrs Lebelo escaped injury, but her friend was badly beaten up with what could have been a wheel spanner.

Another man, Mr Solly Phoku, was rescued by a resident who heard his screams on Saturday night.

Mr Phoku said he was approached by a group of youths asking for matches.

They suddenly attacked him with a knobkierie and left him injured under a tree.

A Brooklyn police spokesman confirmed that the incidents were being investigated and that assault charges had been laid. — Sapa

Five injured by petrol bomb

Sunday Times Reporter

FIVE people were seriously injured yesterday when the home of a Mamelodi East, Pretoria, woman was petrol-bombed.

Mrs Sarah Moeroedi was with her children when the attack took place. The ages of the injured range from nine to 21. Extensive damage was done to the house.

In another unrest incident, Mr V P Mbambo, 52, and Mrs Gwen Mkhwanazi, 58, were seriously injured when two unknown black men threw a hand-grenade through the back door of the Wozanionke bakery in KwaMashu, Durban.

Meanwhile, in Botshabelo, Bloemfontein, said the bureau, "four females and 11 youths as well as 27 females and 114 males over the age of 18" were arrested by security forces when they allegedly intimidated pupils of the Reamoletswe school.

Exchange area	Number of waiting applicants (i)	When services are to be provided (ii)
		the hired premises housing the post office precludes the installation of such boxes
Saxonwold Post Office	12	There is unfortunately no space available in the present accommodation to install additional private boxes. Negotiations to obtain more spacious accommodation have not yet been finalised.

Public telephones

415. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Communications:

What was the estimated cost of repairing public telephones in the Republic in 1986?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS

R0,9 million for repairs arising from vandalism and the theft of apparatus.

Internal Security Act

416 Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any notices in terms of *(a)* section 18 (1) and *(b)* section 20 (1) of the Internal Security Act, No 74 of 1982, (i) were issued, (ii) were withdrawn and (iii) expired in 1986, if so, how many in each case;

(2) whether any notices which expired were renewed, if so, how many;

(3) how many notices in terms of each of these sections were of effect as at 31 December 1986?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) *(a)* No. (i) to (iii) Fall away.

(b) Yes

(i) 2 notices

(ii) 1 notice

(iii) None.

(2) No

(3) No.

Independent states: projects

418. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Education and Development Aid:

(a) What total amount was spent on projects in each specified independent Black state from the South African Development Trust Account in the 1986-87 financial year and *(b)* on what projects was this money spent?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT AID.

(a)

Transkei	R5 622 000
Bophuthatswana	R11 805 000
Venda	R2 976 000
Ciskei	R59 143 000

(b) Transkei

Provision of infrastructure, housing and schools in townships	R5 622 000
Bophuthatswana Provision of infrastructure, housing and schools in townships and settlements	R11 805 000
Venda Provision of infrastructure, housing and schools in townships	R2 976 000
Ciskei Provision of infrastructure, housing and schools in townships	R25 175 000
Provision of infrastructure in one settlement	R500 000
Provision of bulk water and sewage: Whittlesea	R1 525 000
Provision of water: Dimbaza	R100 000
Development of settlement and irrigation units: Ntabatemba	R6 400 000
Provision of basic facilities at Phakamisa	R200 000
Development of settlements at Potsdam and Ndevana	R250 000
Binfield Parkdam	R11 000 000
Bisho Post Office and offices for the Department of Telecommunication	R120 000
Offices for the Department of Works and Transport	R2 269 000
Government buildings (Burger Square)	R8 826 000
Offices for the Department of Health and Agriculture	R2 132 000
Upgrading Lovedale College	R500 000
Quarter Master store for the Ciskei police at Bisho	R146 000

Children's Act

419. Mr A B WIDMAN asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

How many Black children were placed in adoption in terms of the Children's Act in 1986?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

315.

National independent states

428. Mr P H P GASTROW asked the Minister of Manpower:

How many residents of each of the *(a)* national states and *(b)* four independent Black states were employed in the Republic in 1986?

The MINISTER OF MANPOWER:

(a) and *(b)* The statistics requested are not kept by the Department of Manpower.

Emergency regulations

429. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(a) (i) How many females have been detained in prison cells in terms of the emergency regulations since 12 June 1986 and (ii) in respect of what date is this information furnished and *(b)* how many females were being so held as at the latest specified date for which figures are available?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER.

(a) and *(b)* I refer the hon member to my summarised reply on oral Question Number 2 which I furnished on 17 February 1987.

Defence Force volunteer shot

430. Mr A B WIDMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether a Defence Force volunteer was shot and paralysed by members of an alleged terrorist gang that operated in Alexandra Township over the

New Year weekend; if so, *(a)* on what date, *(b)* what were the circumstances surrounding this incident and *(c)* what action was taken by (i) this gang and (ii) the South African Police on this occasion;

(2) whether the members of this gang have been arrested, if so, when; if not, what progress has been made in the investigation of this matter?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) No.

(a) A national serviceman was wounded in the Alexandra Township on 1 January 1987 He is number 82274556BG Lance Corporal A W Pearce He has already recovered totally and is not paralysed

(b) Members of the South African Defence Force manned a routine roadblock in the Alexandra Township. Several shots were fired at these members from a nearby site during which Lance Corporal Pearce was wounded

(c) (i) After the attack the persons escaped.

(ii) The South African Police conducted a follow-up operation and in the process shots were also fired at them. The attackers again escaped. Nobody was injured.

(2) No, but the investigation is proceeding.

Retired magistrate

Mr A B WIDMAN asked the Minister of Justice:

(1) with reference to his reply to question No 1 on 15 April 1986, in the case concerning a retired magistrate who instituted a civil action against his Department for allegedly withholding promotion from him has been concluded; if not, when is it anticipated that it will be concluded; if so, *(a)* when, *(b)* what was the outcome and *(c)* what were the circumstances surrounding this case;

(2) whether any steps were taken departmentally as a result of this case; if so, *(a)* when, *(b)* against whom, *(c)* what steps and *(d)* why,

(3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

(1) Yes.

(a) June 1986

(b) The plaintiff withdrew his claim.

(c) A civil action was instituted on 21 February 1984 because promotion was allegedly withheld from the plaintiff due to certain adverse remarks in reports concerning him The plaintiff alleged that these remarks were not brought to his attention and that it was unjustified He further alleged that he suffered damages to the amount of R125 282,92. In fact some of the adverse remarks had been expunged from the reports after an investigation in September 1983 As a result thereof the plaintiff's date of promotion has been back-dated. This resulted in an amount of R494,00 being due to him which amount was eventually paid over to him

(2) No.

(3) A statement is not necessary.

Citizen Force/Commandos

432. Mr A SAVAGE asked the Minister of Defence:

(1) What percentage of Citizen Force

and Commando members called up to attend camps *(a)* applied for deferment in 1983, 1984 and 1985, respectively, and *(b)* (i) failed to report for service, and (ii) requested exemption from rendering service in townships, in each of these years;

(2) what total number of persons called up for military service in 1983, 1984, 1985 and 1986, respectively, requested exemption on *(a)* religious and *(b)* other specified grounds?

The MINISTER OF DEFENCE:

(1) The honourable member is referred to the reply to section (2) and (3) of the written Question No 879 of 15 April 1986.

(2) The honourable member is referred to the reply to section (1) of the written Question No 879 of 15 April 1986

Water from Natal for Transvaal

434. Mr G B D McINTOSH asked the Minister of Water Affairs.

(a) How much water was obtained from Natal for use in the Transvaal in 1986, *(b)* what was the price charged per litre of water and *(c)* (i) who paid for this water and (ii) *(aa)* to whom and *(bb)* when was this money paid?

The MINISTER OF WATER AFFAIRS.

(a) 440 million cubic metres.

(b) The total cost for the State for the supply of Tugela River water, via the Sterkfontein Dam to the catchment area of the Vaal River, amounts to 0,015 cents per litre. In determining the Government water tariffs the total cost for providing all water supply components, as well as any other expenditure are taken into account, whereafter an average tariff for the supply of water is determined, which tariff presently amounts to 0,0065 cents per litre for domestic and industrial use and 0,0011 cents per litre for agricultural use.

(c) (i) The following institutions to whom the water was supplied, paid for the water and it was then, where applicable, recovered from the consumers concerned:

Rand Water Board
ESCOM
ISCOR
SASOL
OFS Goldfields Water Board
Western Transvaal Water Company
Municipality of Kimberley
Other small consumers
Irrigators

(ii) *(aa)* The Department of Water Affairs

(bb) Throughout the year.

Lesotho Highlands Water Project

435. Mr G B D McINTOSH asked the Minister of Water Affairs:

(1) When is it anticipated that the Lesotho Highlands Water Project will commence delivering water to the Republic;

(2) whether a price has been determined in respect of water so delivered; if not, why not; if so, *(a)* what is the proposed price per litre and *(b)* on what basis was this price calculated?

The MINISTER OF WATER AFFAIRS:

(1) 1995.

(2) Yes.

(a) 0,07 cents per litre (provisionally)

(b) The price was calculated on the December 1985 cost of the first phase of the Project and determined for a 15% interest rate in

Mangled youths may sue for damages

Post Correspondent

PRETORIA — Seven youths deformed by grenades which exploded in their hands in June 1985 might be able to sue for damages.

This is after not obtaining the correct treatment during the 20 months in jail, Mr Justice Stafford said yesterday.

The judge said said the accused — who have been facing charges of terrorism in the Pretoria Supreme court — did not receive artificial limbs during the 20 months they have spent in prison.

Medical evidence before the court has indicated that it was probable that it was too late for some of the accused to be fitted with prostheses due to deadened nerve endings.

On Friday the State dropped the charges of terrorism.

The accused changed their pleas on the other charges to guilty of hand-grenades and malicious damage to property. Two of them pleaded guilty to attempted murder.

Their charges arise from the accused attempting to hurl hand-grenades at the homes of Warrant Officer Ben Balovi, businessman Mr David Namane and former community councillor, Mr Steven Namane, in Duduza on June 25 or 26, 1985. The grenades exploded in their hands.

Counsel for the accused, Mr Nic de Vos, asked the judge to pass a suspended sentence as they had already spent 20 months in jail and had suffered physically as a result of their actions.

Three of them have psychologically anti-consult of their anti-convulsive drugs for the been receiving drugs for one treatment of epilepsy, one of them has suffered brain damage and a hearing loss and the others have had either their hands or fingers amputated.

Sentence will be passed on Friday.

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Firebombs cause R5 000 damage

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The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Damage estimated at R5 000 has been caused in two petrol-bomb attacks in Mamelodi East.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information confirmed the attacks on two houses, one occupied by a policeman. No one was injured.

The spokesman said the attack on the policeman's home by "unknown assailants" took place about 2.30am. Damage was about R3 000. The other house was attacked at 1.30am and damage was about R2 000.

● Last week the house of a detective-sergeant in Mamelodi West was attacked. His wife was burnt on the face.

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Mandela home stoned

Dispatch Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — A stone hurled through a window of Mrs Winnie Mandela's home in Orlando West this week, in a flare-up between soccer players, narrowly missed a six week-old baby in the house.

The attack was part of the on-going clash between members of the Mandela United Football Club and students from the Daliwonga school over the use of a football field in Soweto.

Youths supporting the Daliwonga side stoned the Mandela home on Wednesday morning when they went to "sort out" the issue. They damaged part of the cement wall which surrounds the house and forced their way in to search all the rooms looking for their rivals.

A friend of the family said Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of jailed ANC leader Nelson Mandela, and their daughter Zinzi were at home at the time.

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Unrest: Funeral crowd broken up

PRETORIA — A Soweto home was set on fire and "extensively damaged", buses and security force vehicles were stoned, shots were fired at security force vehicles and two people, an unnamed man and woman, were arrested during weekend unrest reported by the Bureau for Information

In its report for Friday, the bureau said: "In Mafolo, Soweto, approximately 20 blacks set a private home on fire, causing extensive damage The motive is unknown"

On Saturday the bureau reported: "In Mpumulange black residential area the security forces had to break up a large gathering of blacks at a funeral, during which incident a white woman of over 18 years of age was arrested"

On Friday: "During a stone-throwing incident in the Isando industrial area in Kempton Park a black man, over 18 years of age, was arrested Nobody was injured in this incident"

On Saturday· "Isolated cases were reported from the Cradock area (Eastern Province) where unidentified persons fired shots at security force vehicles In two cases slight damage was caused to the vehicles The security forces returned the fire. Nobody was injured or arrested.

"In Doringkop cemetery (Soweto) a Putco bus was robbed and extensive damage caused. Nobody has yet been arrested." — Sapa

riot breaks out at sports stadium

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

At least 12 people were injured and eight arrested at the weekend after a school sports event in Westbury, west of Johannesburg, erupted into violence.

Riot police used teargas, rubber bullets and live ammunition to control the rioters outside the Union Stadium on Saturday.

Police said the violence apparently started after a fight between two drunks and the arrest of one.

Thousands of rands damage to property — including five police vehicles and a private bus — was caused as the fleeing youths stoned passing cars and passers-by, police said.

A four-year-old Mayfair boy, M Ehrke, and three policemen were among the injured, a police spokesman said.

An injured man is under police guard in Hillbrow Hospital

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Police use teargas to disperse riot mob

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after being shot by police, the spokesman said.

According to a spectator, the chaos started after a minor "altercation" between two drunk men in the grandstand.

"Up to that point the local coloured police were controlling the whole set-up but then a Casspir with a whole lot of white policemen rolled up," Mrs Maureen Hassim said.

She said the police were "not restrained in their actions but were arrogant and aggressive, shouting at everyone".

Mrs Hassim and other witnesses said spectators reacted to the police actions.

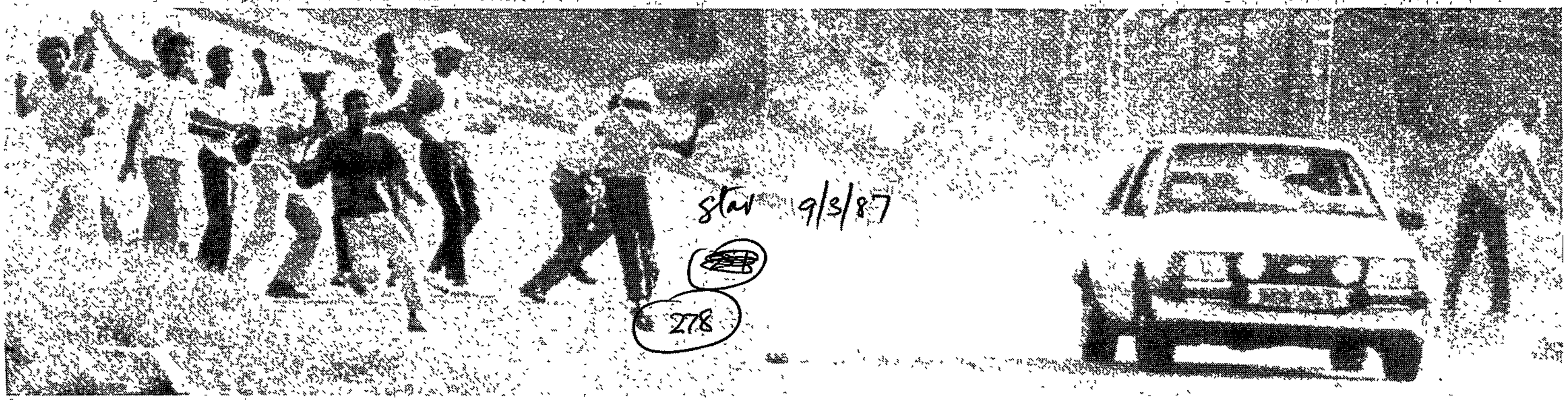
Lieutenant-Colonel Frans Malherbe, Witwatersrand police media liaison officer, said the violence erupted after a mob stoned a policeman who arrested a drunk man.

"The policeman fired his shotgun into the air after a mob of about 20 aggressive people started stoning him. He then left to fetch reinforcements."

When the police returned a fight broke out among the crowd and the Riot Squad was called in, but the crowd attacked the policemen.

Teargas was then used to clear the stadium but the rioters gathered in Dowring Street, where police again used teargas to disperse them.

The injured are Mr C Lourens (37) of Krugersdorp; Mr C van Jaarsveld (32) of Kempton Park; Mr J Supra (54) and Mr J Kalesky (38) of Claremont; Mr J Muller (37) of Newlands; M Laram (14) of Mayfair; Constables A Maritz, K Holtzhausen and Sergeant F Edwards.



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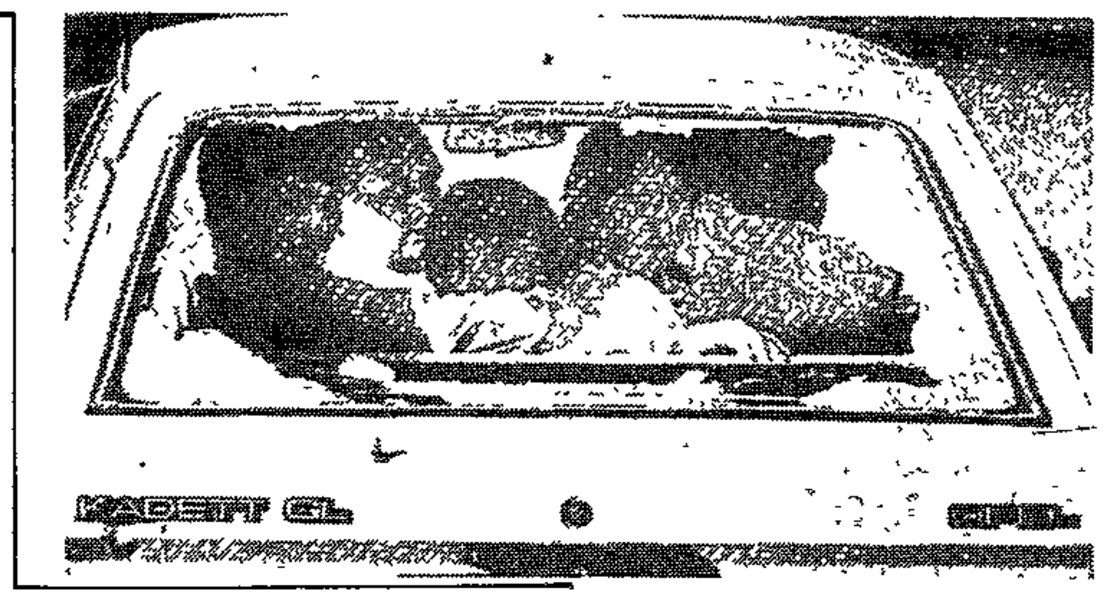

Vehicles smashed by youths

A group of Westbury youths pelt a passing motorist with stones shortly after police had attempted to arrest two drunks at the Union Stadium near Newlands on Saturday.
FAR RIGHT: A terrified family peers through the shattered rear window of their car after they had run the gauntlet of rock-throwing in Dowling Street.

● Pictures by Ruvan Boshoff.

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Car with couple stoned

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JOHANNESBURG. — A Vanderbijl Park couple said they were badly shaken when the car in which they were travelling with their seven-month-old baby was stoned by a mob of youths on the Vereeniging/Vanderbijl Park highway.

Mr W C Fourie, his wife and their seven-month-old baby sustained slight cuts.

□ The Bureau for Information said there were isolated incidents of stone-throwing and petrol-bombing on Saturday night and Sunday.

No injuries or arrests were reported. — Sapa

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Police seal off streets for march

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Police briefly sealed off streets in central Johannesburg on Thursday as a crowd of about 100 people emerged from a National Detainees' Day meeting and marched singing through the streets of the city.

Guests at the entrance of a luxury hotel stared in amazement as the throng moved by swiftly and dispersed without conflict after progressing about two blocks from the lunch-time meeting venue. Teargas could be smelt near Khotso House as part of the crowd approached there and police converged on the area.

The marchers were part of a crowd of about 600 which overflowed the Central Methodist Hall to register support for all detained children.

Council of Churches general secretary Dr Beyers Naude told the meeting the relevent question to be asked in a society where hundreds or thousands of children were detained was not, "What have the children done?" but, "What has society done to its children?"

Dr Naude argued that freedom was indivisible. "Our call today (remainder of sentence deleted.) "But if we (remainder of sentence deleted.) We cannot stop there."

The logical next step was to demand the restoration of a free Press, which was closely linked to the rights of the individual. One had to go further to fight to free all people "from the shackles which prevent them from expressing their political aspirations".

"We also logically call that our country should be free from dictatorship and tyranny."

Midway through the meeting, prominent people from community and political organisations were called upon to put their signatures to a pledge in support of children. Particularly loud applause greeted United Democatic Front president Mrs Albertina Sisulu as she added her name.

● More than 200 students attended a prayer meeting for detainees at the Witwatersrand University. During the service a number of students mounted a placard demonstration outside.

When the service ended after lunch-time, part of the crowd marched around the campus chanting freedom songs. They dispersed peacefully.

● About 400 people attended a meeting held at the Johannesburg headquarters of the Congress of SA Trade Unions.

After the meeting, the crowd continued chanting freedom songs outside the building, where police looked on but took no action.

(Parts of this report have been deleted to comply with the Emergency Regulations.)

2 boys shot:. Constable acquitted

JOHANNESBURG. — A 22-year-old police constable who fatally shot two Soweto schoolboys during the first state of emergency in 1985 was found not guilty of murder and acquitted in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

Constable Jakobus Johannes Laubscher was also found not guilty of attempting to murder a 15-year-old youth.

He had pleaded not guilty to murdering Spencer Simelane, 17, and Godfrey Phuroe, 17.

Const Laubscher also pleaded not guilty to the attempted murder charge.

The constable did not testify but his defence was that he could not be prosecuted because the incidents had occurred during a state of emergency.

It was also submitted by his counsel that he had acted in self-defence and in accordance with his duty.

Mr Justice M J Strydom rejected his defence that his actions could be indemnified by Regulation 11 but found he had acted in self-defence after being attacked by stone-throwing children.

A policeman who gave evidence for the State during the trial was indemnified from prosecution by the judge.

Mob burns house in bomb attack

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By Monthsiwa Moroke

The home of an Orlando West businessman, Mr Lehlohonolo "Hlux" Motaung, was burned by youths in Soweto at the weekend.

Earlier, an attempt had been made to burn down his nearby supermarket.

Damage to the house and a vehicle in the yard has been estimated at R65 000.

The Bureau for Information today confirmed the attack had taken place and said no injuries were reported. No arrests have been made.

Everything in the house was destroyed and the family spent the weekend with relatives.

Mr Motaung and his wife, Alina, believe the attacks were a personal vendetta although Mrs Motaung, her assistants and customers were able to escape from the shop.

Mrs Motaung, a mother of six, said the first attack took place at about 7 pm on Saturday while she was serving in the shop.

"The attack took place without warning. All we saw was a mob of youths who started hurling petrol bombs into the shop."

The youths then marched to the Motaung home where they set fire to a van. They stoned the house, breaking the windows and kicked open the front door.

Neighbours said yesterday they saw a mob of about 30 youths, whom they could not identify, storm the house and set it alight.

Mr and Mrs Motaung said the build-up to the attack had started about three weeks ago after a meeting in the township. The meeting took place after lights in the township had been switched off by the Soweto Council.

"We believe it was said at the meeting the shop was going to be burned down as we had paid our electricity bill against the spirit of the rent boycott," Mrs Motaung said.

Several members of street committees were apparently detained afterwards and residents put the blame for their detention on the Motaungs.

(Parts of this report have been deleted to comply with the emergency regulations).

Tumahole residents face action over rents

By Michael Tissong

The Tumahole Town Council has threatened residents of the Parys township with court action to get them to pay rent owed to the council since the beginning of the rent boycott about nine months ago.

Tumahole town clerk Mr W Cronk said the council and the Bureau for Information distributed a newsletter at the weekend calling on people to pay rent.

"In the newsletter we explained that we expected the court to give a decision on March 19 in connection with an interdict against the council concerning rent payments."

The Tumahole Civic Association said the council was causing confusion in the township because the council "was saying that after the court case on the 19th we have to pay rent"

SOWETAN, Tuesday, March 24, 1987

WE KICKED MAKI, SAY 5 ACCUSED

FIVE of the 11 accused in the Maki Sikhosana murder trial have admitted kicking and assaulting her before she died near a cemetery in Duduza, Nigel.

The five — Ms Sanna Twala (23), Mr Solomon Motsoagae (28), Ms Lorraine Zanele Sobuzi (33) and two youths aged 15 and 17 years — made these admissions in the Pretoria Supreme Court through their lawyer, Mr David Soggot.

The 11 accused have pleaded not guilty before Mr Justice Hartzenberg and two assessors to murdering Ms Sikhosana near the Duduza cemetery on July 20, 1985.

The 17-year-old youth from Kwa-Thema, Springs, admitted that he struck Ms Sikhosana with a stick, kicked her and placed a stone on her chest.

The other four accused admitted that they kicked her and the 15-year-old girl admitted hitting her with the branch of a tree.

Ms Twala said she also saw an inflammable liquid being poured on Ms Sikhosana's body. She admitted striking Ms Sikhosana with an object and jumping on her. Ms Twala was also there when a stone was dropped on her chest.

By MONK NKOMO

A State witness, Warrant Officer Johannes Daniel Scott, who arrested the 11 accused, yesterday told the court that one of the accused, Mr Daniel Mbokwane (22), was worried.

He did not want to look at the video tape of the attack on Ms Sikhosana shortly after his arrest.

The accused later watched the tape recording and also identified himself on the screen, the court heard.

Warrant Officer Scott said Mr Mbokwane and Mr Linda Alaxander Hlophe (26), made two statements each to the police immediately after their arrest. Both accused were not threatened, assaulted or influenced to make these statements, the witness said.

Warrant Office Scott yesterday identified Mr Hlophe, Mr Jacob Tshabalala (22) and Ms Lydia Mokoena (24), on the recording of the attack on Ms Sikhosana.

He pointed out a person he identified as Mr Tshabalala kicking and hitting Ms Sikhosana with a stick.

He also pointed out Ms Mokoena kicking and throwing an object at the woman as she lay on the ground.

(Proceeding)

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Restriction on funeral

PRETORIA. — Police imposed emergency-regulation restrictions on the funeral of a man who was shot dead recently by "a group of people" in Orlando West, Soweto. The restrictions on Mr David Skosana's funeral were ordered by Soweto Divisional Police Commissioner Andries van Zyl in a special edition of the Government Gazette. — Sapa

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Possible targets were noted, Magoo's trial told

MARITZBURG — Self-confessed Magoo's bomber, Mr Robert McBride, had instructed his girlfriend, Miss Greta Apelgren, to take notes on the locations of substations in the Transvaal and Natal which he thought might make suitable "targets".

This was said in evidence by Mr McBride in the Pietermaritzburg Supreme Court today.

Mr McBride and Miss Apelgren are facing four charges of murder, three related to the Magoo's bar blast in Durban, and one to the springing of alleged terrorist Mr Gordon Webster from Edendale Hospital, and a number of terrorism and related counts.

Mr McBride said Miss Apelgren had made the notes on the substations while the couple were travelling back from Botswana after a successful expedition to smuggle Mr Webster out of South Africa.

She had been reluctant at first to make the notes, but had complied after he had become irritable.

Mr McBride said he had never asked Miss Apelgren to take part in acts of sabotage. "She was not part of the combatant unit".

He said when he rescued Mr Webster from Edendale, he had told Miss Apelgren he was going to fetch a friend and she should wait for him near the hospital.

"If she knew all the facts she might have become nervous and she might have refused."

As far as he knew, the first time she knew it was Mr Webster who had been rescued was when she read about it in the newspapers.

The hearing continues romorrow.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

Petrol-bomb attack on mayor's home

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The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — A man was arrested after a group of about 100 people threw a petrol bomb at the home of the Mayor of Katlehong, Mr Thami Siluma, says the Bureau for Information.

Fifteen people were arrested during an attack on Katlehong High School yesterday.

No injuries or damage were reported.

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Baby burnt to death in Soweto

PRETORIA. — Thamare Mthambeka, aged six months, was burnt to death when a group of people set fire to the Diepkloof, Soweto, home of Mrs Vathiswa Mthambeka.

According to the Bureau for Information's unrest report for the 24-hour period ending at midnight last night, no motive for the incident had been established.

"In Mziname (Bethal) a group of unknown persons threw petrol bombs at the home of the mother of councillor Thekane. Considerable damage was caused and two black men, Christofel Malubela, 18, and a Mr Siba, 21, were seriously injured by the attackers," the bureau said. — Sapa.

Arsonists burn 10 Soweto trains

JOHANNESBURG — In a widespread campaign of arson in Soweto last night, 10 trains were set alight and a ticket office was burnt, causing damage estimated at over R1 million.

A Bureau for Information spokesman said the incidents started about 5.30 pm when four coaches of a train were set alight at Dube station. By 7 pm at the same station three other trains were burning.

Three trains were set alight at Inhlazane station about 6 pm and the ticket office there was also slightly damaged.

One train at Phomelong station, one at Ekwezi station and one at New Canada station were set ablaze between 7 pm and 8.30 pm.

No-one was injured and no arrests have been made. The trains were stationary at the time.

The bureau spokesman quoted police as saying that the motives "are unknown at this stage" but that petrol bombs may have been used.

