VIOLENCE — 1992

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REVELATIONS of the existence of a highly trained secret Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweg-"), called "Ystergarde", will certainly create new tensions between the Government and the black liberation movements.

Coming as it did, as controversy rages over the refusal by the Pan-Africanist Congress to distance itself from the attacks on policemen by the organisation's military wing, the Azanian People's Liberation Army and the refusal by the ANC to disband its military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK), this issue has been captured in the top of the political agenda in the new year.

Last week, there were reports that the Government would withhold its signature from Codesa agreements unless the ANC disbanded MK. This followed the grandstand political bus by both President de Klerk and Nelson Mandela on the day of Codesa negotiations - "No ANC, no talks". The ANC said it would keep in the letter and spirit of previous agreements, in the form of the Pretoria and Groote Schuur Minutes, and accused the ANC of lack of good faith.

Mr Mandela's response was that Mr de Klerk had sunk to such a low as the leader of an illegitimate government.

Many observers saw this clash as grandstanding, as both had the opportunists to discuss these, and any related issues, at any one of their meetings.

The clash did not do its part to strengthen the black unity in the new year.

The Government views this in a different light: it sees the continued existence of MK as a standoff between the ANC and Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK), which would return to the bush if the result of the negotiations does not suit the aims and objectives of the ANC.

These fears have been confirmed by speeches from MK leaders like chief of staff Chris Hani, who often speaks of MK's stockpiles of weapons being a necessary part of its negotiating tactic. The issue of MK has been compounded by the spate of attacks against policemen by the military wing of the Pan-Africanist Congress.

The PAC has refused to distance itself from those attacks, and has stated that the operations of MK and Inkatha are not separate. The PAC's internal activities on the part of MK are in the interests of the PAC's "freedom struggle".

The PAC has been heavily criticized, and the ANC has accused it of trying to play one game with two hands. The PAC has also said that the activity of MK might pose a threat to the negotiations and peace process.

But the PAC argument for the existence of its military wing is precisely the same as that of the ANC for the continued existence of MK.

The PAC has refused to give up its armed struggle as an option, and clearly the launch of this attack was designed to show that it has some military capability.

The spectre of a full-scale civil war has been raised further by the existence of the Ystergarde. That it is possible for such a unit to be trained in camps within the country will be a major issue for debate, either when Codesa reconvenes, or in the Patriotic Front meeting in whatever form, within the next six months. This question of "a line that allows some training camps will be studied, and the issue of whether the Government accepts any government in the future will be looked at."

Can the PAC criticise the existence of such a unit, while maintaining its own army within the country, and committing itself to the armed struggle? Can the ANC, independently claim that MK is a "private army" as defined in the National Peace Accord, and before that, the Groote Schuur and DP Malan minutes? Can Inkatha claim not to have a "private army", in spite of the revelations of training of members of such a unit by the security forces?

The Government clearly desires that the issue of MK be resolved certainly before Codesa reconvenes which means that one of the Codesa committees will have to look at the issue of private armies all over again.

One of the major concerns for black political organisations is that some of the members of the Ystergarde are former members of the ANC and Inkatha. If this is true, then an internal conflict may be predicted. If an internal conflict occurs, it will be studied, and the issue of whether the Government accepts any government in the future will be looked at.

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Start of right-wing terror blitz feared

By Goy Jepson

The devastating New Year bomb blitz that hit Transvaal towns is probably the signal of "an emerging right-wing terror campaign" aimed at destabilizing the multiparty talks, Law and Order Ministry spokesman Captain Craig Kotze claimed yesterday.

Captain Kotze said police suspected that right-wing extremists were responsible for the powerful explosions which hit three post offices in Verwoerdsburg and Krugersdorp and schools in Nelispruit and Medicraver over the past two days.

Firing back, however, Conservative Party leader Dr Andrew Treadgold said the SAP should look beyond its allegations of right-wing involvement with hard evidence, adding that the CP neither endorsed violence nor assumed responsibility for acts of terror carried out by its membership or sympathizers.

A bomb blasted the Lyttleton Post Office in Verwoerdsburg at about 7.15 am yesterday, shattering windows of surrounding buildings. Damage is estimated at about R1 million.

One bomb, Krugersdorp's main post office on the corner of Ockerse and Krugersdorp streets was bopped.

The Krugersdorp Police have a bomb in the entrance, bringing down walls and destroying post boxes. Private post boxes were blown out of the wall and public telephones were damaged.

The second blast on Krugersdorp Post Office.

The Union Buildings in Pretoria were demolished almost entirely by an entire wing of the post office and was attended by windows of surrounding houses.

Damage was caused up to 100 m from the scene. A large amount of mail was destroyed and the post office will be closed until further notice.

Expressing his concern that post offices had become targets, South Africans Postwag managing director Pieter Jacobs announced that alternative arrangements had been organized in the two towns.

The street delivery of Verwoerdsburg's mail would remain today and the town's customers were asked to use the Postmark, Henopower or Teleflex post offices, he said.

Krugersdorp's street delivery very mail has not been affected, however, he added. The post office has been scheduled to be burnt.

The Netaport attack, which has followed closely behind the attack on the school, is a direct result of the Model B education system and about 30 black students who were killed in the attack.

Two explosions also caused extensive damage to an empty farm school at Matjiesfontein, early yesterday morning.

The school was closed yesterday more than a year ago when the number of pupils decreased dramatically. No one was injured in yesterday's explosion.

The police have been warned to watch the situation as they did the "welcoming of the right-wing".

Captain Kotze said it appeared that the spate of bombings was timed to wreck the Colman initiative.

"But the very existence of the expiration process renders any form of armed struggle outdated. They have no hope of success, politically or militarily."

No one had claimed responsibility for the explosions by last night.

In separate statements yesterday, the Afrikaner Weerstandsbewegting and the Herenosterse Partij (BEP) both expressed their belief that the blasts could have been right-wing in origin.

BEP leader Robert van Tonger said it was precisely because President de Klerk was refusing to acknowledge the right of the reconstituted republics that the entire "Boer nation" was moving towards a rebellion.

"Because De Klerk refuses to call a general election so that he can be kicked out, he leaves the opposition no other choice but to turn to violence," he said.

The BLP has long warned the Government that if it does not push the Boer nation to the wall, the reaction will result in Umkhonto we Sizwe and the ANC look like appeasers," Mr van Tonger said.

BEP leader Jan Marinus said in a statement in Pretoria that the Government was acting without a mandate and ignoring democratic principles. This created the atmosphere that the democratic road were closed, people would have to resort to unconstitutional and illegal means of self-assertion.

The Government and National Housing Minister, Mr G. J. Schoeman, labelled the explosions "cowardly acts", and DEF leader Dr Zach de Beer said the bombings of the two post offices reminded him of sabotage carried out by the Weerstandsbeweging during World War II.
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PRIVATE ARMS: Big 1992 issue

JOE LATAKGOMO, in Johannesburg, predicts private armies will top the negotiations agenda this year.

THE existence of a highly trained secret Afrikaner Weerbaar Beweging squad, called "Yster-garde", will certainly create new tensions between the government and the black liberation movements.

Coming, as it did, at the very end of the round of talks by the Pan African Congress to dismantle itself from the attacks on policemen by the Organisation of Black Struggle, the Asiatic People's Liberation Army, and the rise by the ANC to dismantle its military wing, Umkhonto We Sizwe, this issue will be catapulted to the top of the political agenda in the new year.

Last week, there were reports that the government would withdraw its signature from the arms protocols unless the ANC disbanded MK. This followed the dramatic performance by both President de Klerk and Mr Nelson Mandela on the first day of October. Mr de Klerk insisted that the ANC had not kept to the letter and spirit of previous agreements in the form of the Preterra and Groote Schuur Memorandums, and accused the ANC of lack of good faith.

These fears have often been confirmed by speeches from MK leaders like Chris Hani, Staff, Chris Bass, who often speak of MK's stockpiles of weapons being a necessary part of the negotiations tactic, making it impossible for the South African government to keep track of the conflict.

The MK's success in this area has been compounded by the NAIC, which has been chosen as the special unit of military wing of the ANC, to take over the operation of the PAC and the ANC, in order to keep the ANC out of the conflict.

Mr Mandela's response was that the ANC's military wing is a "secret squad", which means that the "secret squad" will be used to undermine the ANC's military wing. The ANC's military wing is a separate unit from the ANC's political wing and has its own structure and strategy. The MK of course is a separate unit from the ANC and has its own structure and strategy.

The MK has been heavily criticized for its role in the Apartheid regime, and the MK has been accused of trying to play one game with two sides. The police have also said that while the activities of APLA might pose a threat to the negotiations and peace process, they did not believe that the MK posed a threat at all.

But the PAC argument for the continued existence of MK is that the PAC has no alternative to a "private army", as defined in the National Peace Accord, and before that, the Groote Schuur and DP plan for MK to have a "private army", in spite of the revelations of alleged training of members of such a unit by the security forces.

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New tensions over AWB 'secret squad'

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Can the PAC criticize the existence of such a unit, while maintaining its own army within the country? And can the MK be brought to the armed struggle? Can the ANC legitimately claim that MK is not a 'private army' as defined in the National Peace Accord, and before that, the Groote Schuur and DP plan for MK to have a "private army": in spite of the revelations of alleged training of members of such a unit by the security forces.

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LABOUR

By DREW FORREST

The National Union of Metalworkers (Numsa) has claimed a systematic terror campaign against its officials, following a string of recent shootings and threats on the Reef.

In one case, a death threat was made by an anonymous caller claiming to be from the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging.

Numsa said Springs organiser Jeffrey Khubeka narrowly escaped death in mid-December when three men in a grey Toyota, one of them white, shot at his car on the Dunottar-Duduzo road.

His car was hit several times, as was another passing vehicle whose owner had been hospitalised.

Numsa lists other recent incidents, three involving Springs officials, suggesting a “systematic attempt to intimidate its officials”:

- Springs official Pepsi Mahlangu was shot dead in kwaThema in July.
- In November Springs organiser Andries Malaudzi was warned by an organisation calling itself the “ASO” that he faced death if he did not resign from the union. His car was subsequently broken into and damaged.
- In September a nameless caller warned that the AWB would “get” Springs organiser Makgosi Mlotshwa. The call was taken by the office administrator, Sibongile Skosana, whom the caller named and also threatened to kill.

Numsa said Johannes Mosia, chairman of its Western Transvaal region, was under threat from “elements associated with the KwaMadala Hostel” — a disused hostel occupied by Inkatha supporters at Iscor’s Vanderbijlpark works — and had not been sleeping at home for weeks.
Right-wingers suspected

Police vow to hunt down bomb squads

POLICE have vowed "ruthlessly to hunt down" right-wing extremists they believe are behind a wave of bombings of public buildings in SA over the holiday period.

Post offices in Krugersdorp and Verwoerdburg were the latest targets, devastated by powerful explosions in the early hours of yesterday morning. Police said commercial explosives, a trademark of right-wing violence, were probably used in at least one of the blasts.

Law and Order Ministry spokesman Capt Craig Kotze said right-wingers had formed a network of secret cells and police believed some of these were behind seven major bomb attacks in the past month.

He added that right-wing bomb squads were probing more difficult to track down and not as well-established as previous ANC groups.

The "decentralised right-wing campaign" had no formal command structure.

No one has yet claimed responsibility for the latest attacks.

CP leader Andries Treurnicht yesterday challenged police to provide evidence to back allegations that far-right organisations were responsible.

SAPA reports Treurnicht said the CP did not endorse violence and said it could not accept responsibility for acts of terrorism committed by right-wingers.

AWB secretary-general Piet Rudolph said government should be held responsible for the increase in violence because it did not take note of right-wing demands.

He said such violence would increase.

Millions of rands in damage was caused to the post offices in central Krugersdorp and Lyttelton in Verwoerdburg, police said. The blasts came hard on the heels of blasts at schools in Nelspruit, Lichtenburg and Klerksdorp which had opted to admit pupils of all races. No injuries resulted from any of the attacks.

No arrests had been made by late last night, but Kotze claimed police had had a 95% success rate in solving right-wing terror in the past. He said although the right-wing terror campaign had thus far avoided "soft targets", police did not underestimate extremists' ability to wreak havoc on communities.

A secret letter, circulated recently among right-wingers by the shadowy Boer Republican Army (BRA), which has claimed responsibility for several recent blasts, urges people to keep the explosives "in the building" - ready for use.

The letter encourages members to form cells of no more than three people. It urges them to select their own targets and to refrain from wearing khaki uniforms or talking to anyone about bomb attacks.

The BRA has been described as a clandestine conjunto, body in which all right-wingers can claim responsibility for terror attacks in protest against moves towards a nonracial society.

Police said they suspected commercial explosives had been used in the Krugersdorp blast, which destroyed the post office where Rtm renovations were completed recently. Damage was caused to 10 nearby shops and buildings.

The Verwoerdburg blast caused Rtm damage to the post office and shattered windows in nearby houses, said a Post Office spokesman.

The spokesman said new security measures were being investigated at all branches, but declined to give details. Another spokesman speculated that post offices might have been targeted as they were government buildings patronised by all sectors of society and represented the state communications infrastructure.

The AWB's Rudolph said he thought post offices might have been selected as symbolic targets as they had also been bombed during the time of the Ossewa Brandwag's opposition to SA's participation in the Second World War.

Rudolph laid the blame for the bombings squarely at government's door. He said President F W de Klerk's "abandonment ap
Serious sabre-rattling from private armies

Threats of violence from fringe paramilitary groups are increasing at an alarming rate, reports PAUL STOBER

The war of words surrounding private armies is rapidly escalating into a boiling war, with immediate prospects of a negotiated settlement in sight.

While the various military groups present, the African National Congress and the government are engaged in protracted negotiations over the monitoring of the respective armed forces, many non-governmental groups have rejected negotiations out of hand and are preparing to step up their activities.

The annual report of the Anti-Apartheid Movement (AAM), which has claimed responsibility for the killing of six policemen over the past three months, theuchsia the 10,000 members of the private army "known for their free-spiritedness and violence". The PAC has refused to take part in the Conference for a Democratic South Africa (Ceda) as it is "designed to humiliate the legitimate goals of the liberation struggle".

Last Sunday the existence of yet another Afrikaner, Westrandbeweging paramilitary unit, the Jan Zuid (Porteguese), came to light. Members

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Right Warnings of Terror Increase
Apia vows to carry on fighting SA Police and SADF

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Weekend Argus Reporters

RENEWED threats of attacks on the South African Police, as well as other "enemy agents" have been made by the Azanian People's Liberation Army (Apia), the military wing of the Pan Africanist Congress.

The latest salvo has come from the movement's defence secretary Mr Victor Seabelo Pama, who said the polce were at the forefront of intimidating people and should therefore "go".

Speaking from Harare, Mr Pama said the PAC was still waiting for a report from Apia's "field commander on the ground" about the killing of two policemen in Dobsonville, Soweto.

He said the PAC's external mission has not suspended or abandoned the armed struggle. Apia's campaign was not only aimed at the police but at all the agents who were being funded by racist regimes which intimidate our people, such as the SADF and the Askaris.

Mr Pama claimed that Apia had never attacked civilian targets.

Further confirmation of Apia's role came from a Mr Carlson Zimbiri, who claimed to be an Apia member, and told a news agency in a telephoned report that Apia was responsible for the attack on a police van. He also named the site of the attack and specified that it took place at 8:05pm.

Soweto police spokesman Colonel Tienie Hailgren yesterday confirmed the killings.

He said the SAP members were shot in a police van on Roodepoort Road in Dobsonville at about 8.15pm.

With 1992 only four days old, five policemen have died in violent attacks. Last year, 145 policemen died, mostly in the PWV area.

Three of South Africa's largest political groupings have all strongly condemned the killings.

Law and Order Minister Mr Hernus Kriel expressed both his and the government's "shock and outrage" at the most recent "spate of murders".

The murder of policemen is serious enough to warrant the death sentence, said Mr Chris de Jager, the Conservative Party spokesman on justice.

Inkatha Freedom Party spokesman Ms Suzanne Vos said the police deaths would be raised in the Peace Secretariat and could be referred to

Rightwing threatens 'all-out' sabotage campaign

MANDY JEAN WOODS and JO-ANNE COLLINGE
Weekend Argus Reporters

RIGHTWING organisations have warned that South Africa is on the edge of an all-out wave of sabotage attacks against "official" targets similar to those carried out by the Ossewa-Brandwag 50 years ago.

According to police and rightwing spokesmen, all that stands in the way of the country slipping into all-out civil war is the disorganised nature of violent rightwing groups.

The warnings follow bomb attacks this week against schools and post offices that caused damage estimated at hundreds of thousands of rand but injured no-one — a typical tactic of the rightwing terrorists of yesteryear.

Afrikaner Weerstands Beweging (AWB) leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche said that the explosions were the beginning of the resistance of a free volk which sees its fatherland being given away to strangers and communists. No volk in the world can be forced to accept such a situation.

"The guilty ones who caused this wave of terrorism are sitting in parliament. The government has created the breeding ground for such terrorism by not providing the Boer volk with the forum to negotiate for its own autonomous state," Mr Terre'Blanche concluded.

"1992 started in flames and there is no doubt it will escalate," said Mr Piet 'Skiet' Rudolph, another AWB spokesman.

A man claiming to represent a previously unknown organisation called the Afrikaner Volkstaat Beweging (Afrikaner People's State Movement) yesterday claimed that his organisation had blown up Cosatu House in Pretoria, the Hillview School — to have accommodated the children of returning ANC exiles — and the post office blast, among others.

The caller said his organisation was willing to "negotiate final borders" for an Afrikaner state but was not prepared to "negotiate with barbarians as we have seen on Durban beaches".

"Either we draw up the borders (for such a state) ... or we shoot our way to a free people's state ... (of ons skiet ons weg oop vir ons eie volkstaat)."

Since last month, 14 blasts have damaged or destroyed desegregated schools, magistrate's courts, post offices and a police training school.
Whites ‘stone black’ taxi

PRETORIA. — A church minister, yesterday said white men stoned black taxis in the Northern Transvaal town of Brits, earlier in the day. But police claimed it was only a white boy shooting at the vehicles with his catapult.

The Rev William Sellie, Milestone, said the Apostolic Faith Mission Church, who said he was a passenger in one of the vehicles, said several black people were injured when six Afrikaans-speaking white men clad in kibaks pelted stones on the passing minibus taxis.

‘That’s absolute nonsense,’ said Northern Transvaal police spokesman, Lieutenant-Colonel Willie Viljoen. He claimed that a white child sat in the back next to the road, throwing stones at passing taxi with a catapult.

He denied claims of injury, but said screens were shattered and the child’s parents agreed to replace them, he said.

However, Mr. Milease claimed that at least two passengers were seriously injured, when hit by stones or shattered glass.
The bombers’ record of destruction

THE number of suspected right-wing attacks since December 16, the Day of the Vow, now total 11 – including this week’s blasts.

The reported attacks were:

- **Monday December 16:** At 1am, three blasts damaged the Klerksdorp Christian Academy, a private, multiracial school. The BRA claimed responsibility.
- **Thursday December 19:** At 1am, a massive explosion damaged the Cosatu offices in Pretoria. The BRA claimed responsibility.
- **Friday December 20:** At 2am, three explosions caused R750 000 damage to the Lichtenburg Technical College.

- **Friday December 21:** A large explosion rocked the magistrate’s court in Sable.
- **Saturday January 1:** Six explosions caused R1-million damage to Lowveld High School in Nelspruit.
- **Thursday January 2:** Two bombs exploded at a farm school at Melkrivier, near Potgietersrus. Damage estimated at R50 000.

- **Thursday January 2:** At 2am a bomb exploded at the Krugersdorp post office, damaging some 30 shops nearby.
- **Thursday January 2:** At 2am a bomb exploded at the Verwoerdburg post office, shattering the windows of houses and a church nearby.
- **Friday January 3:** A bomb exploded at a police training centre at Vaalwater.
- **Friday January 3:** People claiming to be members of the Wit Wolve claimed responsibility for a small fire in the Receiver of Revenue offices in Boksburg.
Simon tour is on, and that’s final

By DE WET POTGEITER

A COVERT group within the Afrikaner Broedersk Mild to
Divide and Discredit Right-
Wing political groups if they cannot be forced to the
Negotiating Table, according to a confidential
document leaked to the Sunday Times.

The government’s intelligence service could be used
against right-wing politicians, says the document, which pur-
potes to be a Broedersk Mild strategy
drawn up in September.

It has been leaked to right-
Wing leaders who are furious over its contents.

Split

Conservative Party leader Dr.
Andries Treurnicht says the plan,
which would now become known to
Symposium members, was discussed
when the two leaders met in August.

The document says that if right-
Wing groups cannot be persuaded to
Subtitle at the negotiating table, they
would be canvassed and their
debacles embarrasing the
National Intelligence Service
(SIS) Split

Majority

The Born-Again Right

DA tour was in the balance after threats to disrupt it and claims by
members of the SIS that they had not
been asked to participate in the
South African National
Alliance

That they had not
been asked to participate in the
SIS discussions were first
mentioned by the DA
leader in the
country yesterday, when
he met with
Apartheid tomorrow to dis-

terests at odds with
interest.

But they have made it
clear that while the
leader said that they
were “prepared to
listen to the viewpoints
of those who oppose his
tour, he feels that this
support of the majority
of South Africans and
the major political
groups.

Simon arrives this week
accompanied by his
stepson, Edan Brickell, and his 18-
year-old son, Harper.

Why Diana says:

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SA soccer team named

NATIONAL coach Jeff Butler made history yesterday when he announced South Africa’s first official team
and the appointment of Stanley “Screamer” Tabahala as its skipper.

The squad of 25 will start training on Monday, and the SA
Football Association delegation left last night for Germany
to apply for membership to the Confederation of African
Football on Friday.

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Pick Six

Sunday Times Reporter

BOOSIE Transvaal horse
trainer and owner Dean
Marques won R1.5 million
after his in the Pick Six
payout at Germiston’s
Garden Park Racecourse
yesterday.

It was the second
victory of the day.

His horse Golden Man
stalled Northern Fierce —
unbeaten by Mr. Marques’
son Anthony — to the
post in the second race
on the card.

Last night, the winner’s
wife declined to comment on
her husband’s good
fortune.

“Too stressful and
we’re not prepared to talk
about it,” she said.

Mr. Anthony Marques said
he was delighted at his
country’s win, but didn’t
complain about losing to

lown
debond, could split the organisation.

The document says that if right-wing groups cannot be persuaded to sit at the negotiating table, they should be discredited and their leaders embarrassed — with the aid of the National Intelligence Service if necessary.

It also says certain members of the brotherhood, presumably those suspected of right-wing leanings, should not be informed of strategic decisions on the constitutional talks.

The document is headed “Executive Council decisions emanating from mini-bond meetings held during the year 1991”.

The leak of the plan precipitated a hasty meeting of senior members of the Broederbond who had not previously had access to the document, a source in the organisation said yesterday.

The members called an emergency meeting of a Pretoria cell this weekend. They met until 9pm on Friday, and late yesterday afternoon were still locked in discussion.

The source said there was little doubt the document was authentic, and warned that it could give final impetus to a split in Broederbond ranks.

Dr Treurnicht, a former Broederbond member, said yesterday he believed the document was genuine and that it “represents a fatal blow to the Broederbond”.

Trouble

He said: “Links between the brothers in responsible circles (Broederbonders serving in the cabinet) and certain members of the executive have caused concern for some time past.

“But if the contents of this document are true, it proves that these people are getting shadier by the day. These methods are reserved only by a government in serious trouble.”

CP MP Koos van der Merwe, who has also seen a copy of the document, said it disclosed “the most unbelievable corruption of the Broederbond, who should encourage members to lie, as well as the blatant abuse of state machinery like the NIS, the SABC and the Human Sciences Research Council”.

He urged rank-and-file members of the organisation “who have not been trusted with this plan” to resign.

“I do not have a problem with anyone in the government, or even in the Broederbond, trying to persuade right-wing groups to come to the negotiating table, but the methods occur...”

Broeder plot to split right

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The head of the Broederbond, Professor Pieter de Lange, could not be contacted this weekend for comment.

Evidently drawn up to map out strategy prior to the first round of multi-party talks, the document says:

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According to the document, “everything possible must be done to persuade force right-wingers to the talks”.

Suggested methods to achieve this range from “discussions with leaders and individuals at local level”, to disclosure of “details which will place the leaders in a difficult position, thereby also creating a measure of division among party supporters”.

To this end, “it would be justified to apply any efforts to bring the majority of right-wing organisations to the table”, says the plan.

“If this holds the implication that the National Intelligence Service’s influence must be brought to bear, this should be regarded as a means to an end.”

On the subject of the National Party, the document states:

* “Since the government, or the NP, wishes to place its stamp unobtrusively on the final decisions that are formulated, proper cognisance must be taken of the content of its planning by party supporters. To exploit this to the full extent, the media must start making strong positive noises, and the SABC’s leaders will have to be consulted.”
A LEADER of a pro-Afrikaner homeland organisation on Friday strongly condemned the latest spate of bombings, which has been attributed to ultra-right organisations.

Afrikaner Volkswag co-leader Anna Boshoff also denied that the organisation knew of the similarly named "Afrikaner Volkstaat Beweging" which has claimed responsibility for some of the blasts. – Sapa
**Cops deny rightwing taxi stonings**

RESIDENTS of Lethlabile near Brits claim they were injured when khaki-clad men stoned four taxis outside the town, while police deny the reports.

Rev William Sello Milese, 32, of the Apostolic Faith Mission, who said he was travelling in one of the taxis, said a group of white men stoned taxis at about 4.45 pm.

Milese said at least two passengers were seriously injured. He said a passing taxi driver had alerted police who arrived at the scene. Everyone then went to the Brits Police Station.

Northern Transvaal police spokesman Lt-Col Willie Vlotman dismissed the claims as "absolute nonsense", saying a white child had shot stones at vehicles with a catapult.
Plan to crush rightwing

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THE Government, the National Party and the Broederbond want to crush the far rightwing or bring it to the negotiating table.

Police have said they will be “ruthless” in dealing with the rightwing following a spate of bombings.

The National Party wants to defeat them politically and the Broederbond reportedly wants to discredit, divide and effectively destroy them.

The Broederbond’s plan is contained in a document which was leaked to the media and published at the weekend.

According to weekend reports, Conserva...

The CP’s Mr Koos van der Merwe reportedly said the document disclosed what he called “the most unbelievable corruption of the Broederbond to encourage members to lie as well as the blatant abuse of State machinery like the National Intelligence Service, the SABC and the Human Sciences Research Council.”
Call to free killer "Wolf"

JOHANNESBURG. The Boerestaat Party has called for the immediate release of right-wing mass-murderer Barend Strydom, claiming public sentiment towards him has turned more favourable owing to the increased murdering of whites, policemen and the elderly.

Strydom is on death row for murdering eight people, including sevenburnt alive in a dung-hut broad daylight in central Pretoria in 1889. — Sapa
Right-wing terror 'difficult to stop'

CLANDESTINE terror groups of right-wing extremists would be extremely difficult to track down and could cause damage and disruption way out of proportion to their numbers, security experts warned at the weekend.

The extreme secrecy and IRA-style cell structure of the right-wing saboteurs would make police infiltration of their operations "virtually impossible", said a government security source.

They had thousands of potential targets, and not even "the mobilisation of the entire SAP" could prevent or pre-empt attacks.

The saboteurs' advantage was that the security forces could not anticipate their next strike, said the source.

Police have announced a substantial reward for information on the saboteurs and have set up a confidential 24-hour telephone service for callers to provide information anonymously.

No arrests have been made after 11 attacks linked to the right wing since December 16. Bombings have caused millions of rands of damage, disrupted services and destroyed buildings.

A government source said the authorities were taking the threat very seriously, particularly because large sectors of SA society were inclined to blame govern-

ment for all types of violence.

SAP deputy commissioner Lt-Gen Mulder van Eyk at the weekend appealed for public co-operation, saying the SAP would do all in its power to avoid further damage and possible bloodshed.

Law and Order Minister Herus Kriel has promised to seriously examine the issue of private armies on the left and right.

Security analysts say the aim of the saboteurs could be to make the security forces so defensive that they overreact and arrest large numbers of right-wingers in a desperate attempt to stem bomb attacks. This would serve to tarnish the image of the police and SAP in society, particularly on the right wing.

The analysts agree that the number of active right-wing saboteurs is probably very small, but they say the operatives are highly trained and might have extensive combat experience.

Wits University project for the study of violence director Lloyd Vogelman said the extremists had sophisticated communication networks and their security force training had provided them with important strategic information about operating

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Terror without detection. Jane's Defence Weekly SA correspondent Helmut Romer Heitman said the security forces were not trained to "be suspicious of whites" and would take a while to adapt to the new threat of the ultra right.

He said the aim of the terror campaign was probably to cause disruption to services, gain publicity, recruit new members and create the impression that the security forces could not defend the public.

Defence Institute of SA head Rear Admi-

ral Chris Bennett said right-wing extremists needed to be accorded more attention by government.

Their cell system gave saboteurs a large degree of autonomy and freedom of action, but they would not be able to establish external bases and would be inhibited by their need for self-sufficiency, he said.

RAU national strategy department chairman Prof Karel Nofke said the lack of central command would inhibit the long-term effectiveness of saboteurs.
Broedertwis’ deepens

ONLY limited significance has been put on disclosures that the Broederbond was working with the Government on a scheme to divide, discredit and embarrass right-wing organisations refusing to participate in negotiations.

The predictable outcry from right-wing organisations followed Sunday newspaper reports of a secret Broederbond document detailing proposals to use the SABC and the National Intelligence Service if necessary to “persuade” right-wing groups to join constitutional talks.

Conservative Party chief secretary Mr Andries Beyers said yesterday the party had not yet made any attempts to establish whether the document was authentic.

"If it is true, then it is only further evidence of the National Party’s panic to get the CP to the negotiation table," he said.

Beyers said it was surprising that the Broederbond was withholding information from some of its members which indicated a “power clique” in the organisation.

He said the document seemed increasingly authentic as the secret Afrikaner organisation was not responding to the reports.
AWB to give slain man 'full military funeral'

DURBAN. — Brian Braam, 23, who was gunned down at a Pinetown filling station last week, is to be given a "full military funeral" in Durban by the Afrikaner Weerstands beweging.

His mother, Mrs Kathleen Braam, confirmed yesterday that her son was a member of the AWB and predicted a big turnout for the funeral on Thursday.

She said the ceremony would be impressive — "something Durban has never seen before".

Mrs Braam said she believed her son, who had carried out several dangerous and highly secret missions while in the army, might have been killed because of his affiliation with the rightwing organisation.

"He often used to wear his AWB badges when he went out," she said.

"I warned him not to make a target of himself." While reluctant to agree that Brian had been an important member of the AWB, she said he was very involved and knew a lot of people.

"I don't want anyone to get the wrong idea; he wasn't involved in blowing up things," Mrs Braam said.

She said that her son was a practising Christian, and "practically grew up" in the Full Gospel Church at Malvern.

Mr Braam, a trainee manager for a Durban catering firm, was shot while in his girlfriend's car after they had stopped for petrol at the Richmond Road Service Station where she had an account.

His girlfriend, Miss Olga Pheiffer, 21, was driving him home at the time. Just after the car had been filled, two men approached from the dark.

One of them, armed with a special revolver, yanked Miss Pheiffer from the car and as she fled in terror, she heard a shot fired.
The Greenbelt Action Group (GAG) has denied that it released a derogatory poster urging violence against the Zevenfontein squatters in the Diepsloot area.

The posters, depicting a group labelled "Greenbelt" shooting at caricatures of President de Klerk, ANC president Nelson Mandela and the Zevenfontein squatters, were plastered throughout the area on Tuesday.

The poster campaign is the latest in the controversy surrounding the proposed relocation of the squatters.

"The poster, which has the name 'Greenbelt' prominently on it, is an incoherent, semi-literate attempt to raise emotions over the issues of squatting. We condemn it unreservedly," said GAG chairman Anthony Dunstan.

GAG is conducting negotiations with the TPA over plans to relocate the squatters in the Greenbelt area north of Johannesburg and Sandton and outside Midrand. — Staff Reporter.
Rightwingers held over bomb attack

THREE rightwingers have been arrested in connection with the bomb attack at Melkrivier School in the Far Northern Transvaal.

The three men, who have not yet been named by the police, are being held for being in possession of explosives and in connection with a recent bomb blast at a farm school near Potgietersrus on January 2.

Commissioner of the SA Police General Johan van der Merwe, yesterday described the arrests as a major breakthrough in investigations into the recent spate of bombings.

Further arrests could be expected, he said.

No stone unturned

"These arrests once again demonstrate the determination of the SA Police to act against all perpetrators of terrorism, irrespective of the quarter from which they emanate."

"The SAP will leave no stone unturned in tracking down these offenders and bringing them to book," Van der Merwe said.

Boerestaat Party leader Mr Robert van Tonder said yesterday he knew of at least one man in custody - Boerekommando leader Gavie Volschenk.

He said Volschenk had apparently been arrested at his office in Hendrina on Monday.

Police immediately started a search after two white men were allegedly seen running away from the school grounds about 2.30pm.

Extensive damage was caused to the building, which was intended as a SAP training centre.

Rightwing leaders have protested against the arrests.

Boere Kommando acting leader Wiehan Steynberg said the organisation wished to protest "in the strongest possible terms" against the arrests. - Sowetan Correspondent.
Police hope to make more bomb arrests soon

Staff Reporters

The arrest of three rightwingers in connection with a bomb blast at the Melkrivier School near Potgietersrus on January 2 could lead to breakthroughs on the spate of explosions across the country since last month, a Ministry of Law and Order official said today.

The men who were arrested this week are being held in terms of section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Although police did not name the three, Boerestaat Party leader Robert van Tonder yesterday said one of them was Boerekommando leader Dawie Volckenhoven.

A well-placed source today confirmed reports that the other two are Carel van der Merwe and Gerhard Roux, both of Kempton Park.

Law and Order Ministry spokesman Captain Craig Kotze said police were optimistic that there could be further arrests in connection with their investigation of 14 explosions at schools, magistrates' courts and post offices since last month.

Meanwhile, as police continued their hunt for alleged Pan Africanist Congress military wing police killers, three organisations with links to the liberation movements have condemned the killings.

The SA Communist Party, the Police and Prisons Civil Rights Union and the Civic Association of Southern Transvaal have told the PAC that attacks on policemen by its military wing, the Azanian People's Liberation Army (Apla), are unacceptable. This follows the ANC's condemnation of the attacks.

Sapa reports that Avril Budd, chairman of the Support Police Action Group, yesterday demanded the immediate banning of the PAC and Apla.
School bombing: three held

PRETORIA — The leader of an AWB splinter group and two other men were arrested by police yesterday in connection with the recent bombing of a far north Transvaal farm school earmarked by the SAP for use as a training college.

Police said Boerekommando leader Gawie Volschenk was detained at his Hendrina business under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act — the first arrest to date in the recent spate of bombings linked to the extreme right wing.

It is understood that Volschenk and two young men are also being questioned in connection with illegal possession of explosives. Police commissioner Gen Johan van der Merwe said further arrests could be expected. Volschenk was being held in connection with an explosion at Melkrivier School between Pretoria and Vaalwater, he said.

Volschenk, formerly a senior eastern Transvaal commander of AWB military wing Wenkommando, was allegedly a kingpin in the right-wing disruption of ANC president Nelson Mandela’s speech at the University of Pretoria last year.

Police said yesterday an explosion caused extensive damage at a primary school at Ellisras in the far northwestern Transvaal. The school was recently handed over to the Department of Education and Training.
Farmers ‘tortured youth for 9 hours’

By ELIAS MALULEKE

A frail, 17-year-old youth says he went through a frightening ordeal when two elderly farmers assaulted and tortured him for nine hours this week.

YuSunuzi Phungwayo, a Std 6 pupil at Vuku-
bone Combined School in Rooikop, a trustland in
Driefontein in the eastern Transvaal, said the night-
mare would haunt him for life.

Other locals in the area claimed farmworkers were often beaten indiscriminately and that police were not doing anything about it.

Sjambokked

Phungwayo alleges that the two farmers picked him up on the road and drove for about 10 km to a farm, where they punched, kicked and sjambokked him and then hung him by the neck and one hand before setting a dog on him.

The dog then mauled him on the private parts and legs before the farmers pulled it away.

Eastern Transvaal police liaison officer Maj. Pienaar said that at about 2.15 pm on Tuesday, Phungwayo was found at an enclosed camp among a flock of sheep and when he allegedly tried to escape he was tackled by a dog.

During his re-arrest he suffered an injury in the right eye and bruises on the back.

He was handed over to the police at 4.45 pm and was taken to a doctor at Wakkestroom for observation.

Investigating

Pienaar said Phungwayo was subsequently charged with entering enclosed land intending to steal stock and had since laid a counter-charge of assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm. Police were investigating.

Phungwayo showed City Press marks all over his body which he alleges were caused by the beatings.

Phungwayo said a black policeman and a white policeman had arrived at the farm at about 9 am on Tuesday and had questioned him.

He was taken to a doctor in Wakkestroom, where he alleges the doctor looked at him without checking him. He then gave him a cream and tablets.

Afterwards he was taken to the Dirkiesdorp police station where he was locked up for two days until he appeared in court on Thursday. He does not know why he was arrested or taken to court. No charges were put to him and he was released on R300 bail.

Political comment and newsbits by K. Shibya, headlines and sub-
esting by S. James, both of 2 Herb Street, Johannesburg.
School bombed, but learning goes on

By Mekeed Kotloko

Monday night's bombing of Marang Farm School, near Warmbaths, will not affect the education of the children, says the Department of Education and Training.

The school, situated between Vaalwater and Ellisras, is one of several empty white schools to be occupied by black pupils under the DET.

A spokesman for the northern Transvaal region of the DET

Thomas Kekana, said extensive damage had been caused to the buildings, but the department would soon start with repairs.

Mr Kekana said the incident would not affect learning in the area since the children would continue with classes at their old mud school until Marong was ready for reoccupation.

Although a number of explosives were placed at the school, including the principal's residence, only those placed at the main building exploded.
AWB assault claim

PRETORIA. — Police confirmed yesterday they were investigating a charge of assault and malicious damage to property laid by an "elderly black man" against Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche.

A police spokesman said the incident was alleged to have taken place on Tuesday evening. The man alleged he had been driving on the Venterdorp/Klerksdorp road when another car had forced him to pull over. (340)

The elderly man was allegedly assaulted and his car damaged.

Mr Terre'Blanche is already facing charges that he assaulted a black farmer in the Venterdorp district." — Sapa
Right-wing group barred from Codesa

THE number of organisations taking part in the Codesa deliberations could be almost doubled this year following a flood of late applications to join the Great Debate.

Applications from more than 20 organisations that wish to take part in Codesa are expected to be considered by the management committee when it reconvenes on Monday, committee member Murphy Morobe said yesterday.

In the wake of the revelations this week that at least one right-wing organisation was barred from joining, steering committee chairman Dr Zaph de Beer has admitted that the criteria for admission to the select group deciding the political future of the country had been "rather vague".

MANDY JEAN WOODS

The group's exclusion was being used as a justification for violence — just as the ANC used exclusion from the corridors of power for its campaign of violence.

Boerfolk founder Piet Bester this week lashed out at Codesa, saying the Boers had only two options to ensure their right to self-determination: violence and negotiation.

"Boerfolk applied to send a delegation (to Codesa) but was turned down," Mr Bester said. "This left them with no option but to resort to the last remaining option, violence."

Commenting on the decision to bar Boerfolk, Dr de Beer said the committee had to draw a line somewhere.

"We applied a rather vague criterion where any established political party or organisation which could demonstrate it had considerable support was asked to attend," he said.

He agreed the steering committee may have contravened the spirit of Codesa by being exclusive rather than inclusive with regard to applications by parties or organisations whose credentials were questioned.

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But he said the committee could not allow a situation where, for example, a group of people got together and decided to form a party and, by way of a rubber stamp, claimed to be the bona fide representatives of a large group of people.

Dr de Beer said he doubted Boerfolk was a political party or organisation.

"But even now, if Boerfolk provide evidence to support its claims, then there is nothing to prevent it from joining Codesa," Dr de Beer said.

Boerfolk's future participation in Codesa had been seriously jeopardised by its being left out of the first round of talks — "a critical time", Mr Bester said.

He said he had approached National Party secretary-general Dr Stoffel van der Merwe and ANC executive committee member Thabo Mbeki about the matter. Discussions were continuing.

