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Hit squad disbanded

PRETORIA — The Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) — a major player in the Harms Commission of Inquiry into politically motivated violence — has been operationally disbanded, the Chief of the SA Defence Force, General Jannie Geldenhuys, said in a statement last night.

"The general’s statement follows an announcement made in Parliament on February 26 this year by the Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, that the Chief of the Defence Force had suspended all the activities of the CCB, pending the findings of judicial inquiries."

General Geldenhuys said that following the minister’s announcement a process of rationalisation of the CCB was started.

"Aspects directly related to the Harms commission will be dealt with only after the judicial process has been completed," the general’s statement said.

"The members of the CCB have been transferred from the Special Forces to the SA Army where the administrative processes regarding the final disbanding will be completed."

"This, General Geldenhuys said, removed doubt about the position of the CCB.

"The special forces make an exceptional contribution to safeguarding the Republic of South Africa, often under extremely difficult circumstances. General Malan referred to a few of these successes in his speech on 26 February 1990," the statement said.

General Geldenhuys said the CCB was a small part of the Special Forces and that only a small part of the CCB was implicated in alleged irregular activities.

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Never again" for assurances as CCB disbanded

By MICHAEL MORRIS, Political Correspondent and Argus Correspondents

RELIEF, scepticism — and demands for assurances that South Africa will never again have a similar organisation of its kind — greeted the news today of the disbanning of the SADF special forces unit, the Civil Cooperation Bureau (CCB).

And as the Harare Commission prepared to hear arguments today on the CCB case, were intensified for the broadening of the scope of the commission to include CCB operations outside the country.

Commission secretary Mr Chris Erasmus said the disbanning of the CCB would not affect the commission’s work.

"The dismantling of the CCB does not fall within the commission’s mandate. We are investigating acts committed by the CCB in the past, and the investigation will continue," he said.

The Cid of the Defence Forces, General Janie Goldenhouts, announced last night that the CCB — which has been prominent in the multi-commmission inquiry into politically-motivated violence — had been operationally disbanded.

A government in now being asked to give assurances that the CCB’s activities will not be conducted in any form and to make public details of CCB members and their activities.

Announcement welcomed

Questions have been raised about how the disbanning of the unit will be monitored and what will happen to the CCB’s foreign assets.

Democratic Party law and order spokesman and Green Point MP Max Price said the announcement would be seen as a vindication of the persistence and hard work of those concerned about "serious allegations of human rights violations, murders and masquerade actions by members of the CCB."

"I would also ask that specific assurances are given that the CCB will not be allowed to exist under any other name."

A spokesman for the Northerninho-based Campaign for a Judicial Inquiry into the sorts, Mr Barnier John, said the decision is a victory for the democratic process.

"We also want to know whether the names of members of the unit and details of the acts are to be released.

Mr Erhardt and Mr Goldenhouts, who was to start setting down in Harare today after a series of acts of violence by the CCB, told the announcement was "good news".

"When an announcement is made before consulting his principal clients, he could not have been in the commission," said the spokesman for the Cid.

Webster Trust spokesman Mr Maggio Friedman said the announcement did not answer questions about the CCB’s clandestine activities.

Investigated

Five Freedom Forum (FFF) spokesman Mr Giel Nolte said crimes committed by all CCB members was fully investigated, and the highest level of the disbanning would be an answer to the responsibility the uppers.

After the National Congress (ANC) spokesman Mr Makhathini and ANC’s Mr Gwela did not reply, the state soldier organisation existed which would "cry off" the CCB’s activities.

United Democratic Front (UDF) acting public secretary Mr Mzimba Moleke expressed doubt about the possibility that secret organisations could exist without a "similar objective of dissension still existed.

Pan African Congress (PAC) spokesman Mr Palman told the Commission he was still waiting for a "statement on the acts of CCB membership in the army."

Bophuthatswana police die in attack

By HENRIKO du PLESSIS, Staff Reporter

Two police officers were killed and two others wounded in an attack on a police station in Bophuthatswana.

The attack came as the police were trying to quell a riot in a nearby township.

Police baffled by the case of the KGB car

By DAMEE NIE, Staff Reporter

The case of the KGB car, which disappeared from the National Intelligence Agency (NIA) in Pretoria, remains baffling for the police.

"We think it is possible that the man was killed on the long trip, or drove off without thinking," a major said.

"He would like to put him to either contact the KGB police or to bring his belongings to the Pretoria police station,"

Major Cullin said the registration officer was able to get a lift from Johannesburg to Cape Town to enjoy a holiday with friends in the Cape, and then drive back to Johannesburg to see his mum, who was in hospital.

Constable Pieters was then able to go to a nearby town and drive it to get it going, only to see the driver killed after the incident.

Drinks run major cancer risk — study

By S. R. K. (Summit) Stetson

MADRID — Alcoholics who have not drunk for 2 years are more likely to get cancer than non-drinkers, a study has revealed.

Professor Charles E. Lieber, professor of medicine and pathology at New University and the world’s top authority on the subject, gave his findings at a Madrid University summer school.

"We have found that 2 years of alcohol avoidance reduces the risk of cancer by 50% compared with non-drinkers," he said.

"The study is not just for the brain but also for the liver," he added.

BIGGEST HEALTH PROBLEM

"A woman is much more likely to get from, drink than a man," he emphasised.

He said that men dying from alcohol are more likely to get cancer of the liver, and that the disease is most common in people who drink over 3 litres of alcohol.

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Woman killed, four hurt in harbour smash

By DAMEE NIE, Staff Reporter

A WOMAN died and four people were injured when a car filled with oil exploded in Container Road, Table Bay Harbour, early today.

The injured, two Chinese men and two women, were taken to Groote Schuur Hospital.

Police said the cause of the explosion was that the dead woman was a victim of the explosion.

The public was warned not to exceed the speed limit in the harbour.
'Under the carpet'

Unless the criminal activity of all CCB members was fully investigated by the authorities, the "legitimate recruitment" of the CCB would not be complete. The CCB would remain a "necessary evil."
More disputes loom

MORE than 28 000 workers countrywide are still on strike over wage disputes and, while several major strikes have been settled, at least four new disputes are looming.

More workers this week joined a marathon national strike in the liquor industry.

National Union of Wine Spirit and Allied Workers' spokesperson Mr Ntombekhona Nkosi said three more plants in Natal had joined the strikes, bringing the total number of strikers to 450.

Nkosi said that while the union remained prepared to meet management, no meeting had been scheduled.

Nusaw is demanding a R40 across-the-board increase while the Wine and Spirit Employers' Association has offered R35.

Meanwhile, more than 5 000 South African Commercial, Catering and Allied Workers' Union (Sacawu) members are on strike in support of wage demands at Metro Cash and Carry stores countrywide.

The dispute has been submitted to mediation and a company spokesperson said they hoped a solution would soon be found.

The national union of Mineworkers is still balloting about 20 000 workers on coal mines.

A Numsa spokesperson said the union had begun an 11-day strike ballot among at least 100 000 members.

Numsa has rejected Seifsa's offer of a 19 percent wage increase for labourers and 15.5 percent for artisans.

The union is demanding 56 percent across the board.

Fourteen other unions, representing about half Seifsa's employees, have accepted the wage offer.

A strike is also looming at the giant Delta Motor Corporation in Port Elizabeth over a dispute which involves a pay rise claim of at least R3.50.

The matter has already been to court and sparked procedural strike action earlier this month.

Forum

At stake is Numsa's year-long campaign to force Delta to agree to join the national bargaining forum, a move Delta regards as an unfair labour practice.

Meanwhile, Numsa and other motor and tyre employers remain far apart, according to Numsa spokesperson, Mr Gavin Hartfield.

The union will declare a dispute if progress is not made in the next round of negotiations.

Delta is the largest private employer in Port Elizabeth with a workforce of 4 000.

Some 6 000 Southern Sun workers are still on strike.

SAB workers list demands

SOUTH African Breweries workers marched on the SAB head office in Johannesburg at the weekend.

Their demands included: a living wage for all SAB workers, an end to all racist employment practices, an end to union-bashing tactics, and public confirmation that SAB strikers have the right to picket and to hold sympathy strikes.
New era of ‘rooi gevaar’?

GOVERNMENT allegations of a planned insurrection smacked of the "total onslaught" and "rooi gevaar" era, SA Council of Churches general secretary, the Rev Frank Chikane, says.

He said he was concerned about the "Red Plot" allegations.

"I am seriously concerned that it looks like we are returning to the old ‘total strategy’ and ‘total onslaught’ era where the ‘rooi gevaar’ clouded all issues and made any peace process impossible."

There would always be evidence to show people were still actively engaged in the war on both sides while obstacles to negotiations were still in place and there was no formal agreement on a ceasefire or suspension of hostilities between the government and the ANC.

"A ceasefire in a climate where all the obstacles for negotiations are cleared up is the only way to ensure that the peace process will not be derailed by whatever forces that might want to do so, from whichever quarter," Chikane said.
Webster: New evidence

Own Correspondent and Sapa

JOHANNESBURG. — New evidence dealing with the murder of Wits University academic Dr. David Webster has been presented to the Harms Commission of Inquiry, although its chairman, Mr. Justice Louis Harms, declined to reveal its contents.

This came to light yesterday during argument by Mr. Eberhard Bertelsmann, SC, acting for the Webster Trust and others, over how the commission could get to the bottom of CCB activities in SA.

Mr. Justice Harms said forensic tests were carried out on the diary belonging to CCB Region 6 co-ordinator, Mr. Christo Brits.

In May the commission heard that some entries had been cut out while others bore evidence to the fact that he drew ammunition on the day before the Webster and Lubowski murders.

“We have not concluded our investigations into the Webster murder,” Mr. Harms said.

Defence Minister General Magnus Malan and SADF General Staff members could be blamed for devising and implementing a policy involving potential violence aimed at left-wing political organisations and people, Mr. Bertelsmann said in his argument.

Members of the CCB could, by refusing to cooperate with the commission as ordered by President F.W. de Klerk, be tried on charges of treason, he added.

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JOHANNESBURG.—The South African Council of Churches has been condemned by the Pan African Congress for allegedly contributing R10 a month to Pretoria mass murderer "Wit Wolf" Bar- end Strydom.

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PAC general-secretary Mr. Benny Alexander said today an immediate investigation would be started to check whether the donation was in fact being made.

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PAC slams 'Wit Wolf' gift

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Calls for wider probe into CCB

CIVIL-RIGHTS groups yesterday welcomed the disbanding of the Civil Co-operation Bureau — but said the government action did not go far enough.

The spokesman for the Campaign for a Judicial Inquiry into Hit Squads, Mr Barney Jordaan, said it was more important than ever now that the Harms Commission of Inquiry be allowed to investigate CCB activities in foreign countries.

"If this does not happen, the public will be justified in suspecting a cover-up."

The campaign wished to know how the CCB's estimated 80 offices abroad would be disbanded and what would happen to its former operatives.

The ANC also welcomed the disbanding of the CCB but insisted that operatives implicated in its activities be charged.

It also expressed concern over the appointment of the CCB's former commander, Major-General A J (Kat) Liebenberg, as head of the SADF.
‘Witness’ to Webster death interviewed

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — The mystery of who killed left-wing activist Dr David Webster has taken a dramatic turn.

The Harms Commission into unsolved politically motivated murders was told yesterday that the chairman, Mr Justice Louis Harms, had interviewed a new witness to the killing on May 1 last year.

It was the first move in a bid to unravel the mystery since Brigadier Floris Mostert, Commander, Special Investigations, Witwatersrand SAP, led evidence earlier this year that no major new information had been obtained about the killing.

Mr Justice Harms was hearing final legal argument yesterday on evidence submitted to him on the activities of the now-dismembered Civil Co-operation Bureau.

He said the commission, established by President de Klerk on February 2 this year, had not concluded its investigation.

He also said that last week he sent a diary used by the CCB to police forensic laboratories for analysis.

The diary is alleged to have contained entries which could have a bearing on whether or not unnamed people had been “diarised” for various assignments. In earlier evidence the diary was said to have had several pages removed.

“Officers of the commission are, and have been, busy with certain other issues and I will deal with those in due course,” he said.

Mr Justice Harms said that he had had consultations with a possible witness on Tuesday.

“WHISPERS IN THE CORRIDORS”

“This indicates we are still seeing what we can do about the Webster matter.”

He said that, if it was necessary, he would reconvene the commission specifically to look into the Webster murder.

Mr Eberhard Bertelsmann SC, who presented legal argument on behalf of the David Webster Trust and other parties, told the judge that he and members of the legal team involved “really want you to succeed” and promised to co-operate whenever possible.

Mr Bertelsmann’s line of argument was on the CCB’s role in alleged harassment of the leftwing — including attempted assassinations and bombings.

Mr P A “Flip” Hattingh SC, for the CCB, said in written argument that the unit could not be held accountable for the murder of Dr Webster, as alleged by witnesses to the Harms Commission and the Hennstra Commission into alleged irregularities within the security department of the Johannesburg City Council.

Mr Hattingh said that claims made in Mr Bertelsmann’s argument were groundless, and he said that, if looked at in totality, they were no more than “whispers in the corridors.”

He said it was not true that the CCB or its members could be involved.
11 murders denied by Soweto man

By Cathy Stagg

A 22-year-old Soweto man, who allegedly went on a crime spree which included several mass murders, pleaded not guilty to 30 charges yesterday on the first day of his trial in the Rand Supreme Court.

Charles Zwane of Orlando West pleaded not guilty to 11 murders, 22 attempted murders, one count of arson, two counts of unlawful possession of an AK-47 and two counts of unlawful possession of ammunition. An alternative to one of the murder counts was contravening the law on explosive materials.

No explanation

The defence told Mr Justice Vermooten, who is presiding over the trial with two assessors, that no plea explanation would be given as the defence was trying to establish the existence of certain documents.

The charge sheet alleges Mr Zwane did the following:

* On December 25 1988, with a companion, he machine-gunned a number of people in a shebeen where two policemen lived.
* On January 20 last year, with two companions, he killed three men and injured one while shooting at two municipal policemen.
* On February 22, he went to a home of a youth who had allegedly killed a member of the Mandela Football Club and threw petrol bombs and shot at the house.
* On April 1 last year, after a fight in another shebeen, he threw a hand grenade into the house as he left.

The court heard suggestions that the reason for the attack on an Orlando shebeen was that policemen lived there. This was denied by State witnesses.

And a weeping mother said in court she had heard the reason the house in which her 13-year-old daughter had died was set alight was because "Winnie Mandela's youngsters had a feud with Dudu Chidi's son".

Ntombana Mosomi wept as she described how she and her husband Alfred carried the burnt body of their 13-year-old daughter, Finkie, out of Dudu Chidi's house.

Mrs Mosomi said she had sent her daughters Finkie and Judith to their aunt's house to switch off the lights on February 22 last year. When they had not returned, she sent a boy named Thabo to fetch them. He returned saying that "Winnie Mandela's young men" had surrounded the house.

When Mrs Mosomi reached Mrs Chidi's blazing house, she shouted that the children inside were being killed. A man in a balaclava jumped into a minibus and drove away.

She found her daughter Judith with slight burns, Barbara Chidi with severe burns but Finkie, whose body was found in her aunt's bedroom, was already dead.

Witnesses to the attack on the Orlando shebeen described seeing the bleeding bodies of those who had died and how their own injuries had changed their lives.

(Proceeding.)
JOHANNESBURG. — The continuing violence of "right-wing Rambos" could no longer be tolerated, ANC spokesman Mr Aziz Pahad told a crowd of Wits University students yesterday.

Mr Pahad also condemned the government's actions towards the SA Communist Party and suggested that either the media had been misled by the government or the government and the media.

"The only thing the government achieved by their new Red scare was to put Tongaat on the map," Mr Pahad said.

The alleged creation of a new 'Red' plot by the government had caused a new obstacle to negotiations, he claimed.

He blamed the continuing violence in Natal on collusion between the government and Inkatha and said more people were being killed in Natal than Beirut. — Sapa
Malan responsible for CCB - claim

By Norman Graham

The Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, was yesterday asked by the Parliamentary Standing Committee to explain the actions of the CCB (Civil Cooperation Bureau) in the past.

"The CCB is an integral part of the defence force of the Republic," Malan said, and declined to make any further comments.

The Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. J. G. Malan, was of the opinion that Malan had been responsible for the actions of the CCB, and that he should be held accountable for any actions taken by that body.

Malan denied this, saying that the CCB was an independent body, and that he had no control over its activities.

However, the Committee was not satisfied with Malan's explanation, and decided to table a motion of censure against him.

The motion was moved by Mr. J. G. Malan, and seconded by Mr. J. G. Smith.

The motion was unanimously adopted, and Malan was ordered to step down from his position as Minister of Defence.

The decision was met with widespread condemnation, and Malan was seen as a hero by many members of the public.

The Committee was also asked to investigate the actions of the CCB in the past, and to take appropriate action against any individuals found guilty of wrongful acts.

Malan, however, remained defiant, and pledged to continue his fight against the Committee's decision.

The Committee was due to hold further hearings on the matter, and it was reported that Malan had already instructed his lawyers to prepare for a court battle.
Concern over CCB 'transfer'

Political Correspondent

THE SA Council of Churches (SACC) yesterday expressed its concern that the members of the disbanded Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) had merely been transferred from the Special Forces to the SA Defence Force (SADF).

SACC General Secretary the Rev Frank Chikane said such a shift meant "the criminal activities of the CCB may simply be transferred and be allowed to operate within the army", adding that such a transfer was tantamount to an admission by the government of responsibility for the CCB.

He said the majority of South Africans whose friends and family members had suffered at the hands of the CCB would never believe that the CCB would not continue to be active within the army.
ARMED ATTACKS
BETWEEN January and June this year there were 138 incidents of "revolutionary terror", 197 of "sub-revolutionary" terror and 6231 of "agitational terror" in South Africa (excluding the independent homelands).

This is according to the independent political and labour risk consultant Wim Booysen.

Revolutionary terror includes incidents such as limpet mines, commercial explosives and hand grenade attacks as well as possession of AK-47s.

Sub-revolutionary involves attacks with petrol bombs on town councillors' homes.

Agitational terror refers to incidents of intimidation aimed at disrupting the social order.

Right-wing Terror. In 1989 between 0.2 and 1.25 percent of recorded incidents could be ascribed to the right-wing. This figure rose to between four and seven percent in the first six months of 1990, with most incidents taking place over the past two months.
New facts link CCB with murders

MEMBERS of the Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) may be implicated in the Webster and Ribeiro murders, according to new information uncovered in official investigations.

The Saturday Star has established that there is a link between an affidavit given to the Harms Commission this week by an unknown potential new witness and information already in its possession.

The statement, made by a CCB member, relates to previous investigations by the commission's officers which, in turn, may implicate a member of the CCB in the murder of Johannesburg academic Dr David Webster.

New witness

It was announced at the commission this week that a new witness in the Webster killing had been questioned by Mr Chris Erasmus, the commission secretary, and Colonel John Wright, the investigating officer.

Although the witness was not named, the Saturday Star established that he was a member of the CCB and that his name had been referred to in earlier evidence to the commission, but had not testified.

His affidavit referred to both the murder of Dr Webster in May last year and Mamelodi doctor Mr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife Florence, in December 1988.

KITT KATZIN and STEVE McQUILLAN

His evidence is being assessed by the commission and further witnesses may be subpoenaed to testify.

The contents of the affidavit apparently relate to information gathered by the commission on the possible involvement of CCB members in both murders.

Mr Erasmus: "The commission is deciding whether to call other witnesses in regard to the commission's new Information."

Investigations show that the commission has also confiscated documents relating to the CCB's possible involvement in the Ribeiro murders.

Sources said it was significant that, while Mr P A "Pip" Hattingh SC, for the CCB, said during argument to the commission this week that there was no evidence that implicated the CCB in the Ribeiro murders, he was aware that the commission had itself uncovered certain information in this regard.

He said that he had been told officers of the commission had questioned Mr Willie van Deventer, a former CCB operator, in connection with the Ribeiro murders.

Mr Hattingh told Mr Justice Louis Harms that he would also furnish the commission with certain information.

Mr van Deventer, according to press reports, was prepared to sell his story about alleged CCB involvement in the Ribeiro murders and the assassination of Mr Peter Ntuli, former Minister of Internal Affairs in KwaNdebele, who was the victim of a car bombing in June 1986, to a British television company. He claimed the CCB was also involved in the training of 200 Inkatha warriors on the SA Defence Force payroll. Later, however, Mr van Deventer denied he had made the allegation.

However, when Mr van Deventer appeared before the commission, he refused to give evidence on the grounds that he might incriminate himself.

The Saturday Star has also established that the commission is investigating the possibility of tracing other suspects in the Ribeiro slayings.

A former Selous Scout, Mr Noel Robey, was initially implicated in the killing of the doctor and his wife. But at a preparatory hearing in the Pretoria North Magistrate's Court in June 1987, he was cleared of involvement in the killings when the magistrate found there was no direct evidence linking him.

Fish safaris

The court had been told that a cream four-wheel-drive vehicle with the same registration number as Mr Robey's was seen near the scene of the murders.

Meanwhile, the Saturday Star has established that Mr Robey later left South Africa and became involved with a company offering fish safaris to tourists in Namibia. The company, called Kaliso Safaris, was based in the Capri.

It is believed that Mr Robey was a member of the SA Special Forces, serving in 5 Reece and was said to have links with the

WEBSTER WATCH

IT has been 460 days since the assassination of university lecturer and human rights activist Dr David Webster outside his Troyeville home.

This week in legal argument, the Harms Commission was given guidelines on the winding down of the Civil Co-operation Bureau, allegedly responsible for Dr Webster's assassination. The David Webster Trust and other interested parties recommended that the CCB should be publicly disbanded and that the CCB list all personnel. It also recommended that all its assets be liquidated.

A reward of R25 000 still stands for information leading to the conviction of Dr Webster's killers.

CCB link

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Judge Harms said this week that investigations into the Webster and Ribeiro murders were continuing and that he would reconvene the commission if necessary.

Earlier, Mr Eberhard Berteismann, SC, for the Webster Trust and other interested parties, recommended that further investigations should be carried out.
Right-wingers appear

JOHANNESBURG — Alleged right-wingers, who appeared in the Regional Court here yesterday in connection with possession of explosives, were arrested after an investigation by the police into recent explosions, an SAP statement has confirmed.

"These arrests follow an extensive investigation by the police into the recent explosions which rocked the Witwatersrand and the West Rand," the statement said.

The three are Warrant Officer Pieter Bekker, 35, of the West Rand Police Unrest Unit; Mr Julius van Eeden, 27, of Discovery, Roodepoort, and Mr Gottfried Heydenreich, 27, a former policeman of Florida. — Sapa

Union leader slapped

DURBAN — A man flew into a rage and slapped trade union leader Mr. Jay Naidoo when he apparently cold-shouldered a question on nationalisation directed at Communist Party leader Mr Joe Slovo at Durban airport.

Police spokesman Capt Bala Naidoo said he believed the unnamed white man had approached Mr Slovo at Louis Botha Airport yesterday and questioned him on the ANC's nationalisation plans. He had apparently wanted to know the future of his business if the ANC came to power.

At that stage Mr Naidoo apparently moved in and told the questioner Mr Slovo would not reply.

No charge had been preferred by either party. — Sapa
Assault: Top cop appears

BISHO. — A senior Ciskei policeman, Brigadier Sikilele Zidi, 43, has pleaded not guilty to charges of assault, defeating the ends of justice and malicious damage to property. Brig Zidi was one of the senior officers who investigated the death of the border region director of the Institute for a Democratic Alternative for SA, Mr Eric Mtongwa, three years ago. That investigation led to the conviction of six security policemen. Brig Zidi will stand trial in the Zwelitsha Regional Court on September 2. No evidence has been led and Brig Zidi was released on bail of R600. — Sapa
Johannesburg. — Mrs Winnie Mandela had told her “football club” to kill two young men she regarded as “problematic” and this was why the house of their mother, ANC member Mrs Dudu Chidi, was set alight, the Rand Supreme Court heard yesterday.

Mrs Chidi gave evidence during the trial of Mr Charles Zwane, 22, who has pleaded not guilty to 38 charges including 11 murders, 22 attempted murders, arson and two counts each of unlawful possession of an AK-47 machinegun with ammunition.

Mrs Chidi said she had not allowed her sons to join the football club.

She said Mrs Mandela had told her her sons would be regarded as “sell-outs” if they did not join the club and had sent people to fetch them.

Mrs Chidi said the club members were Mrs Mandela’s bodyguards, as she had never seen them play against another football club.

"The things they did — burning people’s houses and killing people — are not what football clubs do," she said. — Sapa
Union wants 50 percent hike

By CHIARA CARTER

CLOTHING bosses squared up to the South African Clothing and Textile Workers Union (Sactwu) for a preliminary round of talks in Cape Town this week. Sactwunewsco

The talks were a "scene-setter" for annual industrial council wage negotiations in the largest industry in the Western Cape.

Sactwul is demanding an across-the-board increase of R45 — an increase of almost 50 percent.

The union has asked for a service bonus of R1 a week for each year of service, five extra days annual leave and a 40-hour working week.

While this year's negotiations are taking place at a regional level, Sactwu wants employers to agree to establish a single national clothing industrial council.

In response to Sactwu's demand, bosses are likely to plead poverty and point to the slump in the industry.

The industry has been hard hit by retrenchments this year, with thousands of workers throughout the country losing their jobs.

The union says a slack pay fund should be established to assist workers placed on short time or retrenched.

It wants basic rights about grievance, disciplinary and retrenchment procedures to be included in the main industrial council agreement.

Sactwu is also asking for an extra paid public holiday, 10 days paid leave a year for shepstewards and free overalls for workers.

The union wants employers to do away with the learning period for Category C workers and reduce all other learning periods to a year.
No time for overtime

OVERTIME is again a contentious issue among workers at South African Breweries. Last week, the Food and Allied Workers' Union (Fawu) announced it had declared a dispute with the company about overtime.

The move followed five rounds of talks between the two parties.

A statement issued by Fawu said SAB was insisting that workers agree to contractual overtime and that a refusal to do so would constitute a form of industrial action.

"Workers do not want to be well-paid slaves. We call on SAB to pay a living wage within normal working hours," the statement said.

SAB workers have led the battle against compulsory overtime. Last year, the Appellate Court ruled that an overtime ban during previous wage negotiations at SAB was not a strike.

At the time overtime was not part of the contract at the company but, after a lengthy and bitter national strike over wages and working conditions in December last year, Fawu agreed to contractual overtime.

Status quo

SAB spokesperson Mr Adrian Botha said the company was merely seeking to maintain this status quo in the new agreement.

Botha described the dispute as "premature", saying the company was still willing to talk to the union.

He said the company needed contractual overtime.

"Beer is not the kind of product you can stop and start," Botha said.

He said it was unfair of Fawu to link the beer division with other SAB operations such as OK Bazaars because SAB paid "impecable" wages.

The company is presently offering a basic minimum wage of R1,232.

While the Supreme Court has ruled a refusal to work voluntary overtime is not a strike, the industrial court still has the power to find it is an unfair labour practice.

This is the basis for an interim interdict issued by the industrial court in Cape Town last week against the Transport and General Workers' Union (TGWU) and 11 shop stewards at Fidelity Guards.

Fidelity Guards argued that it rendered an essential service, that it was an historical custom for guards to work on Sundays and it was an unfair labour practice for the union to call meetings on a Sunday.

The company's roster system is built upon Sunday work, with workers working a six-day week and a 12-hour shift on Sunday.

The company says employing more workers would raise costs by almost 20 percent; in the cut-throat security business, it cannot afford this.

The interdict has not yet been served and the company has suggested mediation over the issue.

Low wages paid in the security industry constitutes a serious problem for the union in fighting overtime.

At Fidelity Guards, the company offers R469 a month, while the union is demanding R550.

The two parties are presently in deadlock and the company has warned it cannot afford a strike.

Overtime is governed by the Basic Conditions of Employment Act which provides that no worker can be asked to work more than 10 hours overtime a week or three hours a day.

Industrial Council agreements and wage determinations also regulate overtime.

Unionists argue a reduction in overtime will create more jobs. But many companies argue they cannot afford such a move and in low-paid industries, workers are dependent on overtime earnings.

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The network aims to help build a primary health care service socio-economic causes of ill health, that is activities, and that offers good quality, available from a cadre of concerned and humble health workers.

The network is seeking a primary health care trainer and a service developer to support this effort.

Working courses for community and professional health workers, training regional co-ordinators and regions.

Engaging community organisations on health care needs, regions to establish new projects and consult existing projects.

South Africans killed

Railway racism claimed

THE South African Railway and Harbour Workers' Union (Sarhwu) in the Western Cape has hit out at racism at Sats/Transnet.

Sarhwu regional organiser Mr N'Tilela said workers in the Philippi department were being divided on the grounds of race by an inspector who recently began work at the department.

A Sats spokesperson said the company was investigating the matter.
JOHANNESBURG. — The body of the man police sought for questioning in connection with a car bomb in a parkade in Pretoria a week ago was found with a bullet wound in the head near Brits, police said yesterday.

Mr. David Shongwe's body was found on the same day the car bomb was discovered, but his identity was established only on Friday through his fingerprints, a police spokesman said.

"Mr. Shongwe's body was discovered about 5pm on July 26 next to the Pulinda Harbeespoort Dam Road in the Brits district on the same day at about 5pm," the police spokesman said.

He added that the post-mortem, which showed the bullet wound had caused Mr. Shongwe's death, also showed he had probably died on Friday July 27.

Mr. Shongwe was allegedly the driver of the minibus in which the car bomb was found.

According to information received by the police, Mr. Shongwe was last seen alive on July 26 about 9pm in Atteridgeville, near Pretoria.

"Mr. Shongwe's last few hours are particularly important in the investigation into the planting of the car bomb," the spokesman said.

The minibus was seen parked in the Hallmark Parkade, Pretoria, on Friday July 27 and again on Saturday when it was reported to the police, who defused the 114kg bomb it contained. — Sapa
In Namibia
of coup plot
follow claim
Explosions 94%
GRAHAMSTOWN. — An East London advice office worker escaped narrowly with his life when a shot grazed the top of his head in a busy city street on Wednesday afternoon.

A journalist, Ms Louise Flanagan, escaped uninjured in the incident after the shot apparently passed over her head, ricocheted off her car roof and grazed the top of the head of Mr Jerald Hawkes.

Flanagan, news editor at the East London News Agency and a SOUTH correspondent, said she and Hawkes jumped into the car and drove off.

Slashed

They later returned to the scene, where they found a bullet identified as having come from a 9mm gun.

It appeared as if the shot could have come from the first floor of a building across the road.

Flanagan and Hawkes laid charges with the police on Wednesday night.

Flanagan commented: "I have had my tyres slashed, the wheelbolts on my car loosened, and Wit Wolwe suckers placed on my car and house. It seems to be a continuation of the same sort of attack by lunatic rightwingers."
Newspaper bombed after alleging coup plot

Argus Africa News Service

WINDHOEK. — Three phosphorus grenades were lobbed into the offices of the daily newspaper, the Namibian, causing extensive damage but no injuries.

Editor Miss Gwen Lister believed the attack, using what she said were South African-made grenades, may be linked to the report of an alleged coup plot her newspaper ran last Monday.

In that report, the Namibian claimed to be in possession of documents outlining a plan in which about 900 former members of Koëvoet and the South West Africa Territorial Forces would overthrow the Namibian government and assassinate key members, including President Sam Nujoma.

The government reacted cautiously, saying it viewed the allegations seriously and that police were investigating.

The grenade attack occurred at 2.30am on Sunday and Miss Lister said the editorial section of the office was "devastated". She could not yet estimate the cost of the damage but feared much of the newspaper's computer equipment had been severely affected by smoke.

She hoped to have the newspaper on the streets early today. She said that people flocked to the newspaper's offices yesterday to offer support. But she was not impressed by the co-operation of the police.

A police spokesman denied Miss Lister's allegations that the police had been less than co-operative and thorough in their investigations.
AWB threatens
Indian trader

By Theresa Anders,
Lowveld Bureau

A group of uniformed
members of the Afrikaans-speaking
(AWB) allegedly
harassed an Indian busi-
nessman who is involved
with welfare work in the
local black township at
Carolina.

"Perhaps the AWB
thinks I am behind the
local consumer boycott," said Abooabaker Jina
after the incident.

Mr Jina said he be-
lieved white Carolina
shopkeepers were desper-
ate because the two-
month-long local consum-
er boycott was crippling
their businesses.

Death

He has been getting
regular death threats
over the phone from Afrikaans-speaking people
since the boycott began.

On Saturday about
eight men, all under 40
years old, arrived outside
his general store soon
after he opened at 8am.
They arrived in a tow
truck flying an AWB flag.
After a while the men
walked into his shop.

"Only one of them was
visibly armed, but they
were all armed to the
teeth with hatred. They
used abusive language to
me and my staff, then
walked out."

He said that soon after-
wards an Afrikaans-
speaking man telephoned
the shop — by now
packed with people — to
say there was a bomb in
the store.

Mr Jina said he knew
most of the AWB men
who had visited his store.
"They are local busi-
nessmen. And the irony is
that they are running busi-
nesses from Indian-
owned properties."

From The Star's Lowveld Bureau, Clyde John-
son reports that with the
exception of Checkers
and OK Bazaars, the con-
sumer boycott in Nel-
spruit — now in week
two — has had little ef-
fect.

Most businesses report
trading as usual with
some having better than
normal business.

In a curious twist, a
number of white traders
— for reasons unknown
— have been given per-
mission by the ANC boy-
cotting committee to sell
to black consumers.

Rumours that they (the
shopowners) have either
joined the ANC or made
donations to the organi-
sation have been denied.

And, in many cases,
white shop owners —
though well-stocked —
are refusing to supply
blacks with much-needed
items, telling them:
"Sorry, out of stock."
CCB members could qualify for pardon

By Peter Fabricius,
Political Correspondent

Members of the SA Defence Force's Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) — accused of assassinating government foes — could qualify for pardon under the agreement reached by the Government and the ANC yesterday.

And ANC executive member Mac Maharaj and several other suspects arrested recently for alleged involvement in the ANC insurrection plot, Operation Vula, will probably walk free.

Government and police sources last night gave this interpretation of the Pretoria Minute.

Hundreds of ANC prisoners and detainees and possibly tens of thousands of ANC exiles could start streaming back almost immediately.

The process will work in phases. The aim is to complete it in six months and no later than April 30 next year.

ANC/Government delegations at yesterday's talks accepted the final report of the joint Working Group on political offences, which was appointed at the first official talks between the ANC and the Government at Groote Schuur in May. The Working Group's report — and the names of its members — were released with the Pretoria Minute yesterday.

The Working Group is now to draw up a plan — before the end of August — for the phased release of ANC political prisoners and the granting of indemnity to offenders not in jail — such as exiles.

Target dates

Target dates have been set.

- By August 31 this year a body or bodies should be established to advise the Government on who should be pardoned or indemnified.
- The release of prisoners, which could be dealt with administratively, would start on September 1 this year.
- Indemnity from arrest, which could be dealt with by category of office — rather than individually — would begin from October 1 and be completed by the end of the year.

- Cases to be decided individually by a specialist body would, it was hoped, be completed within six months and not later than April 30 next year.

The Working Group said the Government could begin to grant pardon and indemnity without waiting for the processes which it had set out.

"This may result in substantial results in the near future."

The Pretoria Minute says guidelines for deciding on pardon and indemnity will apply to members of "all organisations, groupings or institutions, governmental or otherwise, who committed offences on the assumption that a particular cause was being served or opposed".

Officials said the reference to "governmental" organisations meant that members of the CCB, for instance, could qualify for pardon, but this does not mean they will necessarily get it.

As with other offenders, their cases would have to be judged against criteria drawn up by the Working Group.
Ministers accountable for CCB, inquiry told

By Norman Chandler
Pretoria Bureau
The Ministers of Defence and of Law and Order should have testified to the Harms Commission on the roles played by the Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) and the South African Police in unsolved politically-motivated murders.

This was said in Pretoria yesterday by Paul Pretorius, for the Independent Board of Inquiry into Informal Repression (IBIIR), and other parties, when presenting legal argument to Mr Justice Louis Harms.

Accountable

He said Defence Minister General Magnus Malan and the Minister of Law and Order Adriam Vlok were accountable.

He wanted to know what precise orders were given to subordinates in both departments in regard to investigation of matters concerning the commission, whether the orders were carried out, and what knowledge General Malan and Mr Vlok may have had in regard to activities in their departments.

"If they had no such knowledge, an explanation (would be necessary)," Mr Pretorius said. General Malan should also explain why orders given by the State President and by himself that CCB documentation should be provided had not been carried out.

Mr Pretorius said the IBIIR was concerned that there had been no investigation into the rise of the CCB and the activities of the SAP in regard to what had been heard at the Harms Commission. There was public concern about this.

"To investigate only the acts of murder and violence without investigating the context and causes which gave rise to these acts, is a symptomatic and superficial investigation. Without it, the commission will find it extremely difficult to make recommendations in order to prevent the recurrence of the acts complained of," he said.

Mr Justice Harms heard that as investigations were "incomplete", there could be little hope that appropriate measures would be adopted to prevent a repetition or recurrence of murders and acts of violence.

"The continuation of politically-motivated acts of violence is some indication of the importance of the commission's findings in this regard," Mr Pretorius argued.
"Turned' witness shot to pieces, Harms told

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA.—Dramatic evidence about how Harms Commission witness and "turned" former African National Congress cadre Brian Ngqulunga was murdered two weeks ago has been given to the commission.

He was literally shot to pieces, according to an affidavit handed to Mr Justice Louis Harms yesterday.

Security police Sergeant Daniel Wolmarans, who said he had known Constable Ngqulunga for many years, said 42 AK-47 assault rifle cartridges were found around and under the body. The murder took place on the night of July 20.

THROUGH BODIES

"He had been shot high in the back, and most of the bullets had gone clean through the body. Many had left the body via his face, which was unrecognizable," Sergeant Wolmarans said.

None of Constable Ngqulunga's personal effects had been removed from the body. These included his wristwatch, police accreditation card, two credit cards and two shop credit cards.

The affidavit said that people in the Madidi area, near Pretoria, had heard shots during the previous night and at daybreak had searched the area. They found the body in a ditch.

It was also disclosed that, eight years ago, a pamphlet containing Constable Ngqulunga's photograph had been distributed in townships.

He was one of a number of former ANC terrorists who returned to South Africa to work for the police and who gave evidence before the Harms Commission in early June after initially refusing to do so if they were identified by photographs and their addresses divulged.

Police confirmed yesterday that Constable Ngqulunga was buried secretly after Soshanguve youths prevented a public burial.

A police spokesman declined to give further details, saying: "We have previously experienced such violations at funerals. We cannot reveal when and where he was buried."
Rightwinger in court

A rightwinger, Leon van Rensburg (44) of Helderbergen Roodepoort, who allegedly contravened the Arms and Ammunition Act appeared in a Johannesburg Regional Court yesterday.

He was released on bail of R5 000. The court added his name to the charge sheet of Robertson advocate Andries Smith and John Roesch (30), who appeared in court last month after an M26 handgrenade, a Mills grenade and an instant light-flare were seized by the police. The case was postponed to August 22. — Court Reporter
PRETORIA. — Dissident security policemen Mr Dirk Coetzee, Mr David "Spyker" Tekhalange and Death Row prisoner Butana Almond Nofemela were responsible for the death of Durban anti-apartheid lawyer Mr Griffiths Mnxenge, three advocates told the Harms Commission of Inquiry yesterday.

Mr Denis Kuny, SC, Mr Paul Pretorius and Mr Louis Skeweya, SC, all presented argument to the commission, under the chairmanship of Mr Justice Louis Harms, investigating politically motivated violence.

Mr Kuny, representing Lawyers for Human Rights, submitted that Death Row prisoner and former security policeman Nofemela, whose statement on allegations of a police hit squad was made hours before he was due to be hanged, did not know how much his account of the Mnxenge murder would be corroborated by Coetzee, Tekhalange and other evidence.

It could not have been expect-ed that other policemen implicated would have admitted involvement as most were still serving members of the force.

The possibility of a fabrication by the three men was unlikely as they would have to have carefully studied the inquest report and to have visited the area "with a view of using their observations in future possible proceedings".

Mr Kuny and Mr Pretorius, representing the Board of Inquiry into Informal Repression, submitted that the scope of the commission was too narrow.

Mr Pretorius said there had been a failure to investigate allegations against the SAP.

Mr Pretorius said the BIIR was concerned that neither the Minister of Defence nor of Law and Order had been called to give evidence.

The commission is to hear argument from the legal teams of the Special Branch and the Minister of Law and Order when it reconvenes today. — Sapa

Evidence on witness’s death

PRETORIA. — Evidence concerning the death of Special Branch Constable Brian Ngqulunga was yesterday handed in to the Harms Commission of Inquiry investigating politically motivated murders.

Free State Attorney-General Mr Tim McNally, who is assisting the commission in its inquiry, handed in an affidavit from a Special Branch Sergeant Daniel Wolmarans concerning the death of Const Ngqulunga, who had, earlier given evidence to the commission.

Const Ngqulunga was implicated in various acts of violence including the 1980 murder of Durban attorney Mr Griffiths Mnxenge — all of which he denied.

His bullet-riddled body was found on July 21 this year in bush near the Mabopane-Marula Sun in Bophuthatswana.

Sgt Wolmarans said there had been 27 AK-47 shells near the body and 16 spent-bullets were found under Const Ngqulunga’s corpse.

Mr McNally also submitted an ANC document branding Const Ngqulunga as an informer. — Sapa
Coetzee's evidence ‘must be disregarded’

PRETORIA. — Disaffected security policeman Captain Dirk Coetzee was a self-confessed liar, perjurer, car thief, burglar and murderer and therefore all his evidence to the Harms Commission of Inquiry should be disregarded, Mr Mannie Witz, appearing for police Lieutenant-General Lothar Neethling, said yesterday.

He concurred with advocate Mr Sam Maritz, SC, and Mr Louis Visser, SC, who appeared for the security branch and the Minister of Law and Order respectively, in disregarding the evidence of Capt Coetzee.

Mr Maritz told the commission that when Capt Coetzee, death row prisoner Butana Almond Nofemela and David “Spyker” Tshikalange stole vehicles and burnt them, killed a diamond dealer and kidnapped a number of people, they were acting off their own bat.

He also argued that despite admissions to the killing of Durban lawyer, Mr Griffiths Mxenge, they in all probability did not commit the crime.

Mr Maritz said there was a possibility the ANC had killed Mr Mxenge as he had appeared on occasions to defend members of the PAC.

Yesterday’s session concluded argument concerning allegations on the CCB and allegations of police involvement in politically motivated violence.

Mr Justice Louis Harms is expected to hand an interim report on this stage of the proceedings to the State President soon.

The commission resumes on August 20 with evidence linking the ANC to some of the more than 2,800 murders being investigated by the inquiry. — Sapa
ANC talks cracks in ANC unity
gives sign of rapid move to real negotiations

EW talks soon
An NG Sengingkerk dominie and his family are living in fear in Bonnieval after threats were made on their lives by people they believe are right-wing residents in the Boland town.

Dominie Piet Steyn serves the Happy Valley community, an area which has been marked by upheaval this week following the petrol-bombing of a local shop.

He said his car windscreen was shattered, a brick was thrown through his window and a note with the message "You'll die soon" was slipped under his front door during one night two weeks ago.

Last week, a woman who collected Steyn's child from a nearby creche was followed by car to his front door.

**Insulting**

The driver was communicating with someone through a two-way radio.

"She was frightened to death because she didn't know what the person's intentions were," Steyn said.

"I have been receiving insulting phone calls almost every day. The callers say I'm responsible for the recent violence in the town.

"I reported all this to the police but they seem reluctant to take action."

In Ashton houses of ANC supporters were petrol-bombed this week.

Residents reported that white men were patrolling the black townships in cars with Bonnieval registration numbers, openly pointing shotguns at them.
Rightwingers disrupt FW’s speech

By Claire Robertson and Political Staff

University of Pretoria rector Danie Joubert had to intervene to subdue a rowdy right-wing group heckling President de Klerk at the university yesterday.

Professor Joubert warned one student that “steps” would be taken against him should he continue to disrupt the speech.

Students’ Representative Council chairman Charles Vorster said the SRC would deal in “a fitting way” with the group of about 100 students who disrupted Mr de Klerk’s luncheon speech in the university amphitheatre.

Third-year law student Christiaan van der Merwe, who was prominent among the hecklers, said later that Professor Joubert had warned him to stop immediately.

Mr de Klerk’s speech was interrupted and drowned out by chanting and singing. At one point he thanked the “little choir” and offered them lessons in protest.

“The golden rule is to show how numerous you are, not how few,” he told the island of noisy dissenters.

Eventually, his irritation with the students caused him to snap at them: “If you want to show bad manners, don’t do it under the Vierkleur.”

There were chants of “KP, KP” when Mr de Klerk emphasised he would not stop negotiation.

Violence must now end – De Klerk — Page 6.

Thanked the “little choir” — President de Klerk.
Hunt for terrorists

The hunt for right-wing terrorists — possibly including two members of the self-styled "Order of Death" — has intensified after a terror blast injured at least 13 people at a black taxi rank in Pretoria at the weekend.
Bomb Blast outside Mayfair Hotel
Reported unrest
Big drop in local
12 injured as bomb blast rocks Pretoria

Weekend Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA.—About 12 people were injured when a bomb exploded outside a fast food outlet opposite a taxi rank in central Pretoria today.

Pandemonium broke loose at the Blood Street taxi rank when a second bomb was found in a toilet about an hour after the blast.

Injured from the blast, which happened about 9.30am, were taken to the Kalafong and the F P Verwoerd hospitals.

There were no fatalities and police said they had no immediate identification of the type of explosives used or who placed the bomb.

Piet "Skiet" Rudolph

Initial suspicions have, however, focused on the right wing and people such as the right-wing deputy leader of the Boereenaap party, Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph.

Eyewitnesses described how as they fled the area they saw a man lying in front of the fast food shop near the corner of Van der Walt Street.

At least two taxis were hit by pieces of flying dustbin — believed to have contained the bomb.

A hawker, Mr Henry Sigobela, said he ran to help an injured coloured man.

"People threw stones at me because they said I was helping a white man. All I was trying to do was help a hurt man. Actually, he turned out to be coloured," he said.

A taxi driver, Mr John Galobe, described how a piece of the bomb penetrated the side of his taxi.

I heard a loud bang. My taxi was rocked. I saw smoke and jumped out. I ran away. I was very frightened," he said.

Fled the area

Mr Joseph Mkhafoki, a cashier at the fast food shop, said people were coming into the shop when the bomb went off. A painter, who has not yet been named, was only slightly injured when the window in the frame he was painting shattered as a result of the blast.

Police rushed through dustbins around the area in search of the second bomb. After the bomb was found the second bomb about 50m away from the first. Commuters jumped from the taxis and fled the area when they heard of it.

At least eight taxis were left abandoned at the rank as police carried the second bomb out of the enclosed toilet and defused it.
Taxi rank blast: Is right-wing to blame?

Own Correspondent

PRETORIA— No one has claimed responsibility for Saturday morning's bomb blast which injured at least 13 people when it exploded in a crowded street opposite a black taxi rank.

Explosive experts defused a second— and apparently "more devastating"— bomb 30 minutes later after being alerted to it by a municipal worker.

Though police refused to speculate, both bombs were constructed out of commercial explosives and the attack is believed to be the work of extreme right-wingers.

A group calling itself the Wit Bovrydings-leker (WBL) claimed responsibility for the July 6 blast in central Johannes burg which injured at least 26 people and warned that the bomb "would not be the last".

Reports yesterday said that 11 of the people injured in Bloed Street blast are in a stable condition at Pretoria’s H F Verwoed Hospital.
Hunt for right wing terrorists intensifies

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — The hunt for fanatical ultra-rightwing terrorists, possibly including two members of the self-styled "Order of Death," has intensified after a terror blast injured at least 15 people at a Pretoria taxi rank.

A second bomb, also made of commercial explosives, was found at a toilet at the same Bloed Street taxi rank 30 minutes after the 9.30am explosion on Saturday. Police experts defused the device.

No arrests have yet been made in connection with the blast, which took place outside packed restaurants and fast food outlets. The device was placed in a mobile dustbin.

SAME GROUP

Detectives are now believed to be investigating whether the latest suspected rightwing terror attack was the work of the same group which may have bombed two Reif National Party offices and a Johannesburg taxi rank last month, injuring 28 people.

Security sources said the possibility that self-styled "Boere" revolutionary Piet "Skiet" Rudolph, who has "declared war" on the government, may have been involved in the Pretoria taxi rank blast is also likely to be probed.

Among people police would like to question in connection with several Reif blasts and the latest Pretoria explosion are two hard-core far-right wingers and alleged killers and terrorists. They are Fanie Goosen and Cornelius Lottering.

The sources said a far-right terror attack had been expected after talks last week between the government and the ANC and the historic decision by the ANC to suspend its armed struggle.
Blast victims are now stabilised

Eleven of the 12 people injured in an explosion near a Pretoria city centre taxi rank on Saturday are in a stable condition in Pretoria’s Kalafong Hospital. The 12th victim, a man, is in serious, stable condition. Police defused the second device, but the spokesman said the exact number of injured could not be determined as many people had run away from the scene in panic.

Saturday’s bomb was detonated in a crowded street on the northern fringe of Pretoria’s central business district. The second device was found in a taxi rank toilet, across the road and about 50m from the scene of the earlier blast. Both devices were a few hundred metres from Cosatu’s regional office in nearby Brown Street.

The crowded downtown business area is frequented mostly by blacks.

A spokesman for the Kalafong Hospital said 18 people were admitted, none of them in a serious position. - Sapa
LONDON - AWB leader Eugene Terre'blanche has threatened to unleash organised violence in South Africa if current talks between Pretoria and the ANC lead to an ANC-dominated government.

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"The reason for the existence of the movement is to keep the land that our ancestors fought for. The Government has no mandate to give our land to the Communist ANC.

"The AWB, representing the Boer volk, will never accept a Communist ANC government in South Africa. If my Government capitulates...that night we will start war," the khaki-clad AWB leader added.

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We will go to war, ET tells UK viewers

The Argus Foreign Service

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Challenged about the AWB's swastika-like emblem, Mr. Terre'Blanche said unlike the nazi emblem his movement's emblem was made up of three sevens, to counter the anti-Christ's three sixes.
Police hunt rightwingers after blast

By Craig Kotze

The hunt for suspected ultraright-wing terrorists — possibly including two members of the self-styled “Order of Death” — has intensified after a terror blast injured at least 13 people at a black taxi rank in Pretoria at the weekend, police sources said.

A second bomb — like the first, made of commercial explosives — was found at a toilet at the same Blood Street taxi rank 30 minutes after the 9.30 am explosion.

Had it also gone off, the carnage would certainly have been greater.

Defused

Police experts defused the device after a man had pointed it out to them.

He originally moved the device, but then realised it might have been a bomb and called the place.

No arrests have been made in connection with the explosion which took place outside packed restaurants and fast food outlets.

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They are Fanie Groen and Cornelius Lottering.

The sources said a far Right terror attack had been expected after talks last week between the Government and the African National Congress and the historic decision by the ANC to suspend its armed struggle.

“Right-wing extremists are likely to feel that any hope for a realisation of their ideal — whether partition or a ‘Boere-staat’ — is rapidly fading and this is making them desperate.

“But they will be made to learn, as the ANC has learnt, that violence as a strategy to overthrow the Government will not work,” said one security source.
Mass action possible after taxi-rank blast

PRETORIA. - Anti-apartheid organisations yesterday pointed to a possibility of mass action against the government to protest against the bomb attack at a Pretoria taxi rank on Saturday. At least 13 people were injured in the blast.

Activists also called on the government to institute a commission of inquiry to investigate right-wing attacks.

No group claimed responsibility for the attack but activists told a press conference yesterday they believed right-wingers were responsible.

Organisations allied to the African National Congress were considering staging consumer boycotts, marches and strikes to protest the alleged right-wing attack, said a UDF spokesman.

The spokesman, Mr Siphiwe Ngwenya, called on all people committed to a peaceful settlement to "join forces with the democratic formations in pressuring the government to act accordingly" against perpetrators of "this dirty work".

The UDF was concerned about the "free operation" of the right-wing elements and their free access to arms, Mr Ngwenya urged President F W de Klerk to set up a commission of inquiry.

The call drew the support of the Pretoria Council of Churches.