Mr Leon Els, public relations officer for for Mr Eli Louw, Minister of Transport Affairs, said last night: "Everything possible is being done to ensure the safety of all passengers and staff and to safeguard Sats property."

Thousands of Soweto commuters late for work

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Thousands of Soweto commuters were late for work today because 10 trains were set alight at stations in the township complex last night, disrupting all services.

South African Transport Services (SATS) called in police for the protection of commuters, staff and rolling stock.

A SATS spokesman said today that there was a possibility that "arson on trains forms part of the South African Railway and Harbour Workers' Union's intimidation aimed at SATS".

A spokesman for the union, Mr Michael Roussos, responded to the speculation by saying: "We are taking legal opinion on how to react to statements linking us to clearly illegal acts."

The arson attacks have added severe passenger service problems to the troubles of strike-hit SATS, where about 13 000 workers downed tools a month ago.

A spokesman for the Transport Affairs Ministry said police had been called in. "SATS will take all the necessary precautions to protect passengers, its staff and its trains."

The Bureau for Information said the first coaches of stationary trains were set alight at Dube at about 5.30 pm. Further blazes broke out over the next few hours at Dube, Phomolong, Inhlanzane, Ikwezi and New Canada stations.

All passenger services from Soweto were disrupted. Some trains were running about 90 minutes late this morning.

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"The trains are operating normally routewise, but they are not on schedule," she said.

This is the latest of a spate of sabotage and violence on Sats property.

On Friday, passenger coaches were burnt at Dube and Naledi stations, and trains stoned at Doornfontein and Mayfair.

On March 23 there was an explosion on the line at Dube station.

A spokesman for the bureau said four coaches in a single train were set alight in the first Dube burning yesterday The same train was set alight again a while later, and by about 7 pm two neighbouring trains were ablaze at Dube.

At Inhlazane three trains were set alight and the ticket office also slightly damaged, while Phomolong, Ikwezi and New Canada stations each had one train set alight.

No one was injured in the fires, but witnesses claimed commuters panicked.

The bureau spokesman said no arrests had been made.

On the strike front, the climate grew tougher yesterday as the first threat to fire strikers came — a full month into the strike — from Minister of Transport Mr Eli Louw.

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"The stage when strikers should return to work in their own interests or be dismissed is fast drawing near," Mr Louw warned.

He said the question of strike pay was non-negotiable but that Sats management was prepared to talk to recognised worker representatives on all other issues.

A Sats spokesman said representatives of strikers had not come forward to date "with an indication for furthering negotiations".

He also said 59 white drivers, who were employed at City Deep after the strike began, had completed their training.

Sats was coping well with traffic demand. "The backlog has been eliminated and we are coping with the daily demand for containers."

Trains set alight at Soweto stations

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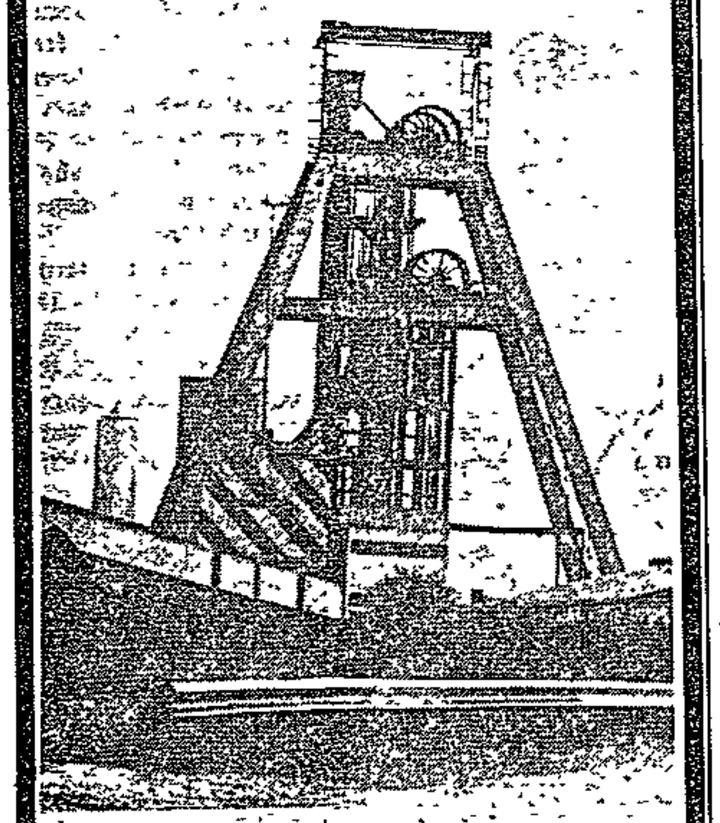
THOUSANDS STRANDED

7 miners die on West Rand



THE headgear of No. 3 shaft at Randfontein Estates Gold Mine where a massive rockfall occurred. See Page 2.

THERE was chaos in Soweto last night as thousands of people jumped from burning trains which had been set alight at different stations.

SOWETAN Reporters

The incidents took place at Dube, Inhlanzane, Phefeni and Naledi stations.

The first reported incident was at Dube station where two coaches burst into flames and were burnt out at about 5 30pm.

Other coaches were set alight at various stations between Phefeni and Naledi

Thousands of commute rs jumped to safety and many had to find their way home on foot or by using taxis.

At 7 30pm the volume of passengers stranded at New Canada train junction was growing steadily. Some people did not try to get back to Soweto but instead looked for transport back to Johannesburg

A South African Transort Services (SATS) spokesman, Mr Dirk Beukes, last night confirmed the incidents at Naledi, Inhlanzane and Dube stations

An eye-witness told the *Sowetan* that people were injured during the stampede for safety when the coaches caught fire

Four train coaches were burnt out at Naledi station last Friday and there were scenes of unrest at Dube stations and Naledi over the weekend.

Late last night the SATS organised 20 buses to ferry stranded commuters from Dube and New Canada stations into Naledi and other farther stations No trains were proceeding beyonkd Dube Station.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information Mr Johan van der Waal said at about 5 30 pm a train was set alight at Dube Station causing about R6000 damage No one was reported injured, he said.

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Arsonists burn 5 more trains

JOHANNESBURG — Thousands of commuters were stranded in Soweto last night as at least five more trains were set alight in continuing unrest at railway stations yesterday.

Some commuters — faced with a walk of at least 10 km last night as rush-hour train services to Soweto were disrupted from 5.20 pm — forced passing motorists to ferry them into the township.

A spokesman for Sats said last night the train service was running as far as New Canada station, where a train had been set alight earlier in the evening.

Altogether five coaches were burnt out at Orlando, New Canada and Dube stations, the Bureau for Information said. They had no information about a further report that a coach was set alight at Longdale station.

Ten trains were also gutted at four different stations in Soweto on Monday, damaging 26 coaches.

"We arranged for protection on the trains but what it is we cannot say," said the Sats spokesman. — DDC

4 burnt to death

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FOUR youths, said to be members of a notorious gang called Germans, were killed by a group of about 60 pupils in Tsakane township, near Brakpan, on Monday.

The killings, according to residents, were in retaliation for the stabbing of a Mamellong Senior Secondary School pupil last Thursday, and the robbery of a local teacher the next day.

Residents claim there has been angry feelings towards the gang members following the alleged rape and murder of a schoolgirl last year.

By SOWETAN REPORTER

They claimed four youths were killed during the incident.

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria yesterday confirmed two of the killings. In a telex message, the Bureau said: "A mob of about 60 black radicals set fire to a private house in Tsakane yesterday

"Two men were inside the house and when they ran outside, one of them was stoned to death and the other killed with a garden fork.

"The group then covered the bodies with tyres and set these alight. The deceased were a Mr Maphid and Mr Sibi Lelo. Serious damage was caused to the house. No arrests have yet been made and police investigations are continuing."

Residents told the *Sowetan* that pupils left the school premises around 9.30am and tracked the gang down to a house in Malandela Street.

The house was set on fire and when the youths tried to run to safety, they were cornered by the mob, stoned and stabbed with garden forks before being set alight.

Others said one of the dead, who was not identified, was a visitor from Soweto and not a member of the alleged gang

In other unrest reports, the Bureau said black people fired at a security force foot patrol from a moving vehicle in Klipspruit, in Soweto, on Monday. The patrol returned the fire and a man and a woman were killed. The names of the dead were not released.

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Commuters forced to walk long distances

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FOR the second day running thousands of residents had to plod it home when trains were set alight at a number of stations in Soweto.

By ALI MPHAKI

Stations affected yesterday were Orlando and New Canada There were earlier reports that more stations could be involved but this could not be established by late yesterday

The disruption of the Orlando station line means that mainline trains could not travel yesterday and had either to be re-routed via Germiston or the West Rand line

Terms

These latest events now mean that the strike by the more than 13000 railway workers could have reached a point of no return Both sides, who have been flexing their muscles, are now wading into each with bitter verbal broadsides

There is little talk about negotiations, except claims that doors are open but the talks must be on certain terms

A spokesman for the SATS, Mr Jannie van Zyl, said 26 coaches were set alight since Monday to yesterday afternoon, and this involved about

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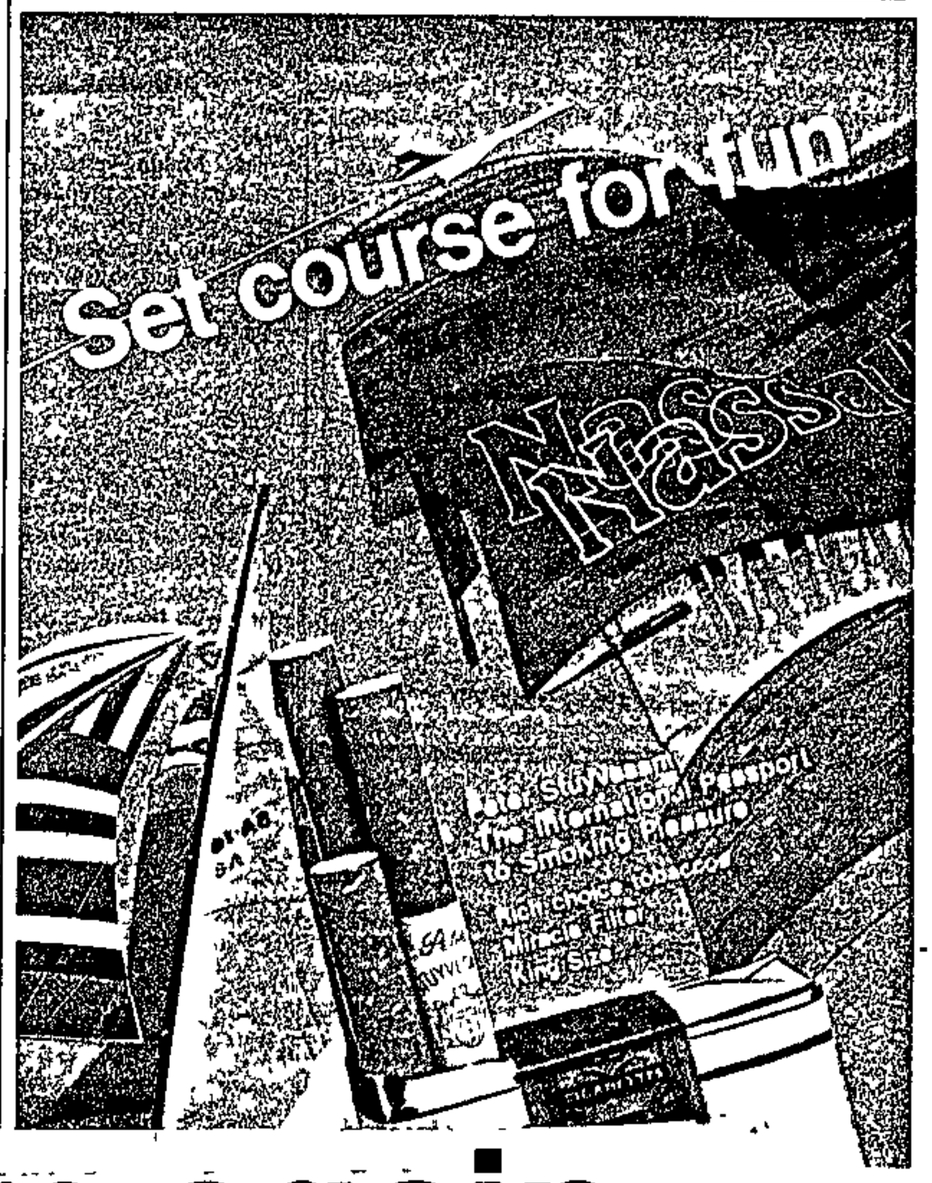

Trains on fire again

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nine trains.

He declined to comment further and referred the *Sowetan* to the Bureau for Information.

According to our count, 13 trains have been involved in these attacks — 10 on Monday night and three yesterday. This means affected coaches could be more than 40. Not all coaches are burnt when a train catches fire.

Yesterday's burnings occurred despite stepped up security at railway stations.

The burnings also occur when the decline in violence, which the Bureau for Information has been emphasising all along, appears to have dissipated. There have been marked increases in incidents of violence the past few weeks.

Residents were seen walking home from as far as Croesus station and bus queues were as long as one kilometre.

A near fracas nearly developed in New Canada when stranded commuters forcefully stopped cars to ferry them home.

People forced to walk it yesterday appeared to have anticipated this, and took it in their stride. Motorists and vans stopped to give stranded commuters lifts. Taxis and buses did a roaring trade and the people severely affected by the disruption were those without money and with long distances to travel.

SARHWU consults lawyers

THE South African Railways and Harbour Workers Union was seeking legal advice after allegations by the South African Transport Services that striking workers were responsible for setting trains alight in Soweto over the last few nights.

A statement from SATS said strong action wouldbe taken as "strike action by workers has developed into civil unrest (and) has become an issue which falls outside the jurisdiction of SATS management.

Armed police guard stations

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JOHANNESBURG — Armed police were guarding trains and railway station in Soweto today after more trains were set alight yesterday.

Signalling equipment was also damaged and resulted in temporary suspension of services on one of the lines into the township complex.

The Bureau for Information said that in the past 24 hours, eight railway carriages were damaged in Soweto when vandals set six alight and stoned another two.

A man was injured when stones were thrown at a passenger train in Nancefield station.

Damage in all cases was reported as "considerable".

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More arson keeps Soweto tense

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By Zenaide Vendeiro and Montshiwa Moroke

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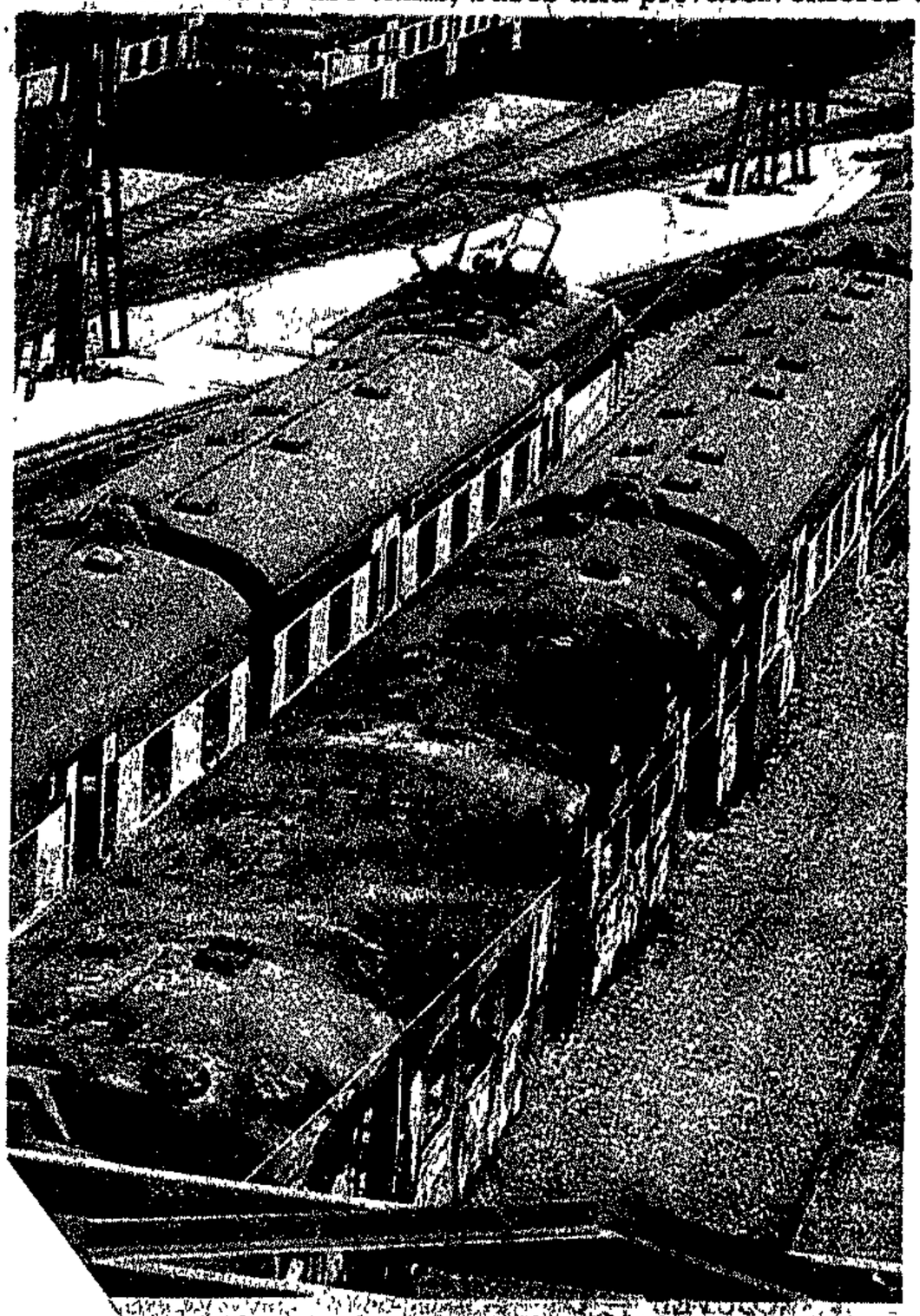

The fire-damaged trains stands in a siding at the Johannesburg Station.

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At 10 am two coaches of a passenger train were set alight at Orlando Station. Another was torched at 4 pm.

Lines deviate

A goods train was set ablaze at New Canada Station shortly after 5 pm. It is at New Canada Station that the lines deviate — one to Naledi, and the other to Tshiawelo.

At 5.20 pm, SATS suspended normal services on the Naledi line because of damage to a signal cable. A shuttle train was run between New Canada and Dube, but SATS was unable to obtain buses to operate further than Dube station.

There was a fourth attack at Dube at about 8 pm when a locomotive was set alight.

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Cosatu also expressed anger at insinuations that it or Sarhwu had resorted to intimidation, and interpreted allegations of "torture" by SATS as a sign that management is "moving further away from the idea of dealing with elected worker representatives".

Soweto trains stopped

JOHANNESBURG — SATS officials last night stopped trains entering Soweto after coaches on four trains were set on fire.

Commuter trains were stopped at New Canada station and buses ferried passengers into Soweto.

Earlier, SATS said the rail strike "has developed into civil unrest". Later last night, coaches on 14 trains had been set alight.

Police and SATS officials are investigating possible links between the torching of 26 coaches and the strike.

Meanwhile, the South African Railways and Harbour Workers Union is seeking legal advice after SATS allegations that striking workers set the trains on fire. — Sapa and UPI

Four people killed in unrest on Reef

PRETORIA. — Four people died in two separate unrest incidents on the Reef yesterday, the Bureau for Information said here in its unrest report yesterday.

In Tsakane near Springs a man was stoned to death and another killed with a garden fork when they came out of a house that had been set alight, the bureau said.

"A group of about 60 black radicals" then covered the bodies with tyres and set them alight.

The deceased were a Mr Maphid and Mr Sibi Lelo.

Serious damage was caused to the house and police are investigating.

In Kilpspruit, Soweto, a man and a woman were killed after security forces opened fire at the occupants of a car who had fired at a foot patrol in the township.

No arrests were reported and the names of the dead have not yet been released. — Sapa

Arson: Police guard on trains

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Police guarded trains and railway stations in Soweto after four more trains were set alight, damaging signalling equipment and causing a temporary suspension of services on one line into the township.

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A Bureau for Information spokesman said today that no one was injured and no arrests were made.

Orlando

At 10am yesterday two coaches were set alight at Orlando. At 4pm another train was torched at the same station. A goods train was set ablaze at New Canada station shortly after 5pm. About 8pm a locomotive was set on fire at Dube station.

On Monday, 26 coaches were destroyed after 10 trains were set alight at four stations in Soweto.

Dr Grove linked the burning of trains, alleged intimidation of black supervisors and stone-throwing to the month-long strike by the South African Railway and Harbour Workers' Union.

Dr Grove said Sats had been tolerant but now the issue had gone beyond its jurisdiction.

"We have maintained an open door policy throughout and have repeatedly stated that management is prepared to discuss all grievances."

He said no worker had been dismissed, nor had Sats suspended any worker services.

Yesterday the Congress of South African Trade Unions reiterated its willingness to help get talks between Sats and SARHWU back on course.

It expressed anger at allegations it or SARHWU had intimidated workers, adding: "Our track record shows our willingness to negotiate in good faith."

Police move in to guard Rand trains

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JOHANNESBURG — Police are providing more protection from today for white passengers at railway stations in Johannesbureg and on the East and West Rand after arsonists, who yesterday attacked trains in Soweto, last night set fire to empty white coaches.

Thirteen coaches were burnt or damaged at eight railway stations in or near Johannesburg in a wave of arson that left thousands of commuters stranded for hours.

Damage estimated at millions of rands has already been caused by the arsonists, who switched their attacks to trains at Braamfontein, Langlaagte and Croesus stations in the Johannesburg area and brought traffic to a standstill.

The action by arsonists spread to areas outside Johannesburg and Soweto, and police confirmed attacks involying passenger trains at Irene and Kaalfontein on the Pretoria line, at Germiston on the East Rand and at Luipaardsvlei on the Krugersdorp line.

The timing of the incidents indicated that they were aimed at achieving maximum disruption of peak-hour evening traffic.

The Johannesburg Fire Department was called in to help put out fires at the three stations.

After the attacks, armed police were put on township trains and assigned to guard stations.

A train coach was set alight today at the George Goch station and a train attacked by stone throwers near Kempton Park, according to the Bureau for Information.

Bureau spokesman Mr Deon Van Loggerenburg said the first attack took place just after 7pm.

Today's arson attack brings to 48 the number of coaches that have been damaged so far.

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Skirmishes, stranded commuters, a bomb and arson all raise a burning question

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- Days later 305 strikers were arrested near Ogies in the Eastern Transvaal. The Bureau for Information said the 305 had "gathered illegally" while the South African Railways and Harbour Workers' Union (Sarhwu) said the mass arrest was an attempt to block rural strikers from meetings with East Rand workers
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In relation to the Dube Station blast it may be worth noting that in recent years there have been several attacks on the property of managements locked in dispute with unions or those who have taken punitive action against strikers

The most recent of these was the bomb placed in the Eloff Street branch of the OK Bazaars early this year during a protracted strike. No organisation claimed responsibility for the blast.

Finally, in discussing the creation of the drama of public disorder from the fabric of a strike, we must look at the backdrop and the people behind the scenes

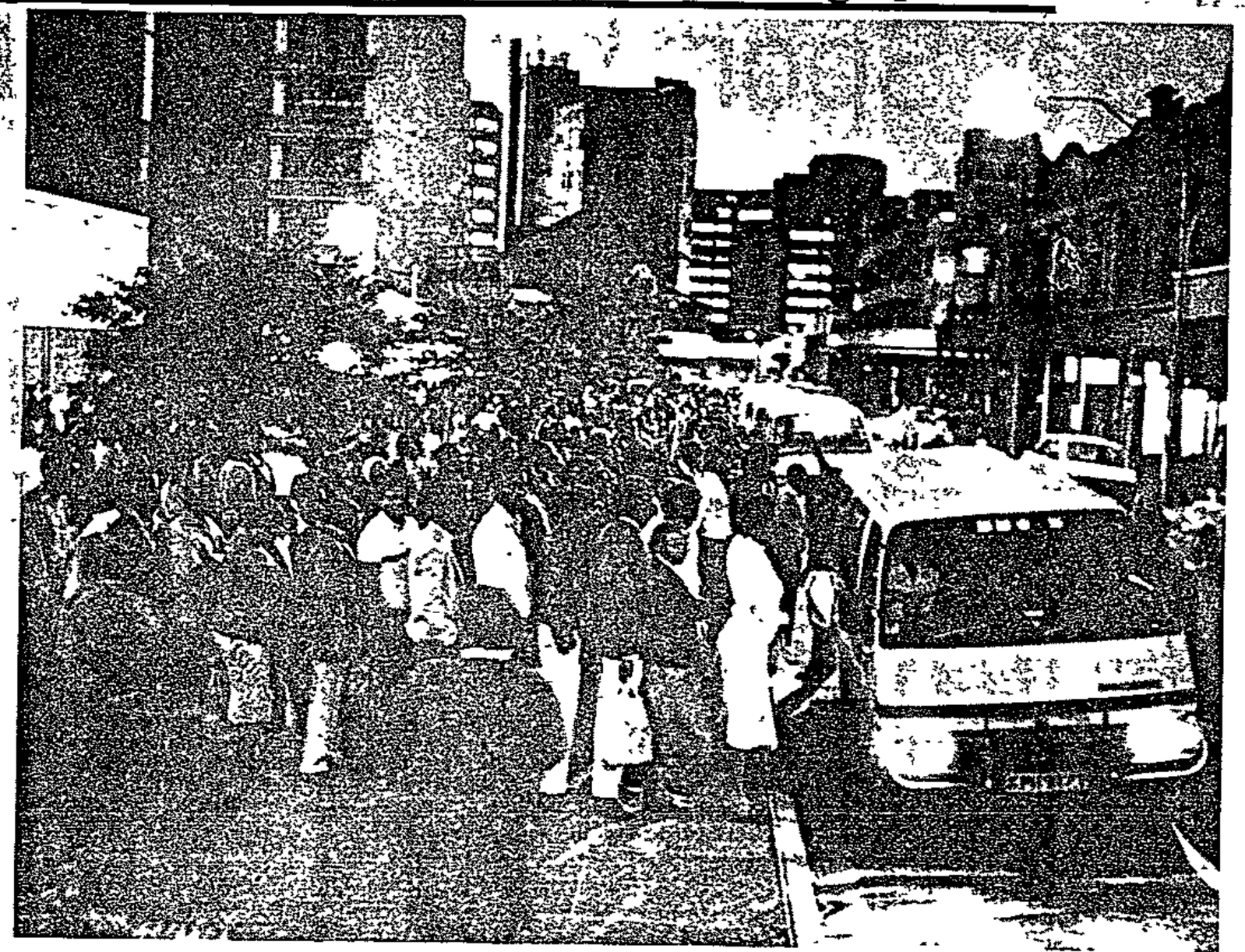
The SATS strike is taking place during a nationwide state of emergency It occurs in a situation where all outdoor meetings are automatically illegal, where spontaneous strikes are outlawed and where emergency powers have been used to allow for the summary firing of workers

It is happening in the public service sector, where only the in-house union approved by management is accorded the right to organise and gain recognition from the employer

The question of recognition of Sarhwu — an affiliate of the mammoth Congress of South Africa Trade Unions — has prolonged the strike and eclipsed the initial grievances which centred on the dismissal of a single worker

Finally, the SATS strike is taking place in the context of burgeoning demands for democratic control in every walk of life, and most especially in political control of the country Unions and popular political organisations have formally pledged support for each other in their day-to-day struggles to control their own lifes.

With almost monotonous regularity liberal and leftwing politicians say violence becomes inevitable when all other means of collective political expression are closed off. The SATS strike poses a parallel question What happens when discontented workers are denied the rights of organisasetduntion and recognition?



Queues — which stretched for several blocks — lined Johannesburg's streets late yesterday afternoon as desperate commuters tried to get home after several trains had been burnt. These workers queued for taxis in Commissioner Street.

● Picture by Alf Kumalo.

Appeal for return to work

The black "sweetheart" trad union in the South Africa Transport Services today ap pealed for striking railwayme to return to work before th Government implemented it threat to dismiss them.

The strike by 13 000 mem bers of the South African Rail way and Harbour Workers Union (Sarhwu) is in its fift week.

Mr S M Matloha, genera secretary of Blatu, SATS' in house union, said the only rea son strikers had not yet bee dismissed was because Blat had argued against this.

"I once again appeal to them to stop their self-destructio and return to work," Mr Matlo ha said

Although both SATS an Sarhwu have expressed a wil lingness to resolve the strike talks between the two partie last took place on April 10

The stumbling block is tha SATS refuses to negotiate wit Sarhwu.

A spokesman for SATS strike committee said the or ganisation was waiting for a indication from "worker repre sentatives" on the resumption of negotiations

Yesterday, the Congress o South African Trade Unions (Cosatu), to which Sarhwu is affiliated, repeated its willingness to assist in getting talks back on course.

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In relation to the Dube Station blast it may be worth noting that in recent years there have been several attacks on the property of managements locked in dispute with unions or those who have taken punitive action against strikers

The most recent of these was the bomb placed in the Eloff Street branch of the OK Bazaars early this year during a protracted strike. No organisation claimed responsibility for the blast.