Originaly, 19 political parties and organisations were invited to join the talks, and it was decided to refer further applications to the management committee for consideration for the next round, expected to take place in March.

The majority of the new applications — from organisations largely unknown to the public — were received before the December talks and one or two were received afterwards, he said.

While the names of the organisations are being withheld pending a decision from Codesa's management committee, it is known that three applicants are Boerfolk; the Federated Independent Democratic Association, headed up by John Gogovia; and the South Africa Red Cross Society.
AWB signs on Cape Town

Secret training, recruitment stepped up for bloody revolution.
Row over torture claim

By ELIAS MALULEKE

A WAR of words has broken out in the eastern Transvaal over a claim by 17-year-old Vusumuzi Phungwayo that he was assaulted and tortured by two farmers at Driefontein near Piet Retief on Monday last week.

The row surrounds a difference over the day and time of Phungwayo's arrest and alleged assault.

Phungwayo—a Std 6 pupil in Rookop, a trust area in Driefontein—claims he was abducted around 10 pm on Monday December 30 while he was walking home.

He alleged he was subsequently accused of stock theft and tortured for nine hours by farmer Tienie Botha and his son-in-law, Jan Martiens, on the farm Langverwacht.

He maintains he was handed to police around 9 am the next day.

However, police said the two farmers alleged the youth sustained his injuries on Tuesday afternoon when a dog bit him as he tried to escape when found near their sheep.

The police said he was only handed to them after 4 pm.

Phungwayo said the police locked him up without giving any reasons.

He alleged to City Press that he was repeatedly assaulted by the two farmers on Monday night before he was taken to a workshop on their farm.

He claimed that when he insisted he was innocent the two farmers sjambokked him and hung him by the neck from a rafter. He fainted.

"When I regained consciousness, water was poured over me and Botha said I would die if I didn't tell the truth. He then left and came back with a dog, which bit me," he said.

He was then dangled from the rafter by his hands and sjambokked again.

He said after 2 am on Tuesday, he was put into a plastic bag filled with water, manacled to a tractor and left for the night.

He alleged Botha fetched him in the morning, made him wash under a tap, and guarded him until two policemen arrived at 9 am.

"I took the police to the spot where I was picked up, and they then brought me back to the farm. The white policeman left his black colleague guarding me in the van and spent a long time in the farmhouse before I was taken to a doctor in Wakkerstroom."

The doctor did not check him, but gave him tablets and cream. He was then taken to the Dirkiesdorp Police Station and locked up.

He spent New Year's Day in the cells, and was taken to court the next day without being charged. He was released on R300 bail.

Rookop businessman Eunice Kajee, who employs Phungwayo, said when he heard that the youth had been arrested he went to the police station.

"The police could not tell me what Phungwayo had been charged with, and would not let me see him. They refused my bail offer. I then engaged a lawyer because I was concerned after hearing he had been assaulted," Kajee said.

Kajee added that when Phungwayo appeared in court on Thursday he was injured and was taken to a doctor in Piet Retief.

Doctor RA Goelam's report noted that apart from several bruises, Phungwayo's right eye was injured, and a mark on his neck was consistent with having been hung.

He noted other injuries to his right wrist, knee, penis, chest and back.

Police said they were investigating charges laid by Phungwayo against the two farmers.

Phungwayo has since been charged with trespassing, and will appear in court on Thursday.
ET faces second charge

By DAN DHLAMINI

RIGHTWING strongman Eugene Terre'Blanche is embroiled in a bizarre allegation that he forced a black motorist off the road at night and beat him up.

Barely nine days before his trial for assaulting a 70-year-old black farm labourer, Afrikaner Weerstandsbeveging (AWB) leader Terre'Blanche has been accused of allegedly assaulting yet another black man.

Terre'Blanche will appear before a Venterdsdorp magistrate on Thursday to face charges relating to the assault of the elderly William Mashiya and malicious damage to his property on March 9 last year.

Western Transvaal police spokesman Lieutenant Petrus Ramatosoel said the rightwing leader is alleged to have badly assaulted Spoornet employee Robert Shingange at the entrance of Venterdsdorp's Tshing township on Tuesday night.

Terre'Blanche allegedly smashed Shingange's car windscreen with a stone, causing damage estimated at R1 000.

Shingange alleged that Terre'Blanche, who was accompanied by three other white men in a bakkie, had followed him at 9.30 pm he drove towards Tshing township.

He alleges that Terre'Blanche intercepted him and without any provocation, started punching him in the face with his fists before shattering his car's windscreen with a stone.

Terre'Blanche was unavailable for comment.

Meanwhile, rumours of a rightwing threat to blacks in the town is diverting black traffic from the town - especially at night.

Black motorists interviewed this week said the once sleepy dorp had turned into "the Wild West."
Rightists up in arms over SADF policy

A right-wing youth organisation has requested a meeting with Minister of Defence Roelf Meyer to discuss the whites-only conscription policy in the SA Defence Force.

The Akte Volkseie Weermag (AVW) said they would ask the minister to assign Afrikaner recruits to defend only their own communities, as these were under increasing siege from "thousands of black criminals armed with AK-47 rifles".

SADF recruits were instead expected to patrol black townships, knowing full well that their own Afrikaner communities were faced with a total collapse of law and order and their own families were facing grave daily dangers, AVW spokesman Christiaan de Jager said.

"It is a disgrace to think that at this stage of the Government's reform initiatives, and faced with the collapse of law and order in our own (Afrikaner) communities, the Government would consider prosecuting those people who only want to protect their own communities."

"The Defence Act is highly discriminatory (against whites) and also is in direct conflict with the Government's own idea of a bill of rights," Mr de Jager said.

The AVW was also saddened by the "light-hearted public exchanges between the End Conscription Campaign and the SADF about the actual number of recruits which signed up".

It said: "This attitude continues while crime in our own communities goes on, while our families' lives are being lost and the feeling of security and safety in our own communities is being totally destroyed.

"How many people in our communities will still have to be murdered, raped and robbed before the seriousness of the situation will be acknowledged and Afrikaner recruits be allowed by the SADF and the defence minister to defend our own communities, our own mothers, fathers, families and friends?" Mr de Jager asked.

Sapa.
AWB moves into cities for recruits

The Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging has moved from the farms and taken to the city streets in a nationwide recruitment drive that leader Eugene TerreBlanche claims has gained thousands of new members.

"Caravans and tents have been appearing along main roads and in parking lots with the three-pronged swastika-like flags flying and banners declaring the "betrayal" of the white race prominently displayed.

According to Mr. TerreBlanche, the move was part of a recruiting campaign, started in November, which had been "very successful so far."

"It had been a problem before, because nobody knew how to contact us," he said.

"I gave an order that members with caravans must set them up so that people who had not been able to contact us earlier could now do so."

Beach

Recruiting posts had been set up in Cape Town, Durban, Bloemfontein, Johannesburg and Pretoria, he said.

"We have recruited thousands of people since we began our programme."

"They managed to sign up 60 people at a post on the beach in Mokhoborstrand near Cape Town on the first day alone."

"He said no figures were available on how successful the drive had been."

On the Witwatersrand, the recruitment drive included posts in Alberton, Carletonville, Randfontein, Germiston and Krugersdorp, he said.

Recruiting centres have also been seen in Glen Vista and it has been claimed that caravans were in Kensington and at the Roodpoort Hyperama.

Mr TerreBlanche said there had been "absolutely no problem" with caravans alongside main roads.
My husband was beaten to death over a dog

Melata "Lawani" Lebetsa was buried in Bloemfontein yesterday, the victim of a conflict allegedly caused by a woman's outrage at a "Kafir" bitch mistreating a white person's dog.

Mr Lebetsa (60) died in Baragwanath Hospital on the Day of Goodwill, about 24 hours after being seriously injured, allegedly by members of a group of white residents from the Elslandwana smallholdings, 30 km south of Johannesburg.

His wife Maria Kutoane and another couple witnessed the assault.

Blood:

She said that when blood was streaming from both the back and the front of his head, she pleaded with him to "call his rides, they have waited too long."

The widow told The Star that the fatal events of yesterday began on Christmas evening when Brooke and Lynne Finlay, a white couple from a nearby farm, arrived at the workers' quarters on the farm where Mrs Kutoane works as a domestic.

"The woman said she didn't want her dog coming together with a 'Kafir's dog', the Finlays. There had been an exchange of words between her husband and the Finlays, who then left, she said.

They returned a short while later, accompanied by about six or seven other people.

The Finlays attacked Mr Lebetsa inside the room.

"A woman came with a Najma who was associated with the Finlays and Mr Lebetsa tried to separate him. The woman then pulled him by his hair and hit him with a stick-handle who struck him across the head and lower abdomen."

Despite this, he managed to stumble to the farmhouse, with the group of whites in pursuit. The workers were part of the group, she said, but did not intervene.

The Finlays did not retaliate, said Mrs Kutoane.

"How could we? We were four and they were a whole group."

Afterwards Mr Lebetsa was taken to Baragwanath Hospital where he just died and was sent home.

After a night in which Mr Lebetsa was unable to sleep or pass urine, the family took him to Baragwanath Hospital, where he died before the day was out.

The Finlays later claimed that Mr Lebetsa died of an emotional breakdown caused by a momentary lapse.

The police in charge of the case, Capt. Piet van der Wester, denied the Finlays' account of events. But Mrs Finlay said: "We, I'm afraid there's no comment, thank you," before putting down the phone.

Vail griss police spokesman Capt. Piet van der Wester confirmed that a murder charge had been laid against the Finlays and that the police were investigating the incident.

Funeral:

The police were aware of an incident in which a local neighbourhood watch kept in touch with each other by radio and monitored the area.

Mourners at the funeral today told The Star that the night vigil had not been disturbed, but lights were shining from their houses and cars were parked in the vicinity.

Mr Lebetsa's nephew, Wilson Njilesa, said the family was consulting lawyers to make sure justice was done.

They were not prepared to take the traditional course of appealing to the police, and simply stayed away from the area for the night.

Mr Njilesa is left with six children between the ages of 10 and 11. "She says she would rather take poison and die than see her family die."

"My uncle was just a contract worker. He couldn't talk English or Afrikaans properly, but he talked to his children, so they should go to school. And now he must die for a dog."
LOUISE BURGERS  
Weekend Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Tensions are rising in Boksburg and surrounding areas. Fear is spreading among the residents after a series of incidents. The Herstigte Nasionale Party (HNP) acting chairman of the Boksburg Town Council management committee, Mr. Hani, is said to be concerned.

Mr. Hani was the leader of a terrorist organisation. His presence in the suburb has caused concern among residents. Mr. Du Toit, who is councillor for Dawn Park, said that Mr. Hani was not welcome in the suburb and that his move could lead to violence. "We are asking him to get out. Tensions are rising here. Many people have telephoned me. I don't want violence in my ward." The HNP's attitude of the right is changing this year from waiting for elections to a much more aggressive attitude.

There might be something drastically done to show him (Mr. Hani) we don't want him here," warned Mr. Du Toit.

Mrs. Greyling is afraid of violence in the suburb and of the communists taking over. "I hope the government will come to its senses before something breaks down," she said.

Mrs. Greyling is a member of the HNP and is concerned about the situation. She has expressed her fear about the potential for violence.

Former controversial CP Mayor of Boksburg, Mr. Breyers de Klerk, said: "Mr. Hani obviously had, realised a house in Boksburg was a safe investment as it was conservative and safe, not "in chaos" like Hillbrow and Johannesburg.

Councillor "Klein-Koos" van der Merwe said he was too busy preparing for the revolution to worry about Mr. Hani's "oddish" actions. "We are preparing for a revolution to take back everything and we are only concerned about getting our own white homeland.

"(Mr. Hani is a puppet on a string of the ANC and the Communist Party. He's just another terrorist and if it makes him happy to stay there and he can pay the bills, let him. Dawn Park is almost black anyway. I just feel sorry for the whites living there."
DENIS BECKETT tries to work out what the Right has in store

It's a bit late to 'maak 'n plan'

GENRATIONS of school-children learnt that 'n Boer maak 'n plan'. Generations grew up convinced that somewhere, somehow, the Boere always had a card up their sleeve.

Well, what card are the right-wingers hiding away? Could it be that sooner or later a critical mass coagulates in the upper reaches of the Defence Force, and coup or mutiny follows?

Given the rightists' constant rhetoric — dark assurances that 'steps will be taken' when the time comes — it is tempting to assume there must be some sort of plot under way to subvert the military establishment.

It can't be solely a matter of little bands of desperadoes placing furive bombs in schools.

Or can it? A tour of inquiry around relevant circles — anonymity promised all round — leaves this journalist with powerful doubts that any card is furiously up the right-wing sleeve, and if there is one it isn't an ace.

'This isn't Argentina,' says a fiercely radical right-wing leader, regretfully.

'Our Boer people have constitutionalism in their marrow. It's easy enough to sit around the braai and bemoan military officers

denounce De Klerk and ridicule the New South Africa, but when you get excited and drop some little hint about it being time to take matters in hand, they freeze right over and look down their noses at you and say: 'What You want us to break the law?'

Similarly, another rightwinger says: 'There's no plot and there isn't going to be one. I wish there was, but there is just no way that potential mutineers in the SANDF can get their act together.'

'For one thing, you can't trust anybody; you never know who is going to have a flush of officer-school conscience.'

'For another, everybody's terrified about their pensions. If you really want to know what the crucial factor is, there you have it in one word: pensions.'

A beribboned general, dripping in brass and braid, puts a different slant on it. 'Pension,' he chuckles wryly. 'I don't know what use my pension is going to be when the ANC runs what's left of the economy into the ground.'

'But that's not why I stay here. I stay here because that's what I am trained to do and that's what I'm sworn to do.'

'In fact, as a result of the uncertainty there has been a huge resurgence of the old values of officership. There's a higher sense of morale and mission around here than I have known for years.'

'It's not exactly that we're full of confidence, but that we in the officers' corps are conscious of our role in preserving military ethics in the new society.'

'That's one thing we inherited from the British, along with the tradition of obedience to constitutional authority.'

So a somewhat consoling picture of stability emerges. And yet ...

'If anything WAS under way,' says a curt and angry officer, 'I'd be a bloody fool to tell you. Go and speak to TerreBlanche and his toy soldiers. They're the ones who like getting their pictures in the paper.'

Little love is lost for the media-anointed glamour boys of the right wing, whom one rival rightly dismisses as 'Venterdorp se bobbejaan.'

The Right on the whole is a bundle of bitchiness and back-biting, everybody full of scorn for everybody else's personality, support-base, morals, and/or unscientific approach to the Boer homeland.

But when it comes to the AWB, eyelids droop in earnest.

'They give the Right a bad name,' one recurring comment is. Is it they, then, who are planting bombs in schools and post offices? Two rightwingers, it seems, as much as claim to know.

'It's not just that nobody will tell you,' says one, 'it's that nobody knows, genuine. Do you think people are going around swapping notes and giving de briefings? Forget it. Nobody who means business is talking about it. Two guys with their heads together in a meatie field is as close as anyone gets to a conspiracy.'

One rightist hands over the front page of a recent 'Patriot', the Conservative Party's newspaper. The story, over a full page, is an extended prediction about how 1992 is to be the year the rightwingers display their anger.

'You notice,' says the man, 'that they don't exactly urge or invite anybody to engage in sustained violence throughout the year. Their just predict that this is what is going to happen anyhow.'

For what purpose, exactly? Deep silence. If there's anybody who knows how and why the Right is actually benefiting from the 'year of violence', it would be interesting to hear from them. Especially since the consensus among the Right seems to be that some bombs — the Midrivier blast is regularly cited — were really an anti-Right endeavour to discredit the Right.

If the Boer has a plan it's a hard plan to see. On current showing the smart money may be on the rumbling Right quietly taking up a Cotesia seat after all.

Already there seems to be a good deal of almost-open whispering that that might not be a fate worse than death — that there'd be alliances to come with the likes of Mangope and Buthelezi, and a livable confederation at the end.

And that's certain is that — disregarding the wildmen — there are plenty of sober figures whose faith in the course of State is shaky.

They could jump in pretty well any direction, but to jump into heavyweight unconstititional resistance could be much more difficult than cocktail conversation often takes it to be.
Police round up right-wingers after blasts

PRETORIA — Police yesterday arrested four right-wingers in connection with the spate of blasts at Transvaal schools and post offices, bringing the number of those held in connection with the blasts to seven.

The Mine Workers' Union said official Andries Kriel was one of those arrested.

A police spokesman said last night the arrests were in connection with the blasts at Melkriver school, west of Potgietersrus, three other explosions at schools in the eastern and western Transvaal and two blasts at post offices.

Police also arrested six AWB members in connection with the destruction of a R10,000 bust of AWB leader Eugene Terre-

Blanche at the SA National Gallery in Cape Town yesterday. (344)

The sculpture, "EET and his two side-kicks" by Johannesburg artist Giel Neke, a former Five Freedoms Forum spokesman, was smashed with hammers. A gallery source said the vandals had warned they would bomb the gallery if similar work was displayed.

Police said the five men and a woman, four dressed in AWB uniform, were due to appear in court yesterday on charges of malicious damage to property.
‘Marked growth’ in Natal rightist groups

DURBAN. — Political instability, crime and violence have led to a marked growth in the membership and activities of far right-wing organisations in Natal.

This is the conclusion reached by political analysts, police and right-wing activists.

The right-wing has attracted its largest membership in Durban and Maritzburg, as well as the Utrecht, Richmond, Ladysmith and Estcourt areas.

Natal communities who have been brutalised by rampant crime and political violence are joining the traditional right-wing constituencies of hardline Afrikaners and people who moved to South Africa during conflicts in other African states.

According to police, some city-dwelling right-wingers travel to farms in outlying areas to undergo military training. Most military-type activity takes place in Northern Natal.

In Durban regular semi-secret house meetings take place where political ideology, theology and other issues are discussed by activists.

The recent emergence of the rightist-supporting Afrikaner Protestant Kerk has drawn considerable support from communities throughout the country.

In Durban the breakaway church is said to have a sizable congregation. Activists say the strength of their organisations is inhibited by fear among supporters that they will be ostracised if they are known to be members of the groups.
‘ET’ smashed in city gallery

AWB men in court

When the AWB members got to the display, they labelled the work "a monstrosity" and two of the men pulled out hammers and started smashing the busts.

The men then left the recently revamped museum but were arrested outside the building by police. Two others were arrested nearby as they tried to walk away. Ms Martin said the men had told her the busts were "monstrous images of the AWB."

"One of the men even threatened to blow up the museum if it in future featured unfavourable art images of its members," she said.

Artist Ms Neke said it was obvious that her work had struck "a raw nerve" in AWB circles.

"The brutality and ugliness that the sculptures represented was clearly recognisable to the AWB."

SIX AWB members yesterday smashed a bust of Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche at the South African National Gallery and said afterwards they had done it to "defend their leader's honour."

During the attack the AWB also threatened to blow up the gallery if it again displayed such sculptures. The three sculptures — entitled "Eugene Terre'Blanche and his Two Sideskies" by Johannesburg artist Gaele Ncube — were smashed with hammers and then bumped on.

The six AWB members were arrested soon afterwards at the gallery where the bust also carried Mr Terre'Blanche's widely-published telephone plea to columnist Paul Hoge. The impassioned plea, made in 1962, was stuck on the base of a sculpture. The quote read: "Don't do it to me, machete. Please don't do it. OK. Please don't do it to me. I know where I am, please don't do it to me."

Report by DANIEL SIMON and BRONKYN DAVIES

They are due to appear in the Cape Town Magistrate's Court today in connection with malicious damage to property and intimidation.

Police are also investigating an alternative charge of tampering with the Explosives Act. They were released from Caledon Square after being arrested from bystanders, Mr Jacobson, Mr van Vuuren, Mr Myburgh, and Mr van Vuuren, gave statements which they said they had done it when they were released from Caledon Square."

Pieces... The once 70cm high phallic-shaped bust of AWB-leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche lies in pieces at the South African National Gallery after it was smashed by AWB members armed with hammers. INSET: One of the trio of sculptures — entitled "Eugene Terre'Blanche and his Two Sideskies" — by Johannesburg artist Gaele Ncube. Images: Courtesy of the South African National Gallery.
Blasts: four more rightwingers held

Police investigating the recent spate of bomb blasts in the Transvaal detained a further four rightwingers in the Pretoria area early yesterday.

This follows the arrests of three men — including two alleged members of the Boerekommando — last week in connection with a blast at a desegregated school in Potgietersrus on January 2.

Confirming the latest arrests, SAP spokesman Captain Burger van Rooyen said the detainees — all men — were being held in terms of section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Captain van Rooyen refused to disclose the detainees’ political affiliations or confirm allegations by right-wing spokesmen that one of the men was an official of the white Mine-workers Union (MWU).

However, he referred The Star to a statement last week by the Commissioner of Police, General Johan van der Merwe, on last week’s arrests.

In the statement, the general said further arrests could be expected shortly.

Since last month, 14 explosions have rocked desegregated schools, magistrate’s courts and post offices in Transvaal, causing several million rands of damage.

Top police sources have conceded that the attacks may have been linked.

Yesterday AWB secretary-general Piet Rudolph said one of the men arrested earlier in the day was an official of the MWU.

Mr Rudolph quoted a relative of the man as saying she had been told by arresting officers that “terror” charges were being investigated against the man.

An AWB official said the arrested man and another person “who may have been arrested” had been taken to Nylstroom in northern Transvaal.

The MWU later reacted to the alleged arrest of its member, saying it was deplorable that an “honourable Afrikaner” could be branded a terrorist in his own country.
Six AWB members in court

SIX Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging members appeared briefly in the Cape Town Magistrate's Court today in connection with charges of malicious damage to property, intimidation and making a bomb threat.

They are Mr Steph Jacobson and Mrs Dina Jacobson of Fish Hoek, Mr Pieter van Helsdingen, Mr Frederik van Vuuren of Melkbosstrand, Mr Johan Myburgh of Vredehoek and a 17-year-old youth.

Dressed in AWB uniforms, their appearance in court follows an incident in which a ceramic bust of their leader, Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, was smashed at the SA National Gallery.

The case was postponed to February 5 for plea.
"We'd do it again..."

Bust of leader Eugene Terre’Blanche smashed in the SA National Gallery

DON HOLLIDAY and STEWART ALCOCK
Staff Reporters

SIX Afrikaner Weerstands beweging members who smashed a ceramic bust of their leader, Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche, at the SA National Gallery have vowed to do it again if another such work is displayed.

AWB chief commandant Mr Steph Jacobson, 45, his wife, Mrs Dina Jacobson, 46, a 17-year-old youth, Mr Frik van Vuuren, 36, Mr Johan Myburgh, 25, and Mr Pieter van Helsdingen, 30, were released on R200 bail after the incident yesterday and warned to appear in court today.

Mr Jacobson held a Press conference outside the Caledon Square police station after being granted bail.

He said a member of the public had telephoned him on Tuesday to tell him an artwork that belittled his "honourable" leader, Mr Terre’Blanche, was on display in the gallery.

He said he checked whether this was true and called his men that night for a meeting.

About 10.15 am yesterday, they walked into the gallery in Government Avenue and demolished the work.

"We did it because the honour of our leader, Eugene Terre’Blanche, was at stake."

"It also raised the sordid Jani Allan business."

"We will do it again if another such work is displayed."

He said the AWB would use anything at its disposal to achieve its ends, including explosives.

The shattered remains of Johannesburg artist Gael Neke’s R10 000 artwork, entitled 'Eugene Terre’Blanche And His Two Sidekicks' were shown to the Press.

They were ceramic life-size heads inside three ceramic boxes. Slogans, such as "Blood River Forever" and "Eugene’s Boy — Treurnicht’s Tougheie", were written on the heads and the boxes.

Also inscribed was an apparent transcript of a message left on former newspaper gossip columnist Jani Allan’s telephone answering machine by Mr Terre’Blanche.

It read in part: "Don’t do it to me, muchacho. Please speak to me."

"God, God, Call me, Jani. Call me back. I’m dying."

"You know where I am."

"Please call me back, Oh Darlinkie, it’s me, I’m at my office."

"Please phone me. It’s, God it’s ten past seven."

"Bye, OK. OK. I’m waiting for your call, OK?"

Gallery director Ms Marilyn Martin said she was "shocked" at the destruction of the busts.

She said two of the six AWB members, who were not dressed in the khaki uniforms like the others, entered the gallery to establish where the fm-high statues were, before calling the four who were in uniform and carrying hammers.

"Our guardsmen knew there was something up as the men who came in first walked straight to the busts and made no attempt to browse around like normal visitors. After they had seen the busts they left immediately."

"They returned with the people in the khaki uniforms, who brazenly walked in and smashed and trampled the busts to pieces. They then calmly walked out," she said.

Ms Martin called the police on duty at nearby Tuynhuys, who arrested the attackers as they left the building.

OFFENDING BUST: The sculpture of Eugene Terre’Blanche which offended AWB members.

STRIKE FORCE: Afrikaner Weerstands beweging chief commandant Mr Steph Jacobson, centre, explains why he and other AWB members smashed the artwork at the SA National Gallery. With him are, from left, Mr Frik van Vuuren, Mr Johan Myburgh and Mr Pieter van Helsdingen.

SHATTERED ARTWORK: Detective Sergeant Johan Smith holds the remains of the bust of AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche which was destroyed yesterday.
AWB 6 held for busting ceramic ET

Staff Reporter and Own Correspondent

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Chief Commandant Stephen Jacobson (45), his wife Dina Jacobson (40), a 17-year-old boy, Frik van Vuuren (36), Johan Myburgh (26) and Pieter van Helsdingen (30) were released on R200 bail without appearing in court, but were warned to appear today.

Mr. Jacobson, addressing a press conference outside the Caledon Square police station after being granted bail yesterday afternoon, said a member of the public had telephoned him on Tuesday to inform him that an artwork which belittled his “honourable” leader, Mr. TerreBlanche, was on display in the gallery.

After checking whether this was true, he called his men to a meeting that evening.

At about 10.15 am yesterday, they walked into the gallery on Government Avenue and destroyed the work.

Mr. Jacobson explained: “We did it because the honour of our leader, Eugene TerreBlanche, was at stake.”

He warned that the AWB would use anything at its disposal, including explosives, to achieve its ends.

The shattered remains of Johannesburg artist Gaal Neke’s R10 000 artwork, entitled “Eugene TerreBlanche and His Two Henchmen,” were shown to journalists.

In what she described as a growing widespread intolerance” in the country, Ms. Neke has condemned yesterday’s destruction of her work.

Slogans such as “Blood River forever” and “Eugene’s boy — Treurnicht’s toughie” were written on the remains of the work.
Police warn right on Pik meeting

Police have warned rightwingers planning to disrupt tonight’s by-election meeting in Potchefstroom town hall that they will be out in full force to protect those attending and to prevent lawlessness.

The meeting will be addressed by Foreign Affairs Minister Pik Botha and NP candidate Theuns Kruger.

Police headquarters spokesman Captain Nina Barkhuizen warned the rightwingers not to venture near the hall.

The warning comes after unsigned pamphlets, inciting rightwingers to swarm into the town hall, engage in violence and prevent the meeting taking place, were distributed in the town.

The pamphlets said the rightwingers should not be “led into a trap by Satan”, referring to the bloody incident last year when the AWB tried to storm a meeting addressed by President de Klerk.

“Calling Mr Botha a “demon” and the National Party “Satan”, the pamphlets urged rightwingers to “render the work of Satan harmless”. — Political Staff.

Man killed in shop shoot-out
Cops nab suspect bombers

A POLICE crackdown on rightwingers following a recent spate of bombings resulted in eight arrests by yesterday, police confirmed.

In addition to the initial arrests of Boer Commando leader Mr. Gawie Volachenk, Mr. Carel van der Merwe and Mr. Gerhard Roux, four more people were arrested.

They were named as Mr. Petrus Jodeel, Mr. Dirk Hattingh, Mr. Andre Odenaal and Mr. Andre Kriel.

Those arrested have been linked to the Eastern Transvaal Boer Commando and the white Mine Workers' Union.

The men are being held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. - Sapa
AWB men smash sculpture of ET

By TONY KARON

ARMED art-criticism came to the South African National Gallery in Cape Town this week, in the form of a posse of uniformed Afrikaner Weerstandsbeveging members armed with two hammers.

Led by Western Cape AWB leader Steph Jacobsen, the khaki-clad critics attacked a ceramic sculpture by Gail Neke, entitled *Eugene TerreBlanche and Two Sidekicks*.

Before the gallery’s security staff could intervene, Neke’s sculpture lay in shards. Bát, having been alerted by gallery director Marilyn Martin, police on duty at the neighbouring Tuynhuis arrested the AWB group as they tried to leave the building.

Jacobsen and five others are to face charges of malicious damage to property. They were each released on R200 bail.

“The leader of the group told me the reason for the attack was that it was a ‘hideous image of the leader of the AWB.’” Martin said.
Bust-smashing case divides court

Artist fears for other work

JOHANNESBURG. — Artist Miss Gael Neke, whose sculpture of Eugene Terre'Blanche was smashed by six AWB members, yesterday said she feared a similar sculpture of mass-murderer Bar- end Strydom would suffer the same fate.

Miss Neke, a former spokesman for the Five Freedoms Forum, said the sculpture of Strydom, imprisoned for the 1986 murder of eight black people in Pretoria, was touring the country as part of an exhibition.

The destruction of the Terre'Blanche sculpture had left her “upset and angry at the intolerance of people”.

The court yesterday unaware that to the right of the gallery partition — previously used to segregate whites and blacks — were the six AWB accused and about a dozen of their khaki-clad supporters. Most backtracked — opting to shuffle into the packed left side of the gallery.

The case was postponed to the Cape Town Regional Court for plea on February 5.
Right-wing groups meet

PRETORIA. — A meeting of more than 20 right-wing and sympathetic organisations was held here yesterday to discuss "the serious conditions in the country" and "the growing opposition to Codeda". Those who attended the meeting included representatives from the CP, HNP, AWB, Boerkommando, various trade unions, the Civic Action League and SA First, Campaign. — Sapa.
Four more right-wing men held

Own Correspondent

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Mr. Van Zinderen said yesterday that Boerekommando deputy leader Mr. Wieland Steinberg was arrested with two Boerekommando members on Wednesday night. Police denied any knowledge of the arrests.

A police spokesman said the arrests could represent a significant breakthrough for the police. Last week it was reported that the decentralised nature of extreme right-wing groups would make it difficult to track down underground cells.

Sapa reports that the man arrested in Nelspruit was a 30-year-old well-known in right-wing circles. He was detained for interrogation after an explosive device was found at a multi-racial church school in Nelspruit.

The office of the regional commissioner of police confirmed the detention.

Information about the explosive device found at the Cavalry Christian Church School was received at about 3am yesterday.

The device contained 20kg of explosives and was defused by the police.

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Mine slams actress’s visit

RICHARDS Bay Minerals (RBM) has condemned the arrival in SA of US actress and environmentalist Margaux Hemingway, who plans to make a documentary on the proposed Lake St Lucia mining scheme, as "a cheap publicity stunt".

RBM spokesman Norman Clements said yesterday Hemingway’s trip was "a ploy which can have no possible benefit to the cause of conservation in SA".

Hemingway, granddaughter of novelist Ernest Hemingway and a former top model, arrived in SA earlier this week with Hollywood environmental lobbyist Cherri Briggs. She is here at the invitation of conservationist Ian Player, a vociferous opponent of RBM’s proposals to mine the conservation area.

The proposals have run into a storm of protest from renowned SA figures including Player, Sir Laurens van der post and Gary Player.

An environmental impact assessment is being conducted on the proposals, with leading UCT academics participating.

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Rightwinger paid to kill renegade guerilla – paper

ANC-AWB in ‘hit’ link

Political Staff

Two African National Congress intelligence officers paid a signed-up member of the Afrikander Weerstands beweging R10 000 to eliminate an ‘turned’ ANC guerilla, it is alleged.

These allegations plus a full expose appear in Vrye Weekblad today.

The newspaper alleges that although the “contract” on Glory “September” Sibebe was never carried out, the AWB member was taken into custody a week ago and may be charged with conspiracy to commit murder.

The two ANC agents, identified only by their Umkhonto we Sizwe names, “Ricky” and “Maq”, have apparently elicited the police. September – an Askari or guerrilla-turned-policeman – has also disappeared.

It is claimed that he re-signed from the SAP about a year ago and recently questioned to repair the ANC.

According to Vrye Weekblad, its reporter Jacques Pauw facilitated the initial contact between the ANC and the AWB man. In October, the latter had told the paper he had concluded arms deals on behalf of various right-wing groups.

The AWB man was prepared to make evidence of this available if he was given an escape route from the country.

After being contacted by Vrye Weekblad, a senior member of the ANC undertook to help the man leave the country if he revealed the arms deals.

It reports: “On the same day that he [the AWB man] approved the project, (the AWB man) met Ricky and Maq in room 3517 of the Johannesburg Sun hotel. The arms deal followed, but instead of gathering information about the rightists’ arms story, the two ANC intelligence officers began to supply (the AWB man) with cash and to give him other instructions.

As early as the middle of October (the AWB man) told a Vrye Weekblad reporter that he had been asked to kill September.”

Vrye Weekblad obtained a tape recording of Ricky telling the AWB man that the ANC had paid him R10 000 to assassinate September. The tape was said to be in the hands of the police.

According to Vrye Weekblad, a senior ANC intelligence officer had paid the AWB man R12 000 to conduct the arms investigation.

The senior ANC intelligence officer was later informed by the newspaper that there was a possibility his men were changing the AWB man’s “bribe” and that an assassination attempt might be being planned.

Vrye Weekblad reports speculation that during his highly successful period in the SAP, September might have got to know the identities of people agents still operating within the ANC.

The newspaper states that “it is unknown at this stage where the two intelligence officers got the money to pay the AWB man. But we understand that this money did not come from ANC intelligence funds.”

Vrye Weekblad also claims the AWB man supplied dramatic details last year of weapons “buying trips” he undertook in Mozambique for senior members of the Conservative Party, the AWB and other right-wing groups.

The man, who says he was once a member of the SADF, alleged he purchased “Russian weapons” via Renamo and brought them back into South Africa.

The Conservative Party has denied the allegations.

The police have confirmed they are investigating the man’s “guns-for-the-right” allegations but said no positive evidence had been discovered.
Clouded classrooms!

But a tough stand awaits rightwingers

FRANS ESTERHUYSE
Weekend Argus
Political Correspondent

CAPE schools reopen next week under a cloud of rightwing threats to disrupt activities at schools now open to children of all races.

Early indications are that the government will take a tough stand against any moves aimed at disrupting school activities or intimidating parents and children.

The main target of rightwing reaction to the government’s policy for opening schools to all races appears to be mixed sporting and cultural activities.

But school authorities and politicians do not expect the rightwing threats to lead to any trouble, following a relatively calm and peaceful reopening of Transvaal schools earlier this month.

A clear warning against any disruptive moves at “open” schools has come from Education and Culture Minister Mr Piet Marais. He said no government schools would be allowed to discriminate against pupils of all races.

The minister’s statement has been condemned by the Conservative Party as “dictatorial” and as a move to strip the power of parent communities and school management councils to take their own decisions about activities at their schools.

CP education spokesman Mr Andrew Gerber told Weekend Argus this week he was being inundated with telephone calls from angry and frustrated parents in the Cape and the Transvaal who were objecting to the opening of schools to all.

Some of the complaints were that parents had been led to believe only a few children of colour would be admitted to Model B schools, and were now shocked to see large numbers attending.

In Pretoria, he said, taxis were being used to take many black township children to schools in white areas.

While stopping short of threatening active disruption of racial school sports meetings, Mr Gerber said the “overwhelming” majority of parents would refuse to allow their children to take part in such activities.

Questioned about the CP’s position amid rightwing rumblings of threatened protest action, Mr Gerber said it was not the CP’s task to tell parents what to do.

Each community had to take whatever action it believed was correct.

“There will be resistance from parents. I know of many who are angry and dissatisfied. The government has no mandate to do what it is doing.”

Mr Gerber said the CP regarded any sport or cultural activities involving schoolchildren as an extension of the education programme in the classroom.

In his statement, Mr Marais said his department did not accept any responsibility for sports or cultural activities that conflicted with its policy of non-discrimination.

School principals and teachers, acting in their official capacity, were not allowed to discriminate.

Democratic Party education spokesman Mr Roger Burrows said the DP believed “very strongly” that non-discrimination should be a policy in all sport, cultural and educational activities.

“Obviously a state employee cannot be allowed to practise a discriminatory policy. Therefore, if parents choose to create racial sports leagues and forbid their children to play mixed schools, then no teacher paid by the state should be permitted to become involved in such activities.”
New Year race violence mars Cape Infanta party

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THE quiet holiday town of Cape Infanta has been rocked by racial violence in which a coloured man had a glass smashed in his face and a white man was stabbed in the neck, nearly dying from blood loss.

The incident occurred at a New Year's Eve party on the beachfront where people with rifles, bottles and hosepipes threatened others on the town's formerly whites-only beach.

One angry holidaymaker who said she did not wish to be named, saw a group of between 12 and 20 armed white men rush on the beachfront dance floor when a white man was stabbed after smashing a glass into a coloured man's face.

The woman, at Cape Infanta for six days, said she believes the whites deliberately provoked the stabbing so they could bring out their arms.

She claimed that when she and her group arrived about 11.30pm the whites were "acting very aggressively" towards the coloured and pushing them off the dance floor.

Apparently, after the stabbing, they all switched on their headlights, illuminating the area, and it appeared as if they had parked that way deliberately.

"We did not stay to see what happened. It was violent, unnecessary and most unpleasant."

A Cape Town-based medical specialist who attended to the injured coloured man said he had apparently been stabbed while trying to stop the white intimidation.

"To smash a glass into someone's face is a vicious psychopathic act," he said.
ET go home, says magistrate

THE Afrikaner Wersstanbende (AWB) leader, Eugene Terre'Blanche, spent the better part of his trial for assault and malicious damage to property this week sitting next to his lawyer instead of in the dock.

His acquittal around midnight on Friday was greeted with mixed feelings by spectators in the small Ventersdorp Magistrate's Court.

Terre'Blanche sat about a metre away from the witness box, staring into the faces of the witnesses who looked away from him in apparent fear as they testified against him.

Interpreter Mongi Huma had to repeatedly tell the witnesses to look in the direction of the magistrate.

Magistrate CM Erasmus told Terre'Blanche that his legal representatives, F. van Vuuren, a Conservatoir Party (CP) MP for Ventersdorp, had made a special application for his client to sit next to him for purposes of further consultation during the trial. The State did not object.

A handful of Terre'Blanche's local supporters, including his wife, clipped, while about the same number of blacks displayed anger after Erasmus acquitted the rightwing leader on seven counts of assault and one of malicious damage to property.

The alleged assault victims included a 14-year-old boy and a 70-year-old man.

When City Press informed Terre'Blanche that William Masiiya, the 70-year-old complainant, had been acquitted, he said he was shocked.

Masiiya said after the court that he was disappointed and feared he would have no more protection against further harassment.

Terre'Blanche, who described his appearance in his hometown magistrate court as a humiliation, was facing charges relating to an incident on March 9 last year at a Klerksdorp hotel.

He was alleged to have assaulted William Masiiya, 71; Albert Masiiya, 14; Evelyn Masiiya, 25; Louis Karing, 25; Louis Karing, 25; Louis Karing, 25; Louis Karing, 25; Louis Karing, 25.

He was also acquitted of having broken Masiiya's furniture and crockery, causing damage estimated at R270.

Terre'Blanche was acquitted on larceny ground, the magistrate said not one of the four State witnesses - William, Albert and Evelyn Masiiya and Louis Karing - had impressed him.

The magistrate said the witnesses contradicted themselves and William and Albert Masiiya had exaggerated their version of the occurrences of that day.

Earlier, prosecutor J. van Vuuren had argued that van Vuuren had misled State witnesses.

He argued that Terre'Blanche said he had advice his lawyer on every question he asked, but when confronted with his earlier statement, shifted his response before the lawyer said he did not ask him to state as fact some of the assumptions.

The magistrate said the court that 14 of his sheep, including his adopted daughter's pet sheep, were chops and biscuits with her, had been stolen and sent to Johannesburg as meat.

Terre'Blanche told the court he had information that Masiiya was theMr, who was behind the thefts in the area, which was why he visited Masiiya's home.

Terre'Blanche, who wore a grey suit for the two days of his trial, denied assaulting any of the complainants or causing damage to property.