The ANC also condemned the attack. "The people of South Africa will not be deterred from the chosen path of reconciliation and a non-racial South Africa," the organisation's Pretoria central branch said in a statement.

A spokesman for Kalafong Hospital said four of the injured were still receiving treatment, while an HP Verwoerd Hospital spokesman said a person admitted there was in a satisfactory condition.

Sapa
Government urged to probe rightwing terror

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Anti-apartheid organisations allied to the ANC have called on the government to investigate rightwing organisations following the weekend's Bloed Street bomb blast.

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In a statement drafted with Cosatu and released yesterday, he said the UDF was concerned about the "free operations" of the right wing and its "free access" to arms.

UDF and ANC spokesman Mr Titus Mafio said he believed the Bloed Street bomb, like one at the Johannesburg taxi rank, was planted by the right wing to unsettle peace initiatives.

"We must ensure that they don't succeed. We must make sure they don't get a place in the future South Africa," he said.

Mr Lola Mojela of Saucyo said his organisation would not allow a "certain group of lunatics" to "wage war" on its people without taking any action.

"To the right wing we say: The patience of our people is about to end."

Cosatu will present a memorandum to Mr De Klerk later this week listing attacks on its members country-wide and calling on him to intervene in accordance with the Pretoria Minute in stopping the "reign of terror."

A spokesman for the federation, Mr Nell Coleman, said the situation was at a critical stage with at least 13 people killed and more than 40 injured in Sebokeng alone in the past two weeks.
Police in the dark after Pretoria blast

POLICE yesterday still had no clues indicating who planted Saturday's taxi rank bomb in Pretoria, but were believed to be on the trail of two "Order of Death" suspects sought in connection with a spate of Witwatersrand explosions over the past two months. 

"All we can say about Saturday's explosion, which left 13 people injured, is that commercial explosives were used, an SAP spokesman said.

A Witwatersrand SAP spokesman said two right-wingers, Cornelius Lottering and Fanie Goosen, were being sought for questioning in connection with last month's blast at the Cyrildene home of a former right-wing detainee.

The two former AWB members belong to a right-wing terror squad, the Order of

LINDEN BIRKS

Death. Police allege the two were behind the group's plans to assassinate President F W de Klerk and cabinet ministers.

A police spokesman said they could probably answer questions arising from investigations into several Reef explosions and one at the Randburg home of another Order of Death member.

Sapa reports that anti-apartheid organisations pointed to a possibility of mass action against the state to protest against the Pretoria bomb attack. ANC-affiliated organisations were considering staging consumer boycotts, marches and strikes to protest against the alleged right-wing attack, a UDF spokesman in Pretoria said.
Political Reporter

Conservative Party leader Andries Treurnicht has rejected Nelson Mandela’s revelation of ANC negotiations with right-wing organisations as “mischievous and untruthful propaganda”.

He reacted in a statement yesterday to the ANC deputy president’s remarks on television on Sunday that the ANC was involving a range of political organisations in discussions, including the political Right. Mr Mandela did not name the parties.

However, it has been reported that the ANC has held talks with Afrikaner Volkswag leader Carel Boshoff and former Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging executive Chris Jooste. Both men have denied this.

Dr Treurnicht said he knew of no right-wing leader who would speak to the ANC.
Call for probe of rightists

Pretoria Correspondent

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Safety at taxi ranks comes into the spotlight at a meeting of the Pretoria United Taxi Association (Puta) today, following the bomb blast which occurred opposite a busy taxi rank and injured 40 people.

Chairman of Puta and the city's representative at the South African Black Taxi Association (SABTA), Mr Eno Makena, said he deplored the planting of the bomb, especially at a busy taxi rank.

"The safety of our commuters comes first and we have called an emergency meeting to look into the question of safety at taxi ranks," he said.

This could include the appointment of plain-clothed security officers who would patrol taxi ranks. However, he also appealed for vigilance on the part of commuters who could point out suspicious people or parcels to taxi drivers or officials.

Mr Siphiwe Ngwenya of the UDF said information received by his organisation indicated that 44 people - and not only 12 reported as hospitalised - had been injured in Saturday's blast.

He said many of those injured had run away - an explanation confirmed by Mr Lola Mojela of the SA Youth Congress Organisation, who said people may run from a bomb for fear of being associated with it.
AWB leader 'unaware of violence on blacks'

JOHANNESBURG. — AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche says he does not support actions of violence against black individuals.

Speaking at Jan Smuts airport yesterday on his return from Britain, Mr Terre’Blanche said he was unaware of violence against blacks in Pretoria and Sebokeng.

A revolution in South Africa would not be triggered off by whites or right-wingers, but by "communists" who said they supported a suspension of the armed-struggle but would not denounce violence.

Police were yesterday non-committal about Mr Terre’Blanche’s latest threat, made on British television, to unleash organised violence in South Africa if an ANC-dominated government ANC took power.

Approached for comment on his remark that "if the government capitulates ... that night we will start the war", the spokesman for the Ministry of Law and Order, Brigadier Leon Mellet, said the AWB leader was repeating an "old statement".

Own Correspondent and Sapa
WELKOM remained tense yesterday, in spite of a peace deal at President Steyn gold mine, as the Conservative Party called for its members to form countrywide self-defence units and for white miners to carry arms underground.

A threat was made that the CP would resort to violence if one white person died when black miners staged a march through the streets of Welkom in the heart of the Goldfields on Saturday.

White miners returned to work for last night's shift at the Number 4 Shaft at the mine, according to a spokesman for Anglo American, Mr Adrian du Plessis.

The situation in the town is expected to be high on the agenda when the CP takes an in-depth look at political events at its two-day annual Free State conference which begins in Bloemfontein today.

CP MP for Ovraal, Mr Koos van der Merwe, told a stormy right wing meeting in Welkom on Monday night that the party might soon call on members to stop protest marches by violent means should the lives of whites be threatened.

Gosforth Park racing results are on page 27
Johannesburg. — There are claims of widespread intimidation of black residents by some whites from Marble Hall and Groblerdaal in the Eastern Transvaal — in a bid to bust an ongoing consumer boycott in the area.

An action committee formed by the white business community is forcing black residents to buy at white businesses, according to the chairman of the boycott committee, Mr. Nkobeng Maepa.

He said yesterday that the boycott was imposed on July 21 following the failure by the conservative town council to meet demands made by the black communities. Blacks were beaten up if they refused to buy at white businesses, Mr. Maepa claimed. — Sapa
Dominee shocks town with 'ripping' sermon

Staff Reporter

A BONNIEVALE NG Kerks minister who tore out pages of the Bible referring to love and "turning the other cheek" during a sermon on Sunday, has set the farming community buzzing.

Dr Pieter Louw was speaking after reports of whites arming themselves and threatening vigilant action during last week's unrest.

His dramatic display was carefully planned and had shocked most of his sleepy Vandermerwe congregation into sitting bolt upright.

After reading Matthew verses 38 to 42, he tore each page out, crumpled them up and threw them on the ground.

"I could definitely see shock in most of their faces, but I think the message got home and they ended up very positive," he said.

Mrs Tarina Wentzel of the farm Angora said the sermon was "timely and necessary".

"Everyone I've spoken to was very impressed and positive," she said.

However, she added that she had heard of a minority who felt Mr Louw's sympathies "aren't where they're supposed to be".
ANC slates recent unrest.

PRETORIA. — The recent killings at Sebokeng hostels and the Pretoria bomb on Saturday were the work of an organised killing machine of apartheid, said Dr G Mukhari from the PWV region of the African National Congress.

"We condemn therefore this killing of our people and challenge the government to leash its forces before it's too late to contain a backlash," he said in a statement issued in Pretoria.

— Sapa
BLOEMFONTEIN. — A "war" has broken out here between two rival taxi factions.

There has been simmering tension between Bloemfontein's long-distance taxis and those from the Transvaal and other regions.

On Tuesday morning a minibus with Transvaal registration plates was burnt out in Bloemfontein in one of the latest incidents in the war.

The incident occurred after three minibuses were seen at a taxi rank in the city, one loaded with heavily armed people and escorting the other two.

Weapons such as pangas and knobkerries were found in the burnt-out vehicle.

In Pretoria yesterday, the Southern Africa Black Taxi Association said it was appalled at the increasing violence directed at its members and commuters and called on the police substantially to step up security at taxi ranks.

In the past three months, bombs had exploded at four taxi ranks injuring numerous people and causing extensive damage, Sabta said in a statement.

Sabta condemned "such outrageous and barbaric behaviour in the strongest terms".

Witwatersrand police liaison officer Captain Eugene Opperman said yesterday that police would continue to patrol taxi ranks as part of their normal rounds, taking special action when needed. — Sapa
CP warns of 'even stronger resistance'

Esmaré van der Merwe, Political Reporter

BLOEMFONTEIN — Conservative Party leader Dr Andries Treurnicht warned last night that rightwingers would resist black majority rule "even more strongly".

Opening the CP's annual Free State congress in the city hall, Dr Treurnicht issued a carefully worded, yet chilling warning to President de Klerk that the Right would never accept the National Party's "capitulation" to the ANC and SACP.

"If you play into the hands of the ANC, if you plan or allow hidden or blatant black majority rule, then we say we will exercise our right of resistance even more strongly," he told supporters.

Slating the ANC and SACP as terrorist organisations which were propagating violence and murder and were not interested in sharing power, he said the Government was negotiating itself out of power.

ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela had already admitted the Government and the ANC were co-operating in some sort of alliance. But the day would come that the ANC and other revolutionary powers would demand the surrender of power which would result in the establishment of a Marxist one-party state.

No nation with self respect would tolerate a "foreign" government, he said.

"We will continue to demand the right to govern ourselves in our own land until we gain victory. You are not dealing with a small group of settlers or colonials. You are dealing with people who have fought wars and who have a right to this country.

"We warn the Government to stay clear of negotiations on the surrendering of white political power. Be man enough to tell the ANC that white capitulation is out of the question.

"The road ahead is one of separate government, separate freedom and separate land," he said to loud applause.
Harms probe nears end

By CHRIS BATEMAN

THE Harms Commission into politically motivated violence could complete its work by the end of next week, Mr Justice Louis Harms said yesterday. He intended "not to be busy beyond September" at the latest. His commission seemed not to be "really getting any useful information".

He said the commission would resume sitting in Pretoria on Monday to hear "the general ANC matter" and evidence on the 1993 murders of Mamelodi community leaders Dr and Mrs Fabian Ribeiro.

It also emerged yesterday that local detectives are helping the commission probe a November 1997 incident in which two pink flares were set off outside the Rosebank flat of author Ms Josette Cole, followed by a phone threat.

Ms Cole, author of a book on Old Crossroads, said yesterday that at the time she was a member of a team mediating a conflict in KTC squatter camp.

Harms Commission secretary Mr Chris Erasmus said the incident was one of several on a list given to the commission by Mr Brian Currie, director of Lawyers for Human Rights. Police had been asked to add dates and places to several of the incidents.

If the commission received any further valuable information it would "carry on sitting", he said.
EAST LONDON. — Journalist Ms Louise Flanagan and an ANC member, Mr Jerald Hawkes, were shot at in the city centre here yesterday.

Ms Flanagan said they were climbing into her bakkie when she heard a bang and an object hit the bakkie roof, ricocheted and grazed Mr Hawkes's temple. A bullet was later found at the scene.
We will fight
Mandela - CP

BLOEMFONTEIN — The freedom of the white was a God-given right and was not negotiable, said Conservative Party spokesman on constitutional development, Ferdi Hartzenberg.

“Our fatherland is a gift from God and we won’t ask Mandela if we can live here or have any rights,” he told the Free State CP congress yesterday.

“We say to Mandela, if he is going to fight, we will beat him. ... We will lay everything on the altar to prevent the ANC ruling over us.”

President de Klerk knew in his heart the CP was the true representative of whites, he said.

The Government was mistaken when it said the negotiation process was irrevocable, because the urge for freedom could never be suppressed. — Sapa.
By ANDRE KOOPMAN
THE church hall adjoining Dr Allan Boesak's Bellville South NG Spen-dingkirk was yesterday "set alight". Extensive damage was caused to the interior of the building.

The hall was "definitely set alight; it could have been accidental or on purpose, that is for the police to find out", a spokesman for the Bellville Fire Department said last night.

He was certain the fire was not caused by an electrical fault.

Police confirmed last night that arson was being investigated.

The Bellville South congregation on Sunday accepted Dr Boesak's resignation over his alleged affair with TV pro-
ducer Ms Elza Botha. Dr Boesak could not be reached for comment.

The minister of the church, the Rev Johan Retief, said he did not "want to speculate until the fire has been investigated".

The caretaker of the church, Mr WJ Cloete, said the fire started soon after the church's Jeug-bend had left the hall about 4.30pm.

• Labour Party leader the Rev Allan Hendrikse's church was gutted by fire in Rosedale, Uitenhage, on Saturday night.
LIVE MAN TO

Boesak Church Hall Cut 78/70

By ANDRE KÖPFMANN

The church hall in Boesak's Belfort Street was extensively damaged by fire last night. The minister of the church, Rev. John Ossewaarde, said the fire started soon after the choir left the hall for the evening service. The police have launched an investigation into the cause of the fire.

A prominent South African leader, Dr. Andrea Boesak, was present at the church last night. He was one of the first to arrive at the scene of the fire and reported it to the police. Dr. Boesak is known for his work in the field of human rights and his advocacy for peace.

There have been no reports of injuries or damages to anyone. The church hall is reportedly insured, and the insurer will be contacted to assess the extent of the damage.

The community of Boesak has been quick to respond to the fire and is rallying around to support the church and the minister. "We are a strong community," said one resident, "and we will get through this together."
R1-million Radio equipment stolen in raid on navy

By MICHAEL MORRIS, Political Correspondent, HENRI du PLESSIS, Defence Reporter, and DALE KNEEN, Crime Reporter

SOPHISTICATED radio equipment understood to be worth about R1 million has been stolen in a night-time raid on the South African Navy's signal school at Red Hill in Simon's Town.

The equipment, described as ideal for combat use, was stolen from a classroom at the signal school on Sunday night.

The thieves entered through a perimeter security fence and broke into the classroom.

"Well selected"

Sources say the selection of stolen equipment indicates that the thieves had an extensive knowledge of communications equipment.

One source said: "The thieves had to have known what they wanted, because their loot was well selected."

In a brief, carefully worded statement—which took more than a day to prepare for clearance at senior level—South African Naval headquarters in Pretoria confirmed the "break-in" during the night of August 12-13.

The statement said: "The intruders apparently entered through the security perimeter fence and then broke into one of the radio classrooms where they removed radio equipment.

"The matter is being investigated by the Military Police in conjunction with the South African Police and a board of inquiry has been convened."
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Reports by Staff Reporters, Own Correspondent, Sapa-Reuters/AF and UPL
NGK must accept guilt, says Heyns

STELLENBOSCH. — The NG Kerk had to accept its share of guilt for the fragmentation of South African society, Prof Johan Heyns, Moderator of the NGK, told a meeting of the Stellenbosch Akteuele Aangeleenthede Kring (SAAK) yesterday.

Speaking in a panel discussion which included leader of the Afrikaner Volkswag Prof Carel Bosch, he said South African society was highly polarised and if one added to its dynamic aggressive aspect one arrived at fragmentation.

Fragmentation typified South African society and was expressed in violence which was so widespread that the society was in the grip of a “violence psychosis”.

“We seem to want to solve everything by violence from marital problems to sport,” he said.

There was political, social and religious fragmentation between all possible factions, for which the system of apartheid was directly responsible.

“The tragedy of apartheid lies in its success,” he said. “It had divided society into fragments and “washed them out” on to separate islands far from each other”.

Reconciliation was the corrective therapy for this fragmentation. The church was compelled to seek reconciliation or it was no longer a church.

“The church has to admit its own guilt and, by its own example convey the message of reconciliation.”

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WEBSTER WATCH

It has been 374 days since the assassination of human rights activist Dr. David Webster. No one has been arrested in connection with the killing.

The Civil Co-operation Bureau, allegedly responsible for Dr. Webster's assassination, has been disbanded officially, but its members have not been publicly listed, despite a request from the David Webster Trust and other interested parties.

A reward of R20,000 still stands for information leading to the conviction of Dr. Webster's killers.
Making words work
by DAVID CASEY

Word processing is being used increasingly with data processing. This article looks at some of the ways in which the two can be put together.

Interest in text processing systems has gathered momentum over the past five years, in a marketplace confined at the outset to dedicated WP suppliers. With their experience accumulated in the office products market, these companies were able to relate text processing directly to the needs of the clerical environment.

But word processing is now a highly segmented market; dedicated systems have been joined by a multitude of software packages designed to provide text handling on a DP installation. These packages have emerged from the most unlikely sources, with accountants, architects and consulting engineers amongst those who have tried their hand at this cottage industry.

The economics of providing a text processing facility have been the greatest stimulus to the growth of this market sector. There is little justification in a company acquiring a comprehensive data processing installation, only to duplicate the computer resources on a shared logic WP system. As a result, the market has crystallised into two distinct segments during the past year. The "intelligent typewriter" is proving wholly adequate for the smaller scale office, where text processing is confined to the production of quality correspondence and short documents. At the top end of the Qyx typewriter range, for example, the Level 5 machine carries twin mini-floppy discs, full editing capabilities, and a high degree of mechanical sophistication. In contrast, a software package drawing on the processing power of a minicomputer meets the text handling requirements of even the largest multi-user system.

Dedicated word processing systems were designed primarily to improve the throughput of secretarial work: there was no intention that text handling should be harnessed to traditional data

within an electronic communications network.

The evolution from the hardwired programs of the "automatic typewriter" to WP packages which are infinitely more flexible in their approach has created new opportunities for applying the principles of text manipulation to the work of professional practices.

Too complex
And there lies the problem. Created by highly qualified specialists, many of the packages now being released are too complex for general use by the typical secretary for whom they were intended.

The most outstanding WP systems on general release are available as packages: rarely the product of the hardware manufacturers, but the development of independent software houses in close touch with user requirements. When the designers of such systems succeed, they devise programs which are flexible, well-structured and make maximum use of the hardware and its operating systems. They avoid the constraints imposed by the limited memories and storage media of dedicated stand-alone.

At the other extreme, there are too many examples of "kitchen-table" software badly conceived by inexperienced designers who have no understanding of office procedures or the capabilities of the secretarial staff who might reasonably be expected to use the packages.

The nature of a computer user's business defines the type of software required for a particular word processing system. Companies preparing complex technical reports extending to 100 pages or more will make totally different demands on a text processor from an accountant, whose prime objective is to prepare the text of accounting statements from financial data files.

Complete reports
Hartley Computers UK is an arm of the Australian group which has developed client accounting packages incorporating word processing. Running on Wang 2200 and DEC PDP 11/03 computers, its systems interact with a basic text preparation facility to create complete accounting reports and statements. Standardised paragraphs of text are held either in a Master File or for individual clients - are prepared with "flags" to extract financial information from the clients' records. For general purpose text processing, Hartley markets a further WP package to run on either hardware system.
The main focus of the treatment included addressing cognitive deficits, improving memory and attention, and fostering social skills. The therapist started with basic exercises aimed at enhancing these areas. The patient demonstrated significant improvement in memory retention and attentional span after several weeks of consistent practice. Further, there was a noticeable improvement in social interactions, as the patient became more engaged in group activities and demonstrated better communication skills.

However, the progress was not without challenges. The patient occasionally exhibited signs of frustration during sessions, which the therapist attributed to the mental strain of working on cognitive tasks. Regular breaks and motivational strategies were employed to mitigate this issue. The patient's family was also integral in supporting the therapy process, offering encouragement and reinforcing the learned skills at home.

Despite these challenges, the progress has been steady and promising. The therapist recommends continued practice at home and the possibility of integrating more advanced cognitive exercises as the patient's abilities continue to develop. Regular follow-up sessions will be scheduled to monitor progress and adjust the therapy plan as necessary.
Welkom keeps calm

By DESMOND BLOW

SEVERAL hundred heavily armed AWB members taunted 5 000 black demonstrators who legally marched past white homes in Welkom yesterday.

Only a strong police presence and well-disciplined demonstrators prevented any major incidents. One demonstrator was wounded in an arm by an arrow fired from a crossbow.

AWB members arrived early in Welkom from other centres in the Free State and Transvaal and took up positions in the grounds of many of the 73 houses along two kilometres of Constantia Avenue – the only white suburb along the six-kilometre route from Thabong to Welkom police station, where the demonstrators handed in a petition.

The AWB men claimed the residents had begged to be protected from the demonstrators. But a householder who was not being "protected", said the AWB had canvassed the houses, offering to protect them and saying the demonstrators intended to attack them.

After the demonstrators had returned to Thabong, the AWB gathered in the streets but were warned by police that the meeting was illegal and dispersed.
Mocking marchers taunt AWB

By MARK STANSFIELD

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ANC with the wild abandon of schoolkids let out for their summer holidays.

Terre Blanche, his face showing little emotion, said 80 families in Constantia Street had written to the AWB and requested protection.

"We were here at the request of the residents. Only three houses did not ask us to come and protect them. We did not come here for confrontation and kept a low profile, just in case we were needed.

"In these houses there are small children who cannot protect themselves and we were here for them."

VOW

"These are marchers, the communists that you see here, are the ones who have killed our people. Only last week they killed a miner underground. They march past here and they swear at us and tell us they will kill us."

"I vow that not one inch of white land will ever be given to them," he said.

One of the main demands that Thabong and Bronville residents handed over to the police yesterday was that land be made available for housing.

Other demands included one legislative authority for Welkom and the immediate opening of all public and social amenities.

Wild

But Constantia Street, where the AWB was massed, remained the focal point.

Again on the return march, facing the AWB gauntlet, people speculated about a violent confrontation.

Again nothing happened and both AWB and ANC supporters dispersed — the AWB like troops on parade, the
WELKOM STAND-OFF ... Members of the Afrikanse Weerstandsbevegning surround their leader, Mr. Eugene Terre'Blanche, during a confrontation with ANC supporters in Welkom on Saturday. © Report on opposite page.
Queries over bomb kombi man's death

A PRETORIA taxi driver who was found dead a few hours after a bomb was found in his vehicle was buried yesterday amid claims that he was brutally assaulted before he was killed.

Hundreds of people attended the funeral of Mr. David "Kimberley" Shongwe (33) in Atteridgeville.

Speakers said they were amazed at the circumstances surrounding the death of the former Orlando Pirates goalkeeper, whose bullet-riddled body was found near Brits on July 28.

According to the police, Shongwe was shot in the head by unknown people a few hours after the minibus he was last seen driving was found in the Hallmark Parkade in Pretoria, with a bomb planted inside.

No arrests have been made in connection with his death and no-one has been linked to the bomb.

By MONK NKOMO

A relative said yesterday Shongwe's body revealed that he was brutally assaulted by his captors before he was killed.

"He had black marks on the face and a gaping wound on the side of the chest," the relative said.

The family suspected he was kidnapped, robbed of his kombi and then killed.

Captain

Shongwe, who was captain and trainer of Helicopters Football Club, was described by speakers as a law-abiding citizen who was not a member of any political organisation.

Lawyers representing the family said yesterday they had already started investigations.

A private pathologist has conducted a post mortem and the findings would probably be submitted at the inquest.

Speakers said they were surprised that no arrests had been made in connection with Shongwe's death.

One speaker said: "We're also amazed that no-one has been linked to the bomb that was found inside the minibus. We want justice to be done. Shongwe's killers must be brought to book because we don't know why he was murdered."
YOUTH STRUCK DOWN BY ARROW

A SIXTEEN-year-old youth was shot in the arm with a green, black and gold crossbow bolt as thousands of black protesters marched past armed right-wingers on their way to the Welkom police station to hand over a memorandum on Saturday morning.

Hundreds of khaki-clad men with Afrikaner Wecrantsbeweging insignia lined a part of the 8km march route armed with rifles, shotguns, pistols, whips and batons. They however remained inside white-owned private properties.

Several took up sniper-like positions on roofs and one man was seen carrying a crossbow before the march began.

The march, arranged by Welkom ANC-aligned structures to demand action on community grievances, proceeded about 1km through white residential area to the Jan Hofmeyer police station where a memorandum was handed to SA Police.

Deputy district commander Lieutent-Colonel Sam Kruger assured the marchers that the demands would be forwarded to Welkom's city council.

Residents of Bronville, a suburb of so-called coloured people, are demanding one city council for Welkom, the resignation of councillors and the management committee, affordable houses and service charges and the provision of service land for new housing development.

DEMAND

Another demand was for the cessation of evictions and the acknowledgement by the Welkom City Council of the Bronville Civic Association.

On their return past the AWB-guarded houses, protestors danced, whistled and flanked ANC colours chanting "ANC, ANC...", while the right-wingers returned the shooting with flat handed salutes and loud cries of "AWB, AWB...".

A dog in a house along the route was encouraged by its owner to bite and shake a bundle of green, yellow and black rugs, the colours of the ANC.
AWB face ANC crowd in Welkom

Own Correspondent

WELKOM. — AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche was taunted with shouts of "ANC, ANC ..." and black-power salutes on Saturday as thousands of ANC supporters marched through a white residential area saturated with armed AWB members.

In the only violent incident, a 10-year-old youth was shot in the arm with a crossbow bolt painted in the ANC colours. No arrests were made.

A crowd of between 3,000 and 3,500 protesters marched from the entrance of Thabong township to police headquarters where a memorandum demanding action on community grievances was handed to the deputy district commissioner.

The demands included one city council for Welkom, an end to evictions, affordable housing and service charges and the resignation of councillors and the management committee.

As marchers formed up, 300 to 400 heavily armed AWB members positioned themselves in white-owned residential properties along the route. Mr Terre'Blanche cancelled his scheduled address to the HNP's annual congress in Pretoria to head "his commandos at Welkom."

Mr Terre'Blanche said his men, who had driven in from around the country, had been asked to guard 80 houses along the street. Police cordoned off the surrounding area with razor wire, and told the right-wingers, who were armed with rifles, shotguns, pistols and batons, they would not be allowed to venture off the properties.

Police and soldiers stood at 50m intervals along the street. Protesters began marching at 10.30am. They stopped briefly in front of a stern-faced Mr Terre'Blanche who stood surrounded by AWB guards.

After delivering their memorandum the marchers returned through the suburb flaunting ANC colours, dancing and chanting ANC slogans.

AWB members responded with flat-handed salutes and loud shouts of "AWB, AWB ..." One dog was encouraged by its owner to bite yellow, green and black pieces of cloth, the ANC colours.

● The Conservative Party declared itself irrevocably committed to "the third freedom struggle" at the weekend.

Opening the eighth Transvaal CP Congress, leader Dr Andries Treurnicht asked if the government realised what it meant when it claimed it was "irrevocably on the way to a new, fair South Africa."

"Did the government want to hand over the power or share it before they lost it," he asked the 1,500 delegates.
Treurnicht 'close to revolution theology'

Political Staff

CONSERVATIVE Party leader Dr Andries Treurnicht was skating dangerously close to the theology of revolution, Education Minister Dr Stoffel van der Merwe, who is the National Party's Information chief, said today.

Responding to Dr. Treurnicht's remarks about resistance and violence at the CP congress in the Pretoria City Hall at the weekend, Dr Van der Merwe said he was "really a master at the art of insinuation".

He said if one stated that people had a right to resist and revolt against a government if the government acted outside certain limits, it was true enough. One could trace that back to Calvin, who analysed the question.

PIECES OF JIGSAW

Dr Treurnicht had drawn strongly on theology and Calvin's writings on resistance, but Calvin had not reached a satisfactory conclusion. "So it becomes very dangerous," Dr Van der Merwe said.

There was a remarkable similarity between things Dr Treurnicht was putting forward and the theology of revolution. One could also make his arguments in the case of the African National Congress.

Dr Van der Merwe said Dr Treurnicht's statements were fine when they stood alone. When seen in context — such as the CP belief that the government had no mandate for the changes it was making — there was no doubt as to what he was saying.

"The two pieces of the jigsaw then start fitting together," he said.
Police evidence ‘outside ambit’

PRETORIA. — An incredible weight of statistical evidence submitted by police terrorism expert Maj.-Gen. Hermanus Daniel Stadler to the Harmas Commission of Inquiry, was said yesterday to be outside the framework of the commission’s brief.

The 1,000-page affidavit and annexures submitted by Gen. Stadler to the commission could have been sent to the State President by any clerk and did not need investigation, Mr. George Bizos, SC, for the ANC, told the commission.

The ANC’s involvement in terror attacks was not relevant and fell outside the ambit of the inquiry.

Mr. Bizos added that much of the information obtained by the security forces had come from arrested ANC members, and he would not argue how much weight this carried or if the information was freely and voluntarily given.

One of the reasons the police and defence force submitted lengthy affidavits concerning ANC activities was to deflect interest from the SAP and SADF.

Free State attorney-general Mr. Tim McNally disagreed, saying Gen. Stadler’s submission would form a valuable part of the commission’s inquiries.

Gen. Stadler submitted there had been more than 51,000 incidents of unrest between September 1984 and May this year. These incidents had left 4,320 people dead and 12,449 injured.

The brutal system of necklacing had killed 601 people and injured 178. — Sapa
Bomb blast rocks ‘ANC hotel’ on Rand

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. A bomb made of commercial explosives exploded outside a Mayfair hotel, apparently used by ANC supporters, early today.

Windows of nearby buildings were shattered but no one was injured in the explosion.

Police today confirmed the device was made of commercial explosives, usually used by rightwingers, although they refused to say who they suspected planted the bomb.

The bomb, apparently placed in a station wagon, exploded outside the Norstall Royal Residential Hotel.

RIPPED OPEN

Several of the guests at the hotel are supporters of the African National Congress and the South African Communist Party. Mayfair residents said soon after the blast:

Shattered glass littered the streets but structural damage to buildings appeared to be limited.

The back section of the station wagon was ripped open from the impact of the explosion.

Another car was also damaged in the blast, as were shop windows.

EXPLOSION: The car damaged in the bomb blast outside a Mayfair, Johannesburg, hotel early today.
ANC rejects Harms evidence on terror acts

The Argus Correspondent
PRETORIA — The African National Congress has rejected statements made to the Harms Commission on its alleged role in terrorist activities and said they "had not been freely obtained".

In another development, a top Military Intelligence officer yesterday told Mr Justice Louis Harms that he was not fully conversant with the facts in his affidavit but believed that the ANC had been responsible for violence.

The ANC legal representative, Mr George Bizos QC, told Mr Justice Harms that General Herman Stadler, the police's top expert on the ANC, had provided "inadmissible" evidence on atrocities alleged to have been carried out by the organisation.

"Acts of terror"

His comment came after General Stadler had handed in a 70-page affidavit with annexures totalling a further 170 pages and 20 volumes of supporting documents allegedly detailing ANC involvement in acts of terror. It was the largest amount of testimony given to the commission.

At the close of General Stadler's testimony, Mr Bizos told Mr Justice Harms that his instructions were that the ANC had decided "not to join issue with the witness, particularly because of his sources of information".

He urged the judge to consider the admissibility of General Stadler's evidence as "common experience tells us that evidence obtained under interrogation in terms of Section 61 of the old Terrorism Act and Section 28 of the Internal Security Act is not the sort of evidence which is admissible".

"Some statements are not freely made... they were not freely obtained. Some of those interrogated may have changed sides and given information that may have pleased their interrogators."

In his evidence General Stadler drew attention to what he said were acts of terrorism carried out by the ANC. He also sketched the background to the organisation's decision to embark upon a "people's war" and said that this had started after an ANC delegation had visited Vietnam to study "mass mobilisation" procedures.

Affidavit

In an affidavit, Mr Penwell Mpapa Maduma, a member of the ANC secretariat and one of its two legal advisers in South Africa, told Mr Justice Harms the ANC "never denied that people lost their lives in the armed struggle. The police and the SA Defence Force have repeatedly denied the correctness of the evidence that their hit squads killed people."

"I submit that the commission was appointed to inquire into the truth or otherwise of their denial and not into the ANC's armed struggle."1510

The commission is to resume its hearing tomorrow.
Sisulu protests over right-wing violence

By Julienne du Toit

POTCHEFSTROOM — ANC internal leader Walter Sisulu said last night that the party was against the right wing using violence to protect its rights.

Asked at a meeting at the University of Potchefstroom why the ANC was against the right wing using violence to protect its rights, when the ANC had also used violence, Mr Sisulu replied that the ANC had no rights, whereas the "right wing has all the rights".

Mr Sisulu shared the platform with a wide spectrum of speakers on the issue of minority rights in the new South Africa.

Other speakers included the Democratic Party's Zach de Beer, E Sithebe of Inkatha, Carel Boshoff of the Afrikaner Volksraad, Miley Richards of the Labour Party, Chris Fismer of the National Party, and Ismael Omar of Solidarity.

Only Professor Boshoff and Mr Fismer made any pleas for the protection of group rights.

The racially mixed audience of 1,000 applauded when Mr Richards said: "Anything worth protecting will protect itself."

Mr Sithebe also made a plea for peace, but said Inkatha could sympathise on the issue of white fears.
CCB PAID TRIALIST’S COSTS

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PRETORIA — THE SAPS CIVIL

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CP’s power and numbers grow as violence spreads

PERDI HARTZENBIE: Fiery threats directed at ANC.

BY ORMANDE POLLOK
Political Staff

IT WOULD be folly for anyone — President de Klerk and Mr Nelson Mandela included — to underestimate the growing strength of the Conservative Party.

The popular refrain that we need not keep looking over our shoulders at what the Right wing is doing might have had some validity once. But not any more.

And this does not apply only to the trigger-happy racist activists and bigots on the ultra-right.

After these recent provincial congresses, the Conservative Party has emerged as a very real threat to the National Party’s four decades of dominance over white politics and, therefore, to reform. But more, with its changing stature and growing intelligence, born of burgeoning confidence, comes a real threat of conflict and potential bloodshed.

Very noticeable at the recent congresses was the new air of determination and a strong sense of purpose in the CP ranks — to make doubly sure that whites stay in control of whites. It is a curious mix of sour-spited bitterness and machismo, but the result is that if this means war to the party’s fairly adept leaders, was given the leader of a community in Bloemfontein, when he said if the ANC decided to go on the offensive, “then we’ll go on the offensive”.

Right to resist

Such is the scale of the CP ranks and file supporter whose numbers grow by the grass every time misguided minstros such as Mrs Winnie Mandela and others, open their mouths.

The Free State and Transvaal congresses were held, as Soweto and other Vaal Triangle townships were erupted in an orgy of killing and burning which may have contributed to the steadfast attitudes of Zulus that they want nothing to do with those people. Combattants in the Vaal and elsewhere are writing Dr Trevor Ncube’s speeches for him.

He hardly has to lift a finger about recruiting new supporters for the CP. The rioting and rampaging mobs are doing it all for him.

What was particularly disturbing about the congress was Dr Trevor Ncube’s very carefully worded statement on the right to resist and to use violence in “extreme cases” on the one hand, and the ability with which it was accepted by his supporters on the other.

Even though his statements were couched in carefully chosen words, there is little doubt what the over-riding message was and that the congresses agreed with it. It is extremely doubtful whether his strategically placed phrase “to think about” resistance and “to think about” overthrowing a government if one’s rights and freedoms are threatened made much impact.

Security forces

“The overall message was clear even though he attempted to draw a distinction between “passive” and “active” resistance.

If the CP’s claims that large numbers of the security forces support it are correct, then the potential for conflict and large-scale bloodshed becomes greater. There are highly trained people they are calling about — not a red-tail and blackball force — with a capacity to wreak far more destruction in this country than they have been thinking about.

Talking about resistance and actually resorting to “shoot to kill” are two different things, but it seems some right-wingers, at least are prepared to go the whole way to protect what they believe is their right to self-determination.

Not resorting to the Bible to justify apartheid is an old strategy. But it still works, as CP congresses anyway.

Land ownership

What these people appear to overlook is that the same arguments — Biblical or political — can and have been used in the past by blacks to justify the armed struggle against minority government.

Another important aspect of the CP overlooks, and which beggars the danger of continued conflict, is that blacks simply are not happy with only 10% of the country. That and the apartheid laws in the other 90% is what started the trouble in this country in the first place.

Now the CP dearly says it is not going to redress the map for a white futharkanda. It wants things to stay just as they are — white control over 90% of the country and all the apartheid laws that go with it.

The CP appears to expect blacks simply to accept this and a growing number of CP supporters and others on the Right seem prepared to fight for it.

The CP congresses have shown they are supremely confident that they do not already have a majority of support they now will have.

Unless violence subsides and the country sees some benefit from the political reforms which are being instituted and aimed for, it seems the CP will continue to grow and, with it, the potential for a new round of racial conflict.
Spy chief testifies at Harms probe on killings

By NORMAN CHANDLER

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — One of South Africa's top intelligence chiefs told Mr Justice Louis Harms that a man who was at the scene of a mystery killing in Pretoria forty years ago was a member of the SA Defence Force's covert Civil Co-operation Bureau.

General A J M (Joep) Joubert, then chairman of the CCB and now Deputy Chief of Staff, Intelligence, SADF, was giving evidence yesterday about the murder of Dr and Mrs Fabian Robeiro, of Mamelodi.

General Joubert admitted to the Harms Commission that Mr Noel James Robey was with the CCB at the time.

He also disclosed that the SA Defence Force footed legal fees totalling R32 700 at a provisional hearing to inquire into whether there was sufficient evidence to charge Mr Robey.

INTELLIGENCE FILE

The general, who came under intense questioning, also said Dr and Mrs Robeiro — shot dead on December 1, 1986 — had been monitored by the CCB.

He described them as "leftist radicals" who qualified as such for attention from the intelligence community.

In earlier testimony it was said that the registration of a motor vehicle seen speeding away from the scene had been found to be that of a vehicle owned by Mr Robey. He was arrested on those grounds.

General Joubert denied any personal knowledge about the Robeiro murders or about a "Project Checkers", set up by the CCB and which, according to questioning yesterday, is believed to have been the case file name for the Robeiro matter.

General Joubert had disclaimed any knowledge about R32 700 paid for legal fees.

IMPLICATIONS

But after extensive questioning, he said the CCB was secret and "this matter could have implicated the CCB."

Mr Justice Louis Harms: "Does this mean he (Robey) was probably concerned with Robeiro, from a work situation?"

General Joubert: "We felt he was not responsible for Robeiro and therefore had to protect him."
Weapons: 3 alleged rightwingers in court

JOHANNESBURG. Three alleged rightwingers, including a Johannesburg advocate, appeared briefly before a Regional Court magistrate here in connection with the illegal possession of handgrenades and other arms.

Mr Andries Smith, 52, and Mr Henry Roesch, 30, both of Roodepoort, and Mr Leon van Rensburg, 44, of Roodepoort were not asked to plead yesterday to charges of contravening the Arms and Ammunition Act.

Mr Smith, an advocate, is on bail of R4,000. The other men are on bail of R5,000 each.

Mr van Rensburg succeeded in an application to have his bail conditions amended. At a previous hearing the court ordered that Mr van Rensburg report to a police station three times a week. Magistrate Mr T. la Grange ordered yesterday that Mr van Rensburg had now to report on Saturdays only.

The court was told Mr van Rensburg was no longer employed at the Atomic Energy Board. New working hours made it difficult to report to a police station during the week.

The case was provisionally postponed to November 16.
NGK call for action

THE Church should do more than just preach during the present climate of violence, says Professor Johan Heyns, chairman of the General Synod Commission of the NG Kerk.

In a statement in the NG Kerk newspaper, the Kerkhodie, Prof Heyns said SA was in a situation where different viewpoints needed discussion, to alleviate the crisis facing the country.

Prayer and talks with each other was important now, though the "pardon of Jesus Christ" was inevitably the only solution to stop the violence, said Prof Heyns.

"These talks in the church should also be an acknowledgement of its own part in the discord which is noticeable in the violence. We cannot only blame a few people. There is a climate of violence and it must be broken. It can not be put right with words or views or talks to Heaven. We must work. We should have done it a long time ago."

Prof Heyns proposed that countrywide action be taken, where every congregation should take note of the present crisis, poverty and the widespread squatter problem.

"The church must be the co-ordinator in harnessing community powers, such as people lending a hand in building houses or with teaching. It concerns physical involvement. It is not the church's duty to build but to motivate its congregation."
NP meeting disrupted as AWB members use teargas

Political Correspondent

Another National Party meeting has been disrupted by the use of teargas by rightwingers at Brandfort in the Free State.

More than 100 people displaying insignia of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeveging threw eggs at National Party members including the guest speaker, the Deputy Minister of Planning and Provincial Affairs, André Fourie, on Wednesday night.

When police evicted the rowdy group, a teargas canister was thrown into the hall. NP spokesmen said yesterday The Minister of Justice and Free State leader of the National Party, Kobie Coetsee, condemned the behavior of the AWB members, saying it went way beyond the limits of political horseplay.

He said the AWB was "trying to become a factor through the use of tearsmoke and hooliganism.

The most pertinent question is whether the CP of the Free State is hiding behind the AWB and whether they are part of the AWB.

Last week's meeting due to be addressed by President de Klerk in Northern Natal was disrupted when two teargas canisters were thrown into the hall in which he was to speak. The president eventually addressed his audience outdoors.

At Wednesday night's meeting, Mr. Fourie was eventually forced to give his speech outdoors under lamplight. The group of rightwingers shouted slogans at the police and accused them of protecting blacks but turning their backs on whites. "Sapa
VOLK HERO: Afrikaner Weerstandsbevordering leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche in Robertson last night.

'AWB will make war with ANC regime'

Tygerberg Bureau 24/8/90

THE Afrikaner Weerstandsbevordering is recruiting commando members at its meetings and AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche has reaffirmed the intention to overthrow an ANC government by any means, including violence.

At a meeting attended by about 300 people in Robertson last night, he said the AWB would "make war" with an ANC government.

He said Afrikaners were not colonialist and would not run away. He warned that "the black hordes" would take away white farms. A black government would subdivide and redistribute the land.

Mr Terre'Blanche said in a "so-called" new South Africa, neither white nor black people would be able to live independently: "We will be the slaves of the communists and from here war will be waged to eventually create a communist world state."

He referred to members of the National Party as "political smurfs and jelly tots who are incapable of following the demands of the voters".

He said the National Party government was "politically bankrupt" and predicted that it would soon collapse and hand over power to the "black forces".

Mr Jaap Marais, leader of the Herstigte National Party, who shared the platform with Mr Terre'Blanche, warned that if President De Klerk was not stopped, South Africa would face the "biggest crisis of its existence".

LISTENERS: Part of the 300-strong crowd at the meeting.
Another Nat meeting disrupted by teargas

ANOTHER National Party meeting has been disrupted by right-wingers using teargas. (3:44)

At Brandfort in the Free State more than 100 people displaying insignia of the Afrikaner Weerstands beweging throw eggs at NP members, including the guest speaker, Deputy Minister of Planning and Provincial Affairs Andre Fourie, on Wednesday night.

When police evicted the rowdy group, a tear gas canister was thrown into the hall. Fourie was forced to give his speech outdoors under lamplight and several elderly people had to be treated after being exposed to tear gas fumes.

The group of right-wingers shouted slogans at the police and accused them of protecting blacks but turning their backs on whites. (248 - 26/5/90)

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Terre'Blanche's call to arms

By FRANS ESTERHUYSE
Weekend Argus
Political Correspondent

RIGHTWING war talk has reached a new crescendo with calls on "Cape rebels" to join the military-style commandos of the Afrikaner Weerstandbeweging.

In a thundering speech in the Cape Town City Hall last night, AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche said: "I have come tonight to fetch Cape rebels. We need you."

He told his audience of about 1 000 that the African National Congress was going to start a revolution, but the Afrikaner's solution lay in the war that Umkhonto we Sizwe chief Chris Hani wanted.

"Let's take him on. We will chase him all the way back to the Transkei."

In attacks on the government, accusing it of selling out the whites and handing the country over to blacks and communists, Mr Terre'Blanche at times shouted into a microphone at the top of his voice. His forehead was covered with perspiration.

"Nelson Mandela says he wants white farms and to nationalize the banks, and still the jellytot De Klerk is prepared to negotiate with him."

"The liberals have no right to give the land, hard-earned with the bodies of children, to a Xhosa who has his own country in the Transkei."

"Our right to rule ourselves in our own country is a God-given one."

More in than out

Mr Terre'Blanche accused Minister Adriaan Vlok of "misusing" the police to protect Cabinet ministers against their critics at meetings.

Referring to police action against AWB members who wanted to attend a National Party meeting at Brandfort, he said the crossroads had come.

"Adriaan Vlok must stop misusing the police to save the cowardly skins of public servants, because he is placing the SAP in confrontation with the volk."

He claimed, however, that there were "more police outside the police force than inside."

Earlier, Colonel Servaas de Wet, chief of the AWB commando forces, claimed that thousands of people were joining the "wenkommando" in the Transvaal and Free State.

Colonel De Wet, who was introduced to the meeting as a former police officer and now "kommandant-general" of the AWB commandos, said: "We are going to fight to the end... every man, woman and child must be trained and must at least be able to handle a firearm.

Squatter terror camps

"We will act within the Internal Security Act as we can't afford to have any more Afrikaners locked up in jail."

The squatters appearing in towns and cities were "nothing but organised terrorist camps," he said.

All people who were surrounded by squatters should join the kommando so that they could be protected.

"We can deal with the blacks; the traitors are the white Shaka and Mandelas inside the government."

"There are thousands of Wit Wolwe and Piet Rudolphs in South Africa — we won't go under," said Colonel De Wet.

Colonel De Wet and many AWB members at the meeting, including women, wore khaki uniforms with the AWB's swastika-like emblem.

The leader of the Herstigte Nasionale Party, Mr Jaap Marais, said the AWB and HNP were closing ranks and would not be threatened by either Mr De Klerk, Mr Nelson Mandela or the communists.

"The blacks have never been a threat. Our threat comes from the miserable white traitors who are busy selling us out."

The De Klerk government had created the impression that it embraced the communist philosophy.

Quoting from Press cuttings, Mr Marais said a communist call in the 1960s had been "smash apartheid", and now in 1990 Foreign Minister Pik Botha was saying "eradicate apartheid".

"Pik Botha is therefore a retard communist. He is 30 years too late," Mr Marais said.

President De Klerk had no mandate from the white electorate to negotiate with the ANC.

The government's concept of power-sharing was nothing but "a handing over of power in instalments."

"This is our country and we will fight if it is to be taken away from us," Mr Marais said.

The fight against the ANC would never end.
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Rightwingers, Wits student in court

FOUR rightwingers, who were allegedly responsible for five bomb blasts in Johannesburg recently, and a leftright winger, allegedly responsible for two bomb blasts, appeared in the same Johannesburg Regional Court yesterday.

The four rightwingers appeared on a charge of terrorism and six alternative charges. The men are the former AWB chief in Johannesburg, Leonard Veenendaal (24), Darryl Stopforth (23), Craig Barker (21) and Arthur Archer (29). The case against a fifth man, Eugene Becker (28), was withdrawn.

The men are to stand trial on a charge of terrorism and alternative charges including the causing of explosions, attempted murder, causing malicious damage to property, intimidation and the possession of explosives and ammunition.

Their case was postponed to September 7, when they will apply for bail.

Immediately after the rightwingers’ appearance, Mr Jeremy Seebers, a student at Witwatersrand University, appeared in a separate case.

Mr Seebers, son of Unisa economics professor Anthony Seeber, was also detained in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

He is to stand trial on a charge of terrorism and four alternative charges, including attempted murder, the causing of explosions and causing malicious damage to property.

It is also alleged that Mr Seebers underwent military training with the ANC and that he had been involved in the importation of explosives.

His case was also postponed to September 7 when he will apply for bail.
Ex-AWB man granted R1,000 bail

VEREENIGING.—A former commander of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbevegning’s anti-Aquila unit was granted bail of R1,000 when he appeared briefly in the Regional Court here yesterday on charges of harbouring or hiding escapees.

Mr David Israel Rootenberg, 42, a builder of Vereeniging, who is also said to own a bottle store, was not asked to plead and the case was postponed to September 11.

In Johannesburg, meanwhile, four other right-wingers appeared in Johannesburg Regional Court on charges relating to terrorism.

Mr Leonard Veenendaal, 24, former AWB chief in Johannesburg, Mr Darryl Stepforth, 23, Mr Craig Barker, 20, and Mr Arthur Archer, 31, appeared in connection with allegedly having caused explosions at the Johannesburg homes of two DP councillors and the Vrye Weekblad newspaper.

Their case was referred back to the attorney-general to decide whether the state will oppose an application for bail.

The attorney-general’s decision will be felled at the Regional Court on September 7, when the four right-wingers’ defence has indicated it will apply for bail.

A fifth man, Mr Eugene Becker, 28, was released yesterday.—Sapa
IT has been 481 days since the assassination of human rights activist Dr. David Webster outside his Troy-ville home. No one has been arrested in connection with his death.

The Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB), allegedly responsible for the death of Dr. Webster and other activists, has been disbanded, but its personnel have not been publicly listed, despite a request from the David Webster Trust and other interested parties.

A reward of R20 000 still stands for information leading to the conviction of Dr. Webster's killers.
Two rightwingers facing trial in Namibia

By DE WET POTGIETER

RIGHT-WING activists Leonard Veenendal and Darryl Stopforth are likely to be extradited to Namibia to stand trial on charges of murder when their court cases in South Africa have ended.

Attorney-General for the Witwatersrand Klaus von Lieres and Wilkau confirmed this week that the Government was considering the Namibian requests for the extradition of Veenendal, Stopforth and Horst Klenz.

Klenz has been in hiding since the murder of a young Namibian policeman last year.

Mr Von Lieres said that in accordance with the South African Government's view on extraditable crimes, he had no doubt that President F W de Klerk would be "more than willing" to cooperate fully to help bring the culprits to justice in Namibia.

Veenendal and Stopforth are expected to first stand trial for crimes allegedly committed in South African territory before they are turned over to the Namibian police.
JOHANNESBURG. — Objections to journalists having access to eight police dossiers about a Johannesburg hotelier could result in complaints being lodged with the Minister of Law and Order and the Commissioner of Police.

This was threatened at an SA Media Council inquiry yesterday when hotelier Mr Alexander Kavouras complained about a Sunday Star report, published on February 28, alleging that the Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) had used his hotels as meeting places in Johannesburg.

Mr Kavouras also objected to his Quirinale Hotel in Hillbrow, being called a “drug and vice den.” “This is extremely perturbing (that) the SAP allowed journalists to read the dossiers... This looks like some sort of witchhunt,” charged Mr Allan Tevin, for Mr Kavouras.

Mr Peter Reynolds, for the Sunday Star, said there was no suggestion of a vendetta by the newspaper.
Garage-owner’s ‘racist’ attack: R80 000 claim

By GILL TURNBULL, Supreme Court Reporter

A STRAND garage owner beat up a prominent businessman, accused him of stealing his own car and hurled racist insults at him, it was alleged in the Supreme Court, Cape Town.

This was evidence in an R80 000 damages claim yesterday against Mr Gerrit Maas of Gerrit Maas Motors, Strand.

Strand transport company owner Mr Richard Voskuil told the court the incident happened between Sir Lowry’s Pass Road and Gordon’s Bay late on Sunday, December 13 1983.

Mr Voskuil said his car had broken down. It was dark and he and his passenger, Mr Henry Heem, flagged down a motorist to ask for either help or a lift to Sir Lowry’s Pass village.

A four-wheel-drive bakkie stopped and Mr Maas and his brother got out.

Mr Voskuil said Mr Maas shone a torch into his car and asked in Afrikaans: “Where did you steal this car?”

“I told him this was my own car; he could telephone the police to check, and he turned to me and said he was a policeman and was not going to be told what to do by ‘hot-nots’.”

Mr Voskuil said that Mr Maas shouted to his brother: “It’s these types of hotnots who kill our wives”, and “you’re not the first hotnot I have beaten to death (vrek gedaan).”

Mr Maas allegedly bashed Mr Voskuil’s face four times with a clenched fist, knocking him down repeatedly.

He said Mr Maas’s brother assaulted Mr Heem and the men made them kneel on the ground behind their car.

One man radioed the police and when a policeman arrived Mr Maas grabbed Mr Voskuil by the scruff of his neck and his belt and threw him into the police van.

The policeman, Sergeant Brink, drove away and later stopped the van and advised Mr Voskuil to lay a charge.

Mr Voskuil said Mr Maas was later convicted and sentenced in the Strand Magistrate’s Court for the attack.