Finally, in discussing the creation of the drama of public disorder from the fabric of a strike, we must look at the backdrop and the people behind the scenes

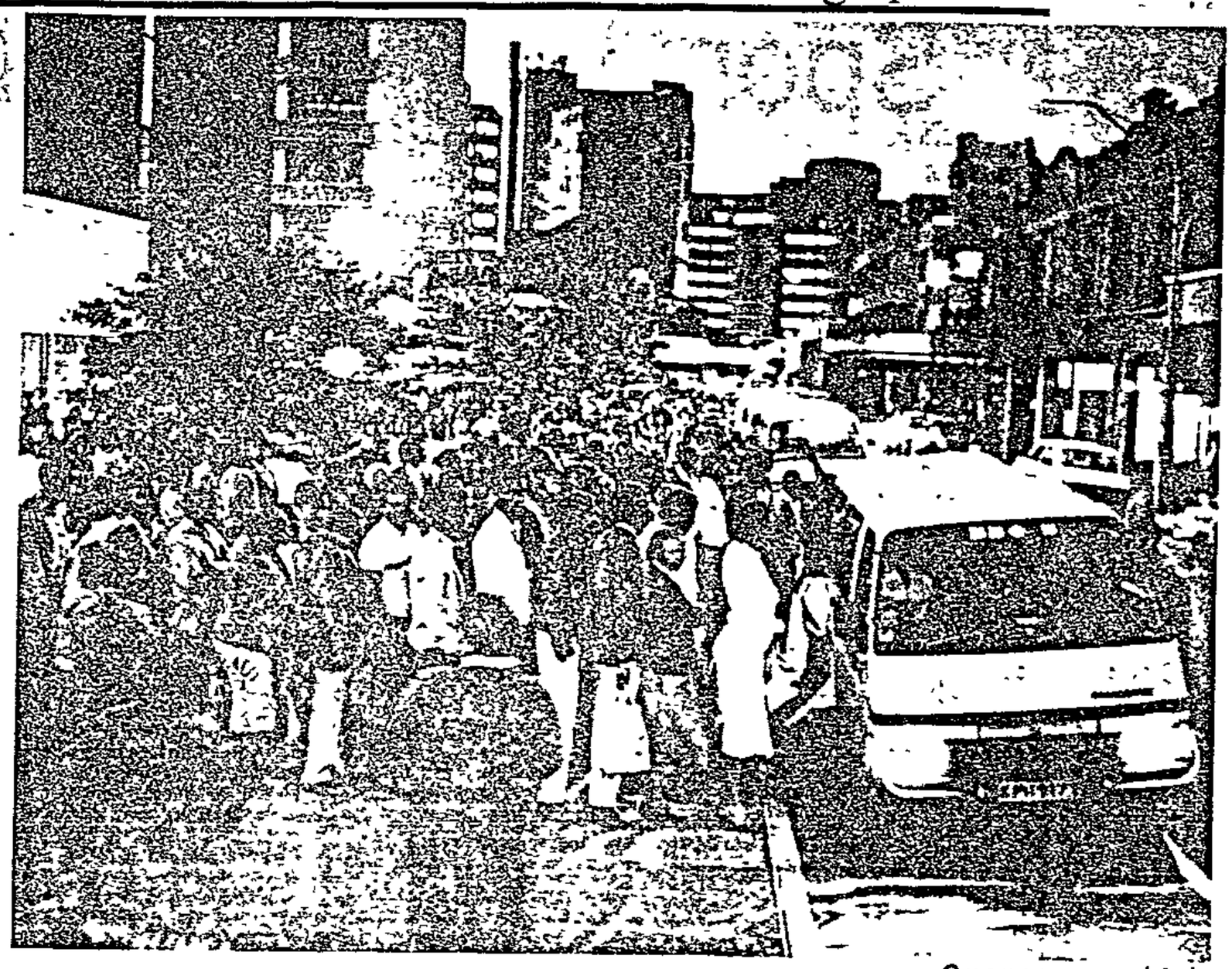
The SATS strike is taking place during a nationwide state of emergency It occurs in a situation where all outdoor meetings are automatically illegal, where spontaneous strikes are outlawed and where emergency powers have been used to allow for the summary firing of workers

It is happening in the public service sector, where only the in-house union approved by management is accorded the right to organise and gain recognition from the employer

The question of recognition of Sarhwu — an affiliate of the mammoth Congress of South Africa Trade Unions — has prolonged the strike and eclipsed the initial grievances which centred on the dismissal of a single worker

Finally, the SATS strike is taking place in the context of burgeoning demands for democratic control in every walk of life, and most especially in political control of the country Unions and popular political organisations have formally pledged support for each other in their day-to-day struggles to control their own lifes

With almost monotonous regularity liberal and leftwing politicians say violence becomes inevitable when all other means of collective political expression are closed off The SATS strike poses a parallel question What happens when discontented workers are denied the rights of organisasetdunion and recognition?



Queues — which stretched for several blocks — lined Johannesburg's streets late yesterday afternoon as desperate commuters tried to get home after several trains had been burnt. These workers queued for taxis in Commissioner Street.

● Picture by Alf Kumalo.

Appeal for return to work

The black "sweetheart" trad union in the South Africa Transport Services today ap pealed for striking railwayme to return to work before th Government implemented it threat to dismiss them.

The strike by 13 000 mem bers of the South African Rail way and Harbour Workers Union (Sarhwu) is in its fift week

Mr S M Matloha, genera secretary of Blatu, SATS in house union, said the only rea son strikers had not yet bee dismissed was because Blat had argued against this.

"I once again appeal to them to stop their self-destructio and return to work," Mr Matlo ha said

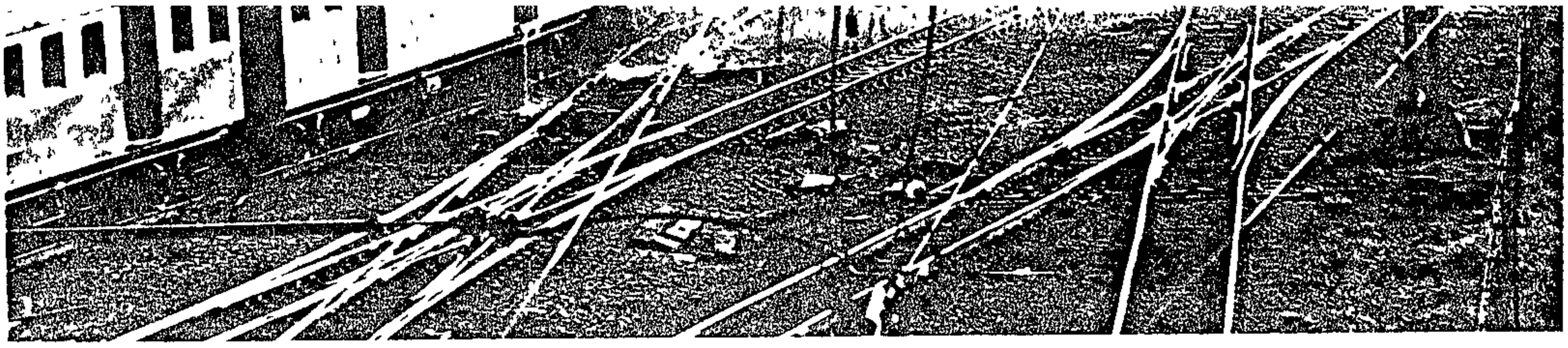
Although both SATS an Sarhwu have expressed a wil lingness to resolve the strike talks between the two partie last took place on April 10

The stumbling block is tha SATS refuses to negotiate wit Sarhwu

A spokesman for SATS strike committee said the or ganisation was waiting for an indication from "worker representatives" on the resumption of negotiations

Yesterday, the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu), to which Sarhwu is affiliated, repeated its willingness to assist in getting talks back on course

Cosatu also vehemently denied that its Johannesburg property, Cosatu House, was being used as a "torture chamber" in the strike



Power had to be switched off so firemen could extinguish a blaze on one of two trains set alight yesterday at the Braamfontein marshalling yard.

Man shot in petrol-bomb attempt, say police

Transport chaos as trains burn

Staff Reporters

Security forces have shot and wounded at least one alleged arsonist as attacks on trains spread throughout the PWV area.

Thousands of commuters have been stranded, and this has placed enormous burdens on other services.

The attacks on trains yesterday were the first outside Soweto — and they affected white commuters on the West Rand and Pretoria routes

By this morning there were still trains in the region running up to an hour late, said a South African Transport Services (SATS) spokesman

And a Putco spokesman said the company had put 75 buses — withdrawn during the December boycott — back on the roads, but was still unable to cope with the increased demand

"We are operating at a stretch There are not enough buses in South Africa to cope with this situation," he said

Yesterday and today black commuters were forced to the roads — using either taxis or private cars

Thirteen coaches were set alight at eight railway stations yesterday, bringing to 47 the number burnt in three days of unrest

SATS was was unable to estimate the damage yesterday, but believes it could be hundreds of thousands of rands.

Coaches are apparently being set alight with petrol bombs hurled from outside But at least one case of arson committed from inside a coach has been reported

The Bureau for Information reported that one man was arrested after being shot and wounded in the leg by security forces at George Goch Station yesterday He had attempted to throw an ignited petrol bomb at a coach

At Oakmoor Station, near Tembisa, a crowd of 2 000 — many allegedly carrying ignited petrol bombs — were dispersed with teargas by security forces. No damage was caused

Intimidation

At Germiston Station, a large crowd allegedly attempted to intimidate security guards not to work, but did not succeed, the bureau said

The bureau said one train was set alight at New Canada, two at the Braamfontein marshalling yard, one at Langlaagte, one at Croesus, three at Irene, two at Luipaardsvlei, two near Kaalfontein, and one at Germiston

All the attacks took place between 1 pm and 6 pm yesterday.

A spokesman for the Johannesburg Fire Department said fire engines rushed to Braamfontein, Langlaagte and Croesus, near Industria, to extinguish the fires

Rail traffic in Johannesburg came to a standstill for more than a half-hour at peak time because the power supply was switched off while firemen put out flames in the Braamfontein yard

Thousands of commuters were again late for work this morning.

Armed police and soldiers were still guarding railway stations this morning

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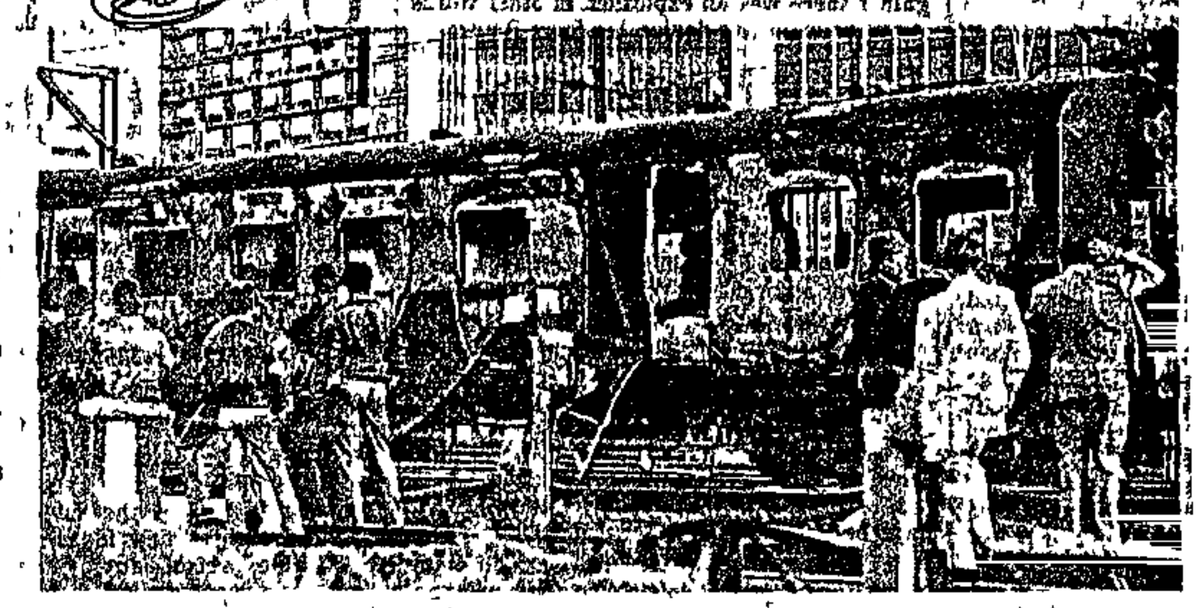

Railwaymen inspect a coach set alight at the Braamfontein marshalling yard yesterday.

Union rejects Govt accusations, threatens to sue two Ministers

By Mike Siluma

The South African Railway and Harbour Workers' Union (Sarhwu) has strongly rejected Government accusations of intimidation in the rail strike, and threatened legal action against two Cabinet Ministers.

At a Press conference yesterday, Sarhwu and the Congress of SA Trade Unions (Cosatu), which has also been criticised by the Government, released affidavits of strikers allegedly assaulted by policemen and members of SATS management. The Star has referred details of the affidavits to the police for comment.

Sarhwu spokesman Mr Mike Roussos said the union would take legal action against Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok on behalf of members allegedly assaulted, and against Minister of Transport Mr Ell Louw for making "slanderous statements" against the union Legal action would also be taken against SATS management for the alleged assaults.

Saying he was confident that most railworkers supported Sarhwu, Mr Roussos challenged the Government to hold a ballot to prove the union's support.

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The documents proved the union had made every effort to resolve the strike when it first broke out at City Deep, and to prevent it from spreading, he said.

ACCUSED OF INTIMIDATION

By accusing Sarhwu of intimidation, management was trying to justify its refusal to "negotiate with the democratically elected representatives of the workers."

Answering a question, he said Sarhwu had no idea who had been setting trains on fire.

Asked about a call by management and the black staff association for workers to return to work, Mr Roussos said they would resume duties when management had addressed their grievances.

Mr Roussos said workers would ask for a meeting with management today to resolve the strike, "and we hope management will live up to their public statements and be there to negotiate".

Cosatu general secretary Mr Jay Naidoo denied the federation's property was being used as a "torture chamber" for non-strikers

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Smoke billows from train carriages at Braamfontein.

Rail chaos: Man shot in leg, more coaches burnt

JOHANNESBURG. — A man has been shot in the leg and 48 train coaches have been damaged by fire on the Witwatersrand in the past three days.

A coach was set alight today at George Goch station and another train was attacked by stone-throwers near Kempton Park, the Bureau for Information reported. No injuries or arrests were reported in either incident today.

Yesterday a man was arrested at George Goch after he poured spirits into a train coach. He was shot in the leg when he tried to flee from police, the bureau said.

75 BUSES

Yesterday 13 coaches were burnt or damaged at eight stations in or around Johannesburg.

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LONG TREK

STRANDED again! These workers were among hundreds who had to walk from Langlaagte station to Soweto, some 30 to 40 km away.

Pic LEN KUMALO

No end yet to SATS dispute

More trains burn on the Reef

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Soweton 16/4/87

By THEMBA MOLEFE and SELLO RABOTHATA

SOUTH Africa may be in for a bleak Easter weekend after a week-long disruption of rail services on the Reef.

Thousands of commuters were again stranded last night when mainline services in Johannesburg were disrupted by the burning of trains.

Train burnings started on Monday at various Soweto stations. Yesterday several coaches were set on fire at Langlaagte, Braamfontein and Oakmore.

A train-load of commuters bound for Naledi, Soweto, was delayed by the police at New Canada station after the first attack at about midday.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information in Pretoria denied that the passengers were arrested. He said a train coach had been damaged by fire about 1.20pm.

The South African Transport Services (SATS) police, assisted by the South African Police, rounded up the passengers and took them to the police station to check if any were injured.

No one was found to be injured, according to the spokesman.

The Bureau said that last night two passenger cars were set alight at the Braamfontein Yard, and one each at Langlaagte and Croesus stations. It said about 2000 people were dispersed with tear-smoke at Oakmore station on the East Rand.

There is a heavy security force presence at all Soweto stations where trains were burnt this week.

Passengers were evacuated from a burning train at Luipaardsvlei station, Krugersdorp, about 6pm last night.

The rail service crisis comes in the wake of a month-long strike by 22 000 SATS employees. About 1 200 transport services workers in Bloemfontein joined their Transvaal colleagues on strike yesterday.

SATS has refused to negotiate with the South African Railway and Harbours Workers' Union (Sarhwu) which claim the majority support of the striking workers.

In a statement released yesterday, Sarhwu charged that SATS was prolonging the strike and accused it of protracting the violence accompanying the strike.

"We want to challenge management to stop deceiving the public and to respond to the demands of the workers.

"We totally reject management's attempt to shift the blame for this whole dispute onto us. If they wanted to settle this issue as they claim, then why they do not negotiate with the representatives of the workers?" Sarhwu said.

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Rail chaos: 13 coaches set alight

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Rand rail traffic was in chaos during peak hour yesterday as violence aimed at the SA Transport Services (SATS) spread into central Johannesburg and outlying stations.

By evening at least 13 more coaches had been set alight at eight stations — causing delays and sending commuters fleeing from the blazes in some cases.

The latest arson attacks bring to 47 the number of coaches reported to have been damaged by fire during the past three days.

Damage could run into millions of rands. A SATS spokesman said a figure could not be put on the cost till damage had been assessed.

Queues at black taxi ranks in the city's financial district stretched for several hundred metres at times. Putco bus company added an extra 50 buses to its usual 600.

Meanwhile, the education secretary of the SA Railways and Harbours Workers' Union, Mr Mike Roussos, said the union was considering suing Transport Minister Mr Eli Louw for damages arising out of allegations that the union was involved in the violence that has broken out during the five-week strike by its members.

Yesterday the Bureau for Information confirmed that members of the security forces were guarding Soweto stations after several reports of unrest. No injuries or arrests arising out of the violence have been reported, although at least two of the coaches set alight were carrying passengers.

□ In its daily unrest report, the bureau said that in Chesterville (Durban) a group threw a hand-grenade at a policeman and fired at his house with a shotgun. The policeman returned their fire.

Other unrest-related incidents reported comprised stonings and arson.

Cape Times 17/4/87

Policeman shot dead

JOHANNESBURG — A black policeman was killed when he was fired at from a moving vehicle in Katlehong near Germiston on Wednesday.

The Bureau for Information's unrest report stated that Contable Tabile Mdlumgo was shot.

Only one case of arson to trains, which took place at Springs station, was reported yesterday but numerous cases were reported on Wednesday. Stones were thrown at a train between Kempton Park and Kaalfontein.

Other unrest incidents comprised isolated stonings and petrol-bomb attacks on private cars. In only one incident was an injury reported when a petrol bomb was thrown at a truck driver.

No arrests were reported. — Sapa

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No pay for SATS strikers

JOHANNESBURG. — Striking South African Transport Services workers would not be paid, the Minister of Transport Affairs, Mr Eli Louw, told SABC TV in an interview yesterday as the Bureau for Information reported another railway passenger coach was set alight at Brakpan last night. The fire spread to two adjacent coaches. This brought the number of coaches damaged yesterday to eight.

Strike: Boiling up to a major civil conflict?

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — SATS GM Mr Bart Grové was close to the truth when, on Tuesday evening, he said the five-week-old strike had developed into civil unrest.

In fact, it has the potential to erupt into the most serious labour conflict yet experienced, and fears of it spilling over into township violence are growing.

There are no signs of possible resolution. The only indications available suggest, rather, an escalation.

There is little possibility of a return to work in the foreseeable future till there are negotiations over the workers' grievances. And SATS resolutely refuses to meet the representatives workers have chosen — because the representatives belong to the South African Railways and Harbours Workers' Union (Sarhwu).

From SATS's point of view, the next step is the mass dismissal of strikers. And, as Mr Grové indicated, this is likely to be accompanied or preceded by increased police action. Few would be surprised if this included arrests and detentions of strikers and union leaders

There is little the union and its umbrella organization, the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu), can do other than plead for its right to represent members to be recognized, and to warn repeatedly of the consequences of escalation. And they will be unable to control some of the more dangerous consequences.

General secretary Mr Jay Naidoo says Cosatu has met the FCI and Assocom to discuss the issue. Neither have felt able to intervene, publicly at least.

The strike always had the potential to become a major "community" issue, given the hundreds of thousands of black SATS commuters on the Witwatersrand. The otherwise likely boycott of SATS services has not occurred, probably due to the emergency regulations which prohibit such calls.

But other, more dire, consequences of escalation became apparent this week, with the burnings of railway coaches on three consecutive evenings. Township activists, thus far unidentified, have obviously decided to contribute to the dispute in their own way.

The strike is no longer over the ridiculously minor issue of alleged unfair disciplinary action taken against Mr Andrew Nedzamba — the driver who was first dismissed and later reinstated and fined R80 for handing over R40 to the railways a few days late

It has now overtly become a major test of strength between a young union struggling to establish itself and a State-owned corporation wanting to retain its comfortable dealings with with the in-house Black Trade Union of SATS (Blatu)

Other parastatals like Escom and Iscor, as well as Sasol which is now partly owned by the private sector, have long entered into relationships with militant black unions, including some Cosatu affiliates.

SATS should have been forewarned of dissatisfaction among its employees with Blatu last October, when a Supreme Court case over the legality of Blatu elections was raised. The initiative came from employees in SATS's Natal and southern Transvaal regions — its two most populous.

Meanwhile, SATS continues to stress that its door is open for talks, but not with Sarhwu And allegations and counter-allegations of intimidation and violence spread.

Several industrial-relations specialists have expressed fears of where the SATS strike is leading. For this is much more than a typical industrial-relations dispute. Unless it is resolved soon, it is bound to begin affecting the private sector, and threatens — as Mr Grové has warned — to develop into a major civil conflict.

But, right now, there seems no way of avoiding it.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

ARGUS 20/4/87

Rail coaches set alight at Kempton Park

PRETORIA. — A passenger carriage and a driver's coach were set alight at Kaalfontein station, Kempton Park, the Bureau for Information reported.

It was the only incident at a Sats depot in two days, the report said.

A man was arrested in Atteridgeville near Pretoria yesterday after he threatened to burn a woman and her daughter to death.

About midnight stones were thrown at two miners walking to work at the President Brand gold mine in Welkom.

"Police arrived and fired at the group, fatally wounding an unknown black man. The mine workers were not injured."

It is not known if this incident was unrest-related, the bureau said.

There were several "incidents of a minor nature which caused negligible or no damage", the bureau said. — Sapa.

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blood banks at overseas missions.

Security forces called to protect railway depots

JOHANNESBURG. — Security forces, including the Defence Force, will be deployed at South African Transport Services depots and railway property from today, the general manager of Sats, Dr Bart Grove, has announced.

Sats said there were 18 000 workers on strike, "a situation which would no longer be tolerated".

Dr Grove said it had been necessary to call in the army to protect commuters and striking workers who wanted to resume work but feared "intimidation".

Many of the strikers were willing to return to work, but were scared to, Dr Grove said.

The South African Railway and Harbour Workers' Union (Sarwhu), which represents the strikers, has denied responsibility for the violence and has threatened to sue the Minister of Transport, Dr Eli Louw, for alleging that the union is to blame.

The six-week railway strike and the wave of arson attacks has cost Sats millions of rands in lost business.

Sats released a statement yesterday saying intimidation by the union during the strike would "no longer be tolerated".

"Throughout this time management has made consistent efforts to negotiate a solution with a purpose to retain the services of the striking personnel," the statement said

"In spite of the foregoing, the intimidation by Sarwhu increased to such an extent that it became a threat not only to Sats workers, but to passengers, cargo and property. It is obvious that these circumstances can no longer be tolerated.

"Strikers have now had ample time to take a decision regarding their future in the service. Sats will therefore endeavour to end the labour dispute as soon as possible." — Sapa.

The Argus Durban correspondent quotes Mr Peter Gastrow, PFP manpower spokesman, as saying the Sats strike could mushroom in other sectors if not handled with care.

Reacting to the decision to call in the SADF, Mr Gastrow called for violence to be avoided at all costs.

"Violence will make any chance of a negotiated settlement more difficult."

Sats had to be careful in handling the situation as other unions could "strike in sympathy, affecting the entire infrastructure of the country".

(Report by Sapa and B Cameron, 85 Field Street, Durban)

King's message

MBABANE. — In his first Easter message since his coronation last April, King Mswati 111 urged Swazis to remain united as Christians and as a nation. — Sapa.

Teachers

Dad says

Strong security at rail stations

Dispatch Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — Security forces maintained a strong presence at some Rand stations yesterday after last week's arson attacks on SA Transport Services carriages.

No carriages were reported torched yesterday but a passenger coach and a locomotive were set alight at Kaalfontein station, Kempton Park, on Sunday night.

At least 52 carriages have been damaged in six days of arson attacks.

Sats will not release an official tally of the number of carriages damaged nor the total rand loss. Unofficial estimates range from R25m to R70m.

Sats has rejected a report saying a deadline has been set for today for 18 000 strikers to return to work or face mass dismissal.

A Sats spokesman, Mr Dirk Beukes, said: "Nobody has been dismissed and no ultimatum or threats have been made to the strikers.

"But the present situation cannot carry on indefinitely."

Meanwhile, a Sats spokesman confirmed a statement by its recognised Black Trade Union of SA Transport Services (Blatu) that strikers who returned to work on Wednesday would not forefeit their annual bonuses. However he denied that strikers would be dismissed unless they returned to work.

Yesterday's security operation was mounted to protect trains, stations, marshalling yards and other Sats property in Johannesburg and Soweto.

A Sats spokesman, Mr Frikkie Stevenson, said the security force operation was a "temporary measure".

Attempts to obtain SADF or SAP comment on the scale of the security operation met with no success.

Miners stoned man shot dead

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Cape Times 21/4/87

PRETORIA. — Police shot a man dead after white miners were stoned on their way to work in Welkom in the Free State on Sunday night, the Bureau for Information reported yesterday.

The bureau said in its regular unrest bulletin that two white miners were walking to work at the President Brandt gold mine when a group of blacks threw stones at them.

"The police arrived and fired at the group, fatally wounding an unknown black man. The mine workers were not injured."

It was not immediately known if the incident was unrest-related, the Bureau said.

□ A man was arrested in Atteridgeville near Pretoria on Sunday night after allegedly threatening to burn a woman and her daughter to death, the report added. It gave no further details.

Other reported unrest incidents were "of a minor nature and caused negligible or no damage". — Sapa

Bomb

blasts on Reef

Cape Times 22/4/87 278 270

JOHANNESBURG. — A car bomb exploded west of central Johannesburg yesterday only hours after a trainee policeman was killed and 64 others injured when a handgrenade was thrown at the Soweto police training college.

About 2.40pm yesterday a luxury car belonging to Avis car hire was badly damaged when an explosive device went off outside a BMW dealership opposite Grosvenor station, west of Johannesburg.

Witnesses said they heard a "big bang" and buildings shook and glass shattered when the device exploded. No one was injured.

Shortly after the blast security force and fire department personnel cordoned off the area.

Police have not identified the explosive device as yet, but SATV last night said it was a limpet mine. It was not immediatly clear if the device had been placed under the car or in it.

The military wing of the Pan Africanist Congress, the Azanian Peoples Liberation Army (APLA), also known as Poqo, yesterday claimed responsibility for the grenade blast in an anonymous telephone call to the Johannesburg office of an international news agency.

The caller, allegedly one of the PAC's field commanders, said the attacks would continue "until we win". The claim was later confirmed by a PAC representative in Zimbabwe.

A college spokesman identified the man killed in the blast as Mr Mike Ngcinya of the Diepmeadow Town Council.

Six of the 64 injured recruits were seriously injured when the PAC guerillas, driving past the college's parade ground about 8.40am, lobbed the grenade at two 36-man platoons over a security fence from a moving bakkie.

"Around me lay injured men, many of them groaning in pain. The less injured ones tried to help where they could," wounded officer William Mokoena, 27, told reporters. "If I'd been closer to the area of impact I would have been more seriously hurt. I'm very lucky to be alive."

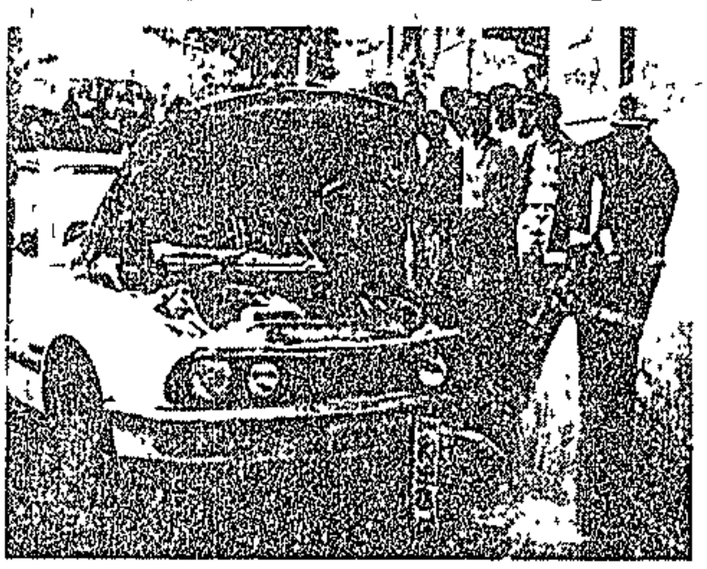
Police immediately launched a search for the attackers.