There was a heated exchange of words between Terre'Blanche and prosecutor Van Tender, who had said it was his duty to discredit the right-wing leader.

Terre'Blanche said it was tragic that a man of Van Tender's calibre, who knew his culture, could label him a liar.

The magistrate had to intervene as the cross-examination turned into a heated argument between Terre'Blanche shouting locally and waving his hands in the air.

When he was asked by Van Tender about his mood when he went to Masiiya's residence, Terre'Blanche confirmed he was angry but said he had no intention of harming anyone.

He said that as a farmer, a warrant officer in the police, with no bad record and estranged with the safety of the life of the country's Prime Minister (John Vorster) after a letter, he knew his rights as a citizen but had wanted to carry out an arrest, but decided to do so when Masiiya became aggressive.

Terre'Blanche said he later received cooperation from Karong regarding livestock theft.

MASHIYA ... Disappointed with the outcome of the case after AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche was cleared of seven counts of assault and one of malicious damage to property.
Police hunt two for race murder

POLICE are hunting for two Afrikaans-speaking white men wanted for allegedly shooting a black farmworker and assaulting his brother.

And this week farm labourers in the vicinity of Koster, in the western Transvaal, where the attack took place on December 23, said shots had been fired at blacks walking along the road by two men in a white Volkswagen Golf identical to the one driven by the dead man's alleged assailants.

Police spokesman Lieutenant-Colonel Ben van Heerden yesterday confirmed that Solomon Molefe, 40, died after he was shot through the lower jaw with an unidentified gun at about 11pm on December 23.

His younger brother, Gert, suffered multiple head injuries when he was allegedly beaten by the white men before managing to escape.

The attack followed a spate of alleged right-wing attacks on blacks in the western Transvaal towns of Koster, Rustenburg, Lichtenburg and Klerksdorp.
ELEVEN rightwingers have been arrested in connection with the recent spate of bomb blasts in the country.

The men are being held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act, which was revised last year after pressure from the ANC and the international community.

At least three of the men are being held for "the supply of explosives".
Minister names 11 held in connection with bomb blasts

water on January 2.

P J Robinson (linked to the Boerekommando), held in connection with the supply of explosives.

R S Kriel, A C Odendaal, P J Judeel and D J Hartling, all linked to the AWB, held in connection with blasts at Cosatu House in Pretoria on December 19 and at Lyttelton and Krugersdorp post offices on January 2. Mr Kriel is also being held in connection with the blast at Hillview High School in Pretoria on July 21.

F Nel, Nelspruit leader of the AWB's Wenkommando, held in connection with the planting of a bomb at the Calvary Christian School in Nelspruit on Thursday.

M de Wall and M Steynburg (both linked to the Boerekommando), held over the supply of explosives.

Unless right-wing leaders stopped saying they understood why rightists were resorting to sabotage and came out firmly against it, there would be an escalation of right-wing terrorism, said Mr Kriel.

Lieutenant-General Basil Smit, head of the SAP's crime combating and investigation division, noted that of the 23 acts of right-wing terror in 1990, 20 had been solved.

Right-wing leaders Eugene TerreBlanche and Robert van Tonder last night scoffed at the idea that they should help the Government to stop right-wing bombings. They denied any responsibility for the bombings and placed the blame firmly on the Government.

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11 bomb suspects are named

By Peter Fabrics
Political Correspondent

SALDANHA — In the fight against bomb blasts, police have arrested 11 right-wingers this year — and are expected to pull in more.

But Law and Order Minister Herman Kriel has conceded he is "disturbed" by some right-wing saboteurs who operate in small cells of two or three people, independent of any organisation.

This made them difficult to trace, he said.

However, he dismissed the right-wing sabotage campaign as "amateurish".

At a weekend press briefing Mr Kriel released the names of the 11 rightwingers arrested since January 6.

The 11 being held under section 29 of the Internal Security Act are:

G P D Roux (no known links with any organisation), CWA van der Merwe and Gawie Volshen (both linked to the Boerekommando, the latter its leader) who are being held in connection with the bomb blast at Melkrivier Primary School in Vaal-
THE 300 black families of Tshepong, at Verkeersdevlei in the Free State, are living in fear of their lives following threats from the neighbouring white community.

On January 10 the white community of Verkeersdevlei met in their town hall to plan an attack, according to the chairman of the Tshepong ANC branch, Mr Neo Banyana.

The threats follow the harassment and killing of white farmers in the area since December last year.

About six black families have fled to relatives in neighbouring towns.

Tension started to build up after the December killing of farmer Mr Bennie Engelbrecht, his wife, daughter and two grandchildren by a man who claimed he was "killing apartheid''.

Engelbrecht was known among blacks who described him as a "white Sotho'' for his kindness and association with the black community.

Two weeks after his death, another farmer was attacked but a suspect was allegedly killed by the white community before the police arrived on the scene.

Banyana said the Tshepong black community had been warned that it would be attacked at any time.

"We now fear for our lives. What worries us is that we are not responsible for what is happening. "We do not even know the man who was shown on television pro-

claiming that he killed Engelbrecht because he was killing apartheid.

"Here in Tshepong we know each other very well and I want to state that we are not responsible for what is happening to the white com-

munity."

"What angers us most is that we are being subjected to bad treat-
ment and assaults whenever we go to town."

Free State police spokesman Captain J van der Merwe said resi-

dents of Tshepong need not fear anything.

She said police were doing their utmost to restore the good relation-

ship between the two communities.

"Free State regional commis-

sioner of police, Major-General Tertius Calitz, will be addressing both communities tomorrow in an attempt to solve the problem,'' she said.
A Dorpje in Turmoil

The streets are alive with tension. People are walking around, some in groups, others alone, carrying groceries or just going about their day. The air is thick with the scent of fresh bread and flowers.

On the corner, a group of people is gathered. They are standing on the sidewalk, talking in low voices. The men are dressed in dark suits, the women in bright dresses. A police car is parked nearby, its lights flashing gently.

Inside the shops, the noise of chatter fills the air. People are busy with their transactions, but their eyes are alert. The shopkeepers keep a watchful eye on the street, ready to react if any trouble arises.

The day passes slowly, but the tension remains. People watch from their windows, eyes fixed on the street below. The air is charged with potential, ready to explode into action at any moment.

In the backyard of the old church, a small group of children is playing together. They are unaware of the tension that surrounds them, their laughter bubbling up from the garden.

As the day comes to a close, the streets begin to empty. The shops close their doors, and the people begin to return home. The day has been long, and the tension is palpable.

And so, as the dusk settles over the town, the people of this Dorpje in Turmoil prepare for the night. The night will bring its own challenges, but they will face it together, as they have always done.
Bomb attacks: 11 right-wingers held

SALDANHA. — Eleven right-wingers — including five AWB members — are being held by police in a major breakthrough for investigators probing attacks on schools and other targets.

Law and Order Minister Mr Hernus Kriel announced the arrests at a police media briefing here at the weekend and said more arrests could be expected soon.

The arrested men, all members of either the AWB or the Boerekommando, are being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

The AWB men were named by the minister as Messrs P Nel, R S Kriel, A C Odendaal, P G Judeel and J B Hattingh.

Mr Nel is being held in connection with the bombing of the Anglican High School in Nelspruit and the other four are suspected of being involved in explosions at Cosatu House in Pretoria, the Lyttelton post office in Verwoerdburg and the Krugersdorp post office.

Mr Kriel was also arrested in connection with the blast at Hillview School in Pretoria last year.

Three Boerekommando members, Mr R K Robinson, Mr M de Waal and Mr M Steynberg, were detained in connection with the provision of explosives.

The other three Boerekommando members — Messrs G P D Roux, C W A van der Merwe and C G Volschenk — are being held as part of the investigation into the bombing of the Meikriwier Primary School.
Right-wingers held now total 11

SALDANHA BAY — Police have now detained 11 right-wingers in the Transvaal in connection with the recent spate of explosions.

Police also released figures yesterday showing that unrest incidents had dropped to half of the number for 1980.

Giving details of the detentions at a media briefing at the weekend, Law and Order Minister Herus Kriel said further detentions were expected in the next week.

The suspects are being held in terms of Section 39 of the Internal Security act.

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Five of the detained men are believed to be affiliated to the AWB and five to the Boere Kommando, while one is believed to have no political affiliations.

G P D Roux (unaffiliated), C W A van der Merwe (Boere Kommando) and C G Volkschenk (Boere Kommando) were detained in connection with an explosion at Melk River Laerskool on January 2.

R K Robinson, M de Waal and M Steinburg were detained for the alleged supplying of explosives.

Four suspected AWB members — A S Kriel, A C Odendaal, T J Judeel and D J Hattingh — were held in connection with the explosion at Coata House in Pretoria on December 18, the Post Office in Verwoerdburg on January 2 and the explosion at the Krugersdorp Post Office on the same day.

Kriel was also held in connection with an explosion on July 21 1991 at the Hillview Primary School, Pretoria, which was to be used to house the children of returning ANC exiles.

Suspected AWB member P Nel was held in connection with a bomb placed at the Afrikaans Church School in Nelspruit on January 15.

Kriel said unless right-wing leaders stopped offering explanations for the blasts and came out against them, there would be an escalation of such acts.

Kriel also announced a reward of R100 000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of people who had murdered or assaulted policemen. He said in 1991, 135 policemen were murdered.

He said 164 suspects had been arrested and appeared in court.
ET acquitted of assaults on farm

By Peter Davies, Star 20/1/92

AWB leader Eugene Terre-Blanche was acquitted of eight counts of assault and malicious damage to property after an extended session in the Ventersdorp Magistrates' Court that continued late into Friday evening.

The right-wing leader was accused of assaulting William Mashiya (71), his grandson Albert (14) and Louis Korong on a farm outside Ventersdorp on March 1 last year.

Mr Terre-Blanche had gone to the farm to make inquiries regarding 14 sheep (including his adopted daughter's prize lamb) that he said had been stolen from his land. He said he "was exercising his rights" and had gone to make a citizen's arrest after receiving information that Mr Mashiya knew the whereabouts of the stray sheep.

He denied hitting and kicking Mr Mashiya or knocking Albert Mashiya on the head with a plastic bath or kneeling Mr Korong "in the private parts" in order to obtain information.

Mr Terre-Blanche also said that any damage to the farmhouse was caused by tenants taking flight in panic upon his arrival, and not due to willful destruction on his part.
AWB ‘to chuck squatters out’

“EITHER the Zevenfontein squatters go, or we go. And I ain’t movin’,” said an angry Midrand resident yester-
day after he initiated police barricades to be set up to stop more squatters from settling there.

The resident, an organiser of the Chartwell North Action Group, said the Afrikaner Weerstands-
beweging might be called in to remove the 650 families if they did not leave, “and that is not even the biggest card up our sleeve”.

The man did not want his name published because he was “too close to the squatter camp for comfort”.

He said many people in the area of Chartwell, Broadacres, Fourways and Kyalami had joined the Conservative Party. He said they were in touch with the party on a daily basis.

On Monday they distributed pamphlets in the area warning squatters they had settled there illegally and that they would have to go.

No time limit was set, but the organiser said he wanted them out “right now if possible”.

He would not elaborate.

Yesterday, infuriated Zevenfontein residents who had left for work in vehicles were stopped over a kilometre from the camp by barricades made of piled-up earth, guarded by policemen recruited by the action group.

The organiser said no vehicles would be allowed in, in case they were carrying building materials.

Only emergency vehicles and those carrying elderly people would be allowed in.

Others would have to park and walk, said the organiser.

On Monday the action group stopped a water tanker from Randburg going into the squatter camp, but said they allowed it through yesterday.

Transvaal Provincial Administration director of liaison services Mr Piet Wilken said the TPA last week ordered police to make sure no more shacks were erected.

“People have to understand the homeless must be settled somewhere,” Wilken said. “We are doing our utmost to put them in suitable places.”

A final decision on where to move the Zevenfontein squatters would be taken by the TPA’s executive committee by the end of this week, Wilken said.

Mrs Winnie Mandela and Coretta Scott King, widow of the slain civil rights activist, Martin Luther King Jr salute wellwishers during the march to commemorate his birthday.
We have proof that police fired first shot at Ventersdorp

The Afrikaner Weerstandsbevordering (AWB) has released photographs which it says prove the police were the first to open fire on people attending last year's National Party meeting in Ventersdorp - addressed by President de Klerk.

The pictures, taken from a videotape in the AWB's possession, show three men - two dressed in blue - sitting on the roof of the Ventersdorp Hotel. One is holding what the organisation claims is an automatic firearm.

One of the pictures, released to the media at an AWB press conference in Pretoria yesterday, shows a flash on the hotel roof - which, according to the AWB, was the first shot fired on the crowd below.

Violence broke out between rightwingers and police in Ventersdorp on August 9 when rightwingers arrived in droves to attend the NP meeting.

AWB leader Eugene Terreblanche said the videotaped evidence would be presented to the Goldstone Commission of Inquiry into Public Violence and Intimidation. It would be shown to the media in Ventersdorp on February 1.

"This is proof of the fact that the police are being misused as a private army for the National Party," Mr Terreblanche said.

Ministry of Law and Order spokesman Captain Craig Koste said the events of Ventersdorp had been gone through and over again.

"But if there is any suggestion of police wrongdoing, evidence should be brought forward so that proper investigations can be undertaken."

- AWB general secretary Piet Rudolph said by a plainclothes security police called "TJ" who had conducted the arrest under false pretences.

According to Martien Judeel, the policeman had arrived at their Pretoria home at about 10 pm and told her husband he was an emissary of Mr Rudolph. He had told Mr Judeel Mr Rudolph wished to see him.

Mr Judeel had then disappeared with the man and never returned, but had later "snagged out" a letter to his wife from his police cell.

The alleged letter stated that Mr Judeel had been abducted, blindfolded and hit on the head before being taken to offices of the security police.

"I have laid a complaint of kidnapping with the police," Mr Rudolph said.

- Reacting to Law and Order Minister Herman Kriel's appeal to right-wing leaders to restrain their followers from committing deeds of terror, Mr Terreblanche said: "No people with self-respect would allow themselves to be intimidated if their security and right to self-determination are being given away over a conference table."

Addressing the question of Danie Odendaal, an AWB member who had allegedly been paid by the ANC to murder an ANC detector, Mr Terreblanche said.

Mr Odendaal had become an AWB member through a formal application, but had been refused commando membership because of unanswered questions on his application form.

Sapa reports that Boer leader Robert van Tonder yesterday said the Government's reform programme was a terminal threat to the existence of the Boers, and a lengthy freedom struggle would be the only way out for white rightwingers.

- The Government should allow AWB members to attend President de Klerk's meeting with a chief from a chief's meeting if it wanted a peaceful meeting, Mr Terreblanche warned.

[Image: an AWB photograph which allegedly shows the flash of a police automatic weapon being fired.]
THE top police brass are concerned that the scores of radical far-right-wing groups could evolve into a terrorist threat at least as formidable as the Irish Republican Army.

What makes South Africa's emerging brand of right-wing terror merchants even more dangerous is that, unlike the IRA, they are not dependent on foreign funding, weaponry or expertise.

A further complication bedevilling South African police efforts to infiltrate militant right-wing groupings is that they often don't fall under any umbrella command structure and members of tiny cells often operate on a free-lance basis.

Police are particularly troubled by the apparently growing phenomenon of members of right-wing organisations engaging in acts of sabotage or terror without the sanction or knowledge of the leadership.

Trail dries up

When tiny groups act independently using widely divergent modus operandi, police are often unable to establish patterns in their efforts to track down the culprits.

Police claim that in the past the capture of a single left-wing operative would often uncover a trail of 10 or 15 individuals involved in the planning or actual acts of terror.

But in the case of right wingers, the trail is often very short or dries up immediately.

Tracking right-wing terrorists has accordingly proved to be a more labour intensive activity.

So police submit that the recent breakthrough in cases connected with alleged right-wing bombings in the Witwatersrand region has not helped much with their investigations into cases in the Western and Eastern Transvaal or the Eastern Cape.

Another factor giving the police a headache is that many of the right-wingers, disgruntled about recent political reforms, are already armed to the teeth — and quite legally too.

Police generals also point out that the far right possesses an unusual wealth of skills — thanks in part to experience in the military and on the mines — in handling explosives and sophisticated communications systems.

Right-wing training exercises in sharp-shooting (as well as how to take out sharpshooters and helicopter pilots), are also fuelling concern in senior police ranks.

They question why these groups on the fringe of the political spectrum would want to train sharpshooters or hone their skills if there was no intention of using them at any stage.

Hit lists

Law and Order Minister Mr Hermus Kriel reiterated at the weekend that there was "no doubt" that plans existed in right-wing circles to murder prominent politicians and that, as such, it would be folly to ignore the growing chorus of threats emerging from this quarter.

Senior officers note that while some of the right-wing "hit lists" that have been unearthed in recent months are clearly, bogus, others are being taken seriously.

A common feature of most of the lists is that they feature the names of President de Klerk and ANC president Mr Mandela.

Fluctuate

Mr Kriel believes that right-wing terrorism will escalate unless right-wing leaders such as Mr Eugene Terre’blanche, Mr Joap Marais and Dr Andries Treurnicht stop intimidating that they "understand" acts of right-wing terror.

Police generals are operating on the assumption that incidents of right-wing terror will fluctuate in sympathy with the pace of reform.

Either way, it should come as no surprise that the SAP are seeking to consult the British police on their dealings with the IRA.

Mix-up over murdered UDF man

The Argus Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. – One of the four Cradock United Democratic Front (UDF) activists brutally murdered by unknown assailants in 1988 is not dead – according to the Department of Home Affairs's computer records.

“Adding insult to injury for the still-grieving family of Mr Fort Calata, bungling officials have issued the murdered man a new identity number.

Mr Calata's widow, Mrs Nomonde Calata, said she approached the Department of Home Affairs for a death certificate which would enable her to apply for a maintenance grant.

“I have been receiving a grant of R395 since 1989. But because the provincial administration had to review our application annually I had to submit a death certificate and the birth certificates of my three children.”

She said that when applying for a grant after the third review she was told the death certificate was lost.

“When I went to the Cradock district offices of the department, the clerks told me the computer records indicated my husband was not dead. He had also been issued with a new identity number.”

Mrs Calata said that last week she went to Port Elizabeth to try to get a certificate, but a clerk rudely brushed her aside and insisted her husband was alive.

“When I got there I was given a form to fill in. Fifteen minutes later the clerk came back and told me my husband was not dead,” said a tearful Mrs Calata.

A Department of Home Affairs spokesperson, who did not want to be named, said the source of the confusion was a result of Mr Calata’s identity number not being entered on the death certificate when it was issued.

“Computer records therefore did not indicate that the person was in fact dead,” he said.

The death certificate said Mr Calata was 29 years old and had died as a result of a stab wound to the heart. It gave his marital status as “onbekend” (unknown).

Mr Calata, Mr Sparrow Mokoito, Mr Matthew Goniwe and Mr Si-celo Mhlauli, all Cradock-based UDF activists at the time of their deaths, were found murdered on the road between Cradock and Port Elizabeth in 1988. The murders have not been solved.
More rightwingers held under section 29

By Monica Oosterbroek

More rightwingers were arrested by the police on Tuesday night in terms of section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

The names of two of them have been released. They are Albertus Johannes Schwan of Erme-lo and Lambertus Niewenhof, a member of the Boerestaat Party.

Mr Niewenhof was arrested at his home in Nelspruit and is being held in the local prison.

BP Leader Robert van Tonder said police had not told Mr Niewenhof's parents why their son had been arrested or what the charges were.

The arrests follow a statement on Sunday by Minister of Law and Order Hernus Kriel in which he released the names of 11 rightwingers being held under the same Act.

SAP spokesman Colonel Johan Mostert would not say how many more rightwingers had been held this week. Investigations were at a sensitive stage and police "did not want to encourage media coverage."
Two more rightists arrested

JOHANNESBURG — Two more right-wingers were arrested by the police yesterday.

Mr Albertus Johannes Schwan and Mr Lambertus Niewenhof are being held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

This brings to 13 the number of right-wingers held during the last two weeks.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Hermus Kriel, recently released the names of 11 right-wingers being held under the same legislation.

Police liaison officer Colonel Johan Mostert confirmed the arrests.

Reacting to reports earlier that more men were arrested but that only two names had been released, he said: "There may be more or it could only be the two but I have as yet not been informed of more than two." — Sapa
White couple killed man, says maid

A DOMESTIC worker has made a sworn statement implicating her former employers in the alleged killing of a black man whose genitals and tongue were removed in their home.

The domestic worker, who insisted on anonymity for fear of reprisals, said the body of the man lay for about two weeks in a house in Speller Street, Westpark, Pretoria, before it was removed on January 5 this year.

A group of whites in the neighbourhood, she added, were invited to the house to look at the corpse which was referred to as a “kaffir man”.

By MONK NKOMO

Soweto, Mrs X said she overheard her employers saying: “We must kill these blacks. We have removed his private parts, his tongue and eyes. We want to see who Mandela is going to rule when he comes into power. We are not going to be governed by kaffirs.”

The domestic worker, who is from Pietersburg, said: “I was scared to death. I overheard the madam say if I looked at the corpse or talked about the matter, I would also be killed.”

Police spokesman Colonel Frank Alton yesterday said he was unaware of the incident but promised to investigate.

Mrs X was yesterday escorted by an official of the Atteridgeville-Saulsville Residents’ Organisation to make a sworn statement that would be later submitted to the police to help in their investigations.

She said she was barred from cleaning the room where the corpse lay.

“I do not know the identity of the person killed. There was a terrible smell in the house but I pretended as if I knew nothing for fear that I might be killed,” Mrs X said.

The white couple, she added, complained about the stench on January 4.

“’The next day I heard their van driving out in the middle of the night. I returned after some time. I suspected that they had disposed of the body.”

“The next day I was told to clean the room where the corpse had lain. The room had been sprayed with air fresheners to eliminate the bad smell.”

Soweto has furnished police with the address and registration number of a van used to allegedly dispose of the body.

Mrs X said she left her employers during the second week of January after the white couple had refused to pay her full salary.

“My bed is still there and they refuse me access to the premises to fetch it.”
Four AWB men are granted bail

PRETORIA. — Four AWB commandos allegedly responsible for several acts of sabotage were each granted R3 500 bail in the Pretoria Regional Court yesterday.

In a courtroom packed with family members and supporters, bail was granted to Mr Piet Judeel of Brits, Mr Dries Kriel, Mr Andries Odendaal and Mr Dirk Hattingh of Pretoria.

The prosecutor, Mr Riege du Toit, did not oppose bail.

Mr B Bisschoff, for the accused, said statements his clients made to a magistrate had been made under duress, following intimidation by the police.

Mr Judeel and Mr Hattingh also claimed they had been assaulted by police.

Mr Judeel was recently in the news when he claimed he had been abducted, blindfolded and assaulted by security policemen posing as AWB members.

Bail conditions include that the men must appear in court again on March 11, report daily to their nearest police stations and may not leave their magisterial districts without prior written notice to, and the consent of, the investigating officer, Captain H Prinsloo. — Sapa.
Phalaborwa showdown looms

DAVIN DU VENAGE

A SHOWDOWN is looming between right-wingers and the ANC in Phalaborwa, following Tuesday's confrontation between heavily-armed AWB members and local residents.

Bloodshed was narrowly averted when police and business leaders stepped in to mediate between 2,000 residents and about 20 AWB Wemkommando members with rifles, dogs and knives. The confrontation occurred at a taxi rank that the CP-controlled council had previously closed.

Residents, who voted at the weekend to end a four-month consumer boycott, have refused to make use of a new council taxi rank they say is inferior.

ANC northern Transvaal deputy secretary Norman Mashabane said yesterday residents would stage a "defiance march" tomorrow to force the council to meet their representatives and discuss their demands.

Mashabane said residents voted last Sunday to end the boycott because "we are willing to talk to the council". But, following Tuesday's events, he said the boycott would be "considered seriously" again.

He said if residents opted for a renewed boycott it would be used selectively and target only CP-owned businesses. But Mashabane admitted that few such businesses depended heavily on blacks for custom.

He said residents were demanding the opening of all amenities, including schools and libraries, to all races and "the right to free political expression".

He said the council had always acted harshly against any black political activity.

Mashabane also said residents wanted a "Koevoet" military unit and a "Renamo training camp" removed from the area. He accused "Koevoet bandits" of having killed seven residents since 1985.

Chamber of Business president Manie Kriel said he hoped the ANC would not march in the town as it would lead to unnecessary confrontation.

Kriel accused the town council of calling in the AWB on Tuesday when it became apparent that demonstrating residents would not leave the taxi rank.

He said he hoped the situation could be resolved peacefully as a joint forum consisting of business people, the ANC and the NP had been established to discuss common problems. He added that the ANC had assured him the boycott would not be reinstated.

Local AWB leader Fritz Meyer refused to comment on Tuesday's events, but described news reports of Tuesday's confrontation as "slanderous and insulting".
A CAMPAIGN to defy municipal laws in the conservative north-eastern Transvaal town of Phalaborwa this week resulted in confrontation between AWB members and demonstrating blacks.

About 100 armed and khaki-clad AWB members, angered by the demonstrators' hoisting of the ANC Youth League flag, marched towards the protesters.

The 300 demonstrators were defying a decision by the town council to use a new taxi rank which has no facilities.

A 100-day consumer boycott in the town was suspended last Sunday at a heated meeting at Nkukwes Stadium attended by a crowd of 10 000.

Phalaborwa Chamber of Commerce chairman Manie Kriel said the boycott committee had played an important role in diffusing what could have been an explosive situation between the boycotters and the AWB.
ANC beckons to rightwing

By SEKOLA SELLO

THE ANC has joined the government in appealing to the Conservative Party to join Cdesa in order to debate the CP’s proposals on self-determination.

The ANC has also extended its appeal to other rightwing groups such as the AWB and Jaap Marais’ Herstigte Nasionale Party. It also called on the PAC and Azapo to reconsider their non-participation stand.

In his opening address to parliament this week, State President FW de Klerk offered an olive branch to the CP when he undertook to place white self-determination on the Cdesa agenda.

However, this offer was immediately shot down by CP leader Dr Andries Treunich who said: "The Cdesa Declaration of Intent, including the acceptance of an undivided South Africa and one central government, is directly in conflict with the self-determination of the nations of South Africa." At a press conference in Soweto on the day of the opening of parliament, ANC leader Nelson Mandela said the ANC agreed that the principle of self-determination and its application in the South African situation were "legitimate issues to be addressed at Cdesa."
Farmer blasts youth

By DAN DHLAMINI

A PUPIL in Std 7 at Joubert's Meteobong High School was peppered with shotgun pellets last Saturday night when a Klerksdorp farmer shot at fleeing youths, two of whom had been fighting.

The boy's alleged assailant has not been arrested or charged.

This was confirmed by western Transvaal police spokesman Lt Petrus Ramatsco, who said an attempted murder docket had been opened and police were still investigating.

Ramatsco said the docket would be sent to the public prosecutor for a decision on whether to prosecute as soon as investigations were complete.

Victor Tshopo Mogoerane, 17, told City Press he was shot and injured by farmer Christo de Klerk without any provocation last Saturday night.

He had visited a friend who lived on De Klerk's farm, near another farm which has been converted into an entertainment centre called Oom Andries Se Plass.

Mogoerane said that later that night a fight broke out between two other youngsters at De Klerk's farm shop.

De Klerk came from his home wielding a gun and everybody, including those engaged in the fight, scattered in different directions, scared they would be shot.

"As I was running I heard a shot fired and the next moment I felt a burning sensation in my left shoulder blade and right thigh."

"I continued running but I became weak," said Mogoerane.

Mogoerane said he ran to Oom Andries se Plass entertainment centre where a black man took him back to De Klerk and asked why he had shot him.

He said De Klerk then apologised and took him to Tshepo Hospital, where he was treated and discharged the following day.

Mogoerane said that the following day De Klerk took him from hospital back to his farm where he gave him a small bottle of anti-septic liquid and tablets and pleaded with him not to lay a charge against him.

The boy's famous father, Nonnapule Mogoerane, said he went to De Klerk to ask him why he had shot his son.

He said the farmer told him he was sorry and was prepared to pay for medical expenses.

Mogoerane said he then took Victor to Klerksdorp Police Station and was surprised when a Warrant Officer Oosthuizen was reluctant to take a statement.

He said Oosthuizen told him a statement had already been made on behalf of Victor and that it was not necessary to make another one.

Mogoerane said that after Oosthuizen had refused to read to him the statement which he alleged had been made on behalf of his son, he insisted that Oosthuizen take another statement from Victor in his presence.

"Oosthuizen took the statement reluctantly and I will not rest until the matter has been brought before a court of law," he said.

Ramatsco denied the officer was reluctant to take a statement and gave City Press a crime report number as proof that the statement was taken.

City Press could not...
Surge in white-on-black violence after De Klerk's reform moves

Heather Robertson

He said there was evidence that as white privileges were eroded, prejudice and racist attacks increased.

Researchers from the Human Rights Commission agree. Their weekly statistics on repression reflect an alarming increase in the number of indiscriminate attacks on blacks.

Anger

"There are two categories of white-on-black violence. The one involves spontaneous and indiscriminate acts by individuals or small groups driven by emotional anger," an HRC spokesman said.

"The other is organizationally based and involves planning and committing of resources."

Attacks on blacks have increased at railway stations, taxi ranks, farms, swimming pools and on city streets, but most of them have taken place in and around right-wing strongholds in the Transvaal and Free State.

One of the most brutal incidents took place on the 30 December last year when 10-year-old Marle Phungwayo's routine walk to his girlfriend's house near Driefontein in the Eastern Transvaal turned into a nightmare.

Two white farmers driving past attacked him, bundled him into their car and drove off to a friend's farm. At the farmer's house they tied a rope around his neck, hung him from the rafters and hit him until he lost consciousness. They then threw water on his face, tied him by his arms and set a dog on him.

Phungwayo screamed for help as the dog bit his genitals, but the farmers ignored his pleas. They shoved him into a canvas bag filled with water. One of the farmer's sons summoned the Wackersstorm police who took Phungwayo to the Dirl Overflow police station and charged him with trespassing.

Mr Yunos Kajee, a trader for whom Phungwayo worked, tried to arrange bail but police refused.

Two days later Phungwayo appeared in court on a charge of trespassing and was released on R300 bail.

Mr Kajee laid a charge of assault against the farmers, but they have not yet appeared in court.

"Incidents like this have increased over the last four to five months, mainly because farmers feel threatened that blacks are going to come and claim their land," said Mr Kajee, who is also the ANC's branch chairman in Driefontein.

Bullet

Mr Abraham Dithake, a researcher for the Farmworkers' Resource and Research Project, said farmers felt they had been forsaken by the National Party and that the only alternative they had to vent their frustrations was violence.

Both Mr Dithake and Mr Kajee stress the urgency of addressing farmers' fears to prevent further harassment of blacks who work and live on their property.

White-on-black attacks recorded by the HRC include:

- July 26 1990 — a group of white youths in Maokeng in the Free State threw stones at a group of black schoolchildren from a vehicle, killing one.
- August 16 1991 — a black man walking in a street in Soeto walked with a friend was shot dead by four white men.
- December 24 1991 — a white farmer in Driefontein shot at a car in which three black men and three black women were sitting. A bullet hit Mafika Nkosi, 18, in the back. He no longer has the use of his legs.

Amok

The most recent example of this alienation was Katie Delport, who killed his father and ran amok, indiscriminately shooting at people in Ladysmith.

"To view the Delport case as a random instance of mass murder is inappropriate," said Mr Vogelmann.

"The killings were not random, as the primary victims were black. His frustration was directed at individuals whom he saw as blocking or threatening his social progress."
Gunman shot only at blacks says witness

BY TERRY VAN DER WALT
LADYSMITH farmer Martiens Delport had a curious relationship with the son who is charged with gunning him down before going on a shooting spree which left another eight people dead this week.

Mass-murder accused Mr Kallie Delport, 44, lived on the family farm Allerpark, but was never allowed a seat at his father's table.

He was forced to eat his own meals on an outside fire, and was paid R300 a month for working on the farm.

Yet Mr Delport — who told district surgeon Vic Buccimazza he never had sex with a woman and could not support a wife and family on his meagre allowance — asked police to allow him to attend his father's funeral.

**Argument**

While he watched the service from inside a police vehicle, his half-sister, Betty — who lived with her mother in a hut near the farmhouse — stood silently at the grave side, wearing the red school uniform paid for by the dead man.

Mr Delport told Dr Buccimazza that his relationship with his stepmother, Eleanor, was poor, and that an argument over payment for the sale of cattle to her triggered his killing spree.

After placing a single rose on her husband's coffin on Thursday, Mrs Delport walked over to Betty, 13, and gently squeezed her shoulder.

Then the teenaged girl, KALLIE DELPORT Obsessed with weapons her mother, Danice Hlatswayo, and her grandmother left the cemetery in a car with Mrs Delport.

To Betty, the man accused of a "hard and uncompromising" was a beloved father, who paid for her education at a coloured school and bought her a bright red BMX cycle last Christmas.

The Std 3 pupil said this week: "I loved him . . . he was my father and I am going to miss him."

Betty's school day had barely started when the accused is alleged to have shot 70-year-old Mr Delport at about 7.45am on Monday.

He told Dr Buccimazza that when his father told him he was going to give R1 000 to his wife "my head felt strange and I became furious, shot my father and then fell on him and tried to help him."

When he realised there was nothing he could do, Mr Delport allegedly shot domestic servant Makhozana Ntombile, 40, cattle buyer Samuel Mdhlada, 68, and his son, Phumzile, 21.

Then he is alleged to have set fire to the farm house and his new bakkie Armored with a .22 rifle and a .387 Magnum — and carrying more than 3 000 rounds of ammunition — the man who once apparently to a cousin that, if he ever had to go the way of Pretoria mass killer Bernard Stydom, he would do it at the OK shopping mall, drove to town in his father's yellow four-wheel drive vehicle.

After parking it outside the OK, he is said to have stalked through the mall, selecting his targets carefully before picking them off.

In the panic that ensued, 23 people were hit — five fatally. Only one was white.

An eyewitness did not want to be named said a large number of whites had been within the gunman's range during his 15-minute rampage. Mr Delport was described as an "excellent marksman."

"But he turned his guns on the blacks. One white man was fleeing up an escalator going in the opposite direction when he tripped and fell," said the still-shocked man.

"He landed in a heap right at the gunman's feet, but he ignored him. It was as though he wasn't there." Mr Delport gave himself up to police in a town where toilets at the post office are still segregated, Monday's massacre has sparked a tense that is almost tangible.

**Warning**

Black residents feel that this is just the beginning of a white backlash against political change. Whites are concerned that they could be targets for revenge attacks by relatives of the victims.

Those who know Mr Delport well are at a loss to explain his actions.

He had no known political affiliations, but has had a lifelong obsession with weapons, and liked to talk about dogs and cats he had shot.

Mr Delport has been referred for mental observation and will appear in court on March 4.
Racial tension mounts in rural area

By Jo-Anne Collinge

Police have opened a murder docket on a black youth who died on Christmas Eve, hours after being apprehended by two civilians in Elandsfontein, about 30 km south of Johannesburg.

The civilian arrest took place less than one kilometre from the Elandsfontein plot where an old man, Lawrence Lebetsa, was fatally injured on Christmas Day by white residents after a row over the mating of a white dog and a "kaffir" black.

Police spokesman Captain Piet van Deventer said Samuel Semnonyo Lethoko (30) was arrested by a white man and a black man for allegedly stealing a radio and was handed over to police.

"When police received him from these people, he was already injured. An ambulance was called and he was taken to Sebokeng Hospital where he died the same night."

One of the last people to see Mr Lethoko alive and well said he was one of a group standing by the roadside in the afternoon of December 24 when a vehicle pulled up with Louis Perie and a worker inside.

They indicated that they wanted to see Mr Lethoko, and as he approached the vehicle, he was ordered to get in. He objected and the worker allegedly gave him "a few clouts with his hands". Mr Lethoko then got in and was driven towards Mr Perie's home.

Later that day Mr Lethoko was handed over to police.

The dead man's stepfather, Joseph Mbolela, said he heard that his son had been taken to Mr Perie's farm, and on December 25 went to see Mr Perie.

"He said he wanted the radio and the gun from Semnonyo and he didn't get them. He told us that he left Semnonyo with the police at Orange Farm." Mr Perie confirmed this was true.

- Mr Lethoko had been wanted for an "attempted armed robbery". As regards the police statement that Mr Lethoko was already injured when they received him, Mr Perie said: "I can't put any light on that."

Julia Lethoko said the family was told by hospital staff that their son was dead on arrival. She echoed the feelings expressed by black people in the area: "I'm scared so much."

Rumours of assault on black residents at the hands of whites abound, as do white allegations of rampant crime. Though blacks tend to blame the neighbourhood watch, some watch members have defended themselves from abusive action.

Eveline Mithemwa, a domestic worker, has laid charges of assault against two members of the De Deur police and her ex-employers at Walkerville.

When the Star interviewed Miss Mithemwa, she said her former employer, Chris Boesenbrink of Walkerville, and his wife had assaulted her when she persisted in attempts to claim her December wages.

Mr Boesenbrink reportedly claimed Miss Mithemwa smoked dagga and had assaulted his wife, breaking a rib. He claimed there was nothing wrong with Miss Mithemwa when "I threw her out my gate.

According to Miss Mithemwa, the day after her confrontation with the Boesenbrink, two white policemen traced her. "They started hitting me — one had a long gun and he used the butt of it and the other had a stick." They allegedly took her to the Boesenbrink home and waited while she was made to clean the house. "Then they took me to the police station and locked me up till next morning."

Captain van Deventer encouraged Miss Mithemwa to make a statement, adding that if members of the police had broken the law, this would not be tolerated. He said there was no record of Miss Mithemwa's alleged overnight detention.
Violence feared over
Hani's new home

Boksburg town councillors say they fear violence after SA Communist Party general secretary Chris Hani moved into the Conservative Party-controlled town.

Mr Hani bought a three-bedroom house in Dawn Park, a suburb of the town which gained notoriety worldwide for reintroducing petty apartheid.

Mr Hani told The Star earlier that his neighbours had made him very welcome.

CP chief whip in the town council, Andries du Toit, said that, as far as he was concerned, Mr Hani was the leader of a terrorist organisation.

Mr du Toit, who is councillor for Dawn Park, said Mr Hani was not welcome in the suburb and Mr du Toit was worried that his move could lead to violence.

"We are asking him to get out. Tensions are rising here. Many people have telephoned me ... I don't want violence in my ward.

"There might be something drastically done to show him (Mr Hani) that we don't want him here."

The HNP acting chairman of Boksburg Town Council management committee, Stephanie Greyling, said she was not against Mr Hani wanting a nice house, "but I think he should find one in his own community".
FM’s right-wing pirates elusive

By Paula Fray

The right-wing pirate broadcasters on FM radio face three years in jail, a fine of R1 500 and the confiscation of equipment... if caught, says the Postmaster-General.

However, say broadcasting specialists, catching the pirates may prove difficult.

The pirate station recently made its debut in the Transvaal, broadcasting speeches of right-wing leaders over the 88.7 MHz FM radio frequency. The broadcasts, usually between 7 pm and 8 pm, last for up to 10 minutes.

Speeches by Boers, supporters of the Orange Free State Party, and members of the Orangewerks have been heard. Both organisations seek an independent homeland for Afrikaners.

Yesterday, Mr van Tonder told Sapa he had heard the broadcasts but did not know who was responsible for them.

"I am delighted that someone is doing this. This shows the inadequacies of the present broadcasting system which never allows the broadcasting of policies such as ours on any frequencies."

Postmaster-General Robbie Raath, who handles the Department of Post and Telecommunications, in charge of administering the Radio Act, said the pirates had been reported to him and they were "taking action".

He said the pirates could be prosecuted for broadcasting without a licence. Having the apparatus was not an offence.

Penalties are up to three years in jail and/or a fine of R1 500 and confiscation of apparatus.

Rhodes University head of journalism Professor Gavin Stewart said the new pirate station was not the first to grace South African airwaves. He recalled the "somewhat jingoistic" Radio Freedom of the early 1960s.

"The thrust then was their protest against the Republic," said Professor Stewart. "As far as I recall, no one was prosecuted."