The court heard that Mr Voskuil was treated in the Hottentot’s Holland Hospital and for at least a month afterwards his face was painful and disfigured.

His injuries included fractured facial bones and swollen lips. He could not eat and his eyes were so swollen he could not read or watch television.

He also missed Christmas and New Year celebrations.

Mr Voskuil said that before the assault he had had “a great respect for white people”. Now he felt differently.

He had formerly been sociable and friendly. Now he experiences post-trauma distress syndrome which had also affected his relationship with his wife and children. He still has nightmares almost every night.

The hearing continues today.
Gunn denies bombing

By PETER DENNEHY

RELEASED detainees Ms Shirley Gunn said yesterday that allegations that she was involved in the bombing of Khotso House, the Johannesburg headquarters of the SA Council of Churches, were "absolute nonsense".

Ms Gunn, 34, was released from detention under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act on Sunday — and has only been charged with possessing a Makarov pistol.

Speaking out in public for the first time, Ms Gunn said she was a member of Umkhonto we Sizwe, the armed wing of the ANC.

"As an MK member, I don't believe that any MK member would have been responsible for that bomb attack," she said.

"If I was responsible, where is the charge?" she asked.

Ms Gunn criticised the media for the prominent publication of police allegations that she was involved in the bombing.

She said that upon her release she had been issued with a summons to appear in the Wynberg court on October 24 in connection with the alleged possession of a Makarov pistol.

That is the only charge against her, according to her lawyer, Mr Essa Moosa.

A police spokesman could not confirm this yesterday.
Rudolph may want amnesty

By Craig Kotze

Boerestaat Party fugitive Plet Rudolph may be hiding in a neighbouring country in the hope of receiving temporary indemnity similar to that initially granted to ANC military commander Chris Hani, security sources said today.

Police are understood to be investigating the possibility that Mr. Rudolph is in Namibia.

Namibia contains far-Right elements who also gave refuge to Leonard Veenaendal and Darryl Stopforth, two AWB members who escaped from custody in that country while being held on a charge of murder.

But police have not ruled out that Mr. Rudolph could be in Botswana or Swaziland.

A statement purportedly from Mr. Rudolph, who has a R50,000 price on his head for declaring "war" on the Government, was delivered by hand to the Afrikaans newspaper Beeld on Sunday.

He is wanted for allegedly stealing a huge number of weapons from an Air Force armoury in Pretoria over the Easter weekend, and, for his alleged part in the bombing of Melrose House in Pretoria.

The sources said Mr. Rudolph was apparently following the same strategy as the ANC with regard to those convicted or sought in connection with politically motivated crimes.

"He will take advantage of the precedent created by the Government and the ANC," said one source.

"Rudolph's next step could very well be to announce that he is in a neighbouring country and that he is seeking temporary indemnity of the kind granted to people like Chris Hani. He will then be in a position to make appeals to President de Klerk," the source said.

In his statement, Mr. Rudolph said the fighting spirit of the Boers had already left its mark and made "traitor leader" F.W. de Klerk and his "second-rate gang" realise the "volk" would not allow their land to be taken from them.

Police have not yet traced the weapons stolen from the Air Force.

"They could very well be in some hole on some isolated farm. South Africa is a big place," said one security source.
Let’s talk peace...

Piet Skiet

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA.—“We are for negotiation. Mr Piet de Klerk, who has been in hiding for more than four months, wants to negotiate the future of the country,” said Dr. P. W. Botha.

In a document handed to a Johannesburg newspaper, Mr. Botha urged the “Fighting Part of the Boer Volk” to accept his well-considered proposal.

“Give up all aggressive illegal actions. I and my associates will negotiate with the Government of P. W. de Klerk to prevent further bloodletting and anarchy,” Mr. Botha reportedly said in the document.

According to Boerestaat Party leader Mr. Robert Van der Velden, Mr. Botha’s decision proved a turning point for the country.

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If Mr. De Klerk granted Mr. Botha amnesty, it would imply that he respected the Boer Volk’s demand and would not give it away.

“Should he, however, not grant him amnesty, the Boer Volk would know Mr. De Klerk wanted to give the entire country away,” he said.

Mr. Van der Velden said his party, which Mr. Botha is leading, would abide by his decision depending on Mr. De Klerk’s decision.

In terms of the Pretoria Minute, concluded between the government and the African National Congress, amnesty would be granted to people committed to peace from September 1.

The target date for the completion of granting amnesty would be April 30 next year.

Mr. De Klerk could also grant temporary indemnity from prosecution to people who had been involved in “peaceful” activities.

Law and Order Minister Mr. Adriana Vlok has offered a R50,000 reward for Mr. Botha’s arrest.

Mr. Botha may be hiding out in a neighboring country in the hope of immunity, security sources said.

Police are understood to be investigating the possibility that Mr. Botha is hiding out in Namibia.

The country must try to contain elements friendly to Mr. Botha’s political forces in Namibia, but police have not ruled out the possibility that he is in Mozambique or Swaziland.

He is wanted for allegedly stealing a large number of weapons from an Air Force armory in Pretoria over the Easter weekend, and for the bombing of Maltese House in Pretoria.

Namibia contains a large number of weapons that are given refuge to alleged killers Leonard Venza and Barry Strupfer, while they were on the run.

In his statement, Mr. Botha said the fighting spirit of the Boers had already lost its mark and was “traitor” and “traitor leader” President De Klerk and his “second-class gang” realize the “soul” would not allow them to be taken from them.
ANC seeks apology from Vlok on Gunn

By DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Political Staff

The African National Congress today demanded a public apology and retraction from the Minister of Police, Mr Adrian Vlok, over allegations that Umkhonto we Sizwe soldier Miss Shirley Gunn was responsible for the explosion at Khotso House.

The bomb exploded on May 9, 1987, destroying the then headquarters of the South African Council of Churches. Miss Gunn said yesterday she was not responsible for the explosion.

In a statement today, ANC member Ms Cheryl Carolus said the government owed the ANC a public retraction and apology.

"They have made serious allegations about our member and by implication our organisation. Now they are not prepared to charge her. Cabinet ministers such as Mr Vlok must act more responsibly and realise that this trial by media and television is not in the interest of the peace process," Ms Carolus said.

She hoped that Mr Vlok would do his duty and apologise.

The United Democratic Front said Miss Gunn's release was a victory for mass pressure, adding it was clear that the people would have to enforce the Pretoria Minute.

Trade unionist Miss Gunn faced the Press for the first time yesterday since being freed on Sunday. She was held incommunicado under section 29 of the Internal Security Act for nearly two months.

She denied that she was responsible for the Khotso House bombing. "It's absolute nonsense that I am being held responsible for that bomb attack. I wasn't responsible."

It was self-evident that she would have been charged if she had been the bomber, she said.

"If I'm responsible where is the charge?"

Confirming for the first time that she was a member of Umkhonto we Sizwe, the armed wing of the ANC, she said she did not believe that any other MK member would have planted the bomb.

As a "disciplined" member she fully supported the principles of the Pretoria Minute, she said.

WELCOME HOME: Senior African National Congress member Ms Cheryl Carolus, right, welcomes former Section 29 detainee Miss Shirley Gunn, carrying her son Haroon Gunn-Salie, back to freedom.
Amnesty delay for Piet 'Skiet'?

Own Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Fugitive Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph is unlikely to be granted amnesty before the joint working group established by the government and the ANC submits its plan for the granting of amnesty and release of prisoners.

An Afrikaans morning newspaper yesterday published a letter allegedly written by Mr Rudolph "asking" for amnesty so that he could emerge from hiding and enter negotiations.

Mr Rudolph, who has a R50,000 reward on his head, has been on the run for four months after claiming responsibility for the theft of weapons from the Air Force headquarters here. He has also "declared war" on the government and claimed responsibility for the May 26 bomb blast at Melrose House.

A Department of Justice spokesman yesterday declined to comment on whether Mr Rudolph would be granted amnesty and referred to paragraph two of the Pretoria Minute.

Paragraph two of the Pretoria Minute "makes provision for formulation of guidelines which will be applied in dealing with members of all organisations, groupings or institutions, governmental or otherwise, who committed offences on the assumption that a particular cause was being served or opposed."

The working group is expected to submit its report at the end of this month.

Meanwhile, Boerestaat Party leader Mr Robert van Tonder yesterday said Mr Rudolph's offer to President FW de Klerk to surrender himself in exchange for amnesty posed a test for the State President.

The demand for an own Boerestaat was not negotiable, and if it was not granted Boers would go over to active resistance, Mr Van Tonder said.

"We can't change defined historical boundaries, we want him to recognise the Boer's claim. On that basis Piet Rudolph will come out."

He appealed to the former Boerestaat Party deputy leader to contact him, saying he did not know where he was and there were certain things the police wanted to know. "I can't contact him."

Mr De Klerk's office said there had not yet been a response to the offer.

"In the event of his refusal of amnesty, we see it as a gigantic give-away and a surrender, that he (Mr De Klerk) hasn't got time for Boers and whites," said Mr Van Tender. — Sapa

Death threat to churchman

THE Minister of the Cape Town Gereformeerde Kerk, Dr Pieter Bingle, has told his congregation that he received a threatening telephone phone call after publicly condemning right-wing violence.

During his sermon on Sunday, Dr Bingle referred to reactionary statements concerning a "third freedom struggle" and said all Christians should make an effort to end violence.

2 attacked 'by right-wingers'

PORT ELIZABETH. — A student and a journalist were allegedly attacked on Monday night by a group of right-wingers after a student meeting organised by the University of Port Elizabeth's SRC, which was to have been addressed by ANC leaders in a Port Elizabeth church, was broken up.

The journalist who was assaulted was Eastern Province Herald reporter Mr Peter du Toit.
Rightwing fugitive may be out hiding in Namibia

BOERESTAAT Party fugitive Piet "Skiet" Rudolph may be hiding out in a neighbouring country in the hope of receiving temporary indemnity similar to that initially granted to ANC military commander Chris Hani, security sources said yesterday.

Police are understood to be investigating the possibility that Rudolph may be hiding out in Namibia.

The country most likely to contain elements friendly to Rudolph's political ideas is Namibia, but police have not ruled out the possibility that he could be in Botswana or Swaziland.

A statement by Rudolph, who has a R30,000 price on his head for declaring "war" on the Government, was delivered by hand to an Afrikaans morning newspaper on Sunday night.  

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Parking lot assault: Police seek rightist

A WELL-KNOWN right-wing activist is wanted for questioning by police following the attack on Fair Lady managing editor Ms Trish Oxford in a Foreshore parking garage last Friday night.

He is Mr Arnold van der Westhuizen, 38, of Windsor Court, Rondebosch.

Police are investigating attempted murder and believe he could be a "great help" to them in the case.

Ms Oxford, 43, is in a satisfactory condition in a private city hospital where she underwent an operation on her severely beaten hands on Monday.

She was budgeoned on the head and hands from behind with a rubber mallet as she tried to get into her car after work at 5pm. Her attacker allegedly told her he wanted to kill her.

Mr Van der Westhuizen, who was last seen in Cape Town on Monday, is 1.6m tall, well built and has dark hair.

Anyone with information should telephone Detective Sergeant Neville Bishop at 45-3003 (w) or 6477 (h).
Asthma pump only weapon — assault case accused

By Gill TURNBULL
Supreme Court Reporter

A GARAGE owner accused of beating up, insulting and threatening to shoot a stranded motorist has told the Cape Supreme Court the only "weapon" he had on him at the time was his asthma pump.

Mr Gerrit Kobus Maass, of Gerrit Maass Motors, Strand, was giving evidence in the civil action in which Strand businessman, Mr Richard Voskuiil, is suing him for R80,000 damages.

Mr Maass, about 1.9m tall and weighing about 150kg, drew the asthma pump from his breast pocket and showed it to Mr Justice L.A. Rose-Innes.

Mr Maass testified that he had spent the evening on his Gordon's Bay farm, checking for drinkers and stock thieves.

After midnight on the lonely farm road, he saw the stationary car and assumed it had been stolen.

Mr Maass denied using the word "hotnot".

He said it was Mr Voskuiil's passenger Mr Henry Hearn who assaulted Mr Voskuiil.

"Mr Hearn rushed at Mr Voskuiil and said: 'It's because of you I'm in the k-k.'"

"Mr Hearn then grabbed Mr Voskuiil, hit his face and shook him around. Mr Voskuiil fell to his knees and when my brother picked him up Mr Hearn kicked him."

Mr Maass said that he threatened to shoot Mr Voskuiil if he ran away "because I get asthma and can't run fast."

He could not have carried out the threat because the only "weapon" he was carrying was his asthma pump.

Mr Maass said that after the police sergeant arrived Mr Voskuiil became arrogant and accused him of the assault.

"I hit him with my fist once because he poked his finger at my face."

Mr Maass told the court that when Mr Voskuiil poked his finger at his face a second time and "wouldn't stop even after my brother had said 'please don't do that again'," he again hit Voskuiil in the face.

"He fell to the ground and I picked him up and put him in the police van."

Earlier evidence was that Mr Maass had hit Mr Voskuiil in the face four times with his fist, picked him up by the scruff of his neck and his belt and threw him into a police van.

Medical evidence was that Mr Voskuiil's left cheek was severely fractured, his left orbit floor (the thin bone around the eye) had blown out and his eyes and mouth were bruised and swollen.

Stress disorder

As a result of the incident he still has symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder and has undergone a personality change which has affected his relationships and family life.

Yesterday Sergeant Riaan Brink said he was called to the scene and saw Mr Maass hit Mr Voskuiil in the face twice.

Mr Voskuiil showed Sergeant Brink police documents proving that the car was his and that it had been stolen and recently recovered.

Sergeant Brink said he drove Mr Voskuiil home to Sir Lowry's Village and on the way he advised Mr Voskuiil to lay a charge against Mr Maass.

WITNESSES: Mr Henry Hearn, left, and Sergeant Riaan Brink.
Blast at Jani's flat
— rightist charged

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — One of two rightwingers allegedly responsible for the bomb blast outside former Sunday Times columnist Jani Allan's Sandton home last year has been charged in the Rand Supreme Court.

Mr Fanie Goosen, 39, of Vereeniging, appeared yesterday in connection with the blast and the murder and robbery of a taxi-driver. He was not asked to plead and will remain in custody until the trial resumes on September 11.

The second man, Cornelius Johannes Lottering, 34, is being sought by police in the far Northern Transvaal.

Described as one of South Africa's most wanted men and an alleged member of the self-styled extremist rightwing "Order of Death", Mr Lottering escaped from police custody in Johannesburg with Mr Goosen and other prisoners in March. Mr Goosen was rearrested on Swartwater Farm near the Botswana border.

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The charge sheets allege murder, robbery with aggravating circumstances, malicious damage to property, attempted intimidation and unlawfully possessing a firearm and ammunition.

The two men "illegally caused an explosion" on July 14 last year against the wall of a block of flats, The Birches, in Sandton.

Miss Allan, who subsequently moved to Britain, lived in the block.

The explosion came at a time when she was linked to AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche in the Paardetraai scandal.

On August 29 last year, it is alleged, the accused murdered-taxi-driver Mr Potoko Franzor Makalémele by shooting him in the head and abdomen.
Man in court after bomb set at journalist’s flat

A MAN appeared briefly in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday in connection with charges arising from the bombing of former Sunday Times journalist Jani Allan's Sandton flat last July.

Fanje Goosen, 29, of Mimosa Street, Drie Riviere, Vereeniging, who was not asked to plead, also appeared in connection with charges of attempted intimidation of Allan, to prevent her from writing about AWB leader Eugene Terre’Blanche. Other charges relate to murder, theft and the illegal possession of firearms.

According to court papers, Goosen is alleged to have killed Potoko Makgalemele on August 29 last year at the Daleside Ski Club, near Meyerton, and to have stolen his taxi earlier in the day.

Goosen did not apply for bail and was remanded in custody.

The case was adjourned until September 11.

Goosen and Cornelius Lottering, both allegedly members of AWB splinter group the Order of Death, escaped from police custody in March this year by kicking out a panel of the police truck in which they were being transported.

Police said yesterday that Goosen was arrested on Tuesday on a farm near the Botswana border and that a search had now been launched for Lottering.
Neutralise cops who back Govt - Piet Skiet

POLICEMEN with rightwing sympathies should sniff out and neutralise colleagues who supported the Government, fugitive rightwing leader Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph said in a letter.

"Our heartfelt thanks to policemen and women who know what De Klerk and Vlok are busy with. Valuable participation in our struggle will not go unrecognised.

"We plead, however, with them to sniff out "rooilassies" among them and to neutralise them ...at this stage it can be done better from within," Rudolph said in a letter to the AWB mouthpiece, Die Sweeplag.

Rudolph, who has been in hiding for more than four months, said the struggle of the Orde Boerevolk will continue until victory.

Referring to recent arrest of rightwingers, he said catching a few men would not end the struggle.

An AWB spokesman said the letter was received a week ago and was signed by Rudolph.
The Department of Justice has called on ultra-right-winger Piet "Skiet" Rudolph to turn himself in so that "the legal processes can take their normal course".

In a statement released in Pretoria last night the department said there was no question of automatic indemnity of individuals.

Only once Mr Rudolph had submitted to the legal process could it be established whether he was eligible for indemnity.

The department was reacting to newspaper reports that Rudolph, wanted in connection with arms theft from the air force and the bombing of Melrose House in Pretoria, would turn himself in if granted indemnity for committing criminal acts of a political nature. — Sapa.
CP councillor held by police

East Rand Bureau

Rightwingers say they are baffled by the arrest, by security police, of a Kempton Park Conservative Party councillor at his home yesterday.

Police have confirmed the arrest of Greyling Bezuidenhout for interrogation under section 50 of the Criminal Procedures Act.

Due to "the sensitivity of the matter" a spokesman declined to divulge details of the allegation against Mr. Bezuidenhout.

Mrs. Bezuidenhout, who was present when her husband was arrested at 5 am, was not available for comment.

Mr. Bezuidenhout was one of 11 people detained on the East Rand earlier this year for questioning in connection with an alleged plot to assassinate ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela.
The finding that a 37-year-old world war commander was the victim of a sexual assault has sparked outrage across the globe. The investigation into the incident has raised questions about the adequacy of the military's response to sexual assault allegations and the need for a more comprehensive approach to addressing sexual violence in the military.

The incident occurred in early 2022, when the commander was reported to have been assaulted in his quarters. The victim, who has remained anonymous, has spoken out about the trauma he has experienced as a result of the assault, highlighting the need for greater support and resources for military personnel who have experienced sexual assault.

In the aftermath of the incident, there has been a renewed focus on the prevention and response to sexual assault in the military. However, many have called for a more comprehensive approach that goes beyond simply addressing individual cases and focuses on creating a culture of respect and safety within the military.

The situation has also raised questions about the broader impact of sexual assault within the military, with many advocating for greater transparency and accountability in the handling of such cases. The victims' rights and the need for support and resources have been at the forefront of discussions, with calls for greater investment in prevention and response efforts.

Despite the attention and response, there continues to be concern about the adequacy of the military's response to sexual assault allegations. The ongoing investigation into the incident has shed light on the challenges faced by military personnel who have experienced sexual assault, highlighting the need for continued efforts to address these issues and create a safer environment for all.
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Strikes threaten East London

The National Union of Public Employees (NUPE), which represents over 300,000 workers in the public sector, has announced a 24-hour strike on Tuesday, 13th November. The strike is expected to cause major disruptions to public services, particularly in East London.

The NUPE has been in negotiations with the government for several months over pay and conditions. The union claims that the government's proposals are insufficient to meet the needs of its members. NUPE general secretary said: "The government's offer is simply not enough. Our members deserve better, and we will not compromise on their demands."

The strike comes at a time of economic uncertainty, with the cost of living crisis continuing to affect many households. NUPE members are among the lowest paid workers in the country, and the union is calling for a fairer distribution of the costs of inflation.

The strike will affect a range of services, including social care, schools, and public transport. The NUPE has urged members to prepare for the disruption and to consider the potential impact on their own personal lives.

The government has said it will do everything in its power to ensure that the strike does not cause unnecessary hardship. However, the union remains committed to its demands and continues to call for support from the public.

The strike will be the latest in a series of industrial action by public sector workers this year. Other unions have also announced strikes in recent months, including the National Education Union (NEU) and the Unite union.

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Bombs blast Rand newspaper offices

The Argus Correspondent

Johannesburg. — Two bombs exploded within seconds outside the offices here of the Afrikaans morning newspaper Beeld, causing extensive damage but no injuries.

The first bomb, believed to be made up of commercial explosives, was placed under a blue Volkswagen Citi Golf owned by Mr Willem Pretorius, arts editor, that was parked near the entrance in Miller Street, Doornfontein. It detonated about 11.05 last night. Several windows in the newspaper building were shattered.

A second device, apparently placed near a delivery truck in First Street, detonated seconds later, shattering more windows including those of an industrial firm across the street. The explosion caused employees in Beeld's dispatch section 300 metres away to flee the premises.

Within minutes of the explosions police had cordoned off streets and were combing the glass-strewn pavements for a possible third device.

The police liaison officer for the Witwatersrand, Captain Eugene Opperman, said no motive had been established yet for the blasts.

Mr Pretorius said the newspaper's production was not affected by the explosions.

"We heard a terrific bang and I looked out of the window and saw it was my car. It happened just on deadline... and then the other one went off. We told everyone to stay in the office in case there was another one."

Mr Pretorius said he believed right-wingers were responsible.

Pattern of attacks.

"We've been threatened by the right several times recently and while it hasn't been confirmed yet, a policeman told me commercial explosives were used.

"We've been constant in our criticism of the right but I can't think of any recent report which would have motivated the attack."

Mr Pretorius said he believed the explosions, coming in the wake of the recent blast at the offices of the Afrikaans weekly Vrye Weekblad, could be part of a pattern of attacks against the media."
Bomb was ours, says Piet 'Skiet'

FUGITIVE rightwinger Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph yesterday claimed responsibility for the bomb blasts at the offices of the Johannesburg Afrikaans newspaper Beeld on Sunday night. Rudolph said the "Orde Boerevolk" (OB) accepted responsibility.

The reasons for the attack, Rudolph said, was to demonstrate the OB's dissatisfaction with "the false twisting to assist the Government by the National Party mouthpiece, Beeld."
Barend feels Right's wrath

Police and rightwingers were last night involved in several scuffles when about 300 khaki-clad demonstrators attempted to disrupt a meeting addressed by Finance Minister Barend du Plessis in Wolmaransstad's town hall.

Police armed with batons charged the crowd outside the hall. Several policemen, one a colonel, were assaulted.

Mr du Plessis was several times forced to stop speaking.
His address was delayed for more than an hour as police tried to clear the hall of the rightwingers. Sneeze powder was thrown during the confrontation.

Reporters' brother shot dead

Staff Reporters

Renewed fighting broke out on the East Rand and in the Vaal Triangle early today following the killing of at least 10 people in townships last night.

Zulu bands have been accused of attacking residents of several townships, including Vosloorus and Katlehong on the East Rand and Sebokeng in the Vaal area.

The Star's boxing writer, Arthur Molistwa, described today how his brother Jerry was killed in cold blood at 9.30 last night as he sat with his wife Laia and a friend watching TV in their Vosloorus home opposite a hostel:

"The mob started stoning the house and when they broke the windows, Jerry phoned the police who arrived in an armoured vehicle. The attackers dispersed but returned, smashed the burglar bars and attempted to set the house alight.

"While attempting to douse the flames with water, Jerry was shot in the chest and stomach and his terrified wife ran for her life, still under fire as she made her escape in the dark. Panic-stricken, she dislocated her knee as she scaled fences in her frantic efforts to escape the mob. She was treated in the Nelspruit Hospital.

"About R10 000 damage has been done to their house which is covered inside with blood. The whole Sotho section of the town is in shambles," said Mr Molistwa.

Civic Association spokesman Keith Mostert said a crowd of about 700 drove the hostel inmates back to their compound.

"More than 20 houses were damaged, others burnt to the ground," he said.

Fighting was stopped by soldiers who fired shots in the air.

A Vaal Triangle police spokesman said today that renewed fighting had broken out in Sebokeng today. The fighting, mainly between Zulus and Xhosas, began at about 3 am.

Police and Defence Force reinforcements have been moved into the area.

Colonel Frans Malherbe, police liaison officer for the Witwatersrand, confirmed eight of last night's 10 deaths.

anything like that had been planned. But they could have stopped it immediately," she said.

Manager Eugene Spies said the restaurant owners were sorry at the incident and had apologized to parents for the embarrassment caused.

"As a family restaurant, strip-teases are not acceptable to us.

"Unfortunately we did not know they had planned to strip. We definitely wouldn't have allowed it."
Arms dealer tells of CCB links

By Adam Gordon

An Israeli arms dealer, arrested in connection with a R29 million foreign exchange fraud, yesterday told a Johannesburg magistrate of his involvement with an alleged Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) agent in million-rand arms deals.

Aspects of South Africa’s hidden cash-for-arms dealing emerged yesterday when David Kofmansky (41) applied for bail in the Johannesburg Magistrate’s Court.

Mr Kofmansky (41) described himself as a commodities broker. He was, he said, involved in connecting the South African armaments manufacturing company Armscor with overseas weapons suppliers.

This explained the large amounts of cash he was dealing with, “front companies” he set up in Britain and Israel and the false passport and identity document the police had found in his possession, he said.

He said such practices were an accepted part of breaking the arms embargo against South Africa. The passport was meant to allow him to travel to London, where South Africans were not allowed to go.

Mr Kofmansky explained that his “very good contacts” in the Israeli army had interested him in his alleged Armscor contact, a man he identified as CCB agent Chapelle Maree, a former Brixton Murder and Robbery Squad detective, who has been implicated in various undercover CCB operations. Mr Maree mysteriously left the country when the Harms Commission began its investigations into the CCB activities.

He said during the period from September 1987 to August 23 1990 Mr Maree brought him suitcases full of R50 notes “many, many times”. Many deals, normally worth over R100 000 each, had been concluded.

During cross-examination Mr Kofmansky said he had also acted as an investment advisor for people wanting to take money out of Israel. This money was placed with a London auditor and investment advisor Frank Winberg.

Advocate D F Dorfling, for the State, said it was strange that the money Mr Kofmansky had supposedly transferred to London on behalf of clients had eventually found its way back to South Africa. This money had entered the country at the attractive financial rand rate, he said.

Advocate M Hodes-SC appeared for Mr Kofmansky, who is being held in custody. (Proceeding).
CCB named in R29m forex case

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'Piet Skiet' claims Beeld bomb

PRETORIA. — A man who claimed to be Piet "Skiet" Rudolph said the "Orde Boerevolk" (OB) accepted responsibility for the bomb blasts at the offices of the Afrikaans newspaper Beeld in Johannesburg on Sunday night, the Pretoria News said in yesterday's late final edition.

The newspaper said the man, who phoned the Pretoria News, gave the reasons for the attack to demonstrate the OB's dissatisfaction with "the false twisting to assist the government by the National Party mouthpiece, Beeld".

The man also warned Beeld editor Mr Salie de Swart that he and his team had become targets of their "lying propaganda".

Police spokesman Colonel Frans Malherbe confirmed police were investigating Mr Rudolph's link with the blast. — Sapa
Alleged CCB ‘bagman’ tells of fake firms

JOHANNESBURG. — Evidence of setting up “front companies” in England and Israel to overcome the arms embargo was given in the Regional Court here yesterday.

Mr David Kofmanský, 41, an alleged Civil Cooperation Bureau “bagman”, yesterday resumed his bail application after being arrested last week in connection with R29 million in foreign exchange frauds.

Mr Kofmanský said he was arrested when he was still concluding a deal involving more than R250 000 for Mr Chappie Maree.

Mr Maree, who has been implicated in various CCB operations, has left the country.

Mr Kofmanský said he had met Mr Maree at a gym in Halfway House and Mr Maree had been interested in his “very good contacts” in the Israeli Army.

Mr Maree instructed him to set up fake “front companies” in England and Israel. The English company was called Protocell and the Israeli company Toboher.

Mr Maree had said these companies were necessary because, under the arms embargo, foreign arms dealers would not trade directly with South Africa.

— Sapa
Doubts on key witness appearing

By Adam Gordon and Marguerite Moody

Former Brixton Murder and Robbery Squad detective and Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) member Leon "Chappie" Maree is due to testify this morning in the bail application of an Israeli immigrant charged with foreign exchange fraud involving R28 million.

However, defence advocate H Brandt yesterday said Mr Maree had been escaping the law for lengthy periods and it could not be said for certain if he would appear today.

Mr Brandt said Mr Maree might even, in the light of an investigation by the auditor-general into the CCB’s “missing millions”, have a motive to disappear.

Postpone

The bail application on behalf of David Kofmansky (41) before J J F Coetzee in the Johannesburg Regional Court was postponed yesterday until this morning to enable the State to call Mr Maree.

Another defence advocate, M Hodes SC, opposed the application by the State to postpone the case, saying State Advocate D Dorfling had had “ample time” to call Mr Maree.

The lapse in time in calling Mr Maree was “gross negligence” on the part of the prosecution, he said.

Mr Maree is a key witness in the hearing as Mr Kofmansky has testified he was working for Mr Maree when the alleged fraud took place.

Mr Dorfling said he had spoken to Mr Maree but had not yet had the opportunity for detailed consultation with him.

This explained why Mr Maree had not been called earlier.

It also explained how he was able to tell the court what Mr Maree’s testimony would be.

On Monday Mr Dorfling said Mr Maree would deny ever having given large sums of money or false documents to Mr Kofmansky.

Mr Kofmansky had testified that the false passport, identity document and papers with false customs stamps found in his possession could be explained by the fact he was working for Mr Maree.

He had acted as a commodity broker in various arms deals between South Africa and overseas weapons suppliers, and it was in the nature of this business that normal importing channels had not been followed, he said.

Under cross-examination yesterday, investigating officer Lieutenant Pieter Welgemoed said he had no substantial evidence which linked the Kofmansky case with CCB activity.

However, he anticipated no difficulty in obtaining the cooperation of alleged CCB members in his investigation.

Mr Brandt, however, said that the Harms Commission had clearly shown that cooperation from CCB members would not automatically be forthcoming.

He submitted that these delays would lead to a lengthy investigation.

This meant his client could remain in jail for “a year or two” if he was not granted bail.

The hearing continues today.
Bid to deport rightwingers

By Monica Nicolson

Warrants of arrest have been issued for three rightwingers in a step towards having them deported to Namibia to stand trial on charges of killing a policeman and attacking Unita forces.

They are Leonard Veenendaal, Darryl Stopforth and Horst Klenz. Mr Stopforth and Mr Veenendaal (former AWB chief in Johannesburg) are already in detention awaiting trial. They will appear in the Johannesburg Magistrate’s Court tomorrow in connection with recent Witwatersrand explosions.

Police have appealed to the public for help in re-arresting Mr Klenz, a West German citizen.

Namibia has applied for the extradition of the men so they could stand trial for the murder of security guard David Hoaseb (22) and Constable Ricardo van Wyk (21).
Warrants issued in SA extradition case

WARRANTS of arrest have been issued by a Johannesburg magistrate for three right-wingers who are wanted in Namibia to stand trial for the alleged murder of a policeman and an attack on an Ustag base before independence earlier this year.

Two of the three, Leonard Veenendaal and Darryl Stoforth, are awaiting trial prisoners being held in connection with their alleged involvement in several East Rand explosions.

They are to appear in court tomorrow.

It is not known where the third man, Horst Klein, is, but he is believed to be in Namibia or Europe.

Witwatersrand Attorney-General Klaus von Lieres und Wilkau said last night the warrants issued in terms of the Extradition Act of 1982 signified the initial steps in proceedings to establish whether the men should be surrendered to Namibia.

The next phase is for a local magistrate to hold an inquiry, during which he is empowered to hold the men in custody.

If the inquiry shows there is a case against the men, the State President may order their surrender and extradition to Namibia, Von Lieres said.

He said the process may not be "quite so straightforward", as differences in the interpretation of certain legal phrases could slow things down.

"But if we thought there was insufficient evidence, then we would not go ahead with the proceedings," Von Lieres explained.
Warrants of arrest for 3 rightwingers

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A police statement said the warrants had been issued for Leonard Veenendal, Darryl Stopforth and Horst Klenz.

Stopforth and Veenendal (former AWB chief in Johannesburg) are in detention awaiting trial and will appear in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court today in connection with recent explosions on the Witwatersrand.

Police have appealed to the public for help in arresting West German citizen Klenz who escaped from custody while appearing in the Otjiwarongo Magistrate's Court in Namibia on December 4 last year.

The Namibian government applied for the extradition of the men so they could stand trial for the murder of security guard David Hoaseb (22) and a policeman Constable Ricardo van Wyk (21) who were killed during an attack on the Uitkyk office in Outjo during August last year.
‘Wrong man’ - so attempt to slay trade unionist fails

By GLENDAL DANILO

AN ASSASSINATION attempt by six men on unionist Vusi Khumalo failed yesterday when he was not in his Johannesburg office.

At a press conference called immediately after the incident, the general secretary of the Post and Telecommunications Workers Union said the men entered the office calling his name. Instead they found the editor of the New Nation, Z subdivision.

Congress of South African Trade Unions general secretary Jay Naidoo said the planned assassination attempt failed because the men found the wrong man. One of the men said: “This is not him.”

Khumalo said his secretary, who was in the office at the time, told him the men had an “aggressive and intimidating attitude”.

Naidoo said the men had been wearing dustcoats, under which he believed they had hidden their arms.

He added that he had also received many death threats this year as well as threats to blow up the Cosatu head office building.

“We have no confidence in the police trying to resolve this problem. In fact there is a strong right-wing element in the police force and the SADF.”

In a statement the tenants of the building said: “We feel defenceless. We come to work and are unable to protect our lives. Little has been done by the government to make people account for their actions.

“Thousands of lives have been lost in Natal and now this violence has spread to the Transvaal.”

Naidoo said ways and means of taking action against the police and vigilantes were being discussed. One such step could be applying for a court interdict.
JOHANNESBURG. — Four right-wingers who were allegedly responsible for five bomb blasts here earlier this year appeared briefly before a Regional Court magistrate here yesterday.

An application for bail was withdrawn by the defence for Mr Leonard Veenendaal, 24, Mr Darryl Stopforth, 23, Mr Craig Barker, 21, and Mr Anton Archer, 29.

The men are to stand trial on charges of terrorism. According to the charge sheet they caused bomb explosions at a synagogue, the offices of the Vry Weekblad and one in Houghton in June and July.

The case was postponed to September 25.

Mr Veenendaal and Mr Stopforth also appeared in court on Thursday after the Namibian government had made an application to have them extradited to Namibia. They were allegedly involved in the murder of a policeman and a security guard in an attack on Unita forces.

In another case the attorney general's office issued a certificate prohibiting the issuing of bail or the granting of bail for alleged left-winger Mr Jeremy Seeber.

Mr Seeber, 24, a student at the University of the Witwatersrand, was allegedly responsible for various explosions. — Sapa
Krog's car vandalised

JOHANNESBURG. — Well-known Afrikaans poet Antjie Krog has laid charges with the Kroonstad police after her car was allegedly vandalised on Tuesday night, and the initials "ANC" spray-painted in black all over her white Fiat.

"Her whole car was sprayed, and a can of enamel paint poured on top of her car," Mr Dennis Bloem, organiser of the Maokeng Democratic Crisis Committee (MDCC), said yesterday.

"I met her last night (Thursday) and she told me the whole story," he said. "It was only "ANC, ANC, ANC" sprayed all over her Fiat. There were no other words or slogans."

Krog is a teacher at Brent Park High School in the "coloured" township outside Kroonstad, and a well-known local anti-apartheid activist.

The award-winning poet reported the incident to the Kroonstad police on Wednesday morning. Mr Bloem said, "and they told her to lay a charge. The police said they will investigate the incident." — Sapa.
SA's most wanted man caught

JOHANNESBURG. — An Order of Death member and South Africa's most wanted man, right-winger Mr. Cornelius Lottering, 24, was arrested at a roadblock between Heidelberg and Johannesburg.

Police said they acted on a tip-off.

Mr. Lottering is expected to appear in the Rand Supreme Court with co-accused Mr. Fanie Goosen on charges of murder, malicious destruction of property and robbery with aggravating circumstances.

They are suspected of bombing National Party offices on the Reef and two Roodepoort hotels, and causing an explosion at Richmond. They are also suspected of causing a bomb blast at former Sunday Times columnist Jani Allen's block of flats in Sandton and of bombing the homes of two right-wingers.

Three people died and 21 people were injured during the bombing spree.

Mr. Lottering and Mr. Goosen escaped in March this year from a police van. Mr. Goosen was arrested last week. — Sapa
No bail for four rightwing suspects

FOUR rightwingers who were allegedly responsible for five bomb blasts in Johannesburg earlier this year, appeared briefly before a Johannesburg Regional Court magistrate on Friday.

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**Murder**

The two men were allegedly involved in the murder of a policeman and a security guard in an attack on Union forces.

* In another case, the Attorney General's office issued a certificate prohibiting the issuing of bail or the granting of bail for alleged leftwinger, Jeremy Scobor.

Scobor (24), a student at the University of the Witwatersrand, was arrested in connection with a bomb explosion at a Braamfontein Hotel in 1986.

According to the charge sheet, Scobor was also responsible for an explosion at the Civic Centre in Braamfontein in 1987 and he allegedly planted anti-personnel mines in Verwoerdsburg.

It was also alleged that Scobor underwent military training within the ANC.

According to the certificate, issued by the Attorney-General, Scobor could not be released on bail in the interests of State security and the maintenance of law and order.
Violence extension of SA’s backing of Renamo

Mandela briefs OAU

We are far from information and we are even suspected to share our resources, and we even

LONDON — the Commonwealth Prime the-
Alleged beating: 
FW given names

Political Staff
The Conservative Party has given President de Klerk the names of “five or six” security policemen involved in the alleged beating of a right-wing detainee.

Mr de Klerk said in a statement after meeting a CP delegation at the Union Buildings on Monday that further investigations would be initiated into the specific incidents of alleged action by the police.

The CP delegation said after meeting Mr de Klerk for about 30 minutes that it had held “very pleasant” discussions with him about alleged police maltreatment of Fanie Goosen and other white detainees.

Koos van der Merwe, MP for Overvaal, said it had been a satisfactory interview in which the CP delegation had told Mr de Klerk it had proof of assaults on security detainees.

With Mr van der Merwe were Jurg Prinsloo, MP for Roodepoort, and Andries Beyers, secretary of the CP.

With Mr de Klerk were Minister of Law and Order Adriaan Viljoen and the Commissioner of Police, General Johan van der Merwe.

The CP’s Mr van der Merwe said the CP had asked for three things:

- A list of all white detainees being held for security-related reasons.
- Access to detainees in certain circumstances — Mr de Klerk had said they should apply and their requests would be favourably considered.
- An interview with the police general investigating the claims about Mr Goosen, once the probe was completed.

Mr van der Merwe said Mr de Klerk and Mr Viljoen had given the assurance that the allegations would be investigated thoroughly and the culprits, if any, punished.

- The Afrikaner Weerstands beweging claimed on Monday that at least five of its members had been tortured and assaulted by senior police officers while being held in terms of section 29 of the Internal Security Act, reports Norman Chandler of the Pretoria Bureau.

The allegation was made by AWB chief Eugene TerreBlanche when three alleged torture victims — brothers Jan and Gert de Bruyn and Artur Gordenian — attended a press conference.

Two others, one identified as a “Mr Niemand” from Brandyfont and the other as an unidentified man from Wolmaransstad, were not present.
FW agrees to investigate right-wing torture claims

PRETORIA. — President FW de Klerk and Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok yesterday agreed to an investigation into allegations of torture against right-wingers in police custody — but denied any knowledge of such actions.

A Conservative Party delegation, comprising Overvaal MP Mr Koos van der Merwe, Bethal MP Mr Chris de Jager and Roodepoort MP Mr Jurgen Prinsloo, had discussions with Mr De Klerk and Mr Vlok in Pretoria yesterday.

Meanwhile, AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche said two members of his organisation had laid charges against police for allegedly torturing them while in police custody.

Speaking at a news conference in Pretoria, he demanded an inquiry into alleged police conduct and the suspension of policemen involved.

The CP's chief secretary, Mr Andries Beyers, said Mr De Klerk and Mr Vlok told the delegation that although they had no knowledge of the allegations, an investigation would be held.

The government further agreed to keep the CP informed on the progress of the investigation, to provide the CP with a list of the names of right-wing detainees, and that the CP could "on merit" visit these detainees.

Earlier yesterday Herstigte Nasionale Party leader Mr Jaap Marais said he intended to bring a case of alleged torture to the State President's attention and would also ask Mr Vlok's permission to visit the detainees.

Yesterday Major-General H D Stadler of the SAP Public Relations Division announced that Lieutenant-General Jaap Joubert, a senior CID member, would be in charge of a team to investigate the allegations of torture against right-wing detainees.

Mr De Klerk and Mr Vlok also met Archbishop Desmond Tutu and a church delegation yesterday about allegations surrounding the latest violence in the townships. — Sapa
Vagrant ‘was too drunk to give statement’

By CHRIS BATEMAN

THE vagrant allegedly beaten up by three St George’s Grammar pupils was drunk and incapable of giving police a statement and no docket had therefore been opened, police said yesterday.

Police liaison officer Major Jan Calitz said all detectives were able to establish was that the man was from Khayelitsha. The victim had also not been "in a fit state" to give Groote Schuur Hospital staff his name, he added.

The man was discharged from hospital the morning after he was assaulted.

The three pupils were expelled after the incident and two other pupils who witnessed the assault, on August 17 this year, were disciplined, headmaster Mr Paul Cannon has confirmed. All are matric pupils. The three expelled pupils had all broken school rules before and one had been involved in dagga smoking, Mr Cannon said.

Yesterday it emerged that the victim could have been more seriously injured had it not been for outside intervention.

An eyewitness to the assault, Mr Ian Lang, 18, of Kewtown, said he was attending his soccer club’s annual anniversary ball at the Gordon’s Institute hall near the school when he was summoned by friends on August 17.

"I ran out and there was a group of youths punching this man on the banks of the Liesbeek canal. When they saw us coming they shoved him into the canal and ran across a St George’s School field into a building," he said.

Mr Lang said he and his friends had called an ambulance from the Mowbray Maternity Hospital. On their return they found two traffic policemen with the vagrant, who told them they had also summoned an ambulance.

The incident happened about 10pm on a Friday, he said.

Mr Cannon confirmed this but said he had nothing to add to his earlier statement.
Pie St. sleek blasts NP office; caller claims

NP office...
Blast jolts NP's Waterkloof office

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — A blast rocked the National Party office in Waterkloof today.

Police said commercial explosives were used and party officials said the tam explosion was a political act.

There were no injuries and damage to the building on the corner of Lynwood Road and Duncan Street was slight.

Mr Danie Labuschagne, party regional secretary, said: "It was obviously politically oriented. Our front windows give no hint that the office belongs to the National Party."

The office was petrol-bombed two years ago.

A boy flees as police prepare to confront rioters in Ennerdale township on the south Rand. At least 10 people were injured in clashes between residents and police.
Film festival blast
‘work of rightists’

Johannesburg. — The blast which rocked the
Avalon Cinema in Fordsburg, Johannesburg, early
yesterday must have been the work of right-wing
extremists, organisers of the Weekly Mail Film Festi-
val said in a statement.

Just hours before the blast, they had screened the
film “How to make Love to a Negro Without Getting
Tired”, which was a spoof on racial stereotyping.

A few days prior to the screening, the festival
organisers had received a telephone call from an
Afrikaans-speaking man in Brakpan — who asked
when this particular film would be screened and
“seemed quite offended by the title”, although he
had made no threats.

For these reasons the organisers had little doubt
that the bombing had been the work of right-wing
extremists.

The name of the person who had inquired about
the film has been handed to police. — Sapa.
CP MPs take over two men’s defence

TWO CP MPs yesterday took over the defence of two men charged in the Rand Supreme Court with murder and the bombing near former Sunday Times columnist Jan Allan’s flat.

Fanie Goosen, 29, and Cornelius Lottering, 34, are charged with the murder of Poloko Makgalemele in August 1989, in intimidation, malicious damage to property, theft and illegal possession of arms.

Yesterday the pair’s pro deo counsel stood down in favour of advocate Fanie Jacobs, instructed by Koos van der Merwe. The case was postponed to September 13.
Suspended sentence for AWB man

Veereeniging Bureaus

A former commander of the AWB’s elite Aquila unit was this week given a suspended sentence in the Veereeniging Regional Court after being convicted on charges under the Prisons Act.

Accused of harbouring or hiding an escapee, David Israel Rootenberg (42) of Panorama, Veereeniging, pleaded guilty to the charge before magistrate James Johnston.

He was convicted by Mr Johnston and sentenced to two years’ jail, suspended for five years.

According to the charge sheet, Rootenberg was arrested last month after he had harboured and hidden an alleged “Order of Death” member, Cornelius Lottering, at his home.

He was released on bail of R1,000 the day after his arrest. In his plea of explanation, Rootenberg said he had transported Lottering—who had escaped from custody—to his smallholding, where Lottering hid himself.

He claimed he had done this at Lottering’s request as he was injured at the time. He also said he knew Lottering was a fugitive, and regarded it as his “human duty” to help him. However, Rootenberg said, he had not realised the seriousness of the offence.
Johannesburg. — An unidentified caller to Radio 702 Eyewitness News has claimed responsibility for yesterday morning's bomb blast at the National Party offices in Waterkloof, Pretoria.

The caller said he was speaking on behalf of fugitive right-winger Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph and warned there would be more explosions in future, according to a report on Radio 702.

The blast caused little damage to the offices, which serve the constituency of Deputy Finance Minister Dr Org Maroe, and no injuries.

NP regional secretary Mr Danie Labuschagne said that commercial explosives had been placed in a drum outside one of the office's windows.

Police had no immediate comment on the progress they had made in their investigations into these blasts. — Sapa
Piet 'Skiet' delivers letter

JOHANNESBURG. - Right-wing fugitive Mr Piet 'Skiet' Rudolph calmly walked into the Vrye Weekblad offices here this week to deliver a letter he wanted published in the newspaper.

The newspaper's editor, Mr Max du Preez, said yesterday that Mr Rudolph had lost "quite a lot of weight since last seen. He did not want to stay for an interview".

- Sapa

Outrage over cat barbecue

AUCKLAND. - A Viet-namese man's attempt to roast a cat for breakfast has outraged animal lovers in this New Zealand city.

Horrified passers-by found the man skinning and skewering the cat in a city cemetery ready for spit-roasting over a small fire, police said yesterday.

They stamped out the fire, got rid of the cat and offered the man a meal. He said he was very hungry but turned down the offer of food. - Sapa-Reuters

SAA fares up, city flights cut

Staff Reporter

DOMESTIC air fares go up 8% from next week and more price hikes could be in the pipeline if the Middle East crisis continues.

This means that from Monday, commuters flying between Cape Town and Johannesburg (one way) will pay R461 (business class), R369 (economy class) and R235 (midnight flight). Air freight charges have been increased by 8.5%.

In addition, SAA has cut 24 of its weekly 694 flights.

The airways yesterday said the fixed fuel price for September was 33.5% higher than the August price and that prices could leap by a further 50%.

"To compensate for this unusual price increase, it would have been necessary to introduce a fuel levy of at least 12.5%.

However, SAA had decided to introduce an 8% levy and to withdraw some of its under-used flights in an effort to cut costs.

Tickets bought before midnight on Sunday will not reflect the new increase.

An SAA spokesman said the following flights had been cut:

- Cape Town-Johannesburg: SA 304 at 9.40pm and SA 314 at 11.40am on Thursdays.
- SA 304 at 7.40pm on Sundays.
- Cape Town-Durban: SA 608 on Monday at 11.40am.

FEARS of right-wing forces halt to film

FEARS of right-wing attacks on the Labia Theatre have caused its management to withdraw screening of the controversial film "How to Make Love to a Negro Without Getting Tired".

The withdrawal follows Tuesday's suspected right-wing bomb blast at Johannesburg's Avalon Cinema. It was hosting the Weekly Mail Film Festival which included the movie in its line-up. No one was hurt in the blast.

The Labia released a statement yesterday saying that "as a result of the explosion (at the Avalon Cinema) we have decided to cancel two screenings of the movie".

Consequently, the two scheduled screenings, on September 18 and 21, would be replaced with screenings of "The Miracle Healing" on September 18 and "City of Woman" on September 21.
Behind the Rooideecke

Who are these whites

In a bedroom in Brits section, a woman weeps over the body of her husband, killed in an intrigue attack.

Picture: KEVIN CARNER

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By EUGEN KOECK
Stampede

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said: "People rushed in from another coach screaming: 'Here come the Zulus again, they're coming to kill us!"

"There was a total stampede and I and many others threw ourselves from the moving train." He saw no attackers.

Harrison Masamba (29) gave a similar account of an incident on train number 9402 near Mayfair at about 3.45 pm.

He said that after commuters stormed into his coach shouting that Zulus were coming, panic ensued and he had "found himself on the tracks." He did not see any attackers.

Pressmen at Jeppe Station said they saw what appeared to be a gang of black youths flinging people out of the moving carriages, but police could not confirm this.

A witness in an office block opposite Ellis Park station said: "We heard people screaming and what we thought were gunshots coming from the train. People seemed to be fighting on the carriages and we saw bodies hurling from the carriages, but I am not sure whether they jumped or were pushed."

Within minutes of the incident police, soldiers and Spoornet security officials mounted heavy patrols on platforms and circled the area in a helicopter.

Four injured commuters were admitted to the Hillbrow Hospital and five were treated and discharged.

In other attacks this week:

- Commuters were hacked and stabbed by panga-wielding thugs in an attack on a train between the Johannesburg Station and Braamfontein Station on Tuesday.
- Four unidentified gunmen wielding AK-47s rampaged through central Johannesburg on Wednesday, killing three and injuring 17.
- A petrol bomb was hurled into a Putco bus in Linden on Thursday.
- About 26 people were killed by a heavily armed gang shortly after a train left the Johannesburg Station bound for Soweto at 5.04 pm on Thursday.
- Three people died when youths attacked taxi-owners at two Soweto ranks yesterday.
My life will never be the same after this sick orgy of violence

By BOIKI MOTEI 16/9/90

MY life will never be the same again after the panga-hacking and shooting this week in the new township of Siluma View in Katlehong on the East Rand.

Tuesday night’s attack by hostel dwellers has left the township virtually deserted, with women and children taken to other townships for safety — my family too.

After youths apparently killed three occupants of a kombi from Natal on Sunday, you could have cut the atmosphere with a knife.

There was heavy gunfire on Sunday and Monday nights when hostel inmates clashed with residents of Basotho section, where the kombi was allegedly attacked and torched.

Residents of Siluma View were not affected until Tuesday morning when I was on my way home. Youths stopped my car and told me not to go to work because “we are all going to demolish the hostel today”.

I must admit ... I’m a coward. I did not report for “hostel” duty as instructed and my neighbours were also at home.

During the day a resident told us that at 4pm, all men should attend a meeting and afterwards we would go to the hostel.

Earlier that morning, a man whom youths claimed was a Zulu was burned to death and his company van torched in Khumalo section.

It was alleged by the youths that the man had a red cloth in his pocket ... which is used by hostel inmates when attacking.

As a coward and somebody who can’t run, I did not attend the meeting and I still don’t know what was discussed. But later, at about 8.30pm, the trouble started — and I suddenly knew how to run!

The hostel inmates struck Khumalo section, burning houses, looting television sets and blasting away with AK-47 rifles.

There were no police at the scene.

Word went out that “Zulus” were heading for Siluma View and chaos reigned, with residents fleeing to the nearby Indian township Palm Ridge and the coloured township of Eden Park.

I saw some husbands running away and leaving their wives behind. I instructed my family to jump into the car and we fled to Soweto.

One of my friends tried to stop me, but I ignored him and put my foot down hard on the accelerator.

They came and broke windows, beating anyone they found and shooting wildly at fleeing residents. It was terrible, something I will never forget.

The following day, Wednesday, three innocent people were killed — hacked to death.

The next day I was surprised to read in newspapers that only one person had been killed in Katlehong. How strange ... maybe some of us can’t count.

The Katlehong Town Council also cut power on Thursday morning, instilling more fear and outrage among residents. We are terrorised and reasons for the attacks are still unclear.