The fatality takes to 62 the number of police officers killed since the unrest began in September 1984.

The car bomb remained a mystery last night. It was not clear whether it was linked to the attacks on about 60 train carriages over the past week.

Heavy security, started on Monday, continued yesterday, with armed police patrolling several stations on the Rand.

At Langlaate station, scene of a carriage torching last Thursday, about 40 security force members patrolled platforms packed with black and white commuters.



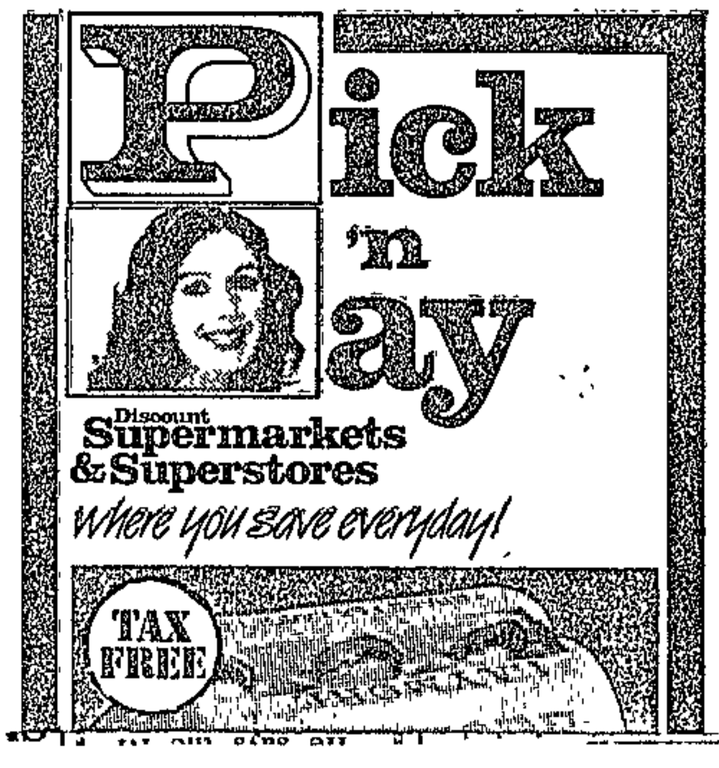
THE AFTERMATH . . . A fireman douses the car which was badly damaged by an explosive device in Johannesburg yesterday.

Lashing out at the grenade attack yesterday afternoon, the Minister of Law Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, said it was once again an indication that South Africa's enemies would use any means in their efforts to undermine law and order. He also expressed his condolences to the relatives of the recruit that was killed and the injured.

□ Police used teargas to disperse a funeral in Soweto yesterday of two alleged ANC guerillas, Mr Modise Andrew Mathabane, 21, and Mr Mpogi Philemon Mathabane, 23, killed in a police shootout at Ventersdorp earlier this month.

□ Security forces monitored a meeting by members of the SA Railways and Harbours Union at Cosatu House last night.

The spokesman said people were searched by security forces as they left the building in central Johannesburg after the meeting, "to prevent possible unrest when people eventually boarded trains to go home" — Sapa-Reuter, UPI and Own Correspondent.



Cop 'performed duty' when he killed youth

JOHANNESBURG. — An inquest magistrate here found yesterday that a police officer was performing his duty when he fired on and killed a 16-year-old boy from Diepkloof, Soweto, last year.

The magistrate, Mr C G de Lange, found that Sergeant David Schalk Haarhoff, of the Soweto Vehicle Branch, was not criminally liable for the death of Mr Tembinkosi Tjesi on March 19 last year.

A family member told the court Tembinkosi was mentally retarded and undergoing treatment.

During the formal inquest, police officers testified that they drove to the Diepkloof area after receiving a report that a group of about 200 youngsters had gathered.

Sgt Haarhoff told the court he and other officers had earlier that day confiscated 56 petrol bombs in the area.

At about 9pm they came across a large rowdy gathering. They returned fire after shots were allegedly fired at them from within the crowd.

Sgt Haarhoff fired the shot which killed Mr Tjesi, whom he said he saw carrying a firearm.

He said he did not aim to kill, but fired in the general direction of the fleeing youngster. — Sapa

Soweto stayaway: Barricades set up

JOHANNESBURG. — Barricades were set up in Soweto today and the windows of cars and taxis were smashed to stop people going to work.

The action came amid fears among Soweto residents that the Government was planning to evict residents who have failed to pay rent since the imposition of a state of emergency last June.

Tension was high in Soweto today as security forces moved in to dismantle the barricades in streets strewn with broken glass.

Marchers protesting against evictions were dispersed at the Soweto Council chambers in Jabulani this morning. It was reported that all the township's high schools were empty and there were "lots of people in the streets."

Buses were going no farther than Baragwanath Hospital on Soweto's outskirts.

"MINOR STONINGS"

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information in Pretoria, Mr Deon van Loggenberg, said so far the bureau had received reports of "three minor stonings." He said there were no reports of injuries or arrests and damage "was slight."

In Johannesburg streets were quiet and many shops were closed Thousands of Soweto workers stayed away from work.

The stay-home was apparently a response to an anonymous pamphlet which was distributed by the thousands in the township yesterday afternoon and evening in White City Jabavu, where the stayaway was strictly enforced by street committees.

YOUTHS

Groups of youths stood at bus stops and taxi ranks and prevented people from leaving.

Emergency regulations prohibit reporting the main call made to residents in the pamphlet, which links today's events to recent evictions of Sowetans for non-payment of rent. — The Argus Correspondent and Sapa-Reuter.

Putco and taxi services halted

Thousands in Soweto stay at home

Thousands of Sowetans stayed home today and many more were stranded on main routes to Johannesburg as the possibility of violence caused buses to be withdrawn and taxi services to halt.

Explosions were heard throughout the town this morning but at the time of going to press it had not be established where they occurred.

The stayaway apparently followed the distribution of thousands of pamphlets yesterday afternoon and evening in White City Jabavu, where the stayaway was largely observed. (Their main demand cannot be published under the emergency regulations.)

At least two taxis were reported to have been burned at White City crossroads and heavy security forces patrols were apparent.

There was confusion as some workers flocked to taxi routes and bus stops where little or no transport was available as taxi operators and Putco withdrew services.

A spokesman for police headquarters in Pretoria confirmed that Putco buses were not running in Soweto but said no reports of violence or explosions had been received at Protea headquarters.

He said the streets were crowded with people as a result of the Putco pullout.

A Bureau for Information spokesman said no reports of the stayaway had been received as the stayaway was not unrest related.

Putco spokesman Mr Robin Duff said Putco began withdrawing buses at 7am in the face of the stayaway and expected all buses to have been withdrawn by 9am. By 8am buses had also been withdrawn from Diepkloof.

He described the situation as "fairly difficult in Naledi and Emdeni, the two areas where I believe there have been evictions".

The pamphlets called on residents to conduct themselves in "a dignified, disciplined and united" manner.

(Paragraph deleted to comply with the emergency regulations.)

Strong appeal

They also demanded that:

- Rent evictions be halted.
- Title deeds to homes be handed over to tenants.
- The state of emergency be lifted and that troops and vigilantes get out of the townships.
- Town councillors resign.
- The right to hold public meetings be restored and that authorities "talk to our leaders".

The pamphlet made a strong appeal to employers to "stand up and be counted (and to) force Heunis through your employer organisations to talk to the civic (the Soweto Civic Association)".

It stated that public meetings on the rent issue would be held in the town tomorrow to "update" residents on developments.

They also asked health workers to wear their uniforms while travelling.

The Soweto rent boycott was mounted just before the declaration of the state of emergency last year in protest at the level of rents and because of alleged irregularities in service charges.

More recently a clear demand has been made — especially from the older areas of Soweto — that residents be given title to their homes.

Putco buses running only half full

Stayaway in Soweto is continuing

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Thousands of Soweto residents stayed away from work again today — and Putco said it was carrying only about half its normal number of passengers.

The stayaway, apparently in protest against evictions arising from the 10-month-old rent dispute, took hold yesterday amid the stoning of vehicles and burning barricades.

An 18-year-old man, Mr Patrick Phokojoie, was shot in the head when police opened fire in Naledi yesterday, the Bureau for Information reported. It said the shooting occurred when a group of about 20 youths stoned a delivery vehicle.

Thousands of workers made no attempt to get to work, while the few who wanted to reach their workplaces were stranded on the main taxi and bus routes to Johannesburg.

Two Putco buses were hijacked in the early hours of this morning, said company spokesman Mr Robin Duff.

"One was maliciously driven through the supermarket store of a former mayor of Dobsonville," he said.

The other was later returned undamaged to the depot.

Some streets had to be cleared of barricades this morning. This — "and a little stoning" — were the only incidents Putco experienced.

Mr Duff said normal services were operated this morning, but many buses were pulled off when the extent of the stayaway was realised.

Passenger loads were between 30 and 80 percent, depending on the area. "From our point of view, we estimate a stayaway of 50 percent."

Mr Duff said Putco would withdraw completely from Soweto from 9 am, but would operate normal services again in the afternoon.

Only in Dobsonville were there taxis and buses to Roodepoort.

SATS reported train services to Soweto were running at 60 to 65 percent of normal.

As the bitter SATS strike dispute continued today, South Africa's biggest federation of black workers, the Congress of Trade Unions (Cosatu) branded the shooting of six workers in yesterday's rail strike violence as "an assault on the entire labour movement", and promised national solidarity action with the strikers in the next few days.

Essential services

Today youths in Orlando West, White City and Senaoane forced passengers out of cars at barricades. Those providing essential services, such as nurses and other hospital staff, were required to produce their identity cards before they could go to work.

The security forces presence was heavy, with police escorting Putco buses in Meadowland and Diepkloof.

Virtually all businesses in the township were shut.

The stayaway is still accompanied by a total stay-at-home by school pupils.

Mr Peter Mundell, liaison officer for the Department of Education and Training's headquarters in Pretoria, said: "We have no news about attendances in Soweto schools as we are still waiting for a report from the Johannesburg regional office."

Major employers said yesterday that it was difficult to assess the impact of the stayaway on their operations as most of them drew their workers from several townships besides Soweto.

Alexandra residents said the township was quiet yesterday. Workers caught buses and taxis as usual into town, and students went to school.

"It was tense, however, when students heard of the troubles in Soweto, but there were no incidents."

● (Parts of this repot have been omitted to comply with the emergency regulations.)

● See Pages 3 and 9.

Stayaway in Soweto

SOWETO has again come under siege following a massive stayaway from work by thousands of its residents in protest against rent boycott evictions yesterday.

The township exploded into another wave of violence resulting in the stoning of cars and residents marching to the council chambers to demand an end to evictions.

Johannesburg was half-empty and the usual bee-hive activity at some taxi ranks in the city seemed like a thing of the past.

All Putco buses were withdrawn from Soweto by 9am when the extent of the stayaway and unrest became apparent, company spokesman Mr Robin Duff said.

The stay-home was apparently a response to an anonymous pamphlet distributed by the thousands in the township on Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Emergency regulations prohibit reporting on the main call made to residents in the pamphlet, which links yesterday's events to recent evictions of Sowetans for non-payment of rent.

The pamphlet urged that rent evictions be halted, title deeds to homes be handed over to tenants, the state of emergency be lifted, troops and vigilantes be withdrawn. — Sapa

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Barricades in Soweto as stayaway carries on

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Thousands of Sowetans stayed away from work for the second successive day today, with Putco reporting only half the normal loads.

The stayaway, apparently in protest against evictions arising from the 10-month-old rent dispute, started yesterday.

Mr Patrick Phokojoie, 18, was shot in the head after police opened fire in Naledi yesterday afternoon, the Bureau for Information reported today.

The bureau said the shooting began when about 20 youths stoned a delivery vehicle.

Youths set up barricades in several Soweto streets today. Thousands of workers made no attempt to get to work while the few who wanted to get to work were stranded on the main taxi and bus routes to Johannesburg.

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Putco spokesman Mr Robin Duff said two Putco buses were hijacked early today.

He said: "One was driven through a supermarket owned by a former mayor of Dobsonville."

He said normal services were operated this morning but many buses were pulled out when the extent of the stayaway was realised.

"We estimate a stayaway of 50 percent."

Mr Duff said Putco would operate normal services again this afternoon.

A Sats spokesman said trains to Soweto were carrying between 60 and 65 percent the normal passenger loads.

Youths at barricades in Orlando West, White City and Senaoane forced passengers out of cars.

ESCORTS

The security force presence was heavy. Police escorted Putco buses in Meadowland and Deepkloof. Others were posted at railway stations and bus stops.

South Africa's biggest Federation of Black workers, the Congress of South African Trade Unions, branded the shooting of six workers in yesterday's rail-strike violence as "an assault on the entire labour movement".

A union spokesman promised "national solidarity action" with the strikers in the next few days.

Two of the eight policemen injured in the fighting between security forces and railmen in Doornfontein yesterday are still in a serious condition.

Major Barry van der Walt had emergency surgery during the night.

The condition of Constable Gert van Jaarsveld deteriorated suddenly overnight. They are being treated in Johannesburg Hospital. — Sapa.

Only the latest event in a long and complex conflict which has cost 24 lives

The making of a stayaway

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By Jo-Anne Collinge

This week's stayaway in Soweto caught the broader Johannesburg community by surprise — as was likely under emergency rule which outlaws any action that might be seen as advocating an illegal strike.

Within 12 hours of the first warning signs, a large section of the community had failed to report for work — either because residents associated themselves with the protest or because they found it impossible to get transport. (Sentence omitted to comply with the emergency regulations.)

The stayaway was a protest about the township's housing crisis and evictions which have occurred as a result of a rent boycott which started in June last year.

The present stayaway and the abortive march on the Soweto council chambers yesterday are only the latest events in a long and complex conflict which has cost at least 24 lives.

● June — The boycott is launched. Demands include the lowering of rents, the resignation of town councillors, improvements to services and the withdrawal of troops from the township. The council appeals to residents to ignore threats and continue to pay rent.

● July — Council policemen deliver warning notices to hundreds of residents, giving defaulters 14 days to pay up or face eviction. Fighting between residents and municipal police delivering warning notices is reported in Naledi Extension and a later march on the Soweto council chambers is dispersed by security forces. The council opens a rent office in central Johannesburg because it believes that intimidation is at the root of the boycott.

● August — After court battles over the legality of eviction notices the Soweto Council announces that fresh notices are to be issued to 155 rent-defaulters.

On August 26 a confrontation between residents and security forces claims 20 lives (according to official figures) with close to 100 injured.

The Bureau for Information says police opened fire after being confronted at a burning barricade and having a grenade hurled at them. Residents claim that youths and householders met and went into the streets when council police started patrolling and evictions seemed imminent. They say council police opened fire on them without warning.

On the same day a councillor is hacked to death by a mob and another flees for his life. A day later, 500 residents march to the council chambers to protest against the shootings and are dispersed with teargas.

Evictions are suspended.

● September — Soweto councillors find shelter in Johannesburg because feelings against them are running high in Soweto.

The Government rejects widespread demands for a judicial inquiry into the shootings.

The council is reported to be on the brink of bankruptcy as a result of R22 million owing in unpaid rents and service fees.

The Randburg home of Soweto Council housing director Mrs Del Kevan is rocked by a bomb and she resigns her position.

● October — Three more people are killed in police action in Orlando West, allegedly after a threatened eviction. The official account says security patrols were stoned and petrol-bombed before the shootings. The Soweto Council denies having attempted evictions.

● November — Fears of rent evictions cause warning whistles to be blown by street committees and two women are injured by gunshot while walking in Meadowlands. Police report firing after being stoned and petrol-bombed.

● January — The Soweto Council institutes legal action against 160 rent defaulters and issues 95 summonses. Seventy families who fail to defend the action face automatic eviction by order of court.

The town clerk reports residents have resumed paying rent and the back of the boycott has been broken.

Nevertheless, the council threatens that it may have to suspend water and electricity if tenants do not pay. The first electricity cuts are reported in Tshiawelo Extension 3.

● March — Evictions start in the Jabulani flats and residents in their hundreds march to the council chambers. Officials meet a delegation from the marchers and undertake that evictions will cease "for the time being".

● In a test case, the Rand Supreme Court rules that the Soweto Council has the right to evict rent defaulters. Town clerk Mr Nico Malan announces immediately that it will take advantage of the judgment and evict defaulters. Evictions recommence in Jabulani. The council is said to be owed R65 million in arrear rents and service fees.

The Soweto Civic Association (SCA) asks for a meeting with Mr Malan to resolve the rents and housing crisis.

No talks are held. More evictions occur in Moletsane ... and within a fortnight a stayaway has been launched.

Reef rocked by violence as strikers, police clash

23/4/87

Staff Reporters

Violence and drama struck the Reef yesterday. In clashes between police and railways strikers in Johannesburg and Germiston:

- Six strikers were shot dead and others wounded.
- Eight policemen were injured.
- People were arrested in a police raid on a Johannesburg union building.
- Teargas was used in Soweto. Youths attacked vehicles and thousands of residents stayed at home or were stranded after a call for a stayaway

In the most violent clash six strikers died, five were hurt and four policemen were injured, three seriously, when about 100 strikers and police fought near Johannesburg's Doornfontein Station.

Bystanders said the strikers, singing freedom songs, were followed down Davies Street. Some of the crowd fled back to Cosatu House.

Police said they were defending themselves, colleagues, residents and property from attack. Lieutenant Pierre Louw, police spokesman, said a mob of Railways and Habours Workers' Union members was told to disperse.

"They refused and police were forced to use tear-smoke," said Lieutenant Louw. He said the crowd attacked with knives, pangas, and kerries. Three policemen were stabbed. Police opened fire.

Mr Juhan Kuus, a news photographer, said he saw 50 black men carrying axes and clubs march a kilometre to Doornfontein station from Cosatu House, HQ of the 600 000-member Congress of South African Trade Unions. An officer who tossed a teargas canister was thrown up against a wall, beaten and stabbed.

Bystanders said police surrounded the union building afterwards. An injured striker was carried by others from Davies Street to Cosatu House in Jeppe Street, his blood leaving a trail.

Communications to the building were interrupted, according to news agency reports, and about 50 railways union members continued a closed-door meeting throughout the day in a locked hall. A Cosatu official said hundreds of union members were at another meeting on the ground floor.

At 5pm it was announced over a loudspeaker that everyone had to go to the ground floor and leave. **Mr Mike Roussos**, spokesman for the strikers, said he was told people would be forcibly removed if they did not leave within 10 minutes.

A half-dozen journalists came out and some were taken away. A CBS News TV crew which drove by was taken into the building and the CBS bureau said at least four of its people were in custody.

A German TV crew's film was confiscated and a photographer from The Star was taken to John Vorster Square and his film confiscated.

At 5.10pm the building was entered, offices were searched and workers handcuffed or steered out of the building in armlocks. Several police vans were filled and driven away, onlookers said.

Lieutenant Louw later said several people had been arrested.

Police and strikers also clashed earlier in the day at the World Centre in Germiston. Three unionists were shot dead and four policemen and a union member were injured.

A striker who did not wish to be identified said "Those of us inside the room could smell teargas and were worried about being trapped People put their fists through the large windows to get out. Many people were injured."

A police spokesman said at least 500 strikers gathered illegally at about 11am and were told to disperse They refused and attacked the police. Several shots were fired, three strikers died and one was admitted to hospital with a bullet wound.

Four policemen were injured. One has a fractured skull. It is believed two people were bitten by police dogs after a mob started plundering shops in the World Centre.

The names of the dead and injured have not been released

The day started with chaos in Soweto following the distribution of pamphlets calling for residents to stay at home. Thousands of people did.

(Parts of this report have been amended to comply with the emergency regulations)

6 die as crowds clash with police

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JOHANNESBURG — Six people were shot dead when crowds clashed with police in two incidents of unrest on the Witwatersrand yesterday.

The Bureau for Information said five policemen were injured in the two incidents.

The first deaths occurred about 11 am near the office of the South African Railways and Harbours Workers' Union in Germiston

According to the police, a meeting failed to disperse after warnings, the crowd became aggressive and police were forced to shoot when they were attacked.

Three people were killed, and one was injured.

The Bureau for Information reported that three people were killed and five wounded when police fired on a crowd that attacked them with stones and knives in Doornfontein, Johannesburg

The bureau said that shortly after 1 pm three police officers were seriously injured when they were attacked by "rioters".

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After the incident the rioters fled into Cosatu House

The police surrounded Coastu House and about 6 pm gained entry into the building They arrested a number of people including some rioters who had been wounded

Meanwhile, several Johannesburg employers were hit by a worker stayaway yesterday. Companies surveyed reported that absenteeism ranged from 15 per cent to 30 per cent.

The stayaway followed a call in an anonymous pamphlet distributed in Soweto earlier this week in protest against the eviction of tenants from their homes for not having paid rent.

Employers said that a large number of employees had requested permission to return home early

Another member of the police force opened fire on the crowd and killed three rioters. Five others were wounded and were subsequently taken into custody.

The incident occurred after a crowd — which reportedly included striking transport workers — had been asked to disperse peacefully by the police. When the crowd ignored the police warning, tearsmoke was used in an attempt to disperse them. It was then that they turned on the police and attacked

The Putco bus service stopped operating inside Soweto by 8 am because of intimidation and possible damage to buses. A spokesman said about 70 windows had been smashed yesterday morning and he estimated the damage at R5 000.

He said buses were running at about 75 buses of their capacity.

Tearsmoke was used to disperse marchers protesting against evictions at the Soweto Council chambers in Jabulani yesterday morning. — Sapa-DDC

Reef death toll at 7 as stayaway continues

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The unrest death toll on the Reef rose to seven yesterday as thousands of Soweto residents stayed away from work for the second consecutive day and SATS management completed arrangements to fire 16 000 striking railwaymen.

It was reported from Washington yesterday that the US State Department had demanded that Pretoria establish an "independent commission" to inquire into Wednesday's shootings by police in Johannesburg in which six people were killed.

The commission should determine "the reasons why police opened fire on demonstrators" in incidents at Doornfontein railway station and outside Cosatu headquarters.

"We are extremely disturbed by the loss of life," State Department spokesman Mr Charles Redman said. "Violence will not solve anything and can only lead to further tragedy."

The tenor of Mr Redman's remarks and the unprecedented call for an inquiry marked a further escalation of the administration's criticism of SA government actions.

Police shot dead 18-year-old Patrick Phokojoie who, according to the Bureau for Information, was one of 20 youths who stoned a delivery vehicle in Naledi, Soweto.

A Putco spokesman said bus services were resumed at 3.30pm after a 50% passenger drop in the morning. Two buses were hijacked, one of which was rammed into a supermarket in Dobsonville.

Stayaway rates at Johannesburg businesses varied wildly yesterday.

SATS said trains ran normally yesterday morning. Occupancy on Soweto trains was 65%

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Civil-rights lawyer Peter Harris (left) and the secretary-general of Cosatu, Mr Jay Naidoo, argue with police in Germiston after being told they may not speak to the press. PELTER

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□ It was understood violent action against SAP members and their families was being planned in Cosatu House to avenge the death of a fellow striker killed by police in Germiston earlier

Transvaal Administrator Mr Willem Cruywagen yesterday met representatives of the Soweto Electricity Advice Centre (SEAC) who asked him to plead for a moratorium on rent evictions in the township

Mr Cruywagen later telephoned Soweto council town clerk Mr Nico Malan, who confirmed his discussion with Mr Cruywagen but said he could not disclose details

In a statement after the meeting, the SEAC said "the decision to start evicting for non-payment of rent is partly responsible for the present stayaway".

Cosatu application postponed

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — An urgent application brought yesterday by the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) to prevent police from acting unlawfully against union members at Cosatu's Germiston premises, has been postponed to Monday.

The respondents to the application, brought in the Rand Supreme Court, are the Minister of Law and Order, Comissioner of Police and Divisional Commissioner of Police of the East Rand.

In an affidavit, Cosatu general secretary Mr Jay Naidoo said the application was brought after the commissioner did not respond to Cosatu's request yesterday for an undertaking that police not use life-endangering weapons without lawful cause or warning and unless life or property was threatened.

NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL

Police stoned, man burnt

Work stayaway enters third day in 'quiet but tense' Soweto

Police stoned, man burnt

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Buses in Soweto today were carrying heavier loads than yesterday but taxi services were sharply curtailed and operating under military escort.

A Putco spokesman said that buses were running at 60 to 70 percent of normal loads. A spokesman for the Baragwanath Taxi Association said the normal fleet of 90 taxis operating between the Baragwanath rank and town had been cut down to 10 vehicles.

South African Transport Services reported that trains were operating normally.

The Bureau for Information reported that one man was set alight and burnt to death, police and soldiers were injured and residents were attacked in a day of violence in Soweto yesterday.

Long queues

Yesterday's death was the second Soweto fatality since a work stayaway was launched in the township.

The stayaway — a protest at rent evictions — entered its third day this morning with a small number of commuters, desperate to get to work for pay-day, waiting on the platform for trains which had been operating irregularly since the strike by 18 000 railway workers six weeks ago.

It was quiet but tense throughout Soweto. Businesses opened early but schools remained closed.

Attacked

The United Democratic Front has made an urgent appeal to the Soweto Council and its town clerk, Mr Nico Malan, to "recognise the legitimate people's representatives" to defuse the anger of residents about rent evictions.

The man who was killed yesterday has been identified as Mr Mandla Xhosa, 22. He was attacked and burnt about 300 metres from his Naledi home, according to the bureau.

The first fatality was Mr Patrick Phokojoe, 18, who was shot in the head on Tuesday by security forces during an alleged stoning incident in Naledi. He died later in hospital.

Police reported more than 30 incidents of violence in Soweto up to midnight last night.

A policeman and members of the SADF were injured in stone-throwing incidents. Their condition is not yet known.

Putco spokesman Mr Robin Duff said a bus was petrol-bombed in Soweto last night. He declined to give details of where the attack took place.

Yesterday youths sjambokked workers as they alighted from the trains at Inhlazane station.

Unlike the stations at Mzimhlophe, Phomolong, Phefeni, Dube and Ikwezi, there were no security force members identified at the station.

Unrest toll goes up to 7

Business Day Reporters

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A Putco spokesman said bus services were resumed at 3.30pm after a 50% passenger drop in the morning. Two buses were hijacked, one of which was rammed into a supermarket in Dobsonville.

Stayaway rates at Johannesburg businesses varied wildly yesterday.

Sats said trains ran normally yesterday morning. Occupancy on Soweto trains was 65% of normal levels.

The executive of the Witwatersrand region of Cosatu was meeting last night to discuss its response to Wednesday's events, including the dismissal of 16 000 strikers. General secretary Jay Naidoo said attorneys were considering bringing an action for damage to property.

The SAP said it was investigating charges of terrorism, attempted murder, and robbery following the detention of a "considerable number" of people when police and troops laid siege to Cosatu House in downtown Johannesburg.

In the first detailed statement on the shootings near the Germiston and Doornfontein railway stations, the SAP Directorate of Public Relations said last night police had "reasonable grounds" to believe a number of trained terrorists were in Cosatu House. The directorate said Cosatu House was surrounded by Security Force members and it was decided to search the building due to the following information:

☐ A fresh trail of blood was found at the entrance to Cosatu House, and traced back to the scene of the attack on four policemen;

☐ A group of about 200 men ran into Cosatu House after the attack on the policemen and most of them were armed with sticks, knobkerries, "quirts", pangas and axes;

☐ It was understood violent action against SAP members and their families was being planned in Cosatu House to avenge the death of a fellow striker killed by police in Germiston earlier

CAIG Tirits

SATS strike: The escalating R40 row

By ROGER WILLIAMS
Chief Reporter

SOUTH AFRICA'S first major rail-strike, threatening in its sixth week in the southern Transvaal to develop into major civil conflict, started on Friday March 13 when a SATS truck driver, Mr Andrew Nedzamba, was dismissed for allegedly failing to hand in R40 he had collected for COD deliveries.

Mr Nedzamba was employed at the City Deep railway depot, disseminating point for all containers on the Witwatersrand — and it was at City Deep that the strike began.

SATS withdrew its dismissal notice against Mr Nedzamba, and reduced the penalty imposed on him for alleged theft to a fine of R80.

But the strikers demanded the truck driver's unconditional reinstatement. This, and later other union demands, became the central issue in a dispute involving 2 500 workers initially but which spread to the whole Witwatersrand region with the union claiming that 18 000 SATS employees were on strike.

The SA Railway and Harbour Workers' Union (SARHWU) claims to represent most of the strikers, and a major problem in the dispute has been that SATS has flatly refused to negotiate with the union as such — because it does not recognize the Cosatu-affiliated SARHWU. The result has been deadlock.

This, step by step, is the way the dispute has developed since Mr Nedzamba's dismissal on March 13:

March 23 — As the strike escalates, the State Attorney meets SARHWU's attorney to discuss the issue that caused it. At the same time, SATS says talks are continuing with worker representatives at City Deep. In a special government gazette the Minister of Transport Affairs, Mr Eli Louw, gives the SATS general-manager discretion to terminate striking employees' contracts without notice — and with effect from the first day of the strike.