He said any good radio ham could set up a radio transmitter, and it need only be the size of a cigarette box...
Rightwinger forfeits bail in bomb trial

ONE of the rightwingers allegedly responsible for the Bloed Street bomb, Dr Lood van Schalkwyk, has provisionally forfeited his R5 000 bail after failing to appear in the Pretoria Supreme Court yesterday.

Van Schalkwyk, along with two co-acused who were treated at the HF Verwoerd Hospital last year after they had embarked on a hunger strike, was to face criminal prosecution.

His co-acused, Mr Adrian Hendrickus Maritz (43) and Mr Henry Guy Martin (49) - believed to have fled to London - estreated bail in October last year.

Mr Justice Roos yesterday provisionally withdrew Van Schalkwyk's bail following a request by Mr Paul Fick for the State.

If Van Schalkwyk fails to report within 14 days, his bail and R5 000 bail money will summarily be forfeited.

The criminal proceedings against the men stem from the Bloed Street, Pretoria blast, and from a parcel bomb explosion in Durban last year in which a computer consultant was killed.
Bloed Street bomb suspect not in court  
Pretoria Correspondent

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His co-accused, Adrian Hendrickus Maritz (43) and Henry Guy Martin (49), forfeited bail in October, and warrants were issued for their arrest.

Mr Justice Ross yesterday provisionally withdrew Dr van Schalkwyk's bail following a request by prosecutor Paul Pick.

Dr van Schalkwyk, who was granted permission to visit relatives in the Carolina area subject to reporting to the police there, failed to adhere to this bail condition on January 22.
SAP denies bias towards AWB

By Dirk Nel
Northern Transvaal Bureau

PHALABORWA — A police spokesman has responded to allegations that the actions of armed members of the Afrikaner Weerstands beweging were ignored, while peaceful black protesters were arrested during last week’s heated confrontations in Phalaborwa.

According to news reports, a group of uniformed and armed AWB members had threatened “to forcibly remove black commuters and taxi drivers from a taxi rank in Phalaborwa last Tuesday.

On Saturday, 121 protesters were arrested in the town’s business centre before being fined and released.

“On the first occasion, we tried to take pre-emptive action by talking to both groups. Any steps against anyone would have resulted in violence,” said Far North police spokesman Captain Cas Jones. He said the approach had been successful, as everyone had been persuaded to disperse peacefully.

On Saturday, police had taken preventative measures by setting up roadblocks.

People going into town were asked to behave in an orderly manner.

“However, the disorderliness of protesters contravened certain municipal laws and made them guilty of disturbing the peace,” said Captain Jones.

Dossier

Those arrested were given the option of fines and nobody was actually detained, he said.

A dossier on Tuesday’s dispute had been opened and anyone, regardless of race, would be prosecuted if found guilty of any offences, he said.

Northern Transvaal ANC media officer Stan Mthimelane said yesterday the police’s “biased manner” was surprising as all parties in the country had committed themselves to the principle of allowing free political activity.

“We once more call on the SAP to promote peace and democracy instead of defending racist actions,” he said.

In Namakgale township, residents have voted in favour of a renewed boycott of white businesses.

A petition handed to the SAP insists on the immediate disbanding of the AWB’s Weenkamado.

It also demands that taxis and commuters be permitted to use the town’s old taxi rank as there are inadequate toilet facilities at the newly created rank.

The town was quiet yesterday and business continued as usual after a tense weekend when taxi owners marched through the town.
AWB leaders arrested

Charges of public violence

Venterdorp clash leads to
TerreBlanche and brother

Among 10 held in raids

Last week's Dube-TerreBlanche trial had opened in Pretoria. The trial was expected to take about 14 weeks. This week it opened at the Supreme Court in Pretoria. The trial is expected to take about 14 weeks. It opened at the Supreme Court in Pretoria.
Ladysmith killings: police call crisis talks

The police have called a crisis meeting in Ladysmith today and have made an urgent appeal for calm as racial tension simmers in the Natal town following the killing of nine people and an axe attack on two young boys last week.

A statement released by the Regional Commissioner, Major-General Colin Steyn, said police were concerned about allegations that the Delport killings and the attack on two white boys were racially based.

"Police investigations thus far rule out any possibility of a racial motive," he said.

There was also concern that certain elements of the media had "abused the incidents for their own benefit, not realising the heightening in tension".

Some newspapers last week speculated that Kallie Delport aimed only at blacks.

Retaliation

It was also widely reported that the axe attack on two Ladysmith boys by a gardener on Friday was retaliatory as the Monday incident had been seen by the black community as racially motivated.

The general also strongly warned residents that the formation of private armies would increase tension and lead to vigilantism.

Today's meeting will be held behind closed doors and is expected to be attended by "a broad base of widely representative people".

Ladysmith mayor Ruslon Muller will chair the meeting, which will include the police, church leaders and the African National Congress.

"We're trying to get this in perspective."
New twist in horror crash
Probe reveals insurance ‘scam’

EIGHT men, five of whom burned to death in a horror smash in Witbank last Sunday, had insurance taken on their lives days before the incident by the men the survivors claim tried to kill them.

The two white men who were accomplices in the smear of smearing their colleagues and attempting to murder them, were employees of a big insurance company, sources investigations revealed yesterday.

A statement from SAS admissions yesterday that the employer of the dead men were indeed Sasol workers who were recently appointed told the court on the lives of their workmates.

"If the play was involved, we don't know what and we shall necessarily co-operate fully with any investigations which may follow," the statement said.

Mr Lucas Mokadi, Mr Samuel Matimela and Mr Keke Shimba, were subsequently found out of the minibus in which they had been seen three times before the incident.

Dead colleagues

They said together with their non-dead colleagues, they were picked up by the white men late in December last year who said they were looking for young, single men to work for them in Pretoria as clothing manufacturers.

They were made to fill in employment forms and it is now learned, insurance forms on their lives as well - and to work for the men on January 2 this year.

Mokadi said the white men brought an old and battered minibus to transport them to Pretoria.

They were made to wait while work was done on the car which they were told was radially guarded.

They were each given cheques for R750 by their new employers.

Mokadi and Ms Xo said they became suspicious when the minibus was brought back and they discovered, on entering the vehicle, that the windows had been broken out and there was a wooden partition separating them from the driver's area "so we could not see".

The door handle on the inside had been removed and the occupant could not open the door except from outside.

They also saw two 25-litre containers filled with petrol and two gas cylinders in the minibus.

Mokadi alleged that they were given cheques and a brick which made them immobile.

One of the white men drove the minibus while the other followed in a jeep. When they were some distance from Witbank, the minibus stopped.

They could hear one of the white men crying with the engine.

Then, according to Mokadi, the minibus伊利 through the metal into a bushy area and then exploded into flames. The dead were found beyond...
Right rages over swoop on AWB

Staff Reporters

The arrest yesterday of virtually the entire leadership of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) — including leader Eugene TerreBlanche and general secretary Piet "Skiet" Rudolph — has caused an outcry from the Right.

Ten men were arrested on charges of public violence in connection with the clash between police and the AWB in Ventersdorp on August 9. They appeared in the Ventersdorp Magistrate's Court yesterday. No charges were put to them.

Nine of the men were released on bail of R100 each, and Mr Rudolph, who pleaded poverty, on bail of R50. The case was postponed to March 9.

The Conservative Party said it was inexplicable that the Government considered it necessary to arrest the men at 4 am for something that happened almost six months ago.

CP law and order spokesman Moolman Menta suggested that Mr TerreBlanche and his lieutenants were arrested because they had performed "so outstandingly" on a television debate the night before.

He said the CP did not object to the law taking its course, but the way the men were arrested "created a feeling of disapproval and indignation."

"It is unacceptable that some of the best known people in the country have to be arrested in the middle of the night while a mere warning to appear in court would have been obeyed."

Mr Menta said the CP also questioned the arrests in the light of the CP's request that the events of Ventersdorp should be investigated by a judicial commission.

Boerestaat Party leader Robert van Tonder said the arrests were designed to prevent the showing of a video of the shootings in Ventersdorp.

Protest

The AWB has claimed it has a video proving the police fired first in the clash in which three AWB men were killed.

The HNP announced yesterday it would hold a meeting in the Pretoria City Hall tonight to protest about the arrests.

Yesterday, President de Klerk denied any prior knowledge of the pre-dawn round-up, and firmly rejected an allegation by Mr TerreBlanche that he was harassing the Right.

After the hearing, Mr TerreBlanche said he was furious that his 10-year-old daughter had seen his arrest.

"She had to endure the humiliation, with tears in her eyes, of seeing her father arrested in front of his family on his own farm... and then she had to go to school," he said.

Mr TerreBlanche said the police had acted on the orders of a Government attempting to discredit the AWB. The arrest of leaders who worked in an open political system proved that Coe desna was "a farce."

Between 3 am and 4 am yesterday, police arrested the AWB men at their homes and took them to local police stations, before moving them to Ventersdorp for their court appearance.

Those arrested were: Eugene and Andries TerreBlanche in Ventersdorp, Stephanus TerreBlanche (Thesenissen), Piet Rudolph (Pretoria), Cornelius de Beer (Klerksdorp), Leon van der Merwe (Ventersdorp), Andre Smit (Welkom), Piet van Rooyen (Koster), Piet Barnard (Potchefstroom) and Petrus Hamman (Lichtenburg).

In Pretoria, SAP liaison officer Colonel Johan Moorter said investigations into the Ventersdorp violence had been completed and the Attorney-General had decided to prosecute the men. More arrests were expected, he said.
SA Press Association

APRIKANER Weerstands beweging leader Mr. Eugene Terre’Blanche and nine other rightwingers were released on bail of between R50 and 100 after a brief appearance in the Venterdorp Magistrate’s Court yesterday.

The 10 were arrested in a pre-dawn swoop on charges of public violence allegedly stemming from riotous incidents which marred President FW de Klerk’s address at a public meeting in Venterdorp last year.

Charges

No formal charges were put to the men when they appeared before Mr. Frik van Tonder. The case was postponed to March 9.

The men were released on R100 bail each, except for Mr. Piet “Skiet” Rudolph who was granted R50 bail after he had pleaded poverty.

After his court appearance, Terre’Blanche said the pre-dawn arrests demonstrated the State’s insincerity in trying to get public political figures to participate in the Convention for a Democratic South Africa.

Rudolph said this was what one should expect in “a police state.”

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SA Press Association

AFRIKANER Weerstandsgebeweging leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche and nine other rightwingers were released on bail of between R50 and 100 after a brief appearance in the Venterdorp Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The 10 were arrested in a pre-dawn swoop on charges of public violence allegedly stemming from riotous incidents which marred President FW de Klerk's address at a public meeting in Venterdorp last year.

Charges

No formal charges were put to the men when they appeared before Mr Frik van Tonder. The case was postponed to March 9.

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EC lifts SA ban

BRUSSELS - European Community member states have lifted their last economic sanctions against South Africa on imports of gold coins and iron and steel products.

Community Ministers formally approved the ending of sanctions without debate on Monday after Denmark stopped blocking the decision first taken in April last year.

The sanctions were imposed in 1986 in protest against apartheid.

The EC wanted to lift them in recognition of President FW de Klerk's moves to scrap apartheid laws, but opposition parties with a majority in the Danish parliament objected that reforms had not gone far enough.

Copenhagen lifted its veto earlier this month.

United Nations sanctions on crude oil exports and arms trade with Pretoria remain in force. - Sapa-Reuters.

ILO to I

A THREE-MAN fact-finding mission from the International Labour Organisation will arrive in Africa next week to investigate complaints by Cosatu against the Government.

The ILO's Fact-Finding Commission will be in the country from Feb 23, will also "deliberate" on labour-related matters.

The term of reference ended after the Government...
Right-wing and Codesa

A "PROGRESSIVE" right-wing party formed on January 10 has asked to join Codesa.

Boerentia Party chairman Barry Nilsson said his organisation's policy was one of self-determination, with all races equal before the law. It had applied to register as a political party. Non-whites would be able to vote for white nominees in the government.

Although schools would be set up for each cultural group, parents could decide where to send their children.

His party intended representing Boers and "those in agreement", which was what the T-L-A in Boerentia stood for. Canvassers had received nearly 800 signatures in support of the movement, he said.

The Afrikaner Party and Boervolk have also applied to join Codesa. — Sapa.
Right rages over dawn arrests

OUT ON BAIL ... AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche (right) with supporters, talks to the press yesterday outside the Ventersdorp Magistrate's Court after being granted bail.

Swoop 'humiliating' says CP

Political Staff

THE pre-dawn arrests of Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche and nine prominent AWB members on charges of public violence is threatening a major row in political circles.

The Conservative Party yesterday described the 4am swoop on Mr Terre’Blanche as "humiliating", but President F W de Klerk said there was "no political bias in the application of the law".

The president added that the arrests had come as "news to me".

Colonel Johan Mostert, head of the police media liaison division in Pretoria, said arrests at 4am were carried out to enable police to process cases before courts opened. A daytime arrest would almost certainly lead to suspects being held overnight.

Mr Moolman Mentz, the CP’s law and order spokesman and MP for Ermelo, said the decision to arrest "one of best known people in the country during the midnight hours" was "inexplicable".

He pointed out that the arrest was in connection with an incident — the so-called Battle of Ventersdorp in which three AWB members died and 62 were injured — that had taken place nearly six months ago.

An ordinary warning to appear in court would "without doubt" have been sufficient, said Mr Mentz.

The CP had no objection to the law taking its course, but the manner of Mr Terre’Blanche’s arrest gave rise to indignation.

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Right-wingers released on bail in Ventersdorp

VENTERSDORP — AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche and nine other right-wingers were released on bail of between R50 and R100 from the Ventersdorp Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The 10 appeared briefly after they were arrested on public violence charges in predawn police sweeps throughout the western Transvaal and Pretoria, Sapa reports.

No charges were put to the men by State prosecutor Chris Nel.

Magistrate Frikk van Tonder released the right-wingers on R100 bail each, except for Piet "Skiet" Rudolph, who was granted R50 bail after he pleaded poverty and requested that his bail be lowered.

The eight other men are: Cornelius de Beer, 46, from Krugersdorp; Leon van der Merwe, 34, of Ventersdorp; Andre Smit, 33, of Welkom; Piet van Rooyen, 36, from Koster; Stephanus Terre'Blanche, 36, of Theunissen (said by police to be Terre'Blanche's nephew); Petrus Hamman, 44, of Lichtenberg; Piet Barnard, 47, from Potchefstroom; and Andries Terre'Blanche, 47, the AWB leader's brother.

After his court appearance the AWB leader said the arrests demonstrated the state's insincerity in trying to get public political figures to participate in Codesa.

He said all the men would have been prepared to report to court, or the police could have called on them at their offices, and that pre-dawn arrests had been uncalled for.

Rudolph said after his appearance: "This is what one should expect in a police state."

The arrests stemmed from the violence in Ventersdorp last year when President F W de Klerk addressed a public meeting.

The case was postponed to March 9.

Our political staff reports from Cape Town that the CP hit out at the arrests, but De Klerk said there was "no political bias in the application of the law".

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De Klerk said the arrests had come as "news to me". They had not been discussed with him by the National Security Council or the Law and Order Minister.

"It was not a political arrest," he said, adding that government would continue to apply the law in a "legal manner".

Woman 'unaware of fraud trust'

A 74-year-old woman told the Rand Supreme Court yesterday she had had no idea that a trust described as the ultimate controlling body of the Interboard companies allegedly used by Ed Dutton to commit forex fraud involving R144m, had been formed in her name.

Mary Gibbs was the first State witness at Dutton's trial on 14 counts of fraud. He has pleaded not guilty on all counts.

SUSAN RUSSELL

Her former son-in-law, Nick Thomas, had told her he had been asked to form a trust and needed three signatures. She signed without having read the document.

She said she had never heard of any of the people named as beneficiaries of the trust, nor had she known of any companies which would be formed by the trust. "I
FW denies advance knowledge of arrests

Political Staff

PRESIDENT De Klerk had no prior knowledge of the arrests of AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche and the rest of the top AWB leadership.

Mr De Klerk said yesterday that the arrests were not political and that the law had merely taken its normal course.

"For me, it was news as much as it was for any other South African," he said in reply to a question at a photo call with visiting British Minister for Overseas Development Mrs Lynda Chalker.

Mr De Klerk said he had not been kept informed about the investigation. He had not discussed it either in the State Security Council or with the Minister of Law and Order.

The arrests had been the result of the police applying the laws of the country without political bias.

Mr De Klerk firmly rejected Mr Terre'Blanche's allegations that he was harassing the right.

"The government, through its security forces, will continue to maintain law and order without political bias and won't be threatened not to apply the law in an unbiased manner."
Conspiracy

Driver of death kombi insurance beneficiary

THE white man who allegedly drove the kombi in which five men were killed was the beneficiary in some of the insurance policies taken out by himself and a colleague on the lives of the victims.

This startling revelation was confirmed yesterday by the chief legal adviser of Sanlam insurance company in Cape Town, Mr Emile Linde.

Horrific burns

His companion, who allegedly followed the kombi in another vehicle shortly before the crash, was also a beneficiary.

Linde said the two men, who were said to be the proprietors of the insurance policies of the eight black men, were in six cases the beneficiaries.

One of the policies was not accepted by Sanlam.
Jaap has them in a frenzy

Herstigte Nasionale Party leader Jaap Marais whipped a Pretoria City Hall audience into a foot-stomping frenzy last night with a call for unity among right-wing leaders.

Speaking to about 500 people below a giant banner proclaiming: "Away with De Klerk", Mr Marais said: "We won't enter a negotiating room at Cedeza to deliberate about peace, we'll continue the war outside."

Mr de Klerk was bound to call a referendum for whites to approve his constitutional proposals.

Right-wing groupings would win this referendum, putting them in a position to demand an election under the present constitution.

"Should he (Mr de Klerk) deny us this right, we have to be sufficiently consolidated to sweep him off the stage in the mighty bow as the Romanians did with their president." — Sapa-Political Staff.
"Stop blaming Govt, police for violence"

Political Reporter and Sapa

It was not in the interest of the Government or the police to promote political violence, Minister of Law and Order Hernus Kriel said in Parliament yesterday.

Speaking in the debate on the State President's speech, he asked why the police would start riots and instigate murder if they had to investigate the incidents and possibly get killed in the process.

"People are looking at the violence and saying, 'If that is the new South Africa, I don't want to be part of it'.'"

The outbreak of black-on-black violence was because of a jockeying for political power among certain groups.

"The time has come to stop blaming the SAP, the Government, a third force or apartheid for the violence."

Mr Kriel said there was as yet no proof that the PAC's military wing, the Azanian People's Liberation Army, was responsible for the killing of policemen.

He said the PAC was clearly trying to fill a vacuum left by the ANC after it had decided to join negotiations.

Mr Kriel said it was time for political leaders to speak out against violence and not encourage it by their silence.

To the right wing, Mr Kriel said the ANC, with the help of the USSR, Libya, large parts of Africa, and China, had not been able to take over the Government through violence. "I want to tell the right wing groups: 'It won't work. You don't have the logistical capabilities.'"

He warned the right wing that one day their bombing of schools and post offices would go horribly wrong and they would kill children. Detained rightwingers "sang like birds".

Outlining causes of rightist radicalism, Mr Kriel said blame lay squarely with the Boerekommando, the CP, the AWB and allied groups because they went from platform to platform shouting "swart gevaar".

Mr Kriel said the NP and the SAP were busy beating the violence, but too many people were still dying.

CP chief whip Frank le Roux said it was "scandalous and unpardigmatic" for Mr Kriel to have said the CP rejoiced when people died in unrest.

Mr Kriel withdrew the remark but questioned how many times the CP had expressed condolences to blacks families.
Racist attacks are a sign of fear

A BLACK man kills a white family to “cut off the hand of apartheid”; a white gang beats a black man to death because his dog mated with theirs.

While political leaders are forging a new dispensation for the country, ordinary South Africans are committing fresh outrages in their centuries-old race war.

In the bloodiest attack of late, white farmer Mr Kallie Deport shot dead eight blacks and Indians in the Natal town of Ladysmith this month. He set out on the shooting spree after killing his father in a row over a cattle sale.

The killings caused outrage among the town’s blacks, and four days later a black gardener wounded his white employer’s two young sons with an axe.

In the conservative Transvaal coal mining town of Kriel, a white man roamed the streets last Saturday shooting at blacks with a shotgun. He killed a man and a woman.

Researchers say an important factor in such crimes is the rapid transition from white supremacy to the dawning of non-racial democracy.

Whites feel increasingly scared as they see their privileges slipping away, while some blacks see the political opening as an invitation for retribution, they add.

The Human Sciences Research Council, a state-sponsored institute, says white-on-black violence has increased since February 1990, when President FW de Klerk began scrapping apartheid.

The council said the repeal of laws which prevented blacks taking white jobs played a significant part in the rise.

Three days before Christmas, Mr Gabriel Mahakee (42) broke into the empty home of a white farmer named Engelbrecht in the Verkeerddevlet district of the Orange Free State.

He told a magistrate what happened.

“I wanted to kill the kaffir, dog, baboon, as we are called.

“I went to sit in the holy (front) room, where a kaffir is not allowed to sit, and waited for (the Engelbrechts). The devil helped me, and they came.”

Mahakee, who pleaded guilty to four counts of murder, said that, as he shot the family, he held them: “Africa must return. You will forgive me because I don’t kill you, I apartheid,” Mahakee said. “Unfortunately I only cut off the fingers. That day I wanted to kill 20 to 50 people.”

Following the murders, white farmers in the district set up a neighbourhood watch. Two weeks later they caught three black suspects in another robbery, and beat one of them to death.

On Christmas Day, a white couple living on a smallholding south of Johannesberg accosted black labourer Mr Molatu Lebeta, (60) on a neighbour’s plot.

Lebeta’s wife Maria said there was an argument, after which the white couple returned with about six other whites. They beat Lebeta and the next day he died in hospital.

What was the argument about?

“The white woman said she didn’t want her dog coming together with a kaffir’s dog,” said Maria.

‘Africa must return.
You will forgive me because I don’t kill you, I kill that thing we are called - kaffir, dog, baboon.’

“...There is a belief that violence is effective, that it’s a quick and easy way to get what you want. It’s a belief that has been substantiated in recent history.”

Violence in South Africa has many varieties, including hit-squad attacks, wars between competing taxi operators, tribal clan feuds and battles over political turf.

On a personal level, the armed burglaries which have become common in affluent white suburbs are increasingly accompanied by rape - often seen as a crime of hate.

Vogelman said some of the crimes against whites committed by blacks were expressions of outrage or retribution at symbolic figures.

Crimes by whites against blacks were often sparked by a sense of powerlessness to halt the erosion of their position of dominance.

“Violence restores the sense of power, the sense of feeling in control,” he said. - Sapa-Reuter
Shooting spree: One dead, 6 hurt

MIDDELBURG - An unidentified white man went on a shooting spree in this Eastern Transvaal town late last night, killing one black person and wounding six others.

The suspect was later confronted by the police and critically wounded after an exchange of gunfire.

Police spokesman Major Ray Harraid said the 24-year-old man, whose identity was not yet known, allegedly had a quarrel with his girlfriend at his home. He then grabbed a gun, proceeded into town and shot at several black people, killing one and wounding six others.

He then continued to another part of the town where he fired at a white woman. She escaped unharmed.

The injured people, as well as the suspect, are in hospital. — Sapa.
Sit-in protest in mayor's garden

THE MAYOR of East London, Mr Carl Burger, received a surprise visit at his home last Friday night.

Homeless Orange Grove squatters and representatives of 13 organisations staged a sit-in in Burger’s garden to protest against the demolition of their shacks by the municipality.

The demolition came days after a right-wing arson attack destroyed a shack.

Burger, who was attending a meeting in Bisho, was not present, and many protesters refused to leave until his return at midnight.

However, negotiations between the group, the police, and the town clerk, Mr Les Kumm, secured the 11 squatters temporary shelter for the night and a meeting with Burger.

The squatters are demanding the right to remain behind Orange Grove Hotel until they find an alternative site, the return of their confiscated building materials and steps to protect them from further right-wing attacks.

— ECNA
Gunman goes on rampage: One dead, six wounded

Johannesburg. – An unidentified white gunman went on the rampage through the eastern Transvaal town of Middelburg last night, killing one black man and wounding six others.

After his half-hour shooting spree, the 24-year-old man was critically injured in a firefight with police. He was admitted to Middelburg Hospital where he was semi-conscious this morning.

According to eastern Transvaal police liaison officer Major Schalk Pienaar, the shooting started at about 9pm when the man had an argument with his ex-girlfriend in Totius Street, Golsig.

Major Pienaar said the man pulled out a .44 automatic pistol and shot at the 21-year-old woman, but missed.

Climbing into his red Ford Laser, he drove into town to the Le Cars car dealership in Jan van Riebeeck Street, where the owner's wife, Mrs Iris Roberts, 32, was working late.

"I heard the screeching of tyres and the noise of a car engine, and then five or six gun shots," Mrs Roberts said.

As she ran outside, Mrs Roberts said she saw a car speeding away. The gunman had shot straight at the area where the two security guards had been sitting and wounded one of them.

They ran off in fright.

Major Pienaar said the gunman drove to a traffic circle at the station where, without leaving his car, he shot at two black men, hitting both.

From there, the man drove to Mhluzi township. He drove in about two or three blocks and then turned around to come out again," Major Pienaar said.

The four black men he shot at in the township were all hit.

Major Pienaar appealed to the people of Middelburg and Mhluzi to remain calm.
Rightists claim security force ‘infiltration’

By Claire Keeton

THE national chairperson of the Republican Unity Movement of South Africa (Rumosa), Mr Clive Derby-Lewis, has accused the security forces of trying to discredit the movement.

Derby-Lewis, a Conservative Party MP, denied Rumosa had burnt down a squatter shack on the outskirts of East London last week and left Rumosa pamphlets with the occupants.

Two white men in balaclavas poured petrol on the occupants of the shack and then set the structure alight.

"Somebody from the security forces has infiltrated the organisation and planted this information to discredit Rumosa," Derby-Lewis claimed.

Border police liaison officer, Major Christo Louw, and an officer from Group Eight of the SADF, declined to comment on Derby-Lewis’ allegations.

A caller claiming to represent the group telephoned an East London newspaper to admit responsibility.

The caller said the shack had been burned down "as a warning that no squatting will be tolerated on white land".

Derby-Lewis said one of the pamphlets left at the scene was an authentic Rumosa publication.

The pamphlet opposed negotiations. However, Rumosa knew nothing of the second pamphlet telling squatters to move or be forced to move.

He said the Rumosa East London branch chairman told him that on the night of the attack, the movement had discussed whether to distribute the anti-negotiations pamphlet.

"It was the ideal opportunity. (The security forces) knew it was going to be distributed and thought it would prove Rumosa is involved," said Derby-Lewis.

However, no organisation would leave pamphlets at the scene of an attack, he said.

Derby-Lewis was surprised there were not more incidents like this perpetrated, since the squatters were behaving illegally.

He said the government’s failure to act against squatting was criminal.

Rumosa is an anti-ANC movement with branches in East London, Port Alfred/Bathurst and Grahamstown.

It recently placed an advertisement in a Grahamstown paper to recruit those "of Settler stock who are interested in being involved in joint action to ensure the promotion and protection of their Western culture".

— ELNEWS
Man tells why he ‘zapped so many kaffirs’

"EVERYTHING went black when my girlfriend refused to have me back - that's why I zapped so many kaffirs." With these chilling words spoken from his hospital bed yesterday afternoon, Cornelius Petrus "CJ" de Vaal (24) reflected on the shooting rampage the night before in Middelburg which left one man dead and five others injured.

The shooting spree - which police say started at about 8am in the affluent Golfsig suburb when a gunman fired a shot at the car of his 21-year-old ex-girlfriend and her male friend - ended in the nearby Mhluzi township when the suspect was hit by five police bullets. De Vaal's right arm was amputated below the shoulder in the Middelburg Hospital earlier yesterday.

Swathed in bandages, he calmly described how he "cracked" when his ex-sweetheart rejected his pleas to return to him.

"She left me just before Christmas and I could not handle it. I was at her house being guarded by a police constable. Down the corridor five of the shooting victims - Solomon Nkosi (26), Thomas Singwane (26), Jerry Manka (29), Jacobus Mathebula (40) and Newacy Nkosi (32) were recovering. Another man - whom a police spokesman last night identified as Lasie Skoko - died of his injuries in Mhluzi.

Teacher is shot dead on her way to work

AN Alexandra teacher who died after being coldbloodedly shot on her way to work will be buried next weekend. Miss Pauline Mogomane Dolo (25), a former teacher at Eastbank High School, was shot from behind by an unknown person on Wednesday morning. Her family said by yesterday police had not made any arrests.

Popularly known as Paula, she qualified as a teacher at the Soweto College of Education two years ago. Paula served on several committees, including the Alexandra City Council. She acted in a TV2/3 documentary.

She is survived by her son Thabang, three sisters and two brothers. Paula will be buried at the Alexandra Cemetery at a time still to be decided.
Horror crash ‘scam’:
Suspects still free

By SONTI MASEKO

THE two men accused of trying to make the

deaths of their five victims appear as an acci-

dent, are still free.

According to survivors the two men, Mr
Lucas Louër and Mr Isak “Kobus” Kruger,

who have been suspended by Sanlam, first in-

sured their eight victims for more than R1

million.

They then allegedly “caused” an accident

near Witbank.

The minibus, into which the men had been

loaded, plunged down a 30m ravine, killing five

of the eight men.

Eastern Transvaal police spokesman Warrant

Officer Andre van der Westhuizen confirmed

that the police had not yet arrested the two men.

He said police had launched an intensive

investigation into the case.

Sanlam yesterday confirmed it had suspended

Louër and Kruger.

It also offered to pay a total of R40 000 to the

families of the eight crash victims “as a gesture

of goodwill and to assist in defraying the funeral

and medical expenses involved”.

The insurance company’s Mr Emil Linde said

it would be “grossly unfair and totally wrong to

link Sanlam, as employer, to the alleged private

activities of their employees”.

The news of the suspension came as Mr
Jackson Mthembu of the ANC’s Witbank office

called on the insurance company to honour fully

the insurance policies taken out on the lives of

the dead men for the benefit of their families and

compensate the others who were injured.

The suspension followed persistent news-
paper reports on the allegations made by the sur-
vivors, Mr Lazarus Mmadi, Mr Samuel Msimela

and Mr Koos Skosana that the crash, on Sunday

July 19, was not an accident.

Mthembu has reacted strongly to the news

that the two alleged murder suspects were still

on the loose and added that the “only logical

conclusion” to infer was that the suspects had

not been arrested because they were white.

He said the initial charge of culpable homicide

in an incident where five people were killed

was itself a gross irregularity, viewed in the light

of what happened in the past in the Westdene bus
disaster.

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Chilling account of Middelburg shootings

"Why I went berserk"

By Guy Jepson
Crime Staff
MIDDLESBURG
“Everything went black when my girlfriend refused to have me back — that’s why I zapped so many kaffirs.”

With these chilling words spoken from his hospital bed yesterday afternoon, Cornelius Petrus C.J. de Vaal (26), recalled the shooting spree the night before which left one man dead and five others injured.

The rampage — in which police say started at about 9:30 pm and spread out across the town — was at its peak when a gunman fired a shot at a woman and a man at the side of his home.

The woman — aged 21-year-old ex-girlfriend and her male friend — was killed in the nearby Mbuli township when the suspect was shot by five police officers.

“Me de Vaal’s right arm was later amputated after he was hit by a policeman after shooting rampage in Middelburg this week,” he said rejection by his girlfriend caused him to go out on the streets and “zap” black people.

Arguing
“Everything went black (I would have sworn god) that’s why I zapped so many kaffirs, but probably not enough (this booken ak ang want kaffir gelooit).”

Me de Vaal said doing what he did had probably cost him his job.

He had earlier instructed hospital authorities not to allow black journalists into his ward, which was being treated by a constable.

Down the corridor, in a ward reserved for blacks patients, five of the victims — Solomon Nhlapo (61), Thomas Lingweze (39), Jerry Mbande (51), Jacobus Nhlapo (42) and Newyear Nkosi (32) — were recovering.

Another man — who a spokesman for the police confirmed as one of the victims — was identified as Lame Shobelo — died of his injuries at Mbuli.

Captain Chepny Kruger of the Middelburg Murder and Robbery Squad said that after arguing with his ex-girlfriend, the gunman — driving a red Ford Laser — killed two men in the street.

He fired a shot.

They were not hit, and drove off.

From there the suspect drove to Lo Cien in the southern suburbs of the town, where he killed two more people.

Then he drove to the station where he shot two black men standing in the street, hitting one in the arm and the other in both legs.

Then he turned back to Mbuli in front of the municipal police station he shot three guns in the street.

"The gunman was arrested, but he was still shooting at the police," Captain Kruger said.

Police report that the gangsters attempted to rob the police station.

Captured the suspect's weapon and five others were arrested for attempted murder, Captain Kruger said.

The suspect is being charged with attempted murder, rape and other crimes.
Terror warning as masked Ystergarde come into the open

By CHARLES LEONARD

The AWB staged a show of strength in Venterdorp yesterday as a senior police source warned that a new wave of right-wing terrorist attacks was expected to precede the next round of Codema.

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Can we expect a rise in random attacks?

By SEKOLA SELLO

The random killing of blacks by white right-wingers may be the start of an upsurge of such racist killings.

This is the feeling of Venita Goven- der, co-ordinator of Peace Action, a violence-monitoring group based in Jo- hannesburg.

Speaking to City Press in her personal capacity, Goven- der said the attacks on blacks in Ladysmith, Natal, and Middelburg in the eastern Transvaal may signal an increase in such attacks.

Lot of killings

"We are going to see a lot of these killings. Some people may dismiss them as random and not politically motivated, but this is not true. Ultimately they are politically motivated."

However, a spokesman for the Human Rights Commission, which is part of Peace Action, said it was too early to tell whether there is a potential for more racist killings.

There has been widespread alarm in the black community since nine blacks were killed and 19 wounded by a lone gunman in Ladysmith two weeks ago.

This was soon followed by another killing this week in Middelburg in which one black person died and several were wounded.

An HRC spokesman, who asked to remain anonymous, admitted the recent killings in Ladysmith and Middel- burg were cause for concern.

However, she said it was "very difficult to tell" whether the killings meant a new trend or whether they could indicate a new upsurge in white-on- black violence.

She pointed out that although the latest killings were cause for concern, violence involving "semi-spontaneous and indiscriminate acts by individuals or small groups" was not that common compared to vigilante-type violence.

The vigilante type of violence, the HRC says, is "organisationally based" and involves "planning and marshalling of resources". Most of the killings in the current orgy of violence fall under this category.

According to the HRC, most of the attacks against blacks occur in the rural areas of the eastern, western and northern Transvaal and the Orange Free State.

The reason for this is that most whites in these places are conservative and the areas themselves are known strongholds of Conservative Party sup- porters or members.

Goven- der, on the other hand, believes the new political developments in the country have increased fear among whites.

White right-wingers, she says, are "screaming that nobody is listening to them".

The Peace Action co-ordinator says it would be foolish to underestimate the potential of these isolated incidents growing and leading to serious racial problems.

Racial targets

"In Ladysmith, I believe, there are reports that blacks are coming together because they feel they are being target- ed on a racial basis. Whites too feel threatened. Polarisation is increasing."

Peace Action is an umbrella body comprising anti-apartheid organisations like the Free Freedom Forum, the Equal Rights Campaign, the Black Sash, the HRC, Lawyers for Human Rights and several churches.
'Bomb' at Moloi farm

By MONWABISI NOMADOLO

A FAKE time-bomb was recently discovered on the Witklipbank farm bought by late Thembiwa millionaire Charles Moloi, police said.

Moloi caused a sensation when he bought two farms from rightwing owners in CP territory, and as the cherry on top, employed a white manager.

East Rand police liaison officer Lieutenant Wikus Weber said police received a tip-off about the bomb from an anonymous caller.

Weber said police experts were sent to the area and the bomb, which had a timer, was removed.

No explosives

He said there were no explosives in the bomb, but added that it must have been assembled by a professional. The bomb was placed a short distance from the main house, Weber said.

He added that police were investigating the matter and the motive was still unknown.

Police could not rule out that it was a racially motivated act, he said.

However the Moloi family denied any knowledge of a bomb on their farm.

Charlie, Moloi's younger son who is managing the farm, said the family was disturbed by the news of the bomb and the fact that the police did not inform them about it.

The Moloi family first learnt about the bomb when they were contacted by City Press for comment.

Moloi, a diabetic, died in December.

His former white farm manager, Bruce Ivy, was dismissed in October because he was "unproductive", a family member said.

Ivy, now a fugitive from the Delmas police, is wanted in connection with a charge of attempted murder after he allegedly went berserk and raided the home of his black lover, Sophie, for whom he had already started paying lobola.

He fired several shots at her father, David Mahlangu, with his rifle. Ivy has not been seen since. A warrant for his arrest has been issued.

In another development Charlie told City Press that the farmhouse was badly damaged after police raided the house in search of Ivy.

Charlie said the doors of the house (inside and outside) were kicked to pieces, the ceiling was damaged and the carpet was torn.

"But how could they look for a man under a carpet?" he asked.

However, Weber said the family should lay a complaint against the police, who were allegedly led by a Captain Venter.
Awb Army . . . Members of the Awb's elite iron guard, clad in black uniforms and their heads covered in black facel. put on a paramilitary display at Ventersdorp on Saturday. The guard was formed mainly to protect the Awb's leadership.

Iron Guard 'to protect leaders'

VenterDorp. — The Afrikaner Weerstandsbeuging's elite Iron Guard, unveiled here at the weekend, will probably be little more than a bodyguard unit for the Awb's leadership, sources in the Awb and political analysts said.

Political analyst and right-wing specialist Dr Wim Boyse said the Awb was training "more serious units" out of the public spotlight.

He was aware of the existence of two secret units, one for men and another for women, and although he was not aware of their exact function he suspected they were involved in counter-terrorist training.

Iron Guard trainer and leader Mr Keith Conroy confirmed the Iron Guard would be involved in protecting the Awb's leadership — a request made by Awb leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche.

Right-Wing March . . . Awb leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, flanked by masked riders, leads a march by through Ventersdorp by hundreds of uniformed and armed Awb members.

Mr Terre'Blanche surrounded himself with six bodyguards, three of whom carried pump-action shotguns, while watching the Iron Guard go through their paces.

Journalists were told the Iron Guard's demonstration, which involved horsemanship and various rescues of women and children from imaginary mobs, showed how the Awb would respond in a revolution.

Earlier in the day the Awb marched through Ventersdorp led by 36 members of the Iron Guard and 300 kaki-clad members of the Wenkommando.

Iron Guard members showed how they would defend white people against "black mobs". A squad leader stressed the "effectiveness of a horse in a revolutionary situation". — Own Correspondent and Sapa
ET makes threats at AWB parade

The streets of Ventersdorp reverberated under the black boots of the AWB's secretive paramilitary Ystergarde unit on Saturday when the balaclava-clad militants made their first public show of strength.

The Ystergarde's female counterpart, the Rood Vaalke, also showed their claws in a series of combat demonstrations alongside the men.

Elsewhere in the town, AWB members chanted racist slogans and songs at black shoppers and told them to leave the "white part" of Ventersdorp.

A militant Eugene Terreblanche warned in an address to about 1,200 supporters that his organisation could bring the country to a standstill.

The AWB leader told his audience, who had come to see the parade of the 36-member Ystergarde, followed by 400 Wemkommando members, that right-wing unity talks were in progress to destroy Codesa.

He said talks had already been held between the AWB, Conservative Party and Herbstie National Party, among others, to forge unity.

His implied in his speech that the AWB could plunge the country into darkness by telling AWB members who work for Escom to switch off power controls. He also said mine shift bosses could be told not to go underground, or to leave black miners stranded at the bottom of a mine shaft.

Earlier this week a police spokesman investigating right-wing activity said that a new spate of bombings could be expected as the date for Codesa approached since right-wing organisations tended to link their attacks to specific events.

The police officer said known right-wing cells were being closely monitored and that the right-wing threat was being taken seriously.

The officer was quoted as estimating the support for the AWB's Wemkommando at between 9,000 and 10,000, with another 4,000 rightwingers in the Boerekommando.

Dark force members of the AWB's Ystergarde, one wearing a death's head insignia reminiscent of Hitler's SS, demonstrate close combat killing techniques during a show of strength at Ventersdorp on Saturday.

Picture: Ken Oosterbroek
Mass shootings sparked by fear

The alarming increase in white on black mass killings is probably caused by a perception of being threatened by blacks in the changing political landscape — exacerbated by loss of control over personal problems, psychologists agree.