My family and many others from Siluma View don’t spend nights in the township anymore.
ANC has right to self-defence

Mandela warns of prospect of full scale civil war

THE ANC had not forfeited its right to self-defence when it suspended the armed struggle, and would not stand by and allow “our people” to be mowed down like dogs, ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela told hundreds of people who packed a synagogue in Johannesburg on Friday night.

He also warned there was a “real and terrifying prospect of a full-scale civil war” breaking out.

“An offensive unprecedented in ferocity has been launched against our people,” Mandela charged. “Ordinary civilians, at home, at work and in the streets are made targets of brutal and savage attacks.

“There is no doubt in my mind – and all the evidence conclusively supports this – that the police and sectors of the government are working with a variety of vigilante forces, including Inkatha.”

“If the strongest measures are not taken against the perpetrators of this violence, including elements within the South African Police force, we will be forced to reconsider our present strategy,” he said in reference to the ongoing killings on the Witwatersrand.

“On the eve of real negotiations, forces determined to wreck the peace process have implemented a strategy of destabilisation which has resulted in the very real and terrifying prospect of full-scale civil war breaking out.”

Mandela said eye-witnesses from many townships stated “unequivocally” that whites, with their faces and hands blackened, had been part of groups of attackers recently.

“This is not a new phenomenon in Southern Africa. It has been an integral part of the destabilisation policy perpetrated against Angola and Mozambique.”

Turning to the sometimes controversial issue of the ANC’s policy towards Israel, and Zionism in particu-
Man tells of 'CCB intimidation'

By Helen Orang

A Johannesburg security firm chief, Deshai Condon, claims he is being intimidated and threatened by three men implicated in the covert Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB).

He said the threats began after he had started investigating the Nampac fraud case.

The two men, accompanied by two others, forced their way into his flat one evening and intimidated him.

Mr Condon said the men were chased from the flat after his son produced with a firearm.

Two days later he was telephoned by a man who asked if he was working on the case and if he had anything to do with an accident in which hit squad members were involved," he said.

Mr Condon said that since then, he had received two calls late at night.

"On the first occasion, I just heard heavy breathing. On the second occasion, I was called on the internal phone in my flat. I looked through the little television security camera and saw a man there. When I went down, he was gone," Mr Condon said.
Boer boss
Piet 'Skiet'
Rudolph
is arrested

FUGITIVE: "Boere pimpernel" Piet "Skiet" Rudolph was arrested in Pretoria yesterday, Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok said.

Vlok said Rudolph had been arrested in a motor car in which he had been travelling as a passenger in Paul Kruger Street at 1.30pm yesterday.

Police impounded two .38 special revolvers with 115 rounds, one 410 shot pistol with 32 rounds and one 15mm "signal projector".

Vlok said the car had been driven by a white man and police were investigating.

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Piet 'Skiet' Rudolph arrested

probably thought he would never be caught," Mellet said.

Rudolph hit the headlines when law enforcement authorities linked him to a daring arms heist from the South African Air Force headquarters in Pretoria about five months ago.

He had been an underground resistance figure ever since, frequently contacting the media with statements while being on the run.

In a video recording he branded State President FW de Klerk as traitor.

His latest appearance before his arrest, had been last week when he brazenly walked into the offices of the Johannesburg weekly Vrye Weekblad to deliver a letter to the editor, Mr Max du Preez.

He was travelling in a green station wagon at the time.

Police had offered a reward of R50 000 for the arrest of the 53-year-old former policeman and Pretoria city councillor.

FW DE KLERK... branded a 'traitor'
Piet ‘Skiet’ a freedom fighter—Van Tonder

By Guy Jepson

The Boerestaat Party has called on the Government to treat its deputy leader, Piet "Skiet" Rudolph, as a political prisoner and not as an ordinary criminal.

Reacting to Mr Rudolph’s arrest in Pretoria yesterday, Boerestaat Party leader Robert van Tonder said Mr Rudolph was "a freedom fighter fighting for the ideal of our Boer Republics".

In a statement to The Star last night, Mr van Tonder said the "deeds" attributed to Mr Rudolph were not aimed at "self-enrichment".

He warned the Government to ensure that Mr Rudolph was not "tortured and mistreated as was the case with the other Boer freedom fighters in recent months".

"The nation's (volk's) bitterness against the Government's capitulation policies (oorges-tappe) should not be underestimated and, if it becomes evident that Piet Rudolph is mistreated, serious reactions could follow."

The Boerestaat Party would render all possible assistance to Mr Rudolph, the statement said, adding that the vengeance and rage (wreak en woede) of the volk would descend on the Government if it created "a modern-day Japie Fourie".

Comment

The reaction of Afrikaner Volkswag leader Carel Bosshoff was a little more muted.

Professor Bosshoff said he had not been in contact with Mr Rudolph and therefore could not comment on his arrest.

"However I hope the situation which caused something like this will be changed as soon as possible so that the Afrikaner can get his own freedom in his own fatherland."

In his reaction, Conservative Party spokesman on justice Chris de Jager said the law should be allowed to take its course.

"We can't differentiate between people. We've got laws, and our laws should be enforced — whether in Soweto or in Pretoria. Nobody should pre-judge whether Mr Rudolph is guilty or not — that is for the courts to decide and fortunately we've got good courts."

Mistreated

ANC internal leader Walter Sisulu said he welcomed Mr Rudolph’s arrest but said it was important for the public to know under what law he would be charged.

Mr Sisulu contrasted the treatment meted out to white rightwingers and black detainees held under section 29 of the Internal Security Act. He said a recent right-wing delegation to Pretoria on allegations that rightists in detention were being mistreated was received by President F W de Klerk and promised an inquiry by a top general.

Democratic Party spokesman on Law and Order Denis Worrall said the fact that Mr Rudolph had been arrested was "a vote of confidence in the police force".

"I am naturally pleased he's been arrested. He's been out there, issuing all these challenges which had an undermining effect in terms of the functioning of the State."

Dr Worrall added that the arrest of Mr Rudolph could have a positive effect in countering allegations that the police were biased in dealing with political offenders.
Rudolph Loses Out

Screeams of Rage As

Dramatic arrest in Pretoria Street

By Monica Middon

and Norman Chandler

was the crowd.

Deputy Becker. Poor.

Dr. "Cape" Shear.
Pretoria North arrest.

Mr Rudolph’s screams of defiance were heard by shocked passersby before he was handcuffed and bundled into a police car.

Police swooped on the Datsun in which Mr Rudolph was a passenger while it was waiting at traffic lights at the corner of Paul Kruger and Booyse’s streets in the suburb of Les Marais.

The driver of the car, Chris Beege, who is about 40, was also arrested and police are investigating charges of his being an accessory. Mr Beege is a former journalist on the Afrikaans newspaper, Transvaler.

The two had just arrived in Pretoria from Potchefstroom.

Wally Wahlstrand, who was in a car next to Mr Rudolph’s at the traffic light, described the drama surrounding the police capture of the fugitive rightwinger.

“There were about 10 policemen around the car, and all were pointing guns at it and the two occupants. I saw the two men briefly as they left their vehicle.”

Shouting

Police vehicles blocked the front and back of Mr Rudolph’s car while others were close by.

Mr Rudolph was dressed in khaki and wore a hat over long hair which he had grown since going on the run. He had also grown a beard.

Moses Leqotho, who works at a garage on the corner of Booyse and Paul Kruger streets, said he saw policemen pointing firearms at Mr Rudolph.

“He refused to get out of his car, shouting abuse at the policemen. When one policeman threatened to shoot him, Mr Rudolph shouted, ‘Julle kan maar sklit!’”

Another employee of the garage, Johann Leqawath, said Mr Rudolph refused to put his hands on the roof of his car to be searched.

“He just shouted at them. He said they could shoot him, and he walked around and shouted at them for about five minutes. Eventually they handcuffed him and he was taken away in the police car,” Mrs Leqawath said.

It is expected Mr Rudolph will appear in court briefly tomorrow before appearing later.

He is expected to face various charges including some connected with a break-in at SAAF headquarters in Pretoria when arms and ammunition were taken.

Police said they found a cache of weapons and ammunition in the vehicle, including two .38 special revolvers with 115 rounds of ammunition, a 410 shot pistol with 32 rounds of ammunition and a .15 mm signal projector which shoots flares.

Police have declined to say where Mr Rudolf is being held, apparently believing right-wing fanatics could attempt to rescue him.

Nor would they reveal whether anyone would receive the R50,000 reward offered for Mr Rudolph’s arrest.
Wig, specs for Piet Skiet

IN DISGUISE: An artist's impression of Piet Skiet as he looked when arrested with a black wig and glasses.

Right: Mr. Rudolph in more conventional dress.
Defiant shouts: His defiant shouts were heard by surprised passers-by before he was bundled into a police car.
Fatal beating leads to murder charge for cops

DURBAN. — Two police constables yesterday pleaded not-guilty in the Supreme Court here to charges of beating a black man to death after an evening in a bar.

Mr Egedion William Saverio Ludick, 22, of Johannesburg and Mr Johannes Phillipus van Dyk, 22, of Cape Town, denied they had murdered Mr Daniel Qwabe in Pinetown on September 7 last year.

On the evening of the alleged murder, the two spent the night drinking in a bar.

The state has alleged that when they left the bar at 10.50pm they came across Mr Qwabe walking along Old Main Road and attacked him without warning. Mr Qwabe's companion, Mr Thomas Gumede, escaped while his friend was allegedly being kicked and struck by the accused.
Boere Pimprenel arrested in Paul Kruger St

Boere Pimprenel, arrested in Paul Kruger St.

Joannesburg – "Boere-Pimprenel"

Piet Shisela

Piet Shisela caught after six months on the run.

The arrest was made at the junction of Pretoria and Trinity Roads in Pretoria West, where the suspect was hiding in a bush. The police were able to track him down using scent dogs. The suspect was taken to the Pretoria Central Police Station where he was formally arrested. He will be charged with attempted murder and possession of firearms.

Piet Shisela, who is also known as "Boere-Pimprenel," was wanted by the police for his alleged involvement in several incidents of violence and looting in the area. He has a long criminal record and is considered a dangerous criminal.

The police praised the efforts of the community and the scent dogs for assisting in the arrest. They also thanked the public for their support and cooperation in the investigation.

The suspect will appear in court on a later date to face charges.
PIET "Skiet" Rudolph made a statement to a magistrate yesterday, according to reliable sources in Pretoria.

Meanwhile, police confirmed that both Rudolph and Mr Chris Bestje were being held under Section 20 of the Internal Security Act.

Police could not give a date when Rudolph will appear in court because the investigation "might still take a while", according to a spokesman from the Police Division in Pretoria. - Sapa

Forged notes

A NUMBER of forged R20 and R50 notes are in circulation in Bophuthatswana, according to police liaison officer Colonel Dave George.

The forged notes have no "water mark" and no line running through them as normal notes have.

People are advised to contact their nearest police station when they are in doubt about a bank note. - Sapa
Right doubts Piet’s ‘confession’

By Norman Chandler, Pretoria Bureau

Mystery surrounds the “confession” allegedly made to a magistrate by right-wing leader Piet “Skiet” Rudolph after his arrest in Pretoria.

Right-wing sources, including Robert van Tonder, leader of the Boerestaat Party (BSP), said Mr Rudolph, his deputy, may have admitted only to being a “Boer freedom fighter” and possibly to his alleged involvement in an explosion at Pretoria’s Melrose House.

The police, through Major-General Herman Stadler, head of the police public relations division, said yesterday Mr Rudolph, who was arrested while in a car at a traffic light in Paul Kruger Street on Monday, had made a “full confession” after demanding to be brought before a magistrate.

There is no possibility of what Mr Rudolph may have said being made public because of restraints publishing such affidavits in terms of section 29 of the Internal Security Act, under which he is being held.

Under the same Act is journalist Chris Beetge, the driver of the car in which Mr Rudolph was a passenger. The two had just travelled from Poohdelstroom.

Disguise

When arrested, both men were said by police to have been in disguise, with Mr Rudolph wearing a hat and sporting long hair and a beard.

Yesterday Mr van Tonder said it was his opinion, “based on my knowledge of his viewpoints”, that any “confession” allegedly made by Mr Rudolph would merely consist of admitting he was a Boer freedom fighter and of his alleged involvement in the Melrose House explosion, which had great historical significance to the organisation.

Meanwhile the Conservative Party’s MP for Pretoria West, Joseph Chole, has applied to Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok for a private doctor to examine Mr Rudolph.

In a further development, Mr van Tonder and two other right-wing leaders — Herstigte Nasionale Party leader Jaap Marais and AfrikanerWeerstandsbeweging leader Eugene TerreBlanche — have requested access to Mr Rudolph and have reiterated their demand for the suspension of policemen who allegedly tortured right-wing detainees.
By Esmaré van der Merwe
Political Reporter

Heavy-handed police action against right-wing hecklers and protesters at National Party public meetings was developing into a volatile situation, with the NP turning its public meetings into "quasi boxing rings", the Afrikaner Weerstands beweging said yesterday.

In a statement released in Pretoria, AWB chief secretary Kays Smit asked Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok not to use use police reservists to stand guard at public meetings.

He said they were misusing their powers and did not seem to show the necessary discretion required of men in their positions.

After recent NP meetings in Wolmaransstad and Brandfort, charges had been laid by the public against the police.

Charges of "brutal and illegitimate assault" would also soon be laid against the police following police action against right-wingers at Mr Vlok's disrupted public meeting in Virginia this week.

Mr Smit said the SAP were recruiting mainly NP members, and that these members then misused the powers of the police.
JOHANNESBURG: Police have arrested a man they suspect was behind a recent attack on the ANC headquarters in Pretoria.

The suspect was arrested in Midrand, a suburban area of Johannesburg, on Thursday, according to the police. The attack took place on Wednesday when a car carrying ANC leader Cyril Ramaphosa was pelted with stones as he drove through the area.

The ANC has described the attack as an act of violence and has called for peace and order in the country.

Meanwhile, the ANC has confirmed that it will hold a press conference later today to update the public on the situation.

TheANC said it was committed to working with law enforcement agencies to ensure the safety of its members and supporters.

The ANC has also appealed to the public to refrain from spreading unverified information on social media.

In a statement, the ANC said it was committed to democracy and the rule of law and that the attack was a violation of these principles.

The ANC has also urged the police to investigate the attack and bring the perpetrators to justice.

TheANC has called on the police to provide updates on the investigation and to keep the public informed of any developments.

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Johannesburg. Three extreme right-wing leaders have demanded access to detained right-wing activist Mr Fiet "Skiet" Rudolph and other Section 29 detainees, a joint statement from the Hervigste Nasionale Party, the Afrikaner Weerstands beweging and the Boerestaat Party said yesterday.

The three groups have also called for the immediate suspension of those policemen under investigation for the alleged torture of detained right-wingers.

The request was sent urgently to the State President and the Minister of Justice, particularly in the light of Mr Rudolph's arrest and detention "and the possibility that he will also be tortured by the same men".

The three right-wing organisations referred to a promise made by the State President, Mr F W de Klerk, to right-wing representatives that right-wing leaders might visit such Section 29 detainees, Mr Jaap Marais (HNP), Mr Eugene Terre Blanche (AWB) and Mr Robert van Tonder (SSP) had therefore asked that they be given access to Mr Rudolph and other right-wing detainees, said the statement.

In Pretoria yesterday police spokesman Brigadier Vic Haynes confirmed that no reward would be paid for the arrest of Mr Rudolph. This was because a policeman had apprehended him. "That's his job, he's not going to get a reward for doing his job," said Brigadier Haynes.

Police had offered R50 000 to anyone who came forward with information leading to the arrest of Mr Rudolph.

Yesterday Mr Rudolph made a confession to a magistrate, said Major-General Herman Stadler, head of the SAP public relations division. — Sapa
No reward for capture of Rudolph

NO-ONE would get the R50 000 reward offered for the arrest of right-winger Piet Rudolph, police said yesterday.

SAP spokesman yesterday declined to give details of his arrest on Monday after he had spent five months in hiding, or to confirm that security police had tracked the Boerestaat Party deputy leader from Potchefstroom until his arrest in Pretoria.

Spokesman Lt Nina Barkhuizen confirmed police were investigating a number of people suspected of harbouring Rudolph.

Rudolph and former Transvaal journalist Chris Beetge are being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act after being arrested in Pretoria.

Chief of SAP public relations Maj Gen Herman Stander said Rudolph made a sworn confession to a Pretoria magistrate yesterday.

Sapa reports that Robert van Tonder, leader of Rudolph's Boerestaat Party, said he was aware that Rudolph had already refused to answer any questions put to him by police, and had demanded to be taken before a magistrate to make a sworn statement.

"It is my personal opinion, based on my knowledge of his viewpoints, that his confession would consist of admitting that he was a Boer freedom fighter and his involvement in the Meirase House explosion, which had great historical significance to our organisation as well as to Mr Rudolph as a Boer," Van Tonder said.

"He would undoubtedly also ask to be treated as a political prisoner."

Yesterday the HNP, AWB and Boerestaat Party urged President F W de Klerk to give them access to Rudolph.

CP MP for Pretoria West Joseph Chiolé said Rudolph's children had asked that he be examined by a private doctor.
Rightists demand to see ‘Piet Skiet’

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Three rightwing leaders have requested access to Boerestaat Party deputy leader Mr Piet ‘Skiet’ Rudolph, who has been captured here.

The request was made by Mr Jaap Marais of the Hervigje Nasionale Party, Afrikanerweerstandsbevordering chief Mr Eugene Terre Blanche and BSP leader Mr Robert van Tonder.

In a further development they reiterated their demand for the suspension of policemen who allegedly tortured other rightwing detainees.

“This request is urgently made to the State President and the Minister of Justice because of the possibility of Mr Piet Rudolph being ill-treated by the same men,” the trio said.

Mr Rudolph is being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act and is in the custody of security police without access to lawyers, the leaders said in a statement.

FW reminded

They also reminded President de Klerk of his undertaking to allow rightwing leaders access to rightwing detainees.

The Conservative Party MP for Pretoria West, Mr Joseph Chiole, has applied to Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok for a private doctor to examine Mr Rudolph, captured on Monday.

He said Mr Rudolph’s children were concerned for their father’s welfare.

Mr Chiole said it was with “increasing suspicion” that he noted Mr Vlok had made no statement about whether a private doctor, chosen by the Rudolph family, could examine the former fugitive.

SAP spokesman Major-General Herman Stadler said it was standard procedure for a detainee to be examined by a district surgeon as soon as possible after his arrest.

There had been no decision about Mr Rudolph more than four hours after he was detained.

Police reservists

The AWB meantime made an urgent request to Mr Vlok not to use police reservists at political meetings.

The AWB said two charges of assault had been made against police after political meetings at Brandfort and Wolmaransstad.

“The SAP now recruit mostly members from the NP. These NP members now use the opportunities because they differ politically from the majority of the public and are beating their differences out of the political opponents with batons,” said AWB chief secretary Mr Kays Smit.

A second man arrested with Mr Rudolph is also being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Major-General Stadler identified the detainee as Mr Chris Beetge, a former editor of the AWB mouthpiece Die Sweepie.

Mr Beetge also is a former member of the AWB.

Major-General Stadler said Mr Rudolph made a confession to a magistrate within hours of his arrest but its contents were not disclosed.

When he was on the run Mr Rudolph allegedly claimed responsibility for the following in a telephone call to the Pretoria News:

● The theft of weapons from the Air Force headquarters in Pretoria;
● Taking part in the Sebokeng shootings;
● Explosions at the National Party offices in Auckland Park and Helderberg; and
● An explosion at the Johannesburg offices of an Afrikans morning paper.

Mr Rudolph could face charges under the Terrorism Act.
Police uncover link between shootings

Johannesburg: Police have uncovered a link between the shooting in central Johannesburg on September 12 — when black pedestrians were killed from a cruising white combi — and the death of a white woman, Mrs Maria J de Abrasius on Tuesday.

The combi had stopped next to her, and five pedestrians were forced into it, according to the statement by the SAP.

One of the combi's passengers then noticed Mrs De Abrasius and fired shots at her. — Sapa
"Whites and blacks in minibus of terror"

JOHANNESBURG. Police have announced that whites and blacks were in the minibus from which black pedestrians were shot in Central Johannesburg on September 12 instead of four black men reported at the time of the incident.

The four in the white minibus unleashed a wave of terror, randomly firing at commuters and pedestrians, killing three and injuring eight.

Three of the victims were taken to Johannesburg Hospital and five to Hillbrow Hospital.

One of the victims, Mrs. Marie J. de Abrasius, 48, of 10th Street, Malvern, died in Johannesburg Hospital on Monday, police said yesterday.

Bystanders

Lieutenant-General Alwyn Conradie, head of the CID, announced that police established the link to the September 12 downtown shooting after Mrs. De Abrasius's death was investigated.

Police said Mrs. De Abrasius had left her shop on the corner of Marshall and Nuggets streets at 7:30 p.m. that day, when the minibus with white and black occupants stopped near her.

Five black bystanders were forced into the vehicle.

One of the vehicle's original inhabitants then noticed Mrs. De Abrasius and fired two shots at her.

She died of her injuries five days later.

General Conradie has called on anyone with information about these incidents to contact the police immediately.

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Whites linked to city terror spree

POLICE announced this week that both whites and blacks were occupants of the combi from which black pedestrians were shot in central Johannesburg on September 12 - instead of the four black men originally reported at the time of the incident.

The four occupants of the white combi unleashed a wave of terror, randomly firing on commuters and pedestrians, killing three people and injuring eight.

Three of the victims were rushed to Johannesburg Hospital and five to Hillbrow Hospital.

One of these victims, Mrs Maria J de Abrasius (49) of 15th Street in Malvern, died at Johannesburg Hospital on September 17, police announced on Wednesday.

Lt-Gen Alwyn Conradie, head of the CID, said that police established the link to the shooting after Mrs de Abrasius' death was investigated.

Police said Mrs de Abrasius had left her shops on the corner of Marshall and Nugget streets at 7pm that day, when the white combi with white and black occupants stopped near her. Five bystanders were forced into the combi.

One of the combi's occupants then noticed Mrs de Abrasius and fired two shots at her, wounding her on the right side.

She died of her injuries five days later. Sapa.
‘Skiet’s in danger,’ claims Van Tonder.

RIGHT-WING groups claim that self-proclaimed freedom fighter Piet “Skiet” Rudolph is in danger in detention. Boerestaat Party leader Robert van Tonder, claims that he received a phone call from a man claiming to be a “police friend,” who said Rudolph was being held in Newcastle and that his life was in danger.

The message was: “Piet word in poliscelle in Newcastle gehou, word in Pretoria gaan vermoor, Dinge gaan sneller lê.”

The right-wing groups are compiling a docket of charges and claims against the police, he said.
Dying words may be clue to killers

By CHRIS BATEMAN

THE dying words of a Malvern cafe owner's wife have led detectives to believe that one of four occupants of the combi from which black pedestrians were mown down in central Johannesburg on September 12, may have been white.

Lieutenant-General Alwyn Conradie, South Africa's detective chief, said yesterday that Mrs Maria J de Abrams, 48, who died of bullet wounds in Johannesburg Hospital five days later, had told her husband one of the attackers was "white".

Mr De Abrams had rushed his fatally injured wife to Johannesburg Hospital and reported the circumstances of her shooting to police only when she died, General Conradie said.

Two other pedestrians were killed and eight were seriously wounded in the random shooting.

Five black bystanders were also forced into the combi, after which one of the original occupants noticed Mrs De Abrams and fired two shots at her. "Mr De Abrams cannot explain to us why he never reported this 'white' aspect earlier," General Conradie added.

Mr De Abrams also quoted his wife as saying that the "white" attacker had been wearing a "balaclava-type cap".

"This makes us even more wary of the accuracy of this information," General Conradie added.

He confirmed that all other aspects of the investigation were at present in a "cul de sac".

He appealed to anyone with information to contact the SAP immediately.
DEATHS AND INJURIES

The HRC has recorded 2,334 injuries and 709 deaths in incidents of police, vigilante, hit squad and right-wing action across the country during August.

In the PWV, 1,618 people have been injured and 570 killed in 35 acts of violence. 564 of these deaths are attributed to vigilante action which, says the HRC, includes all township violence and could include deaths caused by police and right-wingers.

Other deaths by region:
- Eastern Cape — 48; Natal — 80;
- Eastern Transvaal — five; Orange Free State — four; and Western Cape — two.
INCIDENTS OF TERROR

PRETORIA risk analyst Wim Booyse has recorded 236 "incidents of indiscriminate terror" this year. These include acts of sabotage, assassinations and attempted assassinations, bomb blasts in public places and politically inspired robberies.

Forty-eight of these took place in June — the highest figure for the year — 46 in July and 43 in August. The highest level previously recorded was during the October 1983 municipal elections.

There were 52 incidents of sabotage.
APARtheid BAROMETER

UNBANNED PUBLICATIONS

DE TENTIONS
THREE new section 29 detentions were recorded in South Africa by the Human Rights Commission (HRC) this week: Piet "Skiet" Rudolph, his driver Chris Beetge, and John Foisno Nchunu, an ANC member detained by askaris at a Durban OK Bazaar store.

Six people were detained in Bophuthatswana and 29 in the Transkei.
By GRAHAM LIZAMORE
Weekend Argus Reporter

AS the violence in South Africa mounts, shock statistics show that more than a million people in this country have guns in their homes or carry sidearms for self-defence.

Now the South African Gun Association is calling for the country’s constitution to be changed to allow all law-abiding people to carry arms.

Almost 2-million rifles and handguns are lawfully owned and last year nearly 8 000 were lost or stolen. Less than half were recovered.

**Crime endemic**

In a society where violent crime is endemic more than 120 000 firearms were licensed last year. The figures for this year are not available but, following the violence on the Reef, they are expected to far exceed the number of licences issued last year.

South Africa, like the United States, is a gun-toting society where suicides, feuds and murders are likely to involve firearms.

In the US, 75 percent of homicides are caused by guns and researchers are convinced that the availability of such weapons is to blame.

In South Africa the number of murders committed with firearms has jumped 100 percent since 1987.

Last year murders and attempted murders involving firearms totalled 1 735, while armed robberies reached 2 082.

**Constitutional right**

But in spite of the carnage the Gun Association insists that the right to self-protection includes the right to be armed. It wants this put into the constitution in line with other rights.

The chairman of the South African Firearm Owners’ Association, Mr John Welch, said increased legislation and heavy penalties had done little, if anything, to curb violence and prevent crime.

In some cases legislation, he believed, actually infringed on the rights of law-abiding citizens.

Mr Welch proposed that applicants for firearms licences be licensed rather than the weapons. He conceded that it would be difficult to enforce, no matter what tests were devised.

He said the idea had broad support from the police.

“Although we would prefer that people be tested psychologically as well, we know this would not in fact be practical,” he said.

**Reasonable test**

Mr Welch said he believed an applicant should have a fair knowledge of the weapon he was licensing, the law regarding firearms and his legal and moral right and obligations in the use of firearms.

The tests should be reasonable and not serve as another means of restricting the individual’s rights.

A new constitution should cover all basic human rights and not just those of certain people, Mr Welch said.

“A right which is greater than most is the right to self-protection,” he said.

“No government in the world can guarantee the safety of its peoples all the time and everywhere. The right to self-protection includes the right to be armed. This is an inalienable right which is not negotiable and should be written into the constitution,” he said.

**Formidable deterrent**

SAGA member Mr Ian Lehr, writing in the July issue of Magnum magazine, mouthpieces of gun enthusiasts, said an armed, law-abiding citizenry made sense considering the times and circumstances.

It was the third factor after the police and Defence Force against criminal and political lawlessness, he said.

“A million-plus armed citizens constitute a formidable deterrent against those who seek to destroy social order,” said Mr Lehr.

He argued that the armed citizen was the greatest proof of trust between the government and its people.

But that trust was threatened by “people hell-bent” on forcing the government to curb the right of others to bear arms.

He slammed rightwing vigilante groups who paraded in paramilitary array, flaunting their weaponry.

He said responsible citizens did not parade themselves, nor wear badges, paramilitary uniforms or carry banners.

“We talk softly, walk quietly and carry a gun, not openly for all to see. But make no mistake—we’re ready to defend ourselves when the need arises.”
White right blamed for the violence

Suzman says 'hooligans' could be hired to create instability

VETERAN apartheid foe Helen Suzman on Friday blamed South Africa's white right and hired black hooligans for the township violence that has claimed 760 lives on the Reef since August 12.

"I think it's easy enough to rent a mob, to hire hooligans...who will do anything if they are paid to do it," Suzman said in a discussion broadcast by Radio South Africa.

Suzman retired from Parliament last year after almost 40 years of opposition to apartheid and human rights abuses by the government.

She was participating in a panel discussion on the causes and implications of township unrest and killings.

Suzman said the destabilisation and injustices caused by apartheid were the root causes of the violence. "If we had set out to create an unstable society we could hardly have done better."

But she said the wave of violence suppressed for the past five days by the government's "Operation Iron Fist" clampdown was being fueled by cynical elements committed to chaos.

"It seems to me that it is being orchestrated. There are people who have a real interest in maintaining confusion and violence. It could be far right or the far, far left. I'm not sure which it is, but I'm more inclined to think it's the far right."

Suzman added: "They (the far right) are people who have had power and who are absolutely against the reform initiative of State President FW de Klerk. They are determined to keep the country as ungovernable as possible so that if and when he does have a referendum of the white voters in this country, they will have had the wits scared out of them by all the violence."

De Klerk has promised to consult the white electorate before he finalises the outcome of negotiations with leaders of the country's 26 million blacks on a transition to democracy.

Suzman cited reports of gangs, possibly led by whites, who have stirred up simmering hostilities between residents of township hostels and people from surrounding houses.

In one of the worst single incidents, 26 people were shot and killed by black gangs who boarded trains jammed with black commuters.

"It can't be too difficult to get a gang of men together, give them guns, say you'll pay them and put them on a train and tell them to kill people," she said.

Suzman said a properly trained and impartial police force was essential in the short term to end the violence.

A crash programme of social upliftment, including the provision of houses and schools, would be necessary in the longer term to maintain peace. - Sapa-Reuters
POLICE tracked Piet for months.

By DE WET POGGIETER

Included two of SA’s most wanted men, Paulie Gossa, 25, and Cornelius Lottering, 24, both allegedly members of the self-styled extremist Order of Death. They escaped from custody in Johannesburg in March.

Twelve hours before Piet Rudolph was nabbed in a dramatic smash-and-grab at Kruger Street, Pretoria, on Monday, members of the investigation teams watched him leave his “safe house” in Pretoria.

The breakthrough to the hunt for Piet Skiet came after the police raided the home of the Bantustan party leader, Mr Robert van Tonger, and other prominent right-wing extremists setting valuable documents.

Among the documents were lists with names of people and other information that enabled police experts to piece together what Boere Pimpernel’s moves would be.

CURSED

After he was located, policemen followed him all over the country — as far south as the Cape — and made contact with various people.

When the heavily armed police squad surrounded the car of former journalist Chris Beete on Monday, Rudolph cursed but offered no resistance.

Had he wanted to, he could have kept his public threat to go down with guns blazing — two loaded revolvers were at his feet on the floor of the car.

Soon after his arrest, Rudolph asked to make a confession to a magistrate. According to sources, he confessed to seven terrorist attacks.

A police source said there are fears that a jailbreak may be organized to get more publicity for the right-wing cause.

Rudolph was arrested in prison yesterday by his son Brian, 21. He said afterwards that his father’s mind was set on continuing his hunger strike.

MARTYR

Mr Rudolph said his father regarded himself as the modern-day version of the old Boer martyr Japie Fourie, executed by the Swartbooi government.

“It was always my father’s ambition to follow in the footsteps of Japie Fourie. He is on a hunger strike, only taking liquids.”

Mr Rudolph asked for a meeting with his father on behalf of the family. After a disturbing newspaper claim that Major Johan Pretorius was torturing his father during interrogation.

Mr Rudolph said his father was upset over the claim that he had been tortured.

“After talking to my father, I’m satisfied that he is in good health and was never maltreated by the police.”

Now 11 face charges for aiding him.

ON THE MARCH . . . Piet ‘Skiet’ Rudolph while he was still a free man.

ELUSIVE Boere Pimpernel Piet “Skiet” Rudolph was under close police surveillance for three months before he was nabbed, it was revealed yesterday.

And now a dozen prominent people face arrest on charges of helping the right-wing fanatic while he was on the run. Police secretly laughed at allegations that they were not doing their best to catch Rudolph as he popped up here, there and everywhere.

In fact, they could have arrested him at any time within the three months. But in classic detective style, they let him run so that he could expose his right-wing associates.

In total, 50 right-wingers were arrested during the three months Rudolph was dodging the law, but it is not known precisely how many were directly linked to the fugitive.

Details of how police outsmarted South Africa’s most wanted man were disclosed to the Sunday Times by a security source.

He revealed that, as a result of the lengthy surveillance of Rudolph, at least 11 people — among them prominent businessmen and academics — will soon be charged for their involvement in Piet Skiet’s six months of subversive activities.

The source said special squads of security branch members and detectives had followed Rudolph’s every move for the past three months.

They noted the people who harboured the right-wing fugitive and observed him as he made contact with other extremists.

BAIT

“Piet Skiet was the last man in line we wanted to catch,” the source said.

He was the bait that flushed out other dangerous radicals on the run.

“It was a well worked out strategy,” the source said. “If we arrested Rudolph first we would have cut off all our investigation lines leading to the other fugitives.

“We knew Piet Skiet and his strange personality. We knew he thrived on publicity, which left good leads for us to track,” the source said.

Of the 30 right-wingers arrested while Rudolph was on the run, most prominent are former AWB Johannesburg leader Leonard Veenendaal, 24, and Darryl Stopforth, 23, both wanted in Namibia for killing a security guard and a policeman during an attack on TV offices in Okahandja.

They are still being held on several other charges involving a series of bomb blasts in and around Johannesburg.

Other important arrests
Two Rightwingers Lose Counsel

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Because what they did had been
Civil action
against death
of two prisoners

HARARE — While the Zimbabwean authorities have agreed to improve death row conditions for three condemned South African agents here, apartheid activist Jeremy Brickhill is bringing a civil action against two of them for injuries he received in an October 1987 car bomb attack.

A lawyer acting for Mr Brickhill, Mr Bryant Elliott, confirmed yesterday that papers for a R450,000 suit had been served against Kevin Woods and Michael Smith in the Chikurubi prison, and against Barry Bawden, who is serving a life sentence for aiding the May 1987 SADF raid on ANC premises in Harare.

Woods, Smith, and a third former member of the Rhodesian security forces, retired police sergeant-major Philip Conjwayo, 56, were sentenced to death in 1988 for the killing of a Zambian civilian in an attack on an ANC "safe house" in Bulawayo.

Their lawyer, Mr Robin Hartley, said yesterday that he had been assured they would no longer be stripped naked from 4pm to 7am nor kept locked up for over 23 hours a day in their individual windowless cells measuring 4.5m by 1.5m.

Referring to recent reduction in tension between Zimbabwe and South Africa, officials here told Mr Hartley "new circumstances" allowed death row conditions to be relaxed.

Meanwhile, Mr Hartley said he was awaiting a reply to his request to see President Robert Mugabe personally and appeal for an amnesty for Woods, Smith, Conjwayo, Bawden and two other convicted people, Odile Harrington, 20, and Denis "Sammy" Beahan, 42.
Johannesburg. — Counsel appearing for two alleged members of the right-wing "Order of Death" organization who allegedly murdered a taxi driver, bombed journalist Jani Allan's flat and robbed a bottle store, has withdrawn from the Rand Supreme Court case.

On Monday, Mr Fanie Goosen, 29, and Mr Cornelius Lottering, 24, admitted shooting the taxi driver and other facts alleged in the indictment but denied having the intent to commit crimes because what they did were "acts of war".

The state then led evidence relating to the charges of murder, robbery with aggravating circumstances and malicious damage to property arising from events on August 29 last year.

Mr C J de Jager, SC, asked for an adjournment to consider his position.

Yesterday he asked Mr Justice Irving Steyn, who is presiding over the trial with two assessors, to allow him to withdraw.

If he continued, Mr De Jager said, it would be a clash of interests. The two accused told the court they each wanted their own defence counsel. Mr De Jager had appeared for them both, assisted by Mr Fanie Jacobs.

The trial was adjourned and is expected to resume tomorrow. — Sapa
The trial of four rightwingers, who were allegedly responsible for five bomb explosions earlier this year, was postponed to November 27 in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Then former AWB chief in Johannesburg, Leonard Veenendaal (34), Darryl Stopforth (23), Craig Barker (21) and Arthur Archer (29) were not asked to plead.

They are in custody.

• An inquiry to have Mr Veenendaal and Mr Stopforth extradited to Namibia was postponed yesterday by a Johannesburg magistrate.

It was alleged that Mr Veenendaal and Mr Stopforth shot dead a security guard in an attack on Unita forces.

They also allegedly murdered a policeman when they escaped from custody.

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AWB plans to counter revolution

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok yesterday met Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging leader Eugene TerreBlanche and HNP leader Jaap Marais to discuss the recent establishment of the war-like AWB commandos.

According to Mr TerreBlanche, the Minister also requested the meeting to discuss his dissatisfaction with right-wing disruptions at National Party meetings.

Speaking after the meeting, Mr TerreBlanche said he had told the Minister the commandos had been established as a protective force. They were there to protect the Afrikaner and his land from the ANC.

Revolution

"We have no illusions about the ANC. We don't believe they intend any form of power-sharing. We are preparing ourselves to counter the revolution the ANC will surely bring to us."

He said the Minister had requested that the commandos not become a source of concern to organisations such as the ANC and the Pan Africanist Congress.

"He made it clear it was not his task to satisfy the PAC or ANC."

He said Mr Vlok had agreed there was nothing wrong with self-protection, provided that was the only task of the commandos.

Regarding the "uproar" created by right-wingers at open NP meetings, HNP leader Mr Marais said he had told the Minister that it was not unusual in South African politics.
JOHANNESBURG. — Three people were killed and three were seriously injured in a hail of gunfire at the Orlando taxi rank yesterday morning.

Lieutenant Govinsamy Mariemuthoo said it was not clear who the attackers were, but police were investigating. "We can't say it's part of the taxi war," he said.

Lieutenant-Colonel Tienie Halgren, liaison officer for the Soweto police, said earlier that five taxis were waiting for passengers at the Baragwanath-Johannesburg taxi rank when, without warning, armed men started shooting at taxis and passengers. People were caught in a hail of bullets, including AK-47 rifle fire.

Police arrived within minutes and cordoned off the area. The body of one person was discovered at the scene, while two people were certified dead on arrival at Baragwanath Hospital.

Two women and one man were also admitted to the hospital with serious injuries. They are apparently fighting for their lives.

Colonel Halgren noted that there was a continuing feud between the Baragwanath-Johannesburg and Baragwanath-Pretoria taxi groups.

The Baragwanath-Johannesburg group apparently wants the Baragwanath-Pretoria taxis to operate from Johannesburg and not from Soweto.

"These people have often resorted to violence in the past. There is obviously a lot of money involved here," Colonel Halgren said.

No arrests have yet been made. — Sapa
A U.S. presidential cabinet meeting is depicted on the map, with various figures and elements surrounding it. The image includes a title that reads, "F.B.I.'s Big Challenge," followed by a subtitle, "Security Shadow is." The text continues with, "Security and a new image for the country's Security establishment may be needed. WeekendArgs security and a new image for the country's Security establishment may be needed. WeekendArgs security and a new image for the country's Security establishment may be needed."
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RACIST KILERS

Short term, for those who prey on nearly sink band victims. By Savy Minow
TWO young black thugs – who this week received light sentences for murdering and mutilating a father of two – often prowled the streets to beat up unsuspecting blacks.

They cut off Ezekiel Masala’s ears, fingers and private parts as “gruesome trophies” but his body was so badly decomposed when discovered, doctors could not say whether he was alive at the time.

Yet the killers, Wynand Bakker, 22, and Cornelius Johannes Nkosi, 19, were given comparatively light sentences. Bakker was sentenced to 18 years and Nel to eight by the Pretoria Supreme Court.

They could be paroled after serving only a third of their sentences.

This is a great advertisement for the new non-racial South Africa,” a black observer commented outside the court.

A spokesman for Lawyers for Human Rights said: “On the face of it, the sentences for the murder of a white man, Ezekiel Masala, are shocking.

What shocked observer about the light sentences was that Judge Swart had been harsh in his criticism of the two young killers, whom he had described as “hoodlums” who had assaulted a defenseless man, humiliated him and then left him for dead in the veld.

“I searched for a reason why the deceased was the prey, but could only come up with the fact he was black,” the judge said, adding that the two had “kept busy” in February last year by patrolling the streets looking for black people to assault.

The two also faced six counts of serious assault. Bakker was convicted on one count and Nel on four.

Masala’s wife, Esther, testified the accused had pulled up in their car next to them in Phoenix Street, West Park, and asked for directions before demanding Ezekiel’s “paws”.

“Ezekiel said he did not have his pass on him and I said I would run to the house to fetch it. Before I reached the house he jumped on his car and drove away,” she said.

Pathologist JD Louwerse said it was impossible to say whether the severed body parts were removed before or after death. Louwerse said the postmortem revealed six of Masala’s ribs had been fractured, apparently by someone who had jumped on him with both feet. This could indicate he had killed him.

In evidence Nel said after a drinking spree he and Bakker stopped their car next to a black couple and told the man to get in the car.

“The black man began screaming and I gave him a few clouts,” said Nel.

“Tell me if I killed him. I gave him a box and he fell to the ground and then I kicked his ribs a few times.”

“I want to kick out his kidneys,” Nel said in a statement read to court.

Nel said when they drove home, Bakker had told him they had “greet a couple of our black brothers”.

But Bakker, whose statement told of several assaults on black people, said: “I told him to stop the car, as he had not yet...

Mystery of shot youth’s death

By DAN DILAMINI

Mystery surrounds the death of a Joburben youth shot during the unrest that engulfed the township last Sunday.

Klerksdorp police spokesman Maj Dirk Steen told City Press that according to his information, the boy was thrown out of a moving minibus by unknown people.

Police later discovered the youth had a bullet wound in the back, caused by a small-calibre firearm.

In an affidavit, taxi driver David Mahlatsi said he was asked by youths on September 23 to take a boy they said had been shot by police to hospital.

As they were trying to put the injured youth into his minibus a policeussels drove up to where they had parked and the youth fled. Armed police ordered everybody in the vicinity to go away and the taxi driver left without the injured boy.
575 weapons handed to police, but no AKs

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The government indemnity to people and organisations illegally in possession of arms and ammunition has produced a substantial response, police commissioner General Johan van der Merwe has said.

General Van der Merwe’s announcement yesterday follows Saturday’s decision by Justice Minister Mr. Kobie Coetsee and the Minister of Law and Order, Mr. Adriaan Viok, to extend the indemnity period to October 31.

The original indemnity was to expire today but was extended because people in remote areas were apparently unaware of the government offer.

The original indemnity offer was accompanied by the announcement of a R10,000 reward for information leading to the discovery of illicit weapons, explosives, ammunition and arms caches.

To date 575 arms have been turned over to police, General Van der Merwe disclosed in a statement.

“The SAP considers these results to be substantial and is grateful that the government has extended the period of indemnity.”

Rudolph’s call

Pointing to jailed Boerestaat Party deputy leader Piet “Skiet” Rudolph’s call at the weekend to members and supporters to return illegal weapons, General Van der Merwe said he hoped this would “motivate other leaders to follow his example”.

“The SAP wishes to appeal to all leaders to encourage their people to hand in weaponry. It is particularly characteristic that while numerous AK-47 rifles, limpet mines and hand grenades are in circulation, to date not one of these weapons has been handed in.”

He also warned people who failed to make use of the indemnity that they ought not to expect “any mercy” when they were found in possession of illegal arms.

Zimbabwe army critically short of equipment

Argus Africa News Service

HARARE. — Zimbabwe’s national army is in trouble with morale plunging because of critical shortages of equipment.

This assessment was made by Defence Minister Mr. Richard Hove who said that combat soldiers on duty in Mozambique were at risk because they only had about half the equipment they needed.

Mr Hove said the shortage of gear was a national disgrace and he would make strong representations for more money.

Defence already takes up about 20 percent of the budget and is second only to education.

The Minister was speaking in Bulawayo after a tour of army establishments. He said the plight of units was the same everywhere.

He had been told that because of difficulties in getting camouflage and other uniforms of the right standard, the army might have to revert to using uniforms of the Rhodesian era still held in stock.
Piet Skiet declares a right-wing ceasefire

By DRIES VAN HEERDEN

RIGHTWINGER Piet "Skiet" Rudolph yesterday made a dramatic call to his followers from his prison cell to lay down their arms.

And the man dubbed "the Boere Pimpernel" while he was on the run from the police renounced his "armed struggle" against the Government.

The self-styled leader of the Orde Boerevolk is awaiting trial for the alleged theft of Defence Force weapons, and complicity in acts of sabotage.

He also dissociated himself from any future acts of sabotage by right-wingers who refuse to lay down their arms.

The two-page, handwritten statement was drafted by Rudolph yesterday and released to the media by the SAP public relations section.

Rudolph was arrested on September 17 after being on the run since the Easter weekend when he allegedly pulled off a daring raid on a SAAF arsenal in Pretoria, escaping with a cache of small arms and ammunition.

Illegal

Shortly after his arrest Rudolph announced that he had embarked on a hunger strike, but called it off after three days.

In his statement Rudolph stressed that he was being treated "very well". He said he had been given the opportunity to confer with the executive council of the Orde Boerevolk.

"This was done in the light of the President's offer of indemnity for those who return illegally-held arms, ammunition and explosives to the police before October 31," Rudolph said he was given an assurance by the Commissioner of Police that the indemnity would also apply to right-wingers.

The executive council decided to appoint people to explain this position to members of the organisation so as to "speed up" the return of illegal weapons.

Rudolph said the reason for his call was that he wanted to minimise the "injudicious use" of weapons.

"There is no effective command structure of the Orde Boerevolk left, because the leadership is in detention.

"With only a few weapons at their disposal, no one will be able to achieve our stated goal of overthrowing the Government," the statement said.

Struggle

He had also made the call to prevent further arrests of his supporters and to enable those who are being held — "myself included" — to be released earlier.

"This call does not mean that I am now cooperating with the police or that I have abandoned the struggle for our freedom," said Rudolph.

"The struggle will continue, but by other means. It must be understood that people who withhold their weapons will no longer fall under my command and do so on their own responsibility.

"The reason I abandoned my hunger strike was to enable me to help our people and the police."
Hidden forces claims to be discussed – Hani

Allegations of a "hidden force" which was deliberately trying to derail negotiations would be discussed with the Government, Chris Hani said yesterday.

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575 illegal firearms handed in to police

PRETORIA. — Hundreds of people have taken advantage of the government’s offer of immunity from prosecution for the possession of illegal firearms, ammunition and explosives, police said yesterday.

A statement issued by police commissioner General Johan van der Merwe said police had already received 573 firearms and an undisclosed amount of ammunition and explosives.

The general, however, expressed concern that no AK-47 assault rifles, limpet mines or handgrenades had been handed in.

The deadline for immunity from prosecution has been extended to October 31, but police warned that people who did not hand in their illegal weapons “must not expect any mercy when they are found in possession of illegal arms”.

General Van der Merwe said he trusted that the appeal by renegade boer leader Mr Piet “Skiet” Rudolph for his followers to hand in their illegal weapons would serve as an example that will “motivate other groups”.

On Saturday the police issued a letter they claim Mr Rudolph, the Orde Boerevolk (OB) leader, wrote from his Pretoria prison cell where he is awaiting trial for the alleged theft of assault rifles from the Defence Force and his alleged involvement in various bomb blasts.

He emphasised in his letter that he had not abandoned “the struggle for our freedom”, but said that with only a few weapons at their disposal, the OB would not be able to carry out its aim of overthrowing the government.
Miss Marcus said the ANC would push for this summit to be held this week before Mr. Mandela's release from his temporary immunity against arrest which it revoked in August after he had uttered militant statements.

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'Piet Skiet' in call over illegal arms

The deputy leader of the Boerestaat Party, Mr Piet 'Skiet' Rudolph, has called on his followers to return all illegal arms caches, ammunition and explosives in their possession to police stations prior to the State President's prosecution indemnity deadline of October 31.

Rudolph made the call in a signed letter from detention released by the police at the weekend.

His letter read in part:

"Upon my request, the SAP has allowed me to hold discussions with the executive council of the Orde Boerrevolk about the question of arms, ammunition and explosives.

"This was done in light of the State President's offer of indemnity from prosecution for the unlawful possession of arms, ammunition and explosives if these items were turned in prior to October 31 at a police station."

Sapa...
Handing in firearms 'unrealistic'

PRETORIA — Boerestaat Party leader, Mr Robert van Tonder, has labelled "unrealistic" a call by Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph to his followers to return all illegal weapons.

He said the saying "an unarmed white man is a dead white man" remained true throughout South Africa.

Mr Van Tonder described Mr Rudolph, leader of the Orde Boerevolk (OB) and deputy leader of the Boerestaat Party, as an "honourable Boer leader" and his appeal to his followers as an attempt to "prevent further arrests of his men."

Mr Van Tonder said he would not make a statement advising his followers to surrender illegal weapons.

The weapons handed in so far were "just a drop of water in the ocean", he said.

Police: No blacks have turned in illegal weapons

JOHANNESBURG — Ninety-nine percent of the weapons handed in at police stations up to September 29 were turned in by whites and only a few by coloured people. No black residents had so far handed in any weapons, police said yesterday.

Of the 578 arms turned in, 224 were rifles, 186 airpump pellet guns, 132 handguns, 32 shotguns and one a .7.92 machinegun.

Police said 535 of the weapons had been inherited by the people turning them in, one had been self-made, 31 were received as gifts, eight were suspected stolen and two were antiques (one was a Martini-Henry bolt-action rifle).

No explosives, handgrenades or land mines have been handed in, but police did recover two 238 semi-automatic 9mm parabellum military pistols in a dustbin in Pretoria after an anonymous tip-off on Sunday night. Police believe these two pistols may have been part of a military arsenal stolen during a raid in April on SAAP headquarters — for which Orde Boerevolk leader Mr Piet Rudolph has publicly accepted responsibility in a videotaped interview sent to the news media.

Mr Rudolph, arrested in Pretoria on September 17 and detained under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act, issued a call at the weekend from his detention cell to members and supporters of his party to return illegal weapons caches.
Whites won't hand in arms - Boere Party

The saying "an unarmed white man is a dead white man" remained true throughout South Africa and it could therefore not be expected of whites to hand over their arms, the leader of the Boerevolk Party said yesterday.

Mr Robert van Tonder was commenting in a statement on a call by the police and Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph, his deputy, for people in unlawful possession of arms, ammunition and explosives to hand these in at their nearest police station.

"I understand Piet's action. He has ended his hunger strike in order to convey this appeal to his men in the Orde Boerevolk. His aim is to prevent further arrests of his men." He has asked nothing for himself and has not asked the Government for amnesty or privileges. His action is sincere and honourable and characteristic of him as a Boer leader."

Van Tonder said the call by the Government (to hand over illegal weapons) was not successful, however, because it was one-sided.

To expect them to give these up is unreasonable because nobody can live without weapons in the "anarchy" created by President FW de Klerk's "reform", Van Tonder said. - Sapa
Friends of victim say right-wingers sent killer bomb

Bombed mystery

[Image of a newspaper clipping]
Mandela blames NIS and CCB for violence

JOHANNESBURG — Mr. Nelson Mandela accused the army and National Intelligence Service (NIS) yesterday of using black agents to provoke township violence which has killed more than 750 people.

"It is the security forces, the government security forces themselves," he said in an interview, with Japanese television journalists.

ANC officials and many township residents say some indiscriminate assaults in the townships were staged by mysterious masked squads, widely referred to as "the third force.”

Mr. Mandela accused the Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB) and the NIS.

"They are using blacks under the cover that they are members of Inkatha. They are using these blacks in order to create a smokescreen for their activities and that is the source of the present violence."

Mr. Mandela has suggested before that President F. W. de Klerk is not fully in control of security forces. But this was the first time he had pointed a finger at the NIS, whose reporting line goes to the President’s office. — Sapa-Reuters
PRETORIA. — Enough weaponry to fit out a private army has been returned to the police following Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph's appeal to his followers to surrender their arms.

The collection of weaponry was displayed to the press at the offices of the Murder and Robbery Squad here yesterday.