March 24 — The National Union of Railway Workers, claiming membership of 12 000, says it will put aside its differences with SARHWU "to unite in action". In pamphlets, SATS warns the strikers they face dismissal.

March 25 — SATS says negotiations are continuing "but at this moment we don't see any light at the end of the tunnel". It adds that SATS workers are forbidden to strike because railways, harbours and airports are considered essential services.

On the same day workers from 12 railway depots draw up a revised set of demands as a precondition to a return to work. Apart from demanding Mr Nedzamba's unconditional reinstatement they call for full payment to workers for the period of the strike and also a statement of intent by SATS that it will abolish "racism" in its employment practices.

March 31 — The number of workers on strike rises to between 13 000 (the SATS figure) and 18 000 (the SARHWU figure) and the cost of the strike so far is estimated at R5 million.

April 1 — Talks between SATS management and representatives of the striking workers reach deadlock. SATS announces it will start recruiting whites to replace some of the strikers. More than 30 strikers are arrested for allegedly attacking employees wishing to go back to work.

April 2 — Cosatu says affiliate unions have decided to take solidarity action in support of SARHWU.

April 7 — At least 4 000 postal workers stop work in Soweto, in support of the railway strikers.

April 13 — Ten train-coaches are set on fire in Soweto, leading to further acts of arson at rail depots on the Reef.

April 15 — Rand rail traffic is in chaos during peak hour, as violence aimed at SATS spreads to central Johannesburg and outlying stations.

April 20 — Security forces including SADF personnel are deployed at key SATS properties "to protect commuters and workers wanting to resume work but who fear intimidation".

April 21 — Damage caused to coaches and other SATS property is already running to about R25 million, says SATS spokesman.

The SATS GM, Dr Bart Grové, gives the strikers an ultimatum: Return to work by 8am on April 22 or face dismissal.

April 22 — In a day of street battles and heightened tension, six people believed to be SATS strikers are killed in police shootings, 16 000 strikers are reportedly dismissed by SATS and thousands of Soweto residents stay away from work.

The rail-strike, started six weeks ago by an issue involving R40, remains unresolved.

Man is burned, soldiers attacked in day of violence

A man was set alight and burned to death, police and soldiers were injured and residents were attacked in a day of violence in Soweto yesterday, the Bureau for Information reported.

It was the second Soweto fatality since a work stayaway was launched in the township two days ago.

The stayaway protesting at evictions for non-payment of rent entered its third day this morning with long queues of workers trying to reach work for pay-day.

The United Democratic Front has made an urgent appeal to the Soweto Council and its town clerk, Mr Nico Malan, to "recognise the legitimate people's representatives" to defuse the anger of residents about rent evictions, warning that a refusal would "make strife our harvest".

The UDF call for housing talks came in the wake of the refusal by the council to allow Mr Malan to enter into negotiations with the Soweto Civic Association The SCA, saying that the state of emergency had suppressed expression of popular grievances, had demanded to meet Mr Malan to sort out the housing problem and resolve the rent boycott.

The council refused to let Mr Malan conduct talks and said it executive committee should be involved The SCA will not take up this offer as it refuses to acknowledge the community councillors elected in a miniscule poll in 1983

The UDF insisted that real grievances lay behind the Soweto stayaway of this week

"To suggest as some newspapers did that young militants were responsible for the stayaway is utterly ridiculous and misleading," said the UDF acting publicity secretary, Mr Murphy Morobe.

More than a thousand workers and visitors at Baragwanath Hospital queued at the bus and taxi terminus in So... yesterday for transport home. There were no buses and few taxis after several were damaged in the stayaway. ● Picture by Alf

GENUINE

"The people of Soweto as in all other black townships have genuine grievances. They will always be prepared to use their collective might to demand the attention of those in authority to address these grievances."

Mr Mandla Xhosa (22) was attacked and burnt about 300 m from his home, according to the bureau

The first fatality was Mr Patrick Phokojoe (18), who was shot in the head on Tuesday by security forces during a stoning incident in Naledi. He died in hopsital.

A spokesman for the bureau said Mr Xhosa was walking from his home when he was attacked by a large group of youths. Paraffin was poured over him as he lay injured He died as a result of the burns.

A policeman and members of the SADF were injured in stone-throwing incidents, the spokesman said. Their conditions were not known.

Police reported more than 30 incidents of violence in Soweto up to midnight last night.

Second Cosatu application filed

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Cosatu yesterday filed another urgent application against the Minister of Law and Order in the Rand Supreme Court asking that police be prevented from committing unlawful acts on it and its affiliates.

The application will be heard on Tuesday.

Sapa reports that in the Rand Supreme Court on Thursday, an affidavit noted that a senior police officer was overheard planning "what the story would be" after three people died in a police attack on railway strikers in Germiston on Wednesday.

Reading his affidavit, Mr Jay Naidoo, Cosatu's general secretary, said the police committed unprovoked and vicious assaults on strikers who had been holding a peaceful meeting. At least one unarmed person was shot while running away, he said.

He said a Metal and Allied Workers' Union official, Mr Ben Petersen, overheard a conversation between a SADF officer and a person believed to be a senior officer of the SAP.

The SADF officer reportedly said: "What will the story be?". The SAP officer replied: "Let us put it this way. There was a riotous meeting in the street. This is unlawful because of the state of emergency. We had to take action when they got out of control".

The police deny the allegations and say they will present replying affidavits on Monday.

Schools on alert — but no panic

SARA MARTIN

Principals of white schools in the Transvaal are taking contingency steps to protect their establishments in case of emergency — but not to the extent of ensuring that certain staff are armed.

Even though an official spokesman of the Transvaal Education Department said he would prefer not to comment on the matter as "it is a sensitive and confidential matter", several headmasters, who may not be named — because it is against TED policy for principals to talk to the Press — revealed this week that it would be "negligent for them" not to take emergency steps.

But, they emphasised, the whole issue had to be "seen in perspective".

"They (the measures) are no different than the ones we would adopt in case of a fire drill," said one principal. "The pupils are not even aware of what is going on when we practise from time to time, so as not to make them panic.

"I definitely would not go as far as to allow my colleagues to carry guns, but we have plans to meet a variety of events that could happen," he said.

According to Press reports this week, the TED had a secret emergency plan for colleges, schools and hostels, which had been circulated to headmasters.

According to the reports, the principals were only to show the plan to selected heads of departments because they feared large-scale exposure of the plans might provoke hysteria.

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Some of the key provisions of the "emergency plan" were said to be:

- The appointment of a teacher as a school security officer, who should address staff and pupils monthly on security matters.
- The selection of block leaders, who are to be equipped with radios.
- A system of checking and controlling all persons and vehicles entering or leaving the school site.
- Routine searches in likely bomb sites and school buses.
- People opening school post should be aware of "possible undesirable reading matter" and of letter bombs.
- Careful noting of telephoned bomb threats.
- The provision of an emergency alarm system. When the signal is given, "all concerned must drop to the ground, crawl or roll to shelter, as practised."
- "Training in the use of rifles is essential and will be given by commandos."
- How to act should headmasters be kidnapped.

Even though the headmasters spoken to would not reveal whether they had actually received such a document, they dismissed most of the measures mentioned as "old hat".

"Let's get this whole thing in perspective. We've been implementing such measures for the past 10 years," said one headmaster. "Many of them could just as easily apply to any fire drill — or a chemical going off in a laboratory."

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Soweto returns to normal as workers go back

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Life appeared to be back to normal in Soweto today as thousands of workers boarded buses, trains and taxis to work after last week's three-day work stayaway.

The calm in the township on the first working day after the stayaway was in sharp contrast to last week's violence and tension.

The rocks, tree stumps and other rubble used to barricade streets in the townships have been removed and youths who enforced the stayaway were out of sight this morning.

Thousands of workers streamed to stations, taxi and bus ranks.

A spokesman for Putco said its services were back to normal.

MURDERED

Meanwhile, police report that two people were murdered in Soweto's lowest weekend death toll in months. Both men were shot dead.

Brigadier James Beeslaar said today it was the first time since he took over as chief of the Soweto CID in August 1985 that there had been no knife murders reported over a weekend.

One murder was that of a 25-year-old man whose body was found by police with a bullet wound in the head in the veld in Nancefield.

In another incident on Saturday at about 11pm, a 30-year-old man was travelling in his car with a friend in Mofolo when they were confronted by five men. One of the men had an argument with the driver and the man fired at him.

No arrests have been made.

Cosatu court action

JOHANNESBURG. — The six-hour police blockade of the headquarters here of the Congress of South African Trade Unions last Wednesday will have a sequel in court today when Cosatu asks for an order restraining the police from disrupting lawful trade union activities in the building. Cosatu will also seek an interim order preventing the police from assaulting, interfering with or intimidating members of Cosatu and its affiliated unions.

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'Please don't stop the nurses'

PRETORIA. — The South African Nursing Association yesterday expressed its concern about nurses having been stopped from going to work in Soweto.

SANA executive director Mrs Susan du Preez said in an interview here that individuals at public transport boarding points had stopped nurses not wearing uniforms from going to work during last week's rent-protest stayaway.

She said she was grateful that nurses in uniform were let through. Nurses were professionally bound to remain neutral in any civil unrest, she said.

SANA's president, Ms Odelia Muller, appealed to communities to support nurses in performing their duties. — Sapa

Arsonists burn more rail coaches in Soweto

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Transport Reporter

Two passenger coaches were set alight in separate attacks on trains in Soweto last night, the first this week.

It brings to 67 the number of coaches damaged in the violence surrounding the six week-long strike by members of the South African Railway and Harbour Workers' Union (Sarhwu). Two locomotives have also been set alight.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information in Pretoria said the first attack, in which a coach was extensively damaged, took place at Dube station at about 6.30 pm.

The second attack occurred "a while later" at New Canada station, but damage was minimal, the spokesman said.

Nobody was injured or arrested during the incidents. Police are investigating.

A spokesman for the South African Transport Services (Sats) said yesterday four of the 12 coaches of the "Silver Streak" train operating to Soweto had been burnt last week.

Meanwhile, damage estimated at about R18 000 was caused to the Soweto home of a former Johannesburg traffic officer, Mr Humphrey Madoda Ndebele, when it was burnt down early on Sunday.

A police spokesman said nobody was at the Molapo extension home at the time and investigations into a case of arson were continuing. No arrests have yet been made.

Neighbours said they saw flames coming from the house at about 2 am. There was a group of youths in the yard.

Mr Ndebele could not be traced yesterday.

'Threat' to Necklacemen

Sats rail workers

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Dismissed railway workers seeking reinstatement are being threatened with necklacing, a spokesman for the South African Transport Services said today.

His statement followed the discovery near the Kazerne depot on Tuesday night of the bodies of four Sats workers who had been stabbed and set on fire.

The Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) accused the Government of conducting a "massive smear campaign" against it and said it condemned all kinds of violence.

Sats spokesman Mr Jannie van Zyl said many of the 16 000 striking workers, dismissed when they failed to meet a deadline to return to work, wanted to go back but were scared.

"There has been widespread intimidation at about 100 depots in the Southern Transvaal," he said. "Those wanting to return to work are told that they will be necklaced, their homes burnt and their families harmed."

"Blacklist drawn up"

He said a blacklist had been compiled of those who were back at work and those wanting to apply for re-employment.

"Some of them have been phoning their white supervisors at home to say they are too afraid to come into the depots to hand in their applications and asking if they can bring the papers to their supervisors' homes at night."

In a statement issued today Sats general manager Dr Bart Grove expressed his revulsion at the "needless and gruesome" killings.

Cosatu's general secretary, Mr Jay Naidoo, blamed the Government and Sats management for "the spiral of violence" which followed the Sats strike.

Warning the Government against continuing its "anti-Cosatu campaign", Mr Naidoo said the raid on the federation's Johannesburg offices yesterday — the second in a week — was an attempt by the authorities "to justify their attacks on the labour movement, and Cosatu in particular".

Police arrested 11 men at Cosatu House yesterday, saying they had reliable evidence that the four victims had been tortured there.

A police liaison officer, Lieutenant Pierre Louw, said the men would face charges of murder and were expected to appear in court today.

Workers who emerged from the police barriers about three hours after the area was sealed off said the 11 arrested men were picked out from hundreds of railways workers by three men wearing balaclavas.

Police said the raid took place after they received information from a Sats worker who claimed to have escaped from the killers

News teams

Two foreign television news teams, Visnews and WTN, were detained outside Cosatu House but were later released, police said. They said dockets had been opened on the newsmen's alleged contraventions of the emergency regulations.

Mr Naidoo, who was in the surrounded building for six hours, said he found it difficult to believe that torture could take place in Cosatu House.

It was probable that Cosatu would take urgent court action today challenging the validity of a search warrant and relating the action to a Supreme Court order made on Tuesday. This order confirmed an undertaking by the police not to interfere unlawfully with trade union members at Cosatu House.

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5th worker's body found

JOHANNESBURG. — The burnt body of another SATS worker has been found — this time at Tembisa on the East Rand.

As in the case of the four SATS workers necklaced at Kazerne on Tuesday, he had been abducted from his work place and allegedly assaulted and then set alight with petrol.

All five had opposed the strike by rail workers.

The Bureau for Information later confirmed the incident and said the body was found at 10.30pm on Wednesday outside Sephokua Hostel in Tembisa. — Sapa

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Tearsmoke fired at Wits demo

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Wits University students protesting against the killing by police of six railway strikers were teargassed as they marched off the campus.

No injuries were reported and no arrests made.

After a protest meeting, students singing and waving placards left the hall and marched towards Jan Smuts Avenue.

They were cut off by police who fired tearsmoke into the crowd.

Some of the students hurled stones at the police, who responded by firing more tearsmoke.

The students scattered back into the university grounds and later regrouped for a peaceful demonstration on the steps overlooking the main road.

Trains late after coach set alight

By Zenaide Vendeiro

A passenger train coach was set alight at Dube station, Soweto, last night, a spokesman for the Bureau for Information said today.

This brings to 70 the number of coaches damaged by fire in violence surrounding the strike on the Witwatersrand by 16 000 railway workers.

No injuries or arrests were reported after last night's attack.

A spokesman for the S A Transport Services (Sats) said the incident caused 13 Soweto trains to be about 40 minutes late.

The holiday train service today was operating normally and on schedule, the spokesman added.

In its unrest report yesterday the bureau said a coach was set alight at Daveyton station near Benoni on Wednesday. No injuries or arrests were reported.

A Sats driver, Mr A J S de Bruyn, was slightly burnt when six men and a woman set fire to a Sats truck on Wednesday. The incident occurred in Marshall Street in the centre of Johannesburg. There have been no arrests.

Four men were arrested at the Sentrarand shunting yard on charges of intimidation on Wednesday after they threatened other workers not to continue work.

● In an unrest-related incident, two men were arrested under the emergency regulations in Meadowlands, Soweto, after they stoned a police vehicle.

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Body found after shack blaze

THE burnt body of a man was found after a shack in which he had been sleeping was gutted by fire at a squatter camp in Soweto at the weekend.

The owner of the shack, together with two men believed to be his sons, have been arrested in connection with the incident. Another woman resident was released after questioning by the police.

Gunshot

Residents said they heard a gunshot before the shack was gutted. However, they said they did not hear any screams when the fire razed the shack.

All that remained after the blaze were a few sheets of corrugated iron, springs of a burnt out mattress and remnants of a bicycle.

Teargas, 150 arrests at Wits

JOHANNESBURG — Riot police fired teargas, charged thousands of students with batons and whips, and arrested 150 people protesting against tomorrow's elections.

The charge by heavily-armed policemen took place at a campus protest attended by Mrs Winnie Mandela. It followed a statement by the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, that "radicals" planned to disrupt the election.

The students had gathered at the centre of the University of the Witwatersrand to hear a speech by Mrs Mandela.

Instead, a last-minute magisterial order banning the gathering was read by student leader Mr James Seseko. But the students refused to disperse and the police took action to enforce a blanket ban on outdoor meetings.

Police said they arrested 120 students, but the Wits SRC said the

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Picture WENDY SCHWEGMANN of REUTERS

ABOVE: Riot police taking preventive measures before enforcing a ban on Mrs Mandela's meeting at Wits University yesterday.
RIGHT: Mrs Mandela on the Wits campus yesterday with the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, *Mr Mervyn Shear.*

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number could be as high as 150. The students were later released

Police said they were stoned by demonstrators, but reporters and witnesses said they saw only one stone thrown

About 13 American and British television cameramen and photographers were arrested. They were released about an hour later, an American network spokesman said.

A Natal Supreme Court ruling recently overturned sections of the media regulations concerning coverage of unrest-related incidents. Newsmen on the scene said they were operating "as normal".

But police last night issued a statement saying that, in view of the fact that an appeal had been lodged by the State, they were operating under the regulations as they had stood before they were overturned. — Sapa-Reuter

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White guilty of necklace murder

PRETORIA. — The first white man to kill a black policeman by the "necklace" method, George Henry Burt, 33, was yesterday found guilty by the Supreme Court here of murder.

Mr Justice W J Human said the motive for the murder of Constable Jacob Johannes Buti Ndimande on June 6, 1986 was not known, but Burt murdered the man by the necklace method to create the impression he had been killed by blacks.

Evidence was that Burt gave Const Ndimande a lift, and at the Gerardsville-Hennopsrivier road, he put a tyre around the policeman and set it alight.

Burt was remanded to May 18 for sentence. — Sapa

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Thousands support election protest

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Tens of thousands of workers across the Reef and the Vaal Triangle stayed home today as part of the national protest against tomorrow's all-white elections.

Soweto streets were deserted this morning and there were few buses and taxis.

Unlike the stayaway staged a fortnight ago in protest against Soweto rent evictions — when desperate workers lined the main routes thumbing lifts to town — the main taxi and bus routes were relatively quiet.

Messages were broadcast over Soweto from a low-flying red-and-white aircraft advising residents that the security forces would protect them if they went to work, witnesses said.

Anonymous pamphlets were distributed in various townships yesterday demanding that residents take action today and tomorrow. The central points of the appeal may not be reported in terms of emergency regulations.

The pamphlet stressed that residents should conduct themselves in "a disciplined and united way".

It listed four other demands:

- Stop raids into neighbouring states.
- Scrap the racist Parliament.
- Unban the African National Congress and release political prisoners.
- One person one vote in a united South Africa."

The Congress of South African Trade Unions and the United Democratic Front have also called for two days of peaceful protest nationwide for today and tomorrow.

The Federated Chamber of Industries and Association of Chambers of Commerce have advised their members to adopt a no-work-no-pay policy during the stayaway.

The Greater Soweto Chamber of Commerce and Industry decided at its executive meeting last week that Soweto shops would remain open during this week's planned stayaway, the executive director of the chamber, Mr David Mailoane, said.

disclosed, and case records were sealed.

Minister to pay R15 000

JOHANNESBURG. — The Minister of Law and Order was ordered by Mr Justice Van Zyl in the Pretoria Supreme Court to pay R15 000 to the father of a black schoolgirl who lost the use of her right eye during police action in Soshanguwe in 1985. Evidence before the court by Mr A Manganye, who claimed R20 000 from the minister, was that his daughter, Miss Helen Manganye, was "wrongfully and unlawfully assaulted by a member or members of the South African Police Force on June 5, 1985 at Wallmanthall High School, Soshanguwe".

'Self-rule' violence hits KwaNdebele

SIYABUSWA. — A spate of petrol-bomb attacks and detentions has hit the KwaNdebele homeland after its leaders, ignoring protests which led to more than 200 deaths last year, decided to accept self-rule.

Homes of anti-independence activists and businesses in KwaNdebele were petrol-bombed at the weekend and schools were set on fire, eyewitnesses said. Hundreds of people have been detained.

In last year's unrest, businesses of independence supporters were set on fire.

Chiefs in the poverty-stricken enclave of 42 villages north of Pretoria voted last week to make their territory the fifth "independent" homeland.

Independence plans last year were thwarted by mass popular revolt among 465 000 Ndebele tribesmen and more than 200 people were killed in riots involving security forces, vigilantes and opponents of the scheme.

The homeland's Chief Minister, Mr George Mahlangu, said at the weekend: "It is clearly the will of the people to have our country independent."

But the leading opponent of independence, Chief David Mapoch, whose Ndzundza tribe claims 85% of the Ndebele nation, on Friday challenged Chief Mahlangu to hold a referendum on the issue.

On Saturday Chief Mapoch's home outside Siyabuswa, the small, dusty capital, was attacked with petrol bombs. Thatched dwellings were burnt but there were no casualties.

PRETORIA. — A suspected ANC guerilla was shot dead by a SADF patrol at a gambling den in a township here at the weekend.

Police seized a Makarov pistol and 40 rounds of ammunition after the incident.

In Natal, a school classroom was set alight at Caluzu (Maritzburg) and in KwaMashu a home was petrol-bombed and a bus was stoned in two separate incidents yesterday.

A member of the security forces received a knife wound when he was attacked by about 60 people in Sebokeng (Vereeniging) yesterday. — Sapa

Four of Chief Mapoch's sons were dismissed from the Legislative Assembly and three were detained. The chief said hundreds of other dissidents were detained to remove opposition to independence. Many more have gone underground.

"There will never be peace in KwaNdebele as long as the present government continues to rule with an iron fist," he said.

The homeland's former health minister, Mr Cornelius Mahlangu, who last month left the homeland after death threats, said the authorities were trying to "force independence down the peoples' throats".

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria said yesterday that it was not reporting on KwaNdebele violence any more, while no information could be obtained from the homeland authorities. — Sapa-Reuter

CAPE Times 15/5/84

Rent demands to Mandela, Sisulu

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — In a new move to end the R74-million Soweto rent boycott, the Soweto City Council has served notice on prominent black anti-apartheid leaders to pay their rent in 30 days or face legal action.

The notices were served on Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of jailed ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela, UDF president Mrs Albertina Sisulu, wife of Mr Walter Sisulu, who is also jailed with Mr Mandela, Dr Nthato Motlana, chairman of the Soweto Civic Association, and Mrs Ellen Khuzwayo, a community leader.

They were served yesterday by a township manager employed by the Soweto City Council.

According to the council, Mrs Sisulu, who had her electricity disconnected about two months ago, owes R1 033,47 for rent and service charges.

Mrs Mandela and Mrs Sisulu said they would not pay a cent of rent arrears.

"I have not been paying rent and I will not pay it," Mrs Mandela said yesterday. The last time she paid rent was in May 1977 when she was banished to Brandfort by the government.

Mrs Sisulu yesterday said she would rather contest the matter in court but was not going to pay rent because she was not the only resident who had stopped payments in protest against government policies.

"I told them that we will meet in court."

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Fire damage to SATS coach

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A railway coach was extensively damaged by arsonists at Jeppe station yesterday, the Bureau for Information said.

"Unknown persons" set fire to the Thubelihle School in Kwaggafontein and the Khuphukni School in Tweefontein.

Six men were arrested when a group of workers stoned police at a wage dispute in Delmas.

Cosatu offices destroyed by fire

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NELSPRUIT — The Nelspruit offices of the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu), were gutted by fire early today.

The fire started shortly after 2 am and destroyed the offices. Equipment and machinery at a printing concern on the floor above Cosatu's offices were also extensively damaged.

Nobody was injured in the incident but the damage has been estimated at several hundred thousand rand. The cause of the fire has not yet been established. — Lowveld Bureau.

Police evict Soweto rent defaulters

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Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Soweto Council police, accompanied by a contigent of special constables, invaded Mofolo North, Soweto, yesterday and evicted five out of hundreds of families who have not been paying rent since the rent boycott began last year.

It was the first time council authorities evicted rent defaulters in this part of Soweto.

One of the houses raided belongs to Mr John Nhlapho, 70.

Police served the old and ailing man with a warrant of execution, removed some furniture from the house and locked both the front and back doors.

According to the warrant of execution, Mr Nhlapho owes the Soweto Council a sum of R1 045,37 including legal costs and costs of issuing the warrant.

Mr Nhlapho was given a document to sign, which stated he understands that he retains the right to reposses his property within 60 days, failing which the council will sell the goods at a public auction.

"I do not know where to sleep tonight. They warned me that they would be back to check if anyone was in the house," said Mr Nhlapho.

court today, the spokesman said.

SATS granted urgent order

JOHANNESBURG. — The South African Transport Services was yesterday granted an urgent interim order by the Supreme Court making it illegal for anyone to "assault, intimidate, molest, incite or in any other way interfere with the lawful activities" of any SATS employee.

Mr Justice Schabort ordered that copies of the order be prominently displayed at all SATS hostels, be published in Johannesburg-based newspapers and that copies be served on the South African Railways and Harbour Workers' Union, the Black Trade Union of the SA Transport Services and the National Union of Railways Workers. — Sapa

held in custody.

Appeal dismissed

BLOEMFONTEIN. — The Appeal Court here has dismissed the appeals of the two Sebokeng men convicted of culpable homicide for the death of three-week-old Blair Gordon, who died when his mother's car was stoned in Sebokeng on October 12, 1984. Themba Alfred Lata and Piet Mntambo were convicted by Mr Acting Justice W J Human in the Transvaal Supreme Court on June 7, 1985.

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Attempt to recover Mandela rent is 'presenting problems'

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The Soweto Council has admitted that rent payments for the Mandela home are several months overdue but says action to recover the money presents problems because the home is held in the name of jailed African National Congress leader Mr Nelson Mandela.

Housing Committee chairman Mr Julius Mdlalose said community leaders who had received final warning notices to pay their overdue rent could expect to be treated like all other rent-boycotting residents.

"Where Mrs (Albertina) Sisulu and Dr (Nthato) Motlana and others are concerned there is no problem — they can be summonsed," he said.

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"But in the Mandela case we must be very careful because that house belongs to Mandela himself. We cannot mention what we are going to do because the owner is in jail."

Mr Mdlalose released details drawn from the Mandela housing file which contradicted earlier statements by council spokesmen who claimed rent for the Mandela's Orlando West home was up to date.

He said that a total amount of R652,69 was owed on the Mandela home. Of this, R117,39 was for rent and the balance for services.

The last payment received from the Mandela family lawyer Mr Ismail Ayob was in June last year.

'IN THE BLACK'

Mr Mdlalose added that although no cheque had been received during the period of the Soweto rent boycott, the amount received in June was large enough to put Mrs Mandela into the black for several months.

But her credit balance had expired about four months ago, Mr Mdlalose said, and no further payment had been made by Mr Ayob.

But Mr Ayob said clearly he had paid rent for the Soweto house from about 1978 until June last year. He said the house had been allocated to a policeman shortly after Mrs Mandela's banishment, but he had managed to get it restored to the Mandela family the next year.

It is understood that Mrs Mandela was referring to the Brandfort house to which she was banished in stating that she not paid rent for many years.

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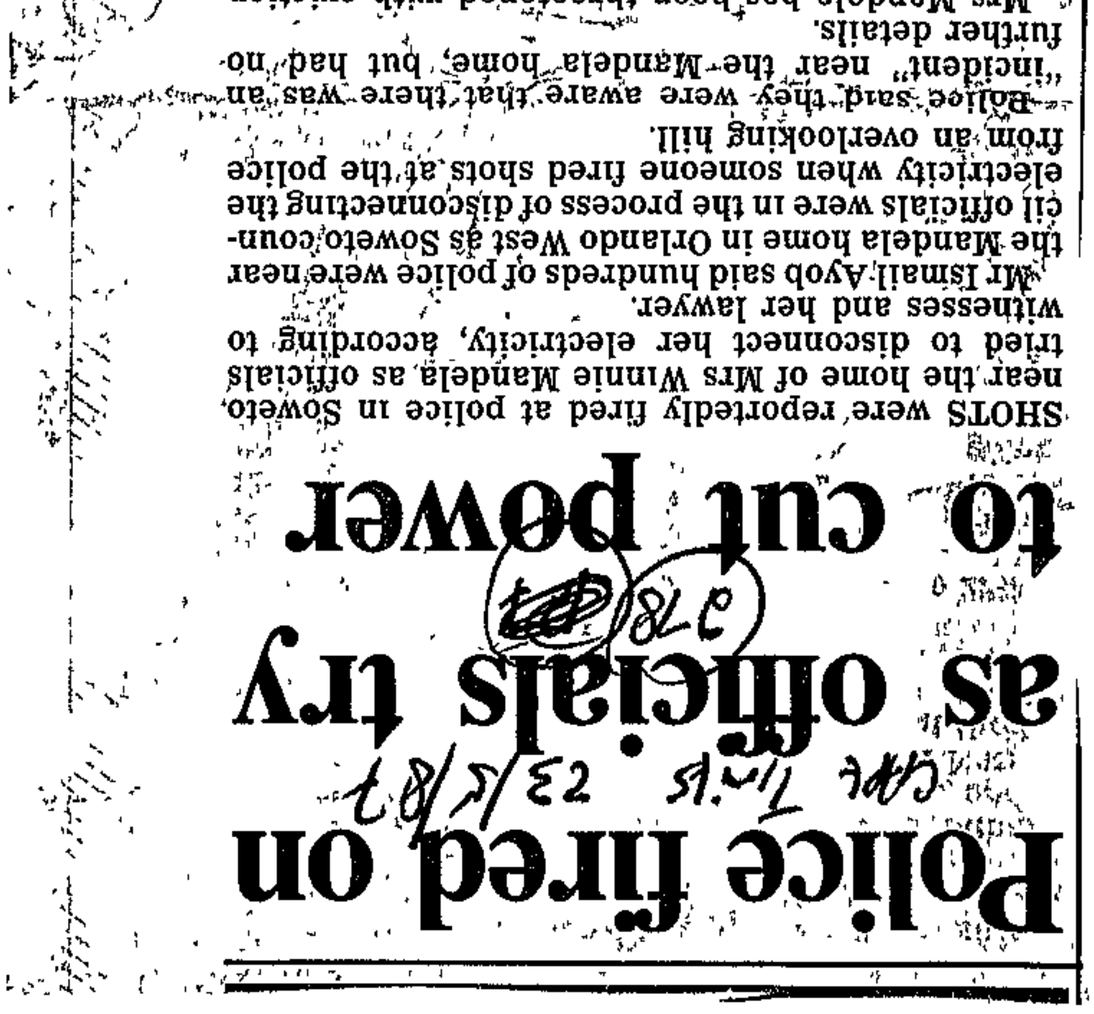

Police fired on as officials try to cut power

SHOTS were reportedly fired at police in Soweto near the home of Mrs Winnie Mandela as officials tried to disconnect her electricity, according to witnesses and her lawyer.