There have been three incidences of mass killings in the past two weeks, all involving white men who went on a shooting rampage. Blacks were largely the victims in all cases, and in two incidences, personal problems had come to a head.

In Middelburg last week, Cornelius de Vaal killed one man and injured five others when he fired randomly in the Golsig suburb — after his girl friend had rejected him.

The previous weekend, mine apprentice Johannes Wilhelm Saunders arbitrarily shot two blacks in Kriel after he wandered off from a braai with friends in town.

Two weeks ago, Kaille Delport went on a shooting spree in Ladysmith, shooting dead nine people and wounding 19. He had apparently argued with his father — whom he also killed — over the price of cattle.

Although racism has been dismissed by local authorities as a factor, director for the Study of Violence at the University of Witwatersrand Lloyd Vogelman said the fact that the victims were mostly black probably was significant.

"Problems in the personal lives of these people are displaced externally — inevitably to those who are seen as causing a threat."

Blacks are perceived as depriving power from whites and blocking their social progress. The act of shooting blacks randomly is more a defensive act and justified on the basis that they are out to harm the culprit," said Mr Vogelman.

The act provided a sense of power and enormous excitement — and was likely to be sparked by a sense of despair and powerlessness in the culprit's personal life.

"Taking control through extreme violence balances the feeling of being helpless," said Mr Vogelman.

Mr Vogelman said blacks were perceived by some conservative whites as being inhuman, which, coupled with being seen as a threat, were often victims of such acts.

The fact that most mass killers were not economically poor pointed to a strong emotional and social connotation in the act, he said.

Mr Vogelman said such incidences usually only took place where there was a high incidence of firearm usage.

In 1990, 46 percent of whites had firearms at home, with 56 percent of the owners being Afrikaans speaking and 36 percent being English speaking.

Dr Alex Butchart, assistant director of the Health Psychology Unit at the University of South Africa said a series of mass killings could be attributed to a copycat phenomenon.

"People watch TV or read about it and it suggests something to them. They would probably have the proclivity to act in such a way, and this would catalyse the outburst," he said.

Dr Butchart agreed that the question of race and class was probably a factor in the mass killings mentioned.

"We are only shocked because of the intensity and horror of a mass killing — yet we are familiar with blacks being frequently assaulted by whites in South Africa," he said.
Huge weapons cache found by police on farm

A POLICE raid on a farm near Volksrust yielded one of the biggest caches of military weapons to date.

Using tracker dogs, members of the SAP combed the area just across the Transvaal-Natal border, on Wednesday and found explosives hidden in the mountains and buried next to a dam wall.

Two brothers, Mr HC Geldenhuys (22) and Mr HP Geldenhuys (33), were arrested and later appeared in the Volksrust Magistrate’s Court. The case was postponed until February 26. They were released on R500 bail.

Sowetan Correspondent

A police spokesman in Pretoria confirmed the arrests.

The explosives found were: 2 291 9mm cartridges, 1 018 rounds of 7.62mm cartridges, 868 rounds for .303 rifles, three shotgun rounds, 5 093 rounds for R5 rifles, 19 trip flares, 38 tear smoke grenades, 42 illumination flares and various other explosives.

Police are investigating.
Fighting for the ‘love of God’

Don Holliday
Staff Reporter

The Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging’s elite Ystergarde, who went public on the streets of Ventersdorp at the weekend, wore balaclavas to protect them from intimidation, according to their commander, “Commandant” Leon van der Merwe.

He said many AWB members had lost their jobs after being spotted on television engaging in the organisation’s activities.

“Commandant” van der Merwe was speaking from Ventersdorp, where the Ystergarde (Iron Guard), dressed in black and wearing balaclavas, marched through town led by AWB chief Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche.

“Commandant” van der Merwe said he had been forced to resign as a result of the attacks on him at the Soweto City Council because of intimidation after it was found out he was an AWB member.

He said an article appeared in a magazine about 1985 in which he was identified in a picture.

In 1989, the article was circulated at the city council, breeding ill-feeling towards him.

“My life and that of my wife and children were threatened on several occasions.

“ANC slogans and things like ‘One Settler, One Bullet’ were scratched on my car.

“IT became unbearable and I resigned in December 1989.

“I was ready for them, but I had to think of my family.

“There have been other such occasions and it is generally known that a lot of AWB members are denied promotion opportunities at their jobs because of their political associations.”

He said there was no special significance in the choice of black for the Ystergarde uniforms, other than it looked neat and made an effective military impression.

The Ystergarde was established in April last year from the “cream” of the Wentkommando and Aquila units.

Ranks included former members of the defence force and the police, but there were no serving government security force members in the unit.

“Commandant” van der Merwe said the Ystergarde was established to protect the AWB leadership and would spearhead a counter-revolution in the event of an ANC takeover.

Sapa-AP reports that about 500 khaki-clad AWB troops, led by Ystergarde, marched through the farming town on Saturday before putting on a display of paramilitary skills and marksmanship on a farm.

In a demonstration of how the Ystergarde would defend white people against “black mobs” two white women with two children stood in an empty field, supposedly being menaced by a black mob. Onlookers cheered wildly as five uniformed horsemen galloped up, picked them up with some difficulty and galloped off.

The horsemen also used clubs to smash watermelons supposed to be the heads of mob members. When some missed, a masked leader explained: “If they don’t get them the first time they can do it again and totally eliminate them.”

Other displays included Ystergarde peppering targets with bullets and thrusting guns in journalists’ faces to roars of applause.

AWB leaders said their forces were preparing to resist a revolution by the ANC.

“If they want to take this country by force and violence we will meet them over the barrel of a gun and we will level them with the gravel,” said Mr Terre'Blanche. “We will fight for the love of God.”
Revealed — the secret and persecuted lives of the AWB's masked Iron Guards

HAND-to-hand combat, as demonstrated by the AWB Ystegarde.

Dark force — members of the AWB's Ystegarde (Iron Guard) demonstrate combat killing techniques during their show of strength at Hillbrow Parade Grounds.

Into action
Slaughter of the innocents

Why white-on-black mass killings are increasing

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Last Saturday, mine apprentice Mr Johannes Wilhelm Saunders allegedly shot two blacks in Kriel after he wandered off from a braai with friends in town. Both victims died.

Two weeks ago, Mr Kafie Delport went on a shooting spree in Ladysmith. Nine people died and 19 were wounded.

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The question of why there is the opportunity and the capacity to shoot had to be addressed. It is the only way it can be undermined," said Vogelman.

Dr Alex Butchart, assistant director of the health psychology unit at the University of South Africa said a series of mass killings could also be attributed to the concept of violence.

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"Things are getting threatening, and the eco-
Govt rebuked for aviation response

RETIRED Supreme Court judge and leading local aviation authority Cecil Margo yesterday criticised government for not taking enough action on recommendations he made in his 1982 probe into civil aviation.

He launched his criticisms during his opening address at the International Aircraft Owners and Pilots' Association (Iaopa) World Assembly, which is being held in Johannesburg this week and which is being attended by delegates from 33 countries.

Margo said government had taken cognisance but not action on his recommendations for SA to enter into multilateral agreements with other southern African countries with a view to standardising search and rescue, air traffic control, pilot and technical training and several other aspects vital to civil aviation.

He also questioned government's plans to cut tax and other concessions to aircraft owners.

Several southern African countries, SA excluded, did not fully appreciate the contribution civil aviation made to the region, both in contributing towards growth in industry, agriculture, imports and exports, tourism and in improving interpersonal relations between political and commercial leaders of different countries, he said.

A multilateral aviation treaty would advance peace, prosperity and welfare of the entire community in the area, he added.

Regional aviation standardisation would enhance the export of technological know-how from southern Africa, and would aid regional economic development currently hindered by poor, ineffectual, and in some instances, non-existent ground transport infrastructure, he said.

"A mile of road leads nowhere, but a mile of runway leads everywhere," he remarked.

Government has approved the idea of multilateral treaties, but has done nothing about it, said Margo.

Iaopa is regarded as one of the most influential non-government international civil aviation bodies. Its recommendations are usually incorporated into legislation by government civil aviation authorities. It is in the first time in the organisation's 30-year history that it has convened a meeting in Africa.

The assembly will discuss issues such as the impact on civil aviation of recent EC and International Civil Aviation Organisation decisions.

Iaopa represents more than 250 000 pilots and owners of general aviation aircraft flown for business or privately. General aviation has been defined as "all civil aviation operations other than scheduled and non-scheduled air transport services for remuneration or hire".

Iaopa told to pay bond

September 17, earlier told the court that his wife paid for his defence, but experienced cash flow problems because of difficulties in selling her Waterkloof home.

He believed that the proceeds of such a sale — even if it was a sale in execution by the trustees of his estate — would bring in enough cash to repay two bonds on the property as well as his defence.

Vermont's advocates and attorneys withdrew from his trial because he could not afford to pay them.

He expressed the hope that he would be able to employ them again in future, but was warned by the trial judge that he should be prepared to defend himself if his plans failed. — Sapa.

Alleged bomber to plead over bail

FORMER lender striker and alleged Bloed Street bomber Lodewyk van Schalkwyk will appear in the Pretoria Supreme Court on February 10 to request that his R5 000 bail not be forfeited.

Van Schalkwyk was arrested on Monday after failing to arrive in court on January 27 to face charges of murder and attempted murder. He appeared in the Pretoria Supreme Court yesterday and will be kept in prison until his next court appearance.

Together with right-wingers Henry Martin and Adrian Maritz, he also faces charges of a murder after the death of computer consultant Nicolas Cruise.
On Wednesday the Johannesburg Regional Court refused to grant Webb bail while he waited for the outcome of his trial. He is accused of fraud.

**Klan-style action slammed**

CAPE TOWN — Ku Klux Klan-style disguises worn by Grabouw municipal officials during a controversial squatter-clearing operation at Grabouw on Wednesday have been condemned by DP MP Jan van Eck as "outrageous, bizarre and out of step with government reforms".

Eight people were wounded during the operation and residents of the camp were angered by the action. Grabouw town clerk Valder Dudley said workers wore pillow slips over their heads, and the name of the private company was painted out on trucks used to remove building material, to protect identities and to prevent intimidation. — Sapa.
Cape Klans-style clear-up criticised

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A row over the municipality's approach was sparked by pictures on TV on Wednesday of hooded officials demolishing shacks and carting building material away in disguised trucks.

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DP MP Jan van Eck said: "Men wearing pillow cases over their heads looking like the Ku Klux Klan presented a most bizarre and frightening picture. The situation is outrageous."

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After a week of bizarre mass killings, most by young white men

passing blacks, we visit the scene of one such shooting, the Transvaal town of Kriel

Whites have forgotten, But not Josephine Mpila

I don't trust the whites now. Even if I worked in your home, I would not trust you

According to National Union of Mineworkers member Moses Hlatshwayo, the shooting of Beach Mpila, a photographer and driver at Malans coal mine who was popular among his colleagues, has brought tension into the workplace. "People are feeling very bad about what happened. They are saying that if the government doesn't take action, the blood will run. The whites are very tense today. They say they are on our side and that the guy did something wrong."

He said his colleagues were fairly about the bullets condition. "When they were told three blacks shot a farmer and his wife dead on a farm nearby, their bullet was 30,000 each."

Garage attendent Joseph Moletsane, who jokingly pitting the head of a small white boy, described how things were far from peaceful in the small Conservative Party dominated town where peace and quiet have been restored. "The atmosphere in Kriel has been restored."

Describing his feelings about the shootings, he said: "That man has made my head run. I feel very sorry. Three white people... if it's better they tell us to fight — not kill one, two that side, then, four the other side. They are killing us just like that without a fight."

had the chance to fight, maybe I would win. And the way he is, there will be fighting. I don't say the new South Africa is bad, but there must be black people making it."

Slightly built Josephine Mpila, also employed at the coal mine, vividly described how her boyfriend of nine years was shot in the late afternoon of January 24 by an ordinary-looking white man while he was changing the film in his camera.

"We were sitting in the church and he was sitting pretty near me. Then the man came up to him while he was changing the film, said 'hello my friend' and shot him here,' she said, pointing her chest.

Mpila lay on the grass for more than an hour before an ambulance came from the local hospital about a kilometer away to fetch him. "Maybe he would have had a doctor if they could afford it," Mpila said.

Overcome by grief, she began to sob. "What can I do about that blood on the grass? Whenever I walk past, I have to stop there." She told how her nights were plagued with sleeplessness and haunting visions. "I don't trust the whites now. Even if I worked in your home, I wouldn't trust you."

Margaret Ndhoveni was taking care of a tree with her baby and a friend, Sylvio Kol, that fatal afternoon when Saunders, swaggering arrogantly, approached them. "They had no grasp from whites, Margaret took flight. "I told my friend we must get up, that maybe that man will make trouble with us. I took my child and walked slowly. Sylvio bent down to pick up the child's toy and as he looked back, I saw him shoot her under her breast."

Koll, 39 years old, said the murder of his wife, died in Bethal Hospital the next day.

Unlike most other residents of Kriel, this two women's employers - directly affected by the incident - engaged their friends. Sald Helen Jane van Remburg, wife of a policeman: "According to my girl (Margaret Ndhoveni), the man's eyes were dead. I can't understand it. The guy is young and he's up for murder. It's horrible. Someone inside him must have been broken. It's the parents' fault for not bringing up their children to respect laws. My girl, I respect her. If her child is sick, I give her money. She's a lady, just like me."

Koll's employer, Nellie van der Walt, said she felt numb that the woman who was "more than my friend" was dead. "I didn't hit my seat. She was one hell of a person, I loved you that. She was very innocent, not the political type." She added that because she arrived late, she did not know how the town had reacted, "That it was a great loss for my three-year-old son. He loved her a lot. He cried the whole day afterwards."

ITSELF it would take more than a wild shooting spree and the death of innocent people to shock the sensitive in the Transvaal town of Kriel.

The first to exulting was the small dark patch on a greeny bank — the spot where Enchoe Mthia died two Sundays ago, after ex-policeman Johannes Wilhelm Saunders allegedly walked up to him and shot him in the chest.

The white folk, it appears, would rather forget what happened on the frosty afternoon of January 23, when something snapped in the young man's head as he led a brain in Seetsebeni Road. He went on a rampage, killing two people before surrendering to police.

"It was an one-off phenomenon. No one talks about it. It's over and forgotten."

A man employed by the town council.

Roba Rolineke, head of cultural and community services at the council, was quick to agree: "There has been nothing at all. To tell the truth, everything is calm."

"The black people not angry," he asked. "I don't think it. They are not angry. I don't think it."

A white woman employed by the council.

Perhaps it's not a one-off that in this new town whose 17,000 inhabitants are predominantly employed on the neighboring coal mines and power stations, the local authorities are keen to play down the incident and prevent a picture of racial tension.

Most of the whites seem to feel this way. What they don't see, one woman choined to ignore the fact is the anger and fear behind the facade.

The incident occurred as a haze of police exchange: they haven't forgotten the incident. They are angry that two well liked people were killed for no apparent reason and that the culprit, who is due to appear in court on March 25, is out on R3,000 bail.

One of those who returned to black the white lie was a joke: They should shoot more black people. They are taking up the land. Changing this time, he then agreed the shootings were wrong. "If he is a black man it respects my property it's fine. No problem."

Rolineke denied it. A strong Afrikaner westende hugging presence in the town. Many blacks described how it was fairly common for racist attacks to end in black deaths by white-owned monitor.

For them, the incident has certainly increased racism tension.
Rightwing talks soon?

Johannesburg

The organising committee for rightwing negotiation and action will be organising a rightwing leaders' conference soon, spokesman for the committee Mr Clive Derby-Lewis said at the weekend. (244)

Mr Derby-Lewis said in a statement that more than 80 rightwing organisations had contacted the committee to express their support for a combined rightwing strategy. (244)

He said it was believed that those "few" rightwing leaders who had applied to attend Codesa would attend the leaders' conference instead. — Sapa
Planning the rightwing not the solution - expert

By JOE MDHLELA

The far rightwing groups might become the Romanos of South Africa as the new political dispensation unfolds, political consultant Dr Wim Booysen said during the Sovietan/Radio Metro Talkback Show last night.

He said the groups could pose a serious threat to the stability of the country because of their use of conventional military training.

He said even though they were a small in numbers, they were a potential threat to the post-Codesa era.

Booysen said most of the revolutions of the world had been fought on the principle of self-determination. Rightwing organisations had already emphasised that as their requirement.

"Self-determination is an emotional issue," Booysen said.

The rightwing fringe perceived Codesa as unsympathetic to the self-determination.

He also warned that security forces had been brainwashed by the "total onslaught" concept of the erstwhile repressive National Party Government, and it would take time before this element accepted the "new reality".

He discounted a suggestion by a caller that the rightwing should be banned.

"If you ban organisations you force them to go underground," he said.
Oil in water disrupts multiracial school gala

THE venue of a multiracial primary school swimming gala in the Northern Natal town of Glencoe had to be moved after a large quantity of diesel oil was dumped in the pool in the early hours of yesterday morning. (344) CT 15 2/92

While the headmaster of the Sarel Cilliers High School, Mr Jasper Slabbert, said there was no evidence linking the dumping of diesel to the holding of the swimming gala, many of the primary schools competing are Model B multiracial schools.
Killers still not arrested

BY NONWABISI NOMANDLO

A GANG of rightwingers who allegedly beat a black man to death in December because he "kaffir" bitch dog had nuzzled with a "white" dog is still free.

The dead man's distraught family condemned the police for "dragging their feet" in arresting the alleged killers because it was a black man who died.

Molamu "Liwali" Lekhola died at the Baragwanath Hospital on the Day of Goodwill after he was beaten by white gangsters at the smallholding in Elandfontein, 30 km south of Johannesburg.

His widow, Maria Kutane, said Lekhola, the father of her six children, died as a result of severe injuries to his stomach and groin sustained during the alleged attack.

Kutane said that on Christmas Day a white couple from a nearby plot came to the servants' quarters on the plot where he had been employed by the Collins as a servant for the past 17 years.

She identified the couple as Bruce and Lynn Finlay who stayed on a nearby plot.

It was around 5.30 pm when they came and I overheard the woman telling my husband that she did not want her dog coming together with a kaffir bitch," Kutane said.

Then an exchange of words ensued, she said.

"He added that Lekhola replied: 'My son is kaffir and will not be blackmailed' she said.

"Shortly thereafter the couple left and returned 20 minutes later accompanied by another woman and three men, she said.

"I was sitting in the room with my husband, Elizabeth (a farm worker) and her boyfriend, Frans," Kutane said.

She said part of the group entered her room and then Lynn just said "Ja liwali" and started beating him with a jambok and the others joined in, Kutane said.

She added that she was screaming all the way to the hospital but the police ignored her cries.

She added that Lekhola, helped by Frans, tried to escape but was confronted by another man at the door who struck him with a pick-handle across the groin and lower abdomen, she said.

However, Lekhola managed to stumble to the farmhouse bleeding profusely on the head with the group in hot pursuit.

At the main house the Collins' witnessed part of the assault but did not intervene, she said.

"I asked my boss to phone for an ambulance," she said.

She added that through her boss with the ambulance was on its way, it never arrived.

"We hired a van and took him to Lenasia Hospital where he was stitched, given pain tablets and sent home," she said.

"We spent a sleepless night. He was in agony," she added.

The following morning at around 11 am, Lekhola was taken to Baragwanath Hospital where he died the same day around 5 pm, she said.

That night, December 26, the alleged white gang returned to the servants quarters with a dog. This time they were looking for Frans who had earlier rejoined Lekhola to escape.

She said they did not find him but found his girlfriend, Elizabeth.

"I told them I did not know where Frans was," Elizabeth said.

They then set the dog on her, she said.

She showed City Press the scars from the injuries on her right arm and breast she sustained when savaged by the dog.

She said that Frans also sustained head injuries the night Lekhola was attacked.

Vaal police spokesman Captain Piet van Deventer said the case was still being investigated and confirmed that no arrests had been made.

Van Deventer confirmed the suspects had been identified and statements taken from the complainant and witnesses.

He said the docket would be handed to a senior public prosecutor.

When City Press asked why the suspects had not been arrested, the spokesman said arrest of suspects depended on "circumstances and evidence".

He said there was no cover-up by police and the family should be assured that the docket would be handed to the prosecutor.

Reckten was not an issue in the case, he said.

There were different ways of bringing suspects to court, either through arrest or summons, he said.

The national director of the Lawyers for Human Rights, Ahmed Motala, said the "failure of the police to arrest the suspects was racially motivated".

The organisation was providing the widow with legal aid.

Motala said police would have made arrests if this was a white man who had died as a result of an attack by blacks.

"Murder is a serious crime, whether committed by a black or white," he said, adding that the organisation was calling for the immediate arrest of the suspects.

Lekhola's nephew, Wilsoin Mhlenz, said it was sad that his uncle had to die a cruel death just for a dog he did not invite to mate with his bitch.
CRIMINAL charges have been laid by four Western Cape Regional Services Council officials who allege they have been assaulted by racist white colleagues.

The Ottery headquarters of the RSC's Law Enforcement Section was seething with racial tension this week amid claims that white officials, some allegedly Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging supporters, were engaged in a vendetta against "progressive" black colleagues.

In the latest incident, law enforcement officer Mr M D Solomons tried to cut his wrists while being "interrogated" by an RSC investigating officer last Wednesday. Mr Solomons was admitted later to a clinic for psychiatric treatment.

Mr Leonard Kosa, spokesman for the Western Province Local Authorities Workers Association (WPLAWA), said four union members had reported being assaulted by colleagues between September and December.

"Charges have been laid with the police and RSC. No action has been taken against any of the alleged offenders."

Charges have been laid by Mr P Cloete, Mr P Meyers, Mr Wellington Makaula and Mr K B Robyn.

Mr Robyn's jaw was reportedly broken by white officers, who have been named as RSC investigating officer Mr Japie Campher, Mr C Armstrong, Mr M Kuhn and Mr J Kitchoff.

Allegations of a conspiracy against one of the victims, law enforcement officer Mr Cloete, also emerged this week.

False

According to a report to the union by WPLAWA members, Mr Cloete was brought before a disciplinary hearing on allegedly trumped-up charges of fraud and theft. The charges were an alleged attempt by a white officer, Mr Armstrong, to "get rid of" Mr Cloete, the report said.

It read: "Mr Cloete was found not guilty and although Mr Armstrong had infringed his service conditions by making a false declaration against a fellow colleague, no steps were taken against him."

In a report to the union, one of the alleged assault victims said he had been abused after taking a day's sick leave.

A white officer had accused him of having had a hangover, allegedly swore at him and said: "Don't think I'm scared of you and your ANC. You get your homeland but you weren't satisfied with that. You and your kind can forget about running South Africa. Nelson Mandela will never rule this country."

The WPLAWA sent a letter this week to RSC Chief Executive Officer Mr C H Mocke protesting against Mr Solomons's "severe interrogation" and suicide attempt.

The union claimed Mr Solomons had been victimised because he had admitted at Mr Cloete's disciplinary hearing that he had made a false statement as part of Mr Armstrong's plot to get Mr Cloete sacked. Because of Mr Solomons's testimony, Mr Cloete was acquitted of the charges against him.

"Mr Kosa: "Union members said the RSC investigating team repeatedly threatened to make sure Mr Solomons lost his job by 'framing' a fraud charge against him."

Mr Kosa said he and a fellow union official had found Mr Solomons bleeding.

"When we asked the chief of the law enforcement section why Mr Solomons had cut his wrists, he replied: 'Because he's got a guilty conscience.'"

Target

"Union members have told of being threatened with losing their houses, subsidies and jobs. Mr Solomons was a soft target for treatment like this."

An RSC spokesman, Mr J Gerber, would not comment on the alleged assaults, saying they were "sub judice.

He said there appeared to be "an orchestrated effort to discredit" the RSC.

Police spokesman Colonel Tony Dewhurst said he could not confirm charges had been laid until he had been given the case numbers. He believed all the cases had been investigated.
POLICE are investigating the alleged abduction of two trade unionists in East London this week by armed white men claiming to be policemen.

National Education, Health and Allied Workers Union local organisers Mike Nyembezi and Humphrey Masengwana said they had laid a complaint with police.

They said they were accosted by armed men who identified themselves as police. They were abducted and interrogated about ANC activities. They were later released.
AWB agrees to clear squatter area

By Peter Wellman

Farmer Sarel Swanepoel has called in the AWB to demolish squatters’ shacks on his Krugersdorp farm — because he says the authorities won’t do the job.

Yesterday Mr Swanepoel confirmed he had asked the AWB’s Wemkommando for help because the authorities say this is the New South Africa, and they won’t take action.

The AWB would not give a date for the shack-busting yesterday, but said it would do it because Mr Swanepoel’s farm had been occupied by about 30 000 illegal squatters.

Mr Swanepoel said he received no compensation, added a spokesman, after the organization met in Welkom to discuss his request.

The SAP had been invited to witness the Wemkommando’s actions “in accordance with the law,” he said.

A possible date is the end of the month. Mr Swanepoel has given squatters at Swanewille notice to quit his 376 ha farm by then.

“I did it legally, the way the police said I must do it,” he said.

Mr Swanepoel says there are between 26 000 and 28 000 squatters on about 32 ha.

A building contractor, Mr Swanepoel originally invited blacks to live on his land, as tenants in low-cost housing about two years ago.

“The accommodation was planned for a few thousand, but in no time squatters had overrun the place,” he told The Star last night.

Mr Swanepoel said police had refused to take any action against the squatters.

Refusing to disclose whether he was an AWB member, he said: “That is not relevant. I have paid a lot of money to this Government, but only the AWB would help me of the avenues I explored.”

About 18 months ago Mr Swanepoel’s shotgun was forcibly taken from him by squatters in confrontation.

PWV region of the ANC yesterday condemned the AWB’s threat to forcibly remove the squatters and called on the Minister of Law and Order to “take appropriate action”.

Bid to stop demolition of homes

By Jo-Anne Collinge

Members of a Western Transvaal rural community yesterday turned to the Pretoria Supreme Court to prevent their homes being demolished as allegedly advocated by Conservative Party deputy leader Dr Ferdi Hartzenberg.

Pauw Tauta Masie, 69, from Welverdiend near Lichtenburg, brought the application as one of 105 families on the farm.

The community has been there since the farm was declared a diamond mining in 1926 and Mr Masie’s counsel will argue that residents are not squatters as defined in the Prevention of Illegal Squatting Act.

The court issued an interim order preventing Welverdiend’s owner, Willem Johannes Mouton, from “demolishing or threatening to demolish” his home. Mr Mouton consented to the interim interdict which holds good until March 3.

According to Mr Masie’s affidavit, after several warnings that he would take action under the Squatting Act, Mr Mouton allegedly stated that the remaining dwellings were to be vacated by mid-February, failing which they would be demolished. He also pressed squatter charges against 33 residents in January.

Mr Masie said he and Iqbal Motala of Lawyers for Human Rights were invited to a meeting of the Westvaal Squatting Committee on Friday.

Committee chairman Sampi Steyn called for a two-week halt to demolitions to allow for discussions and empha-
AWB to bust shacks at Swanieville

THE AWB's Wenkommando has been called to demolish shacks at the Swanieville squatter camp in Kagiso, near Krugersdorp, by the owner of the farm.

The AWB yesterday confirmed it had a written agreement with Mr SG Swanepoel to break down the shacks.

The organisation said "in keeping with the law" a request had been made for the police to be present.

When pressed for further comment, the organisation refused to disclose the date of the planned demolition.

It promised, however, to give sufficient warning before taking action.

Swanieville was the scene of violence on May 12 last year when more than 30 people were killed in an attack by about 1,000 Kagiso hostel dwellers.

The AWB said the request to demolish the shacks came from Swanepoel who had a "bona fide case" because "his property is being occupied by about 30,000 illegal squatters and is in fact being taken over without any compensation."

Swanepoel could not be reached for comment last night.

It also said the issue was discussed at a meeting held on February 11 between itself, Deputy Minister of Law and Order Mr Johan Schepers and Swanepoel.

Schepers said "we could not meet Swanepoel's demands to have the squatters removed, the AWB said."
Persons killed/injured in violence

73. Mr P J GROENEWALD asked the Minister of Law and Order:

How many persons were (a) killed and (b) injured in violence in 1985, 1986, 1989, 1990 and 1991, respectively?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(a) (b)
1985 833 2 626
1986 973 2 548
1989 659 1 425
1990 2 674 4 328
1991 2 239 3 185

Note: Statistics with regard to unrest-related incidents.

Crime: Sandton/Braamfontein/Wynberg/Alexandra/Lombardy East

84. Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Law and Order:

How many cases of (a) murder, (b) culpable homicide, (c) assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, (d) common assault, (e) rape, (f) robbery, (g) theft of vehicles and cycles, (h) damage to property, (i) housebreaking with intent to steal and theft and (j) possession of drugs were reported at the (i) Sandton, (ii) Braamfontein, (iii) Wynberg/Alexandra and (iv) Lombardy East police stations in 1991?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f) (g) (h) (i) (j)
(i) 15 38 35 170 37 272 944 74 433 2 346 28
(ii) 32 37 279 303 86 916 622 17 532 1 223 13
(iii) 364 297 313 207 552 229 — 399 338 137
(iv) 10 10 27 81 9 198 179 19 134 687 14

Note:

(a) (i) vehicles
(ii) cycles

Questions

Indicates translated version.

For oral reply:

General Affairs:

1. Mr M A HENDRICKSE asked the Minister of Local Government and National Housing:

(1) Whether members of all race groups are allowed to rent and/or purchase, or place their names on waiting lists for, housing units in low-income State-funded housing complexes; if not, why not; if so,

(2) whether, in view of the repeal of the Group Areas Act, it is the policy of the Government to allow local authorities to apply racial integration in respect of such housing complexes; if not, (a) why not and (b) when will local authorities be allowed to do so; if so,

(3) whether any such housing complexes in Algoa Park and Sidwell in the Port Elizabeth area have been opened to members of all race groups; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

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

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL HOUSING:

(1) Yes.

(2) Yes. If local authorities have surplus housing units at their disposal after the needs of the population groups for which it was originally planned, have been satisfied, the housing boards of the various own affairs administrations may grant approval that it may be placed at the disposal of other population groups, where such a need exists. (a) and (b) fall away.

(3) The housing complexes in Algoa Park and Sidwell in the Port Elizabeth area fall under the purview of the responsibilities of the Minister of Correctional Services and of Housing and Works in the Ministers' Council of the House of Assembly.

(4) No.
Webster's grave is vandalised

Santam 19/2/92

VANDALS have painted the tombstone of the late anti-apartheid activist Dr David Webster black and have scrawled undecipherable letters on his grave.

Witwatersrand police have vowed to hunt down the culprits.

Webster was a lecturer at the University of the Witwatersrand who was assassinated in 1988 by an unknown gunman.

His girlfriend, Miss Maggie Friedman, reported the matter on Monday morning, Captain Eugene Opperman said.

"The tombstone was painted black. The letters 'ISSK' were also painted on the grave," the statement said.

Police said they were unable to unravel the meaning of the words written on the grave.

The killer(s) of Webster, who at the time of his death had just completed a report into the alleged assassination of anti-apartheid activists by State-sponsored agents, are still at large.

The unclaimed reward for information for the capture of the murderer(s) runs into thousands of rand. - Sapa."
Mangope talks to rightwing

BOPHUTHATSWANA President Lucas Mangope held talks this week with leaders of the rightwing Afrikaner Weerstands beweging during which self-determination featured prominently, a spokesman for the homeland said.

Minister of State Affairs Mr Rowan Cronje said the meeting fell in line with the homeland's policy to talk to all political parties and organisations across the political spectrum, according to a statement issued by the homeland's department of information.

Cronje said the two sides discussed current political developments in South Africa and calls by the militant AWB for a separate Afrikaner state.

Mangope is resisting demands for reincorporation into South Africa by activists in the homeland linked to the African National Congress. - Sapa.
THE owner of the controversial Swanieville farm near Kagiso yesterday told why he approached the AWB to demolish the shacks in the area.

The Government last night warned the organisation it would not allow it to go ahead with its threat to pull down the shacks.

This was after the AWB announced it had been given permission by owner of the farm, Mr SG Swanepoel, to pull down the shacks.

Swanepoel said the African National Congress had "taken over my farm and my rents".

There are 26 000 to 28 000 squatters.

"The authorities have not given me clearance for a black housing project and they refuse to act on the squating situation that has developed as a result."

"So I went in the end to the AWB. Where else was I supposed to go? They were the only ones who said they would help me, and I have sent that message to the State President. There is going to be a bloodbath.

"I can't even go onto my own land any more. The last time I went to the squatters was 18 months ago. I was cut by a knife thrown at me and a security guard with me was beaten to death, but no one has been arrested."

He warned journalists would face a hostile reception at Swanieville.

Deputy Law and Order Minister Mr Johan Schepers said the situation, which he said had been created by Swanepoel himself, would be made more difficult by the involvement of any third party, including the AWB.

"The police will not tolerate any irregular conduct. I therefore urgently call on Mr (Eugene) TerreBlanche not to allow the AWB to become involved in any action that could possibly result in confrontation and violence," he said.

Part of the row is whether the people there - estimated about 15 000 - are squatters at all.

They say they moved into Swanieville over the past two years at Swanepoel's invitation because he had promised cheap but good housing and toilets, plenty of water and a school.

Mrs Agnes Mlambo, whose husband died recently, is expecting her six children, ranging from seven to 25, to move into her one-roomed mud shack allocated to her by Swanepoel.

Like others, she says she had to pay R100 to get a plot, then R30 a month in rent "for no facilities at all".
Stay out of Swanieville, Minister warns AWB

The Government last night warned the AWB to stay out of the Swanieville squatter row at Krugersdorp.

Deputy Law and Order Minister Johan Schaefer said the police would not allow the AWB to destroy shacks on the farm at the request of owner Sarel Swanepoel.

"I am convinced that arriving at a solution to this problem, which was to a degree created by Mr Swanepoel himself, will be made more difficult by the involvement of any third party, including the AWB."

"The police will not tolerate any irregular conduct."

"I therefore urge you to Mr (Engen) Terreblanche not to allow the AWB to become involved in any action that could possibly result in confrontation and violence," he said.

Mr Swanepoel told The Star yesterday the ANC had "taken over my farm and my rents."

That was 18 months ago. There are 25 000 to 28 000 squatters.

The authorities have not given the clearance for a black housing project and they refuse to act on the squatters' situation that has developed as a result.

"We went in the end to the AWB. Where else was I supposed to go?"

"They were the only ones who said they would help me, and I have sent that message to the State President."

"There is going to be a bloodbath. I can't even go into my own land any more."

The last time I went to the squatters was 16 months ago — I was cut off by a knife thrown at me and a security guard was beaten to death, but no one has been arrested.

Mr Swanepoel warned that the protests would face a hostile reception at Swanieville.

"There are 15 000 — are squatters at all.

They say they moved into Swanieville One and Two camps over the past two years at Mr Swanepoel's invitation because he promised cheap but good housing and toilets, plenty of water, a school and creche, and a clinic.

During a three-hour visit yesterday, The Star heard about these promises repeatedly.

Middle-aged Agnes Mlambo, whose husband died recently, is expecting her six children, ranging from seven years old to 15, to move into her one-roomed mud and thatch shack on an 8 m by 10 m plot she says Mr Swanepoel marked out.

A member of the Swanieville Two residents' committee, she told simply but articulately about the empty promises she was made.

Like others, she says she had to pay R100 to get a plot, then R50 a month in rent "for no facilities at all."

As she spoke another woman chipped in, "Here is proof — and produced a receipt for R100, marked "rent". The signature was clear.

The atmosphere was calm and friendly, and there were chuckles at Mr Swanepoel's ANC claim.

One that ANC officials were selling his stands for R200 each at a tucker shop in Swanieville One. The owner of the shop, Stephen Sugwane, his hair slicked and shiny, simply laughed:

Residents said they had refused to pay rents from December last year. They would refuse when Mr Swanepoel delived on his promises.

Swanieville One has a pro-ANC reputation. 27 residents were massacred there last May. It was more tense, and an ANC presence was obvious.

No one would talk without "the comrades" say — A group of young men, apparently ANC officials, said briefly but politely that they would answer questions at a press conference today. But they confirmed residents were also boycotting rent to Mr Swanepoel.

Neither section of Swanieville had the lastest air common to squatter camps, and residents said many people had jobs in the area.

"But some of us have come from as far as the Transkei because of Mr Swanepoel's promises," was the parting shot as we drove away.
Police send in reinforcements

Race incidents at Potch

By Esther Wauh and Moniek Oosterbroek

POTCHEFSTROOM — At least four ugly racial incidents — some involving Conservative Party supporters and blacks — took place as voters cast their ballots in the crucial Potchefstroom by-election yesterday.

As voting came to a close last night, crowds of CP supporters crammed into balloting halls and drove down the road outside the civic centre while hurrying along threatening a crowd of blacks gathered around watching proceedings.

Khoi-khoi armed right-wingers were out in force among them the wife of convicted mass killer Barend Kuydam, Karen.

By nightfall, CP supporters seemed out of control and the situation was tense as supporters — many of them with beers in their hands — were getting rowdy in expectation of a CP victory.

Punched

Earlier, Johannes Lebel, a man with the initials JCL whom police were instilling telephones at the polling station, told The Star that two white men were threatening him, and shouting anything one of the men knocked him to the ground.

Mr Lebel had a charge of assault with a beer can.

Asked to comment, CP leader Mr Pietus Houtenbosch said he was not aware of the incident but it could have been done to place the CP in a bad light.

It would have been wrong if the CP supporter had punched the man without reason, Dr Houtenbosch said.

Earlier, witnesses told another black man was pushed to the ground by CP supporters.

They then stuck NP stick to the man and NP officials should take them to the polling booth as he was their voter.

In the third incident right-wing supporters led several black men to National Party candidate Thienia Kruger, who was greeting voters at the entrance to the polling station.

Mr Kruger, surrounded by at least 100 CP supporters, shook their hands while the CP supporters jeered.

Two CP supporters held the CP candidate in the crowd while they were escorted from the vicinity of the polling station.

A pregnant Potchefstroom woman, Mari Veldman, was punched around by the crowd when an NP supporter held a banner with President de Klerk's picture inside. In other incidents Khoi-khoi men rudely told blacks to leave the grounds.

Police reinforcements were brought in to alter the blacks were taken to greet Mr Kruger.

A steady stream of voters cast their ballots during the day and just before 9 pm. 3,961 people had voted, bringing the total number of votes (excluding the record number of special votes) to 16,621.

The polling percentage was 6 pm — three hours before the closing of the polling station — was 72.65 percent.

Mr Kruger and the NP candidates, Andries Beyers, expected between 3,600 and 4,000 votes to be cast yesterday.

Both candidates were greeted by the CP, with Mr Kruger saying the NP would win by a "lot of CP." Mr Beyers would not say how much he thought the NP would win.

CP leader Dr Andries Treurnicht, who voted yesterday, visited the polling station shortly after 3 pm.

He said the future of whites was being determined yesterday in the Potchefstroom by-election.

Dr Treurnicht said the CP needed the largest possible majority and Potchefstroom should be a watershed in South African politics.

"Our people should here that we want to govern ourselves in our own country," he said.

When arriving at the polling station, he was given a tumultuous welcome by excited supporters.

Pollsters carried CP posters higher than themselves and dozens of pot-bellied men made their voices known screaming their support for the CP.

A crowd of blacks, who said they were NP supporters, waited in a line in front of the polling station.

"There were mixed receipts to which chair party should win tonight. Patrick Khamule of Potchefstroom said he hoped the NP would win because the victory would improve his life. Paul Sebitelle had hoped it would be the CP because the "Conservative Party are blunderers and they will speed up the decay of apartheid, giving us no freedom ever.

However, Mr Sebitelle was confident freedom would eventually come under National Party rule. "But it will take a very long time at the rate FW is going," he said.

Cliffton Spenkel said he thought the CP were behaving very badly but he said after the Veldman incident last year he expected only the worst.
Farmers ready to kill

There is "an undeclared war situation" among Free State farmers who are poised to take the law into their own hands after Theunissen farmer Mr Thys Maartens became the 15th victim of 11 separate attacks on farmers since December 1 last year.