The weapons included (somewhat rusted) light machineguns (Colt Model Harberspoort Dam)204 and R5 rifles, shotguns, pistols, mines, mortars,
"Rudolph’s followers’
hand arms to police

By Norman Chandler,
Pretoia Bureau
The right-wing “army,” of which Piet “Skiet”
Rudolph boasted while
he was a fugitive from
the law appears to be on
the run, and some mem-
bers have handed over
arms and ammunition to
the police.

The police yesterday
displayed the weaponry
and ammunition, re-
turned under an am-
nesty granted after Mr
Rudolph was arrested at
a roadblock in Pretoria
on September 17.

The former Pretoria
city councillor, dubbed
the “Boer Pimpernel”,
had been in hiding after
a raid on a South African
Air Force headquarters
armoury more than four
months ago. Former jour-
nalist Chris Beete was
arrested with him.

Mr Rudolph is being
held under section 29 of
the Internal Security
Act. Police displayed a
light machinegun, R-4
and R-5 rifles, shotguns,
pistols, a night-sight ap-
paratus, various types of
explosives, ammunition
and mortars which they
said had been handed in
by supporters of Mr Ru-
dolph.

In a statement SAP
Commissioner-General
Johan van der Merwe
said most of the weap-
ons had been returned as
a result of anonymous
telephone calls and the
promise of indemnity.

The general again ap-
pealed for illegal weap-
ons to be surrendered.

It was revealed yest-
day that a man iden-
tified as Gene Taylor
was to appear in the
Pretoria Regional Court
today in connection with
charges of burglary and
the illegal possession of
firearms, among others.
Security tightened after blast

PRETORIA — The government yesterday ordered tightening of security around foreign missions, hours after a bomb blast rocked the home of US ambassador Mr William Swing.

The ambassador, who was at home at the time of the explosion, was not hurt.

Foreign Minister Mr Pik Botha said police had launched a full investigation into the explosion at 1am in a Pretoria suburb.

"The police have been requested to take steps to ensure that missions represented in South Africa receive the necessary protection," he said.

Mr Botha said the government "condemns acts of terrorism of this nature in the strongest terms". — Sapa
‘Pact’ to ensure good order

By Kaizer Nyatumba

Two right-wing leaders have undertaken to be responsible personally for the maintenance of order at National Party public meetings and to ensure that meetings are not disrupted.

Afrikaans Weerstandsbevordering (AWB) leader Eugène Terreblanche and Herstigte Nasionale Party (HNP) leader Jaap Marais gave the undertaking in a meeting with Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok last week, saying they would personally make sure their members did not disrupt NP public meetings.

In return, the NP would allow all members of the audience to ask questions and pass motions freely.

AWB chief secretary CA Smit said Mr Vlok and the two right-wing leaders had agreed to arrange an NP public meeting that would serve as a test of the agreement’s feasibility.

Mr Smit said Mr Terreblanche and Mr Marais were convinced this was the only way in which the explosive situation could be defused.

“The Right understands that the SAP cannot be constantly used to serve as ‘shock troops’ whenever the NP holds public meetings.”

“The current situation wherein NP chairmen refuse rightwingers admission into halls, and have those already inside beaten, will lead to more violence,” said the AWB statement.
‘Hit squad’ cop tells of poison in libel case

The Argus Foreign Service

LONDON. — The first evidence in a R1.5 million libel suit against two South African newspapers is being heard in a makeshift courtroom in the International Press Centre here.

Former police captain Dirk Coetzee, who fled South Africa last year, yesterday described details of Lieutenant-General Lothar Neethling’s home and office in Pretoria and repeated allegations that he supplied poison powders and drops to help dispose of two men.

General Neethling is claiming R1.5 million for defamation from Vrye Weekblad and The Weekly Mail, arising from articles in both papers linking him to alleged police hit squad activities.

The newspapers were granted leave to take evidence from Mr Coetzee in London by the Rand Supreme Court.

In April Mr Coetzee, in exile, gave evidence to the Harms Commission of inquiry into alleged hit squad activities. Yesterday Mr Coetzee said he met General Neethling — then a brigadier — in 1981, when he visited him at his Pretoria office and was given the poisons. He described the general’s office in detail.

The drugs had had little effect on the two victims, Selby Mabuso and Peter Dlamini, and a Captain Koos Vermeulen returned to Pretoria to get more poison.

Mr Coetzee said Captain Vermeulen told him the brigadier could not believe the poisons had not worked, but the increased doses also failed.

Mr Coetzee and Captain Vermeulen then returned to Pretoria again to get more poison from General Neethling. He said they had gone to the general’s house on a Sunday morning and he had come out in pyjamas. Mr Coetzee described the general’s house.

Again the poison failed and another policeman finally shot the two men and burnt their bodies.
Rightwingers to Thabo Mabola: 240th year of the establishment of the Afrikaner Republic

**Krugersdorp, South Africa**

Right-wingers have planned a series of events to commemorate the 240th anniversary of the establishment of the Afrikaner Republic. These events are scheduled for today and will include speeches and commemorations at various locations across South Africa.

**Cape Town, South Africa**

Similarly, right-wingers in Cape Town have prepared a series of events to commemorate the same occasion. These events will take place at various locations in and around the city, and will include speeches and commemorations.

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Whites and their legacy of violence

ONE of the regular themes of white South African conversation nowadays is “black-on-black” violence, more especially since the appalling events in Natal yesterday. The subject is argued over, mulled over, lamented over, as if it were a unique phenomenon in our country and as if it were by far the most dreadful violence we have ever experienced. We even have racists writing to The Argus and saying: “What do you expect? They’re blacks and killing is second nature to blacks.”

How quickly we forget! How easily our perspectives are warped by delusion and self-interest!

The grim fact is that proportionately far more white South Africans have died violently in politically related confrontations with other whites than have black South Africans in confrontations with other blacks.

Let my legion of detractors accuse me of trying to excuse or justify “black-on-black” violence, let me declare my intentions. I am simply trying to point out that if whites insist on talking about this problem in racial terms, then logically they have to get to see the whole sweep of our recent history of carnage and not just the “black” side of it. Perhaps, then, “black-on-black” violence will be less of a terrifying harbinger of the new South Africa than many whites now see it as being.

So let’s begin with a few interesting comparisons.

According to the worthy researchers at the Institute of Race Relations, 7 130 blacks have been killed since the present “unrest” began in December, 1984, and the middle of this year. Since then, according to various police reports, about 730 more blacks have died in “unrest related” incidents. Nobody apparently has broken down these statistics to show how many of these blacks have died at the hands of whites – the police, the SADF, and the right wing crazies – but suffice it to say that over the past five years some 7 860 blacks have died in what might be loosely called “black-on-black” violence.

Compare this with, say, the “white-on-white” death toll in South Africa from 1889 to 1906, when the white population was but a fraction of what it is today. In round figures, the Boers killed 7 000 Britons (and wounded another 20 000), while the British killed 4 000 Boers (the latter kept no record of their injured). At the same time more than 26 000 Boer women and children died in British concentration camps where they had been herded as part of a military strategy aimed at denying the guerilla commandos sustenance.

All those killings and deaths happened right here on the same territory where much of the violence among blacks is now raging, yet aside from references to it in history books, one hears little about it.

Some might think it unfair to make the comparison of 7 860 “black-on-black” deaths with the 29 131 white South Africans who were killed in World War II at the hands of other whites, and the 8 851 white South Africans who were killed by other whites in the 1914-1918 war.

I make the comparison only because of an enduring childhood memory of the first black with whom I attempted to discuss the affairs of the day. He was a humble gardener who indulged my precocious interest in history by patiently resting on his spade as I recited the appalling death tolls of the two world wars, figures every boy of my generation knew off pat. Invariably he would shake his head in puzzlement and tell me that he had difficulty accepting that there were so many white people in the world.

The point is that in the eyes of most black South Africans, the two world wars essentially were “white-on-white” conflicts, notwithstanding the courageous involve-

ment of a relatively small number of black and coloured servicemen.

A more striking and clear-cut example of “white-on-white” bloodletting: In 1922 many blue collar whites who did not grasp the economics of their day, or the political consequences of World War I, began resisting manpower layoffs on the mines.

On this peg was hung some familiar demagoguery. White South Africa was in grave peril. The situation called for the creation of a South African Republic, modelled on the Boer republics of the past. Every white man should acquire a firearm to defend himself and his endangered family from the hordes of blacks waiting to take their jobs, homes, etc.

Wild and woolly whites gathered in public to denounce the white government of the day. Some of them here, there and everywhere armed themselves as “commandos” and underwent “training”. Rallies and protest meetings were held, secret cells were formed. Inevitably when such naive people are led by unscrupulous leaders, passions are bound to boil over into action. And they did.

In only four days of violent white-on-white confrontation in the Rand Revolt, 200 whites were shot dead by other whites in what was an entirely political confrontation. Later others were executed for their treason.

When last did any white politician talk of the gory record of white-on-white violence in this country?

Does Dr. Treurnicht ever admonish those thugs who share his thinking and who use violence to break up the public meetings of the National Party? Did the first true apartheid leader, D F Malan, ever call off his bully boys who beat up political opponents at public meetings in the 1940s and 1950s?

Does President De Klerk ever talk about his predecessor’s unflattering history of leading the National Party mob during the breaking up of old United Party meetings? Do any of these gentlemen refer to the horrifying deeds perpetrated by the Ossawa Brandwag and their fellow travellers against national servicemen during the last world war?

No, of course not. All that, after all, is “traditional South African politics”, the way of the whites.

It is this sort of thinking which persuades so many otherwise reasonable whites that it was blacks who prevented other blacks from developing a democratic tradition; that it was blacks who repressed black liberation movements and encouraged them to turn to armed struggle, and that what we are witnessing is strictly “black-on-black” violence which has no bearing whatsoever on the way whites have been running this country for the past three centuries.

It is this sort of one-sided picture of themselves which allows the racial bigots to write to The Argus and claim that it is in the history/nature of blacks to conduct their politics with violence, or which would allow so many whites to believe that they have no responsibility for the tragedy unfolding in black communities. It is the ultimate in apartheid thinking.
AWB chief warns of retaliation

By Staff Reporter and Reuter

Afrikaner Weerstandsbeveiliging leader Eugene TerreBlanche yesterday vowed to kill any "uncivilised" black seen as a threat to whites.

Speaking to reporters after a march through Vereeniging organised by the AWB and the Herstigte Nasionale Party, Mr TerreBlanche said that if "uncivilised blacks want to kill and maim white people, we will level them with the gravel!"

The burly former policeman's threat apparently referred to Tuesday's attack in Durban in which a group of knife-wielding blacks wounded eight whites.

Platoons

Several hundred people, led by commandos on horseback and khaki-clad platoons, marched to the Freedom Monument at the local municipal complex where a wreath was laid.

Chants of "Vote AWB — hang Mandela" were heard along the route of the march.

The procession, monitored by a small security force, included children carrying placards with the appeal: "Uncle F.W., please keep our schools white".

AWB followers, many of them armed with guns and riot batons, appeared much more disciplined than on previous occasions and drilled in crisp military style.

Mr TerreBlanche, earlier telling a rally of Afrikaners that he was not afraid to return to, Mr TerreBlanche said South Africa was their land which had already been paid for in "blood and sorrow, and with the lives of one third of the Volk".

He said yesterday's march signified the first time that the Boers had taken up their arms where they had laid them down.

The "volkseer" and march would be recorded in history books as the dawn of the country's second rebellion and its third republic, he told a large gathering at the local showgrounds after the march.

In his address, Commandant de Wet said blacks feared no weapons as much as the "Boerevolk". He said the Boers had proved in history that numbers did not matter.

At the showgrounds the crowd was addressed by Mr TerreBlanche, HNP leader Jaap Marais and Commandant General Servaes de Wet, chief of the AWB's "Wenkommmando".

Mr TerreBlanche said the AWB would use all available means to fight the ANC.

If the ANC wanted South Africa it would first have to get rid of the whites as had been the case in the rest of Africa.

He said: "If the ANC wants a war it will get one. There will be bloodshed if the ANC wants to take over the country."

He warned State President F.W. de Klerk that if he called a referendum instead of an election the AWB would demand their own Volksstaat and demand that Mr de Klerk keep his "paws" off it.

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Piet ‘Skiet’
gets ‘death
sentence
By DANIEL SIMON
THE “Orde Boerevolk”
(Obv) has sentenced its
founder, former fugitive
Mr Piet “Skiet” Ru-
dolph, to death for trea-
sion, a Johannesburg re-
port has claimed.

Mr Rudolph was ar-
rested by police in Pre-
toria on September 17 in
connection with the dar-
ing theft of military
weapons from SA Air
Force headquarters in
 Pretoria in April.

While on the run for
six months, he formed
the Obv, which declared
war on the government.

A newspaper report
claimed on Monday that
Mr Rudolph was “sen-
tenced to death” in ab-
sentia by an Obv milli-
tary council made up of
his own followers.
Six die and 27 injured as gunmen ambush bus outside Durban

"Bloody murder"

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN.—Violence flared here again last night when six people were shot dead and 27 wounded in a bus ambush – hours after men with knives ran amok on the beachfront.

Police spokesman Lieutenant Beja Naidoo called the bus attack "nothing but cold-blooded murder".

The gunmen, with AK47 and R-1 rifles, opened fire on a Putco bus near Kwamashu.

Riddled with bullets

The bus was riddled with bullet holes. Not one of the 53 passengers, who were on their way home to Inanda, near Durban, escaped without injury.

Lieutenant Naidoo said the bus suddenly came under heavy fire from automatic weapons near Duffs Road.

He said the driver of the bus, Mr John Moemi, managed to bring the vehicle to a stop in spite of serious gunshot wounds.

It is believed the gunmen positioned themselves on an overhead bridge and opened fire as the bus approached.

Lieutenant Naidoo could not comment on a possible link between the shootings and the stabbing incident earlier in the day.

Beachfront stabbings

The head of the Durban murder and robbery unit, Captain Hendrik Engelbrecht, took charge of the investigation into yesterday's rampage in which a mob of about 20 men went berserk and stabbed eight people in Durban's West Street and the beachfront pedestrian mall.

The mob of youths ransacked a gift shop and stole several knives before going on a stabbing spree.

Eyewitnesses reported police seizing Pan Africanist Congress badges and green, yellow and black shirts.

Three of the eight wounded are in a serious condition at the Addington Hospital.

Durban's mayor, Mr Jan Venter, has called for action to stamp out violence and lawlessness on the beachfront. He called for beefed up police patrols.

Worst violence yet

Seven members of the gang were arrested within hours of the stabbing. Two were shot and the others are in detention.

The violence, the worst of its kind to hit the beachfront, started just after 7am when the mob burst into the Home Gift curio shop and threatened staff.

After obtaining a knife, the men ran down West Street indiscriminately stabbing only white people along the way.

The mob dispersed only after a police constable from Pretoria shot and wounded one of the suspects.

Names of victims

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN.—The names of the people injured in the West Street rampage yesterday are:

- Mr J Kemp, 25, who has a stab wound to his left shoulder and is in a stable condition.
- Mr A M Lima, 25, who has a stab wound to his left wrist and is in a stable condition.
- Mrs P L York, 30, who has stab wounds in her shoulder and back and is in a stable condition.
- Mrs Helen Neobuki, 42, from Greece, who has a superficial stab wound to her neck. She was first discharged, but after complaining that she did not feel well, was readmitted.
- Mr R Kruger, 17, who has stab wounds to his abdomen and is in a serious condition in the intensive care unit.
- A black male aged about 24 with multiple gunshot wounds in the intensive care unit. He is serious, but stable. He is under police surveillance.
- Mrs Maria Louwdra, 30, who was stabbed in the chest and is in the intensive care unit in a serious, but stable condition.
- Two patients were discharged: Mrs Neovelli and Mrs P E Lourens.
Cottee tells of 'fire-burning' killings
Six die, 27 injured as gunmen attack bus

DURBAN. — Six people were killed and 27 hurt in an attack on a bus by gunmen with automatic weapons outside Durban shortly before 11pm on Tuesday.

South African Police spokesman Lieutenant Bala Naidoo said the bus was carrying 33 passengers. All were struck by automatic rifle fire.

R1 and AK 47 weapons were used and police later found 23 bullet holes in the bus and 16 shattered windows.

Apparently a vehicle drew up alongside the bus before its occupants fired a fusillade of shots, raking an entire side of the bus with automatic weapons fire.

The driver, Mr Joking Msomi, was seriously wounded in his side, but managed to stop the bus at the side of the road.

He died on arrival at King Edward VIII Hospital here.

According to passengers who survived, the shots were fired from a moving car as it was overtaking the bus.

The motive for the attack is unknown and no arrests have been made.

The late-night attack took place between Durban and Inanda.

Members of the SAP Dog Unit, the Umhlanga Protection Services and a fleet of ambulances, including a disaster bus, descended on the scene.

Most of the injured were taken to Osindwini Hospital. Others were taken to Addington and King Edward VIII hospitals.

The condition of most of the injured has been described as stable and satisfactory.
EX-AWB man's plan to escape "revolution"
Coetzee says SAP ‘victimised’ him

Own Correspondent

LONDON. — Former police captain Mr Dirk Coetzee yesterday claimed that two senior police officers — one a general — had broken into his garage in 1985. Soon after this he found that his motorbike had been sabotaged. He had been “victimised” by the police.

Mr Coetzee was speaking under cross-examination during a defamation action against Vrye Weekblad and Weekly Mail. The evidence was given before a commissioner here.

The head of the police forensics division, General Lothar Neethling, is suing the Weekblad for R1 million and the Mail for R500 000. He alleges that the newspapers libelled him by printing allegations that he supplied poison to Mr Coetzee for hit-squad killings.

Yesterday Mr Coetzee said the two officers who had broken into his garage were the then deputy head of the CID, Lieut-General Kleinjan Grobler, and Brigadier Jaap Joubert, now Lieut-General Joubert.

He said the police had “victimised” him after he had helped a Mr Frans Whelpton, who was private secretary to a former cabinet minister, Mr Fanie Botha. He said this followed allegations that Mr Botha was involved in granting diamond concessions to a former air force officer, Brigadier Jan Blaauw.

Mr Botha had then allegedly “run” to the security police for help and Mr Whelpton’s phone was tapped.

Mr Coetzee said he believed it was his opposition to this “unlawful telephone tapping” which resulted in General Johan Coetzee, chief of the security police and later Commissioner of Police, turning against him.

He also became aware that his own phone was being tapped, that he was being followed by two policemen and that his private life was being investigated.

Later, exasperated, he phoned through insults to senior policemen involved.

Mr Willie Oehry, QC, for General Neethling, said these insults were cited as being indicative of the hatred Mr Coetzee had for the police.

Mr Oehry said Mr Coetzee had been accused of denigrating Lieut-General Basie Smit, head of the security police.

Mr Coetzee agreed, saying the general, who would soon be made Commissioner of Police, was a “tweegat jakkals”.

The hearing in London is expected to end today.
General’s denials are ‘infamous lies’

LONDON. — General Lothar Neethling’s denials that he ever had contact with him or gave poison to him were “infamous lies”, former police hit-squad captain Mr Dirk Coetzee said yesterday.

He was giving evidence on the final day of the session here of a defamation action which police forensics chief General Neethling is bringing against the Volks Volksblad and the Daily Mail.

Yesterday Mr Coetzee also gave further details of his alleged visit to General Neethling’s laboratory to pick up poison with which he claims attempts were made to murder ANC activists.

Winding up his cross-examination, advocate Mr Willy Osei, QC, put it to Mr Coetzee that General Neethling denied he had any dealings with him and had not supplied him with poison.

Mr Coetzee said he “wouldn’t have expected anything else” from the general.

Asked if General Neethling’s denials were then lies, Mr Coetzee replied: “Infamous lies.”
ANC man shot dead at meeting

EAST LONDON. — Mdantsane trade unionist Mr Jeff Wabena was shot dead during an African National Congress branch meeting last night.

A witness, who declined to be named, said Mr. Wabena had just finished speaking at the ANC NU10 branch meeting when a man wearing a stocking over his head burst into the house in Mdantsane with a handgun and shot him four times in the upper chest at point blank range.

Mr Wabena was reported dead on arrival at Cecel Ha Makiwane hospital. Ciskei police could not be reached for comment last night.

Mr Wabena was chairman of the ANC's NU10 branch and national co-ordinator of the South African Domestic Workers' Union (Sadwu).

Yesterday's was the fourth attempt on Mr Wabena's life since 1988, his attorney Mr Hintsa Silwana said last night.
FOUR white men with blackened faces and several others, who all appeared to be policemen, allegedly assaulted a former black police officer and his friend, Lawyers for Human Rights said yesterday.

In a sworn affidavit submitted to LHR, suspended policeman Jabulani Victor Vane of Alexandra said that on Wednesday about 8 pm he was driving his friend home when he realised a car was following him. Shots were fired shortly afterwards.

According to the affidavit, he said: “No bullet struck my car so I continued to drive on.”

Then four men, in a yellow Golf, with police insignia on the doors, forced Mr Vane to stop. He and his friend were told to lie on their stomachs. The men then allegedly assaulted them after accusing them of stealing cars and carrying ammunition.

His statement continued: “We noticed that they had smeared something black on their faces. We noticed also that their hands were white and they had straight hair. Two of them had blonde hair.

“While I was lying on my stomach the four men kicked me and jumped on my back. They struck me several times with the handles of their firearms. One told me in Afrikaans that they were looking for me and said ‘Jy sal kak, kaffir.’ Another accused me of stealing cars and that I had ammunition in my car.

“My friend bled from a wound on his face,” said the statement.

During the assault a yellow Opel Monza with blue stripes and the words “Flying Squad” on the doors arrived. This was followed by two vans, one yellow and the other white, which the victims claim were police vans.

Mr Vane alleges that 10 men, four of them black, alighted from the vehicles and joined in the assault. The victims claim to be able to positively identify four of their assailants as policemen.

The driver of the white van allegedly lowered the handbrake of Mr Vane’s car and allowed it to roll and collide with the yellow police van causing damage to the indicator lights of both vehicles, the statement said.

One of the police officers then allegedly threatened the victims with death if they made a case against them.

A sworn statement by Mr Vane’s passenger gives a similar account.

A spokesman for Police Headquarters, Pretoria, said they could not comment and added that complaints should be forwarded to a station commander for further investigation.
AWB men blinded me, says gardener

By ELIAS MALULUKU

A SOWETO family man has lost sight in one eye after
he was attacked by two white colleagues, who are
allegedly AWB members. The man, a gardener for the Soweto
electricity department.

Albert Ramogkalapa, 55, a father of eight and a
gardener employed by the Electricity Department in
Soweto, allegedly was attacked while he tended a
garden last week Friday.

He was blinded in the right eye after he was sprayed
in the face with water from a power hosepipe.

He alleged he was also called "kaffer" as the two
whites grabbed with him on the ground while he was
still blinded by the water and could not defend himself.

"The attack led to more than 200 workers employed by
the department downing tools this week to demand the
immediate dismissal of the two whites.

"The employees also complained to management that
the whites were AWB members and carried firearms at
work.

They claimed the men had been seen on television in
the company of AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche, and
allegedly acted as his bodyguards.

The strike ended on Friday after the workers were
addressed by Soweto Council technical committee
chairperson councillor Moris Blaasko and another councillor.

The two alleged assailants are technicians in the electrical
engineering department and were described by workers as
"racists".

One of the alleged attackers has since been suspended from duty
without pay, pending an "official disciplinary inquiry by the
department and members of the Soweto council.

However, a senior department official told City
Press that the matter had been blown out of proportion
and described it as a "childish and unnecessary" incident.

He pointed out that accusations linking the men
with the AWB and of carrying firearms at work
were "political", but he confirmed that workers
had claimed seeing the two men in the company
of AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche.

Soweto Mayor Sam Mkhwanazi confirmed the
incident and the suspension of the technician,
but said a full statement would be released early
this week.

"My council will investigate all allegations and
no stone will be left unturned," he said.

West Rand police spokesman Lint Govand-
samy Mariemuthoo said:

"They grabbed me and
called me names and a
kaffer, but I could not see
as I had been blinded by
the water," he said.

He reported the attack
to his supervisor, who gave
him tablets to drink and
eye drops.

"I could not see with
the painful right eye and
consulted a doctor who
said it had been damaged
and referred me to the St
John's Eye Clinic," he
said.

He is still receiving
medical treatment for the other
eye which has also been
affected.

Ramogkalapa said he
was planning to sue his
alleged assailants.
Ciskei condemns murder of unionist

EAST LONDON. — Ciskei's military ruler, Brigadier Cupa Gqozo, has strongly condemned the murder of Border trade unionist Mr Jeff Wabena.

Mr Wabena was shot dead by an unknown assailant during an African National Congress branch meeting in Mdantsane on Friday night.

Brigadier Gqozo said the police and defence force were “working round the clock” to solve the murder to bring the “cowardly criminals to book”.

In a radio broadcast yesterday, the military leader appealed to Ciskeians to abstain from taking the law into their own hands, saying that would breed more violence.

“In Ciskei, our differences are not solved by the gun, but through negotiations and communication. I want people to work hand-in-hand with the police to solve this gruesome murder. Someone must have seen the murderers — they didn’t just fly through the air; they must have got into a car,” he said.

He said the motive was clearly political. Previous attempts on Mr Wabena’s life indicated he was wanted by “certain forces” for a long time.

“Ciskeians needed to grow and mature politically. There is a long way still to go for black brothers before they have the political majority. All leaders must work together to ensure that political differences are not sorted out through violence and guns,” he said.

Political and ideological differences should be looked at as a challenge to explore more ideas rather than as a sign of animosity. — Sapa.

Bus massacre: three suspects arrested

Staff Reporters

Three alleged members of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging are being held by police in connection with last week’s Natal bus ambush in which six people died and 27 were injured.

The men — all from the Richards Bay area on the Natal North Coast — are Adriaan Smuts (38), Eugene Marais (28) and David Botha (46).

An AWB spokesman yesterday said the names of two of the men appeared on the AWB’s registration list for northern Natal.

Speaking from her home in Richards Bay yesterday, Mrs Smuts said her husband had been arrested.

It is understood police confiscated an AK-47 assault rifle as well as empty R-1 cartridges found in a car.

Forensic tests are being carried out to determine whether there is a link between the spent cartridges and bullets found at the scene of the Putco bus massacre.

According to information given to The Star, the attack on the bus is being viewed by police as revenge for a bloody rampage last Tuesday morning along Lower West Street, Durban, by members of a fanatical black religious group. Eight whites, including a woman, were stabbed and injured.

Police have so far arrested 11 suspects.

● The bail application for five men arrested in connection with the death of 26 people in the train massacre near Jeppe station last month was postponed in the Johannesburg Regional Court yesterday to November 1.

Martin Ngcobo (49), Basi Nkosingondle (27), Mmengela Magabane (54), Solomon Khumalo (58) and Mabinela Majodi (20) have not been charged and are being held in custody.
Killer Strydom's brother-in-law detained

The brother-in-law of "Wit Wolf" killer Barend Strydom, Deon Rautenbach, has been held by police for questioning in connection with right-wing activities and possible links with terror accused "Piet Sido" Rudolph.

(Police said Mr Rautenbach (27), a teacher, had been detained in Pretoria in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. Mr Rautenbach is an active member of the Boerestraat Party.

His sister, Karin, also active in right-wing politics, married condemned mass-murder Strydom on Death Row in November.)
Bus ambushers may be AWB

JOHANNESBURG. — Two of the three men arrested in connection with last week's ambushing of a bus in Durban, in which six blacks were killed, could be AWB members, the organisation said yesterday.

An AWB spokesman said the names of two of the men appeared on the organisation's registration list for Northern Natal. Reports said the men had been arrested in Richard's Bay.

Six people were killed and 27 injured when a group of men opened fire on the bus with automatic weapons from a car. One man later died of his injuries.

The bus was ambushed within hours of an attack on whites by knife-wielding blacks who went on a stabbing spree along the Durban beachfront and wounded eight people.

Police at first dismissed suggestions that the killings might be racially-motivated revenge for the stabbings.

About 4,000 people have been killed over the past four years in Natal during a power struggle for the allegiance of the five-to-one, black majority between the Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party and allies of Mr. Nelson Mandela's African National Congress (ANC).

Violence spread in August to Johannesburg townships where almost 800 people died in six weeks of gun and spear battles between ANC supporters and Zulu migrant workers from Natal.

Mr. Mandela said the killings were orchestrated, and in some cases led, by right-wing whites seeking to worsen the township violence and wreck reforms he is negotiating with President FW de Klerk.

Reacting to the arrests, Law and Order Minister Mr. Adriaan Vlok said in Pretoria that leaders should refrain from making inflammatory speeches.

"Inflammatory statements can easily be interpreted by certain individuals as a licence to commit acts such as the Durban bus massacre," Mr. Vlok said in his statement yesterday. — Sapa.
A SPATE of assassinations and attempted murders of African National Congress activists over the past week has raised fears that apartheid death squads are back in business.

Human rights groups say the incidents appear to have been professional operations, which suggest a pattern of "informal repression" aimed at leading members of ANC-aligned groups.

The following are among the incidents reported over the past week:

- Early yesterday morning the chairman of the United Democratic Front-affiliated Western Cape Civic Association, Michael Mapangwana (45), was wounded by a bullet in the back and his wife Nomsa (34) died from a bullet wound in the chest after their house was petrol bombed in Khayelitsha.

- Police report that the couple were in bed at 1.30am when four men threw three petrol bombs through a window. The couple were gassed down while fleeing the house after catching fire.

- Leading Border trade unionist and ANC official Jeff Wabathena was murdered by a lone gunman wearing a stocking over his head last Friday night. Wabathena, the chairperson of his ANC branch, was at a meeting in Mantsane when the gunman walked in, fired one shot at the paraffin lamp and then pumped four more into Wabathena's chest at point-blank range.

This was the fourth attempt on his life in three years. In one attack in January this year he was shot in a leg and injured from flying glass after a grenade and machine gun attack on his home.

ANC Border leader Reverend Arnold Stofile said a fake pamphlet, issued in the name of the ANC, had been issued in January, accusing Wabathena and other activists of being informers. He said he had thought the vendetta could only be the work of Askaris (former ANC members who had joined the police).

Wabathena is the third person to be attacked among those listed in the pamphlet. In an incident in March this year, two other Mantsane activists were attacked. Vusumzi Msuali died after being shot with a Makarov pistol, while Nkululeko Nyate was injured in a grenade attack.

- Job Silhole, Human Rights Commission employee and student liaison officer for the SA Youth Congress in the Transvaal, was shot as he entered his Alexandria township on Friday night while returning home. Over the past month several Alexandra residents have been questioned about his movements by unidentified characters. The HRC reports that questions were asked about the location of his bedroom and the position of his bed in relation to the window.

Sibholo was detained under the Emergency Regulations from April 1987 to March 1989. He went on hunger strike and was one of the four detainees who escaped from hospital and sought refuge in the German Consulate. Police public relations officer Lieutenant Colonel J J Mostert said yesterday that any information about the incident should be reported to the police. This can also be done anonymously by telephoning Alexandra detectives.

- HRC member and leading UDF activist Joyce Mahudafhasi reports a series of suspicious incidents suggesting moves toward an assassination attempt on her. On October 9 occupants of a motor car asked after her at her home. Two days later, bootprints were found outside her bedroom window, and on Saturday a group of men again asked after her.

Three years ago Mahudafhasi was severely injured, and narrowly escaped death, when her home was bombed. She was also detained under the Emergency Regulations from October 1986 to January 1989 and again in August and September last year. After both detentions she was issued with restriction orders.

- National Anti-Repression Forum Kromstad fieldworker Biza Makgato reported yesterday that in the latest of a series of telephonic assassination threats, the caller said: "Tonight is ours because the township will be in darkness."

The HRC reported that its Heidelberg fieldworker yesterday met an unemployed man who said he had been recruited as a "security guard", after which he and others were trained to use guns with silencers. It is investigating the possibility that this could be a death squad training camp. A similar incident was reported in Sibasa, Venda.

The HRC said yesterday these incidents "substantiate the trend we have observed that repression has moved from formal to informal methods".

According to the Institute for Contextual Theology, which has done a study on the violence around the country over the last three months, "recent incidents suggest that the 'Third Force' attacks are not simply coming from random right-wing elements."

"Our research shows that they have been carefully planned by people with the resources, experience, expertise, weapons and training to kill and destabilize. It is not clear whether these responsible are acting on their own or are officially sanctioned in some way, but if we ask who has the motive and the means, we must look towards the special forces of the SADF and SAP as possible culprits," says the report.
Alleged killers members of 'secret Boerevolk cell'

DURBAN. — At least two of the three suspects arrested for last week's bus massacre near here, in which at least six died, were part of a secret cell called the Orde Boerevolk.

This emerged from investigations yesterday.

The three men, all of Richards Bay, were arrested there late on Monday in a combined operation by security police, Durban murder and robbery detectives and detectives of the special investigation unit appointed by the Regional Commissioner of Natal.

Major-General Ignatius Coetzee, to investigate last Tuesday's bus shooting near KwaMashu.

The attack came on the same day as the beachfront stabbing of eight white people.

A Richards Bay resident said she knew the three men, and two of them were known to be AWB members. She said the three were also allegedly members of the secret Orde Boerevolk cell. She said one of the suspects arrested was believed to be the local commander of the cell, which operated in the Richards Bay area.

Earlier, the AWB admitted that two of the three people arrested were members of the organisation but said they did not instruct them to carry out the attack.

The arrest of the three suspects came after intensive police investigations into the bus attack in which all 33 passengers were shot. Immediately after the shooting there was talk that whites were involved and an eyewitness told police that he had seen a car draw up alongside the Putco bus and open fire.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr. Adriaan Vlok. said the arrests of the suspects showed that the police were not biased and would act against anyone who broke the law.

The three suspects are expected to appear in Durban Magistrate's Court today on charges of murder and attempted murder. — Sapa
Latter-day trekkers stake

The white state, according to the dream, will have its capital in Upington, South Africa as its port and the town of Olfantsbokk — "the Jewel of the Kalahari" surrounded by productive iron ore mines such as Kalahari — as its industrial growth point.

The name of the new state will be Orandee. In a year's time it will become self-governing and gain freedom and independence and become the first Afrikaner volksstaat within five years.

It will become — not force — blacks and coloureds to leave by providing work for them outside its borders and eventually depend only on white finance, industry and labour.

It will have its own flag, colours, border posts and parliament.

Quiet Olfantsbokk, where the first five families of white Afrikaner trekkers from Mes- sinsen, dislocated by the prospect of South Africa becoming a black-dominated Azania have since 1979 been subjected to the glaring light of local and international media attention this week.

Andre Putter, public relations officer of the Orandee Ontwikkelingskorps (OOK) — Orandee Development Corps — which will develop the state, sought to deflect the limelight.

Paradoxically, during the hectic week, the town council of Olfantsbokk opened all its public amenities to blacks and coloureds — library, swimming bath, park and tennis courts.

The dream goes like this: The north-western Cape — "land which no one in South Africa wants" — will be a haven for 2.5 million whites who, in the next 10 years, will "trek" from a black-dominated South Africa.

JOE OPENSHAW visited the proposed white state.

"In the near future, through the united efforts of OOK, the Afrikaner Vryheid互利村 of Professor Carol Boboff and the Afrikaner Volkswag, there will be five treks to Olfantsbokk and Orandee — from Valhalla, Paarl, Meyerton, Tran- een and Stellenbosch.

"Altogether 50 families have moved into various parts of the territory. We have promises of support and capital inflow from Germany, America, Australia and Belgium.

"When we gain independence through negotiations with the South African Government, we will be recognised as a First Volksstaat." Andre Putter referred to the Star to Ed Bernard of Meyerton, president of the OOK, whose vision of Orandee is not only an economically viable volksstaat, but turning it into an ecological paradise by planting trees and building tidal pools at the mouth of the Orange River to induce a high rainfall.

"You cannot wish the whites and coloureds away," said Hen- nie van Vuuren, town clerk of Olfantsbokk.

"There are 1,650 whites in town, 2,159 blacks in the township of Ditloong and 2,408 coloureds in the township of We- gooza."

"Quite naturally we welcome an influx of people in Olfantsbokk to increase our static white population. We have plenty of land here. A 1,000 square metre plot goes for R3,000," said Mr Johan van Vuuren.

At the town's Kalahari Hotel, where the local chamber of commerce was lost on Wednesday night to 50 students from the university of Pretoria and Potchefstroom with careers in the tourist industry in view, manager Joe Horne said businessmen were adopting a wait-and-see attitude but would welcome the influx of people.

"The town is dependent on passing tourists, stock farming and the surrounding mines."

He was frankly sceptical that the "Potters and their relatives who make up the five Mesian trekker families" or the OOK could provide the capital and know-how to make any impact on Olfantsbokk.

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2 suspects in bus massacre are AWBs

AT LEAST two of the three suspects arrested for last week's Durban bus massacre were part of a secret cell called the Orde Boerevolk.

The three men, all of Richards Bay, were arrested in Richards Bay late on Monday in a combined operation by the Security Police, the Durban Murder and Robbery Unit and detectives from the Special Investigation Unit.

They were appointed to investigate the cold-blooded killing of seven people and the wounding of 27 others in last Tuesday's bus shooting near KwaMashu.

The attack occurred on the same day as the beachfront attack on eight white people.

A resident of Richards Bay, who did not wish to be named, said she knew the three men and two of them were known to be AWB members.

She said the men were also allegedly members of the secret Orde Boerevolk cell. One of the suspects is believed to be the local commander of the cell, which operated in the Richards Bay area.

SOWETAN Correspondent

Earlier, the AWB admitted, in response to media questions, that two of the three were members of the organisation but said it did not instruct them to carry out the attack.

The arrest of the three suspects came after intensive police investigations into the bus attack in which every one of the 33 passengers were shot as the bus made its way towards Inanda last Tuesday night.

Shooting

Immediately after the shooting, there was talk that whites were involved and an eye-witness told police he had seen a car draw up alongside the Putco bus and then its occupants open fire near Duffs Road.

The three suspects are expected to appear in the Durban Magistrate's Court today and are facing charges of murder and attempted murder.

Police have also taken possession of an R1 and an AK-47 rifle.

Richards Bay has a strong far right wing presence.

Early this year an Indian employee of Ahusuf, who moved into the white residential area, was turfed and feathered in his flat in full view of his family.

His attackers have not yet been arrested.
‘Wit Wolwe’ threaten black patient

Dirk Nel
Northern Transvaal Bureau

POTGIETERSRUS — A group of armed men claiming to be Wit Wolwe gathered outside the “whites-only” Voortrekker Hospital on Thursday last week and threatened to remove a black woman patient admitted for special surgery.

For her own safety she was transferred to another section reserved for Indians, said the doctor who had recommended her admission.

A witness said the men were armed with pistols, batons and rifles.

Black patients in the area are usually admitted to the nearby Mokopane Hospital.

Transvaal Hospital Services MEC Panie Ferreira warned that people who behaved in an obstructive manner were transgressing the law.

He said nobody could be turned away from any hospital in the province, especially in cases of extreme urgency.

“This kind of disgusting behaviour makes me ashamed of my own town,” said Rita Nel, a Potgietersrus resident.
Inquest No 2 fails to name De'Ath killers

Staff Reporter

THE second inquest on International Television Network (ITN) cameraman George De'Ath, who died after an attack in KTC in 1988, has failed to establish the identity of his killers.

An inquest court heard yesterday that Andile Fosi, the sound engineer with Mr De'Ath, was unable to recognise anyone on a videotape taken just before the attack.

Mr Les Rose-Innes, counsel for the De'Ath family, said the Attorney-General had to decide whether the police should reopen their investigation.

WITDOEKE

According to magistrate Mr W J M Marais the evidence available did not expose the killers and the court had to revert to Mr Fosi’s oral evidence.

Mr Fosi told the court earlier that he and Mr De'Ath were attacked by a group of Witdoeke. He described one as a short, dark-complexioned Xhosa-speaking man in his early thirties, with a moustache.

Mr Fosi knew he was a Witdoeke because of his headgear and white armband.

Another assailant was “huge and tall with big eyes and short hair”.

Mr De'Ath died of cardiac arrest on June 14, 1986 after being wounded in the head with a pangas in KTC four days earlier.

According evidence given in 1987, a videotape filmed by Mr De'Ath moments before he was wounded was edited before police banded it back to ITN.

Mr Marais said the attackers were probably among the Witdoeke group. However, a group of police could not be held responsible.

A crime had definitely been committed and the matter would again be referred to the Attorney-General.

The aggrieved party could also make a request to the Attorney-General.

It was possible that the police transgressed when the video was cut and the Attorney-General had to decide whether anyone in the police force should be prosecuted.

Mrs S J Smith appeared for the State.
We will fight a black govt – ET

MIDDELBURG — AWB leader Eugene TerreBlanche brought about 1500 people to their feet in Middelburg Town Hall last night with a threat to fight any black majority government.

Mr TerreBlanche said he warned people a year ago the ANC wanted to nationalise their pensions and savings in the banks.

"Did your blood not warn you?" he asked the hushed audience.

He said 28 million blacks could easily be destroyed and driven back to their homelands in a war they appeared to want.

A referendum should be held using political seats, not one man, one vote, said Mr TerreBlanche.

In this way, President "Jel-lytot" de Klerk would be able to see how strong right-wing support was.

He said the volkstaat, which would include the Transvaal, Free State, northern Natal and northern Cape, would exclude the PWV, "where they can carry on bastardising themselves".

The volkstaat would cut electricity to the PWV if it co-operated with Soweto, he said.

Mr TerreBlanche's speech was emotional, full of references to Old Testament battles and to barefoot children dying beside wagon tracks.

He admonished one member of the audience to stop laughing and another to keep quiet.

Referring to an Old Testament story, he begged God with a breaking voice to make him a donkey. He said the Government was beating him to betray Jesus and the child-angels in the town hall were asking the Government why.

Shaking and sweating, he ended: "God, O God, I am tired. This is the 70th time I have spoken to South Africans this year. Are you listening?"
Wolwe demand patient be moved

The Argus Correspondent POTGIETERSRUS — A group of armed men claiming to be “Wit Wolwe” gathered outside the “whites-only” Voortrekker Hospital and threatened to remove a black woman patient admitted for special surgery.

The patient was transferred to another section reserved for Indian people for her own safety, the doctor who recommended her admission said.

A witness said the men were armed with pistols, batons and rifles.

No comment could be obtained from the matron or superintendent of the hospital, but it is understood the woman was the first black patient to be admitted.

Black patients in the area are usually admitted to the Mokopane Hospital.

Mr Fanie Ferreira, the MEC for Hospital Services in the Transvaal, said nobody, whatever their race, could be turned away from any hospital, especially in cases of extreme urgency such as this one.

“This kind of disgusting behaviour makes me ashamed of my own town,” said Ms Rita Nel, a Potgietersrus resident.
De Aar AWB assault probe

Crime Reporter

DE AAR police are investigating assault charges against members of the AWB who allegedly kicked coloured children out of the recently opened public swimming baths in the Northern Cape town.

The incident at the weekend allegedly followed an argument between white and coloured children in the swimming pool.

When the coloured children refused to salute an AWB flag erected by the parents, the AWB members, armed with truncheons and a shotgun, allegedly chased them out of the baths.
Amnesty call for ‘Boer freedom fighters’

Boerestaat Party (BP) leader Robert van Tonder yesterday asked for an urgent meeting with President de Klerk in an attempt to gain amnesty for all "Boer freedom fighters".

In a statement, the BP said Mr van Tonder would also try to have the status of captured Boer fighters changed from criminal to political.

"This is only fair as the Government is bringing back 30 000 ANC terrorists ... and giving them amnesty.

"The same should be accorded to dissenters among their own people."

The party described the treatment of Boer fighters as common criminals a "huge insult", because the "ANC terrorists all came from outside to create problems in our Boere country".

Mr van Tonder said his plea was urgent as the unnecessary detention of "honourable Boers" caused their families great suffering. — Staff Reporter.
ANC Youth League relaunches today

JOHANNESBURG. — Forty-six years ago a group of youths, among them Mr Nelson Mandela, became dissatisfied with the manner in which things were done in the ANC and formed the Youth League. Today, 30 years after the organisation and its structures were banned, the ANC Youth League will be relaunched at the Orlando Stadium in Soweto.

A keynote address will be delivered on behalf of ANC president Mr Oliver Tambo, and while the person is still unnamed, it is widely speculated to be the first captured woman guerrilla, Ms Thandi Modise.

Other speakers include Mr Thabo Mbeki and Mr Chris Hani.

A provisional executive committee of the Youth League, which will most probably include a number of leading figures in the South African Youth Congress, will also be announced.

The ANC Youth League was launched in the Bantu Men's Social Centre in Johannesburg in April 1912.

The movement's founding president was a militant Durbanite, Mr Mzilikazi Lembede, with Mr Mandela as its general secretary. A noticeable exception in the Youth League was Mr Walter Sisulu, then a worker rather than a student. — Sapa

Shots fired at ANC man

PRETORIA. — Men in a white Nissan bakkie, believed by the ANC and United Democratic Front to be plain-clothed Bophuthatswana policemen, yesterday fired at the car in which UDF and ANC official Mr Daniel Mabena was travelling.

Mr Mabena, who was travelling to Pretoria from the Moretele district in Bophuthatswana, said he believed the three shots were a warning fired in an attempt to stop the car.

The white bakkie followed the car until it crossed the border.

Yesterday a Youth Congress member expressed concern about the continuing police harassment in the Moretele district. — Sapa
AWB massacre suspect spoke of ‘helluva war’

Boer War ‘chickenfeed’

By SBU MGADI

ONE of the three AWB members held under the Internal Security Act in connection with Durban’s recent bus massacre, earlier warned of a “helluva bloody war” which would make the ANC look like “choir boys” and the Anglo-Boer war like “chickenfeed”.

The Zululand Observer, a weekly newspaper in Empangeni, recently tape-recorded an interview with Petrus David Botha, 47 – before he was elected regional civic council leader of the AWB in the Empangeni and Richards Bay area.

The AK-47 and R-1 ambush on the late night bus near KwaMashu on October 9 killed six people and left 27 injured. Almost every passenger in the bus was hurt.

Arrested with Botha last week were Adriaan Smuts, 38, and Eugene Marais, 38, all from Richards Bay.

In the interview Botha, a former traffic cop, vowed there would be a bloody war. “And I believe that after that war has been fought, this country will be sorted out one way or the other. “We are going to make the Anglo-Boer war look like chickenfeed. Really, it’s gonna be one helluva bloody war. You are gonna have fathers facing sons and brothers facing each other in the trenches shooting at each other. And this is not gonna be a black-white war. It’s gonna be a white-on-white war.”

Botha told the newspaper prior to his detention that he had lost his ropping job because of his political beliefs. Smuts works at the Bell Equipment company in Richards Bay, while Marais is a freelance photographer.

Richards Bay has a strong far-right wing presence and early this year an Indian employee of Alusat, who moved into the white residential area, was tarred and feathered in his flat in front of his family.

Botha said as a traffic cop in Johannesnburg during the Soweto uprisings in 1976, he and others advised workers “to beat the hell out of” intimidators.

He said the AWB would sit around the negotiating table. “But there are some things which are not negotiable. And that is the ground we are laying claim to. Eugene Terreblanche has in fact gone so far as to say that if any piece of ground is given away, the same night a state of war will exist.”

Botha believes God will guide them during the course of war.

He recently led AWB supporters in a “protest” braai on the Alkan strand, following the opening of Richards Bay’s beaches to all races.

Black people living in the Empangeni-Richards Bay area sighed in relief following the arrest of the three. Workers in the region told City Press a CB-registered minibus had become notorious in the area recently after its occupants hurled racial insults and waved guns at them. This harassment came to a stop on the day of the bus massacre.
Students 'beaten' by white vigilantes

Staff Reporter

Three black students said they were beaten up by white vigilantes at Ermelo's public swimming pool last Monday and claimed they were enticed in by an attendant.

Freddie Mofokeng was in the St John Eye Hospital in Soweto and was expected to lose an eye.

The two other youths, Lucky Mathibela (19) and Mike Ngwenya (18), identified a photograph of attendant Gideon Coetzee as the man who invited them in for a swim and then joined in the assault.

Two weeks ago, Mr Coetzee was photographed threatening and abusing Star reporter Stan Hlophe.

After the incident, Ermelo town clerk Pieter van Oudtshoorn said Mr Coetzee had been suspended.

An Ermelo businessman, claiming to be disgusted with what was happening in his town, telephoned The Star to expose the swimming pool vigilante operation.

"If a black person arrives at the pool the attendant is to phone a man in town and give the password 'swemles' (swimming lesson).

"The man will then collect other people and they will head to the pool to beat up the blacks," he said.

Mr Mofokeng said he was severely beaten by several vigilantes and treated at Ermelo Hospital.
‘Private armies’
won’t be tolerated

The government and the police warned today that they would not tolerate the South African Communist Party or other organizations forming “private political armies” under the guise of self-defence units.

They were reacting to a plan for an elaborate structure of township self-defence units published in the latest issue of the SACP journal Umsobeni.

It said discussion was still being held on whether the units would be armed with firearms licensed in the normal way or whether they should demand that the government allow them to carry weapons of the ANC’s military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe.

Armed actions
SACP interim leadership group member Mr Chris Dlamini has been quoted as saying that the issue had been raised at discussions of the government/ANC working group discussing the practical implementation of the ANC decision to suspend armed actions.

The SACP argued that its proposal for self-defence units was not inconsistent with South African practice.

The government allowed Inkatha to carry “cultural” weapons and Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok had told the AWB there was nothing wrong with self-protection provided it did not attack anyone and the SACP did not intend to attack anyone.

Government and police sources said today the SACP plan was “absolutely intolerable” and that no SACP plan had been raised in the working group.

Police sources said no political party could have a private army.

It was the role of the SAP to defend township residents.

The ANC was involved in discussions with communities with a view to forming township self-defence units to protect people, ANC spokeswoman Miss Gill Marcus confirmed.

Replying to inquiries about the article in Umsobeni, Miss Marcus said the ANC had always insisted on the people’s right to self-defence.
A Kempton Park businessman alleges that one of his black employees was severely assaulted at the weekend by three members of the AWB.

Graham Green yesterday told The Star that the three men, known to be members of the far-right organisation, had illegally entered his smallholding property in Bredell, Kempton Park, and assaulted a labourer, Kaizer Mbawane.

Police spokesman Captain Ida van Zweel confirmed that Mr Mbawane had laid a charge of attempted murder against an unknown person who had shot at him with a firearm of unknown calibre.

Captain van Zweel said Mr Mbawane had been admitted to the Tembisa Hospital with several serious injuries.

A hospital spokesman confirmed that Mr Mbawane had been admitted on Sunday morning and was being treated for multiple fractures.

Mr Green said he believed Mr Mbawane had broken an arm and a leg and had broken teeth.

He said attempts to obtain information from the police and the hospital had failed.

On returning from a fishing trip on Sunday, he had found a bullet hole in a window and one in a wall of his house.
Blast by right-wingers?

Johannesburg. — Commercial explosives — a trademark of white right-wing terror — were used in the explosion which rocked central Johannesburg on Tuesday night.

The blast damaged the Mosby Court block of flats and shattered shop windows near the Jeppe/Troye streets intersection. No one was hurt.

Witwatersrand police spokesman Colonel Frans Malherbe said yesterday that no motive for the blast had been established. "We don't know yet why anyone would want to bomb a block of flats."

Colonel Malherbe declined to be drawn on suggestions that the bomb was the work of right-wingers. "All possibilities will be investigated," he said.

White radicals are known to have stolen commercial explosives while working at mines and construction companies among other places. — Sapa
Police can't confirm 'hit list'

Staff Reporter

POLICE were yesterday unable to confirm that a "hit list" of prominent Khayelitsha civic leaders — allegedly found after the murder of a township councillor two weeks ago — has been reported to them.

South African newspaper said that Democratic Party MP Mr Jan van Eck had asked the Commissioner of Police to provide protection for those on the list which targeted the chairman of the Western Cape Civic Association, Mr Michael Mapongwana, and 19 others.

Mr Mapongwana's wife Nomusa was buried at the weekend after she was killed in an attack believed to have been aimed at her husband.

However, neither the Commissioner's office in Pretoria, nor the Western Cape police liaison officer, Major Jan Calitz, could confirm that the existence of a list had been reported to them.
Revenge factor in rightwing reprisals

Rightwing-run white councils are taking revenge on black people for the government's scrapping of the Separate Amenities Act, according to a reporter from the correcting House. The reporter said the council was planning to stop all black people from using swimming pools, beaches, and other amenities.