Mr Ismail Ayob said hundreds of police were near the Mandela home in Orlando West as Soweto council officials were in the process of disconnecting the electricity when someone fired shots at the police from an overlooking hill.

Police said they were aware that there was an "incident" near the Mandela home, but had no further details.

Mrs Mandela has been threatened with eviction from her home in Johannesburg's Soweto township for taking part in a rent strike.

"I heard sounds of gunfire and later ambulances arrived," Mrs Mandela's daughter Zinzi said.

Police said they had clashed with blacks on Thursday in Brandfort where a house owned by Mrs Mandela had been gutted.

In a brief statement yesterday, the police said they had fired teargas and pistols after a group of blacks gathered illegally in Brandfort and taunted security force members. One man was slightly injured, they said.

A police spokesman refused to elaborate on the statement when asked if the clash occurred near the Mandela house.

Elsewhere in Soweto, a battalion of mostly black soldiers held a parade in Jabulani to commemorate the fourth anniversary of their being awarded freedom of the black city. — UPI and Sapa-Reuter.

Railway union president held

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JOHANNESBURG. — The president of the SA Railway and Harbour Workers' Union, Mr Justice Langa, was detained outside Khotso House by detectives yesterday afternoon, a union employee said.

A worker in the union's temporary offices, who declined to be identified, said Mr Langa was picked up as he entered the building that houses the offices of the SA Council of Churches. The union's attorneys confirmed the detention.

The SAP has not yet responded to a telex asking for confirmation of Mr Langa's detention.

According to the union, Mr Langa is the latest in a series of SARHWU officials to be held by police.

Last week the union's general secretary, Mr Themba Khuzwayo, said at least 30 of the 37-man negotiating team elected by workers involved in the two-month railway strike had been detained.

He said SARHWU's education secretary, Mr Mike Roussos, and the union's secretary for the Witwatersrand region, Mr Johannes Ngcobo, are also being held.

□ Meanwhile police are still searching for at least nine missing SATS workers, who are now feared dead. Last week five people were arrested in connection with the murder of four workers in Kaserne, a police spokesman said.

One of those arrested is a student detained in police swoops on Johannesburg and student residences last Wednesday.

Police also claimed another was the president of the alleged "people's court" which police said "sentenced" the four murdered workers to death.

At least two of the five are Cosatu members, the spokesman said.

This has been denied by Cosatu officials, who have in turn accused the police and SABC of waging a smear campaign against the union.

The union's publicity secretary, Mr Frank Meintjies, said that Cosatu abhorred any violence which had happened in the dispute with SATS. — Sapa

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2 refused leave to appeal

BLOEMFONTEIN. — Mandala Bagani and Khaya Gcitifshane, of Langa, have been refused leave by the Appeal Court to appeal against their convictions and sentences for public violence at Langa on January 27, 1986. In the incident stones and other objects were thrown at the police and a police vehicle. The two men were convicted in Wynberg Magistrate's Court on April 18, 1986 and sentenced to imprisonment of eight years. On appeal to the Cape Supreme Court on February 23, 1987 the convictions were confirmed but the sentences reduced to six years. — Sapa

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Policeman responsible for miner's death

JOHANNESBURG. — Germiston's chief magistrate has ruled that a police constable was responsible for the death of a miner on May Day last year.

At the inquest into the death of Mr Richard Mqukela, the magistrate, Mr John Gildenhuys, dismissed Constable I F Holder's contention that he acted in self-defence.

The court heard that Constable Holder and Constable J C Stander went to an area where a group was stoning vehicles. Constable Holder approached some men, including Mr Mqukela, on a railway bridge.

He told them he would use force if necessary to restore order. He had identified Mr Mqukela as an instigator.

Constable Holder fetched a shotgun from his vehicle and a shot was fired, fatally wounding Mr Mqukela in the head. Two other miners were wounded.

Constable Stander said it had not been necessary to shoot.

The docket is to be submitted to the Attorney-General. — Sapa

ANC claims it set off killer car bomb blast

LUSAKA — The African National Congress (ANC) yesterday claimed responsibility for a car bomb attack that killed four policemen in Johannesburg last week.

The ANC said it killed 22 soldiers and policemen in attacks which were denied by the South African authorities.

"Over the past few weeks, the people's army, Umkhonto we Sizwe (the ANC's military wing)... inflicted significant casualities on the army and police, killing at least 27 of these," the ANC statement said.

In addition to four dead in the Johannesburg attack on May 20, in which two bombs when off minutes apart in a car outside a magistrates court, the ANC statement listed six soldiers killed in April in the town of Ventersdorp and said a further 12 died in the black township of Soweto.

The only similar incident reported by the South African Government was the death of a policeman in Ventersdorp last month. A police spokesman in Johannesburg said today that the other claims were false.

● Meanwhile, the Daily Dispatch's London Bureau reported last night that the willingness of the major Western powers to start direct contact with the ANC had not altered their fundamental hostility towards the movement.

This feeling emerged from an address by the president of the ANC, Oliver Tambo in London last night.

The government in Pretoria was still seen and treated as the defender andguarantor of Western interests. The ANC was still seen as the threat.

Mr Tambo was speaking at the annual commemorative lecture for Canon John Collins, the former Canon of St Pauls Cathedral and a staunch supporter of the ANC. The talk was titled: South Africa at the Crossroads.

It followed a meeting here on Wednesday by Business International, an organisation owned by the Economist Group.

● It was also announced last night that the ANC was lifting the cultural boycott against South Africa in the case of plays which came from strong anti-apartheid sources.

This surprise move was made known last night by Mr Tambo.

It followed the mixed feelings that have been aroused in ANC and Anti Apartheid Movement (AAM) circles in London over such shows as the Paul Simon Gracelands, production, which was picketted and boycotted by some AAM groups.

It did not, however, mean there would be a general relaxing of the cultural boycott, allowing a free interchange of artistes and productions between the two countries.

It was reported from Germany last night that the ANC was also considering easing the academic boycott against South Africa.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

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Soweto man burnt to death

PRETORIA. — A black man was burnt to death in Orlando East, Soweto, when a private home was set alight by arsonists, according to the police unrest report for the past 24 hours.

In Dube, Soweto, a house was damaged by stone-throwers.

A security force vehicle was set alight in Katlehong, East Rand. A black man was arrested. — Sapa.

today at the Pinelands Jewish Cemetery.

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Man dies in Soweto blaze

A MAN was burnt to death in Orlando East, Soweto, yesterday when arsonists set a private home alight. In Katlehong, a man was arrested after a security force vehicle was set alight.

Capt Times 4/6/87

Ribeiro death: Man in court

PRETORIA. — Mr Noel James Robey, 35, appeared briefly at a hearing yesterday in connection with the death of a Mamelodi doctor and his wife last December.

Mr Robey, no address given, appeared before Pretoria North magistrate Mr J N Pretorius.

The hearing is being held after a police investigation into the deaths of Dr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife Florence, who were shot outside their home on December 1.

No evidence was led at the hearing and Mr Robey was released on warning to appear again on June 18.

Mr Robey was represented by Mr J Niemann. — Sapa

Train, loco arson: Sats loses R21-m in wake of strike

Transport Reporter

Attacks on trains by arsonists in the wake of the South African Transport Services (Sats) strike has cost the State corporation R21,2 million, a spokesman for the Minister of Transport Affairs said on Friday

The spokesman said the 102 carriages and locomotives had been set alight in the past two months.

Damage was estimated on the basis of the rolling stock's replacement value

However, he added, Sats had excess capacity and had no intention of replacing burnt carriages.

"Most of the carriages have been written off and it will be possible to repair only a very small number," he said.

Coaches have been attacked almost daily since the mass dismissal of striking Sats workers

CAPE TIMES 12/6/87

Police wounded in Soweto shootout

PRETORIA — A trained ANC insurgent was killed and two policeman, one a senior officer, were seriously wounded in a shootout in Emdeni, Soweto, yesterday, police said.

Police surrounded a house in Emdeni after learning of a "terrorist" in hiding. Four men — two who were later identified as "trained ANC terrorists" — emerged.

While searching the house two policemen were fired at from behind a door, and a Constable Theart was wounded.

The other policeman fired at the attacker and helped Const Theart out of the house.

More shots were fired from the house and police retaliated by hurling hand grenades.

Shots were then fired at police from another house across the street, wounding a Lt-Col Sauer, the spokesman said.

The body of a "foreign trained ANC terrorist" was found in the first house, clutching a Makarov pistol.

Col Sauer was undergoing surgery at the Johannesburg Hospital. — Sapa

Police probe into threat of boycott

Wt Argus 13/6/87

Weekend Argus Foreign Service

JOHANNESBURG — Security police are investigating threats of a black consumer boycott over Benoni Town Council's move to close its R150-million-a-year account with First National Bank.

In a second development, the bank, in a full-page advertisement today, declares total opposition to violence, condemns terrorism and revolution, and says it is not the "ANC bank". It calls on the public to spurn these "malicious myths".

The Nationalist-run council has given the bank until Friday to repudiate Mr Ball for granting a R100 000 overdraft to a man acting on behalf of the United Democratic Front The money was used for advertisements promoting the African National Congress.

It accepts as a fact the finding of the Munnik inquiry that Mr Ball knew what the money would be used for before authorising the overdraft.

Mr Ball and the bank have rejected the finding outright.

The furore is developing into a major row, with the council being accused by business leaders and industrialists of making political decisions not in the interests of the East Rand town.

Blacks have threatened to impose a consumer boycott if the council cuts its links with First National.

Two security police officers called on veteran councillor Aubrey Ritz, who opposed a motion calling for the closure of the First National account, to ask for a statement on telephone calls he had received.

At least four people anonymously warned Mr Ritz that blacks may boycott white-owned businesses if First National lost the Benoni account.

Mr Ritz, who is opposed to local government involving itself with political issues, was to hand a statement to the police today.

Retaliate

Daveyton mayor Mr Tom Boya expressed shock at the council's attitude to the bank and warned of the implications of a consumer boycott.

Mr Petrus Masango, chairman of Daveyton's Chamber of Commerce and Industries, warned that blacks were bound to retaliate, though not necessarily through a boycott, if action was taken against Mr Ball.

The Benoni Chamber of Commerce and Industries has also expressed concern over the consequences of action against First National and has asked the council in a letter for a discussion on the issue.

Petitions, believed to be mostly in support of the bank, are being handed in at the council's offices.

CAPE TIMES 7/11/87

Vlok links Costau man to assaults

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — Mr Michael Roussos, education secretary for the SA Railways and Harbours Workers' Union, was being detained because of information linking him to alleged assaults on railway workers, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, has told the Rand Supreme Court.

In an affidavit opposing Mr Roussos's application for an order declaring his arrest and continued detention unlawful, Mr Vlok denied there were no grounds for the unionist's further detention

Mr Roussos had brought the application against the ministers of Justice and of Law and Order and the Commissioner of Police.

Yesterday the application was postponed sine die, with no order as to costs.

In his affidavit, Mr Vlok said that according to information available to him, Mr Roussos had ordered members of a so-called co-ordinating committee of SARHWU to kidnap SATS employees who did not take part in the recent strike and take them to Cosatu House.

He said Mr Roussos ordered committee members to assault them and force them to become members of SARHWU.

The minister said that after Mr Roussos had been arrested and detained in terms of regulation 3(1), a ticket for a traffic offence was found in his possession for a car with the registration number LEB 18762.

This car was traced to Jan Kempdorp, he said, and a person arrested at the same time. Mr Vlok said the same person had admitted the vehicle was used to take four workers, murdered during the strike, to Kazerne where the murders were committed.

CT Times 17/6/87

Thousands at peaceful June 16 meetings

By CLARE HARPER and RONNIE MORRIS

THOUSANDS of people throughout the Peninsula yesterday attended rallies and prayer services peacefully commemorating the 11th anniversary of the 1976 Soweto uprisings.

At the Anglican Church in Bonteheuwel, a speaker told the 800-strong meeting that "our apparent silence today must not be misunderstood, our minds and hearts go back 11 years to Wednesday June 16".

"Thousands of schoolchildren poured out of schools on to the streets of Soweto in peaceful protest . . . the response of the SA Police is now part of history — a history not be forgotten," he said.

"A young boy, Hector Peterson, was never seen alive again. He was gunned down, picked up by Boyisa Makubu, who carried Hector in his arms with his teenage sister Tina walking at his side — it is a picture apartheid South Africa will never be allowed to forget," he said.

The clergymen paid tribute to "fallen martyrs, particularly our courageous youth and those in prison and detention".

The main speaker, Dr Charles Villa-Vicencio of the University of Cape Town's department of religious studies, said the government in South Africa was "morally and theologically illegitimate".

"Those rulers whom we are called to obey in the Scriptures are God's servants for our good. Any ruler who is not God's servant is not worthy of our obedience," Dr Villa-Vicencio said.

The 700 people killed in the events that followed the 1976 Soweto massacre and the subsequent countless acts of police violence, could lead us to no other conclusion than that they were "not God's servants for the good of the people", he said.

"Both theology and politics tell us that the God-given will to be free cannot and will not be repressed forever. History teaches us the oppressed have an unquestionable right to be free."

Dr Villa-Vicencio concluded by saying that no dictatorship lasted forever:

"I say to Mr P W Botha (the State President) watch therefore, you do not know when the master of the house will come."

□ At St Francis Hall, Langa, more than 200 people attended a Cape Youth Congress (Cayco) rally commemorating the anniversary of June 16. The meeting proceeded without incident and police kept a low profile, according to audience members.

□ About 400 people attended a prayer meeting at the Presbyterian Church in Guguletu.

Primary school Teachers	1986	1987
Cape	243	0
Natal	119	0
OFS	0	0
Transvaal	83	26

(bb) Cape: this information is not available.

Transvaal: this information is not available

OFS not applicable.

Natal. Accountancy, Afrikaans, Art, Biology, Business Economics, English, Economics, Geography, German, General Science, History, Industrial Arts, Mathematics, Media Centre, Music, Physical Education, Religious Education, Physical Science, Typing, Woodwork;

(2) Yes.

	Number	*Capacity*
Cape	0	not applicable
Natal	1	as a clerk
OFS	0	not applicable
Transvaal	109	as teachers

TUESDAY, 23 JUNE 1987

†Indicates translated version

For oral reply

General Affairs

State President

*1. Mr C W EGLIN—State President [Withdrawn]

State Security Council

*2. Mr C W EGLIN asked the State President.

(a) How many inter-departmental committees of the working committee of the State Security Council had been established as at 1 June 1987, (b) what is the name of each such inter-departmental committee, (c) what are the terms of reference of each committee, (d) who is the chairman of each of these committees and (e) in which Government Department is each such chairman usually employed?

The STATE PRESIDENT.

(a) The hon member is referred to Question 20 of 8 April 1987. The attention of the hon member is further drawn to the fact that the various interdepartmental committees meet regularly as necessary The hon member is welcome to discuss the subject of the Security Management System with me, if more details are required

Mr P H P GASTROW: Mr Chairman, arising from the hon the State President's reply, did I understand him correctly to say that details about the operation of the system will in future not be made public but can only be obtained by the leaders of the various political parties through personal discussions with the hon the State President?

The STATE PRESIDENT Mr Chairman, it should be done preferably by way of discussion with me. Should the hon member however, wish to raise the matter during the discussion of my Vote, I will be prepared to reply to it.

Mr P H P GASTROW: Mr Chairman, further arising from the reply given by the hon the State President, does he not believe that it is in the interests of the public to have information about the system which presently . .

The CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE: Order! That question is disallowed. The hon member is trying to elicit information unconnected with the content of the original question.

Ministers:

Algoa: Regional Services Council

*1. Mr D J N MALCOMESS asked the Minister of Finance:

(a) What is the (i) annual salary, including allowances, and (ii) car allowance paid to the chairman of the Regional Services Council in the Algoa area and (b) in respect of what date is this information furnished?

†The DEPUTY-MINISTER OF FINANCE (Dr G Marais):

In terms of the Regional Services Councils Act, 1985, the remuneration and allowances of the chairmen and members of Regional Services Councils are determined by the respective Provincial Administrators

(a) (i) It was recommended to the Council for the Co-ordination of Local Government Affairs that the chairman not be paid a salary but an all-inclusive annual emolument, linked to a maximum daily allowance varying according to the level of complexity and responsibility of the particular Regional Services Council A loading of 25% is applied to the daily tariff for an ordinary Regional Services Council member and further loading of 50% is proposed, to compensate for the fact that no service benefits are available in respect of pension, medical aid and housing Transport costs are met only in part.

(ii) Taking into account the motor transport expenses to be borne by the chairman himself, it was recommended that compensation be payable according to a kilometre allowance on the basis applicable to the provincial administrations

(b) This will be the situation when RSC's come into being on 1 July 1987

Mr D J N MALCOMESS: Mr Chairman, arising out of the hon the Deputy Minister's reply, is he or the hon the Minister prepared to disclose to the public of South Africa the amounts of money that are to be paid to the chairmen of regional services councils—the actual amount in rand and cents? Secondly, is he prepared to disclose what the average member of a regional services council is to receive in rand and cents?

This is the second time I have had a similar question on the Order Paper; both times I sought a figure in rand and cents. On neither occasion was I given the figure

†The DEPUTY MINISTER: Mr Chairman, I replied to the question on behalf of the hon the Minister If the hon member will formulate his question like he has done it now, I think the hon the Minister would certainly give his attention to it.

Mr D J N MALCOMESS. Mr Chairman, further arising out of the hon the Deputy Minister's reply, my question clearly asks what the annual salary is, including allowances. I do not know how much clearer I can be. I ask the hon the Deputy Minister whether he is prepared to give me that figure in rand and cents

†The DEPUTY MINISTER: Mr Chairman, there are several adjustments and I think it is a matter for the Administrator who is actually personally responsible for the determination of these amounts I think the Administrator will be able to furnish the exact figures as from 1 July

*2. Mr D J N MALCOMESS—Finance [Reply standing over]

Mamelodi: inquest

*3. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Justice.

Whether, with reference to the reply to Question No 7 on 19 August 1986, the Attorney-General has reached a decision regarding the inquest into the deaths of the persons killed in Mamelodi on 21 November 1985, if not, (a) why not and (b) when is it anticipated that a decision will be reached, if so, (i) when and (ii) where will the inquest be held?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER (for the Minister of Justice):

No.

(a) According to the Attorney-General concerned the matter was referred back to the South African Police for further investigation

(b) As soon as the docket is submitted to the Attorney-General.

Primrose, Germiston

*4 Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Law and Order

(1) Whether two persons, whose names have been furnished to the South African Police for the purpose of the Minister's reply, were arrested by the Police in a park in Primrose, Germiston, on or about 24 May 1987, if so, (a) what were these persons doing at the time they were arrested, (b) for the alleged contravention of what statutory provision were they arrested and (c) why did the Police go to that park on that occasion,

(2) whether these persons requested permission to make a telephone call at the police station, if so,

(3) whether each of these persons was allowed to make a telephone call; if not, why not; if so, when,

(4) whether these persons were charged, if not, what action was taken in respect of them; if so, (a) in terms of what statutory provision and (b) what was the outcome?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) They were relaxing

(b) Contravention of section 1 (1) (a) of the Trespassing Act, 1959.

(c) Because written representations were received from the public about the abuse of liquor and sexual misdeeds by persons in the park. Experience also proved that such misdeeds were daily events in the park concerned and as a result routine police patrols were instituted which patrols were also executed there on the specific day.

(2) Yes

(3) Yes, immediately after their arrival at the charge office

(4) Yes

(a) For the contravention of section 1 (1) (a) of Act 6 of 1959—Illegal trespassing

(b) Both persons were found guilty and sentenced to a fine of R100,00 each which they paid and which conviction and sentence was set aside

Note After conviction and sentence, the court record was without delay forwarded to the Deputy Judge President of Transvaal in terms of section 304 (4) of the Criminal Procedure Act, 1977 with a recommendation that the conviction and sentence be set aside

Although the member of the South African Police concerned acted in good faith, the necessary steps were taken to prevent a recurrence of such events

Munsieville, Krugersdorp

*5 Mr C J DERBY-LEWIS asked the Minister of Defence·

Whether the South African Defence Force is maintaining a military presence at the Black township of Munsieville near Krugersdorp; if so, (a) why, (b) since when and (c) at what total cost in respect of the latest specified period of 12 months for which information is available?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

(a) The SA Defence Force is performing duty in support of the SA Police.

(b) 28 February 1986.

(c) 1 March 1986 to 28 February 1987—R83 030,00

American company: house bought

*6 Mr A GERBER asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning·†

(1) Whether an American company has bought a house in a White suburb of Cape Town to serve as a place of residence for Black students; if so, (a) when, (b) where and (c) what is the name of this company;

(2) whether his Department intends taking steps in terms of the Group Areas Act, No 36 of 1966, in respect of the company concerned; if not, why not; if so, (a) what steps and (b) when?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

(1) I am not aware of such a transaction.

(a), (b) and (c) Fall away

(2) No, I cannot take steps if I am not aware of the particular case

(a) and (b) Fall away

Groote Schuur Hospital

*7. Dr M S BARNARD asked the Minister of National Health and Population Development:

(1) Whether his Department has received any representations for the removal of all forms of racial segregation in respect of facilities at Groote Schuur Hospital in Cape Town, if so, (a) from whom, (b) when and (c) what was the response thereto,

(2) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

†The MINISTER OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND POPULATION DEVELOPMENT.

(1) No. (a), (b) and (c) Fall away

(2) No

†Dr W J SNYMAN Mr Chairman, arising from the hon the Minister's reply, I would like to ask specifically in respect of Groote Schuur Hospital whether the facilities there are integrated only in the case of intensive care and theatre after-care units and not in other places.

†The MINISTER· Mr Chairman, I suggest that the hon member for Pietersburg places the question on the Question Paper, because I have not been in that hospital for a long time The policy of the State is very simple, and I also refer him to Question 8 which I shall answer shortly

Hospitals: facilities integrated

*8 Dr M S BARNARD asked the Minister of National Health and Population Development

Whether any facilities in hospitals administered by the State are integrated, if not, why not, if so, (a) what specified facilities and (b) in what hospitals are these facilities integrated?

The MINISTER OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND POPULATION DEVELOPMENT

Some facilities in hospitals administered by the State are integrated

(a) Facilities	(b) Hospitals			
	Transvaal	Orange Free State	Natal	Cape Province
1 Special unit				
1 1 Coronary care unit	—	All academic hospitals	All hospitals	All regional hospitals
1 2 Cardio-thoracic surgery	Johannesburg hospital	All academic hospitals	Wentworth hospital	All academic hospitals
1 3 Cardiology unit	All academic hospitals	All regional hospitals	Wentworth hospital	All regional hospitals
1 4 Intensive care unit	Johannesburg-Rob-Ferreira hospital	All regional hospitals	All hospitals	All hospitals
1 5 Isolation of formidable infectious conditions	Rietfontein hospital	—	—	—
1 6 Nuclear medicine	All academic hospitals	All academic hospitals	Wentworth hospital	All academic hospitals
1 7 Neurology units	—	—	All hospitals	All hospitals
1 8 Neurosurgical units	—	—	Wentworth hospital	All regional hospitals
1 9 Operating theatres	All regional hospitals	All hospitals	All hospitals	All hospitals
1 10 Oncology units	All academic hospitals	All academic hospitals	All academic hospitals	All academic hospitals

No one injured as train is stoned

Transport Reporter

A commuter train from Johannesburg to Springs was stoned yesterday evening shortly after leaving Boksburg East station.

A South African Transport Services spokesman confirmed the incident today and said a total of eight windows had been broken in three coaches, but no one was injured.

She said Sats could not give an exact reason for the stoning but the train was apparently over-crowded and third-class passengers moved through to second and first-class coaches.

"Some of the white, first-class passengers got off the train at Boksburg East of their own free will; but staff on the scene report there were no incidents on the train," she said.

"After that, we cannot ascertain what actually happened."

A passenger told Sapa she could not see the stone-throwers as it was dark by then. As far as she knew no one had been injured.

According to the passenger, a similar incident happened about three weeks ago but the Sats spokesman said a check with the operations department could not confirm this.

The passenger said: "The train was about 15 minutes behind schedule and when we got to Boksburg East, there was a further delay of about 10 minutes." "Shortly after we pulled out of the station the train was stoned.

"Fortunately, the windows are shatterproof," the passenger added.

CAPE TIMES 24/6/87

Acquittal at Ribeiro hearing

PRETORIA. — Mr Noel James Robey has been acquitted at a preparatory hearing in a Pretoria North magistrate's court on two charges of murdering Dr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife Florence of Mamelodi.

The magistrate, Mr J Pretorius, said yesterday that there was no direct evidence linking Mr Robey to the shooting except that a light-cream jeep with the same registration number as Mr Robey's jeep was seen near the scene of the murder.

He said there were serious contradictions in the observations made by the witnesses at the scene. He said that if they could have been mistaken about the race of the gunmen they could have made a mistake about the registration number

The court was of the opinion that after judging the evidence there had not been enough to try him on charges of murder.

The proceedings will be typed and referred to the attorney-general for a final decision.

Mr Robey had denied any involvement in the murder of Dr Ribeiro, 53, and his wife on December 1 last year.

In a statement handed to court, Mr Robey said he was at home when the Ribeiro's were gunned down inside their Mamelodi house.

He said he was the registered owner of a Land Rover with the registration number KYK899T. At the time of the incident he was employed as a security adviser with President Security Consultants in Pretoria, a firm he later left.

"On December 1, 1986 I was at work until about 4.30pm, when I left for home," he said.

He could not remember exactly what his programme was, but he remembered he spent his day working on his car.

"During the late afternoon and early evening I was at home with my wife and children having a braai. I never left the premises until the following morning."

He said his Land Rover was parked in the yard of his Hartbeespoort Dam home. It could not have been seen in Mamelodi that evening, he said.

Earlier yesterday, the slain couple's son, Mr Chris Ribeiro, broke down in the witness stand as he recounted events of December 1, 1986. The magistrate adjourned the hearing for about 15 minutes to allow him to recover.

Speaking with difficulty, Mr Ribeiro told the court that speculation in some sections of the media that his parents could have the victims of faction fights between the United Democratic Front and the Azanian People's Organization were "absurd". — Sapa

'Calm' after five explosions

JOHANNESBURG. — It was business as usual yesterday in Malelane, the Eastern Transvaal town near the Mozambique border where five mini-limpet mines exploded on Tuesday night.

Four bombs planted in refuse bins outside town-centre shops and another at the railway station exploded between 7.30pm and 8pm at 10-minute intervals, said a police public relations spokesman.

Nobody was injured in the blasts and storekeepers said damage was confined to broken windows.

Some Malelane residents interviewed were unruffled by the drama. "Explosions aren't news any more," said one.

However, many residents of the small community on the southern border of the Kruger National Park have been shocked by the blasts.

Mrs Annatjie Lugar, whose florist shop was damaged by one of the mines, said that although she deplored the action, the latest explosions would make the townsfolk more aware.

"We had a few landmines a while back and were sort of expecting something to happen again sooner or later."

Mrs Lugar said she was usually still in the shop at the time of the blast (7.30pm), but she had fortunately gone home early on Tuesday evening.

□ Police said in their national unrest report yesterday that two men were burnt, one seriously, in petrol-bomb attacks on vehicles in Nyanga on Tuesday night.

The 42-year-old driver of a delivery van received serious burn wounds and his passenger, a 23-year-old man, minor burn wounds, said the report.

Nobody was injured in another petrol-bomb attack on another vehicle.

"At KwaZakele (Port Elizabeth) a coloured man was slightly injured when a group of construction workers were stoned by a group of blacks." — Own Correspondent and Sapa

1 000 in Soweto protest march

CME TIMES 4/7/82

JOHANNESBURG. — About 1 000 blacks marched through Soweto yesterday to protest at the eviction of council tenants backing a year-old anti-government rent boycott.

A spokesman for the Witwatersrand Council of Churches said the crowd was from White City.