Dr Pieter Gouws, president of the Free State Agricultural Union, said yesterday: "We must look at the reasons for these attacks. They are nothing to do with economics or survival, but are gruesome, brutal, planned murders. "They are a planned effort to scare farmers from their land. It's a classic example of the PAC's 'one settler one bullet'. The political forces are trying to play down the seriousness of the situation."

He added: "We are in an undeclared, war situation. These guys are trained killers and can handle weapons better than most of our farmers.

"The farmer is expected to behave in a civilized way, but the rules of the game will have to change or we'll soon see people hanging from trees. "I can't stress it enough. The farmers are tired of being hunted like wild animals. If the law can't help, it'll take just one more murder for this situation to explode like a thunderflash."

Mr Koos Pienaar, chairman of the Theunissen farmers' district union and brother-in-law of Maartens, said:

"What can we do? We are more ready than ever after this latest attack. It could lead to something the opposite of what they are trying to do, at Cadesa. We'll fight for our lives. We are more determined to protect ourselves."
POLICE are investigating the alleged abduction at gunpoint of two trade unionists in East London last week by white men claiming to be policemen.

Local organisers for the National Education, Health and Allied Workers Union (Nehawu), Mr Mike Nyembezi and Mr Humphrey Maxegwana, said they laid a complaint with the police, who said they were investigating a case of illegal pointing of a firearm.

The unionists said they were walking in Southernwood around midday last Wednesday when they heard voices saying in an Afrikaans accent: “Drop your bags, we are the police.”

They saw men with shotguns behind them who told them to lie down. They were body searched and their bags were rifled.

Their captors took them to separate cars and drove away.

“I had to sit between two men. They told me to bend forward and blindfolded me, putting a balaclava over my head,” said Nyembezi.

He said they drove for around half an hour and he was taken to a shelter, which seemed to be in the bush from the sounds he could hear.

Still blindfolded, Nyembezi said he was interrogated at length about Umkhonto weSizwe infiltrating the union, the threat of communism and even his opinion of Codesa.

After more than an hour, he was taken back to town and released.

Maxegwana said he was taken by two men, also armed with shotguns and pistols, to a side street where they searched his bag again and questioned him.

He gave them his name and phone numbers and asked them to identify themselves. They gave two names and a phone number which has proved false.

The men asked him the names of Umkhonto weSizwe members.

“I told them if they want the information they had better contact the East London or Ciskei security police,” said Maxegwana.

He said they asked him how much money he earned and whether he was satisfied with his wages.

Maxegwana said he told them he was not interested in being recruited by them, in spite of repeated offers.

“I can’t see people being asked to be informers at gunpoint,” said Border Police Union official.

Christo Louw.

The national vice-president of Nehawu, Mr Mike Basopu, said the incident was an attempt to intimidate people.

“It is harassment against the unions and liberation movement, and is against the national peace accord,” he said. — ELNEWS
AWB marches to protest meeting

By JOE MDHLELA

AT least 20 AWB men, women and children marched through the streets of Westonaria on Saturday, apparently in protest against an ANC meeting which was due to be held yesterday.

Police spokesman for the West Rand CaptainHenrietta Bester said the AWB march made no sig-

nificant impression. "It was an incident-free march," she said.

But ANC spokesman MrSaul Macozoma said he did not have facts and could not comment on the ANC meeting in that area. "It is a regional matter which requires regional people to comment on," Macozoma said.

However, he said if it were true that the AWB marched in protest against the meeting the ANC was due to hold in the area, then the matter was serious.

Regional spokesmen for the area could not be contacted for comment.
The white Right: ‘Ultra’ threat to new South Africa?

There is no evidence, yet, that the AWB was involved in recent sabotage by the Ukrainian embassy in Pretoria. Nevertheless, its leaders have been charged with violence during a clash between the AWB and police who tried to break up a public meeting addressed by Mr. D. Klerk. Terre’Blanche was recently acquitted of the charges that he instigated violence and Religion, a black activist, was found guilty of incitement of violence. The police have been warned that they should not interfere with the AWB’s activities.

No intention

AWB units show up in places around the country wherever there is tension, especially in white communities and black areas. The AWB was formed in 1975 by a group of farmers who wanted to ensure their rights to land and resources. They have been labeled as white-supremacist and have been accused of violence.

Acquitted

AWB leader Eugene Terre’Blanche was acquitted of charges of incitement to violence by the South African government, which had accused him of inciting violence. Terre’Blanche denied the charges and said he was a victim of political repression.

Military display

The military display was arranged by the AWB to show its strength and to prevent any threat from the ANC or other opposition groups.

Shooting spree

The shooting spree that occurred in Pretoria resulted in the deaths of several people, including black and white civilians. The AWB is blamed for the attacks, but there is no evidence to support these claims.

Club gives Turkey more clout

In the Balkans, Turkey’s influence is growing. Turkey, which has a significant Muslim population, is trying to increase its influence in the region. The country is known for its Islamic policies and has been trying to assert itself as a regional power.

Sole member

The idea is embryonic; its aims are limited to small-scale trade agreements and anti-pollution controls. The nine countries are anxious that their new member, which remains a member of the Commonwealth, does not seek to join the European Community, which could weaken the bloc.

Wars and conflict

Wars and conflicts have been common in the region. Turkey has been involved in several conflicts, including the Falklands War and the Gulf War. The country has been a member of the United Nations and the NATO alliance.

The Balkans

The Balkans are a region in southeastern Europe that is known for its rich history and culture. The region is home to a diverse population of ethnic groups, including Turks, Greeks, and Bulgarians. The Balkans have been a source of conflict for centuries, and the region continues to be a source of tension today.
litical and non-political killings by whites of blacks have added to the climate of violence in black areas, apparently political conflicts between supporters of the ANC and the Inkatha Freedom Party of Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

The government is seriously concerned about the ultras' activities. It is now ready to outlaw and suppress their organisations but insists that, before it can do so, the ANC must agree to disband Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK). Although the ANC agreed last year to suspend its armed struggle, it has refused to disband MK or to reveal its weapons caches.

The ANC has refused to comply because it is unwilling to disarm itself until constitutional change becomes irreversible and until its supporters cannot rely on the security forces to protect them from Inkatha, white extremists and the "third force" alleged to involve a clandestine group within the security forces. The government's position is that it cannot act against the illegal armies of the white Right so long as the ANC maintains its "illegal army".

Stumbling block

The conflict between the government and the ANC is one of the last major stumbling blocks in the way of agreement in Codesa. Meanwhile, the white ultra groups continue to flout the authorities, to flaunt their claimed armed strength and to sabotage negotiations by attacking blacks and integrated schools.

The only hopeful sign is that the national peace accord signed by the government, the ANC and Inkatha last September is beginning to show results: political killings were down 15% from 1,021 to 830 in the three months after the accord was signed compared to the previous quarter.

Guarantee

A disturbing development, however, is the public statement by Major-General Andre Pruijs, head of the police's Crime and Intelligence Unit, that the threat from the white ultras could be diminished only if the government drew the CP into Codesa.

Since that party adamantly refuses to accept the invitation to become part of Codesa unless the council's declaration of intent is amended to include a guarantee of an independent Afrikaner state, the chances of meeting the requirement stipulated by Pruijs must still be rated at zero.
NEWS IN BRIEF

Right-wing violence

RIGHT-wing violence would lose
its sporadic nature and become
more systematic, ANC western
Cape regional chairman Allan
Bossak told the Cape Town Seke-
kamer yesterday: "I believe we
must prepare ourselves for a
reasonable amount of violence."

But he expressed "optimism"
about the outcome of Codesa talks
and did not believe the white ref-
ferendum would affect this.
3 arrested over racial attack, murder

By Melody McDougall and Montshiwa Moroke

Detectives yesterday arrested two Vanderbijlpark residents and a school-going youth in connection with the attack and alleged murder of a black man in the town at the weekend.

John Mashinini (50) collapsed and died after he and three others, including his sister, were attacked and allegedly assaulted with chains and golf clubs.

According to police it appeared as if the attack was unprovoked.

Two others who had been walking with Mr Mashinini were seriously injured during the incident on Saturday night. Sama Hluphi Mashinini (38) and Ben Kamfer (45) are being treated for multiple injuries.

The three suspects, aged 38, 30 and 18, were arrested in Vanderbijlpark.

The youth was released into his mother’s custody, but the two men are being detained for questioning.

The trio is expected to appear in court tomorrow.

Ms Mashinini said from her Sebokeng Hospital bed yesterday that she, her brother, Mr Kamfer, and Valley Williams, her boyfriend, were walking back from town, to their homes when “four whites came out of the flats. They hit Ben with an instrument on the lower abdomen. He fell and the rest of us managed to get away.”

“Valley went into a cafe and called out for the owner and asked him to call the police. We waited there for a long time for the police to arrive with no avail until it was time to close the shop.

“We left the shop and were on our way to seek help elsewhere when the four men came running from behind.

“They attacked my brother and when I asked them why they were assaulting him, they clobbered me with a golf stick in the mouth and stabbed me with a sharp object,” said Ms Mashinini.

Meanwhile, Inkatha has warned that the attack could spark off a spate of nationwide tit-for-tat revenge killings and inter-racial conflict.
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Van Deventer said Bester was arrested at his home on Friday morning and Wichman handed himself over at the Klerksdorp police station.

Van Deventer said both were members of the Boereweerstandbeweging when the plot to kidnap F W de Klerk emerged.
Not us, says AWB of ‘hit’ claim

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The AWB yesterday disputed a weekend London newspaper report that the British-born trainer of the AWB’s “Iron Guard” had criticised his trainees for not having the will-power to assassinate top political opponents.

AWB spokesman Mr Erns van der Westhuizen said he believed the report, which appeared in the Independent on Sunday, was an attempt to divide the right wing as it prepared to campaign for a “no” vote in the referendum.

The report quoted the former British soldier as saying members of the “Iron Guard” first supported his suggestion to assassinate the Minister of Constitutional Affairs, Dr Gerrit Viljoen, but got cold feet when he set a date and time.

“Then one guy said he had to mind the baby, another had to mow the lawn. As soon as I set a time, their enthusiasm disappeared,” he is reported to have said.

Mr Van der Westhuizen said if the trainer had been correctly quoted he had spoken in his private capacity and not on behalf of the AWB.

Police spokesman Captain Ruben Bloomberg said the police had taken note of the report and the matter was receiving attention.

The man is named in the Independent but the Cape Times is withholding his identity for legal reasons.
Violence is now ‘a political strategy’

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Staff Reporter

The threat of violence and coercion had become an acceptable political strategy in some circles and threatened to become entrenched in the post-Codexa political culture, SA Institute of Race Relations head John Kane-Berman told business executives.

Speaking at an Institute of Management function yesterday, Mr Kane-Berman said the Government, through years of repression and bannings, had taught its extra-parliamentary opposition that violence was often the only strategy to which the Government responded.

As long as people and parties felt their voices were not heard, they would resort to violence, he warned. Tactics over the years had included strikes, stayaways and the killing of black town councillors who had been labelled collaborators.

A recent SAIIR survey showed a third of all South Africans had been intimidated or coerced at some point in their lives. Violence developed its own momentum in a vacuum where law and order could not operate.

He added violence also occurred in the context of poverty and joblessness — both rife in SA.
Removals: New action

Own Correspondent
PORT ELIZABETH
Street committees are to be set up in townships nationwide to help deal with threats of eviction and forced removals.

The National Interim Civic Committee also decided this week to strengthen defence committees in threatened areas.

Thembiso Radebe announced at a press conference held here yesterday the organisation would mobilise mass actions to demand that the government stop right-wing elements from threatening residents.

The decisions were taken at a consultative conference held this week as a prelude to the launching of the National Civic Organisation next weekend.
AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche fell off his horse as he galloped up to a Pretoria rally yesterday to summon the spirit of Boer War resistance against power-sharing.

Police said organisers had warned them to expect 50,000 people at the rally. But, fewer than 5,000 turned up.

Fellow right-wing alliance leaders Andries Treurnicht of the CP and Jaap Marais of the HNP waited for Terre'Blanche on the platform as he galloped up at the head of a band of horsemen.

But he fell of his horse as he wheeled into the square. Bodyguards closed in around Terre'Blanche. He regained his feet and remounted.
Cheers for ‘No’ march

By Guy Jepson

AWB supporters yesterday chased blacks away before Eugene TerreBlanche led a march through a number of central Johannesburg suburbs, urging residents to vote “no” in the referendum, residents claimed.

The AWB leader put his case to the people of Vrededorp, Jan Hofmeyer and Vredenpark, leading the procession of supporters on a tour which also took them through parts of Cotterslo, Auckland Park and Brixton.

AWB members and followers — many openly carrying firearms — travelled on horseback, in vehicles and on foot, entreatng local residents to join them.

Black people wisely stayed off the streets during the march. Before the march began, Pageview residents complained of “khaki-clad AWB members chasing blacks going to the gathering point.”

They’re chasing people, shouting ‘We don’t want no kaffirs in the streets from 2 pm,’” claimed a shopkeeper.

Another resident claimed people returning from church services were threatened.

The Star did not witness any racially motivated occurrences.

Residents applauded loudly in Vrededorp when Mr TerreBlanche told them they had a right to South Africa. He also made it clear he was there because of local outrage at President de Klerk’s visit last week in search of “yes” votes.

Women and children gathered to watch as Mr TerreBlanche, flanked by members of the Wenkommando, led the procession towards the SABC.

Noticeable in the crowd were a handful of elite Ye tergarde.

Traffic officers occasionally ordered supporters not to pull down “yes” vote posters.

(Report by G Jepson, 67 Sauer St, Johannes-berg)
Weapons handed in

Rightwingers handed 60 weapons to police after they arrived armed at a political meeting in Pretoria's Church Square in contravention with a new law.

Northern Transvaal police spokesman Colonel Frank Alten said most of the weapons handed in at a meeting of the CP, HNP, and AWB on Saturday were pistols and revolvers. Armored members of the AWB's Ystergarde (Iron Guard), as bona fide security services, were exempt from the ban.

(References: Briefs edited by E. Johnson)

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AWB show
of strength

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG.—Residents claimed AWB supporters chased blacks before leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche led a march through a number of central Johannesburg suburbs urging a No vote in the referendum.

The fiery leader of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbewegung put his case to the people of Vrededorp, Jan Hatmeyer and Vredepark yesterday, leading a procession of supporters on a punishing 8km tour which also took them through parts of Cottesloe, Auckland Park and Brixton.

In the sweltering heat, members and followers of the AWB—many openly carrying firearms—travelled on horseback, on trucks and bakkies, in cars and on foot, entreaty residents to join them.

Many did, even before the procession—numbering between 300 and 400 people—eventually got going.

Black people wisely stayed off the streets during the hour-long march.

A shopkeeper said AWB supporters chased blacks on foot and in cars, shouting: "We don't want no kaffirs in the streets from 2pm until morning."
Widow to sue alleged killers of husband

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Staff Reporter

The widow of the black man who was beaten to death by a group of white residents from the Elandsfontein smallholdings, south of Johannesburg, because his "kaffir" dog had mated with a "white" dog, is suing the alleged killers for damages.

The man, Molamu "Lwasa" Lebela, died a few days after he was attacked and beaten up by certain residents, when a white couple from a nearby farm objected to his dog mating with theirs.

After an argument ensued between the couple and Mr Lebela, they left and returned a while later accompanied by about six people who started attacking the man.

According to his wife Maria Kutoane, her husband was struck with a pick-handle across the groin and lower abdomen.

Despite this he managed to stumble into the farmhouse, with the group in pursuit.

Mrs Kutoane, the owners of the farmhouse and some farmworkers witnessed the whole episode, but were unable to intervene.

Afterwards Mr Lebela was taken to Lenasia Hospital where his head was stitched and he was discharged. When his condition worsened, he was taken to Baragwanath Hospital where he died.

A family lawyer of the widow confirmed to a Sunday newspaper that the wife of Mr Lebela had instituted a civil claim against her husband's killers.

The people involved in Mr Lebela's death are still free and the police have confirmed that a dossier had been sent to the State prosecutor.
Youths beaten at Cape Show

By WILLEM STEENKAMP

TWO Heideveld teenagers were beaten up by a gang of eight whites in a racial attack at the Cape Show in the Goodwood Showgrounds at the weekend.

Three white men who came to their aid were also assaulted.

Wayne Adams, 16, and his cousin, Mr. Gerald Abrahams, 18, were assaulted in the toilets on Saturday night.

"Wayne said they were surrounded by the men. They said "You coloured pig, you don't belong here".

Mr. Abrahams received only a blow to his head, but Wayne was punched, thrown to the ground and kicked in the head.

Assailant

The men also trampled on his head, Wayne said. Three white men who told the assailants "This is the new South Africa", were also assaulted, he said.

Wayne said police at the showgrounds told him they were looking for an assailant in similar incidents that evening.

Police said yesterday the assault on Wayne was the only one reported, and it was under investigation.

The general manager of the Cape Show, Mr. John van Breda, said he was not told of any such incidents.
Charges for AWB riders?

PRETORIA. — Police are investigating the possibility of laying charges against a handful of AWB horsemen, including AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, who broke through a police cordon on Saturday, injuring three policemen.

The incident followed a referendum rally held at Church Square by leaders of the right-wing campaign for a "no" vote in the vital March 17 referendum which attracted a crowd of between 2,000 and 3,000 supporters.

After the rally, Mr Terre'Blanche ignored a pre-arranged march route and indicated he wanted to ride in another direction.

When riot police tried to stop the riders by pulling them from their horses, the right-wingers pushed their way through the police cordon.

The right-wingers were eventually allowed through the cordon to prevent the conflict from escalating.

Police liaison officer Colonel Frank Alton said police were looking at laying charges of assault and contravention of authority granted by a magistrate to follow a certain march route.

Earlier in the day, Mr Terre'Blanche attracted attention when he fell from his horse as he cantered into Church Square.
Right wing stops president speaking on OFS campus

Students tear gas FW

BLOEMPONT: President de Klerk and his wife, Margie, had to be rushed to safety by bodyguards after a tear gas "bomb" was thrown into the Free State University cafeteria where he was preparing to address students last night.

Justice minister Koos Coetzee was slightly injured in the attack.

Mr de Klerk was clearly shocked by the incident, but his wife, who received encouraging calls from students as he was escorted to his car, gave a thumbs-up.

Mr de Klerk was to have addressed the lefcons at the last stop of his referendum tour of the Free State, but was persistently hooted down by rightwingers.

He had, however, been enthustiastically received elsewhere in the Free State.

One of the organizers said he believed the tear gas had been thrown by a right-wing student in force Mr de Klerk to leave.

The cafeteria was packed with students. Several hundred stood outside on the lawn.

Mr de Klerk arrived at about 6.50pm and was greeted by cheers and boos as he entered the cafeteria.

A large body to the right of the makeshift dais began to yell "Ko-Poe, Ko-Poe.

They then broke into song with "Bobbejaan klim die berg".

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There were a few "Yes, you are right", but the "no" mob out-yelled them, with "Rehns, rehns, rehns, verlyker, verlyker" (go home traitor).

This was followed by singing of "Die lied van Jou, Suid-Afrika".

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About 30 minutes after the presidential couple had arrived, the tear gas was thrown and they had to be rushed out of the cafeteria by bodyguards.

They were escorted to a nearby lounge, where they spent a few minutes before being taken to their car and leaving.

Earlier in the evening, Mr de Klerk addressed 1,000 supporters in the Bloemfontein Civic Hall.

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Fairland watchmaker stabbed to death

By Brian Wilkinson

A watchmaker in Fairland, Johannesburg, was stabbed to death at his shop on Saturday night when he innocently opened the door of his shop to "customers".

Louis Fourie opened the security gate to his shop, in a townhouse complex in 13th Avenue, on Saturday night. But his "customers" overpowered him and stabbed him several times.

Police, with the help of local shopkeepers, arrested two men shortly after the attack. One of the arrested men told police he was an SAP assistant constable, but police could not confirm this.

Johan Elffro, who works at a hardware shop across the road from the townhouse complex, said he heard a terrible scream coming from the townhouse.

"As I got to the corner of the building, I saw a man lying on his side on the bricks next to the wall. An-

Cowsbungs dues...mutant red-nosed Johannesburg City Council employee Wynand du Plessis enjoys some comic Saturday's Red Nose Day when organizers hope to raise millions of laughs and rands for Child Welfare.

"It was crazy..." Johan Elffro points out where the murder occurred. Picture: Etienne Rothbart

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Kroonstad, Mr de Klerk said
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a future South Africa.
Mr de Klerk’s campaign
moves to Kimberley today.—
Sapa.
(Report by Errol Rhodes, 4SA Old Mutual
Building, 40 Mainland St, Bloemfontein.)

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Rightwingers have become
Govt pawns – Piet Skiet

By Bronwyn Wilkinson

VENTERSDORP — Rightwingers charged with public violence arising out of a clash with police at Venterdorp in August have become pawns in the Government's referendum show, AWB secretary-general Piet "Skiet" Rudolph told Venterdorp Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Mr Rudolph, who was representing himself, was reacting to a decision by the magistrate to postpone the case against him and 11 other accused to Potchefstroom on May 4.

Clash

Earlier, the State withdrew its case against 16 of the 28 people accused of public violence after three rightwingers were killed during a clash at a NP meeting addressed by President de Klerk.

The remaining 11 accused include AWB leader Eugene TerreBlanche.

Magistrate C J Nel refused Mr Rudolph's submission that the charges against him be dropped until the date was set for a hearing.

Mr Rudolph complained that the case against him and his co-accused had already dragged on since August.

Mr Nel reminded Mr Rudolph that he and Mr TerreBlanche had only been arrested in January.

Mr TerreBlanche arrived for the hearing on horseback, flanked by two Iron Guard members and a full AWB cavalry regiment.

Inside, scores of men and women in full AWB regalia packed the court.

Remarks by the magistrate and by the defence attorney for 19 of the accused, Fanie van Vuuren (CP MP for Venterdorp), were greeted by mutters of "boo-hoor" or occasional hissing from the public.

Some AWB men filed back into court to hear the State drop its public violence charges against three farmers in connection with a clash between police and right-wingers at the Goedevond farm near Venterdorp on May 10.

The charges arose when attempts were made to evict squatters from the land.

Two AWB members and a youth appeared briefly in the Vereeniging Regional Court yesterday in connection with alleged teargas attacks on the local National Party offices and two houses in the town last year.

Charges

Johannes Frederick Hendrik Kearns (36), of De Villiers Avenue, Andries Bernard Heyneke (26), of Pierre de Villiers Avenue in Roodesteen, and the 17-year-old youth are all facing charges of assault, malicious damage to property and unlawful possession of teargas.

None of them has been asked to plead yet and no evidence was led at the hearing yesterday.

The case was postponed for trial on July 13 and 14.

Mr Kearns and Mr Heyneke are out on bail of R100 each.

The teenager was released into the custody of his mother shortly after his arrest.
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FW: expect other teargas attacks - Piet Skiet

WHITE extremists said yesterday President FW de Klerk should expect a repeat of a teargas attack on him by rightwingers if he carried on likening their movement to Hitler's Nazis.

"De Klerk must expect this reaction. He is reaping the whirlwind he has been sowing," said Mr Piet Rudolph, spokesman for the Afrikaner Weerstandsbewegning.

He denied the AWB was responsible for the attack on Monday night but added: "He cannot refer to the AWB as Nazis and fascists without expecting some revenge."

A teargas canister went off in a canteen of the University of the Orange Free State in Bloemfontein where De Klerk was campaigning for the referendum, forcing him to leave.

The incident was the most violent of De Klerk's campaign so far.

Organisers said they believed the canister was thrown into the canteen by AWB sympathisers who yelled "Boo, go back to the mountains" and "Traitor, go home" as De Klerk entered the room to meet students.

Security men hustled De Klerk, his shocked-looking wife, Marike, and Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee out of the crowded canteen as teargas fumes began to fill the air.

Coetsee was taken to hospital briefly for unspecified treatment.

Earlier De Klerk had told 1000 supporters in Bloemfontein City Hall that the Conservative Party should repudiate the many neo-Nazis who belong to the afro-AWB.

"I say let us fight communism, but let us also fight fascism and Nazism and I challenge the CP to take a firm stand on this," he said.

Rudolph, indicating the AWB was still furious about the killing of three rightists by police at an anti-De Klerk rally last year, said the president "cannot expect to shoot his own people like dogs in the street without some reaction."

Asked if De Klerk could expect further teargas attacks if he continued to liken the AWB to Nazis, Rudolph said: "Yes, De Klerk will become one of the most hated persons."

"It is obvious he is following his old habit of painting his enemies pitch black. He is trying to cover up his alliance with the Communist Party."

De Klerk campaign organiser Sheila Camerer called the teargas incident appalling and said a local official of the National Party had identified the perpetrators as AWB members.

Camerer, an MP, said: "It's significant that they have been identified as AWB. It means the CP may begin to find the AWB harmful to their cause."

A CP spokesman declined to comment on the teargas incident. - Sapa-Reporter.
FW won’t get more security

TOS WENTZEL  
Political Staff  

SECURITY measures around President De Klerk will not be stepped up following the teargas attack in Bloemfontein on Monday and Mr De Klerk is to continue his referendum campaign as planned.

He is spending today and tomorrow in Cape Town. Today he chairs a Cabinet meeting.

On Friday he will campaign in Pretoria and on Saturday he will visit strong Conservative Party territory in Piestersburg and Nylstroom.

Although a Tuynhuys spokesman would not comment on security measures it is understood no additional steps will be taken following the Bloemfontein incident. On his referendum trips Mr De Klerk has been accompanied by the usual group of security men.

He said yesterday he and Mr Kobie Coetsee, Free State leader of the National Party, had been quite safe at the Bloemfontein students meeting until the tear canister was thrown. He and his wife escaped uninjured but Mr Coetsee was injured. He will be discharged from hospital today.

Mr Coetsee said today Conservative Party and Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging supporters were responsible for the “mean trick” must have been prepared.

The teargas incident followed when the rightwing supporters could not shout down the other enthusiastic students.

The CP has condemned the attack.

White extremists have warned that Mr De Klerk should expect a repeat of the teargas attack if he continued likening their movement to the nazis.

(News by Tos Wentzel, 122 St George’s Street, Cape Town)
Extremists warn of more attacks

Amid fears that the referendum campaign could take an ugly turn after the teargassing incident involving President de Klerk on Monday, white extremists have warned of further violence.

The campaign has been surprisingly peaceful so far, according to observers, but there is concern that this might not last as it moves into the right-wing heartland of the Transvaal later this week.

AWB spokesman Piet Rudolph said yesterday there would be further teargas attacks on Mr de Klerk if he persisted in comparing the organisation to Hitler’s Nazis.

Mr de Klerk’s officials are putting a brave face on the incident in Bloemfontein, saying they were aware from the beginning that they were involved in a “high-risk” campaign.

No arrests have been made yet in connection with the incident. A spokesman for the Free State police said last night investigations were continuing.

Law and Order Ministry spokesman Captain Craig Kotze said further measures to protect Mr de Klerk would be taken only if the President requested such a move.

Mr de Klerk has blamed CP propaganda for creating the climate which led to the teargas attack on him and Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee at the University of the Free State.

“It does not help the CP to try to distance itself with nice-sounding words from incidents such as this,” Mr de Klerk said.

Mr Coetsee was admitted to a Bloemfontein hospital after the incident. His wife, Ena, was also slightly injured.

The CP yesterday condemned the attack and wished Mr and Mrs Coetsee a speedy recovery.

The CP’s approach — the first time it has been put on the defensive since its shaky start to the campaign — reinforced the view of observers that it is becoming increasingly nervous that its alliance with the AWB could backfire.

The “yes” camp is stepping up propaganda linking the CP to the extremism of the other organisations on the Right.

Mr de Klerk’s high-profile campaigning in an extremely tense political climate made him an obvious target, political analysts said yesterday.

“The threat to him is increasing by the day,” said political risk consultant Wim Booysen.

“I’m concerned because there is a high level of intolerance and there are some strange individuals in the right wing.”

Security specialist Andre Horne said Mr de Klerk was normally accompanied by highly trained bodyguards when he appeared in public and some mixed with the crew to identify potential troublemakers.

Speaking on Radio 702 yesterday, Finance Minister Barend du Plessis said more than 50 percent of white voters now supported a “yes” vote.

He said he was confident of a victory margin of between 55 and 60 percent, but this would increase as the NP stepped up its campaign for a “yes” vote.

— Political Staff, Sapa.

(Report by Peter Faberius and E. Wengh, 47 Caesar St, Johannesburg, and Sapa, 141 Commission St, Johannesburg.)

More reports — Pages 18 and 19.
Police probe after teargas attack

POLICE have intensified their search for the perpetrators of Monday night’s teargassing incident at a referendum meeting addressed by President FW de Klerk, which left Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee and several students injured.

No arrests had been made by yesterday afternoon, but all leads were being followed up, a Bloemfontein police spokesman said.

De Klerk, his wife Marike and Coetsee’s wife escaped unscathed but shaken from the Free State University cafeteria where the President and Coetsee had addressed students.

NP organisers said they believed the teargas canister was thrown by AWB sympathisers who sang and chanted as De Klerk entered the canteen. Sapa-AFP reports that De Klerk yesterday blamed the CP for the “cowardly” teargas attack.

He said: “When a party resorts to such tactics it is a clear indication of bankruptcy.

“It doesn’t help the CP to try to distance itself with nice sounding words from incidents such as this.

“It is exactly the misrepresentations by the CP in their speeches, publications and posters which create the climate for such reprehensible and cowardly actions.”

De Klerk’s office said there were no plans to step up security for the rest of his referendum campaign. Coetsee was temporarily blinded and sustained light injuries in the melee, and was admitted to the Universities Hospital for treatment.

His engagements yesterday were cancelled but he is due to return to the university today to deliver an academic lecture.

Justice Ministry spokesman Nic Grobler said Coetsee had suffered bruised ribs and a bruised hand, Sapa reported.

The CP yesterday condemned the attack. Natal leader Carl Werth said he deplored any form of violence to achieve political or other goals. During a referendum debate with DP MP Roger Burrows in Durban, he said he was “disappointed and distressed by what happened in Bloemfontein”.

He said he believed every party should have an opportunity to state its case and that voters should have the chance to assess the message from various sides.

“I state unequivocally that my party and I are absolutely opposed to these events and have been involved in no incidents of this nature. We will continue to hold that stance,” he said.

AWB spokesman Piet Rudolph told Sapa yesterday that De Klerk should expect a repeat of the attack if he continued to liken the movement to Hitler’s Nazis. “He is reaping the whirlwind he has been sowing,” he said.

Rudolph denied the AWB was responsible for the attack.

The university apologised to the President for the incident. It said it was conducting its own investigation and noted that an assault charge had been laid.

The university SRC said witness reports, videos and photographs would be studied to find out who was involved in the teargas attack. It said it would recommend that the AWB’s right to operate on the campus be withdrawn.

De Klerk’s referendum campaign organiser Sheila Camerer said a local NP official had identified the perpetrators as AWB members.

“It means the CP may begin to find the AWB harmful to their cause,” she said.

Report by L Buys, TMN. 11 Egoliol St. and Sapa, 141 Commissioner St. Jhb.

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Kriel hits out at 'political thugs'

By ANTHONY JOHNSON
Political Correspondent

The government would no longer stand for political intimidation and thuggery in South Africa, Law and Order Minister Mr. Hennus Kriel warned last night.

Mr. Kriel told over 200 supporters and a handful of hecklers at Parow Civic Centre: "We are tired of nazi uniforms and gun-toting, balaclava-clad thugs in South African politics."

He said decent South Africans were ashamed of the actions of fellow citizens who threw teargas at the presidential couple in Bloemfontein, resulting in a government minister ending up in hospital. "It's nothing other than barbarism," he said.

Outside the hall swarms of police were on full alert to prevent any attempts by the AWB to break up the meeting, but most right-wingers appeared to have taken the night off.

Mr. Kriel said that the AWB (which he said stood for "Al die Wilde Boere") were being encouraged by their alliance partners the CP, despite the fact that they were a disgrace to South African politics.

Mr. Kriel predicted that the Conservative Party would split after the "yes" vote triumphed in next week's referendum.

Earlier the MP for Durbanville, Mr. Frisk van Deventer, said it was sad that Mr. PW Botha, who had set South Africa on the road to reform with his "adapt or die" slogan, "was no longer walking that road with us anymore".

Photo by Anthony Johnson, 122 St George's Street, Cape Town.
ET: does the poor really turn his back in fear?

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8 children die in horror church fire

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA.—Eight street children burnt to death and 14 were injured — five seriously — when fire ripped through a Sunnyside church early today, destroying the building.

One child had serious head wounds and others broke limbs as they desperately tried to escape.

Some leaped 8 metres from the window of the second floor room they were sleeping in.

A witness described the scene as "heartbreaking", saying some of the children dragged out of the building looked no older than seven or eight.

The children were sleeping in the former Elim Full Gospel Church in Beatrice Street, opposite Sunnypark shopping centre, when the fire started about 1am.

A police spokesman said the children were unable to use the fire escape because the door leading to it was blocked by a double bunk bed.

It is thought the victims were overcome by the smoke and flames. The cause of the fire was not known.

The children were all from the Youth Initiative Project run by University of Pretoria students in conjunction with Streetwise.

Altogether 22 children and their project leader, Mr Jeremy Kruger, were believed to have slept in the building.

Mr Kruger escaped from the fire together with several of the children and accompanied them to the H F Verwoerd Hospital.

Firemen battled to douse the blaze from 1.30am to 3am before being able to search the smouldering rubble for the bodies of the remaining children.

Police forensic experts and fire brigade personnel were combing the rubble for clues to the origin of the blaze.

For three of the street children, being late saved their lives.

The Street Children project locks its doors at 6pm.

The others were not so lucky. But for the double bunk bed blocking their route to safety, they too may have been alive today.

One child who had to sleep on stairs leading to the building said he was awakened by an explosion.

"Flames were coming out of the window. People were screaming. We were scared so we jumped off the stairs and ran away," he said.

Once the flames were doused, search parties armed with powerful spotlights entered the building. It was then that they found the bed of death.

Picture page 2
AWB denies 'tricks'

Staff Reporter

THE AWB has denied claims that its members intend "jamming" polling booths in areas with a NP stronghold on March 17 to prevent potential "yes" voters from voting.

"Our people that are available will go and vote. The claims are childish. We won't make use of intimidating tactics," said Mr Steph Jacobson, Cape leader of the AWB.

National Party information officer Mr Derek Christophers said it had been brought to his attention that the AWB had discussed tactics to keep its members in voting booths for over an hour.

"We heard that they planned to occupy as much time in the booths as possible to prevent people from casting 'yes' votes," he said.

A spokesman for the Department of Home Affairs said a strong police presence would prevent any "dirty tricks" from occurring at the polling stations.
Whites to fight on, whatever the result

MICHAEL MORRIS and TOS WENTZEL
Political Staff

CONSERVATIVE Party leader Dr Andries Treurnicht has warned that whites will not simply "lie down" and accept black majority rule, but will mount a resistance "struggle" in defence of their right to self-determination.

The path to an interim government and, ultimately, a permanent, black-dominated government was a "recipe for serious conflict" and would provoke "a struggle to make sure we as a white nation are not dominated by communists, terrorists or other people".

He said to applause from more than 400 people at a meeting in Malmes-berg last night that the CP was "fighting to win" the referendum, but even if it lost the white nation would still exist on March 18 and its demand for self-determination would still have to be reckoned with.

Several times at last night's meeting, occasional hecklers were urged to remain silent by uniformed AWB members, armed with batons.

The AWB phalanx of more than a dozen — which included infamous rightwingller Piet "Skiet" Rudolf — provided security at the entrance of the hall before the meeting and maintained a prominent presence throughout.

Dr Treurnicht said a Yes vote amounted to a "surrender of power". President De Klerk's government had "lost the nerve and will to govern" and was negotiating itself out of power at Colesia.

Meanwhile, Mr Colin Eglin, MP for Sea Point, said South Africans could walk tall, at home and among the nations of the world, if there was a Yes vote in the referendum.

Mr Eglin was addressing about 100 people in the Green and Sea Point Civic Centre last night. He said that, unlike in a general election, every vote was of equal value this time.

The platteland vote would not be worth two or three times that of a city vote. People in the cities would be able to make their full impact on the result.

Mr Hennie Bester, MP for Green Point, said a No vote would bring the peaceful constitutional process to a stop.

A Yes vote would unleash a wave of reconciliation in the country.

(Report by M Morris and T Wentzel, 122 St George's Mall, Cape Town)
Council worker on assault charge

ELECTRICAL consultant Dr Gordon Sibiya plans to sue the Soweto Council for loss of income after projects worth R18 million allocated to his company in 1989 were allegedly frozen without any explanation.

This week Sibiya laid a charge of assault at Jabulani Police Station after he was beaten by a white employee of the council when he went to inquire about the project.

Sibiya, owner of G Sibiya Electrical Consulting and Project Engineers, said he asked to see Soweto's town clerk on Monday and refused to leave the offices before seeing her.

A white employee then punched him and tore his clothes in an attempt to evict him.

Sibiya said: "The council employee said I was trespassing and started punching me in the face.

"I was surprised because all I wanted was for the council to say what had happened to the money that was allocated for the project by the Central Witwatersrand Regional Services Council in 1989."

His firm was allocated the multimillion rand project which included the wiring of Soweto houses at a cost of R4 million. The project has still not started.

Soweto town clerk Mrs Elizabeth Sithole could not be reached for comment.

By PHANGISILE MTSHALI
7 kids die: Arsonists blamed

OWN CORRESPONDENT

PRETORIA. — Police believe arsonists were responsible for yesterday's early morning blaze which gutted a church used to shelter street children, leaving seven dead and at least 12 others injured.

Police liaison officer Colonel Frank Alton last night refused to speculate on who was behind the blaze, saying police had yet to find evidence linking the fire to any particular person or organisation.

He said it was not clear how the fire had started and police were still conducting forensic tests to determine the cause of the blaze.

Police said they had investigated a number of reported leads, including that the blaze was linked to three men seen in the area hours before the fire started, and that trouble-makers recently evicted from the shelter were the arsonists, but all had proved false.

Senior fire officer Mr Kobus Botha said the seven children who died had been trapped on the building's third floor by locked gates, fire escape doors and bunk beds blocking fire escape routes.

Pastor Willie Booyzen of the Full Gospel Church, whose congregation stopped using the church building last April, said the organisation, which cared for the street children locked the doors to the building daily at 6pm.

At least 23 people were in the building in the Pretoria suburb of Sunnyside when the blaze started shortly before 1.30am.

Mr Botha said the fire department received a call at 1.35am and arrived at the scene within a minute to discover the survivors of the fire outside the blazing church.

He said a team of 10 firefighters had attempted to reach the third floor but their progress had been hindered by locked doors and gates which had to be broken open.

Mr Botha said the victims had probably died from suffocation and the intense heat.

The injured were taken to H F Verwoerd and Kalafong hospitals. Last night one youth was still in a critical condition in H F Verwoerd Hospital while two of the victims admitted to Kalafong.

CHURCH OF DEATH... The gutted interior of the Full Gospel Church, where seven children died and 12 were injured in a fire.

Picture: PATRICK COLLINGS

Hospital were in a fairly serious condition.

Police were last night still trying to establish the names of all the dead.
‘Wit Wolf’ says he set death fire

JOHANNESBURG. — A man who said he was a Wit Wolf claimed responsibility last night for the fire in which seven street children burnt to death.

The caller told the SABC that he had set fire to the church in Sunnyside, Pretoria, where the children were sleeping.

Twelve children were badly burnt. Five are in a serious condition.

Police said they were investigating the Wit Wolwe claim.

The fire, before dawn, ripped through the Elm Church in Sunnyside, gutting the building.

Arsonists blamed for seven deaths — Page 6
Arson probe at FW venue
PRETORIA. — Police are investigating a case of arson following a fire on Wednesday evening at a venue at the university here where President F.W. de Klerk is scheduled to speak today. (244)
Police spokesman Captain Marietjie Voruw said flammable liquid was poured over the carpets at the Musaion Building on campus, where Mr De Klerk is scheduled to deliver a 10-minute address.
Damage of R2,000 was caused. Right-wing students are thought to be responsible.
Conservative students at the university last year physically prevented ANC president Mr Nelson Mandela from speaking on the campus. — Sapa
(Report by N Peterson, 141 Commissioner Street, Johannesburg)
Dr No no to AWB emblem

Political Correspondent
DR Andries Treurnicht last night said he would have chosen another emblem for the AWB because it reminded people of the remnants of a broken swastika.