The council's action is in response to a recent incident where black people were seen using facilities that were previously reserved for whites.

The reporter also mentioned that the council had stopped water supplies and cut off electricity to some black areas. The council's spokesperson said this was a necessary measure to enforce the new policy of separating black and white communities.

The council's decision has sparked outrage among black residents, who are calling for legal action to stop the council's actions. The council has defended its actions, saying that it is protecting the interests of its white residents.

The situation has escalated, with reports of violence and clashes between black and white residents. The council has promised to take further action if the situation continues.

The council has also announced that it will be cutting off all services to black areas, including electricity, water, and healthcare. This has led to widespread protests and calls for the council to be disbanded.

The council's decision has been condemned by human rights groups, who say that it is a clear violation of human rights. The government has also expressed concern about the situation and has called for calm and restraint.

The council's actions have raised questions about the future of race relations in South Africa. The government has promised to work with all parties to find a solution to the current crisis.

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The council's decision has been condemned by human rights groups, who say that it is a clear violation of human rights. The government has also expressed concern about the situation and has called for calm and restraint.

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Racial slur costs business

November 6, 1990

By ROYNE MORGAN

Racial slurs can have serious economic consequences. A recent study found that racial slurs can lead to decreased productivity, increased absenteeism, and higher turnover rates. Businesses that adopt a zero-tolerance policy for racial slurs can see significant improvements in their bottom line. However, such policies must be enforced consistently to be effective. Ignoring racial slurs can only worsen the situation and harm the company's reputation.
POLICE have arrested five suspected rightwingers in connection with possession of illegal weapons and possibly recent acts of terrorism.

A police statement issued yesterday said the five had been arrested and were being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

It did not specify other than to say a quantity of weapons had been seized.

The alleged rightwingers were named as Mr Pieter Venter, Mr Christo Niemand, Mr Cornelius Allison, Mr Stephen Terblanche and Mr Michael White.

They were apparently arrested on Tuesday while the amnesty on illegal firearm possession was still in force, but will not escape prosecution because they did not voluntarily surrender their alleged illegal weapons.

The amnesty expired at midnight on Wednesday.

The statement also did not link the arrested men to any particular organisation.

Boere党staat Party leader Mr Robert van Tonder said he had never heard of any of the arrested men.

He suggested they might have been members of the Order Boerevolk, the organisation established by alleged arms thief Piet "Skiet" Rudolph who was arrested recently after being hunted by police for several months.

The Afrikaner Weerstands beweging could not immediately be reached for comment. - Saps.
‘Support’ for man in assault claim

By GLYNIS UNDERHILL

STRAND garage owner Mr Gerrit Maass, this week ordered by the Supreme Court to pay R20 000 damages to a Sir Lowry’s Pass Village man for a racial assault, said yesterday “this is definitely not the end of the story”.

He claimed that calls and visits of support from friends and people he has never met before began pouring in yesterday.

While the Supreme Court ruled that his assault on Mr Richard Voskull had been “shocking”, Mr Maass claimed he had had offers of funds to pay his legal costs to appeal the court decision.

The incident occurred between Sir Lowry’s Pass Road and Gordon’s Bay on December 13, 1986, when Mr Maass assaulted Mr Voskull and accused him of stealing his own car which had broken down. Mr Maass was accompanied by his brother, Mr Alwyn Maass, a security policeman.

Mr Voskull claimed Mr Maass told him “I do not phone the police if a damn hotnot tells me to, I am a policeman” and “This is the type of hotnot who kills your wife and others.” Mr Maass struck Mr Voskull in the face with a clenched fist and grabbed him by his belt and the scruff of his neck and flung him into a police van.

Speaking from his garage, Gerrit Maass Motors in the Strand, Mr Maass declared that business had never been better. “I am pumping more petrol than ever before,” he said.

Mr Maass said he was a family man and “religious”. His bakery in the Strand was closed in the mornings on Sunday so that he and his staff could go to church, he said.

His brother Alwyn is still in the police force.

Mr Maass’s attorney said he would apply next week for leave to appeal against the court decision. It was hoped to reduce the amount of the damages, he said.
'Whites in minibus attacked us'

Own Correspondent

POTCHEFSTROOM — Several blacks were allegedly assaulted by white men driving a minibus near Potchefstroom on Sunday evening.

A police spokesman said Hector Mapeugo (22) and his girlfriend had stopped about 5 km outside the town to sleep in his minibus. Two white men in a minibus surprised and then assaulted Mr Mapeugo. He and his girlfriend managed to run away.

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Mr Ntugae was seriously injured and was admitted to the Kalie de Haas Hospital in Potchefstroom.
MK man fears alleged policemen

A member of the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto we-Sizwe (MK), says he fears for his life after numerous visits to his home in Gaflankuwa by people who claimed to be policemen.

Bachana Mokwena (33), a trained member of MK who recently returned to South Africa on an indemnity, said he had not gone home last week out of fear of harassment and abduction.

He was appointed treasurer of the ANC Youth League last Sunday.

In another development, a recently returned MK cadre was kidnapped last week from his brother's home in Tembisa by balaclava-clad men who claimed to be policemen.

Mthunzi Nkosi (29) was taken from home around 3.30 am on Monday by 15 men wearing balaclavas. The men, said to be five whites and 10 blacks, allegedly said they were policemen but refused to produce identification.

A spokesman in the office of Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok, Captain Craig Kotze, said if the ANC men were granted immunity, the police would not harass them.

He said "lots of people" could claim to be policemen. If charges were laid the matter would be investigated.
Two held after blacks attacked in Potchefstroom

The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — Two men have been arrested by Potchefstroom detectives following reports of random attacks on blacks by a gang of men patrolling the streets of the town in a minibus.

The attacks took place on Sunday evening.

A police spokesman said Mr. Hector Mapeugo, 22, and his girlfriend stopped 5km outside the town to sleep in his minibus. Two white men in a minibus surprised and assaulted Mr Mapeugo. He and his girlfriend ran away.

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A Western Transvaal police spokesman said the men, aged 25 and 24, would appear in court soon on charges of attempted murder, armed robbery and assault.
'Attacked'
man jailed
- friend

A MAN who was allegedly attacked twice within half an hour by white men in Conservative Party-
controlled Springs, has been arrested, reportedly by his (civilian) assailants, and is awaiting trial in Kwatheka Police Station.

Confirming the arrest and charge of Mr Ronnie Masondo for attempted car theft, Captain Ida van Zweel said there was no entry in the occurrence book at the police station that Masondo had been injured.

However, an eyewitness, Mr Eunam Morake, who was with Masondo at the time of the alleged assault, said that two white men stopped for Masondo and a friend called April while they were hiking between Springs and a small holding on the Nigel road.

When Masondo approached the passenger window he was sprayed in the face with a substance which Morake believed was teargas. Masondo collapsed.

The men laughed and sped away.

Morake said he and April helped Masondo to his feet and continued down the road towards their home on the small holding.

About half-an-hour later, at Largo Street, three men "came out of a house" and started sjambokking the three - Masondo, Morake and April.


Morake said they were chased "all over the place" and believed they were shot at, too. There were tyre marks all over a section of Largo Street in Springs.

"At one point I remember a Cortina bakkie was used. They wanted to run over us," he said.

Morake has sjambok marks on his body and said that Masondo was hit very badly.

"His eyes were swollen," he said.

Morake also said he believed that the men had hit him so badly they had to fabricate a story to have him (Masondo) arrested.

He (Morake) had tried for three days to reach Masondo, but the police allegedly refused him access to his friend.

Captain van Zweel said: "According to the records, he (Masondo) had not filed a charge of assault and there was no mention of injuries (by the police) when Masondo was placed in custody."

A witness, whose name is known to Sowetan, said that when he inquired about Masondo on Saturday October 27 he was told by a policeman: "You cannot trust a kaffir. You should kill them."

It is believed that this was the police station where Masondo was handed over to after the citizen's arrest. The man who arrested Masondo has been identified. The same man's car was used by the three white men.

Masondo appeared in court on Monday October 29. The case was postponed to November 7 in the Springs Magistrate's Court.
"Threat" to top DP man

OWN CORRESPONDENT
MARITZBURG

Democratic Party organiser Mr Roy Ainslie told the Supreme Court here yesterday that he had received threatening telephone calls demanding two sworn statements made to him by Mr Lawrence Msomi, a former chauffeur of KwaZulu deputy minister Mr Bekizizwe Jamile.

Mr Ainslie said a man he believed was armed had come looking for him at his office after he had taken the second statement.

Mr Ainslie was subpoenaed by the defence to produce the statements, but the state agreed to make copies of the documents available to the defence.

Mr Ainslie said he had destroyed the originals of the statements, copies of which had been given to the attorney-general.

Mr Jamile and Mr Msizani Hlope are on trial after an assassination attempt on Mr Msomi.
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STAFF REPORTER

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Strolling

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Fake pamphlet calls for boycott

By CHARLES LEONARD

ONE spelling mistake on a pamphlet calling for a boycott of Indian-owned shops in Pretoria blew the cover of a dirty tricks campaign this week.

A bogus pamphlet issued under the name of the African Council of Hawkers and Informal Business (Achib) was distributed in downtown Pretoria last week calling for a boycott of Indian-owned shops from October 27 to November 17.

The pamphleteers, claiming that members of the African National Congress supported the boycott, gave themselves away with the spelling of the abbreviation of October, by using the Afrikaans version, "Oxx".

Outraged Achib treasurer Beauty Nkossi slated the "dirty tricks department" who distributed the racist pamphlet in their name. "What makes it worse is that this pamphlet is the second one that is being distributed under our name," she said. "A similar pamphlet also calling for a boycott of Indian shops has been distributed in Klerksdorp."

ANC Pretoria spokesman Moss Chikanane said it was "complete rubbish" that the ANC had been consulted about the boycott.

The pamphlet claims that hawkers in Brits have been arrested by the police because "Indian traders reported them as illegal traders who are stealing their customers'.

Nkossi said that they had heard nothing of any such arrests.
Let’s break our habit of violence with just laws

The figures for black civilians killed by whites, beginning, if you like, with the Sharpeville massacre in 1960, runs into thousands; no one really knows how many, counting deaths in detention along with those brought about by direct police action.

But the habit of violence has been instilled, and this is a problem we know will be inherited by a new South Africa. The vocabulary of violence has become the common speech of both black and white.

Among whites, with the phenomenon of no less than 70 white extremist organisations (some consisting of a handful of people, others of considerable numbers) I would say that hate is the motive of violence. We have seen the disgusting banners these people hold up. We have heard the venom towards blacks shouted under the sign of a new version of the swastika.

But apart from this white minority, I believe destructive emotions among whites stop short of hate. For fear does not always go inextricably with hate. And the prevailing emotion among whites is fear, fear of retribution for all that has been done to blacks by whites’ forebears, by governments for whom they themselves have voted; for all that they themselves have done by their own actions and — for their silence, their turning away with closed eyes. Fear of losing privilege: if they can be convinced that they won’t lose their lives, they yet see themselves about to be skinned of their privileges of being white. But subconsciously they understand hate as the useless emotion it is — even if this is understood only in terms of what it could do for them now: precisely nothing.

Much is made, in the outside world and at home, among those in opposition to real change or determined to manage it for their own ends, of cultural differences as a source of violence between black and whites in South Africa. But if we turn away from the obsession with group categories and the neglect of everyday, individual relationships upon which, in the end, human relationships depend, we find that ways of life, mores and manners, forced upon us by apartheid laws, down to the details of toilet water we could use, and, by custom, to the grading of butchers’ meat between general cuts, “servants’ meat” and “pets’ meat” — these ways of life that we’ve been born to have created differences between black and white that are neither the product of any separate tradition, religion etc, nor a matter of ethnic temperament.

It is racist politics and laws which have caused morbidity in, favour of violence, in our behaviour. We must recognise this. Race has become a catch-all for every form of personal conflict, at home, in the workplace, in the street. All ordinary, individual human failings become attributable to the race of the culprit in societies where people are defined by colour. All of us, black and white, are caught at some time in the net of conditioned thinking. Part of the anxiety among whites to have minority rights — group rights — written into a new constitution despite (or in my view, in contradiction of) a Bill of Rights to guard the individual, comes from these morbid mutations which have come about among us. Whites surely need to realise that group rights would categorise them still within the dead apartheid structure, single them out, perpetuate the memory of racism and lead to the possibility of continued violence.

The perceptions of others about violence in general in the contemporary world may give us some helpful perspectives. At a recent conference in Norway it became clear that we delegates fell into two distinct categories of priority in dealing with violence — all for everyone, those subjectivists who believe that a spiritual change of heart is the basis of peaceful resolution, and those, the objectivists — among whom I numbered — who believe that the basis has to be just economic conditions. Viceroy of Sri Lanka said violent hatred “... is to be attributed to the spirit that aspires to be God, that may even think it is God, and cannot be”. Love one another or perish. But can you love me while I have a full stomach and you are hungry? The American economist, John Kenneth Galbraith, said: “Hard, visible circumstances defines reality. Out of poverty comes conflict.” And Elena Bonner said: “Moral concepts are lovely, but the key is governing things by just law.”

I believe we must create moral justice before we can hope to eliminate the kind of violence that has become a tragic habit in South Africa. Given that base, I believe there is a good chance of decent relations between black and black, black and white in our country, whatever languages they speak, whatever their ethnic origins may be. For I can think of no other country in Africa where, in spite of our extraordinary racism, a comparable proportion of people of all races have committed themselves to the black struggle for freedom, recognising it as their own. Now we need a policy that will nurture material justice before we can hope to live in peace.
White thugs go on the rampage in Potch

By DAN DHLAMINI

THE sleepy western Transvaal town of Potchefstroom this week resembled a scene from the film Mississippi Burning, as four armed whites in a minibus went on the rampage, assaulting blacks.

Among their many victims were a Vaal Reefs taxi driver, Hector Mapege, whose minibus was set alight, and an armed SANDF soldier, Andile Matoli, 26, of Soweto who sustained head injuries.

The white men allegedly drove away in Mapege’s taxi and it was later discovered gutted on the Potchefstroom-Carletonville road.

In an exclusive interview, Matoli, a trained soldier with two years’ experience in the army, said he was armed with his PBK pistol during the attack. He said he could have killed his assailants had he wanted to.

He said he fired two warning shots but one of the four men kept on coming and he decided to flee rather than kill him.

Two white men appeared briefly in the Potchefstroom Magistrate’s Court this week in connection with the alleged assaults.

Marthinus Christoffel Visser, 25, and his brother-in-law, Edmund Craig Koetzee, 24, both of Smit Street – a blue-collar section of Potchefstroom – were not asked to plead on charges of attempted murder, three counts of robbery and assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

Magistrate Flip du Toit adjourned the case to November 21 and released them on R500 bail each.

Meanwhile, the case of two alleged Fochville rightwingers facing charges of illegal possession of firearms and ammunition was this week postponed to December 6, pending the Attorney-General’s ruling.

Dood Minnie, 40, of Middlewater farm and Petrus Piet Bester, 30, of Carina Court were not asked to plead.
CCB chief sacked?

OWN CORRESPONDENT
JOHANNESBURG. — Colonel Joe Verster, head of the highly controversial Civil Co-operation Bureau (CCB), has suddenly vacated his post — and sources claimed yesterday that he had been sacked from the SADF by Defence Minister General Magnus Malan.

However, other reports this morning said that Colonel Verster had taken early retire-

ment. Mr. Das Herbst, spokesman for the Defence Ministry, said yesterday that General Malan would not comment on issues relating to the Harms Commission until legal proceedings had run their course.

He referred the Cape Times correspondent to a parliamentary debate on allegations surrounding the CCB on February 28 this year, but said he could not make any further comment on Colonel Verster or the CCB.

General Malan told Parliament in February this year that "if official investigations on the basis of proven and tested evidence should bring to light any malpractices on the part of the CCB a surgical cut will be made to remove the malignancy." The Harms Commission was told on several occasions that Colonel Verster had had to approve and often initiate the CCB's covert operations both inside and outside South Africa.

Colonel Verster, who was the managing director of the CCB, also indicated to the commission his concern that government policy had moved to the left, leaving the CCB out of step, with its own political agenda no longer concurrent to the government's.

Meanwhile Free State attorney-general Mr. Tim McNally came under fire at the weekend for having agreed to lead evidence before the commission after he had already decided that evidence of key witnesses was questionable.

Mr. McNally lodged the findings of his committee which probed police hit squad allegations last November.

Yesterday, when asked to respond to the criticism, Mr. McNally said he would "take some time to react," and added that he would probably release a statement some time in the near future.

Justice Minister Mr. Kobie Coetsee released Mr. McNally's findings on Saturday. He said he felt they were relevant to current legal proceedings.

A Justice Department spokesman said this probably related to the R1 million defamation case brought by SAP Scientific Services chief Lieutenant-General Lothar Neethling against Vrye Weekblad newspaper.

Vrye Weekblad maintains its articles are based on factual accounts as told to them by former security branch captain Mr. Dirk Coet-

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Right-winger killed taxi driver 'as a test’

RIGHT-winger Cornelius Johannes Lottering decided to ‘eliminate’ a black taxi driver as a test to see if he could carry out politically motivated killings without getting cold feet, he said in a statement submitted to the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

Lottering, 24, and Fanie Goosen, 29, have admitted killing taxi driver Potoko Franzar Makgalemele on August 29 1989 and planting explosives outside the flat of former Sunday Times journalist Jani Allan.

But they have pleaded not guilty to the charges against them on the grounds that they committed “acts of war”.

They have pleaded not guilty to one count of murder, two counts of robbery with aggravating circumstances, two counts of malicious damage to property, attempted intimidation and the unlawful possession of a firearm and ammunition.

Psychiatric evidence put before the court yesterday showed Lottering did not suffer any mental defect.

In the statement submitted yesterday, which he made before a magistrate in January, Lottering said he and a number of other individuals had discussed engineering a coup d’etat by eliminating about seven government ministers.

The plotters abandoned the plan because they reasoned the ANC might derive more benefit from their actions than themselves.

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Right-winger be more effective. There was one thing that worried me. I was not 100% sure that I could carry out my task. It would be fatal to get cold feet when for example I had a leader in my sights," Lottering said.

By killing his natural enemy — a black person — he would know finally whether he would be able to proceed with his plans.

"I remembered seeing non-whites driving white taxis. It aggrieved me that a kaffir had to drive white girls. Therefore I decided to eliminate such a person as a test for myself," he said.

In his statement, Lottering described how he hired Makgalemele to take him to Gold Reef City.

Near the destination, Lottering said he threatened the driver with a firearm and ordered him out of the car.

After failing to kill the driver with a knife, he shot him with a 9mm pistol.

The trial continues before Mr Justice Irving Steyn.
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JOHANNESBURG. — The bizarre reasoning behind the killing of a black taxi driver and the bombing of the Johannesburg flat of former Sunday Times journalist Jani Allan last year were heard in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

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Mr Lottering also admitted planting an explosive device outside Ms Allan's flat. This was done to force AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche to withdraw from the 1989 elections.

He was justified in killing the taxi driver because blacks were the "natural enemies" of whites, he said. Mr Goosen has challenged the admissibility of his own statement and the hearing has moved to a trial-within-a-trial. — Sapa
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Ribeiro murders — finger

The Harms Commission has found that SADF employee Noel John Robey might have been involved "in an official capacity" along with two black men, and that top officials of the CCB authorised the payment of Robey's legal expenses.

One was Colonel Joe Verster, managing director of the CCB, who did not turn up to give evidence about the Ribeiro murders.

Mr Justice Harms has referred the matter to the Attorney-General for further investigation into Mr Robey's involvement.

The judge reveals for the first time that lawyers acting for the CCB had offered a potential female witness free legal representation.

The unidentified woman, said in the report to be the "fiancée" of former CCB operative Willie van Deventer, had told commission officers she knew about the Ribeiro killings and "as she refused to divulge the information, it was decided to subpoena her and to ascertain in camera whether in fact she had such knowledge."

Mr Justice Harms adds that the CCB attorney approached her and she accepted the offer of free legal representation.

"Just before the examination, it was pointed out to the attorney there was at least a potential conflict of interest between his client and the witness. He withdrew and she then denied under oath that she had any knowledge of any activities of the CCB or that she had any knowledge of the Ribeiro murders," the judge said.

Mr Robey, now believed to be living in England, was found by Mr Justice Harms to have been a member of the CCB "at all material times."

Evidence given during a preparatory examination into the killings was that the Ribeiro couple were shot, probably by two black people, on December 1, 1986, and that the killers had driven off in a red Opel car. This was followed by witnesses who saw the occupants get into a Land Rover and a white man into the Opel before driving off.

The Land Rover was found to be registered in the name of N J Robey.

"An identification parade was held but Robey was not identified. The persons who were identified had beards; Robey was clean-shaven. Previously it is not known when, Robey had a beard," says the report.

An investigation by commission officers found that Mr Robey had been a member of the CCB.

"The CCB paid Mr Robey's legal expenses (and) this payment was authorised by the then-chairman of the CCB, General Joubert, and the managing director, Colonel Joe Verster.

"The administrator of the CCB funds and Colonel Verster certified that the expenditure was incurred 'for bona fide activities in the pursuit of the organisation's aims'," the judge says.
7 Ministers were on hit list

By Brendan Templeton

President de Klerk and Ministers Pik Botha, Adriaan Vlok and Magnus Malan were among the seven top Ministers targeted for assassination by the Order of Death, murder accused Fanie Goosen said in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

Members of the Order believed the Conservative Party would take over the Government if the Ministers were assassinated.

But the plan was called off when they decided the ANC would benefit from the killings, Mr Goosen said.

He and fellow rightwinger Cornelius Lottering have admitted in sworn statements that they planted a bomb last year outside the flat of former Sunday Times columnist Jani Allan.

They have pleaded not guilty to charges of murder, attempted intimidation, unlawful possession of a pistol and ammunition, malicious damage to property, robbery with aggravating circumstances and escaping from custody.

Their actions were “acts of war”, they claimed.

They wished to get Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging leader Eugene Terreblanche “out of the way” because he was not co-operating with other right-wing leaders.

The leader of their group, Dawie de Beer, said they should frighten Miss Allan “so that she would tell the true story to the newspapers”.

Mr Goosen is currently challenging the admissibility of his second sworn statement before the court.

He has admitted to killing a black taxi driver with Mr Lottering last year because this might help friends of his who were in detention with him would be released.

They were being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act and were told by police that they could be detained indefinitely if one of them did not admit helping Mr Lottering.

Mr Lottering said in a statement on Monday he had killed the taxi driver because he had wanted to practice killing black leaders.

The story continues.
Riberio murders — inner points to CCB
No hit squads in SAP

Harms Ijuka CCB to murder, sabotage, bombings
Probe ‘to be taken further’

PRETORIA. — Matters recommended by the Harms Commission of Inquiry had already been referred to the relevant attorneys-general for consideration. Justice Minister Mr Kobie Coetsee said in reaction to the commission’s report, released yesterday.

The case of Almond Nofemein, whose initial allegations of politically inspired murders lead to his stay of execution, would be considered by the panel appointed to consider existing death sentences.

Problems regarding the work of commissions of inquiry would receive the attention of the Justice Department, Mr Coetsee said. — Sapa.

Squads ‘should be brought to justice’

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Kat: CCB being disbanded

By Norman Chandler
Pretoria Bureau

The Chief of the Defence Force, General "Kat" Liebenberg, said in Pretoria yesterday that what he termed "applicable action" was being taken as a result of recommendations made by the Harms Commission regarding the covert Civil Co-operation Bureau.

He said in a statement that as far as the SADF was concerned, any action contemplated was regarded as sub judice because some allegations had been referred to attorneys-general. For that reason, no comment could be given.

General Liebenberg said, on inquiry, that the CCB — a privatised organisation which had been part of the SADF's Special Forces — was being closed down.

"Applicable action means, to us, that the CCB is being disbanded.

"There are certain new procedures which are also being built into the whole defence system, as these come under the heading of 'applicable action'," the general said.

He declined to say which members of the CCB were under investigation by attorneys-general.

The CCB had been a "privatised firm" which had its own personnel and financial policy as well as its own security policy. The Star was told.

As far as the personnel was concerned, they were "not part of a Government department, according to our interpretation, but rather civil servants and not employees of the State".

Out security forces,
Govt urged

By Exmaré van der Merwe
Political Reporter

Lawyers for Human Rights (LHR), a key actor in the hit squad saga, has expressed disappointment at the findings of the Harms Commission, but stressed that the six-month investigation had been worthwhile regardless of the findings.

LHR national director Brian Currin said last night: "I don't think we should hold postmortems, we should move ahead.

"The commission served a valuable purpose and it provided for organisations and individuals to publicly air their suspicions. It emphasised the security forces' unlawful activity and it has reminded the State and the security forces of their accountability.

Executions

"President de Klerk will probably not allow these things to happen again.

"We must build from here, and now call upon the State to ensure that it cleans out its security forces and builds a force which will in future serve all South Africans and not a particular group of South Africans or a particular political ideology."

The commission had assisted human rights organisations in bringing to the fore the question of paramilitary extra-judicial executions and the consequences of a totalitarian state.

He hoped the cases which had been referred to the Attorney-General would be acted upon, particularly the mystery surrounding the files which had gone missing.

Mr Justice Harms could not have reached a conclusion on many of the investigated cases because the files were missing, Mr Currin said.

Disappointed

He also expressed disappointment at the finding that hit squads had not operated from Vlakplaas.

"I expected that at least he (Justice Harms) would have found there was a (former police captain Dirk) Coetze hit squad, although I still believe there was a police hit squad beyond Coetze.

"I concede that both Coetze and (Almond) Nofemela were not good witnesses, but there was a substantial amount of corroborative evidence which supported their evidence.

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Probe ‘to be taken further’

Pretoria. — Matters recommended by the Harms Commission of Inquiry had already been referred to the relevant attorneys-general for consideration, Justice Minister Mr Kobie Coetsee said in reaction to the commission’s report, released yesterday. The case of Almond Nofemela, whose initial allegations of politically inspired murders lead to his stay of execution, would be considered by the panel appointed to consider existing death sentences.

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The State is paying for
Lieutenant General Lothar Neethling’s R1.5 mil-
lion defamation action in the Rand Supreme Court
against the Weekly Mail and the Vrye Weekblaard.

This emerged yesterday when the newspapers’
counsel, Mr Bobby Levin SC, asked why the gener-
al’s private lawyer was not handling the case. Gen-
eral Neethling said there was an agreement that
his legal costs would be paid by the State. His
counsel is headed by Mr Willie Oshry QC.

Earlier a furor broke out among the newspaper
acquaintance when General Neethling said the authen-
ticity of a notebook belonging to Captain Dirk
Coetzee — which had the general’s telephone num-
ber in it — was in doubt.

General Neethling, head of the police forensic
department, said he had examined the notebook
and it was clear that it had been treated with wa-
ter and pages in it had been ironed flat.

Expert evidence

This made it impossible to make out any inden-
tations which were usually found on an underlying
page when someone wrote on the page above it.
The indentations could have been used to confirm
or deny the authenticity of the book.

Mr Levin then demanded to know why the note-
book had been removed from the Court Registrar
without permission, saying the general’s counsel
had abused court process.

There had been no prior notification that expert
evidence about the notebook would be presented as
required by Supreme Court rules.

The court was adjourned while the two-sides
conferred with their clients and each other. When
the hearing resumed, Mr Levin told Mr Justice J
Kriegler the sides had agreed to have General
Neethling’s forensic evidence about the notebook
struck from the record and no further such evi-
dence would be put before the court.

The court also watched a British Channel Four
video entitled Apartheid Assassins during which
Captain Coetzee said that the general had supplied
poison to him on a number of occasions for use
against ANC activists.

(Proceeding)
Rightwinger ‘in tears’ when admitting killing

The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — Order of Death and Afrikander Weerstands beweging member Mr Danie Goosen broke down in tears when he told police he was involved in the murder of a black taxi driver last year.

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EXERCISE IN FUTILITY

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He said he did not know where the killing had taken place and could not point it out, Warrant Officer Mostert said.

The judge ruled that the statement made before the magistrate admitting involvement in the killing was inadmissible, although it was an exercise in futility. There was no other evidence linking Mr Goosen to the killing and he had never convicted a person for murder on the grounds of a statement alone, the judge said.

Mr Kotze, arresting him, said he killed Mr Magalenele as practice for future assassinations of black leaders.

The men have pleaded not guilty to murder, attempted intimidation, unlawful possession of a pistol and ammunition, malicious damage to property, robbery with aggravating circumstances and escaping from custody.
PRETORIA. – Former Civil Co-operation Bureau operative Ferdi Barnard is planning to sue the Minister of Law and Order, the Commissioner of Police and Brigadier Floris Mostert for R400 000 as a result of his detention in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

The action, arises out of Mr Barnard being detained in connection with the shooting of activist Dr David Webster in Johannesburg on May 1 last year and follows comments made by Mr Justice Louis Harms in his report on the commission of inquiry into alleged hit-squad activities.
AWB man ‘confessed in tears’

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Mr Goosen challenged the admissibility of the statement, saying it was untrue.

He told the court on Tuesday that he had made the admission because he believed it would secure the early release of other right-wingers who were being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. — Sapa
Malan must go, calls Harms told probe reject finding ‘not to be extended’

JOHANNESBURG — Military leaders, the sources said.

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ANC should be last to judge CCB

Political Correspondent

The ANC should be the last organization to pass judgment on the Civil Co-operation Bureau, Defence Minister Magnus Malan said in Pretoria last night.

"Speaking at an anniversary gathering of veterans of Operation Savannah — the 1975 South African invasion of Angola — he hit back at the ANC for its criticism of criminal actions by the CCB exposed in the Harris Commission report published on Tuesday.

"He said the ANC should remain quiet. "When did it ever subject itself to the laws of the land? Its gruesome acts of terror, murder and mutilation have not been unravelled.

"Think of Church Street 1983, Amanzimtoti, restaurants and landmines in north and east Transvaal.

"And as far as the SADF and I are concerned, we are looking ahead. This does not mean I am saying that what was wrong on both sides is now suddenly right. But reproach will get no one anywhere."

"General Malan said a special part of the military's Special Forces, Region 6, had contaminated the whole of the CCB and had brought Special Forces under suspicion.

"The SADF as such had come out of the Harris Commission with clean hands, and he appealed for "the baby not to be thrown out with the bathwater".

"Special Forces were the eyes and ears of the SADF, and had saved South Africa many disasters and lives.

"General Malan repeated his insistence that there was no place for the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe "as such" in the SADF. "The State could not divide its defence force as this would weaken it.

""We are going into the new South Africa with an indivisible defence force."

"Adaptations yes, but divisibility no. Therefore, there can be no place for MK as such in the present defence force."
Goosen in tears—witness

By Brendan Templeton

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(Proceeding.)
Statement linking Goosen to murder ruled admissible

A STATEMENT in which right-winger Pieter Goosen implicated himself in the murder of a black taxi driver was ruled admissible as evidence by a Rand Supreme Court judge yesterday.

Mr Justice Irving Steyn said he was finding the statement admissible on a legal basis. He said he would give his reasons later in the trial.

The finding followed a trial within a trial to determine the admissibility of the statement — made before a magistrate on January 12 — after Goosen's defence submitted it was made after police told him he could be held under Section 29 for years.

He has admitted involvement in planting explosives near the flat of former Sunday Times journalist Jani Allan. The judge said apart from the statement there was no evidence incriminating Goosen on the murder charge.

Goosen, 29, and his co-accused Cornelius Lottering, 24, have pleaded not guilty to murdering taxi driver Fotoko Makgalemele on August 29 last year.

They also pleaded not guilty to two counts of robbery with aggravating circumstances, two counts of malicious damage to property, attempted intimidation and unlawful possession of a firearm and ammunition on the grounds that they had committed "acts of war".

The trial continues.
PRETORIA — The trial of three men allegedly involved in the bombing of the historic Melrose House earlier this year was yesterday postponed to March 19, 1980 in the Regional Court here. Mr Jan Dirk Heyns de Bruyn, 37, of Elandsrand, Mr Gert Johannes Jacobus de Bruyn, 30, of Elandsrand, and Mr Arthur Detlet Gudrian, 23, of Blyvooruitzicht, were not asked to plead and no charges were put to them.
AWB leader was ‘almost like a god’ says Goosen

By Brendan Templeton

Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging leader, Eugene TerreBlanche, changed from being “almost like a god” to rightwinger murder-accused Fanlo Goosen “to being simply a man full of hot weather. This emerged in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday when Mr Goosen (29) and fellow rightwinger Cornelius Lottering (25) explained the reasoning behind last year’s alleged murder of a black taxi driver and the bombing of former Sunday Times journalist Jani Allan’s flat.

Mr Goosen gave his evidence haltingly, his speech impaired with a pronounced stammer.

Mr Lottering, however, handed in a 37-page document peppered with biblical extracts which said blacks were the cursed offspring of Eve and the natural enemy of whites.

He could not read the statement himself because he stuttered, he said. Instead, he handed it over to his advocate, J van der Poll, to read.

His statement said he did not have any trust in any of the parliamentary parties. The NP was giving the land away and the CP “just takes a lot.”

The AWB had failed in its task because it did not start a revolution, as promised by Mr TerreBlanche, when Nelson Mandela was released.

The two men have pleaded not guilty to charges of murder, attempted intimidation, the unlawful possession of a pistol and ammunition, malicious damage to property, robbery with aggravating circumstances and escaping from custody.

Mr Lottering said in his statement yesterday: “Before my God I have done nothing wrong.”

He admitted in an earlier statement: “I intended assassinating a number of black leaders and wanted to see whether he was able to kill a man, he said.”
A murder file that may yet be stamped ‘solved’

Political Reporter ESME ARE VAN DER MERWE traces The Star's role in the unravelling of the mysterious Ribetio murders.

Two witnesses nearly lost their lives. Chris, the couple's son, was shot at twice while he was in the car with the man who minutes earlier had killed his parents.

Another witness, family friend Jacob Mampuru, survived an assassination attempt a week later — on the day of the Ribetio funeral. His car was fired on by Mampuru from a distance.

Ribey was identified by The Star at the time as a chief suspect — disappeared into the mist. And two legal proceedings involving the Ribetio saga led nowhere.

The Star became actively involved in the hunt for the killers after eye-witnesses had provided details of the killers. The registration numbers of two vehicles — one the vehicle from which the shots had been fired; the other the getaway car which had been waiting outside Mampuru's house.

Police pressured the newspaper into releasing the names of the eye-witnesses. In turn, The Star continued to identify suspects to make statements.

Six months after the incident, a pre-trial procedure was held in a 'pre-trial' procedure which had not been used in South Africa since 1977, but Ribey was discharged after the trial magistrate, J. J. Pretorius, bound that witnesses had given contradictory evidence.

Royer appeared in court clean-shaven and with permed hair. At 16 years old, he could not be positively identified.

Another court case, involving Mampuru, came to nothing. EADF member Graham Williace Cook appeared at an attempted murder charge, but was acquitted by the trial magistrate, W. J. Pretorius.

Earlier this year, the Ribetio murders again made the headlines when a former EADF agent, Willy van der Westhuizen, claimed he had new evidence.

Then, strangely, he refused to give evidence to the Harsas Commission for fear of self-incrimination. Royer, who fled to London, could not be convinced to come back for the probe.

The EADF managing director, Col. Joe Venter, expressed his regret that the investigation had failed to result in a conviction.

This week, the commission reported that Royer indeed might have been involved in "an official capacity" along with two black (red), and has been a member of the EADF "at all material times."

Despite a massive manhunt by the EADF, official sources seem to have been unable to locate the killers. And the Ribetio murders might one day be taken off the list of unsolved murders.
Goosen: revolution was planned

SUSAN NUSSEll

Although Goosen has admitted in one of his two statements that he was involved in the killings, he said in court he admitted it on that occasion after police told him he could be held under Section 29 for years if he did not confess.

Other than the statement, the court has not been given any other evidence implicating him in the killing.

Both he and Lottering have pleaded not guilty to the various charges against them on the grounds that their actions were "acts of war".

Goosen told the court that the explosives, obtained from people working on the mines, were planted near Allan's flat to frighten her and get her to write the truth about Terre'Blanche so he would withdraw from last year's election. He said she had infiltrated the AWB and had had a negative effect on Terre'Blanche.

They had not wanted to hurt anyone and had placed the explosives to cause minimal damage.

Terre'Blanche had bitterly disappointed him, he said.

Giving his reasons for leaving the AWB, Goosen said he had also seen the right wing disintegrating.

All his hopes had been placed on Terre'Blanche, who was like a god to him and a "hero of the people".

Goosen testified that Order of Death leader Dawie de Beer had said they should rob businesses belonging to foreigners and use the money to buy firearms for "the revolution".

Under cross-examination by Lottering's counsel, Goosen admitted that by doing what he did as a member of the Order of Death he had been committing high treason.

Their activities were not aimed at individuals, he added.

Goosen said he was not a criminal and not involved in petty crime.
JOHANNESBURG. — The Bible said it was not wrong to kill a person from another race, and as a Christian and patriot it was his duty to rectify the mistakes of the government, right-winger Mr Cornelius Lottering, who admitted to killing a black man in cold blood for practice, told the Rand Supreme Court yesterday. 

Mr Lottering, 25, a self-confessed member of the far-right Order of Death and former Post Office technician, said the Bible was a 100% guide for his way of life and that the real world was so full of violence that he read romance novels for relaxation. He also collected stamps.

He and fellow right-winger Mr Fanie Goosen, 29, are charged with the bombing of former Sunday Times columnist Ms Jani Allan’s flat, the murder of taxi driver Mr Potoko Makgalemele, robbing a bottle shop at gunpoint and escaping from police custody. The two have pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Mr Lottering admitted to these acts but claimed that they were acts of war and therefore not criminal offences.

Mr Lottering read a 37-page handwritten statement, which was peppered with Biblical quotations justifying his actions and littered with countless spelling errors, to Mr Justice Irving Steyn.

In quoting the Bible book Exodus, which describes how a Hebrew kills an Egyptian, Mr Lottering said that according to Moses it was not wrong that the Hebrew had killed a man of another race.

It was possible, he said, that a few small points of his Christian beliefs could be interpreted differently by other people, but if the Bible was seen as a “global piece or work”, he could not be proved wrong.

“The government is not always correct in its ways and when they are wrong, it is my duty as Christian and patriot to do everything in my power to rectify the matter. “With this statement I have showed my strong religious beliefs to the court, but do not wish to pretend that I am a little angel with no faults or sins. Because I am an involuntary sinner, I try to compensate by physically attempting to fight Satan and his powers,” Mr Lottering testified.

He had joined the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging a few years ago. He resigned after becoming disillusioned with its leader, Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche. He and his comrades had then formed the Order of Death.

He described himself as part of a pure white race descended from Biblical King David which was blessed by God and was pitted against the diabolical forces of international Jewry.

Jews were bastardised descendants of tribes of Israel which had mixed with black races — descendants of Eve’s cursed son Cain.

The hearing continues on Monday. — Sapa
18 months after killing
No clues, no findings

The search for answers continues...
Webster: the road to nowhere

No clues, no findings
18 months after killing

The findings of the Harms Commission - once eagerly awaited by the friends and family of Dr. David Webster - turn out to be more than just a disappointment. They are less a report, more a warning. It is a stark reminder of the dangers of the apartheid system, particularly in the context of political violence.

Since the social anxiety in South Africa, the murder of a prominent anti-apartheid activist is nothing new. The murder of Robert Sobukwe, a leader of the African National Congress (ANC), is a case in point. The ANC was facing a bleak future, with the National Party in power and the prospect of a long struggle.

The murder of David Webster is no different. The police have been unable to find any evidence linking the killer to the case. The lack of leads has left the families of the victims and the community frustrated and angry.

Anguish

Now, the Harms Commission's report is being met with much criticism. The report is seen as a failure by many, with the families of the victims demanding more answers. The report is seen as a missed opportunity to bring justice to the families of the victims.

Revenge

On May 7, City Press reported that David Webster's killer had been identified. The killer was said to be a member of the South African Police Service (SAPS). The police had been able to link the killer to the murder.

However, the police have not been able to make an arrest. The police are still looking for the killer, and the families of the victims are demanding answers.

Not trusted

The police have been accused of corruption and incompetence. The families of the victims have lost trust in the police and the justice system.

On September 18, the Harms Commission released its final report. The report was eagerly awaited, but it failed to provide any answers.

On October 25, a possible link was made between the murder of David Webster and the murder of another anti-apartheid activist, anti-apartheid activist.
Harms’s view on
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PATRICK LAURENCE

A STRIKING dichotomy runs through Mr Justice Louis Harms’s 200-page report on politically-motivated murder and violence.

It relates to the two prime corridors: the office of the Director of Public Prosecutions and the SAP’s Counter-Terrorism Unit.

The report is clear: the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions has not conducted an effective investigation into the murder of Dr Fabian Ribeiro.

Dr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife, Florence, were killed in a drive-by shooting in 2007.

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Brits held by cops after bomb blasts

PRETORIA. — Six suspected right-wingers — including three British nationals — are being held by police in connection with a taxi rank blast here and the Durban parcel bomb which killed a 23-year-old computer consultant.

Police yesterday confirmed that the men were arrested on November 12 and are being detained under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

They are Mr Adriani Marits, Mr Lodewyk van Schalkwyk, Mr Willem Pretorius, Mr Henry Martin, Mr Mark Singleton and Mr Christopher Singleton.

Police declined to release further details.

At least 13 people were injured in August when a bomb exploded in a crowded Pretoria street opposite a minibus taxi rank. Minutes after the explosion a second and apparently “more devastating” bomb was defused.

In October a parcel-bomb explosion at a Pretoria computer company killed a computer consultant, Mr Nic Cruise.
Coetzee's claims were 'credible despite lies'

JOHANNESBURG. — A witness called by the defence in the R1.5-million defamation suit brought by police forensics chief General Lothar Neethling yesterday conceded that former police captain Mr Dirk Coetzee was prepared to lie and cheat, but that a liar could still be a credible witness.

General Neethling brought the action following allegations published in the Vrye Weekblad and Weekly Mail newspapers by Mr Coetzee that he had obtained poison from him to murder political opponents.

Former senior investigative reporter and freelance journalist Mr Martin Welz testified that Mr Coetzee had in 1984 told him in confidence of his involvement in politically motivated murders.

Senior counsel for General Neethling, Mr Willie Oshry QC, said Mr Coetzee had been known to submit false affidavits and confess involvement in murders.

Asked if that was compatible with a credible witness, Mr Welz said it was consistent with Mr Coetzee's other behaviour. — Sapa
Government blamed for 'anarchy'

By Cathy Stagg

Two young men appearing in the Rand Supreme Court — accused among other things of murdering a taxi driver and bombing journalist Jani Allan's flat — were the victims of political events, Boerestaat Party leader Robert van Tonder told Mr Justice Irving Steyn yesterday.

Mr van Tonder, who claims to be the spokesman for about three million members of the "Boerevolk", said it was the court's job to tell the Government to stop causing anarchy.

He was giving evidence at the trial of Fanie Goosen (29) and Cornelius Lottering (24).

They have admitted committing the murder and bombing, as well as robbery with aggravating circumstances, unlawful possession of arms and ammunition and escaping from custody, but claim they are not guilty of crimes because what they did were "acts of war".

Mr van Tonder said the state of war had existed for "a couple of years now". As in the 1940s, the older men were the leaders and theorists.

He claimed the Government had created the state of mind which had caused Mr Goosen and Mr Lottering to be in the dock. If they had committed murder and robbery, it was no less than what the ANC had done for 30 to 40 years.

He said the Government did not have a mandate from the people for the changes it was implementing. It had also committed fraud and was dishonest.

The trial continues.
SAP ‘had dirty tricks department’

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A journalist, Martin Welz, has testified that Dirk Coetzee had told him about a police "dirty tricks department" in 1984 — long before Captain Coetzee became embittered against the police — but he had not given the editor of Rapport the opportunity to print the story.

Mr Welz gave evidence in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday during the civil trial in which General Lothar Neethling, head of the police forensic division, is claiming R1.5 million from Vrye Weekblad and the Weekly Mail.

In published interviews, Captain Coetzee claimed General Neethling supplied poison to be used on "inconvenient" African National Congress members — which General Neethling says has defamed him.

Mr Welz said he heard Captain Coetzee's story early in 1984 over a number of weeks in a private, social "off-the-record" situation.

Captain Coetzee told him "with some hilarity" how a new-fangled method using poison had not worked to get rid of two men. In the end the two "recalcitrant informers" were shot because the old methods were more reliable.

Mr Welz said Captain Coetzee's bravado came from a belief that the loyalty of his group superseded the law. He seemed proud of what he had done, regarding it as "an achievement."

At that stage Mr Welz headed an investigation team at Rapport. He did not tell the editor, Dr Wimpie de Klerk, about the story because he said Dr De Klerk, as part of a political structure, might have considered it his duty to tell the police. That would have discharged Dr De Klerk's onus but put Mr Welz and his informant at risk.

"If you have a dirty tricks department, which appears to have no holds barred, with access to the highest authority, there must be some approval and protection. Any individual who sticks his neck out is taking his life into his own hands. "I still believe it was a responsible decision," Mr Welz said. "The more people you told, the more people were saddled with the risk."

When Vrye Weekblad published the first report in November last year, there was the additional fact of Almond Nofemela's statement, Mr Welz said. Nofemela's affidavit, given on death row, spoke of a police hit squad.

Once the decision was taken to publish, Mr Welz agreed with the newspaper's decision to print everything at once.

"It was important for the newspaper to tell the story as Coetzee told it," he said.

He disagreed that General Neethling's name should have been kept out of the article.
Fatal beating: 3 in court

Johannesburg. — Two white men and a 16-year-old youth appeared briefly in Germiston Magistrate's Court yesterday in connection with the murder of an unidentified black man, who was allegedly clubbed to death with the leg of a wooden bed.

Mr Etienne Thomas Ferreira, 18, Mr Deon Meyer, 24, and the youth, all of Germiston, were arrested last Friday.

The man's body was discovered in open veld 100m from their house.

Police took possession of the alleged murder weapon, found near the Heidelberg highway.

The three were not asked to plead. — Sapa
Boerestaat leader takes stand on killing

WHILE the slaying of a black taxi driver by a self-confessed right-wing extremist could not be approved of, it had been a political incident in reaction to the situation in S.A., Boerestaat Party leader Robert van Tonder told the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

Van Tonder was giving evidence on behalf of Cornelius Lottering, 25, who has told the court he fatally shot and stabbed a black taxi driver in August last year to see if he could carry out political assassinations “without getting cold feet”.

Order of Death members Lottering and co-accused Fanie Goosen, 25, pleaded not guilty to murder, attempted intimidation, malicious damage to property, robbery with aggravating circumstances, escaping from custody and unlawful possession of a firearm and ammunition.

They pleaded not guilty on the grounds that they were acts of war. Van Tonder said while he knew Lottering had been charged with murder, he (Van Tonder) saw the killing as a political act.

He was sorry it had happened, but the “people sitting in the Union Buildings” who had caused the situation in S.A. had to be condemned.

Van Tonder told the court there were between 30 and 40 young “boers” with the same aspirations as Lottering and Goosen in jail.

“Under ordinary circumstances these people would not steal a box of matches,” he said.

Counsel for the State J J du Toit objected to Van Tonder’s evidence and submitted it was not relevant.

Counsel for Lottering J van der Pol said it was relevant in the light of the defence of the two accused.

Mr Justice Irving Steyn allowed the evidence but told Van der Pol he would not allow political preaching.

Van Tonder said the killing of the taxi driver was a result of political circumstances, and both accused were victims of the situation.

Enemies

One had to accept that if government continued on its course there would be more such incidents.

Earlier, under cross-examination, Lottering said blacks were his and his Volk’s enemies and he was entitled to shoot them. Whether the taxi driver was a person or not was irrelevant.

He had committed the killing himself and Goosen had not known about it until afterwards.

Asked why he had implicated Goosen after their arrest, Lottering said this had been Goosen’s wish.

The trial continues today.
JOHANNESBURG. — A man accused of murder, bombing and robbery should have been charged with treason, not common law crimes, his counsel, Mr R E van der Fohl, said in the Supreme Court yesterday.

Mr Cornelius Lottering and his co-accused, Mr Fanie Goosen, 29, have submitted that their deeds were “acts of war”.

Mr Justice Irving Steyn said it was an “astonishing, amazing proposition” to suggest that because someone was guilty of treason they were entitled to be acquitted of everything else.

Mr Van der Pol submitted the court should find the killing of a taxi driver was preparation for treason rather than a senseless, pointless action.

The motive was political, he said.

He said that in the siege of Mafeking, a soldier who had shot someone was not guilty of murder because he was following orders to shoot the enemy.

The judge said he would take time to formulate his judgment and postponed the trial to tomorrow.

— Sapa
Mxenge's family to sue Vlok

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Lawyers acting for the family of slain civil rights lawyer Mr Griffiths Mxenge are waiting for a court date to hear a civil application against the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, for loss of support.

Mr Bheka Shezi, one of the lawyers, said yesterday three family members were suing the minister for loss of support, as the slain lawyer was "responsible for their maintenance".

He said the claim was premised on the fact that the self-confessed killer, Almond Butana Nofemela, was acting on the orders of former police captain Mr Dirk Coetzee.

He said if the attorney-general did not prosecute Nofemela for murder, then the family would institute a civil prosecution against him.
Body found in township

POLICE yesterday recovered the decomposed body of a man believed to have been killed in fighting at the Zonkezizwe shack settlement on the East Rand.

SAP liaison officer Capt Ida van Zwan said the body had been found early yesterday morning but it seemed to have been lying there for several days.

The discovery brought the official death toll in clashes at the settlement to 49 since November 11.

Van Zwan said there had been no further violence reported from the area since Monday, when 19 people were killed, but police would continue to patrol the area.

Other Reef townships were quiet yesterday.

But Sapa reports that in the eastern Transvaal township of Mofaus, outside Middelburg, police patrolled yesterday after two days of clashes with demonstrators.

Eastern Transvaal police spokesman Maj H S Pieper said groups attacked at least three policemen's homes with petrol bombs in Mofaus yesterday morning.

And in Port Elizabeth, a reward of R15 000 has been offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the murderers of Sgt Johan Gerber, Const Cornelius de Wet and an unidentified civilian murdered near the city on Monday.

They were killed in Zwide township when a group opened fire on them.

Order of Death accused 'should face treason trial'  

SUSAN RUSSELL

THE two members of right-wing extremist group the Order of Death on trial for the murder of a black taxi driver, robbery, attempted intimidation and other offences should not be convicted on these common law crimes, but charged with treason instead.

This submission was made during argument by defence counsel J van der Pol on behalf of Cornelius Lottering, 29, before Mr Justice Irving Steyn and two assessors yesterday.

Lottering and co-accused Fanja Goozen, 29, have both pleaded not guilty to the charges on the grounds that they were "acts of war" committed while the country was in a state of war.

Both men have admitted planting explosives next to the flat of former Sunday Times journalist Jani Allan in an attempt to frighten her and get her to publish the truth about AWE leader Eugene Terre Blanche, to force him to pull out of the election last year.

Lottering has admitted in a statement that he killed the taxi driver on August 29 last year as a "test" to see if he could carry out politically motivated "eliminations" without "getting cold feet".

Goosen has denied any involvement in or prior knowledge of the stabbing and shooting of the taxi driver.

During argument yesterday, State counsel J J du Toit did not ask for a conviction against Goosen on the murder charge.

Van der Pol said neither man should be convicted on the charges as they stood, but should be acquitted and - if the State wished - charged with treason instead.

Mr Justice Steyn said he would deliver judgment tomorrow.
Ermelo council
man on video
wielding a whip

By Therese Anders
Highveld Bureau

A video tape recording
allegedly showing Erme-
lo town councillor Hein
Mentz, who is the son of
the Conservative Party
spokesman on law and
order, holding a whip
outside the Ermelo
swimming pool, is being
held by police as an exhi-
bit for a potential case.

Police spokesman
Pine Pienaar confirmed
a video tape was being
held as an exhibit in con-
nection with a race inci-
dent last week.

He said a coloured
man had laid a charge of
pointing a fire arm and
crimen injuria against
white men.

Threatened

The local resident who
made the video record-
ing, while at the pool to
film a child swimming,
has subsequently been
threatened and did not
want to be named.

This is the second vig-
lante attack at the pool
since the Separate
Amenities Act was
scrapped last month.