"They marched to protest against the eviction of rent defaulters, to demand a meeting with the town clerk, Mr Nico Malan, and to call for lower rentals," he said.

Black and white council and government officials evicted eight families from houses in White City on Thursday because they had failed to pay rents.

Television sets, furniture and electrical appliances were seized. A council official said they would be sold in an effort to recover money owed.

A reporter on the scene yesterday said about 1 000 people had gathered by the time the march reached the Jabulani offices of the black Soweto town council.

He said a council policeman met leaders of the group and arranged for a delegation to see township administrators on Monday.

"After that, the crowd dispersed peacefully," he said.

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2 die in arson attack on Duduza house

East Rand Bureau

Two Daveyton residents died when a house was set alight early on Friday, police confirmed.

A police spokesman in Pretoria said six people were seriously injured and eight people had been arrested.

Mr Hendrick Masopha said: "I was told that about 10 men arrived at my home looking for me. They locked my family in the house, doused it with petrol and set it alight," he said.

The dead are Miss Mantha Masopha (20) and Mrs Deliwe Nkosi (45). The injured are Mr Themba Nkosi (26), Miss Thembi Shabangu (20), Miss Duzi Mbatha (37) and Mr Richard Mbatha (58).

● A secondhand electrical appliance salesman, Mr Steve Hortobagyi (43), was fatally stabbed at his Turffontein, Johannesburg, home on Friday morning, a police spokesman said.

Mr Hortobagyi, of West Turffontein Street, answered the door. Negotiations for the sale of a television ensued.

The caller stabbed Mr Hortobagyi in the chest, the spokesman said.

Mr Hortobagyi drove to the Booysens police station, but died in hospital on Saturday.

● A man was shot dead on the roof of a shop he had burgled in Vereeniging on Saturday night.

Police spokesman said a man was seen on the roof of Mike's Radio 'n TV, in Leslie Street, by two policemen after the alarm system went off.

The man was warned to stand still, but he tried to escape and a shot was fired. Five watches were found on him.

veld area was flooded twice last year after a City Council water pipe burst.

CAPE TIMES 8/7/87

Teargas after stoning

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PRETORIA. — Police used teargas to disperse a group of people stoning buses at the Langverwacht bus terminus in Standerton, yesterday's SAP unrest report said. Three men were arrested.

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~~Killed 10, 40 die~~

AWB cries of 'traitors' as Dakar group arrive

ARGUS 21/7/87 278

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Policemen, Pressmen and AWB supporters crowded the Jan Smuts international arrivals area today as members of the Dakar delegation arrived from London.

Scores of AWB members, led by their chief Mr Eugene Terreblanche, chanted for Dr Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, who took the group to Dakar for talks with the ANC.

Dr Slabbert was not on the flight. He is expected to return to South Africa later this month.

As the AWB, which has vowed to see charges pressed against the Dakar delegates, waited for the delegates to pass through customs, Mr Terreblanche was confronted by the senior Deputy Commissioner of Police, Major General Pieter du Plessis

Latest

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Scores of AWB members, led by their chief Mr Eugene Terreblanche, chanted for Dr Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, who took the group to Dakar for talks with the ANC.

Dr Slabbert was not on the flight. He is expected to return to South Africa later this month.

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The police contingent was led by General du Plessis and the head of the counter insurgency unit, Lieutenant-General Burt Wandrag.

Many other senior police officers up to the rank of brigadier were also seen policing the large crowd

Mr Terreblanche told Pressmen the AWB was at the airport to protest legally against the talks between the group of 52 and the ANC.

He said: "We are here to lawfully protest about those people who went to speak to the ANC about a fatherland that does not belong to them."

Public debate

One of the newsmen who had travelled with the Dakar group, Mr John Mattisohn, slipped through the AWB cordon.

Asked where the others were, he said they had not come through and they had all been told to gather inside the customs' hall. He said he had "disobeyed this instruction".

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, arrived at Jan Smuts Airport today shortly after the aircraft carrying the Dakar group had landed

Mr Vlok said he had no comment on the AWB protest and added "I am on my way from Cape Town to a meeting"

The Argus Foreign Service in London reports that Dr Slabbert has offered to take part in a public debate with Mr Terreblanche.

He said he would be returning from Frankfurt on July 31 and would be "quite happy" to meet Mr Terreblanche.

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TERRE'BLANCHE TRIUMPHANT ... AWB supporters hoist their leader shoulder-high at Jan Smuts Airport yesterday after police asked the returning Dakar delegates to move their press conference elsewhere in South Africa because they were unable to guarantee their safety. RIGHT: A happy AWB supporter waving the flag.

Airport ruckus: Dakar group diverted by police

JOHANNESBURG. — High-ranking policemen yesterday intercepted the Dakar delegation before it entered the Jan Smuts Airport building and warned that safety could not be guaranteed in the face of a large AWB protest, members of the delegation said.

But Dr Alex Boraine later told a press conference in Cape Town that Dr Van Zyl Slabbert, who headed the 61-member South African delegation for talks with the ANC, planned to hold a press conference at Jan Smuts Airport on July 31 in spite of AWB threats to "get" him

Dr Slabbert has also announced that he is prepared to discuss issues with the AWB leader, Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, at any time because he recognized "they are part of the body politic in South Africa".

The returning group intended to hold a press conference at the airport but it was cancelled because of the atmosphere in the arrivals hall, according to a government spokesman.

"Police feared a confrontation between various groups at Jan Smuts Airport — a confrontation which under the circumstances appeared very imminent — but it was feared that the police could not allow a confrontation at the airport which could turn violent," a spokesman for the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, told Sapa in Cape Town.

"As a result, senior police officials requested the airport manager to inform Dr Alex Boraine and his party that the police considered it inopportune to hold a press conference at the airport and suggested that a press conference could and should be held at an alternative venue."

While delegates slipped away from Jan Smuts without holding the scheduled press conference, scuffles broke out between rival groups waiting for them.

During the sustained protest by about 400 AWB supporters — some carrying placards — an announcement over the public address system warned all non-passengers to leave the airport building "for your own safety".

Lawyers said the AWB gathering had contravened the Internal Security Act, and an airport official confirmed they had also violated airport regulations

Police action included removing an AWB member carrying a weapon from the building and pulling down a poster held by another

Sixteen journalists, mainly photographers, were arrested. Among them were representives of Business Day, Reuters, The Star and Time magazine.

A number of students demonstrating in support of the Dakar group were also held.

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'The Mamelodi Massacre'

Cape Times Chief Reporter ROGER WILLIAMS last week visited the sprawling city of Mamelodi east of Pretoria — scene of a violent clash between protesting marchers and security forces in November, 1985 — to see what is being done there in a R100 million upliftment scheme. This is a second article on his observations.

STARK SYMBOLISM ... The front entrance to the house in central Mamelodi in which Dr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife Florence were shot dead by unidentified killers last December. The living quarters on the upper floor of the house were gutted by petrol bombs before the killings.
Picture PHILIP LITTLETON

WE WANT PEACE ... Colonel K S Lekganyane, police station commander of Mamelodi, told the Cape Times a survey of Mamelodi residents would show 98% see the police as protectors.
Picture. PHILIP LITTLETON

Ribeiro's burnt-out home symbolic amid facelift

THE burnt-out shell of the double-storey home in central Mamelodi in which Dr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife Florence were murdered last December stands like some form of stark symbolism amid ambitious projects now under way to give the black city east of Pretoria a R100million facelift.

Dr Ribeiro, a prominent left-wing political leader, was known as "the people's doctor" in Mamelodi, and he was known to have kept detailed records, including photographs, of victims of clashes with the security forces.

I visited his home last week during an all-day tour of Mamelodi, to see some of the work being done to uplift this sprawling city of 320 000 people which came into sharp international focus in November 1985, in what is referred to now by townspeople as "the massacre of Mamelodi".

Dr Ribeiro's brass plate is still on the gate-post of his home, which was petrol-bombed before he and his wife were shot, on December 1, by two masked men, said by some to have been white and by others to have been black. The suspected killers were seen fleeing from the scene by car.

A white man, Mr Noel James Robey, who appeared at a preparatory hearing in a Pretoria North magistrate's court last month in connection with the murders, was acquitted on grounds that there was no direct evidence linking him with the killings

There have been strong allegations of police complicity in the murders, but these have been emphatically denied by the SAP

At an interview I had last Thursday with Colonel K S Lekganyane, station commander of Mamelodi, and Captain H F Boshoff of the SADF, who is in charge of the city's Joint Operations Centre, they said the Ribeiros had been killed by bullets from a 45-calibre firearm — a type of weapon no longer used by the police

□ Asked why, in spite of ministerial assurances given at the time, no inquests had yet been held on the 13 known victims of the shootings in Mamelodi on November 21, 1985, when police and protest marchers clashed, Colonel Lekganyane said the first inquests would be held "in a matter of months"

A "tremendous amount" of investigation and paper-work had been involved, he added, and this had delayed the court hearings.

Colonel Lekganyane also denied allegations I had heard in Pretoria of "police harassment" of residents of Mamelodi and of police interference at funerals

"We don't harass or provoke people; we want peace," he said "And the last big funeral here was in January 1986

"The troublemakers we have had to deal with in Mamelodi have come mostly from other areas"

The colonel said he had more than 300 policemen under his command and that since the beginning of the year, when he had been given additional men, the crime-rate had been relatively low The last "necklacing" had been in February 1986

The trouble at Mamelodi had started, he added, at the end of 1985 with a rent-boycott, and with townspeople refusing to report criminal matters to the police "People formed their own disciplinary structures, including two 'kangaroo courts', the president of one of which was 14 years old and the other members of which were all under 18

"These illegal courts have since been dismantled"

When I put to him another allegation I had heard from residents of Mamelodi, that the SAP were no longer seen as the protectors of the people, (police are referred to by residents as "the system") he replied "I'm sure that if you did a survey you'd find that 98 percent of the people would say they see us as their protectors"

□ Meanwhile, work is going apace on Mamelodi City Council's upliftment scheme, in a municipal area that now rates third, after Pretoria and Verwoerdburg, in the regional services councils (RSC) set-up in the Northern Transvaal.

Mr Velelemi Mashumi, public relations officer for the city council (Mamelodi acquired city status last year), who acted as my guide on the tour, said the residents of Mamelodi were "a very conservative people"

"This is the most-cosmopolitan and apolitical area I have ever come across," he said "In spite of the large number of ethnic groups here, the largest being North Sotho (with Nguni the dominant language-group), we have had no faction or tribal clashes

"With the schemes the city council has embarked on, Mamelodi could become a model city for South Africa," he said

□ One could see, on this tour of Mamelodi ("place of melodies"), that the basic elements for creating such a model city are all there.

And one was left hoping that, with the authorities striving to achieve this lofty goal, funds would also be made available for similar upliftment schemes and "model cities" in other parts of the Republic

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Workers hurt in march

JOHANNESBURG. — Several people were injured and one person was reported shot when hundreds of black municipal employees marched on the township council offices in Soweto to demand redress of grievances, residents said yesterday.

Police headquarters in Pretoria declined to comment on the incident till its daily unrest report is issued today. Soweto police said they could not provide details. — Sapa-AP

their statutory responsibility to maintain law and order

(3) (a) and (b) No, but as a result of reports in the media, the Police took note of the expected presence of leftist and rightist radicals, and consequently took the necessary preventative measures

(i) to (iii) Fall away

(4) Yes

(a) An officer of the South African Police directed a warning with a megaphone to the persons in English and Afrikaans in terms of section 72 (c) of the Internal Security Act

(b) The persons dispersed peacefully

(5) Yes, a request was directed to the persons

(a) Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche and Dr Alex Borraine

(b) and (c) The request which was directed at the two persons, was intended to promote the statutory responsibility of the South African Police, namely to maintain law and order

Mr D J N MALCOMESS: Mr Speaker, arising out of the answer of the hon the Minister, can he perhaps tell us at what stage this warning to disperse was given, and how long after the warning had been given the AWB members vacated the airport premises, where they were gathered in fairly considerable numbers?

†The MINISTER Mr Speaker, I would suggest that the hon member formulates in a question the further particulars he requires and have it placed on the Question Paper. I will then go into the matter of the specific times etcetera which he requires, and give him my reply.

Remission/parole

*16. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Justice:

Whether persons convicted of offences in terms of the Internal Security Act, No 74 of 1982, are entitled to (a) remission and (b) parole, if not, why not, if so, how many persons (i) had applied for and (ii) had been refused (aa) remission and (bb) parole as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

†The MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

(a) and (b), (i) (aa) and (bb) as well as (ii) (aa) and (bb) The Prisons Act, 1959 (Act No 8 of 1959), and the Regulations promulgated thereunder do not establish a right for any prisoner to be released prior to the expiration of his or her sentence.

The statistics as required cannot be kept due to the fact that one prisoner's possible conditional release, on parole or probation, can be considered and/or reconsidered and recommended by the Institutional Committee or the Release Board on more than one occasion

For the hon member's information, however, it can again be mentioned that 153 security prisoners were released since May 1982 prior to the expiration of their sentences The hon member is also referred to the hon the State President's speech in which he dealt comprehensively with related matters

New Questions.

Alexandra: serviceman shot

*1 Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Law and Order:

Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 430 on 23 February 1987, the investigation into the shooting of a national serviceman in Alexandra Township on 1 January 1987 has been completed; if not, (a) what progress has been made in this investigation and (b) when is it anticipated that it will be completed, if so, (i) what were the findings and (ii) what action has been taken as a result?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

No

(a) The suspect(s) in the case have not yet been identified or traced.

(b) All possible endeavours have been made to trace the suspects(s), but no indication can be given of when the investigation will be finalized.

(i) and (ii) Fall away

Guguletu: death of ANC terrorists

*2 Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 43 on 20 February 1987, the investigation into the deaths of suspected ANC terrorists in Guguletu on 3 March 1986 has been completed, if not, (a) what matters remain to be completed and (b) when is it anticipated that the investigation will be completed; if so,

(2) whether a copy of the post-mortem report on C Piet has been made available to his family since the date of the reply referred to above, if not, why not; if so on what date,

(3) whether any further requests for copies of the post-mortem reports have been received, if so, (a) from whom, (b) when and (c) what was the response thereto;

(4) whether the investigation into the escape of any person or persons during the confrontation with the Police on 3 March 1986 has been completed, if so, what were the findings,

(5) whether any persons have been arrested as a result of this investigation, if so, what are their names?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER.

(1) Yes.

(a) and (b) Fall away

(2) No I wish to point out to the hon member that if the family of a deceased wished to obtain a copy of such a report, they can apply for one to the clerk of the court where the inquest was held. The South African Police has no jurisdiction to furnish documents of this nature to interested parties or their representatives.

(3) No

(a) to (c) Fall away

(4) No, the investigation is continuing

(5) No

Communication programme: total cost

*3. Mr P G SOAL asked the Deputy Minister of Information

(1) (a) What was the total cost of the communication programme including the song "Together we'll build a brighter future" and (b) what specified items are included in this total,

(2) whether this programme is continuing; if not, (a) when and (b) why was it stopped, if so what aspects of the programme are still in progress?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF INFORMATION:

(1) (a) R8 718 797 for the financial year 1986/87 which includes R4 373 652 expenditure on the "Together we will build a brighter future" project and, an expenditure of R4 345 145 on the "Rent and Services" project

R3 007 319 for the financial year 1987/88 for outdoor advertisements for both campaigns

(b) TV commercials
Radio commercials
Press advertisements
Outdoor advertisements
Posters.

(2) Yes. The outdoor advertising campaign will continue until the end of the 1987/88 financial year

(a) and (b) Fall away.

Note: It will be noted that the figure as in 1 (a) above (R8 718 797) differs from the figure as supplied by the hon the State President in reply to oral Question 1 of August 11, 1987, for R7 412 000

Expenditure on outdoor advertisement of R1 306 852 for the 1986/87 financial year was inadvertently not included in calculating the total costs of the communication project.

Student leader shot dead in his bed

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BENONI. — Mr Caiphus Myoka, a leader in the Transvaal Student's Congress, was shot dead in his Daveyton home early yesterday morning, allegedly with a silenced gun.

"A member of his family, who did not want to be named, said that a group of more than 20 men arrived at the home. Some of the men prevented family members from leaving the main house, while others forced the door of Mr Myoka's outside room.

Three other men, Mr Gugu Nyakane, Mr Alson Mnykeni and a man whose name is not known, were sleeping in the room with Mr Myoka when the men entered.

"We did not hear any shots, but after a while a funeral parlour car arrived and a body was carried out on a stretcher," the spokesman said.

After the men left, the family found the outside room empty and the bed covered in blood. A family member later tracked down Mr Nyakane who told her "Caiphus had been shot in the head with a silenced gun".

She traced his body to the Apex Funeral Parlour in Benoni.

Other allegations made by the family cannot be reported by the Cape Times because of legal considerations under Section 27b of the Police Act. — Sapa

said the State President, Mr P W Botha, wanted to share power without relinquishing any power.

MP calls for Nyoka probe

ALLEGATIONS about the fatal shooting of an East Rand student leader, Mr Caiphus Nyoka, on Monday morning, if "remotely true, are very disturbing", the PFP spokesman on law and order, Mr Tian van der Merwe, said last night.

Caiphus's father, Mr Moses Nyoka, said his house had been surrounded by about 20 men at about 2.30 am. He had heard no shots but later he had seen a dead body being carried out of the house. Police said Mr Nyoka, 23, was shot during follow-up operations after the arrest of two suspects who were found carrying mini-limpet mines and hand grenades.

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Boy crippled by bullets sues police for R984 976

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By SOL MORATHI

AUGUST 12, 1985 was a tragic day for Andries Moatshe as, on that day, the 17-year-old Ikageng youth was shot by a semi-automatic shotgun while on his way to visit his aunt.

Today, Andries, the once bright, sensible boy, is a cripple after receiving several wounds, including ones in the spinal and pelvic areas.

Though the police have admitted to shooting him, they claim it was lawful and justified as, according to them, Moatshe had resisted arrest after throwing a petrol bomb at their vehicle.

It is on these grounds that they feel they should not pay R984 976 damages and future medical expenses for Moatshe who has undergone shock, pain, suffering, disfigurement, disability, impotence and has lost amenities of life as a result of the shooting.

This week, Moatshe testified in the Pretoria Supreme Court how he was shot by the police "without any provocation".

He said he was walking quietly along the road to visit his aunt when a police vehicle came behind him.

He looked back and saw a white police vehicle but did not take it into consideration as he kept on walking.

He then heard a "booming" sound and fell to the ground, having been shot.

Moatshe denied that he had thrown a petrol bomb at the police and said he had not seen any rioting or police vehicles burning that day either.

He said he had attended school earlier in the day, but was sent home because the school had been stoned.

According to the boy, he went home, changed his clothes and decided to visit his aunt. It was on his way to his aunt's place that he was shot by the police.

He told the court that, while in hospital, he was not visited by the police nor was he approached to make any statement about the shooting.

The policeman who shot him, Warrant Officer Johan Louis Lourens, said earlier that they had followed Moatshe to arrest him after he had thrown a petrol bomb at their vehicle.

Moatshe had refused to stop as he ran away. He was then shot.

Andries' father, Philemon, is claiming R20 000 in his personal capacity and R984 976 in his capacity as father and guardian of the boy.

Moatshe alleges his son was wrongfully and unlawfully shot by the police, and is claiming money for general damages, including disfigurement, disability and shock.

Philemon said in papers before the court that his son had received several wounds and submitted that he anticipated that his son would be crippled permanently.

The case continues.

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Two sentenced to death for necklacing policeman

Picture: HANNES THIART, The Argus

The five semi-finalists at Aliwal Road Primary school in the Golden Voice competition are, from left, Daniel Taylor, John Auld, Jonathan Crossland and, in front, Gavin Taylor and Jason Schuler. The competition is part of the Play Music Festival '87 organised by the Drakensberg Boys' Choir school.

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — A murderer was led from court clad only in his underwear after being sentenced to death in the Supreme Court for necklacing a policeman in Soshanguve.

After being sentenced to the gallows, Oupa Josias Mbonane, 22, undressed and handed his clothes to relatives in court.

Mbonane and Sibusiso Senele Masuku were yesterday sentenced by Mr Acting Justice Human to hang for murdering Constable Madimetsa Jonas Lehutso on February 22 last year by placing two tyres around his head and abdomen, dousing him with petrol and setting him alight.

Terrorism

Masuku, who is serving a 10-year sentence for terrorism committed in April this year, was led away denying he had committed the murder

A third accused, Abner Oupa Letsoalo, was found guilty of assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, and given a two-year sentence, suspended for five years.

The court heard the policeman was murdered during a night vigil attended by about 1 000 people for a man, known as "Tamatie" who, it was believed, had been shot by a policeman

Constable Lehutso had been caught standing in an alley and was punched and dragged by the feet to the middle of the road and burnt.

Danced

In mitigation the defence argued the two accused had been swept up by a "mass of people emotionally charged". Mbonane had danced around the burning body, which was indicative of hysteria.

Masuku told the court both his brother and father had been policemen and he had felt "heartsore" knowing it could have happened to his brother.

Mr Justice Human told Mbonane and Masuku the incident was indicative of mass psychosis and hysteria. However, there was no evidence heard that they had been swept up by the emotional crowd

He said the two were leading figures in the act and could not argue that they were influenced. "There are no mitigating circumstances in this case," he said.

Fire from city

R300 000 for youth crippled by police

PRETORIA. — The Minister of Law and Order was yesterday ordered by the Supreme Court here to pay R300 000 to the father of a youth who is paraplegic after being shot by police two years ago.

Mr Justice Stafford further ordered the Minister to pay Mr Aaron Moatshe's legal costs, including the fees of several expert witnesses.

Mr Moatshe, of Ikageng Location near Potchefstroom, originally claimed R984 979 from the Minister of Law and Order as guardian of his son, Andries, and R20 000 in his personal capacity.

The claim arises from an incident on August 12, 1985 at Ikageng, when a member of the South African Police shot Andries Moatshe, 17, with a semi-automatic shotgun.

The incident left Andries permanently disabled and impotent. Two of the bullets are still lodged in his body.

The policeman who shot Andries, Warrant-Officer Johan Louis Lourens, earlier told the court that he had seen the youth throwing two petrol bombs — one of them at a police vehicle — and shot him because he "had to be arrested at all costs" and there was no other way to achieve this.

Andries had testified in court that he was walking quietly in the road, on his way to visit his aunt, when he was shot by police. He denied that he ever threw a petrol bomb, or that he was running away from the police at the time of the shooting.

Mr Justice Stafford found the defendant was liable for damages. The defendant did not convince the court that the actions of the policeman had been reasonable, he said.

Counsel for Mr Moatshe and the Minister of Law and Order yesterday reached a settlement agreement of R300 000 after the court's decision about the merits of the case had been made known.

Mr Justice Stafford postponed, indefinitely, giving of reasons for the court's decision. — Sapa

Sebokeng township, three years ago this week: The rent protest march which set off the wave of civil conflict

Picture courtesy of *City Press*

work. I remember that there were only two buses which were escorted by police who were trying to force people to go to work.

"When they realised that people would not co-operate they started shooting teargas and that is what provoked the situation.

"There were thousands of people on the main roads, converging from all angles on the administration offices. All shops were closed and the whole township was on fire. Even the police were afraid of getting into the township.

"Twenty-two people were killed on that day in Sharpeville alone.

"The next day was very tense as dark smoke settled over the Vaal. The administration offices in Bophelong were burnt out."

On the third day people marched to the administration offices and again clashed with the security forces.

"The people were angry and determined. We did not understand the reason why people should be shot for having marched peacefully to the administration offices," said Motaung.

Three years later the Vaal Civic Association has rebuilt its organisation.

A representative for the VCA said: "We have been able to revive our organisation even though state repression is alarming. The student congress in the Vaal is very strong despite the presence of security forces in the schools.

"Among the people who have been detained are members of the interim committee of the civic association. We have learnt to live with it and we shall continue our demand for rents we can afford," he said.

In 1984 Vaal residents demanded the lowering of rents to R30 a month, the resignation of the community councils and the release of community leaders detained at that time.

Leah Mokoena, 63, mother of the Malebo Mokoena, one of the "Sharpeville Six" sentenced to death for having killed former community councillor Jacob Dlamini, said:

"My only hope lies with the people and God. How could six people be responsible for the death of Dlamini when there were thousands of people at his home?

"If you ask for pap you are given a stone and if you ask for meat you are offered a snake."

She remembers the day the stayaway was announced but never dreamt that her son was soon to be charged and sentenced to death.

Leah Mokoena lost hope after the government failed to pardon Moses Jantjies and Wellington Mielies, who were hanged on Tuesday for "necklace" killings of the Kinikini family in KwaNobuhle.

A shopkeeper, who did not want his name published, told the *Weekly Mail* that despite September 3, 1984 more and more people were threatened daily with evictions.

"There is still a huge housing problem and many people have to erect backyard shacks.

A statement released by the Vaal Civic Association urged people to commemorate the third anniversary of the shootings with dignity.

Vaal's grim birthday: Three uneasy years

This week is the third anniversary of the 'Vaal uprising' which marked the start of months of nationwide unrest. VUSI GUNENI asked residents about the day it all began

ON the third anniversary of the Vaal uprising the shops destroyed have been rebuilt, the security forces have gone — and people are still not paying their rent.

Sebokeng residents recalled the events of that bloody Monday, September 3, 1984, when they marched on the administration offices to demand that rents be lowered.

And they are angry. More than 60 lives were lost that day, their leadership is facing charges of treason, six of the 33 political activists on death row are from Sharpeville and many others are either on the run or in detention.

On the eve of the uprising schools were deserted and several people were held in a pre-dawn raid by security forces.

The *Weekly Mail* spoke to David Motaung, a Sebokeng resident. "The community had decided at a residents' meeting that Monday to march on the administration offices.

Buses stoned and bombings

A man and woman were slightly injured by broken glass in kwaDebeka near Durban yesterday when buses were stoned, police said in their overnight unrest report.

At Mangaung near Bloemfontein two private homes were damaged in petrol-bomb attacks but no one was injured.

Two private vehicles were stoned and damaged by a mob in Edendale near Maritzburg. There were no injuries, said the police report.

of the area, attending to complaints, accepting admission of guilt fines, the completion of reports in collisions, attestation of documents, recording of particulars regarding drivers' licences and persons who are reported to be missing.

Group Areas Act

218. Mr A GERBER asked the Minister of Law and Order:†

(a) How many charges in connection with contraventions of the provisions of the Group Areas Act, No 36 of 1966, were laid during the period 1980 to 1986 and (b) in how many cases were the alleged offenders charged?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

	(a)	(b)
1 July 1979 to 30 June 1980	860	419
1 July 1980 to 30 June 1981	487	187
1 July 1981 to 30 June 1982	577	463
1 July 1982 to 30 June 1983	566	387
1 July 1983 to 30 June 1984	608	398
1 July 1984 to 30 June 1985	332	231
1 July 1985 to 30 June 1986	190	132

NOTE. Statistics are given for the period 1 July 1979 until 30 June 1986

Because statistics for the period 1 July 1986 until 31 December 1986 have not yet been programmed, the particulars for the period are not readily available.

Mamelodi: persons killed

268 Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether, with reference to the reply of the Minister of Justice to Question No 3 on 23 June 1987, the further investigation by the South African Police into the deaths of persons killed in Mamelodi on 21 November 1985 has been completed; if not, why not, if so, (a) when, (b) what were the findings and (c) what action has been taken as a result of this investigation,

(2) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

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The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER.

(1) No, the docket was referred back by the Attorney General for further investigation.

(a) to (c) Fall away.

(2) No.

Annual reports

382. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Transport Affairs:

(1) (a) (i) How many annual reports were produced in 1986 by the South African Transport Services and/or statutory bodies falling under the Transport Services and (ii) in respect of what bodies were these reports produced, (b) what was the cost of producing each such report, (c) how many copies of each report were printed and (d) who undertook the printing of each report,

(2) whether the printing of these reports was put out to tender, if not, why not; if so, (a) what was the (i) lowest and (ii) highest tender submitted, and (b) what was the amount of the successful tender, in each case,

(3) whether any copies of these reports were sold, if so, (a) how many, (b) to whom, and (c) at what price, in respect of each report;

(4) in respect of each of the latest specified five years for which information is available, (a) what was the total cost to the Transport Services of these annual reports, (b) how many copies were printed, (c) how many of these reports contained (i) full colour and (ii) black and white pictures, (d) on what quality paper were the annual reports printed and (e) (i) how many of these reports contained a photograph or drawing of the (aa) political head and (bb) top official of the Transport Services and/or the statutory bodies in question and (ii) how many of these pictures were in (aa) colour and (bb) black and white in each case?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AFFAIRS.

(1) (a) (i) Three.

(ii)	(b)	(c)	(d)
SA Transport Services	R62 070,40	5 400	Hendlers' Printers (Pty) Ltd
SA Transport Services Board	R 8 260	650	Cape and Transvaal Printers (Pty) Ltd
Permanent Level Crossings Committee	R 290	50	Transport Services' Printers

(2) Only in respect of SA Transport Services.