He was speaking to more than 350 people in the Muizenberg pavilion, where AWB members stood guard.

He said the AWB was a resistance movement which was determined to block the selling out of the white nation.

Dr Treurnicht was responding to a questioner who wanted to know how the CP could form an alliance with the "neonazi AWB?"

Responding to another question about the attitude of the CP to Jews, Dr Treurnicht said his party was not anti-Jewish.

He said that there were Jews in Johannesburg who had written letters of support to him.

At this point a young woman in the audience jumped up and shouted: "I'm Jewish and can only vote CP." The crowd applauded.
It is a few weeks hence. You and the rest of your family will be anxiously in front of your TV set to watch the Sport news.

The newsreader begins: "Good evening, here is the news..."

"South African State President Andries Treurnicht today imposed a national state of emergency and curfew as the death toll in riots and clashes around the country rose to more than 1,800.

Minister of Law and Order Dr Moolman Montsioni said white males under the age of 50 who failed to report for military service within the next 24 hours would be court-martialled.

In a statement read on South African television, President Treurnicht appealed for "calm and restraint". He expressed condolences to the families of the many white soldiers and police officers who have died in the fighting.

"Major metropolitan centres, including Johannesburg, are still paralysed by a lockdown of the day. Black workers have been ordered to stay away from work. All businesses are closed, and most whites have barricaded themselves in their homes in the suburbs.

"Police and SADF soldiers are fighting pitched battles on the outskirts of the cities with small groups of black workers, who are armed with AK-47 assault rifles and RPG rocket launchers.

"There were reports of anti-apartheid demonstrators from the army forces because of the "bloodshed in Durban". At least three Nyala riot-control vehicles were abandoned in the Soweto highway.

"Trading in Johannesburg has been suspended until further notice", and the building association issued an urgent order to board flights out of the country.

"All air traffic has been halted. Foreign governments are reacting in their own ways to unleash the possibility of escalating their demands on South Africa. United Nations security council has not yet condemned its unanimous decision to impose mandatory sanctions on the South Africans for its actions in the country.

"President Treurnicht was unable to address his office in the Union Buildings this morning, as overnight explosions had destroyed the entire building. He read his statement from Defence Headquarters in Pretoria Street.

"Yesterday, Inkatha Freedom Party leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi rejected President Treurnicht's offer of a seat in a "temporary government of national unity". Other "homeland" leaders have also turned Treurnicht's plan to argue for exclusive elections.

"Unconfirmed reports said the Yezvardi (Iron Guards) - the para-military wing of one of the Government coalition partners, the African National Congress - were going on a "black-killing spree" in the Transvaal.

"In terms of the emergency regulations announced by President Treurnicht, communications with the outside world will be severed at midnight today, for an unspecified period.

"And the "Treurnicht's right-wing coalition government" proliferated the crisis with its announcement yesterday that negotiations will be suspended for a Democratic South Africa to be conducted with immediate effect.

"This followed incidents of racial violence in the wake of the shock. The result of the referendum will now be the election which the government is due to hold in a few weeks' time.

"Indeed, the foreign opposition to the referendum is due to be announced in a couple of weeks' time, and the government is due to announce its intentions in the next few weeks. It will be a key point in the negotiations with the outside world.

"Or they can vote. Yes, if they wish, if the whites seem to have very short memories. The matter is quite simple.
Church fire: Eighth child dies

AN eighth child has died from injuries suffered after Thursday morning's Elim Church fire.

The church in Sunnyside, Pretoria, offered street children refuge at night.

The children's guardian, Mr Jeremy Kruger, of the Youth Initiative Project, said yesterday one of the boys who had been in a critical condition, died at the H F Verwoerd Hospital early yesterday morning.

By late yesterday only two of the children — Magou Makou, 8, and Charles Alphane, 12 — had been identified.

An SABC TV report that an anonymous caller claiming membership of the ultra-right movement the Wit Wolwe had taken responsibility for the fire, was being investigated, along with reports from members of the public who said they saw three men near the Elim Church a couple of hours before the 1:30pm fire, a police spokesman said yesterday.

The MP and the ANC have condemned the incident.

DP MP Mr Peter Soal said the attack was “cowardly and inhumane”.

The ANC said in a statement the incident was an indictment against the legacy of racial hatred which apartheid had bred.
Eight die in fire: rightwingers suspected

By MONWABISI NOMADOLO

THE gruesome burning to death of eight street kids in a Pretoria church this week was the culmination of running battles between rightwingers and the youths, sources close to the church said.

City Press investigations have revealed that the youths, housed at the Ellin "Place of Water" Church in Sunnyside, were regarded as a "menace" by rightwingers in the neighbourhood who wanted them out of the area.

A mystery fire broke out at the church on Thursday night, and shortly afterwards four naked white men were seen running from the house. The youths were trapped in their rooms and burnt to death, while others leapt to safety from second storey windows.

The mystery of the fire deepened when police ruled out arson. However, they said the arson docket would not be closed and investigations would continue.

A white man at the scene, Bill Victor, said there were "bad elements" who stayed at the centre. He said there were cases of theft involving some inmates of the centre.

"You should have seen the slogans painted on the building," he remarked to a friend.

Kate Molomo of Mabopane said whites in the area often complained about blacks sleeping in the church while whites (hoboes) slept in the parks.

The building was used by the Youth Initiative Project, which looked after runaway children.

Forensic expert Lieutenant Froeman said there were no traces of inflammable substances at the scene.

Police said 34 of the injured were taken to HF Verwoerd where they were later transferred to the predominantly black Kalafong Hospital in Pretoria.

Asked why the injured were transferred to Kalafong, HF Verwoerd Hospital spokesman Dr PJ van Reenen said there was an "easy answer". He said it was no major secret that there was a shortage of beds at the hospital.

Curious bystanders at the scene of the fire believed the fire was the work of arsonists.

Frans Diadla, of Mamelodi, said it was clear it was the work of ultra-rightists.

"Blacks lived there - who else could set fire to that church?" he asked.

Nelly Motsha said it was unacceptable that so many youths died in the fire.

"It's really heartbreaking," she said.
Back-door FW avoids scuffles

By CHARLES LEONARD and DE WET POTGIETER

Efforts by a small group of right-wingers to disrupt a meeting by President FW de Klerk in Nyatlon — Treurnicht country — failed yesterday when police prevented them from entering the town hall.

Several scuffles broke out between police and right-wingers trying to force their way into the hall, but no one was injured.

Shortly before Mr De Klerk arrived, a group of khaki-clad rightwingers was removed at the entrance to the hall where the president addressed about 350 supporters.

Mr De Klerk used a back entrance to avoid the group, consisting mainly of disgruntled farmers.

A strong police contingent had been brought from Pretoria to the town, where the National Party and the Conservative Party simultaneously held braais to mark the end of their referendum campaigns last night.

A police helicopter circled over the town hall while Mr De Klerk was making his speech.

Later Mr De Klerk addressed about 2,000 supporters at the showground Hall at Pietersburg.

He arrived by helicopter, avoiding about 70 AWB demonstrators.

(News by Charles Leonard and De Wet Potgieter, 11 Diagonal Street, Johannesburg.)
Chant against 'commie' slant

ABOUT 100 protesters accusing the SABC of a "communist" slant staged a peaceful demonstration at the corporation's headquarters in Johannesburg yesterday. An SABC spokesman said the protesters, linked to rightwing organisations, set alight a television set to dramatise their cause.

Reports by CP Reporters, CP Correspondents and Step.
Police cover-up in fire alleged

Own Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Lawyers for Human Rights and the Youth Initiative Project say they have evidence of a police cover-up in the investigation of a fire which killed eight people when it swept through a building housing street children. (340) CT

ANC spokesperson Mr Ronnie Mamoepa said his organisation was also investigating last Thursday's fire which gutted the shelter, a former church building, but could not confirm a statement by the ANC's Women's League that the fire had been caused by an explosion.

Police initially opened an arson docket, but on Monday said they no longer believed arsonists were responsible and investigations had shown the fire started inside the building.

Mr Jeremy Kruger, director of the Youth Initiative Project which worked with street children, said yesterday he had clear evidence of a police cover-up and strong evidence of arson.

Police liaison officer Colonel Frank Alton denied there was a police cover-up and called on anybody with information to make it available to the police.
Man killed by bomb at principal's house

By Clyde Johnson
Lowveld Bureau

NELSPRUIT — In the second bomb attack on a Lowveld educational institution in two days, a man was "killed and a woman injured when a powerful bomb yesterday blasted a carport at the home of an Afrikaans high school principal.

Andries Sithole, a 56-year-old gardener, died at the scene, and domestic worker Sophie Mashaba (42) suffered an arm injury in the 9 am blast at the house of Con Booyens, headmaster of the Nelspruit Hoërskool.

Mr Sithole's dismembered body was found behind an outside room. The bomb had been planted under Mr Booyens's caravan in a carport which also housed a trailer.

Conservative Party leader Andries Treurnicht yesterday expressed suspicion that the Government might have planted the bomb to discredit the Right.

Asked at a Pretoria press briefing to comment on suspicions that the bomb had been planted by right-wing militants, Dr Treurnicht said there were many supporters of the National Party disillusioned with its latest policy direction who might have done it.

Detonated

Shortly after the explosion police explosive experts discovered and detonated two more bombs which had been planted under the trailer.

Police said commercial explosives were used.

The blast has puzzled police. Other bombings in the area have been blamed on right-wing extremists attacking schools and colleges which admitted black pupils. But the Nelspruit Hoërskool has only white pupils.

The police officer in charge of investigations into the blasts, Colonel Dean Alberts, could say only that it appeared school principals were being selected.

On Sunday, eight people miraculously escaped death when a 3 am explosion caused extensive damage to the home of Lowveld Agricultural College principal Fourie Kritzinger.

Blamed

The admission of black pupils to the college had previously drawn the ire of right-wing extremists, who were yesterday blamed by Agricultural Minister Dr Kral van Niekerk for Sunday's attack.

Police are offering a R20,000 reward for information leading to the conviction of those responsible for the bombings. The police can be contacted on (01311) 23785.

Yesterday Dr van Niekerk issued a statement on the Lowveld Agricultural College blast, saying "although it is not yet known who was responsible for the explosion, other incidents at the college recently have shown that a group of political activists and sympathisers of a specific political grouping are active at the college".

"Some of the students were involved in stone-throwing where a black college student was injured. Disparaging remarks, with a political flavour, about the principal and staff members were painted on the steps of the main building. Four students were identified distributing political pamphlets at a Nelspruit high school."

Yesterday's blast was the fourth bomb attack on educational institutions in Nelspruit since the beginning of the year.
Man dies in right-wing blast at college

NELSPRUIT -- A man was killed in right-wing violence yesterday when an explosion rocked the home of the principal of the Nelspruit High School, Mr. Con Booyens.

Police said the body of Mr. Andries Sithole, 50, was found after yesterday's explosion at a caravan parked next to Mr. Booyens' house on the premises of Hoerskool Nelspruit.

An unidentified woman aged about 42 was injured.

The police found another two explosive devices at the scene and detonated them.

The explosion followed a blast at the home of the principal of the Lowveld Agricultural College in Nelspruit, Mr. Louis Kritzinger, on Sunday.

Dr. Krais van Niekerk, Minister of Agriculture and Agricultural Development, said it was clear a group of political activists were active at the college.

Students had been involved in an incident where stones were thrown at a black classmate and derogatory political remarks about the principal and members of staff had been painted on the stairs of the main building.

Four students had been identified after politically-inspired pamphlets were distributed at a local high school.

Dr. Van Niekerk said he and his department's executive were extremely concerned that normal teaching was being disrupted by political activities and intimidation.

It was totally unacceptable that the agricultural studies of a large group of students were being interrupted and disrupted by a small minority of students.

Such activities would not be tolerated at agricultural colleges under his department's control.

He pointed out that, in terms of the entrance criteria, students who did not abide by the rules, or who were guilty of 'outrageous behaviour', could be summarily expelled.

Own Correspondent and Sapa
'No arson' in church fire

PRETORIA. — Police no longer believe arsonists were responsible for last Thursday's blaze that killed eight street children and wounded at least 11 others when it swept through the Elim church here.

A police spokesman yesterday said investigations indicated the fire was started inside the building.

Sources close to the investigation said police were investigating the possibility that the fire started while some of the children were burning glue.
Student intimidated

A FEMALE student at the University of the Free State was allegedly assaulted and threatened on Saturday night not to testify about last week's teargas attack on the State President, Mr FW de Klerk.

The attack took place in the students' cafeteria.

A local newspaper reported that various other students, who may testify in a court case on the incident, have also received threatening letters and telephone calls.

Mr Coenraad Jonker, chairman of the Students Representative Council, said the young woman was so frightened after the assault that she refused to make a statement to the police.

She told Jonker she had received a note on Saturday night, which had escorted her out of the hostel under false pretences.

Once outside, she was attacked and hit in the face by an attacker, who warned her not to testify about the teargas attack.

She had blood on her face when she stumbled back into the hostel. She has been taken out of the hostel to an unidentified place as she fears for her safety.

Acting UOFS rector Professor Eelco Boonstra said the matter was being investigated.

Mr Wynand Breytenbach, Deputy Minister of Justice and chairman of the National Party in the Free State, said this was clearly an attempt to defeat the ends of justice.

Mr Gustav Chassaris, provincial secretary of the Conservative Party in the OPS, condemned the intimidation.

The police investigation is believed to be at an advanced stage. - Sapa.
Boy tells court of assault at Sunday School outing

By MATHATHA TSEDU

A SIX-YEAR-OLD boy described in the Pietersburg Magistrate's Court this week how he was knocked down when men who appeared to be AWB members allegedly attacked black children on a Sunday School outing.

Vulezdani Lukwarami told the court that after being knocked down by the van driven by a white man he fell on a stone, injuring his head. He was about four years old at the time.

Vulezdani was one of 334 children of the Apostolic Faith Mission from Dzanani, Venda, who travelled to Louis Trichardt on November 24 1990 on a church outing.

Fifteen men are standing trial on charges of public violence and assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm. They all pleaded not guilty before Mr W J Fonnie at the start of the trial on Monday morning.

Yesterday the presence of an armed AWB march in full uniform inside the courtroom caused a stir among black spectators, with a wide berth left between him and other people in court.

Vulezdani said they had been playing in a park waiting for the Rev George Muhali, who had gone to see the local priest of the AFM, when a group of whites with sjamboks, fan belts and other weapons arrived.

He said a van drove into the group of children, causing them to flee in all directions, as they left for the bus stop at Elitivi. "The van knocked me in the leg and I fell on a stone and injured my head. I know the car and I saw the driver but I cannot remember him now. It is long ago," the boy said.

A few minutes later Thiwilendo Dengia (23), a paralysed man, hobbled into court amid giggles from the accused.

Denga said he was assaulted with sjamboks by more than one person and sustained injuries as a result. He too could not identify the assailants.

Denga's assaults had been earlier described by insurance broker Mr Deko tela Makhado, who said he was so touched by what he saw that he abandoned the vehicle he was driving in the middle of the road to rescue the disabled man.

"I ran towards the two men who had cornered Denga beating him in a manner that was very painful. When I got close to them, they left Denga and came for me and he ran away, trying to scale a fence."

"I slowly walked back to hire the men away and succeeded. When they were close to me and about to hit me, a policeman shouted at them not to do anything to me," Makhado told the court. Other evidence was that police, including the former security police chief in the town, a Captain Dreier, were present all the time the assaults took place.

Of the 34 witnesses who testified on Monday, only four could identify at least two of the accused as having been present at the scene.

The two are Mr Bernard Tereblanch (46) who was identified as the leader of the group, and Mr Phillip Tereblanch.

The other accused are Lucas Beyer, Bernard Jordaan, Jeffrey Sculliard, William Schap, Christoffel Wolvaard, Gerhardus van der Linde, Stephanus Jacobs, Jan Beyers, Albertus Pretorius, Ignatius Tereblanch, Johan Nagel, Johan Kruger and Stephanus Boshoff.

The trial continues today.
Witness to attack on FW punched

A female student at the University of the Orange Free State (UOFS) was assaulted and warned at the weekend not to testify about last week's tear gas attack on President de Klerk in the university cafeteria.

Students' Representative Council chairman Coenraad Jonker said the woman told him she had received a note on Saturday night, which enticed her out of the hostel.

Outside, a man punched her in the face and warned her not to testify about the attack.

She has since been moved to a hostel to a place of safety and says she's too frightened to make a statement to the police.

Several other students also allegedly received threatening notes after the attack.

The police investigation into the March 9 tear-gassing, which has been condemned by the UOFS Board of Trustees, was advancing rapidly, a police spokesman said yesterday.

Rightwinger Lood van Schalkwyk yesterday pleaded guilty to murdering a Durban computer consultant with a parcel bomb, attempting to kill two people with a bomb in Pretoria's Bloed Street, and to two counts of malicious damage to property.

Mr Justice Carlewis is expected to sentence him soon in the Pretoria Supreme Court.

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Last year, Dr van Schalkwyk and two co-accused, Henry Martin and Adrian Maritz, went on a disputed hunger strike in an attempt to force the authorities to grant them indemnity from charges related to the Bloed Street and Durban blasts.

Mr Martin and Mr Maritz fled the country last October and are now in Britain.

Dr van Schalkwyk admitted that on October 2, 1990 he murdered Nicholas James Elwin Cruise, a trainee computer consultant, with a bomb hidden in a computer.

He also confessed to the attempted murder of George Booyoi and James Allan Petrus Barton in Bloed Street, Pretoria, on August 11, 1990.

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A total of 20 charges were withdrawn against him in terms of the Government's indemnity arrangements for certain types of crime.

Police investigations revealed that commercial explosives, used for mining, had caused both explosions.

Stand down; Botswana's government is urged

GABORONE - Botswana's opposition yesterday called on President Quett Masire's government to resign within six months and call an election.

They also called on President Masire to clear himself of association with several allegedly corrupt companies.

At a joint news conference, Kenneth Koma, leader of the Botswana National Front, and Knight Maripe, leader of the Botswana People's Party, condemned Cabinet Ministers Peter Mmusi, Daniel Kwele, George and Michaele Tshibhane who resigned over allegations of land deal irregularities.

The two leaders called on President Masire to dismiss them from Parliament.

They also called for a purge of civil servants implicated in the scandals and for the cancellation of a $10 million contract for the construction of new headquarters for the Botswana Housing Corporation.
Ex-policeman says he helped doctor to send killer bomb

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — An ex-police constable who alleged he helped former rightwing hunger striker Dr Lood van Schalkwyk to send a parcel bomb that killed a Durban computer consultant has told the Pretoria Supreme Court Dr Van Schalkwyk admitted to him he was responsible for the Blood Street bomb blast in Pretoria.

Mr Steyl Abrie, who claimed he became "like a son" to Dr Van Schalkwyk, testified yesterday that Dr Van Schalkwyk had told him he was responsible for the Blood Street bomb in August 1990, in which one person died and 13 were injured.

He testified that he helped Dr Van Schalkwyk with the Durban bomb, which killed Mr Nicholas Cruise on October 2, 1990.

Dr van Schalkwyk, with two other rightwing fugitives — Mr Adrian Hendricks Maritz, 43, and Mr Henry Guy Martin, 49 — were arrested in 1990 on charges relating to the Durban parcel bomb and the Blood Street blast.

Dr Van Schalkwyk pleaded guilty to a murder charge, two charges of attempted murder and two of malicious damage to property.

Throughout his appearance yesterday, a Correctional Services medic monitored his condition and periodically changed Dr van Schalkwyk's intravenous drips.

The hearing continues.
AWB members booted out at polling stations

Staff Reporters and Sapa

Khaki-clad AWB supporters were ceremoniously booted out of five polling stations yesterday as referendum officials and police guarded against right-wing intimidation.

The right-wingers — some armed and some hurling insults at National Party officials — hovered around polling stations in Pietersburg, Zebediela, Krugersdorp, Port Natal and Bothasig in the Cape. But they were swiftly told to leave.

In Pietersburg, armed AWB members were ordered to move away from the entrance to the polling station after an official objection by the National Party against their presence.

The AWB supporters were also asked to remove firearms and batons from their holsters before they were permitted to enter the polling station to vote.

Chief "yes" organiser in Pietersburg, Nic van Oudshoorn, had a heated argument with CP MP Dr Willie Snyman over the presence of the AWB contingent.

In Bothasig, uniformed AWB members caused a disturbance when they "used abusive language and criticised NP supporters", an official said.

The two women and four men sporting the AWB's swastika-like emblem, were ordered to leave the voting venue after a complaint by Environment Minister Louis Pietermaritzburg.

Sapa reports from East London that an AWB member argued with bystanders at Crewe Primary School polling station in the Border area after calling Nelson Mandela a "faggit". He said Mr Mandela was a criminal and asked how a criminal could govern SA.

The man, who spoke with a British accent and was dressed in full AWB uniform and armed with a baton, left on his motorcycle after voting.

No incidents of violence in connection with the referendum were reported.

Near Cape Town, AWB militiants put up grisly signs at referendum polling stations outside polling stations on Tuesday, but ruling whites' vote for non-tracial rule meant "yes" to "racial and rape."
Police probe bomb blasts in Lowveld

NELSPRUIT — Police yesterday stepped up investigations into two bomb blasts in Nelspruit this week which killed a man, wounded a woman and caused extensive damage to the homes of two school principals.

A R30 000 reward has been offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators. Police can be contacted at (01311) 23-785.

Monday's blast at the house of Nelspruit Hoërskool headmaster Con Booyens was the fourth attack on education institutions in the Lowveld since the beginning of the year. The first three have been blamed on right-wing extremists.

CP leader Dr Andries Treurnicht expressed his suspicion that the Government might have planted the bomb to discredit the right wing.

On Sunday, eight people miraculously escaped death when a 3 am explosion caused extensive damage to the home of Lowveld Agricultural College principal Fourie Kritzinger. — Lowveld Bureau.
AWB's grisly posters

Staff Reporters

AWB members toured the Peninsula putting up grisly posters yesterday — and threatening violence if the "yes" vote won.

The posters depicted a black man being burnt to death with a petrol-soaked tyre.

Cape AWB leader Mr. Steph Jacobson told voters that this awaited them in the new South Africa.

The group, who were involved in several incidents in an otherwise quiet polling day, also hoisted tyres high onto poles at voting booths.

Tension rose at Herzelia High School in Vrededorp when the bakkie, carrying the uniformed group, parked there for nearly 30 minutes.

"Reject the anti-Christ, vote "no,"" four burly AWB members shouted from the back of a pick-up truck at another polling station.

At Goodwood the AWB disrupted proceedings by hoisting placards to a tyre and labelling President F W de Klerk an anti-Christ.

The group was also involved in an altercation with Simon's Town MP Mr. Jannie Memberg at Fish Hoek just before 8pm.

Early yesterday a polling official at the Bothasig town hall said six uniformed AWB members had "used abusive language and criticised NP posters at the polling station."

In Pietersburg, Transvaal, the atmosphere was tense shortly after the main referendum polling station opened, following an official complaint by the NP about the presence of armed AWB members.

In East London an AWB member argued noisily with bystanders at a polling station, calling ANC President Mr. Nelson Mandela a "kaffir."
Right-winger pleads guilty to murder

PRETORIA Right-winger Lood van Schalkwyk pleaded guilty yesterday to murdering a Durban computer consultant with a parcel bomb, attempting to murder two people with a bomb in Pretoria's Blood Street, and two counts of malicious damage to property.

Judge D J Curlewis of the Pretoria Supreme Court is expected to pass sentence soon.

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Van Schalkwyk admitted that on October 2 1990 he murdered Nicholas James Elvin Cruise, a Durban trainee computer consultant, with a bomb hidden in a computer. He also admitted to the attempted murder of George Baloyi and James Allan Petrus Barton in Blood Street on August 11 1990. The two men were injured when a bomb exploded next to a busy taxi rank.

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Computer killing: Right-winger guilty

PRETORIA. — Right-winger Lood van Schalkwyk yesterday pleaded guilty to murdering a Durban computer consultant with a parcel bomb, attempting to murder two people with a bomb in Pretoria's Bloed Street and two counts of malicious damage to property.

The state accepted the plea. Mr Justice D J Curlewis is expected to pass sentence today.

Van Schalkwyk, who recently embarked on a hunger strike, arrived at court in a wheelchair. He was re-arrested in Bronkhorstpruit last month when he failed to meet his bail conditions.

Last year he and two co-accused, Mr Henry Martin and Mr Adrian Maritz, went on a hunger strike in an attempt to force the authorities to grant them indemnity from all charges arising from the Bloed Street and Durban blasts.

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He also admitted attempting to murder Mr George Baleyi and Mr James Allan Petrus Barton in Bloed Street on August 11, 1990. The two men were injured when a bomb connected to a timing device exploded next to a busy taxi rank.

Van Schalkwyk had been in the Eastern Transvaal when the Bloed Street bomb exploded.

The Durban bomb was rigged to go off the moment the computer was plugged in, and the Pretoria bombs were attached to simple timing devices.

A total of 29 charges, including 10 attempted murder charges, were withdrawn against Van Schalkwyk in terms of the government's indemnity arrangements for certain types of crime. — Sapa
Threats, assaults after FW attack

BLOEMFONTEIN. — A woman student at the University of the Free State was allegedly assaulted and threatened on Saturday night not to testify about last week's teargas attack on President FW de Klerk in the students' cafeteria. (3UL)

A local newspaper reported that various other students, who might testify, had received threatening letters and telephone calls. (CL)

Mr Coenraad Jonker, chairman of the Students' Representative Council, said the young woman was so frightened after the assault that she refused to make a statement to the police.

She told Mr Jonker she had received a note on Saturday night which had enticed her out of the hostel under false pretences.

She was hit in the face by an attacker who warned her not to testify about the teargas attack.

She had blood on her face when she stumbled back into the hostel. She has been taken out of the hostel as she fears for her safety.

Professor Edico Boonstra, acting rector of UOFS, said it appeared to be an organised action and was totally unacceptable.
4 acquitted of beating black kids

FOUR of the 15 whites accused of assaulting black children in Louis Trichardt were yesterday acquitted after the State closed its case.

Pietersburg Regional Court magistrate Mr WJ Fourie said there was insufficient evidence against Mr Bernard Jordaan, Mr Stephen Jacobs, Mr Albertus Pretorius and Mr Ignatius Terblanch.

Earlier, the court had heard that the white rightwingers who attacked black children had also assaulted an off-duty policeman with knobkerries.

Constable Basani Mahlaji said when he identified himself to his three white attackers as a policeman, one of them told him: "Policeman se moer" and hit him three times without provocation.

Mahtaha Tshedu

Mahlaji was testifying in the trial of 15 alleged AWB members who are facing charges of public violence and assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

The State alleges they assaulted black Sunday School children of the Louis Trichardt Apostolic Faith Mission in November 1990 with sjamboks, sticks, knobkerries, fan belts and other weapons. They had all pleaded not guilty to all charges.

In further testimony yesterday Captain Pieter Andries Dreyer, head of the security branch in the town, said some of the accused had driven into the crowd of children in their vehicles, at high speed. One vehicle had knocked down a child. He also saw arottweiler dog running among the screaming children, biting them. He identified Mr Barend Terblanch, as the man who had insulted him and told him he was talking "s... t..." when he told the rightwingers to move away.

"He told me the AWB was in charge," Dreyer said.

Terblanch later allegedly assaulted a youth with a stick in his presence and ordered other policemen to arrest him.

"I was later told that Nagel, accused No 13, had stopped them from effecting the arrest," Dreyer said.

Earlier evidence was that Nagel, a former policeman, had told a policeman he would assault him if he carried the arrest.

Dreyer said the rightwingers chased the children, beating them at random, all over the area.

The court also heard that one of the accused will testify that he, a policeman and another man had sprayed teargas on the children and laughed before the assaults began.

This submission was made by defence attorney Mr O de Meyer.

The remaining accused are Mr Lucas Beyer, Mr Jeffrey Scuffard, Mr William Schap, Mr Christoffel Wolvaardt, Mr Gerhard van der Linde, Mr Bernard Terblanch, Mr Jan Beyer, Mr Phillip Terblanch, Mr Johan George Nagel, Mr Johan Frederick Kroger and Mr Stephanus Hendrik Boshoff.

The case was postponed to June 8.
Court told of men’s attack on children

By Dirk Nel
Northern Transvaal Bureau

PIETERSBURG — There was “absolute chaos” in a Louis Trichardt park when a group of white men assaulted black Sunday-school children with sjamboks, batons and sticks on November 24, 1990, a policeman yesterday told the Pietersburg Regional Court.

Security Branch officer Captain J. Dreyer was testifying during the trial of 15 men charged with public violence and assault. The accused have pleaded not guilty.

Captain Dreyer said that in his opinion the men had taken the law into their own hands by trying to remove the large group of schoolchildren and their guardians from the park.

He said he was summoned to the park at about 3 pm. He found a large group of black children, under the supervision of a few adults, who told him they were on their way to a church in the town.

They said their bus had broken down and they had been unable to contact the person who had a key to the church.

He asked the church group to leave the park, as the gathering constituted an illegal meeting.

While he was talking to them, a number of white men arrived in cars. Captain Dreyer spoke to one of the men, whom he identified as one of the accused.

When told that the police had the situation under control, the man swore at him. Moments later, the church group scattered as several of the cars were driven straight at them.

One of the vehicles knocked a child down. Occupants of the vehicles jumped out and assaulted children and adults.

Captain Dreyer said he ordered policemen who had arrived on the scene to erect roadblocks to separate the white men from the church group, while he gathered the remaining members of the church group together and accompanied them on foot towards the outskirts of the town.

As the men broke through the roadblocks, or drove round them, he felt his main concern was the safety of the children.

During the three-hour chaos, a child with a serious head injury was brought to him.

Eventually, the children and their guardians were loaded into minibuses 2 km away from the park, and they left.

Captain Dreyer said all 15 accused were at the scene of the alleged violence.

Earlier he had been involved in discussions with a white vigilante group that had threatened to take action if a planned protest march by blacks was allowed in the town. The whites had been informed that permission for the march had been refused.

The accused are Lucas Beyers, Jeffrey Scullard, Barend Jordaan, Willem Schaap, Christoffel Wolfaardt, Gerardus van der Linde, Barend Terblanche, Stephanus Jacobs, Jan Beyers, Philip Terblanche, Albertus Pretorius, Ignatius Terblanche, Johan Nagel, Johan Kruger and Stephanus Boschoff.

The trial continues.
Right-wing terror threat: SA Police put on full alert

By Bronwyn Wilkinson

Police have been put on full alert in anticipation of a right-wing terror campaign following the defeat of the Conservative alliance in Tuesday's referendum, an SAP Pretoria headquarters spokesman said yesterday.

Experts on violence warned yesterday that sporadic terrorist attacks from the right-wing were "almost a certainty".

"We are sure to see incidents of terror as the right wing tries to boost morale after the referendum," warned Lloyd Vogelman, director of the Project for the Study of Violence at Witswatersrand University.

Defiant AWB leader Eugene TerreBlanche yesterday told an international news agency that President de Klerk had "created a climate of terrorism".

He said despondent right-wingers would flock to the AWB, and warned of a "terrible revolution" when a majority government was installed.

The time for the AWB has

arrived," Mr TerreBlanche said.

Rest days for policemen had been cancelled in several areas. Policemen in these areas were on stand-by.

A spokesman at police headquarters said this was not the case in every police district, but that some areas had put their staff on full alert.

"It is up to the district police commissioners." He was unsure which areas were on alert.

Law and Order Ministry spokesman Major-General Leon Mellet said: "There always have been extremists. It's the duty of the SAP to protect the citizens of South Africa. We have a good intelligence record. Usually, if we crack a cell, it breaks down," he said.

Violence experts, Mr Vogelman and risk consultant Dr Wim Booysen, said symbolic acts of terror could be expected until an interim government was in place. Then a full-scale right-wing terror campaign was "almost a certainty".

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Durban bomber: Death sentence

PRETORIA. — Former right-wing hunger-striker Lood van Schalkwyk was sentenced to death in the Supreme Court here yesterday for the murder of a Durban computer consultant in October 1990.

An automatic appeal will be lodged against the death sentence. Van Schalkwyk was also sentenced to 18 years' imprisonment on two counts of attempted murder and 12 years' imprisonment on two counts of malicious damage to property.

Mr Nicholas Cruise died in October 1990 when a bomb — hidden in a computer — exploded. Last August a blast at a taxi rank in Bloed Street here injured two black men.

Mr Justice D J Curlewis said the court had noted that the crimes had a political aim, but had been committed in a cold-blooded and cowardly manner.

Sure death

There could be no doubt that Van Schalkwyk meant to murder Mr Cruise. Although he had not built the bomb himself, he knew Mr Cruise would be killed when he received the computer and switched it on, he said.

Mr Cruise was unsuspecting and unarmed when he was killed. Van Schalkwyk's reference to his so-called Christian values in statements handed to the court was inappropriate, Mr Justice Curlewis said. Van Schalkwyk and two former co-accused, Mr Henry Martin and Mr Adrian Maritz, jumped bail last year. Van Schalkwyk was rearrested and the others fled to Britain. While on the run Van Schalkwyk made a declaration of war against President F W de Klerk. — Sapa
Four AWB men cleared

PIETERSBURG:—Four of 10 alleged Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging members have been acquitted on charges of terrorising black children in a park in Louis Trichardt in November. The 11 others are to reappear in court on June 8.
FW gassed: Kovsies take action

JOHANNESBURG. — The University of the Orange Free State has taken action against two right-wing students involved in the tear-gassing of President F W de Klerk and his entourage at the university on March 9.

The presidential entourage was forced to flee the university's cafeteria when right-wing students sprayed teargas at Mr. De Klerk as he prepared to address the students during his campaign visit for a "yes" vote in the referendum.

Justice Minister Mr. Kobie Coetsee fractured two ribs when, blinded by the teargas, he was crushed against a door during the exodus from the cafeteria.

Acting rector of the university Professor Eelco Boonstra said interim steps had been taken against the two male students and they were allowed to attend only lectures and other academic activities.

The students' fate will be decided at a sitting of the disciplinary committee for students, expected to be held in early April.

Although police assisted the university authorities in investigating the incident, no arrests have been made. A docket of assault is still being studied by the senior prosecutor in Bloemfontein.
AWB terrorise farmers

By MATHATHA TSEDU

SUSPECTED far rightwing whites last week sliced the tongue of a cow belonging to a black family and painted the AWB sign on its sides, leaving it unable to eat or drink.

The horror incident occurred last Tuesday at Mafarara village near Letsilele, outside Tzaneen. A cow and a bull calf, also belonging to Mrs Cheyeza Shingange, were emblazoned with “NEB!” on each side.

Sliced tongue

One was also stabbed several times in its body and nose. The sliced tongue now hangs loosely outside the mouth of the cow and cannot be stitched back, according to Gazankulu Senior Animal Health Officer Mr Johan Zandamela.

The family said they found the cows on Wednesday morning, the day after the all-white referendum in which the far rightwing had campaigned for a No/Nee
CP restructuring while AWB prepares for war

THE CP was considering changing its orientation and becoming an exclusively Afrikaner party, Free State chairman Ceshill Pienaar said yesterday.

And AWB-leader Eugene Terre'Blanche said his private army was preparing for a race war, following the "yes" campaign victory in last week's referendum.

The CP's Pienaar said a caucus meeting begun after the referendum had not completed its work and would reconvene tomorrow to consider its options. Pienaar said three broad options were being examined:

That the party continue in its present form; that it change its stance and become an Afrikaner party representing Afrikaner interests; or that it permit a breakaway faction to leave the party and go to Codesa.

Pienaar said it was being argued that the CP could not effectively represent white interests. In some CP quarters English voters were said to have let down the party.

There has been speculation that CP leader Andries Treurnicht will now stand down. He has kept a low profile since the announcement of the referendum result. In his reaction to the result he said President de Klerk would realise the folly of power-sharing but he gave no indication how the CP would counter that.

Pienaar, who is close to CP verligte Koos van der Merwe, denied speculation that he would be one of a small group of MPs keen to join Codesa. He also denied that the CP felt let down by English voters.

Reuter reports Terre'Blanche as saying in an interview on Friday the AWB had anticipated the referendum result and were preparing for a race war.

"...I'm grateful because it has expanded our numbers by 800,000," he said.

"We are immediately stepping up our defence preparations for the coming bloody revolution." The AWB's military wing, "Wenkommando" (Victory Commando) number about 5,000 men.

Political analysts said the likelihood of violence from the extreme right had increased following the referendum.

But they said the vast majority of whites who voted "no" would have no stomach for armed rebellion.

The AWB initially called for a boycott of the referendum because of the short, three-week notice given for campaigning.

It later joined the CP in campaigning for "no" vote. - Reuter.
‘Piet Skiet’ parts ways with ET

MR Piet “Skiet” Rudolph yesterday resigned as secretary-general of the AWB, accusing its leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche of bad management and costing the “no” campaign votes in the referendum.

Rudolph says in a letter he has had problems with Terre’Blanche’s actions ever since the Ventersdorp incident last year, but had stayed on as an AWB member “for the sake of unity” and in the hope of aiding the cause.

He then accuses Terre’Blanche of ignoring his general staff, instead making his own decisions on vital matters.

“The manner in which you ignore the general staff’s decisions and change your own decisions impulsively and at will, render the general staff redundant and makes proper management of the AWB impossible.”

Rudolph claims he could mention many examples, but won’t do so because his letter would go public and to prevent further tension on a personal level between Terre’Blanche and others.

Turning to the referendum, Rudolph accuses Terre’Blanche of costing the “no” campaign many votes, saying: “Terre’Blanche’s announcement on the AWB’s referendum stance was a personal decision and gave the impression of indecision. 

“A one-sided agreement with internal clashes directly with his promise to consult with the general staff on this matter. This led to adverse publicity, which damaged the AWB’s cause in the referendum. Further, this also led to claims that the general staff was used as puppets.”

The final straw, Rudolph said, was Terre’Blanche “secretly meeting with subordinates” to discuss the organisation of the Wenkommandos and appointment of officers.

“In this way my authority was openly undermined,” he said.
AWB secretary-general Piet "Skiet" Rudolph yesterday resigned his post in the organization in protest against leader Eugene Terre'Blanche reaching a "unilateral agreement" with Inkatha.

The "non-aggression" agreement, struck by Inkatha central committee member Musa Myeni and Terre'Blanche just before the referendum, was swiftly repudiated by Inkatha leader Mangosutho Buthelezi.

Terre'Blanche, who said he would give only a personal, not an official response, said yesterday: "I feel sorry for Mr. Rudolph, but he is interfering with my authority, which he should have accepted."

"He said he could not afford to lose control of the AWB."

Piet 'Skiet' quits senior AWB post

The AWB general staff would issue an official response later.

Among Rudolph's reasons for resigning were the pre-referendum discussions and Terre'Blanche's subsequent, "unilateral agreement with Inkatha."

Rudolph—who would remain a member of the AWB—said he had come to the conclusion that his loyalty to Terre'Blanche had been misplaced and that the AWB leader had been prepared to plot and scheme behind his back with people "he did not even know".

In so doing, Terre'Blanche had damaged the cause of the volk and of the AWB.
Church blaze: Cop ‘suspected’

JOHANNESBURG. — The possible involvement of a young policeman in the Pretoria Elim Church blaze which left eight street children dead and 11 injured, was being investigated by the police, sources said yesterday.

Official police sources would not confirm or deny the investigation, but said an earlier statement that “arson was excluded as the cause of the fire” was premature and based on preliminary findings by forensic experts.

A cover-up by the police was strongly denied.

Investigation into the fire at the disused church, which housed 22 homeless youths between the ages of nine and 24, continued last week when Lawyers for Human Rights claimed a police cover-up.

Sources close to police investigations said the whereabouts of a 24-year-old policeman — believed to be a member of the Sunnyside Criminal Investigation Unit investigating the fire — at the time of the pre-dawn fire, was under scrutiny.

The policeman’s car was also being investigated.
Rudolph quits ‘undemocratic’ AWB

Maverick rightwinger Piet "Skiet" Rudolph yesterday cited "Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging leader Eugene TerreBlanche’s "undemocratic leadership" as one of his reasons for resigning from the organisation.

Mr Rudolph, who was the AWB's general-secretary, said Mr TerreBlanche's leadership had cost the "no" lobby valuable votes in last week's referendum.

In his resignation letter to Mr TerreBlanche, Mr Rudolph said he had had problems with the organisation’s leadership since the "Battle of Ventersdorp" last year.