A week after the Act
was lifted three black
youths were beaten by a
large number of white
men wielding sticks. One
of the youths, who is
planning to take civil ac-
tion against the Ermelo
council, has lost much of
the vision in one eye
after the assault.

Major Pienaar said
the investigations into
both incidents would be
completed soon. The
dockets would be for-

Hein Mentz ... son of
CP Law and Order
spokesman.

warded to the Attorney-
General.
The Star was unable
to contact Mr Hein
Mentz yesterday.
His father, Moolman
Mentz, said he could not
comment on his son's al-
leged appearance on the
video. "He's a big man.
Let him talk for him-
self."

Mr Mentz, who is MP
for Ermelo, confirmed
he had discussed reports
of the incident with his
son, but would not reveal
details.

"As far as I'm con-
cerned let the law take
its course if a law has
been transgressed."

He said he wanted it
published that the Erme-
lo Town Council had,
earlier this year, unani-
mously decided to keep
the town's amenities se-
parate "whatever the con-
sequences", despite the
lifting of the Act.

This had been en-
dorsed by local residents
at a public meeting.

"Therefore it is only to
be expected that people
will organise themselves
to support these deci-
sions."

"I said so in Parlia-
ment, and that's what is
happening here. In all
probability people will
do this in most towns."
Political fanatic guilt of murdering taxman
Taxi murder
man is guilty

JOHANNESBURG. — A man who was described by a Rand Supreme Court judge yester-
day as being "absolutely crazy" about politics and who confessed to killing a black taxi driver as practice for as-
sassinating black leaders, was found guilty of murdering the driver.

Mr Justice Irving Steyn, sitting with two assessors, found that right-winger Cornelius Lottering, 29, had had the intention to kill taxi driver Mr Potoko Mkgale-
mele on August 29 last year.

The judge said he and his assess-
sors unanimously rejected the submission by Lottering and his co-accused, Fanie Goosen, 25, that the offences they committed were acts of war committed while

South Africa was in a state of war.

Lottering admitted he had gone to the taxi rank at Johannesburg station to choose a victim to test himself by seeing if he could car-
ry out politically inspired killings without "getting cold feet".

He got Mr Mkgalemele to take him to a spot near Gold Reef City, where he stabbed Mr Mkgale-
mele and then shot him in the back and head at close range.

Lottering was also found guilty of robbing the taxi driver of his car and setting it alight.

Goosen was found not guilty of the murder.

The only evidence linking him to the murder was a single state-
ment in which he confessed to have been involved.

Lottering himself told the court that Goosen was not involved in the murder.

Both men were found guilty of malicious damage to property and attempted intimidation for planting explosives outside the flat of former Sunday Times journ-
alist Mr Jani Allan.

Mr Justice Steyn accepted that Goosen's statement confessing to the murder was not the truth.

Giving his reasons for his find-
ing, the judge said these included the fact that Lottering had denied Goosen was involved in the mur-
der, that an eyewitness had seen only Lottering at the scene of the killing, and that Goosen had been unable to point out the scene of the murder.

Argument on mitigating and ag-
gravating factors which could in-
fluence sentence continues to-
day. — Own Correspondent and Sapa
Johannesburg. — Self-confessed military intelligence agent Mr Leslie Lesia told the Rand Supreme Court yesterday that he planned to sue the Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, for unpaid salary.

Mr Lesia said he had not been paid by MI for four years and he and another agent who had been imprisoned in Zimbabwe, Mr Guy Bawden, planned to sue General Malan.

He said they had been badly treated by the SADF.

Mr Lesia was under cross-examination in the R1,5-million defamation action brought by Lieutenant-General Lothar Neethling against two newspapers.

Photographs taken by the Zimbabwean Civil Investigation Organisation (CIO) in June 1987 at the Goromondzi detention centre were handed to the court by defence counsel yesterday.

They were released by the Harare Herald newspaper and showed Mr Lesia handcuffed to a policeman with a bottle of alleged poison. There were also pictures of his car and its secret compartment designed to hold a firearm, silencer and ammunition which he said had been supplied by his handler Mr Ernest Bekker.

Mr Lesia was arrested in Mozambique in May 1987 and held in Zimbabwe until July this year. — Sapa
‘Smack’ for murderer?

JOHANNESBURG. - Right-wing extremist Cornelius Lottering, who was this week found guilty of the murder of a black taxi driver, needed his "bottom smacked", the Rand Supreme Court heard yesterday.

Lottering, 24, and Fanie Goosen, 30, were charged with murder, bombing the flat of former Sunday Times writer Ms Jani Allan, robbery with aggravating circumstances, unlawful possession of arms and ammunition and escaping from custody.

Goosen, who falsely claimed he was implicated in the murder of the taxi driver Mr Potoko Makamelele, was found not guilty of murder but was, with Lottering, found guilty on the other charges.

In mitigation, Lottering’s counsel, Mr Erik van de Pol, said that though his client had not been remorseful when arrested, he now regretted his action.

“Lottering murdered for political reasons and not out of cruelty or insensitivity. He should pull himself together, all he needs is his bottom smacked,” Mr Van de Pol said. — Sapa
Former major denies Coetzee allegations

JOHANNESBURG. — A former security police major yesterday denied any involvement with former Captain Dirk Coetzee in the poisoning, shooting and burning of an ANC defector and another kidnapped ANC member near Komtipoort in 1981.

Mr Coetzee told a special court convened in London last month that Major Archie Flemington had assisted in giving poison "knock-out" drops to the men, Vusi and Peter, who had later been burned on a bonfire of charcoal and old tyres to destroy all traces of their bodies.

Mr Flemington was produced as a surprise witness in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday to give rebutting evidence in the R1,5-million defamation suit brought by police forensics head Lieutenant-General Lothar Neethling against Vrye Weekblad and the Weekly Mail for publishing allegations by Mr Coetzee that he had been supplied with poison by General Neethling.

Mr Flemington denied having had dealings with Mr Coetzee and said he had met General Neethling for the first time on Monday. He will be cross-examined by defence counsel on Monday.

Earlier yesterday the defence called a bookkeeper at the Pretoria Holiday Inn, Ms Melinda Swift, who said hotel records indicated that a Mr Lesia had spent the night in the hotel on February 22 and checked out the next day, February 23.

The defence alleged that Mr Lesia, a former military intelligence agent, went to the laboratory on February 23 to collect poisoned liquor, but General Neethling's counsel say documents before the court show he checked out on February 22 and flew home to Bloemfontein. — Sapa
Fierce debate over land ownership

DESPITE howls of protest from right-wing political parties and the Transvaal Agricultural Union, the Development Bank of SA’s proposals for the transfer of 8 million ha of land, including debt-ridden white farms, to blacks has met with a generally positive response.

The bank’s corporate communications manager, Mr Frans van Rensburg, said yesterday that the proposals and the media coverage they had received “certainly brought the emotive issue of land ownership to the fore.”

He said judging from the various responses it was clear some of the proposals “were brought to the attention of those who take part in the policy debate on the future of South Africa. “Apart from the positive responses from various interest groups, we can also understand and sympathise with the number of negative comments, especially against the early misunderstanding on the content of the paper.”

Mr Van Rensburg said that early reports did not fully reflect the perspectives of the proposals “and to that extent we are pleased this week’s ongoing debate in the media also brought these into perspective.”

Earlier this week the Transvaal Agricultural Union strongly condemned the proposals with TAU president Mr Dries Bruwer claiming: “It seems as if an orchestrated action has been launched to force white farmers off their land.”

The public was also quick to become involved in the debate and on a Radio 702 late-night phone-in programme callers of all races hotly debated the issue of land ownership.

While many accepted that a more equitable apportioning of land was inevitable if a new South Africa was to come about, many white callers insisted that land “should not just be handed over to blacks” while a number of black callers suggested that was precisely what should happen.

The Development Bank has confirmed that the proposals did not suggest land be taken from present white owners and handed over to black farmers.

It was also not argued that all farmers in debt should relinquish their land to black farmers.

“Rather some land could become available for purchase by blacks who can obtain the financing to do so.”

“The document also highlights evidence of the success of black farmers in those instances where the proper infrastructure and support services are available to them.”
Home of Duduza leader attacked twice

THE chairman of the ANC branch in Duduza says he fears for his life after two armed incidents at his home in the past two days - the second on Friday night allegedly involving armed white assailants.

Alexander Montoedi - who also heads the Duduza Civic Association - said three balaclava-clad whites were scared off outside his home late on Friday night when a group of "comrades" were summoned to his rescue by neighbours.

No shots were fired. He said he believed the incidents - the first took place on Thursday night when his home was riddled with bullets - were aimed at his life and were linked to a consumer boycott launched by Duduza residents against Nigel businesses on September 24.

"The consumer boycott is so effective that they are attempting to kill me with the hope that it will end." Negotiations aimed at ending the boycott were currently underway, he added.

Yesterday police were unable to comment on the alleged incident.

But police are already investigating a case of malicious damage to property following the attack on Montoedi’s home on Thursday at 11.55pm.

"I closed the door immediately."

No shots were fired and the three men left when a group of township youths arrived.

"They jumped into two cars and sped away," he added. - Sapa

Alex Montoedi shows where bullets were fired through his window.

Unknown gunmen fired 25 shots with an AK 47 assault rifle, damaging several windows, doors and walls.

East Rand police liaison officer Capt Ida van Zweel said nobody was injured in Thursday’s attack and police were investigating.

According to Montoedi, the second incident took place at 9.45pm on Friday.

"My wife and I were just getting into bed when we heard the dog barking.

"They rang the doorbell.

"The phone rang at the same time, and I was told by neighbours that whites wearing balaclavas were waiting outside with guns.

"I first thought they were police coming to get more information about Thursday night’s attack.

"When I opened the front door, however, I saw one white man wearing a blue balaclava.

"He ran and hid himself behind the wall and shouted ‘Vula’ (open).

"I closed the door immediately."

No shots were fired and the three men left when a group of township youths arrived.

"They jumped into two cars and sped away," he added. - Sapa
REMORSE

By MARTIN NTSELENGOE

WHEN self-styled member of the "Order of Death", Cornelius Lottering, said he had killed a black taxi driver because he hated blacks and that they were the descendents of Satan, he was applauded by his family and friends.

But when he was found guilty this week, for the protracted brutal murder of taxi-driver Potoko Franzen Makhalemele without extenuating circumstances, they sat grim-faced in the public gallery at the Rand Supreme Court.

Sobbing softly in the witness box, his mother Stoffelina Johanna Lottering, broke down and cried when she was asked questions about his behaviour.

Erik van de Pol, defence counsel for Lottering, experienced difficulty in getting answers from Lottering's mother.

She was later taken out of the court into the passage by a woman court orderly to recover.

Pieter Christiaan Lottering, a former member of the now defunct Ossewabrandwag in his youth, said he would stand by his son.

Both said politics and religion had not played an overly important role in their house. They were also not aware of their son's political activities.

Lottering's brother, Pieter Christiaan Lottering jnr, said he had been "very shocked" when he listened to his brother's evidence of how he had killed a taxi driver.

Lottering, 25, of Sandton, and co-accused Fanie Goosen, 30, of Vereeniging, had initially pleaded not guilty to nine counts, including murder, on the grounds the acts were committed while the country was in a "state of war".

Their pleas were made before Judge Irving Steyn and two assessors.

Lottering was found guilty on one count of murder, two of robbery with aggravating circumstances, two counts of malicious damage to property, attempted intimidation, illegal possession of a firearm and escaping from custody.

Goosen was found guilty of malicious damage to property, attempted intimidation, robbery with aggravating circumstances, illegal possession of a firearm and escaping from custody.

In summing up before passing judgment, Steyn recounted the chilling evidence presented to the court by Lottering - much of it read by his counsel, because of the pronounced stutter of the accused.

Lottering had said he decided to murder Makhalemele because he wanted to see if he was able to kill when the time to do so came.

Lottering said he was offended by blacks who drove white taxis, especially the sight of "kaffirs" driving white girls.

He said he had asked Makhalemele to take him to Gold Reef City, pulled a gun on the driver and forced him to get into the boot of the car.

As Makhalemele was getting in, Lottering stabbed him on the back. He said he was aiming for the kidneys, but "did not succeed".

Lator, Lottering said, he stabbed Makhalemele through the throat.

He shot Makhalemele twice, once in the head. He said he felt no remorse because blacks were his "natural enemy" and the Bible made it clear he should eliminate them.
Five children in hospital after thugs wreck outing

The Argus Correspondent

LOUIS TRICHARDT. — A group of 30 white men allegedly pounced on a Sunday school outing, attacking the children with sticks and sjamboks after telling them that blacks should go elsewhere.

Five children were injured in the assault on Saturday and taken to the Siloam Hospital for treatment, said the Rev George Mohall, who accompanied the children.

He said the men arrived in cars shortly after the group’s two buses stopped at a park in Louis Trichardt.

The men told the group to leave “because blacks are not allowed in the park,” Mr. Mohall said.

Complained to a senior police officer at the park about the threatening attitude of the men.

“POLICE DID NOTHING”

As the group was about to leave, the men attacked the children with sticks and sjamboks, he said.

“Police did nothing to stop them,” Mr. Mohall said.

He said that when he went to lay a charge of assault, police told him to bring the children who had been assaulted.

Police in Louis Trichardt declined to comment on the incident, and referred media enquiries to regional headquarters in Pietersburg. There, police Lieutent Werner Voigt said he was still awaiting a report from the Louis Trichardt police station.
‘White men attacked children in park’

LOUIS TRICHARDT — An outing for a group of black Sunday school children ended on a sour note at the weekend when they were barred from a park and some of them allegedly attacked by a group of 30 white men.

The Rev George Mohali of the Apostolic Faith Mission, who had accompanied the children, said the men arrived in cars shortly after the two buses in which the children were travelling had stopped near a park in town.

The men told the group to leave, as blacks were not allowed in the park.

Mr Mohali said he spoke to a senior police officer at the park about the threatening attitude of the men.

As the group was about to leave, the men attacked the children with an assortment of weapons, including sticks and sjamboks. Five injured children were taken to Siloam Hospital for treatment.

Mr Mohali said that when he went to lay a charge of assault at the Louis Trichardt police station, he was told to bring the children who had been assaulted.

In Pietersburg, Lieutenant Werner Voigt said he could not immediately comment.
ANC man's home attacked.

Johannesburg — The chairman of the ANC branch in Duduza township says he fears for his life after his home was riddled with bullets on Thursday night and attacked — allegedly by armed whites — on Friday.

Mr Alexander Monobe, who also heads the Duduza civic association, said he believed the incidents were linked to a consumer boycott of white-owned businesses in nearby Nigel.

He claimed that three balaclava-clad whites were scared off outside his home late on Friday night by about 25 "comrades" summoned by neighbours. — Sapa
FIGHTING broke out in Louis Trichardt at the weekend after a group of white official car drivers in khaki uniforms went on the rampage, attacking black children who were on a Sunday school outing at a park in the town.

Eyewitnesses said about 400 children, aged between seven and 14, were visiting the park on Saturday when a group of white men armed with sjamboks and sticks started attacking them.

Sources of children sustained minor wounds and were rescued by taxis, who came to the area minutes after fighting started.

The children, all members of the Apostolic Faith Mission Church at Penyane in Victoria Falls, were taken in taxis to safety outside the Conservative Party-controlled town.

Angry

However, the angry group of whites followed them to the area, where a clash between blacks and whites ensued.

An undisclosed number of people were reportedly injured, some severely.

The Tshwane government is expected to issue today its war of words following the Saturday incident. The Pretoria government would formulate a response to Mr De Klerk's threat.

Speaking from his home yesterday, Holomisa said he expected Transkei president Chief Ntsama to address a meeting of the Military Council.

A statement would be issued later today.

"We will be working on a document that will be handed to the South African Government when Chief Ntsama meets Mr De Klerk shortly," Holomisa said.

Halt support

However, Holomisa said the prospects of a halt to financial support had not been discussed during Friday's meeting between him and South African deputy director of Foreign Affairs Evons.

Meanwhile, the SAIC has demanded a retraction of the allegation by Holomisa that a ruler of the corporation knew about the coup attempt before it.

to the injured children to Siloam Hospital, where they were treated and discharged the same day.

Two children who went missing during the skirmish were brought to their homes by sympathizers who whisked them to safety on Saturday.

Louis Trichardt police declined to comment and referred Sowetan to a senior official in Pietermaritzburg. He was off duty yesterday.

The attack came on the eve of a consumer boycott of white-owned businesses, which starts on Wednesday.
Picnic attack: arrests likely later today

By Guy Jepson
Crime Staff

Arrests of the sjambok and knobkerrie-wielding thugs who savaged a black Sunday school outing in a Louis Trichardt park were expected later today, police said.

A least five children were taken to hospital and dozens injured after about 30 right-wing extremists attacked between 200 and 300 children aged between seven and 14 in the park on Sunday.

The children were members of the Apostolic Faith Mission Church at Dzanani in Venda.

No arrests had been made by this morning, "but there will be arrests this afternoon or tomorrow", said Far Northern Transvaal police spokesman Lieutenant Werner Voigt.

Lieutenant Voigt said the Commissioner of Police, General Johan van der Merwe, would speak about the incident at a press conference in Pretoria today.

In a statement released yesterday afternoon, the SAP's Regional Commissioner for the Far Northern Transvaal, Major-General G J Viljoen, said a special investigation team under the command of Major A Prinsep, the district CID officer, "will investigate all aspects of the case".

The statement said the police team would be assisted by a surgeon, "in order to verify all claims of injury during the assault", adding that the investigation would continue until all those responsible had been apprehended.

Lieutenant Voigt told The Star yesterday that the attackers were members of the right-wing Blanke Beskermingsburo.

In another development yesterday, academics at the University of Venda were collecting signatures to a document expressing their "horror and disgust" at the incident.

Lieutenant Voigt said Blanke Beskermingsburo members had "mobilised themselves" on Thursday following plans by the local consumer boycott committee to stage a protest march through Louis Trichardt on Saturday as a prelude to a boycott of white-owned businesses due to start tomorrow.

"We had discussions with the committee last week and they agreed to call the march off," Lieutenant Voigt said.

He said there were only "a few" policemen on the scene on Sunday when the schoolchildren arrived at the park.

"Then some Blanke Beskermingsburo people arrived and started attacking the black children. The police tried to maintain order but they couldn't do it -- there were too few personnel," he said.

"One of our policemen was also attacked," he said.

The Rev George Mohali, who had accompanied the children, said a group of about 30 white men ordered the church group to leave, telling them blacks were not allowed in the park.

He had informed a senior police officer on the scene about the threatening attitude of the men but, as the children were about to leave, they were attacked with various weapons.
Residents vow consumer boycott

Rage over attack

TENSION continued to grip Louis Trichardt yesterday following the weekend attack on black Sunday school children by a group of whites clad in AWB-style khaki uniforms.

There is widespread anger in black townships around the northern Transvaal town and residents have vowed to begin a consumer boycott of white-owned shops tomorrow.

The boycott is expected to draw support from many blacks, irrespective of political affiliation.

The Conservative Party town council, the local Chamber of Commerce and senior police officers met officials of the Consumer Boycott Committee yesterday to discuss ways to halt what could turn out to be the second consumer boycott in the town this year.

Yesterday's meeting was planned before Saturday's events but an insider told Sowetan that the attack, in which children aged between six and 15 were sjambokked and four admitted to hospital, topped the agenda.

In a statement released in Pietersburg, a police spokesman said a special investigating team headed by Major AT Fransloo had been appointed to probe all aspects of the case.

By MOSES MAMAILA and MATHATHA TSEDU

A doctor had been assigned to the investigating team to verify "all claims of injuries during the assault".

The statement said attempts by members of the public to take the law into their own hands would not be tolerated and added that the investigation would continue until "the responsible parties have been apprehended".

Azanian People's Organisation chairman in the region Mr Don Nkadineng said the attack on "young Christians relaxing in an open park in the presence of the police was terrorism of the worst kind".

Sunday school

About 400 children who were on a Sunday school outing were attacked by a large group of whites with sjamboks, sticks and dogs at a park in the town on Saturday, leaving many of them injured.

The local branch chairman of the ANC, Mr Magwezelwa Mphaphuli, yesterday described the situation as "very tense".

Police spokesman Sergeant H Jones said yesterday police were investigating. The matter was considered "in a very serious light". He said no arrests had been made.
Police blame BBB for attack on children

Own Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Members of the right-wing Blanke Beskermings Buro are being blamed by police for Saturday’s attack on black Sunday school children in the Northern Transvaal town of Louis Trichardt.

An estimated 30 members of the BBB allegedly barred the 200 to 300 children from entering a local park and later, as the children were departing, attacked them with a variety of weapons, including sticks and sjamboks.

A number of children, aged between seven and 14, were injured and had to be taken to hospital for treatment. The children are members of the Apostolic Faith Mission Church in Venda.

Police said BBB members had “mobilised themselves” to counter a planned protest march through Louis Trichardt on Saturday as a prelude to a boycott of white-owned local businesses scheduled to start on Wednesday.

After discussions the march was called off and although there was a strong police presence in the town during the morning it was reduced to only a few policemen after 1pm, when the attack took place.

Police said the incident was being investigated “at a high level” and that arrests would follow soon.

The town council of Louis Trichardt, controlled by the Conservative Party, has condemned the incident. The mayor, Mr Louis Holzhauen, was quoted as saying the council regarded the matter in a very serious light and it rejected any allegation the council had been responsible for the violence.
'No reason' for implicating cop

JOHANNESBURG.—Former security policeman Major Archie Flemmington, 49, agreed in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday that he knew of no reason why former police captain Dirk Coetzee would intentionally falsely implicate him in events near Komatiport in 1981.

Major Flemmington is being cross-examined in the R1.5-million defamation action against Vrye Weekblad and the Weekly Mail following reports in which Captain Coetzee claimed SAP forensic head General Lothar Neethling had supplied poison to be used on ANC members.

Captain Coetzee told the Harms commission of inquiry into alleged police hit squads that Major Flemmington was present when two men, Vusi and Peter, were shot with a Makarov pistol after being given clear drops "which worked like chloroform".

Major Flemmington has denied this. He reiterated in the Supreme Court that if the bodies of the two men had been burnt on a pyre of wood and tyres, farmers would have investigated. He said nothing was burnt at the nearby municipal dump at night as far as he knew. — Sapa
Poison evidence was fabricated, general tells court

The Argus Correspondent [ARGUS 27/1/90]

Johannesburg. — General Lothar Neethling used the phrase "fabricated evidence" several times when he returned to the witness box to deal with the evidence given last week by Mr Leslie Lesia.

General Neethling instituted a R1.5 million defamation claim arising out of reports published in the Vrye Weekblad and Weekly Mail in which former police captain Dirk Coetzee claimed General Neethling had supplied poison to be used on ANC members.

Mr Lesia was the mystery witness produced by the defendants who testified he was employed by men who said they were from Military Intelligence.

Mr Justice JC Kriegler, who is presiding over the trial in the Rand Supreme Court, heard that Mr Lesia's handlers had given him a brass ring with a swivel top, a pistol and silencer, four bottles of poison and syringes, two biscuit boxes each containing two limpet mines, a case of beer and two bottles of liquor which had been poisoned.

DROPPER AND WATER

General Neethling said the ring was typical of a "pill ring" which was popular in the 1920s. He said it certainly could not hold liquid without leaking. He produced a dropper and water in the witness box and began to give a demonstration.

"That is not necessary, general, I have already done it with liquid and with powder," the judge said.

General Neethling also produced a six-pack of beer cans, a number of other cans and two liquor bottles. He said it was physically impossible to find 12 litres of space in the dashboard of a Mazda 626 and even if one could, there would be insoluble engineering problems with the wiring and tubing.

This was a reference to Mr Lesia's evidence that his car had a secret compartment built in behind the cubbyhole.

The hearing continues.
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WELKOM. — About 400 members of the National Union of Mineworkers were attacked by members of the Afrikaner Weerstands beweging at a meeting here on Sunday, union members alleged.

The union said four NUM members, including the regional chairman of the union, Mr Jan Selepe, were injured and had to receive hospital treatment. Police are investigating.

The AWB yesterday denied any involvement in the alleged attack.

Mr Selepe said about 100 “khaki-clad men, wearing swastikas” had arrived on motor bikes and motor vehicles and attacked them in front of the NUM regional office.

The assault was allegedly carried out with sjamboks, pickaxes and shotguns.

A police spokesman denied allegations by NUM members that they had recognised policemen among the khaki-clad attackers. — Sapa
10 shot and hacked to death in raid

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Renewed outbursts of fighting between rival blacks and attacks by right-wing extremists are racking the country.

Latest flashpoints:

• Last night Zulu-Xhosa clashes in the East Rand claimed 10 lives.

• Police expect to make arrests today following a savage sjambok-and-knobberrrie attack on black Sunday school children in a park in Louis Trichardt.

• Police reinforcements drawn from all over the Western Cape have been deployed in Khayelitsha and Old Crossroads, while the Defence Force is calling up Citizen Force members by telephone in a hurried attempt to help police stem townships violence.

• Tension in Welkom, scene of bitter racial clashes this year, has eased after right-wingers beat up trade unionists at a meeting.

• Water and electricity cut-offs in townships hit by long-standing rent-and-service payment boycotts continue to add to the tension. The latest possible trouble spot is Mookeng in the Free State, where the National Party-controlled council cut off water on Friday.

The worst overnight violence was in Katlehong.

A police spokesman said the bodies of 10 men were discovered near Mandela Park before 6am.

Some victims apparently died of gunshot wounds and others were hacked to death with pangas and stabbed.

About 150 people attacked the camp late last night, said police spokeswoman Captain Ida van Zweel.

The 10 deaths brought the East Rand toll for the past two days to 15. In Natal 10 people have been killed in unrest since Saturday.

SA may have new riot force

By MICHAEL MORRIS
Political Correspondent

Tribe feasibility of establishing a new paramilitary riot force — not linked to the police — is being investigated.

The top-level investigation is being carried out by former Police Commissioner General Johan Coetzee.

Brigadier Leon Mellet, spokesman for Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok, confirmed General Coetzee had been given the task of weighing up the advantages of a separate force to deal with riots and unrest.

ORDERED BY PRESIDENT

It is understood the investigation was ordered by President De Klerk.

Brigadier Mellet said that once General Coetzee's study was complete it would be handed to Mr Vlok, but no date had been set.

The study, first mentioned in the overseas publication Africa Confidential, stems from concern in government over the perception of the police as a partial, political instrument and a bastion of white conservatism.

As a result anti-crime and unrest operations, particularly in townships, are often seen as acts of political repression.

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Practice killer gets 20 years

Johannesburg: - Order of Death member Cornelius Lottering, who killed a taxi driver as practice for the assassination of black leaders, was yesterday sentenced to 20 years for murder.

Rand Supreme Court Judge Mr Justice Irving Steyn said an extenuating factor was that Lottering's crime was politically and religiously motivated.

"His interpretation of the Bible was "warped" and had affected his whole attitude."

Co-accused Fanie Goosen, 30, was found not guilty of murder but was sentenced to an effective 13 years for the bombing of former Sunday Times writer Jan Allan's flat, seven years for robbing a bottle store, 18 months for possession of a firearm, six months for possession of ammunition and one year for escaping from custody.

On the other counts, Lottering was sentenced to three years for the flat bombing, five years for damage to a taxi, four years for robbing the taximan of his vehicle, seven years for robbing a bottle store and 18 months for possession of a firearm.

The judge said some of the sentences would run concurrently and the effective imprisonment would be 24 years. - Saps
Police poison case: Facts are 'unique'

JOHANNESBURG. — The facts before court in the R1.5-million defamation case brought against two newspapers were unique and it was the most important case he had yet tried, presiding judge Mr Justice Johan Krieger told the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

Police forensics head Lieutenant-General Lottear Neethling is suing the Vrye Weekblad and Weekly Mail newspapers for publishing allegations that he supplied poison to former police captain Mr Dirk Coetzee to kill ANC members.

In argument yesterday, senior counsel for General Neethling, Mr Willie Oshry QC, referred to a 1980 case — Zille vs Johnson — where it had been heard if something was important enough it did not matter if it was true or not, but the public were entitled to hear the facts as it was in their interest.

Mr Justice Krieger said the facts of the defamation case against the newspapers were even more important than those of the Zille case.

Mr Oshry argued that the onus of justifying publication was on the defendant and not on the plaintiff, who had only to show that the published material was defamatory and had damaged his reputation.

If the defence claimed the articles published were true and in the public benefit, they had to prove they were true.

It was not the duty of the press to inform the public, in their interest, of something which was untrue, Mr Oshry said.

Mr Justice Krieger said the public were entitled to know about the alleged death squad, to which Mr Oshry replied they were entitled to know the truth.

Mr Oshry said the questions to be decided were whether Mr Coetzee had obtained poisons from General Neethling, and if the general would have supplied poisons to him simply for the murder of unknown people.

"My submission is, on a high degree of probability, that it is unlikely a man in General Neethling's position would lend himself to poison," Mr Oshry said.

If General Neethling did supply poisons, Mr Oshry argued, he would have supplied poisons that worked. He had the knowledge and "ammunition" at hand to provide a lethal poison. — Sapa
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 By Joe O'Dea

 March 29, 1990
Racial tension could explode in platteland

By Helen Grange
and Dirk Nel

Racial tension in conservative platteland towns has reached a peak over the past few weeks, and in some areas threatens to become explosive.

Violent acts by rightwingers following the scrapping of the Separate Amenities Act have been perpetrated in several platteland towns, while in other towns, racial tension is running high over electricity and water cut-offs and consequent mass protest action.

Most recent incidents have taken place in:

- Louis Trichardt, where a group of Sunday school children were assaulted by about 30 alleged Blanke Beskermingsburo members at the weekend.
- Welkom, where several mine-workers were admitted to hospital on Monday after about 50 alleged Afrikaner Weerstands-beweging members attacked workers at the union offices with shotguns, batons, knives, sjamboks and pick handles.
- Kroonstad, where water was cut off to Maokeng township on Friday by the Kroonstad town council. Furious residents have vowed to continue boycotting white businesses.
- Ermelo, where an alleged white vigilante group beat up three black youths after they swam in the public swimming pool last month.
- South African Council of Churches general secretary the Rev Frank Chikane has called for the State to "deal effectively" with perpetrators of right-wing violence.

Expressing outrage at the weekend’s incident in Louis Trichardt, he said it was one of a series of racial attacks on black children since the Separate Amenities Act was scrapped.

The Venda Department of Foreign Affairs lodged a strong protest with the South African Embassy in Sibasa over the Louis Trichardt incident.

Minister of Law and Order Adrian Vlok yesterday condemned "in the strongest possible terms" the incidents in Welkom and Louis Trichardt. The police would do everything possible to track down the perpetrators.

An anonymous caller claimed yesterday that nine children were sjambokked on Willie Erasmus’s farm near Messina after some water pipes disappeared, and they had to be treated for injuries to their legs and buttocks.

Mr Erasmus refused to comment on the incident.
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This week's settlement between the Government and the striking rank-and-file teachers had resulted in the end of the teachers' strike. The teachers had demanded better pay and conditions, and the Government had agreed to make some concessions. The teachers had been on strike for several weeks, causing disruption to the education system.

The teachers had been demanding a 20% increase in their salaries, which the Government had refused. The teachers had held peaceful protests in front of the Government headquarters, but the Government had used force to disperse the protests. The teachers had also held strikes in other parts of the country, causing widespread disruption.

The settlement had been reached after several days of negotiations between the Government and the teachers' union. The teachers had agreed to return to work, and the Government had agreed to make some concessions, including a 10% increase in their salaries and better working conditions.

The teachers had been demanding better working conditions, such as better wages and better working hours. The teachers had also been demanding better conditions in the schools, including better quality education materials and better quality of teaching staff.

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NUM to act over attacks

By MATSHUBE MFOLOE

The National Union of Mineworkers is to petition the Minister of Law and Order following weekend attacks on its members in Welkom by alleged members of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging.

Several union members were injured and national executive member of the union Mr Jan Selepe was stabbed in the face when 50 AWB members dressed in khaki uniforms pounced on a union meeting on Sunday.

Selepe has been admitted to the Oppenheimer Hospital.

NUM press officer Mr Jerry Majattini said the attack occurred while members were attending their regional meeting.

Police spokesman Major Johan Fouche said they would investigate only when the union laid a formal charge.
‘Racist’ town hit by black boycott

LOUIS TRICHARDT. — White-owned businesses here were hit by a total black consumer boycott yesterday, sparking fears of financial hardships.

The situation was “very bad”, businessmen confirmed, while a Far Northern police spokesman said the town was “very quiet”.

The manager of a national food chain in the town, Mr Pierre Croucamp, said many businesses would be ruined if the boycott lasted six months.

The boycott, planned to last the whole festive season, is the second to hit the town this year.

It is intended to force the Conservative Party-controlled town into abandoning racist attitudes, a Consumer Boycott Committee spokesman, Mr Maguedza Mphaphuli, said recently.

It comes in the wake of a right-wing attack on about 300 Sunday school children at the weekend. About 40 members of the extremist Blanke Bewydingsburo, wielding sjamboks, clubs and car fan bells, laid into the children during an outing at a local park on Saturday.

Reacting to the boycott, cafe owner Mr Piet Naudé said he was sending his staff home without pay.

“There is no one here to buy. Town is basically empty, so they (the staff) can sit at home.”

Businessman Mr Pierre Grobler said he would be forced to retrench staff.

Vlok’s warning

Shopkeeper Mr R G Luther said his sales had slumped by 80%, but he would stay open for the time being.

Afrikaanse Sakekamer spokesman for Louis Trichardt, Mr Brink Schlesinger, was not available for comment.

A person in his office said he was “hiding from the press”.

Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok yesterday strongly condemned the attack, as well as recent attacks by whites on black miners in Welkom.

He made an urgent appeal for peace in both areas and urged leaders to refrain from remarks or actions that could aggravate the situation.

He said vigilante groups, such as those responsible for the attack at Louis Trichardt, would not be allowed to take the law into their own hands.

However, Far North Police Commissioner Major-General Gerrit Viljoen said police would not take action against the Blanke Bewydingsburo. Police would act only against individuals, not the organisation as a whole.

Statements had been taken from young victims and police hoped to make the first arrests by the end of the week.

The Venda foreign ministry has protested to the South African embassy in Thohoyandou about the attack.

The leader and chairman of the Apostolic Faith Mission in Venda, the Rev M P Ragima, expressed his condolences to the children and their teachers.

The youngsters were all members of the mission.

He assured them the culprits would be brought to book. — Sapa
Weekblad:
Judge rules out Harms

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG.—Mr Justice J Kriegler ruled in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday that the Harms Commission findings were inadmissible in the R1.5 million defamation claim brought against Vrye Weekblad and Weekly Mail by police forensics expert Lieutenant-General Lothar Neethling.

The judge made this ruling after General Neethling's counsel Mr Willie Oshry, QC, submitted that the Harms Commission had found that former police captain Mr Dirk Coetzez, who first made public claims of a secret police hit squad, was a psychopath.

Mr Oshry made this submission on behalf of General Neethling during argument yesterday.

The general has sued the two weekly newspapers over three articles published in November and December last year in which Mr Coetzez claimed that as a member of a police hit squad he had been supplied with poisons and knock-out drops by General Neethling to eliminate people.

The general has denied that he knows Mr Coetzee.

Mr Oshry's submission on the Harms Commission findings was objected to by counsel for the newspapers, Mr Bobby Levin, SC.

Mr Justice Kriegler said Mr Oshry's submission was evidence he had not heard and ruled that the Harms Commission findings were inadmissible.

The judge said he had refrained from reading or watching anything in the media on the Harms report.

Mr Oshry argued that the real problem facing the court was that one did not know when Mr Coetzee was speaking the truth or lying.

He handed in a warrant issued in Natal in January 1990 for Mr Coetzee's arrest for the murder of civil rights lawyer Mr Griffiths Mxenge.

Mr Justice Kriegler remarked that the Natal attorney-general must have thought that some of what Mr Coetzee said was sufficiently true or he would not have issued the warrant.

Mr Oshry also argued yesterday that Mr Coetzee could have obtained his detailed description from a rugby club photograph in General Neethling's office, in which the general appeared.

The same could be said for Mr Coetzee's description of a certificate commemorating a Concorde flight in General Neethling's name, said Mr Oshry.

He submitted that Mr Coetzee could also have seen the photograph and certificate walking past the office or been inside the room when the general was not there.

Mr Justice Kriegler said Mr Coetzee's observations were not the kind made by walking past an office.

Mr Oshry said Mr Coetzee's description of the two items was very limited. "That a very specific description and it's correct," the judge said.

The judge also put it to Mr Oshry that during evidence in London Mr Coetzee had said if he had gone to the premises on official duties the record books would show that he had been there and had challenged counsel to go and check them.

Argument continues today.
Rightwinger who killed for ‘practice’ found guilty

By JOHN PERLMAN

An extreme rightwinger who killed a black taxi driver for "practice", and claimed this and other actions were "acts of war" not crimes, was yesterday found guilty of murder and seven other charges in the Rand Supreme Court.

Cornelius Lottering (24) was found guilty of murdering taxi driver Potoko Makgalemelo, robbing a Vanderbijlpark bottle store, placing a bomb outside Sunday Times journalist Janti Al- lain's flat and escaping from police custody.

Lottering's co-accused, Fanie Goo- son (29), was acquitted on the murder charge but found guilty of armed robbery, the bombing and the escape, as well as a firearm charge.

At the time of the crimes both men, who at one time were part of Aquila, the armed wing of the Afrikanerweer- standsbeweging (AWB), were members of a right-wing splinter group called the Order of Death. The court heard that the Order of Death has cells throughout the country and had target- ed seven cabinet ministers for assassi- nation.

In summing up before passing sentence, Mr Justice Irving Steyn re- counted the chilling evidence presented to the court by Lottering — much of it read by his counsel on account of the accused’s pronounced stutter. Lot- tering had said he decided to murder Makgalemelo because he wanted to see if he was able to kill when the time to do so came.

He said he was offended by blacks driving white taxis, especially the sight of "bantus driving white girls". He said he had asked Makgalemelo to take him to Gold Reef City, pulled a gun on the driver and forced him to get into the boot of the car.

As Makgalemelo was getting in, Lot- tering stabbed him in the back. He said he was aiming for the kidneys but "did not succeed". Later, Lottering said he "decided to try again with the knife", this time stabbing Makgalemelo through the throat.

Lottering then shot the driver twice, once in the back and once in the head. He said he felt no remorse for the killing as blacks were "my natural ene- my" and the Bible made it clear he should eliminate them.

Lottering also referred to the Portugu- ese owners of the bottle store he and Goosen robbed as "Bastards" and part of "the mud races".

At the time of going to press, the court was hearing evidence in mitigation of sentence.
COMMENT

Rightwing thugs can derail peace process

SOUTH Africa has always been characterised by its unique racist laws. Now, as the country painfully edges away from its apartheid legacy, an alarming trend of rightwing violence has emerged.

In the most recent incident of racially-motivated violence, a group of black schoolchildren were attacked by sjambok-wielding white thugs in the Conservative Party stronghold of Louis Trichardt.

Understandably, mass democratic movement leaders in the area have said the attack has strengthened the black community’s determination to continue a consumer boycott of white-owned shops.

Rightwingers also attacked members of the National Union of Mineworkers last weekend.

In Robertson, a young boy was killed by a white shopowner when police dispersed a crowd of 30 people heading towards the town.

The ANC has called for an independent judicial inquiry to investigate the causes of violence in Boland towns which has claimed the lives of about 10 people this year.

The roots of the conflict lie in white attitudes which has not kept pace with changes in the country. White people saw political change as a threat to their livelihood and had no respect for the dignity of black people.

The ANC has made repeated attempts to reassure whites fearful of their future under a black government.

The authorities need likewise to reassure black people that their safety will be guaranteed.

All South Africans need to know they can walk the streets without fear of assault.

Regrettably, the authorities have not been noted for taking swift action against rightwingers.

During the height of the recent Transvaal violence, the police had difficulty in arresting the white perpetrators of killings of township residents.

Yet, when four white people were killed in the Orange Free State a few weeks later, police made arrests within hours.

Understandably, this has raised questions about whether this is a deliberate strategy on the part of the police.

Random rightwing attacks, coupled with sinister reports of a third force operating in the towns, can only raise the already high temperature in the country.

These attacks can only be viewed as terrorism of the worst kind and, unless the authorities act swiftly, rightwing attacks are likely to evoke a strong response from the black community.

Over the past five years the federation has faced severe challenges both from within — where affiliates with different traditions clashed sharply over political differences — and from employers and the state.

The restriction of Cosatu from playing a political role and the introduction of the Labour Relations Amendment Act were perhaps the most serious obstacles the federation had to face.

That it did so is a sign of the determination of unionists and workers to prevent a return to the dark ages before the birth of industrial unions in the early 1970s.

As South Africa enters a new political era, the federation faces immense new challenges and some old ones as well.

A key question that remains is the formation of a single trade union federation in line with Cosatu’s policy of one union, one federation, one country.

Cosatu’s input on worker rights in a future constitution and on economic policy will be of critical importance to the shaping of a new South Africa.

Happy birthday, Cosatu

THIS week marks the fifth anniversary of the launch of Cosatu, the country’s largest trade union federation.

The formation of the federation from unions affiliated to its predecessor, the Federation of South African Trade Unions, and a range of other unions, was one of the turning points in South Africa’s labour history.

Since its inception, Cosatu has played a leading role not just in the labour arena but also as a key political actor.
Piet 'Skiet' thanks cops for fast work

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Alleged right-wing terrorist Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph appeared briefly in the Magistrate's Court here yesterday and promptly thanked the police for the manner in which they had handled the investigation into his activities.

Earlier yesterday, Witwatersrand attorney-general Mr Klaus von Lieres said he was charging Mr Rudolph and co-accused Mr Hendrik Cornelius Bredenhahn on six counts of terrorism.

The two were remanded until December 5 when they will be granted leave to apply for bail.

Prosecutor Mr Herman de Beer told the court they had been charged with the theft of arms and ammunition from air force headquarters in April.

They have also been charged with bombings between April and September at Pretoria's Melrose House, the Auckland Park and Roodepoort National Party offices, the Food and Allied Workers' Union's (Fawu) Rustenburg offices and two bombs under cars outside the Beeld newspaper's offices in Johannesburg.

Both men, who have been held at Pretoria Central since their arrest in September, instructed their attorney to tell the magistrate they were not being mistreated or abused in detention and that they wished to thank the police for the speedy and efficient way in which the investigation was being dealt with.

Doctor found dead after Aids diagnosis

JOHANNESBURG. — Two months after being informed that he had tested positive for Aids, physician Dr Benjamin Leonard Gollach was found shot dead.

A Johannesburg Inquest Court magistrate, Mr C G de Lange, found that the gunshot wound in Dr Gollach's head was "self-inflicted".

In a written statement, Dr Gollach's son, Mr David Gollach, 33, of Harare, said he and his family were at his father's home in Oaklands, Johannesburg, when the shooting occurred.

Earlier that day Dr Gollach and his son, who is a businessman and farmer, had travelled to Brits on business.

They had returned in the afternoon and Mr Gollach and his family were in the study when they heard a shot. David Gollach found his father dead in the bedroom.

"About two months ago, my father's doctor, Dr Scher, did tests on him and diagnosed Aids. My father had been very depressed since this diagnosis," the statement said. — Sapa
Newspapers ‘had duty’ to publish

JOHANNESBURG. — Former security police captain Dirk Coetzee’s evidence in the R1.5-million defamation trial brought against two newspapers was, except for a few aspects, uncontradicted, the Rand Supreme Court heard yesterday.

The court could not simply accept that he was a psychopath and liar and that police forensics head Lieut-General Lothar Neethling was a man of honour and a truthful person, said legal counsel for the Vrye Weekblad, Mr Bobby Levine SC.

The onus was not only on the newspaper to prove the truth of Mr Coetzee’s evidence. There was also an onus on Gen Neethling to prove its falsity.

The police scientist is suing the Vrye Weekblad and Weekly Mail for publishing Mr Coetzee’s allegations that he was supplied with poison by General Neethling for political murder.

Mr Levine argued yesterday that the newspapers had a right to publish the allegations last year because they were true and to the public benefit.

“We say we had a duty to publish and the public had a right to receive the information,” Mr Levine said.

He denied the allegation that the articles were false, malicious, defamatory and thus unlawful.

Mr Coetzee had not been shown to be a liar and no attempt had been made to dispute his evidence.

General Neethling’s counsel, Mr Willie Oshry QC, said earlier that a picture had been painted of the general as a murderer and a man unfit to hold his position which had had a serious effect on his health and way of life.

The court should award him a “very substantial amount” with costs.

Since the alleged defamation began, General Neethling had been unable to go overseas in connection with his duties with “this stain, this stigma hanging over his head”.

“I can’t imagine a worse libel,” Mr Oshry said. — Sapa
Surprise court appearance by Piet ‘Skiet’ and organiser

Johannesburg. — Mr Piet ‘Skiet’ Rudolph and his chief organiser, Mr Hendrik Cornelius Bredenhann, have made a surprise appearance at the Johannesburg Magistrate’s Court — and will stand trial in the Rand Supreme Court next year as soon as a date can be arranged.

Mr Petrus Johannes Rudolph, 53, the former deputy leader of the Boerestaat Party, and Orde Boerevolk organiser Mr Hendrik Cornelius Bredenhann, 28, appeared before Mr D J la Grange yesterday at a provisional hearing to set a court date for their bail applications.

The two men have been held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act since their separate arrests in September.

APPREHENDED

Mr Rudolph was apprehended by security police in Pretoria on September 17 after seven months on the run. A cache of weapons was allegedly found in his vehicle.

Mr Bredenhann, of Spaarwater, near Heidelberg, was arrested earlier in the month.

The men are expected to appear in the Johannesburg Regional Court again on December 5 for a bail application. They will remain in custody at Pretoria Central until then.

Their attorney, Mr Jack Nel, read a statement on behalf of Mr Rudolph denying media reports which alleged that he would be taken to Newcastle "to be murdered".

The statement also affirmed that Mr Rudolph had been treated well while in police custody.

The man allegedly responsible for an arms raid on Air Force headquarters over the Easter Weekend and several bomb blasts, including one at Melrose House, Pretoria, was relaxed and in good spirits before his appearance.

PRESS CONFERENCE

At a press conference yesterday the Attorney-General of the Witwatersrand, Mr Klaas von Lieres und Wilkau, said a number of other men had already been charged in Pretoria.

Mr Rudolph and Mr Bredenhann faced six charges, some related to the Johannesburg area, so it was more convenient to have all their charges dealt with at one trial.

The six counts are related to terrorism, in terms of the Internal Security Act, with five alternatives of causing explosions and one alternative of housebreaking and theft arising from the break-in at Air Force headquarters.
HINTS OF LEGAL ACTION TO FIGHT CONSUMER BOYCOTT

SOME Louis Trichardt businessmen were suggesting legal action against the local Consumer Boycott Committee as the boycott gripping the town entered its second day, local Afrikaans Sakekamer chairman Brink Schlesinger said yesterday.

But Schlesinger said the chamber was in constant negotiations with the committee and was hoping for a resolution soon.

The boycott committee initiated the mass action on Monday after members of the right-wing Blanke Bewydingsburo (BBB) attacked black Sunday school children in the town on Saturday.

The boycott is planned for the whole of the festive season.

Schlesinger said they could not say to what extent the boycott had affected people.

"Some business people have suggested taking legal action against the boycott committee, but we don't want to comment on that. We hope to get a positive solution sooner than the stipulated time."

Boycott committee spokesman Magaetha Mphaphuli said yesterday the committee and the chamber held a meeting last Friday and would meet next week.

The boycott was in protest against the action of the BBB and the "racist" policies of the CP-controlled town, he said.

Among the demands were that the CBD and the town's amenities be opened to all races. Thohikota township, which was closed down and whose residents were resettled in Gazankulu, should be declared a free settlement area.

Streets were reportedly almost deserted yesterday, writes Sapa. Some businesses reported sales had slumped by up to 80%.

Schlesinger said black consumers provided at least 70% of the town's business, and added the town would not be able to survive without its black customers.

A forum was to be established between all parties involved, including the Sakekamer, the boycott committee, the Louis Trichardt town council, the local ANC and the security police. The parties would meet soon.

Schlesinger said demands presented by the boycott committee had already been raised during a boycott at the town in April and forwarded to relevant state departments.

CP MP for Soweto Dr. Thomas Langley has dismissed as "utter nonsense" news reports that the boycott was in reaction to Saturday's attack on a black Sunday school outing.

"The consumer boycott has been in the pipeline for weeks," he said in a statement.
By Guy Jepson and Cathy Stagg

Piet "Skiet" Rudolph and his chief organiser, Henk Breedenbann, made a surprise appearance in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday. They will stand trial in the Rand Supreme Court next year.

Petrus Johannes Rudolph (60), the former deputy leader of the Boerestaat Party, and Orde Boerevolk organiser Hendrik Cornelius Breedenbann (36) appeared before Mr DJ Stjapan at a hearing to set a bail application date.

The men have been held under section 29 of the internal Security Act. Mr Rudolph was apprehended by police in Pretoria on September 17 after seven months on the run. A cache of weapons was allegedly found in his vehicle.

The men are expected to appear in the Johannesburg Regional Court again next Wednesday for a bail application. They will remain in custody.

Their attorney, Mr Jack Nel, read a statement on behalf of Mr Rudolph, detailing media reports which alleged that he would be taken to Newcastle "to be murdered" and confirming that Mr Rudolph had been treated well in custody.

The man allegedly responsible for an arms raid on SA Air Force headquarters over the Easter weekend and for several bomb blasts, including one at Melrose House, Pretoria, was in good spirits.

Others charged

Asked where he had been held, he said: "I can't tell you that, but I can say that I will be going to heaven."

The leader of the Boerestaat Party, Robert van Tonder, and his son, Thomas, attended the hearing.

At a press conference yesterday, Attorney-General of the Witwatersrand Mr Klaus von Lieres and Wilkau, SC, said a number of other men had already been charged in Pretoria. Mr Rudolph and Mr Breedenbann faced six charges, some of which related to the Johannesburg area.

The charges are:
- April 13: Incited Gene Taylor, Francesca van Rensburg, Christoffel Liebenberg and Adriaan Vogel to break into SAAP Headquarters, Pretoria, and steal 20 12-bore shotguns, 10 8.5 automatic machineguns and attachments, 50 9-mm semi-automatic pistols, one 7.62-mm automatic machinegun, two pairs of night vision glasses and more than 2,000 rounds of ammunition.
- May 25: Incited Arthur Guderian, Jan Meyer, Jan de Bruyn and Flip Goldenzi to obtain explosives and cause an explosion at Melrose House, Pretoria.
- May 26: Incited Adrian van Tonder, Anton van der Linde, Christo de Beer and Andre de Beer to cause an explosion at the Food and Allied Workers' Union offices in Bloemfontein.
- June 12: Incited Leonard Pretorius and Andre Breedenbann to cause an explosion at the National Party office in Durban.
- June 22: Incited people unknown to the State to cause an explosion at the National Party offices in Roodespoort.
- September 2: Incited Andre Breedenbann, Henry Gibbs and Coenraad Vermeeuw to cause an explosion at the newspaper Beeld which caused extensive damage to two vehicles and the Beeld building.
Police won't act against far right BBB

POLICE will not take action against Louis Trichardt's extreme right-wing Blanke Bevrydingsburg, about 40 of whose members launched a savage attack with sjamboks, sticks and car fan belts on black Sunday school children on an outing at a local park last Saturday.

Regional Police Commissioner for the Far Northern Transvaal, Major-General Gerrit Viljoen said yesterday police would take action only against individuals and not the organisation as a whole.

"The BBB was not illegal, as long as they keep within the boundaries of the law."

He said it was not the actions of the organisation, but those of individuals belonging to it, that the police would act against.

"Viljoen hoped the police would make their first arrests in connection with Saturday's incident before the end of the week."

Suspects had been identified, he said.

He said statements had already been taken from child victims of the attack and new information was being received daily, but "investigations would take a while."

"We haven't got a lot of police available. We are covering a wide area in Venda, with 200 to 300 people involved."

In the light of possible eyewitness accounts of the incident, Viljoen said: "You cannot just arrest. You must do a proper investigation because sooner or later you'll have to prove the case in court."

Reacting to reports of a shortage of policemen in Louis Trichardt, Viljoen said there were police staff shortages countrywide.
PIET SKIET finally appears in court

An angelic grin from the most wanted man in the land

By CHARLES LEONARD

THE angelic smile comes from the country's most wanted man, Piet "Skiet" Rudolph, seen in public for the first time in months on Thursday.