	(a) (i)	(ii)	(b)
SA Transport Services	R46 845	R71 560	R46 845
SA Transport Services Board	Printing was undertaken by Cape and Transvaal Printers (Pty) Ltd under contract for the Government Printer, Pretoria		
	(a) (i), (ii) and (b) Fall away		
Permanent Level Crossings Committee	Printing was undertaken by Transport Services' Printers.		
	(a) (i), (ii) and (b) Fall away		

(3) No (a), (b) and (c) Fall away.

(4)	(a)	(b)
1982	R35 718,58	4 040
1983	R56 403,57	4 440
1984	R57 931,86	4 600
1985	R70 345,00	5 700
1986	R70 620,40	6 100

(c) (i) All the reports except those of the Permanent Level Crossings Committee, contained full colour pictures

(ii) One in respect of the SA Transport Services report for 1984-85

(d) The covers for SA Transport Services annual reports were printed on 250 g/m² Chromolux and the text on 115 g/m² Ikonofix, 100 g/m² Kymart; the reports of the SA Transport Services Board on Dukuza (matt finishing) and the reports of the Permanent Level Crossings Committee on ordinary paper.

(e) (i) (aa) All the reports, except the report of Transport Services for the 1984-85-financial year and the reports of the Permanent Level Crossings Committee

(bb) All the reports except the reports of the Permanent Level Crossings Committee

(ii)	(aa)	(bb)
1982	7	Nil
1983	6	Nil
1984	20	Nil
1985	4	1
1986	6	Nil

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Own Affairs

Annual reports

70 Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of the Budget and Welfare:

(1) (a) (i) How many annual reports

ments and (b) statutory bodies falling under such Departments are required to issue reports on their activities; if not, why not; if so, (i) at what intervals and (ii) in terms of what statutory provisions and/or prescriptions;

(2) whether all of these (a) Departments and (b) statutory bodies issued such reports in each of the past three years; if not, (i) which Departments and statutory bodies did not issue reports and (ii) why not?

†The MINISTER IN THE STATE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE ENTRUSTED WITH ADMINISTRATION AND BROADCASTING SERVICES:

(1) The Commission for Administration has no legal or other powers as regards the framing of reports by departments and their statutory institutions, and therefore has no information available in this regard The desired information will have to be obtained from the individual Ministers themselves As far as the Commission for Administration itself is concerned, it does however frame a report annually, in accordance, with section 10 of the Commission for Administration Act, 1984 (Act 65 of 1984), on matters which have been dealt with by the Commission during the preceding year The Commission for Administration also frames special reports from time to time as may to the Commission seem desirable Every report is, in accordance with legislation, transmitted to either the State President or his delegate by whom it is then laid upon the Table of Parliament

(2) The Commission for Administration did frame a report each year for the past three years.

Mr K M ANDREW: Mr Chairman, arising out of the hon the Minister's reply, may I ask him whether he does not think it would be desirable for departments funded by the State to be obliged to issue regular reports to Parliament?

The MINISTER Mr Chairman, the suggestion will be submitted to the hon the State President for consideration.

Daveyton: Caiphus Nyoka killed

*20. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether a certain person, whose name has been furnished to the South African Police for the purpose of the Minister's reply, was shot and killed by the Police in Daveyton on or about 24 August 1987, if so, (a) what is the name of this person, (b) how many policemen were present at his home when he was shot, (c) what was the purpose of their visit, (d) what were the circumstances surrounding the shooting, (e) what was the rank of the policeman responsible for shooting them, (f) how many times was he shot and (g) what are the particulars of the weapon used in the shooting,

(2) whether any persons were arrested or detained by the Police on this occasion; if so, (a) what are their names, (b) why were they arrested or detained and (c) where are they being held,

(3) whether the Police have held an investigation into this shooting; if not, why not, if so, what were the findings,

(4) whether a post-mortem was held following the death of this person, if so, (a) when and (b) what were the findings,

(5) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER

(1) Yes

(a) Caiphus Nyoka.

(b) to (g) I am not prepared to furnish the information because the circumstances in respect of the death of the person are the subject of a judicial process, which I do not want to anticipate.

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(2) to (4) I refer the hon member to my reply in paragraph 1 (b) to (g) above.

(5) Yes. In view of the allegations and the mistrust which was expressed in certain newspaper reports as a result of the death of the person, I do, however, consider it to be in the public interest to make known the following details which were furnished to me in the initial police report:

— The deceased was killed during a police action involving several members of the South African Police

— The police action took place after two persons who had mini limpet mines and handgrenades in their possession, were apprehended During interrogation they intimated that the deceased had handed the devices to one of them

— Ordinary service pistols, and definitely not fire-arms with silencers, were used during the police action

— I would like to point out that the Police issued a press statement regarding the matter shortly after the incident occurred

Monument Park, Extension 2: banner displayed

*21. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether the South African Police are investigating an incident involving the displaying of a certain banner, particulars of which have been furnished to the Police for the purpose of the Minister's reply, in Monument Park, Extension 2, Pretoria, if not, why not, if so, (a) what passible contraventions of the law are being investigated, (b) what progress has been made in this investigation and (c) what were the words displayed on this banner,

(2) whether any persons have been charged with any offences in connection with this incident, if so, (a) who and (b) with what offences,

(3) whether any person or group of persons applied to the Police for permission to display this banner; if so, (a) when, (b) who and (c) what was the response?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER.

(1) Yes.

(a) A contravention of section 62 of the Internal Security Act, 1982 (Act 74 of 1982) and Administrators Notice 654 dated 12 August 1964, Ordinances 47 and 51

(b) The investigation is at an advanced stage

(c) The words which were supplied by the hon member

(2) No, not at this stage (a) and (b) Fall away

(3) No. (a) to (c) Fall away

*22. Mr R M BURROWS—Home Affairs [Reply standing over]

Clermont/KwaDabeka/KwaDlangeswa: incidents

*23. Mr R M BURROWS asked the Minister of Law and Order.

(1) Whether any incidents involving security forces occurred during the period 15 April to 20 May 1987 in or around the (a) Clermont, (b) KwaDabeka Township and (c) KwaDlangeswa Township areas, if so, what was the nature of each incident,

(2) whether any members of the (a) public and (b) security forces were (i) killed and (ii) wounded in any of these incidents, if so, how many in each case,

(3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) (a) to (c) Yes, a variety of incidents, *inter alia*: Hansard

— stones thrown at vehicles of the

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For written reply.

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Laaiplek: investigation

312. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:†

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 502 on 23 February 1987, the departmental investigation into an allegation that the South African Police failed to attend to a complaint in regard to an incident which occurred at Laaiplek on 3 January 1987 has been completed, if not, (a) why not and (b) when is it anticipated that it will be completed; if so, (i) when and (ii) what were the findings;

(2) whether any action has been taken as a result of this investigation, if not, why not; if so, (a) what action and (b) when?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER

(1) Yes.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(i) 16 March 1987

(ii) That the South African Police did not neglect their duty, but indeed fulfilled their statutory prescribed duty, during which one member was killed

(2) No, because neglect of duty did not occur.

(a) and (b) Fall away

Ten detainees

323. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:†

(1) Whether ten persons, whose names have been furnished to the South African Police for the purpose of the Minister's reply, have been detained; if so, (a) (i) when, (ii) where, and (iii) in terms of what statutory provisions, in each case, (b) where is each of these persons being held at present and (c) what are their names;

(2) whether any of these persons have been moved from one place of detention to another since first being detained; if so, (a) where, (b) when and (c) why was each such person moved on each occasion;

(3) whether any of these persons have been charged with any offence; if so, what are the charges in each case?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) (i) to (iii) On several dates and at different centres in the Republic in terms of Regulation (3) of the Emergency regulations promulgated in terms of the Public Safety Act, 1953 (Act 3 of 1953).

(b) At several centres in the Republic.

(c) The names furnished by the hon member.

(2) Yes

(a) to (c) To different centres in the Republic and on different dates, for investigation and interrogation purposes

(3) No, not at this stage

Alldays: Government buildings

339. Mr T LANGLEY asked the Minister of Public Works and Land Affairs:†

Whether it is the intention to erect (a) a prison, (b) a mortuary and (c) other Government buildings in Alldays; if so, (i) why, in each case, (ii) at whose request are these buildings to be erected, (iii) what other Government buildings are envisaged and (iv) how many persons will it be possible to accommodate in each specified building?

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The MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND LAND AFFAIRS:

ANC- Times 25/9/87

Mine killings: NUM rejects 'publicity stunt'

JOHANNESBURG. — JCI's allegation thap 33 miners were murdered for defying the strike that ended last month, is wild and unsubstantiated, the National Union of Mineworkers said last night.

A NUM spokesman, Mr Marcel Golding, said the allegation, made yesterday by the head of JCI's Gold and Uranium Division, Mr Ken Maxwell, was "a cheap publicity stunt".

The killings — which started with three killings at ERPM on August 31 — had taken place at Randfontein, ERPM, Stilfontein, West Rand Consolidated, East Driefontein, Blyvooruitzicht, Grootvlei, Harmony, Durban Deep, Hartebeesfontein, St Helena, Kloof and Libanon, Mr Maxwell said.

The head of the SAP Public Relations Directorate in Pretoria, Colonel Vic Haynes, said he was not aware of any orchestrated attempt to murder miners who had not participated in the three-week strike. — Sapa

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Jhb clashes not political — police

JOHANNESBURG. — Following the confirmed deaths of two people and a further eight injuries in outbreaks of racial violence in and around several of Johannesburg's parks on Saturday, police said yesterday that at this stage they do not suspect a political motive to be behind the clashes.

In an afternoon and evening of violence at Bezuidenhout Park and Rhodes Park, and outside Ellis Park after the rugby match, two spectators Mr Ledge van Druten, 58, of Benoni, and Mr Basil Delorme of Northcliff, aged about 50, were stabbed and beaten to death with bricks, while six other whites, including a woman, were injured, and two men received birdshot wounds when police dispersed a mob.

Police also reported unruly behaviour from other mobs during the afternoon at Zoo Lake, Wemmerpan and Emmarentia Dam. However, the crowds at these resorts were dispersed without incident.

Lieutenant Pierre Louw of the police said 17 people, including several teenagers, had been detained yesterday and were being questioned in connection with public violence, assault and murder.

He said 14 people were arrested outside Ellis Park, two at Rhodes Park and one at Bezuidenhout Park. He could not confirm that a man had also been stabbed to death during the clashes at Bezuidenhout Park.

He said police were investigating the possibility that the violence spread from Rhodes and Bezuidenhout parks to the outskirts of Ellis Park.

"I must add that at this stage, there is nothing to point to the violence being politically orientated," he said.

Mr Robbie Durheim said the Ellis Park incident happened while he and Mr Van Druten were between the North-East and North-West stands outside the grounds.

"I saw about 15 blacks, the majority of whom were aged about 15, with the exception of two or three who were slightly older, walking towards us with their arms linked.

"We both stepped off the pavement in order to go around them. At the time I was ahead of Ledge, and after passing the crowd who were singing I turned around to see if Ledge was all right.

"As I turned around I saw him fall down and there was blood pouring from his chest, but before I could do anything I was hit from behind on the head." — Sapa

Schoolboy dies after stoning by whites

JOHANNESBURG. — A black schoolboy died in hospital yesterday after being hit on the head by a stone hurled by whites on Monday, police said.

The incident happened at Honeydew near Krugersdorp north-west of Johannesburg.

Ronny Pitso, 6, was hit on the head by a stone after a Landrover occupied by five young white men drove past a group of black schoolgoers.

One of the men in the Landrover allegedly threw a stone at the children.

Ronny was hit on the forehead and fell. He was taken to Hillbrow Hospital in Johannesburg and died yesterday, Major Dries Jacobs, a police liaison officer, said.

Police were investigating a charge of murder, the major said, and he appealed to anyone with any information to contact their nearest police station. — Sapa.

Cape Times
16/10/87

Mayfair reactionaries arrested at illegal demo

JOHANNESBURG. — Police last night arrested three white men, allegedly members of the ultra-right-wing Blanke Bevrydigingsbeweging (BBB — White Liberation Movement), after using teargas to disperse an illegal demonstration organized by the movement in Mayfair, a "mixed" suburb here.

A police spokesman said about 50 people were holding a placard demonstration in Railway Street, Mayfair, at 6.40pm.

"At 6.50pm the Brixton police station commander requested that the meeting disperse. About 30 refused."

Police then used teargas to disperse the remaining people and arrested three white men aged 40, 29 and 30.

Teargas breaks up rightwing protest

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Police used teargas against a group of white rightwingers, including supporters of the Blanke Bevrydingsbeweging (BBB), who were marching through Mayfair, Johannesburg, to a meeting to protest against blacks moving into the suburb.

Three men were arrested and at least two BBB posters were confiscated.

About 30 people gathered in Grosvenor Park in Fourth Avenue about 6.30pm yesterday to hold an open-air meeting. Before the meeting began a reporter saw two white men attacking a black man sitting alone on a park bench a few metres away.

Mr Leon Strydom, national organiser of the BBB, told newsmen that the organisation's members were "discriminating racists" and would "throw the Indians out of Mayfair".

Major Sam Kruger, station commander of the Brixton police, arrived and warned that the gathering was illegal.

Major Kruger repeatedly warned the crowd that if they "did not play the game" he would take strong action against them.

In Railway Street, Major Kruger gave the group three minutes to disperse. He told residents in the street to close their windows as teargas was to be used.

About 80 people then gathered in a school hall where speakers attacked the Government for not moving black people out of the suburb.

Police said that no-one was injured during the incidents. When about 30 of the demonstrators refused to disperse, police used a teargas canister on them. Three men, aged 40, 30 and 29, were arrested.

Pointing fingers aplenty. But the facts don't match up

Officials lost no time in uncovering political conspiracies to explain the violence. But attempts to pin the blame on black radicals don't hold together. JO-ANN BEKKER reports

BEHIND the Kruger Day race riots lie a tangled mesh of contradictory and politically expedient explanations.

National Party MP Sam Bloomberg blamed "truckloads of blacks". Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok blamed "rowdy youths" and seized the chance to take a swipe at the Detainees' Parents Support Committee. And SABC-TV news insinuated the Soweto Students Congress was involved.

Five Freedoms Forum member and Troyeville resident David Webster said he spent part of Saturday afternoon in Rhodes Park. "There were lots of people, lots had drunk too much and there was a disturbing amount of litter and broken glass. But the atmosphere was good."

Another picnicker recalled one potentially explosive incident when a white wedding party arrived. "A lot of little kids crowded around the couple, to get in on the video being filmed. The party left quickly, but nothing else happened."

The bare facts around which the versions are built are the following: Hundreds of black Johannesburgers converged on parks in white suburbs to enjoy Saturday's rare sunny weather. There was drinking and rowdy frolicking and the police were called in by white residents.

By 8pm two white men had been stabbed to death outside Ellis Park. Nine people were wounded and 17 were arrested by police.

One of the first commentators to capitalise on the suburban unrest was Bezuidenhout MP Bloomberg. Blaming the Progressive Federal Party for stalling NP attempts to police the parks, he pinned the cause of Saturday's violence on "truckloads of blacks descending on Rhodes Park with vast quantities of liquor, apparently with the intention of causing trouble".

Bloomberg told *The Citizen:* "It doesn't take a genius to work out that the violence was timed to coincide with Kruger Day and to give the distinguished press delegates to *The Star's* centennial press symposium the impression that our country is ungovernable and that our cities are seething with bloodshed and unrest."

Sunday night SABC-TV news also attempted to enlighten viewers as to the reasons behind the apparent anarchy. While the reporter read a grim inventory of murders, stabbings and injuries, the screen showed film footage of black youths showing off for the camera. The reporter noted solemnly that the picnic at Rhodes Park had been organised by the Soweto Students Congress.

This claim was denied by Sosco members who said it was an attempt to criminalise the congress. Eyewitnesses said there had been no political banners or T-shirts displayed at Rhodes Park.

Early in the week, liaison officers for the South African Police offered a sketchy reconstruction of Saturday's events.

According to *The Star's* crime reporter, the first incident was reported at 5pm at Bezuidenhout Park when crowds pelted police with bottles and tried to set a road grader alight. Riot police used teargas to disperse the crowds, which then streamed through the streets of Bezuidenhout Valley and Dewetshof to Ellis Park. People damaged cars and property on their way.

Insurance assessor Basil Delorme, about 50, and 58-year-old Ledge van Druten of Benoni, who were leaving the stadium, were stabbed to death when the mob reached Ellis Park. Other spectators were injured.

At about 7pm at Kensington's Rhodes Park, a crowd of about 150

Vlok: drunk youths to blame

cornered police Constable J Willemse, who fired birdshot to escape. He was injured and two people — an 18-year-old man and a 21-year-old woman — were wounded and later arrested.

Seventeen people were arrested that day. However, by Monday all but three had been set free unconditionally. Police said the three would face charges of public violence, assault and murder.

Vlok, meanwhile, blamed drunken youths for the violence. "Those people who continually plead the innocence of so-called youths, such as the DPSC, must take note of the ghastly events of the past weekend," he added.

In a statement, the DPSC asked whether people were detained because of drunk and disorderly behaviour. "If so, what are the ordinary laws of the country for? ... He (Vlok) has resorted to ridiculous insinuations from any platform to try to discredit the DPSC and justify an unjustifiable system."

The police took the opportunity to appeal to whites — who according to Bloomberg were itching to form vigilante groups — to join their police reserves and form legal neighbourhood watches.

And the Johannesburg City Council rushed through a set of recommendations which would turn the city's parks into fenced-off zones whose gates would only unlock to those paying entrance fees — and then only until the quota of one person per 20 square metres of usable space was filled.

The recommendations are almost certain to be ratified by the National Party-dominated Independent Ratepayers' Association at the end of the month. Meanwhile, the weekend mayhem will reportedly speed up negotiations between the city council and police aimed at establishing a municipal police force for white areas.

But among some white residents in Johannesburg's eastern suburbs there is strong resistance to this trigger-happy response.

Webster and a Kensington resident who asked not to be named described how green-suited security guards carrying 9mm automatic pistols and armed men on horseback had created tension at the park two weeks earlier. At that time the boisterous crowd at the park were white country music fans who were watching a festival.

The resident said the guards had instructed picnickers to keep their dogs on leads and ordered an ice-cream vendor to leave the park. "Two uniformed men on horseback cantered across the lawn, terrifying the young children in our group," Webster said. "It was very unpleasant.

"Sealing off the parks would be an outrage," he added. "There are no decent parks in Soweto so obviously people are going to seek more decent surroundings on public holidays. I would rather have lots of people in the park than guys with guns."

"I THINK COLOURS SHOULD BE ELIMINATED FROM OUR
"ONLY DULL BROWNS AND GREYS WILL BE ACCEPTABL

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Court told of boycott

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A SHOP in Alexandra Township was looted and burnt after it was found that soldiers bought their food there before going out to shoot at people in the area, a Rand Supreme Court heard yesterday.

The owner, who may not be identified, said it cost him R82 000 to rebuild the shop.

The shopkeeper was testifying at the treason trial of a trade unionist and four civic leaders appearing before Mr Justice P J van der Walt.

In the dock are Mr Moses Mayekiso (38) of the Metal and Allied Workers' Union and civic leaders, Mr Obed Papela (28), Mr Mzwandile Mayekiso (22), Mr Paul Tshabalala (38) and Mr Richard Mdakane (29), all of Alexandra Township.

They are charged with treason, alternatively subversion and sedition.

The State alleges they committed the offences between January 1985 and June last year in Alexandra Township. They have pleaded not guilty.

The Alex businessman said a group of children damaged his shop. He later made inquiries and a youth told him the children were instructed by a man called "Giant".

He was told that his business was boycotted and destroyed because he sold food to soldiers who later went out to shoot at people.

Before yesterday's proceedings started, Mr Tony Shaw, of the Trade Union Council of Britain, shook hands with the accused.

Policeman killed at roadblock; arms haul

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A policeman manning a roadblock has been killed; three people were arrested and arms seized; and a limpet mine was defused at a shopping centre outside Johannesburg in separate incidents in the Transvaal in the past two days.

Police cordoned off part of the South Hills shopping centre outside Johannesburg and evacuated shoppers after a post office worker discovered a limpet mine in an unmarked yellow plastic bag yesterday. He alerted the police and two explosives unit officers defused it.

In another incident, Constable Juas Maluleka died when a car driving at high speed smashed through a roadblock outside Katlehong township on the East Rand early yesterday.

Police spokesman Colonel Desmond Keyter said police chased the car and fired shots at the vehicle which veered out of control to end on a strip of veld. The uninjured driver was arrested.

In the Western Transvaal three people — two men and a woman — were arrested at the weekend and a large quantity of Soviet-made weaponry was seized at a roadblock between Coligny and Hartebeesfontein, according to a police spokesman.

Police seized six AK-47 assault rifles with ammunition, 40 hand grenades, six Makarov pistols, eight limpet mines and eight mini-limpet mines.

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Current violence condemned in peace talks statement

JOHANNEBURG — The current violence in the area was condemned yesterday in a joint statement by Inkatha, Uwusa, UDF, Cosatu and the Pietermaritzburg Chamber of Commerce at peace talks in Pietermaritzberg yesterday.

The representatives agreed on the following:

● "That we call upon the Minister of Law and Order to release immediately any official or office bearer of any organisation, or any other party to the peace process who has been detained;

● "That we publicly condemn and disassociate ourselves from the current violence;

● "That the police and security forces must allow meetings of the different organisations which are part of the peace process in order to get a mandate and report back to their constituencies;

● "That all parties who are part of the peace process must publicly endorse and accept the principles of freedom of expression and association and publicly condemn such actions such as forced recruitment and will take immediate disciplinary action against those individuals who violate these principles;

● "That there are certain points related to the details of the violence where agreement could not be reached and the parties have agreed to reflect on those points and to raise them again at a future meeting." — Sapa

Cape Times 3/12/87

Bomb explodes in miner's hands

PRETORIA. — A miner was killed when a home-made bomb exploded in his hands last night at the Cooke section of the Randfontein Estates gold mine, police said yesterday.

A police report said the man was killed during a confrontation between two large groups of workers at the mine, about 30km west of Johannesburg.

The miner had hurled two "home-made bombs" at a rival group, injuring three people.

He was about to throw the third bomb when it exploded in his hands, "fatally injuring" him. Police did not say what sparked the confrontation.

Two more people have been killed — one stabbed 65 times — in townships around Maritzburg, according to the police unrest bulletin.

Police discovered the body of an unidentified man who was stabbed to death and burnt at Taylor's Halt yesterday.

The man was stabbed about 65 times in the back, chest, stomach and neck.

The body of another man with bullet wounds in the stomach was found at Slangspruit, the report added.

Estimates are that more than 200 people have died in recent months in violence in the Maritzburg area. — Sapa

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'Kitscops' mutiny: 19 held after shootout

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A mutiny by about 60 Lekoa Town Council policemen in the Vaal Triangle was quelled after a violent clash and shootout in Sebokeng township. Eight men were injured, including one SAP member.

The SAP yesterday disarmed and arrested 19 mutineers. The rest apparently fled.

Seven "kitskonstabels" were injured, but only one required hospital treatment after the street battle with the West Rand riot squad, who retaliated with teargas and birdshot when they were shot at by mutineers, police said.

One SAP member was stabbed and slightly wounded in the hand.

POOR PAY

Police and municipal authorities have given no indication of the cause, but is is believed that resentment over low pay, R128 a month, may have contributed.

However, Lekoa mayor Mr Esau Mhlatsi said: "I am not aware of any complaints about pay."

The Sebokeng drama began about 10am when the "kitskonstabels" were ordered to stand vehicle inspection by their commander, Major J J Bruyns.

After refusing to obey, they climbed into their bakkies and drove straight at him and tried to run him down. Major Bruyns evaded them.

BROKE INTO ARMOURY

He contacted the West Rand riot squad who were deployed to counter the mutiny.

The mutineers, who had apparently broken into their armoury and taken out guns, jumped on to their vehicles and headed into the township.

The group was cornered between the municipal offices and Sebokeng Hospital. Shots were fired at the SAP with pistols and revolvers and they retaliated, arresting and dispersing the mutineers. Several firearms were seized.

A Pretoria police spokesman said yesterday police were investigating charges of mutiny, attempted murder and malicious damage to property. Detectives would find out how the mutineers got hold of the guns.

Township cops mutiny

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JOHANNESBURG. — Dozens of black municipal policemen mutinied against their white commander, tried to run him down and then became involved in a shoot-out with riot police, authorities said.

Seven constables and one riot squad member were hurt in the clash at Sebokeng, a black township 35 kilometres south of Johannesburg, police said.

It was believed to be the first large-scale gun battle between two branches of the security forces.

Nineteen of the 60 rebel constables were taken into custody and were being investigated for mutiny, attempted murder and malicious damage to property.

Police headquarters said the constables mutinied for unknown reasons after being ordered to conduct a routine inspection of their vehicles.

A source in the Vaal Triangle township said, however, the municipal police had been striking over a pay issue.

It is not yet clear what sparked the attack.

A black newspaper editor, speaking on condition of anonymity, said some of the constables gave a different account.

He said they reported being stopped by the riot squad while driving in their official vehicles to a meeting where they planned to air grievances about pay and alleged job discrimination.

Riot squad

The editor said the constables reported that they were ordered out of the vehicles, started to proceed on foot, and then were fired on with tear gas, provoking the clash.

According to police headquarters, the mutinying constables tried to run down their commanding officer, then fled before being confronted by the riot squad.

The constables opened fire, and the police responded with tear gas and buckshot, the police statement said.

Two constables were wounded by buckshot, five suffered other minor injuries and one riot policeman received a slight knife wound to his hand, the statement said.

Lieutenant Colonel J M Labuschagne, a police spokesman, said an investigation of the mutiny was under way.

Police also said charges of attempted murder were being investigated.

The constables belong to the municipal police force of Lekoa, a group of six townships that includes Sebokeng and Sharpeville.

Those townships have experienced extensive anti-apartheid unrest in recent years, a period in which black policemen have been frequent targets of activists.

It could not be established whether other municipal policemen would be back on duty today.

Some strikes by black constables have been reported previously, but no full-scale mutinies. — Sapa-AP and Own Correspondent

2 policemen die in Soweto ambush

Staff Reporter

TWO policemen were shot dead and four wounded when a police vehicle carrying seven men was hit by AK-47 rifle fire in Soweto on Saturday evening.

This was the second township ambush of a police vehicle within a week.

On Wednesday evening in New Crossroads two special constables were wounded when a gunman opened fire with a high-velocity weapon, "probably an AK47", on a police vehicle carrying 30 special constables.

The Soweto shooting took place just before midnight, according to police.

Gunmen fired at the police from a vehicle. Only one policeman escaped injury.

After the incident, a number of AK-47 cartridges were found nearby.

The spokesman said the condition of the wounded was "satisfactory". All the policemen involved were based in Meadowlands and their names would be released when their next-of-kin had been notified.

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Cop mutiny: White OC is suspended

JOHANNESBURG. — The Lekoa town council has suspended the commander of its municipal police force following an armed mutiny by about 60 policemen in Sebokeng township on Thursday.

Nineteen mutineers were arrested after the skirmish with members of the West Rand SAP riot squad.

Eight men, including one SAP member, were injured during the incident. Charges being investigated include attempted murder, malicious damage to property and mutiny.

A spokesman for the Lekoa council confirmed the council's executive committee had decided to suspend the white commander of their municipal police force, Major J J Bruyns, with loss of salary and with immediate effect.

According to the spokesman, most of the 480-strong police force has not reported for duty since Friday.

Although police and municipal authorities have so far given no indication of what the cause of the uprising was, it is believed resentment over wages as low as R128 a month could have contributed to the incident.

An officer of the Lekoa municipal police, Captain Timothy Radebe, yesterday told of circumstances leading to the clash.

He told the Sowetan newspaper that white municipal policemen would not take orders from black senior officers.

He said matters came to a head last Thursday when he and a white officer gave different orders to their subordinates.

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Lekoa police mutineers freed

JOHANNESBURG. — The 19 Lekoa town council policemen arrested last week after an armed mutiny in Sebokeng township, have been released, a Pretoria police spokesman said yesterday. It was not yet known when the 19 alleged mutineers would appear in court.

"All I can say at this stage is that they have all been released pending further investigation. The whole matter is now sub judice," he said.

Charges being investigated in connection with the incident include attempted murder, mutiny and malicious damage to property. — Sapa

said he was still in the intensive-care unit.

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Grenade attack: 10 hurt

PRETORIA — Ten people, including two security force members, were injured in a hand-grenade attack in Soweto on Thursday, according to yesterday's unrest report.

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Police find mutilated body

PRETORIA. — The mutilated and partly decomposed body of a man was found at Taylor's Halt, Maritzburg, police said in their overnight unrest report.

Also in the area 12 people were injured and 27 arrested when police dispersed a gathering of two opposing factions outside a headman's house at Sweetwaters.

The report said sjamboks were used in the clash between the two factions.

At Mpumalanga, Maritzburg, a man was slightly injured when a petrol-bomb was hurled and shots were fired at his house.

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In another incident in the area a woman was slightly injured and a house was badly damaged in a petrol-bomb attack.

An 18-year-old man was injured in Hammarsdale when a group with knives attacked him.

Police used tearsmoke in Kwamashu, Durban, to disperse a mob who refused to disperse. Ten men and two women were arrested.

In White City, Soweto, 10 youths were arrested after a house was stoned. — Sapa.