Rudolph, leader of the right-wing guerrilla group Orde Boerevolk, arrived at the Johannesburg Regional Court beaming from ear to ear.

Looking remarkably relaxed for a man who had spent weeks in detention, he joked with journalists about his "state-funded holiday".

Rudolph and his deputy Henk Brederhann appeared on six charges of terrorism.

The charges relate to a weapons theft at Air Force headquarters in Pretoria, and bomb explosions at Melrose House on May 23, at the Food and Allied Workers Union offices in Rustenburg on May 26, two explosions on June 26 at the National Party offices in Auckland Park in Johannesburg and in Helderkrui in Roodepoort, and at the Afrikaans morning paper Beeld's offices on September 9. Magistrate Jack Le Grange postponed the case until Wednesday.

Rudolph has been held in detention under article 29 of the Internal Security Act since September 18 when security police arrested him in Pretoria.

The weapons Rudolph allegedly had in his possession when police arrested him include 22 12-bore shotguns, 16 R-5 semi-automatic rifles and 30 9mm pistols.

Jack Nel, the legal representative for the two men, put on record that they have applied for indemnity from prosecution related to political crimes.

Photographs KEVIN CARTER
Newspapers’ bid to amend plea

Weekend Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG.—Mr Justice J C Kriegler will hear argument on Monday on whether the two newspapers being sued by General Lothar Neethling should be allowed to amend their plea.

The Vrye Weekblad and the Weekly Mail are defending a defamation action launched by General Neethling in the Rand Supreme Court. Both newspapers published stories in which former police captain Dirk Coetsee claimed General Neethling, head of the SAP forensic division, gave the security police poison to use on ANC members.

The Vrye Weekblad is being sued for R1 million and the Weekly Mail for R500 000.

Their main defence is a plea of justification: that the allegations were true and publishing them was to the public benefit.

As an alternative, they want to argue that in the circumstances they had a duty to publish, and their readers had a right to receive the information.

The surrounding circumstances had not been spelt out and yesterday counsel for the newspapers handed up a notice of amendment which lists them.

Earlier Mr Justice Kriegler had said “you haven’t given me a grocery list” when it was submitted the alternative defence was valid.

The details of the facts and circumstances leading to the publication of the articles are, according to the document: On October 19 last year Almond Nofemela made an affidavit in support of a stay of execution.

He was to have been executed the next day.

In the affidavit he alleged he was part of the security police’s hit squad and served under Captain Dirk Coetsee, he had taken part in the murder of Durban attorney Mr Griffiths Mxenge, he had been involved in other assassinations and kidnappings and officers of the security police had promised him that if he kept quiet about the hit squad, he would be released from prison. He said he had been betrayed by his superior officers and so decided to reveal his activities.

As a result of the affidavit, Nofemela’s execution was stayed that night.

The revelations were widely publicised. Calls were made for a judicial commission of inquiry.

A departmental inquiry by Free State Attorney-General, Mr T P McNally and the head of the CID, Lieutenant-General Alwyn Conradie, was appointed.
By ELIAS MULULEKE
CITY Press this week visited Louis Trichardt, the Conservative Party-controlled town in the northern Transvaal.

It was here that a group of racist whites bashed the skulls of black tiny-tots and sjambokked them for picketing in a municipal park last Saturday – prompting a consumer boycott which started on Wednesday.

As I drove into town I could feel the heat, not from the scorching sun, but from the tense atmosphere in the air.

The town was deserted, save for workers rummaging their masters' errands.

After driving around for a while checking empty shops and bottle stores, I soon received a hot reception. I was taking pictures of the main street opposite the post office when I was jerked from behind with enough force to floor a bull.

"Gee fotos hier kaffir," and I was twisted around in mid-air like a rag doll by a tall white man who breathed fury.

"Wat maak jy?" he asked and brought me down with a thud.

"Ek neem fotos," I answered in Afrikaans. "Nie hier nie kaffir," he said and started to push me about, seemingly seeking an excuse to flatten my nose.

I demanded to know who he was to order me not to take pictures. He said he was the law and did not care what (President FW) de Klerk thought about blacks. "Trap voor ek jou dood donner," he said.

I was saved by a group of blacks who angrily converged around us, which made him retreat into the post office.

I went to report the incident at the police station nearby and walked into the "wrong" door.

As I leaned on a counter, a burly policeman in a safari suit stared at me with questioning eyes.

A black cop told me to use a back entrance. "This counter is for whites only," he said in Sepedi (Northern Sotho). I went in the back door and reported what happened to the same black cop, who apologetically said he could not handle the matter.

The white cop took over. As I gave a description of my assailant, a black man walked in and told the policeman that it was Venter, a post office guard.

"The man is a bloody racist, I went to him once to hand him a written court order that he was not to handle a gun again and he said ‘ek gaan buite nou dood skiet want ek het nou die brief! (I'm gonna kill them now I have this letter)," said the policeman.

However, he said he could not take a statement from me as I had not been injured and would instead warn "Venter".

I returned to the deserted streets and hurried back to the City Press car.
The Argus Correspondent (Lus. 3(15))

LOUIS TRICHARDT. — Twelve men have been arrested in connection with the attack on black Sunday school children in a park in Louis Trichardt.

A police spokesman said the men would appear in the Pietersburg magistrate's court today, adding that more arrests were likely soon.

The children were allegedly attacked on November 24 with sticks and sjamboks by about 30 white men, who told them the park was for whites only.

Some local businessmen claimed the alleged attack aggravated tensions in the town and had resulted in a consumer boycott.

There were indications yesterday that the boycott would continue this week, in spite of efforts by a workers' committee to oppose the protest action.
Khayelitsha councillor murdered

The body of the murdered councillor, Cllr. Mthuthuzeli Xhazana, was found on the outskirts of the township on the morning of the 12th of July. Xhazana was known for his work in the community and was a popular figure in Khayelitsha.

According to eyewitnesses, the councillor was stalked by a group of armed men who entered his home in the early hours of the morning. They shot him multiple times before fleeing the scene.

Xhazana had been involved in a number of community projects, including the establishment of a local community centre and the improvement of local infrastructure. He was also a vocal opponent of corruption and had called for the resignation of several councillors whom he accused of misusing public funds.

The police are currently investigating the case and have appeal for anyone with information to come forward.

In a statement, the mayor of Khayelitsha, Cllr. Mmamoloko Kubayi, described Xhazana as a 'great leader' and expressed his condolences to the councillor's family and friends.

The incident has sparked outrage in the community and has led to calls for greater security and protection for local leaders.
12 to appear over attack on children

Twelve whites are to appear in the Pietersburg Regional Court today in connection with last weekend's assault on Sunday school children in Louis Trichardt.

Police say the 12 were arrested in a co-ordinated raid on Thursday night. It lasted until dawn on Friday.

Sjamboks, motor car, fan belts and other weapons were also confiscated.

The police expect to make more arrests soon.

The arrests are a sequel to the attack on the black children by about 40 whites at a park in the Northern Transvaal town.

Relaxing

The children from the Nthelele Valley circuit of the Apostolic Faith Mission were relaxing in a park when they were attacked. Some of them were admitted to hospital.

The attack has plunged the town into a financial crisis with black consumers refusing to buy from its shops since Wednesday.

On Friday there were no black customers in all the major chain stores. Many people were congregated near banks but even those walking around did not have shopping parcels.
Sjambok attack: 9 in court

PIETERSBURG. — There were emotional scenes at the Regional Court yesterday when nine men appeared in connection with the alleged assault on a group of black Sunday school children in Louis Trichardt on November 24.

Afrikaner Weerstandsbevlag (AWB) leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche and members of his organisation turned up in force, and applauded as the accused entered the court.

Mr Lukas Beyers, 31, Mr Jeffrey Seulard, 38, Mr Christoffel Wolvaardt, 45, Mr Barend Jordaan, 24, Mr Willem Schaap, 31, Mr Gerhardus van der Linde, 25, Mr Barend Terblanche, 48, Mr Stefanus Jacobs, 40, and Mr Jan Beyers (no age given), all of Louis Trichardt, were not asked to plead, and the case was postponed to January 18.

The accused are on bail of R1 000 each and were warned not to interfere with witnesses.

The case arises from a sjambok attack by about 30 white men on a group of Sunday school children from the Apostolic Faith Mission Church in Venda. Several of the children had to receive hospital treatment. — Sapa
Neethling case:  
Judgment  
‘will take time’

JOHANNESBURG. — The R1.5-million defamation action brought by police forensics head Lieutenant-General Lothar Neethling against two newspapers was concluded in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday. Judgment was reserved.

Presiding Judge Mr Justice Johan Kriegler said he would take time to consider his judgment following the thorough argument from legal counsel for the Vrye Weekblad and Weekly Mail newspapers and General Neethling.

Legal costs for the newspapers are to be at least R800,000 after 21 days of hearings in two cities. Both legal teams flew to London to hear evidence before a commissioner by former security police captain Dirk Coetze who fled South Africa late last year.

General Neethling is suing the newspapers for publishing Mr Coetze’s allegations that he was supplied poison by the police scientist for political murder. His legal costs are covered by the state.

Legal counsel for the newspapers, Mr Bobby Levine, SC, said yesterday that it could not be reasonably expected of the newspapers to investigate the allegations themselves, or to entrust the investigations to the police, who had been deeply involved in the alleged activities at the highest level.

The only way to ensure an investigation of the allegations had been an immediate publication of the allegations on a non-selective basis — thus including those which implicated General Neethling.

Mr Willie Oshry, QC, legal counsel for the general, argued that this was an “extraordinary case” which deserved an award of punitive damages. — Sapa
New hope for Khayelitsha peace

CAPE TOWN — Representatives of the Cape Provincial Administration, the ANC and the Lingelethu West Council hope to achieve a breakthrough later this week in negotiations to resolve the crisis in Khayelitsha.

After two meetings yesterday, all parties expressed the hope they would reach acceptable compromises in a further meeting tomorrow.

The issues under negotiation are the strike by employees of the Lingelethu West Council, which serves Khayelitsha, and the violence between supporters of the council and the Western Cape Civic Association.

Underlying these two are demands by the ANC and the civic association for the dissolution of the council, which, they say, is an unrepresentative, illegitimate, apartheid structure.

A councillor and two council employees have been casualties so far in a spate of attacks since the outbreak of faction fighting earlier this year. The council has faced numerous allegations by residents of abuse of power and intimidation, and seven councilors have appeared in court in connection with the deaths of residents.

The strike by council workers began two weeks ago after nine clerical workers were injured by a petrol bomb thrown into the van taking them home. Workers' demands to the council for protection developed into demands for the resignation of the council. This, they argued, was the only way their safety would be secured.

Lingelethu West town clerk Graham Lawrence, who has had two death threats from people claiming to support the civic association, said yesterday the strike had led to a complete breakdown of services in the township.

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A man was allegedly assaulted and had a firearm pointed at him by three white men who claimed to be AWB members at the Magoshashikloof Rest Camp near Haenertsburg on Sunday.

Modike Benjamin Mokwena (32) from Tembisa said he had been driving from Dalwelskloof in the northern Transvaal when he stopped at the camp.

Several white people were having a braai and drinking, Mr Mokwena said. One of them approached him and asked what he wanted, calling him a “kaffir” and a “boy”.

“I told him I was admiring the place and before I could speak again, he slapped me. One of them pointed a firearm at me,” Mr Mokwena said.

He had reported the matter to the Haenertsburg police station. A policeman, who accompanied him to the camp to investigate, was told by the three men that the country belonged to the Afrikaner and that the police had no right to stop the Afrikaner doing what he wanted to do, Mr Mokwena said.

The incident was confirmed by Haenertsburg police.
Right stuff... AWB leader Eugene TerreBlanche consults supporters before yesterday's court appearance by nine Louis Trichardt men.

**Attack on blacks: AWB support**

By Dirk Nel
Northern Transvaal Bureau

PIETERSBURG — Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging members flexed their political muscles at the Pietersburg Regional Court yesterday with an emotional show of strength at the appearance of nine men in connection with the recent assault on black Sunday school children in Louis Trichardt.

Leader Eugene TerreBlanche and a group of his bodyguards were joined by other members when the nine men entered the court. They were given a standing ovation and Mr TerreBlanche shook hands with each one.

At the end of the short court session, the AWB members sang a hymn.

When newsmen approached the AWB leader outside the courtroom for photographs, he agreed readily, saying: "Carry on. Shoot, this is war."

Press and security photographers taking pictures of the crowd found themselves being photographed by an AWB member.

Conservative Party MPs Tom Langley (Soutpansberg) and Willie Snyman (Pietersburg) were also in the public gallery and were seen later with Pietersburg town councillor Koos Kemp at the counter where bail for the nine men was being paid.

Mr Kemp said it had been given from all parts of the northern Transvaal.

Lukas Beyers (31), Barend Jordaan (24), Jeffry Sculliard (38), Willie Schaar (31), Christoffel Wolvaardt (45), Gerhardus van der Linde (23), Barend Terblanche (48), Stefanus Jacobs (46) and Jan Beyers were not asked to plead.

The hearing was postponed to January 18.

A police spokesman said more more arrests were likely soon.
Nine in court over assault on children

NINE men appeared in the Pietersburg Regional Court yesterday in connection with the assault on black Sunday school children in Louis Trichardt more than a week ago.

Mr Lucas Beyers (31), Mr Bernard Jordaan (24), Mr Jeffrey Scullaird (38), Mr William Schaap (31), Mr Christoffel Wolvaard (45), Mr Gerhardus van der Linde (25), Mr Bernard Terblanche (48), Mr Stephanus Jacobs (40) and Mr Jan Beyers (no age given), all of Louis Trichardt, were not asked to plead.

They were released on R1 000 bail each and the case was postponed to January 18 next year.

They appeared before Mr WJ Fourie in a packed court whose spectators included Conservative Party MPs Dr Willie Snyman and Mr Tom Langley.

Also in the gallery was AWB leader Mr Eugene Torc'blanche, dressed in khaki uniform, members of his body guard, Aquilla, and other members spotting the organisation's insignia.

Salute

When the nine walked into court white spectators, except journalists, stood to salute them. A hymn was sung as the men filed out of court after the brief appearance.

A strong police presence was evident, with many uniformed policemen inside the court and camouflaged and plainclothes police outside.

The accused were later whisked away from court through a side entrance to evade the television and Press journalists waiting outside.

The Rev GM Muhali, who was in charge of the outing when the children were attacked, arrived late from Venda.

Police disclosed yesterday that three other men arrested with the nine had been released. Their names were not made available.
Probe into ‘hit list’ of Barkly East activists

EAST LONDON. — An alleged hit list of activists in Barkly East is being investigated by a legal team with a view to obtaining an interdict against a lawyer for township residents, Mr. S. Dehal, said yesterday.

But police spokesman Colonel Fred SAUERMANN said he had no knowledge of any Barkly East hit list.

The co-chairwoman of the Albany Black Sash in Grahamstown, Miss JULIE SEGAR, said she attended a funeral of two men in Barkly East at the weekend.

One of the dead, Mr. Advocato Ngulio, 29, was vice-president of the local ANC branch.

Mr. Ngulio, whose name was on the alleged hit list, was shot dead by police on November 17.
Sjambok suspects rescued from mob

THOHOYANDOU. — Venda police yesterday rescued two men — suspected of being involved in last week’s sjambok attack on Sunday school children in Louis Trichardt — from an angry crowd of more than 200.

The attack by a group of khaki-clad whites has stirred up racial hostility in the area.

The crowd, shouting slogans denouncing racism, escorted the two men from shops in the Venda capital and police whisked them away as mass anger grew.

A Venda government spokesman said police removed a Mr K de Wet and a Mr De Nysen from Wanda Furnishers and Style and Value Furnishers after trouble started. They had not been attacked.

The crowd followed them to the police station and left after police assured them they would investigate the matter.

An employee at Wanda Furnishers said workers had vowed to embark on a sit-in if Mr De Wet remained as the shop’s accounting manager after he “assaulted our innocent kids”. — Sapa
JOHANNESBURG. — The Orde Boer-
evolk had been responsible for an-
other act which the state had not yet
placed on the docket — an attack on
the British embassy in Pretoria in Jan-
uary this year, Mr Piet Rudolph ad-
mitted in the Magistrate's Court here
yesterday.

He said this during bail applica-
tions for his release and that of Mr
Hendrik Cornelius Bredenhann, both
of the Orde Boerwolv.

The two men, who are to stand trial
in the Supreme Court, Johannesburg,
early next year on charges of terror-
ism, both testified that they intended
pleading guilty to most charges, in-
cluding theft of a large arms cache
from SA Air Force headquarters in
Pretoria.

The prosecutor, Mr Z H de Beer, not-
ed during cross-examination of Mr Ru-
dolph that two-thirds of these weap-
ons had not yet been returned to the
original owners, in spite of Mr Ru-
dolph's public call to his followers to
do so.

Both OB-members claimed political
motives for the deeds of terrorism,
describing themselves as "Boer free-
dom fighters" — but also said repeat-
edly that the organisation had taken
great precautions not to injure or kill
anyone during their bomb attacks.

Their intent had been only to draw
public attention to their cause and
force the President into serious nego-
tiations with Boer leaders about their
cause, they said.

The state alleges that they bombed
historic Melrose House in Pretoria,
several National Party Offices, a trade
union office in Rustenburg and a res-
taurant.

Mr Bredenhann told the court that
he had a bone disease which caused
excruciating pain and that he was usu-
ally bed-ridden in detention.

The hearing continues today. —
Saps
Piet ‘Skiet’ applies for bail

By SONTI MASEKO

DEPUTY leader of the Boerestaat Party Mr Pietus Piet “Skiet” Rudolph said yesterday he would use the court as a platform to state the case for Afrikaners who wanted their own homeland in South Africa.

Rudolph supported demands for the establishment of a white homeland and how whites were being denied their rights during his bail application in the Johannesburg Regional Court.

He said he would not run away when released on bail because he regarded the trial as an ideal place for him to publicise the cause of the Afrikaner.

The 53-year-old former policeman, accused with his right-hand man Mr Hendrik Bredenham, said he regarded his involvement in right wing politics as a calling like Moses or Jeremiah, to lead his people.

It was a cause he was prepared to fight for to the bitter end.

He admitted his involvement in at least three bomb blasts early this year at the British Embassy in Pretoria, the offices of Beeld newspaper and of the National Party.

The case continues.
'Govt out to crush ANC'

Key elements in the Government had set out to foster carnage to halt mass action and to paralyse the ANC, Nelson Mandela said in Dur-
ban yesterday.

Speaking at alliance talks being held at Natal University between the National Union of South African Students Congress and the SA National Students Congress, Mr. Man-
dela said the country was enter-
ing a time of hope.

Excluded

However, elements in the Government were trying to crush the ANC, and it was to be remembered that the positive actions which the Government had made were not something it had done with-
out pressure.

The ANC had spearheaded the struggle to produce that pressure, he said.

The Government had to be further pressured into re-
moving the obstacles still in the way of negotiations.

Mr. Mandela confirmed that nationwide mass pro-
tests were being organised for today. He said the ANC's position was clear.

"We are excluded from democratic participation; mass action is our only alter-
native."

However, in a statement yesterday Constitutional De-
velopment Minister Gerrit Viljoen said that indefinite con-
continuation of mass pro-
tests over political demands was no longer necessary as the Government was com-
mitted to solving a number of problems.

The Government was not against peaceful and demo-
crat protest, including marches and public meet-
ings, but it was concerned about "disruption and con-
flict" that appeared to go hand in hand with pro-
grammes of large-scale and repetitious political protests.

The inability of "certain political leaders" to ensure responsible conduct by their followers was also an area of major concern to the Gov-
ernment, Dr. Viljoen said.

If destruction, violence and intimidation were not part of the political agenda of organisations launching mass action, they should take greater care to ensure orderly and lawful action.

There was "clear proof of intimidation" where the public had been forced to take part in mass action.

Dr. Viljoen said no respon-
sible government would allow mass action to deterio-
rate into acts of violence, de-
struction and intimidation.

We'll flatten you, AWB

By Dirk Nel
Northern Transvaal Bureau

LOUIS TRICHAUDT — Clear battle lines were drawn here last night by AWB leader Eugene Terre-
Blanche when he issued a third warning to the ANC regard-
ing its planned mass protests.

"Of say to you — let one white be injured in one of your protest marches, and we will flatten you (en sal Julie geluk, ve en met die sarde)."

The atmosphere at the AWB rally was extremely mi-
litant. Many young men carried batons, and Mr. TerreBlanche's personal bodyguards carried fire-
arms.

Defending the actions of the white men arrested in connection with an alleged assault on black Sunday school children in the town, the AWB leader said they had simply shown that they would not become anyone's puppets.

He insisted that the men had acted within their rights, as they had not acted in any-
one else's territory.

Hersite Nasionale Party leader Jaap Marais shared a platform with Mr. Terre-
Blanche.

Slovo and Winnie to lead march

Winnie Mandela, wife of ANC deputy president Nel-
son Mandela, and Joe Slovo, leader of the SA Communi-
St Party, are among those due to lead the ANC's "Peace and Freedom Now" march being held in Pretoria today.

Pretoria Chief Magistrate P.A.J. Burger has given per-
misson for the march.

The organisers said no stayaway had been called. However, people had been urged to take leave for an hour or two.

The march, which is sched-
duled to start at noon from Cosatu House in Brown Street to the Union Build-
ings, is to be preceded by a mini-rally outside Cosatu House from 10 am.

In Johannesburg, mar-
chers will begin gathering at

The corner of Plein and Wan-
derers streets at 10 am. They will proceed along Plein Street at 11 am to Harrison Street. A memorandum will be handed in at the City Hall.

Marchers will continue to Commissioner Street and John Vorster Square, where a memorandum will be handed to police.

In Bloemfontein, the Chief Magistrate has granted per-
misson for a march today.
I've given up violence,
Rudolph tells court

Orde Boerevolk leader Piet "Skiet" Rudolph (63) had renounced violence and wanted to negotiate with the government, the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court heard yesterday.

Mr Rudolph and his co-accused, Hendrik Cornelius Bredenhann (39) were applying for bail. They face six charges of terrorism.

The two, clad in khaki clothes, said they believed there was a good chance they would be given amnesty and that there were mitigating circumstances should they be sentenced.

They intended pleading guilty although Mr Bredenhann would plead not guilty on one charge.

Mr Bredenhann said he had a chronic back condition which had left him bedridden and in need of medical attention.

A packed public and press gallery heard Mr Rudolph admit that his organisation was responsible for the attack on the British Embassy in Pretoria in January.

Negotiations

Mr Rudolph said he had renounced his campaign of violence and was in the process of applying to the government for indemnity.

At the time Mr Rudolph committed the alleged acts of terrorism, he believed that further negotiations with the Government to discuss the independence of the "Boerevolk" would have been futile.

He said the violent acts had been committed carefully to ensure that no injuries or deaths occurred. The targets selected had all been political. These included A. Meirrose House, the Beeld newspaper and a trade union office at Rustenburg.

Mr Rudolph said he now knew that the Boer freedom struggle would be a hopeless cause unless they could negotiate with the government of the day — or manage to overthrow it.

Mr Rudolph also wrote to "Ministers Stoffel van der Merwe and Roelf Meyer in connection with bomb blasts at their offices and said these had been bombed as they were negotiating with the ANC. He told them to tread lightly because, if they continued, their lives would be on the line.

Later he wrote to them to ask their forgiveness.

In his evidence, Mr Bredenhann said he was an organiser for the Orde Boerevolk and was in charge of operations.

The bail application hearing continues today.
Mass action over assault on children

WHITE rightwingers employed in Venda are facing mass demonstrations and expulsions following the assault in Louis Trichardt of children relaxing in a park two weeks ago.

In the first physical show of anger in the area, more than 300 youths and workers converged on two shops on Tuesday to demand that whites stay to have participated in the assault be brought to them for a revenge assault.

Yesterday, a crowd of more than 100 gathered at Captain Cool restaurant to demand that two whites should go.

The two left the premises hurriedly.

The crowd then marched to Vhavenda Bricks, where they also demanded that a right-winger who was allegedly involved in the assaults on children should also go.

It also emerged yesterday that many senior Conservative Party members employed in Venda, including Louis Trichardt mayor Mr Louis Holtzhausen, have taken hasty leaves to avoid the growing feeling of revulsion caused by both the beatings and the CP's apparent support for the alleged perpetrators.

Holtzhausen was not available yesterday.

Officials at Agriwen refused to comment on his absence and that of chief executive officer Mr Pieter Oosthuisien, also said to be a CP member.

A reliable source said while Oosthuisen had applied for leave late last week, Holtzhausen had "just disappeared".

The simmering anger over the assaults came to the boil when two whites employed by Wanda Furnishers and Style and Value, Mr Koos de Wet and Mr Barend Jordaan respectively, went missing after police announced the arrests of 12 rightwingers for the assaults.

Jordaan appeared in court on Monday with eight others.

Police announced that three other men also arrested in connection with the matter had been released.

When both men reappeared at their workplaces on Tuesday angry people gathered at the two shops. They were immediately escorted out of Venda.
JOHANNESBURG. — Tens of thousands of right-wing supporters of Mr Piet "Skiet" Rudolph and Mr Hendrick Cornelius Bredenhann of the Orde Boerevolk (OB) were just waiting for their release to resume the Boerevolk’s armed struggle for independence under their leadership.

This opinion was stated by Major Johannes Lodewicus Pretorius of the security branch in Sandton during the bail application of the two OB men in the Johannesburg Magistrate’s Court yesterday.

Major Pretorius, in charge of investigating white right-wing terrorism in South Africa, opposed the bail application because, among other major reasons, two-thirds of the air force weapons allegedly stolen by the OB during a raid in April had not yet been returned by Mr Rudolph’s supporters — in spite of the latter’s public call to do so.

Major Pretorius said Mr Rudolph and Mr Bredenhann still "substantially support their political convictions", and would provide no details of certain operational plans code-named "Mandelap", "Sjambok" and "Slingervel".

The mysterious plans were mentioned in OB documents police had recovered during Mr Bredenhann’s arrest.

Major Pretorius feared that, once released on bail, the two men might carry out these plans.

Major Pretorius said he thus did not believe that the two had sworn off the armed struggle as they now claimed.

Death threats

They would moreover not appear for their terrorism trial should they be granted bail, Major Pretorius believed.

The security policeman, his family and colleagues had been threatened by right-wingers and their homes had to be guarded.

The right-wingers cursed these policemen with the historic name "red tags", which also contains a hidden threat to kill them as traitors, he said.

Major Pretorius admitted during cross-questioning by defence counsel Mr Jackie Nel to having changed his original opinion of Mr Rudolph as an inherently "violent man".

Mr Rudolph could have shot his arresting officer — a Lieutenant Sales — with a pen-shaped gun the policeman had failed to find in his pocket. Instead, Mr Rudolph had given Lieutenant Sales the weapon, telling him: "You have missed this during your search," Major Pretorius testified.

Meanwhile Mr Bredenhann said yesterday the stolen air force weapons under his control had all been returned to the state prior to their general indemnity date of October 31.

He also admitted organising the underground video filming during which Mr Rudolph had called on the Boere people to start the armed struggle to restore their former republics.

Mr Bredenhann said he had willingly carried out orders to commit certain acts of terrorism which had been issued by the OB leadership.

He did not know who the leaders were.

The bail application hearing continues today before the magistrate, Mr O J G Olivier, who ordered that the two awaiting-trial prisoners would continue to be held at the high security section of Pretoria Central Prison.

Sapa
Right-wingers’ bail application opposed

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The bail application hearing for Rudolph and Bredenham, who are to appear on several charges of terrorism in the Johannesburg Supreme Court early next year, continues today.

Pretorius, in charge of the branch’s continuing investigation into white right-wing terrorism in SA, opposed the bail application because, among other major reasons, two thirds of the SA Air Force weapons allegedly stolen by the OB in April had not yet been returned by Rudolph’s supporters — in spite of the latter’s public call to do so.

Bredenham had told the court earlier that the stolen weapons under his control had all been returned to the State prior to the general indemnity date of October 31.

Pretorius said there had been a very marked increase in right-wing terror incidents since June 1989, with scores of bomb attacks and arrests of right-wingers under section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Rudolph and Bredenham still “stubbornly cling to their political convictions”, refused to provide him with details of the OB’s organisational structures or of its membership, and would provide no details of operational plans codenamed “Mandela,” “Sjambok” and “Slingervel”.

The mysterious plans were mentioned in OB documents police had recovered during Bredenham’s arrest. Pretorius feared that, once released on bail, the two men might carry out these plans.

He believed that once they were out on bail, their supporters would hide and protect them and help them take up the armed struggle once more. They would not appear for their terrorism trial.

This time, Rudolph would be impossible to catch because of his massive country-wide support base and greater knowledge of police search methods.

Pretorius said that during the five-month police search for Rudolph this year more than 300 people had actively and knowingly helped him to escape justice. — Sapa.
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NEW ARMOUR PROTECTION
Rudolph's plea for bail turned down

JOHANNESBURG. — The bail application for Mr Piet Rudolph and Mr Henk Bredenhann of the Orde Boervolk was turned down in the Magistrate's Court here yesterday.

The magistrate, Mr O J G Olivier, set a trial date for the two men on January 29 in the same court, to allow both to submit to the government their applications for indemnity for their alleged acts of terrorism.

There were emotional scenes after the announcement and the two men's families joined Mr Rudolph while his elderly mother sat on a bench sobbing.

Rejecting the application, the magistrate said he questioned Mr Rudolph's truthfulness when he "gave the promise of a Boer" to appear for his terrorism trial and that he would not resume the armed struggle or interfere with state witnesses once released.

He said Mr Rudolph's promises should not be believed as his highly individualistic nature had led to his record of jumping from one political party to the next during his 20 years in politics.

"Mr Rudolph's credibility also became questionable when he called the leader of the Boerestaat Party, Mr Robert van Tonder, a liar in this courtroom during testimony," the magistrate said.

"Moreover, he initially had sworn an oath to commit violent acts, and then swore off violence. He initially refused to eat the government's food by going on a hunger strike, and then didn't refuse to eat in prison. While on the run, he threatened to kill certain policemen and then praised them in this courtroom," Mr Olivier said.

He also said bail could not be granted because "a reasonable possibility existed that the supporters who were willing to pay Mr Rudolph's bail could be the same people who had hidden him while he was on the run from police, and could possibly do so again.

The magistrate ordered that the two men be detained in the maximum security section of Pretoria Central Prison until their next court appearance.

— Sapa
SA ‘linkman’ in world right-wing network

LEADING rightwinger and well-known Pretoria neo-Nazi Koos Vermeulen is believed to be the linkman between South Africa’s white extremists and international right-wing movements.

Mr Vermeulen, leader of the Wereld Apartheidsbeweging, was recently detained under Section 39 of the Internal Security Act, along with two other WAB members.

Brothers Mark and Christopher Singleton, who deserted from the British Army in West Germany earlier this year, are being held in connection with a bomb blast in Blood Street, Pretoria, earlier this year and the death of a company employee who was killed by a sophisticated parcel bomb in Durban.

A Belgian citizen is also being detained. A senior intelligence source said on Friday that Mr Vermeulen was a key figure in a network of right-wing extremists with links throughout the world.

This was confirmed by Wim Booyse, director of Peace and Conflict Studies in Pretoria.

Mr Booyse said his studies had shown that the WAB and the Afrikaner Nasionalaal-Sosialiste acted as co-ordinators for more than 30 right-wing fundamentalist groups in South Africa. “Membership of these organisations ranges from three to more than 80 each.”

said Mr Booyse. Both he and security sources believe the WAB is the link between South African extremists and international movements such as the Basque Separatists in Spain, the British movement Dare, the Companions of Justice, the New Force Party and the French neo-Nazi movement L’Assaut.

Intelligence sources are also probing links with fascists movements in Poland and East Germany.

Mr Booyse is concerned, too, about the possible role of the American mercenary magazine Soldier of Fortune in the international network.

Three members of the Boere Weerstandsbeving attended the last three
No bail for Piet 'Skiet' & Co

BAIL for Piet "Skiet" Rudolph and Henk Bredenham of the Orde Boerevolk (OB) was turned down in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court this week.

The trial was set for January 29 in the same court and the men will submit applications for indemnity to the government for their alleged acts of "political" terrorism.

The magistrate refused bail, saying he questioned Rudolph's truthfulness when he gave the "promise of a boer" that he would definitely appear at the January trial.

There was no guarantee Rudolph would not resume his armed struggle nor interfere with State witnesses once released.

"Rudolph's credibility also became questionable when he called Boerestaat Party leader Robert van Tonder a liar in this courtroom," the magistrate noted.

"Moreover, he initially had sworn an oath to commit violent acts, then swore off violence. He initially refused to eat the government's food by going on a hunger strike, then started to eat.

"While on the run, he threatened to kill certain policemen, then praised them in this courtroom."

Bail could also not be granted because "a reasonable possibility existed that supporters who were willing to pay Rudolph's bail could well be the same people who had hidden him while on the run from police."

"These supporters could possibly do so again," he said. Rudolph's present high profile in the media and his near-mythical status among ultra-rightwingers was due only to the fact that he had committed acts of terrorism.

"Moreover, security police testified that the OB wasn't dead yet and that the organisation could commit further acts of violence." The argument that Rudolph and Bredenham did not want to become traitors in the eyes of their followers and stubbornly refused to reveal the OB's organisational structure to the police did not hold water.

"The leaders of the organisation had decided to lay down arms and apply for indemnity.

"Their supporters refused to follow these orders and should therefore be punished.

"By not giving police their names, the leaders are surreptitiously acknowledging that their supporters should continue with violent acts." - Sapa
Strydom's wife denies he smiled as he murdered

By Norman Chandler
Pretoria Bureau

The bid to obtain an amnesty for mass killer Barend Hendrik Strydom — the so-called "Wit Wolf" — took a new turn at the weekend with a denial by his wife, Karin, that he had smiled at his victims when cold-bloodedly executing them.

She claimed in a newspaper article that the press had made up the story about him "laughing" as he killed.

Strydom murdered seven people in a rampage through the streets of central Pretoria on November 15 1988.

Evidence was given before Mr Justice Louis Harms during the two-week trial in the Pretoria Supreme Court that the former policeman had smiled as he shot 22 people.

This was confirmed by Strydom himself when he told the judge: "My smile was a friendly one ... I am a friendly person. I can't hold back a smile."

Witness Samuel Gunter also told the court that he had seen Strydom shoot at a black man, run three metres and shoot another ... "the person stood in front of the men, and then the man in camouflage dress (Strydom) looked at me and smiled," Mr Gunter testified.

Lawyers acting for Strydom, who is on Death Row at Pretoria Central Prison, have petitioned the State President to obtain Strydom's release on the grounds that he should be regarded as a "political prisoner" and was therefore entitled to the same rights as similar people from the African National Congress and Pan Africanist Congress.

Mrs Strydom told a London newspaper she had written to President de Klerk to say that her husband no longer believed violence would solve the country's problems. The letter had been acknowledged.
Right wing attacks tear at hospital
Right wing will recall Blood River

South Africa's many white right-wing organisations this weekend will commemorate the Battle of Blood River, which ended in defeat for the Zulus after a pitched battle with the Voortrekkers on December 16 1838.

The Day of the Vow, named after the religious vow taken by Voortrekker leaders shortly before the battle, is seen by many Afrikanerdom as their holiest day, although the more liberal section usually celebrates without any religious connotations.

The Boerestaat Party and Boere Weerstands Beweging commemorate the event this Sunday with a braai, religious ceremony and day-long boersport-and boeremusiek at the farm Sandspruit, 12 km north of Rensburg.

March

AWB leader Eugene Terre-Blanche will address a meeting at Berg-en-Dal at Belfast on Saturday morning.

Shortly after this, his commandos will hold a mass demonstration and march through the streets of Middelburg.

The Afrikaner Volkswag, whose leaders are Professor and Mrs Carel Boshoff — she is Dr Verwoerd's daughter — will form a laager at Donkerhoek, about 30 km east of Pretoria.

Celebrants, wearing Voortrekker dress, will camp in caravans and tents.

There will also be gatherings at Pietersburg, Vereeniging, Bellville, Burgersfort and Natal's Blood River monument.

The Herstigte Nasionale Party, formed in 1989 by Afrikaners disaffected with the National Party, will commemorate the Day of the Vow at Rooihuiskraal, Pretoria. — Sapa.
AWB supporters bar Carolina town hall

By Therese Anders
Highveld Bureau

CAROLINA — About 30 AWB supporters, some armed with guns and whips and two carrying pig's heads, barred the entrance to Carolina's town hall on the day it was booked for an Indian wedding reception.

It was due to be the first non-white use of the hall since the scrapping of the Separate Amenities Act in October.

The reception for 400 was to follow the wedding of Mannira Kaka of Carolina to Yusuf Kola of Rustenburg on November 18.

However, a spokesman for the family said death threats had been made to the young couple days before their November wedding. As a precaution the family decided to switch the reception to an empty shop at the Indian trading centre.

News of the change had not reached the rightwingers.

Said a Carolina Indian businessman: "When I drove into town on Sunday morning I saw a group of about 30 men, women and children standing outside the hall. There were about 15 men and they were wearing khaki with AWB emblems. There was also an AWB flag flying from a pole."

"When a friend and I approached them two men came towards us. We were racially abused and they threatened us with their whips."

The man said he later drove past and a man came forward holding a pig's head.

Another Carolina resident said he had seen a second pig's head on a pole outside the hall.

A spokesman for the Kaka family said the wedding reception at the shop had gone off happily and uninterrupted.

The incident was condemned by the AWB's head commander in the Eastern Transvaal, Gawie Volschenk.
Dhlomo pinpoints causes of violence

Political Staff

Political consultant Dr Oscar Dhlomo has identified sources of violence sweeping South Africa.

In an address in New York this week, he said the first level of violence was inter-group violence affecting political organisations such as Inkatha, the ANC, Azapo and the PAC.

The violence that has persisted for almost five years is between Inkatha and the ANC/UDF/Cosatu alliance. This violence has been defined as an ideological power struggle, exacerbated by lack of a democratic culture of political tolerance and freedom of association among black political groups.

"Socio-political factors such as a scramble for scarce resources and criminality have also been cited as com-plementary causes of this violence."

Mass action

Dr Dhlomo said the second level of violence resulted from confrontation between State agents of law and order and ANC and civic association members involved in mass action to dismantle local government structures and force black town councillors serving in these structures to resign.

"This violence is driven by lack of consensus between the government and the ANC with regard to the interpretation of the Pretoria Minute. The government is of the opinion that the suspension of the armed struggle by the ANC also implies the suspension of mass action. The ANC on the other hand maintains that armed struggle and mass action are mutually exclusive strategies."

The third level of violence was white right-wing violence aimed at black South Africans in particular and the government in general. "Some white right-wingers feel extremely threatened by the process of democratic transition which they perceive as a threat."

Such groups rejected constitutional negotiations as they alleged that the government wanted to sell out the white minority to the black majority through a negotiated democratic transition.

"The fourth level of violence was criminal violence resulting from the breakdown of law and order, as well as the frustration and desperation of a "lost generation" of young people who had dropped out of the black schooling system."

Democratic transition was severely threatened by violence which had almost become endemic in some areas, he said.
Piet Skiet’s new call to hand over weapons

MR Piet “Skiet” Rudolph, leader of the Orde Boerevolk, has renewed calls from his Pretoria prison to his followers to return to the Government arms and ammunition he allegedly stole from South African Defence Force headquarters in Pretoria.

Mr Rudolph and his deputy leader, Henk Bredenhann, are awaiting trial on various charges, including allegations of terrorism.

Concern

Press secretary Mr Chris Beetge said in a statement yesterday that Mr Rudolph shared the Government’s concern about weapons which were still missing.

According to Mr Beetge, Mr Rudolph’s earlier call for the return of the weaponry had only partially succeeded, “possibly because of confusion over his motives”.

“The rumour was even spread that he had turned traitor against his own people. However, evidence given during his application for bail has hopefully wrung the neck of this untruth.”

Mr Beetge said in Mr Rudolph’s evidence he had clearly stated the reasons for his appeal for the return of weapons:

- Changing circumstances which were an invitation to discussion. Also, the Government Gazette on November 7 had said there was a reconciliation process with all people, regardless of their affiliation.

“This necessarily means discussions with the Orde Boerevolk over what has caused clashes, namely the claim for an own land region.

“Mr Rudolph said in court, it is only a fool who chooses the way of violence when the peaceful achievement of an ideal is possible.”

— Sapa.
"Wit Wolwe" to be prosecuted

THE two Pretoria men who allegedly murdered two black men and seriously wounded a third, in what have been dubbed "Wit Wolf" killings, will both be prosecuted on two charges of murder, one of attempted murder and one of illegally having a firearm.

The case will be heard in the Pretoria Supreme Court. No date has been set.

Pieter Hendrik Groenewald, 29, of 627 Bokser Street, Garsfontein, and Brian Chester-Browne, 27, of 132 Menseklo Street, Brooklyn, Pretoria, allegedly murdered Simon Koba and Petrus Makena shortly before midnight on May 5 on the Mamelodi-Cullinan road.
JOHANNESBURG. — The commander of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging’s commando units had no objection to the ANC’s plans for creating self-defence units in black townships — provided “they remained in their own areas only and left the white communities alone”.

Mr Servaas de Wet, retired Sea Point police station commander, started the countrywide “Boer commando system seven months ago.

He said yesterday that the AWB had launched the countrywide self-defence units for white neighbourhoods in direct response to the government’s release of Mr Nelson Mandela and the legalising of political movements.

Over the past two months, the commandos’ membership had increased by 365%. The greatest growth was in the Vaal Triangle and the Eastern Transvaal, he said.

“Our commandos are only taught self-defence methods and will only fight if the white communities are attacked.” — Sapa
Lubowski: FW on suspects

WINDHOEK — There was insufficient evidence to warrant two South African suspects being extradited to Namibia to face murder charges following the assassination of Mr Anton Lubowski. President FW de Klerk has said.

A report here yesterday cited a letter Mr De Klerk had written to Mr Lubowski's parents in which he allegedly told them that the Namibian authorities' evidence against the suspects was too "weak".

No comment was forthcoming yesterday from Mr De Klerk's office. — Sapa
Wit Wolf's mum in-law in sit-in

JOHANNESBURG. — The mother of detained Boerestaat Party member Mr Deon Rautenbach began a sit-in outside a security branch building in Pretoria yesterday to demand the release of her son. Mrs Trudie Rautenbach is the mother-in-law of mass murderer Barend Hendrik Strydom. Her son was detained on October 17.

She is refusing to move from the Pretorius Street building, next to the Old Volksstem Building, until her son has been released or she is allowed to see him.

Boerestaat Party leader Mr Robert van Tonder said yesterday that there had been rumours Mr Rautenbach, 26, a teacher, was ill or had died in detention.

He said the authorities had consistently denied his mother permission to see him. He said she did not know why or where he was being held.

Police media liaison officer Lieutenant Burger van Rooyen said Mr Rautenbach was neither ill nor dead. He said Mr Rautenbach was being held under Section 29 of the Security Act and he could not say where was being detained, for security reasons.
Govt man held for US embassy blast

PRETORIA — A South African Foreign Affairs official has been detained in connection with the bombing of US Ambassador Mr William Swing’s home here on October 3 this year.

The official, named as Mr P J Kruger, is one of three people held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. According to police the three have been in detention since December 4.

Mr Kruger was described by Foreign Affairs as “very junior” and in the development co-operation section. He joined the ministry as a cadet in August.

Mr Swing was apparently informed of the arrest by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha. According to US embassy spokesman Mr Larry Schwartz, the ambassador was “still digesting the information”.

The bomb at Mr Swing’s house involved a “small explosive device” which was detonated outside the rear gate of the residential compound at 1am, causing slight damage.

No injuries were reported and no one claimed responsibility. Mr Swing was at home at the time.
Swing blast: govt official held

A junior official in the Department of Foreign Affairs and two other men are being held under section 29 of the Internal Security Act in connection with an October bomb blast at the Pretoria home of the American Ambassador, William Swing.

Foreign Affairs spokesman Alayne Reesberg has confirmed that one detainee, P J Kruger, is a junior official in the department.

"The law must be allowed to take its course and we have no further comment at this stage," she said.

The Star has learnt from a reliable source that Mr Kruger had been in the employ of the department for two months.

He was an administrative assistant in the development aid section, but apparently did not use his official status to gain access to the Swing residence.

Mr Kruger had apparently been missing from the office "for quite a while", the source said.

A homemade bomb, consisting of commercial explosives, detonated at Mr Swing’s Waterkloof home in the early hours of October 4, damaging a gate.

Mr Swing was at home at the time. No one was injured.

The Financial Mail reported that the junior official had links to white right-wing extremists.

All recruits to the Foreign Affairs Department are screened, but they are not obliged to reveal their political affiliations.

The extreme right-wing Orde Boerevolk later claimed responsibility for the blast.

Piet "Skiet" Rudolph, who is being held on several counts of terrorism, has strong links with the Orde Boerevolk. He told a court this month that his organisation had shot at the British Embassy in Pretoria in January, smashing windows.
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Arrest follows blast at ambassador's home

Police have detained a South African Foreign Affairs official in connection with a bomb attack yesterday on the Pretoria home of the United States ambassador.
Mandela parcel called in
police Note 40

JOHANNESBURG - A parcel sent to ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela was blown up by police outside the ANC headquarters last night.

The parcel, containing a bombing device, was found at the offices of the Daily Dispatch in Pretoria. It was opened by police explosive experts and found to contain a letter addressed to Mandela. The letter was signed "Friskie," a name many ANC leaders have used in the past to identify themselves. The letter contained a message threatening to bomb the ANC if it did not release luxurious political figures.

The police are now investigating the case and have not ruled out the possibility of a political motive.
A Foreign Affairs official has been detained by the police in connection with the bomb blast which occurred at the residence of US Ambassador William Swing in October. The name of the official is P.J. Kruger, who has been working at the department's Development Co-operation section (which deals with foreign aid) since August.

Foreign Affairs spokeswoman Alayne Reesberg confirmed the detention to the FM on Tuesday. But "justice must take its course and the department cannot comment on the matter at this stage," said Reesberg.

Foreign Minister Pik Botha condemned the bombing at the time. He asked police to take steps to ensure that missions represented in SA get the necessary protection. "The investigation will continue until the culprits are apprehended," said Botha.

Swing was at home when the attack took place in the early hours of October 4 after he had been entertaining guests a few hours before. The home-made bomb was fastened to a gate which leads to the swimming pool, tennis court and braai/veg area in the garden. No one was injured, but the blast caused considerable damage.

All recruits to Foreign Affairs are screened, but they do not have to reveal their political affiliations. It has become clear that Kruger does have right-wing connections.

During a bail application earlier this month in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court after an attack on another embassy, Orde Boerevolk leader Piet "Skiet" Rudolph admitted that his organisation was responsible for the attack on the British Embassy in Pretoria in January. The Fleurkler was hoisted, shots were fired at the embassy windows and Boer slogans were painted on the walls.

Rudolph said the Orde Boerevolk had selected political targets. The British Embassy had been attacked because the British were responsible for the loss of Boer freedom, said Rudolph, and in January the British had been meddling in SA politics by pleading for the release of Nelson Mandela.
3 rightwing suspects held for blast

Three suspected rightwing extremists - including a junior member of the Department of Foreign Affairs - are being held by police in connection with a bomb blast in October at the Pretoria home of American Ambassador, William Swing.

The men are all alleged members of the underground Orde Boerevolk and are being detained in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act, Law and Order Ministry spokesman Captain Craig Kotze said yesterday.

He confirmed that the men held were: Paul Kruger, a Foreign Affairs official, Pieter Venter an unemployed miner, and Deon Rautenbach, a primary school teacher.

Kruger was arrested at his office on December 4, Captain Kotze said.

Police arrested Venter at a roadblock on October 28 and Rautenbach at the Voorrekkershoogte school where he teaches on October 17.

"Our investigation is progressing well," and a docket will be handed to the Attorney-General shortly," Captain Kotze said, adding that the men would appear in court on terrorism charges.

Foreign Affairs spokesman Miss Alayne Reesberg has confirmed that "Mr P.J. Kruger" is a junior official at the Department.

Assistant

"The law must be allowed to take its course and we have no further comment at this stage," Reesberg added.

The Sowetan has learnt from a reliable source that Kruger had only been in the employ of the Department for two months.

He was an administrative assistant in the Development Aid section but apparently did not use his official status to gain access to the Swing residence. - Own Correspondent.
Gifts to ANC go down a bomb

By Julienne du Toit and Gay Jepson

Explosives experts detonated three "suspicious" parcels delivered to the head offices of the ANC in Sauer Street, Johannesburg, last night.

The parcels, addressed to ANC deputy leader Nelson Mandela, were discovered by ANC security personnel who immediately alerted the police, after the parcels were passed through an X-ray security machine.

The parcels were wrapped in M-Net gift paper.

The controlled "incision" detonation carried out by the police experts revealed that they were merely Christmas presents — two electric lamps and a book entitled "A Study in Personality" by Piet Beukes.

Sniffer dogs reacted positively to the parcels, possibly because of a substance in the lamp transformers, said police spokesman Captain Eugene Opperman.

Capt. Opperman, deputy head of the ANC bomb disposal unit, said the ANC had reported the suspicious parcel for safety reasons.

After police were notified of the parcels, the ANC building in the centre of the city was evacuated and the road cordoned off.

Johannesburg traffic officers and members of the South African Police, with sniffer dogs were at the ANC's head office shortly after 3.30 p.m.

Earlier, ANC spokesman Gill Marcus had told The Star the bombs found "were real".
‘Sjambok town’ traders plan a picnic for peace

By Helen Grange

Traders in Louis Trichardt, suffering from a black consumer boycott, are backing a committee planning a picnic for black children assaulted with sjamboks last month by rightwingers.

Jan de Bruyn, head of the committee called Forum Goodwill, said traders in support of the committee’s objective to combat racial hatred in were being intimidated by rightwingers.

"Most traders are very unhappy about what has been happening, but have been threatened with a consumer boycott by conservatives."

Mr de Bruyn said the town was "bleeding to death" because of division caused by fear.

Forum Goodwill was planning dramatic actions, with funds made available anonymously, to achieve reconciliation.

The first was the picnic.

"We’ll then embark on an awareness campaign to try to bridge the divide between the races."

- The no-win boycott

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Youths in court after murder

Johannesburg. — Seven white youths — including two minors — have appeared in Germiston Magistrate’s Court in connection with the murder of a coloured man and woman at Union railway station in Germiston.

The youths are Mr Stanley Andrew Snell, 19, of Germiston, Mr Andre Rodney Boszawski, 19, of Germiston, Mr Grant Perry, 19, of Alberton, Mr Paul Francis Prostan, 20, of Germiston, and Mr Shane Martin, 19, of Germiston.

The minors may not be named.

The case was postponed to today pending further investigation. The youths did not apply for bail and have been remanded in custody. — Sapa.
Cops still hunting sjambok attackers

PIETERSBURG police have not made any arrests in connection with a racist attack by four whites on a black taxi driver in the town of Christmas Eve.

Police liaison officer for the Par Northern Transport, Captain Cas Jones said investigations were still continuing in the incident in which the four men attacked Mr Solly Ledwaba with sjamboks.

"Damage to the minibus and forced to him to stop. "Four whites came out, one with sjambok. They ordered me to get out of the car and I refused. The one with the sjambok started beating me and, in the process smashed the windscreen, both headlamps and other windows," Ledwaba said.

At Market Street, a blue Ford Sierra with registration number LHN 314-T blocked his way.

Ledwaba told the Sowetan that he had gone into town on the evening of December 24 to buy chicken at a fast food outlet.

"They left me without even telling me why they were beating me," Ledwaba said.
Race murder suspect mentally ill?

By DAN DHLMINI

ONE of the three suspected Carletonville Order of Death members facing a murder charge following the brutal killing to death of a black man is to be referred for mental observation.

Appearing before Carletonville Magistrate HC Raath were Cornelius J Kruger, 35, Koot Opperman, 25, and Johannes B Cornelius, 19, charged with the murder of Nelson Wawa earlier this month.

Kruger will be referred for 30 days’ mental observation when the case resumes on February 1.

Wawa was allegedly abducted and forced into the boot of a car by the trio and was later found dead with a stab wound in the stomach and dumped on the Eendhout off-ramp on the Potchefstroom-Johannesburg road.

Raath remanded the accused until February 1.