He had, however, remained a member for the sake of unity, hoping that he could be of service to the cause.

Three rightwingers died and several were injured in a bloody confrontation with the police in Ventersdorp when the AWB attempted to disrupt a meeting addressed by President de Klerk in September last year.

Mr Rudolph also alleged that Mr TerreBlanche's "unilateral non-aggression pact" with the Inkatha Freedom Party's Transvaal leadership — and other (non-specified) actions during the referendum — had cost the organisation many votes.

Mr TerreBlanche was locked in an urgent meeting with other AWB leaders yesterday to discuss Mr Rudolph’s resignation.

However, AWB Woenkommando inspector-general D Ackerman said in a statement that he was shocked by Mr Rudolph's sudden resignation and "unfounded" allegations.


HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

QUESTIONS

(1) Indicates translated version.

For written reply:

General Affairs:

Citizenship certificates

132. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Home Affairs:

How many citizenship certificates (a) (i) had been issued and (ii) remained to be issued as at 31 December 1991, and (b) were issued in 1991, to citizens of each self-governing territory?

The MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS:

(a) (i) 54 428
(b) 23,4

(5 March 1991)

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

(a) (i) 54 428
(b) (aa) 5,5
(b) (bb) 23,4

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL HOUSING:

(a) (i) 88 496
(ii) Port Elizabeth 65 366
Ndhiya 7 698
Uitenhage 12 800
Kwandulaba 2 632

(b) 16 March 1992.

Health: amount budgeted

170. Mr M J ELLIS asked the Minister of National Health:

(a) What total amount has been budgeted for health in South Africa in respect of the last specified 12-month period for which figures are available and (b) how much of this amount has been earmarked for (i) primary health care, (ii) secondary health care, (iii) tertiary health care and (iv) any other specified division?

The MINISTER OF NATIONAL HEALTH:

(a) 1991/92 financial year: R659 346 000 and
(b) (i) R70 712 000,
(ii) R184 650 000
(iii) R320 900 000 and
(iv) R83 084 000 for:

Management; Capital and minor works; Emergency medical services; Auxiliary and specialty controlled services.

The MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL HOUSING:

(a) (i) 82 094
(ii) 84 770
(iii) 4 175
(iv) 209 443

The 1991 Population Census information, as at 7 March 1991, is furnished. This information has not yet been adjusted for possible under-count. The information refers to the magisterial districts of Port Elizabeth and Uitenhage as data on the metropole is not available.

Provincial Administration of Natal:

(a) 1991/92 financial year: R1 014 063 000

(b) (i) R325 923 000
(ii) R345 141 000
(iii) R175 221 000

(iv) Administration and auxiliary services: R13 436 000
Ambulance and emergency services: R45 541 000
Supporting and specially controlled services: R91 805 000
Central medical stock account: R1 000 000
Goverment motor transport: R655 000
Capital works: R14 341 000

Provincial Administration of the Orange Free State:

(a) 1991/92 financial year: R659 346 000 and

(b) (i) R70 712 000
(ii) R184 650 000
(iii) R320 900 000 and
(iv) R83 084 000 for:

Management; Capital and minor works; Emergency medical services; Auxiliary and specialty controlled services.

Provincial Administration of Transvaal:

(a) 1991/92 financial year: R2 358 161 000

(b) (i) R308 073 000
(ii) R773 764 000
(iii) R1 306 324 000 and
(iv) not available.

Administration: House of Assembly:

(a) 1991/92 financial year: R623 630 000 and

(b) (i) R83 143 200
(ii) R357 364 800
(iii) R3 122 000

Electricity supply: PE metropole

166. Mr E W TREN'T asked the Minister of Local Government and National Housing:

(a) How many houses are supplied with electricity in (i) the metropole comprising Port Elizabeth, Ibhayi, Uitenhage and Kwanobule and (ii) each of these four areas and (b) in respect of what date is this information furnished?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

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PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION OF NATAL

(b) (i) 325 923 000
(ii) 345 141 000
(iii) 175 221 000

(iv) Administration and auxiliary services: R13 436 000
Ambulance and emergency services: R45 541 000
Supporting and specially controlled services: R91 805 000
Central medical stock account: R1 000 000
Government motor transport: R655 000
Capital works: R14 341 000

PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE ORANGE FREE STATE

(c) 1991/92 financial year: R659 346 000 and

(d) (i) R70 712 000
(ii) R184 650 000
(iii) R320 900 000 and
(iv) R83 084 000 for:

Management; Capital and minor works; Emergency medical services; Auxiliary and specialty controlled services.

PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION OF TRANSVAAL

(a) 1991/92 financial year: R623 630 000 and

(b) (i) 308 073 000
(ii) 773 764 000
(iii) 1 306 324 000 and
(iv) not available.

ADMINISTRATION: HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

(a) 1991/92 financial year: R623 630 000 and

(b) (i) 83 143 200
(ii) 357 364 800
(iii) 1 122 000

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
Racial tension rocks ‘no’ land

By DAWN BARKHUIZEN

BLACK people living in the only region to lodge a “no” vote in the referendum are feeling the ugly consequences of the result.

Right-wing harassment against them has increased and now blacks living in and around Pietersburg in the Northern Transvaal are threatening a consumer boycott of the town.

In a resurgence of attacks on the rural black community and its livestock, a cow and her two-month-old calf were spray-painted with AWB swastika symbols on March 17, the day of the poll.

The words “nee” and “kaffir” were also painted on seven cattle outside Mafarana village on the road linking Lydenburg to Tzaneen. The cow, which was stabbed and had its tongue slashed, was slaughtered this week after its mouth became septic.

Its owner, pensioner Catherine Cheyeza, said she had heard of neither the referendum nor the “no” vote and was puzzled by the attack.

Gazankulu senior health official Johan Zandamela said that since last July, about 190 cattle had been shot dead in communal grazing camps along the same stretch of road.

In Pietersburg, businessmen and community leaders are scrambling furiously to ward off retaliatory threats of the consumer boycott.

Pietersburg mayor Janie Moolman said: “The ‘no’ voters are in the small towns and farms. Pietersburg has a National Party council. We are not a conservative backwater; we are a progressive town that voted ‘yes’.”

Black-boasting was little heard of in Pietersburg, but could occur in rural areas, he added.

Chamber of Commerce chairman Laurie Searle, who has good relations with black businessmen in the area and whose children attend a multiracial school in Pietersburg, said: “Unfortunately, we are being lumped with people who still have the same values as their forefathers from the Great Trek.”

Angry

But ANC regional spokesman Stan Mothi-Motla said the black community – which comprises 97 percent of the region’s population and which paralysed white business with a series of boycotts last year – was demanding action.

“People are angry and shocked by the Pietersburg result. Last year we boycotted because of white harassment. Our aim is not to punish those who voted ‘no’, but those still clinging to racist attitudes,” he said.

Lawyers for Human Rights regional director Seth Nhul said his organisation received weekly reports of isolated attacks on blacks. Many people were afraid to be in the streets of some towns after dark.

“People are worried that these ‘no’ voters might take their fears and frustrations out on them. They have to think of defending themselves,” he said.

LHR had taken on 10 new cases since January, but these represented only a fraction of the incidents in a vast area where black people had little access to the justice system, legal advice or protection.

News of the cattle mutilation spread like wildfire through the northern Transvaal this week, shocking even those blacks long used to late-night harassment from right-wingers. They said they were not surprised by the 57 percent ‘no’ majority in the region.

In Tzaneen, hub of a tourist area, black hotel staff said they feared walking home late at night and would not work late shifts unless transport was available.

A Tzaneen waiter who has been harassed twice this year said: “As a white man, you can walk around town all night unharmed, but no black man can take that risk. Friday and Saturday nights are the worst.”

Pietersburg prostitute Lalal, who has only white clients, said she was now reluctant to approach cars because “you don’t know if it is business or if they want to beat you up.”

Tzaneen farmer and AWB stalwart Henkie Breedtenbach freely admitted that “kaffirs are damned” in the streets of some Northern Transvaal towns, but vehemently denied his organisation’s involvement in the cow attack.

He said: “I know every AWB member in the district – we farmers love our animals too much to do that. I’ll bet the ANC did it after learning tricks in the Rhodesian bush war.”

War

Mr Breedtenbach – who says he would like to shoot President De Klerk – said he and other farmers in the district were prepared to go to war at the first hint of black government control.

“We often have target practice here – we are all good marksmen. We will never negotiate with communists or the anti-Christ. We are just five good marksman, the world is just one phone call away,” he said.

Major Isaac Ntisi, Nokwakanawo police station commander, this week launched an investigation into the attacks on the cows, but said he could not rule out the possibility of a smear campaign against the AWB.
VIOLENCE - 1992

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Minister urges CP to help stop carnage.

THE Minister of Law and Order, Mr Herus Kriel, last night urged Conservative Party MPs to use their influence with rightwing militants to stop the violence plaguing South Africa.

Speaking during a debate in Parliament, Kriel said both black and white leaders were using violence to position themselves politically.

He said the time had come for black political leaders to meet and make peace for all their supporters at grassroots level.

White rightist leaders were doing so as well, preparing themselves for action the moment powersharing occurred in South Africa.

Citing the AWB’s Wemkommando and elite Ystergilde, he said: “We cannot live with this type of thing. This country will find itself in chaos if everyone continues with this positioning,” he said.

Kriel read out news reports quoting CP deputy leader Dr Ferdi Hartzenberg, AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche and others, and appealed to all political leaders: “Watch your words. We are busy marketing a war psychosis in this country.”
Accused forfeit bail

The bail of two right-wingers allegedly linked to explosions at schools and post offices in the Transvaal in January has been estreated in the Pretoria Magistrate's Court, and warrants for their arrest have been issued.

The men, Andries Stefanius Kriel and Andries Cornelious Ondens salon, failed to appear in court yesterday.
Mass murderer Barend Strydom has called on members of the "Boerevolk" to actively resist the reform process "at least once a day".

"At the cafe, at the restaurant, in the cinema, at school, in the defence force, at work — let your support be heard ... in every facet of life," Strydom writes in the latest edition of the Boerestaat Party newsletter.

Strydom was sentenced to death for shooting seven black people on Pretoria's Strijdom Square in 1988. His sentence was later commuted to life imprisonment.

In a letter from jail sent to the newsletter, Strydom said he would never beg "the enemy" for his release.
By THEMBA KHUMALO

Prominent Soweto advocate John Motata this week told a Johannesburg magistrate he was humiliated by the police and called "a kaffer who is pretending to be an advocate" after they arrested him for alleged drunken driving in February.

Motata, 44, was testifying in court on a charge of driving under the influence of liquor.

He said his ordeal started at about 11pm on February 17 when he was returning from Atteridgeville in Pretoria.

"I had problems with lights and could only switch on my bright lights.

Between Diepkloof and Orlando East in Soweto he was approached by a police vehicle that flashed its lights to protest against his bright lights. He responded by doing the same thing to indicate his problem to the oncoming police car.

Motata said: "When I stopped, the police showed a bright torch in my face and asked me how I drove. Before I could answer, one of them said I was drunk because I had beer in my car."

"Don't argue"

He said when he told them he was not drunk the policemen ordered him not to argue. Motata then requested that he be charged and released immediately, because he was defending a murder case the next day.

However, the policemen ordered him to get into their vehicle next to a dog cage, said Motata.

When he refused to do so, the police punched and slapped him several times. He said he realised the danger he was in and sat down next to the kennel.

"The police drove him to Booyens Police Station where one of the two policemen grabbed him by the shoulder and said: 'Here is a drunk kaffer who thinks he is an advocate.'"

A group of policemen who were in the charge office mocked him and one of them accused Motata of being so drunk he imagined himself to be an advocate.

Motata said he got angry with him and grabbed him by his front shirt.

"The advocate approached a Warrant Officer Bates to lay a charge of assault, but other policemen told Bates not to listen to Motata because he was drunk.

Motata said: "Then the abuse continued and I realised that my protestations would get me nowhere." After nearly two hours of waiting he was taken to a district surgeon for a blood test.

When they arrived at the district surgeon's offices in Hillbrow a young man took his blood sample.

When Motata asked for his name, the policemen told the doctor that he was drunk and should not take notice of him, Motata said.

He said the doctor appeared to be annoyed with him.

Back at the police station the police made him stand for long hours as they routinely abused him.

At around 6am he asked Bates to give him the phone because he had the right to it. Bates dialled his number and when Motata's wife picked up, the receiver Bates handed her the phone, said Motata.

"Afterwards Bates warned him to appear in court and released him, Motata said."
Rightewing Harass

White Garage Owner

BY MARTHA TSEDEN

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Point out the AK-47s or die!

By Themba Khumalo

DOBSONVILLE - Civic Association (DCA) leaders are fearing for their lives after their colleague, Zacharia Moruledi, was brutally assaulted this week by a group of whites purporting to be policemen.

Moruledi, 42, said about 14 white men broke down his shack door on Thursday night and demanded AK-47s before punching and kicking him.

They later took him to Doornkop Cemetery where they continued assaults and threatened to kill him.

The assailants continued when he denied knowing the addresses of other DCA members.

The group left, leaving him with one of their colleagues who pleaded with him to say where AK-47s were if he wanted to live.

When the group returned they hit him with rifle butts and ordered him into their vehicle, warning him not to look at their number plate.

They dumped him about 2 km from his home and ordered him to run. He could not run as his legs and kidneys were extremely painful and he was further assaulted until he fell.

One of the men drove nearer and Moruledi managed to read the vehicle's registration number before they sped away.

He said he recognised one of the men as a Protea security policeman.

A spokesman for the Soweto Police, Col Faneyana Zwane, said he was not aware of the incident and advised Moruledi to lay a complaint.
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Killing: couple in court

By SHARON CHETTY

A WHITE couple who allegedly beat a black man to death after their dog mated with his bitch appeared in court on murder charges on Friday. The case against Ken and Lyn Finlay was postponed during a brief hearing at the Vereeniging magistrate's court to May 12 for further police investigation and a decision by the attorney-general.

Construction worker Molatudi "Lawani" Lebela, 58, was allegedly assaulted by the couple, an unidentified woman and three men last Christmas.

DENIED

He was allegedly attacked with a sjambok and baton by the Finlays after they objected to his "lafrir dog" mating with one of their dogs.

Mr Lebela died of injuries to his abdomen the next day in Baragwanath hospital.

The Finlays, who live on a smallholding in Eldorado Park, south of Johannesburg, pleaded not guilty to murder charges at a previous hearing.

They also face a civil suit of R50 000 brought by Mr Lebela's common-law wife, Mrs Maria Katoane, for loss of support, medical expenses and emotional suffering.
Extradition will be tragic, says ET

Johannesburg — Afrikaner Weerstaandsbeweging leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche yesterday said it would be the "greatest shock" if Mr Leonard Veenendaal and two other Orde Boerewolk right-wingers were extradited to Namibia to stand trial for the bombing of a United Nations base in 1989.

He told an extradition hearing at the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court, it would be tragic if Mr Veenendaal, Mr Darryl Stopforth and Mr Horst Kienz were sent to face charges in an independent country while "ANC murderers have been pardoned in South Africa."

Herstigte Nasionale Party leader Mr Jaap Marais said he had actively supported the right-wingers in Namibia because he believed the country had always been part of South Africa.

Orde Boerewolk leader Mr Nic Strydom told the hearing that he had condemned the bombing.

Mr Strydom said the UN task group which supervised the Namibian elections was a force of mercenaries, whose presence in Namibia had never been legitimate.

Job cells were authorised to commit actions without the knowledge of the organisation's central authority, he said.

The hearing continues. — Sapa
Bombing justified, court told

By Philip Zola

Orde Boerevolk (OB) leader Nic Strydom told the extradition hearing of Leonard Veenendaal and two other OB members yesterday that he condoned the bombing of a United Nations base in Namibia in 1989.

The objectives pursued by rightwingers in Namibia at the time — to reverse the process of transition to independence and to establish safeguards to protect white property — justified the use of violence, said Mr Strydom, whose son Barend is serving a life sentence for murdering eight blacks in 1989.

He told a Johannesburg magistrate that members of the movement had been issued a general order to support, through violence when required, white Namibians who opposed the implementation of UN Resolution 435.

OB cells operated independently and were authorised to commit actions without the knowledge of the organisation’s central authority, he said.

Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging leader Eugene Terreblanche yesterday told the court that it would be the “greatest shock” if Mr Veenendaal, Darryl Stopforth and Horst Kluss were extradited to Namibia.

Mercenaries

It would be tragic if the men were sent to face charges in an independent country with a new government, while ANC political criminals had been not only pardoned, but allowed to take part as leaders in South Africa, he said.

Herstigte Nasionale Party leader Jaap Marais said he had actively supported the rightwingers in Namibia because he had believed the country had always been part of SA.

The United Nations Task Group, which supervised the Namibian elections, was a force of mercenaries whose presence in Namibia had never been legitimate, he told the court.

Daan Mostert, a lawyer who gave up his practice in Namibia in 1990 after becoming disillusioned with the changes in the judicial system after independence, said that he did not believe that the three men would be given a fair trial in Namibia.

The extradition hearing is continuing.

Two right-wing members of the Church of Creation appeared in a Pretoria Regional Court yesterday in connection with charges of armed robbery.

The case against Cornelius Johannes van Wyk (21) and Jean Prieur du Plessis (21), both of Sunnyside, Pretoria, was remanded to July 2.
Last week an Impressive Van Schoor was found guilty in the East London Supreme Court of murder and attempted murder. He was found not guilty on another 12 counts of murder and 11 counts of attempted murder following 14 months in jail. The judge found that the murder took place in Port Elizabeth on November 6, 1992. Van Schoor, 23, had been charged with the murder of a 6-year-old boy found dead in a river in Port Elizabeth. The victim was a relative of Van Schoor's. He was convicted of murder on June 2, 1993.
Cops hunt 2 whites

BY MONK KHOME
New move to unravel David Webster killing

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Nearly three years to the day that anti-apartheid activist Dr David Webster was gunned down, the Witwatersrand Attorney-General will now request that a Supreme Court judge be appointed to hold an inquest into his death.

A year-long special investigation by a legal task force into the murder of the anti-apartheid campaigner failed to uncover any relevant facts or to identify the perpetrators, Witwatersrand Attorney-General Mr Klaus von Lieres SC said yesterday.

Mr Von Lieres would now recommend to Justice Minister Mr Kobie Coetzee the appointment of a Supreme Court judge to hold an inquest — almost three years after Dr Webster, a Wits University social anthropology lecturer, was gunned down outside his home in Troyeville, Johannesburg.

It has been widely speculated that Dr Webster was assassinated by state "hit squads".

A new residence at Wits University, David Webster Hall, was opened yesterday.
Explosives in Car: Man Held

The man, who had initiated the chain of events, was arrested. The man, who had initiated the chain of events, was arrested.

While searching the man's car, members of the Internal Revenue Service discovered several packages of explosives.
FOCUS: Despite everything, the price of wine continue to rise

Adding to your hangover

It's a strange phenomenon: it does not matter what conditions prevail, the price of wine continues to rise. There are major shifts in the wine industry from time to time, which should occasionally provide a drop in the price—or a steep hike. Instead, the price continues to rise steadily.

At least some of this is due to the fact that important aspects of the industry have been governed to a large extent by the government. Farmers have had fixed prices for their goods, and, up until recently, been told how much wine-yielding grapes they can grow on which sized bit of land.

South African consumers, whose hangovers have been magnified by the steep rise in prices over the years, have been given various excuses whenever a hike occurs.

These have included the fact that sanctions had, over the years, removed lucrative markets, that surpluses had to be got rid of or that weather conditions had created shortages. Some producers have seriously suggested from time to time that labor costs have risen—but this has not been so significant a proportion of the price of a bottle of wine that workers have noticed.

With the easing of sanctions, South Africa is poised to release its alcoholic beverages onto the international market to compete with the best of Hungarian, Algerian and Australian plonk, which are all competing with the best of Chablis from France or even California.

Local newspapers recently reported that no sooner had Denmark dropped its sanctions, Danish bottle stores were suddenly flooded with South African wine. Danish sources say the explanations were slightly economic with the truth, and that the wines had been sitting in Copenhagen, which has a free port, waiting for the moment when they could be transported into shops for Danish wine lovers.

The international mass-selling news magazine, Time, carried an article on South African wines entitled “The Fine Taste of Change”.

Additionally, the KWV, which acts to all intents and purposes like a wine control board, has “fixed” up the market by suspending the quota system, which compelled farmers to plant only a certain amount of wine-yielding grape within a certain amount of ground. Now a farmer may plant whatever and however many vines he wants, produce as much wine as he wants, and sell it to who ever will buy it.

This move was made in April and followed the usual January hike in wine prices which, like the now-suspended quotas, is governed by legislation—a fixed price for want of a better term.

The previous pricing policy also included the restriction that the “floor price” of natural wine was determined by the alcohol content. Prices were, according to the KWV, “expressed at 10 percent alcohol by volume.” It seems that the lower the alcohol content, the lower the price.

The KWV got rid of that restriction and prices have, since January, been determined by the amount of liquid without taking the alcohol content into account.

This could be good news for consumers—who liked wine with a lower alcohol content—but even better for farmers. Farmers may now plant their vines to their hearts’ content, press the grapes, decide how much will be used for wine, grape juice or for distilling purposes, and will receive the minimum payments for their efforts.

Some of these moves are calculated to deal with an expected sudden increase in demand of both volume and different types of product from countries which previously did not buy our wine.

No prizes for guessing what will happen to the prices. If European countries do not take as much as expected, there will be a large surplus. If it does, there will be a sudden influx of foreign exchange.

One would expect that either situation would lead to a drop in the price of wines locally. But that is not how things work here. A surplus means the KWV will use what it refers to as the industry’s “proven stabilising mechanisms of surplus handling”. Of course, a sudden outflow of wine, although well-compensated for by the inflow of foreign exchange, will prompt the industry to continue the same pricing policy.

So we may as well join the workers and have a “doo” to dampen the pain: prices will rise as usual.
Expelled CP MP held over bomb blasts

RECENTLY expelled CP MP for Wonderboom Koos Botha was arrested yesterday in connection with a series of bomb blasts at schools and post offices and the possession of explosives.

Botha, who told the media early yesterday of his impending arrest, appeared briefly in the Pretoria Magistrate's Court. He told Business Day he would be arrested in connection with a bomb blast at the Hillview High School — which is in his constituency — in June last year. The school had been earmarked for the children of returning ANC exiles.

No charges were put to Botha yesterday and he was not asked to plead. He was released on bail of R1 500 and his trial was set for June 3.

The magistrate said Botha, who fell from grace with the CP because of his pro-Apartheid statements, would be accused number five in a trial with four AWB members — Andries Stefanus Kriel, Andries Cornelius Odendaal, Dirk Jan Hattingh and Petrus Jacobus Joubel.

The four earlier appeared in court in connection with several charges relating to bomb blasts at schools and post offices in Transvaal. They were released on bail of R3 500 each. Kriel and Odendaal have since skipped bail.

Botha was arrested previously by the police in connection with the Hillview blast, but was released. According to Sapa, police confirmed Botha had assisted them with "an investigation".

Pretoria police said in a statement yesterday that Botha had been arrested in connection with possible charges of sabotage and the possession of explosives.
CP MP in court over explosives

WONDERBOOM, CP MP

Mr Koos Botha appeared in the Pretoria Regional Court yesterday in connection with alleged sabotage and possession of explosives.

He was not asked to plead and was released on R1 500 bail. The case was postponed to June 3.

His appearance relate to an earlier appearance by four members of the AWB on charges stemming from a number of bomb explosions at schools and post offices in the Transvaal.

Botha’s name was added as the fifth accused in the trial against Mr Andries Stefanus Kriel,
Mr Andries Cornelius Odendaal, Mr Dirk Jan Hattingh and Mr Petrus Jacobus Jüdeel.

The four had been released on R3 500 bail. They will also appear in court on June 3.

Kriel and Odendaal have, however, since disappeared and warrants for their arrests have been issued.

Botha was ordered to report to the Wonderboom Poort police station once a day between 6am and 7pm.

Should he want to leave the magisterial district of Pretoria or Pretoria North, he would have to get written permission from the investigating officer.

He was also ordered to surrender his passport.
Botha linked to AWB case

Sabotage: CP outcast in court

Pretoria Correspondent

One of the Conservative Party's two expelled MPs, Koos Botha of Wonderboom, yesterday appeared in the Pretoria Regional Court in connection with several acts of sabotage and possession of explosives.

Mr Botha was picked up by police at his home at about 12.35 pm and appeared in court at 5 pm.

He was not asked to plead and was released on R1 500 bail. The case was postponed to June 3.

Among the incidents being linked to his arrest are blasts at the old Hillview School in central Pretoria, at Cosatu House and at two post offices in the PWV area.

Mr Botha told reporters from his home in Wonderboom before his arrest that he was waiting to appear in court.

"I am sitting here with my wife, making arrangements, and would not like to have the press around now.

"But," he added, "the case against me involves, among other incidents, the Hillview blast."

A police spokesman confirmed that Mr Botha's arrest was connected to an existing case in which several acts of terror were being investigated.

Koos Botha . . . forced to hand in passport and must report to police daily.

Mr Botha's name was added as the fifth accused in the trial against four members of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeveging — Andries Stefanus Kriel, Andries Cornelius Odendaal, Dirk Jan Hattingh and Petrus Jacobus Judeel.

The four were earlier released on R3 500 bail each and warned to appear in court on June 3.

However, Mr Kriel and Mr Odendaal have since disappeared and warrants for their arrest have been issued.

A condition of Mr Botha's bail was that he hand in his passport. He must also report daily to the Wonderboom police station between 6 am and 9 pm.

Mr Botha was kicked out of the CP two weeks ago after a controversial speech in Parliament. He had apparently contravened party discipline by speaking in favour of a "drastically reduced" volksraad.

He was last seen publicly when he took part in a debate on an interim government at the University of Pretoria on Tuesday.

The Star's Political Correspondent reports from Parliament that there was a general feeling of disbelief among MPs last night that the 'mild-mannered' Mr Botha could be involved in sabotage.

However, some MPs pointed out that Mr Botha had appeared on a public platform with the AWB in the past.

National Party MPs said they thought the incident would embarrass the Conservative Party, while others said they believed that the CP might have expelled Mr Botha earlier this month because it got wind of what he had done.

CP sources would not comment.
The former Conservative MP for West证, Mr. Koos Botha, has been charged with 11 counts of treason after he was arrested in connection with the bombing of Hillview High School in Pretoria. The charges are based on the alleged involvement of his actions in the December 1976 race riots.

Mr. Botha, who was a member of the Nationalist Party, has denied the charges and said he had nothing to do with the bombing.

The trial is expected to begin in early 1980.
Police chief warns of coup

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Police chief, 21/5/92

General Van der Merwe says that the danger of political extremism in a deeply divided society moving through a "traumatic period of political change" cannot be disregarded.

"This potential is inherently present in the political aspirations of both left-wing and right-wing radicals."

South Africa's police chief has warned of the possibility of a right-wing coup.

General Johan van der Merwe said in his report to Parliament this week that right-wing paramilitary structures "could be used to take over power in the country by violent means".

The commissioner of police said that a perception that the black public was "becoming more militant, provocative and undisciplined" served as motivation for right-wing radicals to expand or form paramilitary units.

The apparent purpose was to protect white communities but these groups could also be used in a violent takeover of power.

General Van der Merwe notes that a characteristic of the violence last year was the large number of policemen killed or injured in the course of duty and the increase in the use of "weapons of terrorism" during unrest and armed robberies.

Weaponry

The weaponry, he adds, has been brought into South Africa by previously banned organisations or acquired by "well organised crime gangs from Angola, Zimbabwe and especially Mozambique".

General Van der Merwe states that a "psychosis of fear", together with the difficult task of proving intimidation "because of its suggestive and faceless nature", meant only a small percentage of intimidators were brought to justice.

Further, he adds, black power and Afrikanist organisations such as the PAC are continuing with plans to create...
NAMIBIAN police chief
Col "Jumbo" Smit wel-
comed a magistrate's rul-
ing yesterday that two
rightwing extremists
wanted in Namibia for
murder and other crimes
could be extradited.
Johannesburg magis-
trate Roy le Roux said
there appeared to be suf-
ficient evidence to war-
rant the extradition of
Leonard Veenendal, 26, a
former Johannesburg
leader of the AWB, and
Darryl Stopforth, 24, also
a former member of the
rightwing organisation.
He ordered that the
two be held in custody
until the extradition ap-
plication was heard.
He also issued a war-
rant of arrest for a third
accused, Horst Klenz, 52,
who failed to appear in
court.
Col Smit said the Na-
mibian authorities had
been fighting to extradite
the men for more than
two years.
In Namibia Stopforth
and Veenendal originally
faced one count of mur-
der following the bomb-
ing in August 1989 of the
UN's regional headquar-
ters in Ovjo, in which
security guard Michael
Hoseb, 25, was shot
dead. Klenz was also ar-
rested.
After a hearing in the
Ovjo Magistrate’s Court
the three suspects es-
caped.
They made their get-
away shortly before sen-
tor SAP officers were to
question them about the
assassination of SWAPO
activist Anton Lubowski.
AWB 14 charged for rally 'battle'

By DAN DLAMINI

FOURTEEN AWB members, including AWB leader Eugene Terreblanche, 47, and the estranged leader Piet 'Skiet' Rudolf, 56, are to appear in the Potchefstroom Regional Court tomorrow on charges of public violence.

Their appearance follows the bloody "battle of Venterdorp" on August 9 during which the accused are alleged to have violently disrupted a political rally called by President FW de Klerk.

Trapped

Death, blood, bullets and bitterness were the order of the day last year when two groups of whites clashed while a few blacks were trapped in the crossfire.

At the height of the clash De Klerk had to be driven to safety in the back of a police truck.

Three AWB members died and 58 people were injured — including 15 blacks, seven white cops and 12 AWB members.

Those killed were Jacobus Conradie of Klerksdorp, Andries Badenhorst of Randfontein and Gerhard Koen of Bloemhof.

Burial

Blacks caught in the crossfire were Bantwana Pandle, Tyekezi Mayake and Gogogo Qutho — who were escorting the body of their miner cousin Dikayise who was to be buried in the Transkei.

Rightwingers allegedly pumped his coffin-encased body full of lead after the bakkie transporting the coffin was fired at and overturned.
I'm sorry, school bomber says.

TOS WENTZEL
Political Staff

SELF-CONFESSED school bomber and rightwing MP Mr Koos Botha said today: "I am sorry about what I have done."

Speaking on his return to Cape Town from Pretoria today to take up his seat in parliament, he said: "I feel cleansed by my confession. Today I can walk into parliament and face anyone. If I have to go to jail I will sit there and think about my sins."

In a confession to an Afrikaans Sunday newspaper he said the Conservative Party had created the climate of violence which led him to blow up Pretoria's Hillview school last year.

Mr Botha also claimed that CP deputy leader Dr Ferdi Hartzenberg had accused him of being blackmailed by government intelligence sources to split the CP.

Dynamite

Mr Botha was arrested at his Wonderboom home last week and has appeared in the Pretoria Magistrate's Court in connection with acts of sabotage.

In the article, Mr Botha said another contributing factor to his blowing up the school was his frustration at the CP's reluctance to enter into negotiations.

Today the 45-year-old MP for Wonderboom said the "culture" of violence was not confined to the CP.

"We see it in many other political movements. In the case of the National Party the reference by ministers to 'irreversible' changes is one of the factors that cause tensions."

"What I am trying to do is to get people to abandon violence. "We must get people out of the mess the country is in and we must go on something constructive to ensure a new South Africa off the ground."

Sympathetic

He had had many telephone calls, most of them sympathetic to his views against violence and on how people could be driven to this.

He did not know whether his recent expulsion from the CP had anything to do with his involvement in the school bombing and he did not want to speculate about this.

Mr Botha, who is an anthropologist, had to report to a police station in Cape Town this morning before he could go to parliament as part of his bail conditions.

His wife Martie was with him in Cape Town. They have a son and two daughters.

He said today that his main priority now was his family. He had come to Cape Town mainly to get his affairs in order before his next appearance in court on June 3.

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Culture of violence blamed

Political Staff

REBEL MP for Wonderboom Mr Koos Botha has described how he blew up the Hillview School in Pretoria, blaming in part the “culture of violence” in the Conservative Party.

Mr Botha, who was expelled from the CP for advocating a negotiated Afrikaner-Volkstaat, was released on R1,500 bail last week after his arrest for the school bombing. Rapport yesterday published what amounted to a full confession by Mr Botha, which his reasons for trying to stop 200 children of returning ANC exiles from being accommodated at the school.

Less than three weeks before the Polokwane by-election Mr Botha learned that the police were after him. To spare his party the embarrassment of his arrest and the consequent jeopardizing of its chances in the by-election, he deliberately disappeared to Koegas, a remote “ghost-town” on the Orange River, where he lived for two weeks.

He claims CP leader Dr Andries Treurnicht became aware of his role in the bombing but remained “dead quiet” and did not tell him about it.

Mr Botha said he decided to resort to violent action partly through frustration. There was constant talk in the party of violence yet it remained immobile, refusing to take part in the negotiation process.

He said he watched the school for a week to make sure no lives would be lost in the explosion. Then, having acquired 12kg of dynamite through a friend in the mining industry, he drove to the school at 1.30am on a Sunday. Fearing that the explosive might go off in his own car, he said: “Thank the Father that nobody was killed.”

Mr Botha says he can now warn people with colour prejudice against the use of violence. He wants to say from a platform: “Chaps, I know what it is to commit violence. I tell you there is no future in it.”
Why I blew up school — MP

By Peter Fabricus and Esther Waugh

Conservative Party leader Dr Andries Treurnicht last night refused to respond to allegations by expelled MP Koos Botha that the party had created the climate of violence that led him (Mr Botha) to blow up Pretoria's Hillview school.

This was one of the claims made yesterday by Mr Botha in a long, revealing and candid interview in the Afrikaans Sunday newspaper, Rapport.

Another claim was that Dr Treurnicht had suspected even before the Potchefstroom by-election (on February 19) that Mr Botha was responsible for the Hillview school blast on July 14 1991.

Dr Treurnicht last night declined to comment on the allegations and said that he never read newspapers on Sundays.

Mr Botha also claimed CP deputy leader Dr Ferdi Hartzenberg had accused him of being blackmailed by Government Intelligence sources to split the CP.

Reluctance

Mr Botha was arrested at his Wonderboom home last week and has appeared in the Pretoria Magistrate's Court in connection with charges relating to acts of sabotage.

In the article, Mr Botha was quoted as saying another contributing factor to his blowing up the school with dynamite was his frustration at the CP's reluctance to negotiate.

Other remarks by Mr Botha included:

• He said he now realised that violence was no longer the solution, and intended to convey this message to all South Africans.

He believed the argument would be more convincing coming from him as he had tried the violence option.

Mr Botha also told how he "disappeared" for two weeks before the Potchefstroom by-election after certain CP members were told he was being sought by the Security Police in connection with the Hillview blast and would be arrested.

• After President de Klerk's speech at the opening of Parliament on February 2 1990 (when he announced that the ANC had been unbanned), Mr Botha said, he realised the rules of the political game had changed completely, but Dr Treurnicht and other CP MPs did not.

He said Dr Treurnicht had spent at a caucus meeting after Mr de Klerk's announcement and had quoted from the Bible.

Mr Botha said he then realised Dr Treurnicht did not understand the new rules of the game and would increasingly resort to the Bible.

Mr Botha said he had real...

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Koos Botha tells why he blew up school

Mr Botha said he realised that the days for violence were over when Mr de Klerk invited the CP to put its case to Co-desa. Again he urged Dr Treurnicht to take part in Co-desa, but he refused.

When the first person was arrested in connection with the Hillview blast, this person told his advocate that Mr Botha's name had been implicated in the case.

Mr Botha said that when it became clear he would not withdraw his speech proposing a smaller white homeland — which eventually led to his expulsion — Dr Hartzenberg told him he had information from "security circles" that Mr Botha was being blackmailed by the Security Police to split from the CP.

Mr Botha said this was a "infamous lie" and he nearly attacked Dr Hartzenberg physically.
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I planted bomb, says ex-CP MP

feeling of despondency within the party had created a climate among its members which led him to plant the bomb.

He told Rapport he had kept the school under surveillance for a week to ensure nobody would be killed and had planted the dynamite after ensuring there was no one on the premises.

Botha said he was prepared to go to jail. He had co-operated fully with the police but had told them they could not expect him to testify against "old friends".
Terre'Blanche trial postponed

OWN CORRESPONDENT

Johannesburg —
The public violence trial of AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche and 13 other right-wingers was yesterday postponed until May 11.

Defence lawyer Mr Fanie van Vuuren was still in a state of shock after his wife's murder, Mr Terre'Blanche said.
Botha admits to more sabotage

Political Staff

FORMER Conservative Party MP and self-confessed bomber Koos Botha has claimed to have been involved in "several" acts of sabotage other than the bombing of Hillview High School.

And it was claimed today that CP leader Dr Andries Treurnicht had information about his alleged activities in January.

Yesterday, an emotional Mr Botha said he had decided to withdraw from parliament for the rest of the session "out of respect" for the institution.

Earlier yesterday, Mr Botha had insisted he would be taking his seat in the House.

In an interview, Mr Botha claimed he had been involved in other acts of sabotage, but did not supply details other than about the Hillview High School incident. He insisted he had taken care to avoid putting lives in danger.

It was alleged Dr Treurnicht was tipped off about Mr Botha's sabotage activity in January but that he eventually decided the matter would be best handled by the police.

"I will go and pack my things early tomorrow morning," said Mr Botha.

He stressed he was not resigning as an MP, saying this was a step taken in view of the pending court case, which could determine future moves.

At present, there is no legal reason stopping Mr Botha - who made his extraordinary confession about the bombing of the Hillview High School in Pretoria at the weekend - from attending parliament.

Mr Botha, independent MP for Wonderboom, was arrested last week in connection with four counts of sabotage. He reported to police in Cape Town yesterday before going to the parliamentary complex.

With his upcoming trial clearly weighing heavily on his mind, Mr Botha said: "If I have to go to jail I will sit there and think about my sins."
AWB public violence trial is postponed

THE public violence trial of AWB leader Eugene Terre’Blanche and 13 other right-wingers was postponed yesterday when defence lawyer Fanie van Vuuren indicated he could not continue with the case because of personal circumstances.

Van Vuuren, the CP MP for Venterdorp and Terre’Blanche’s cousin, was still in a state of shock and mourning after his wife’s murder, Terre’Blanche said.

The appearance of the 14 in the Potchefstroom Regional Court is a sequel to rioting at a meeting addressed by President F W de Klerk in Venterdorp last year. The trial was remanded to May 11.

Terre’Blanche said he was dissatisfied with the court’s refusal to grant a longer period of postponement. “Van Vuuren wishes to continue as our lawyer, but if he is still not ready to handle the defence by Monday, much to our regret we will have to brief new legal representatives.”

Terre’Blanche believed he was being discriminated against because the court had already granted the State several postponements, but refused to grant him and his co-accused a reasonable postponement.
I'm sorry, says ex-CP ‘bomber’

Sowetan Correspondent

FORMER Conservative Party MP and self-confessed bomber Mr Koos Botha returned to Parliament yesterday saying he regretted his actions.

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"I am sorry about what I have done. But I feel cleansed by my confession. Today I can walk into Parliament and face anyone," Botha said.

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SABC TV reported last night that Botha had indicated he would quit his parliamentary seat soon.
CP's Koos drops more bombshells

Koos Botha, former Conservative Party MP and self-confessed bomber, has claimed he had been involved in "several" acts of sabotage other than the bombing of Hillview High School, and it was claimed today that CP leader Dr Andries Treurnicht had information about his activities as early as January this year.

Yesterday, an emotional Mr Botha also said he had decided to withdraw from Parliament for the rest of the session "out of respect" for the institution.

Earlier yesterday, Mr Botha had insisted that he would be taking his seat in the House of Assembly as usual. At present, there is no legal reason stopping Mr Botha — who made his extraordinary confession regarding the bombing of the Hillview High School in Pretoria at the weekend — from attending sessions of Parliament.

Mr Botha had returned to Parliament yesterday, saying he regretted his actions but felt he could look his fellow MPs in the eye because he had "come clean".

He blamed his actions on the "climate of violence" he said existed in CP circles. He said he had chosen to confess in order to counter the dangerous culture of violence in South Africa.

The culture of violence was not confined to the CP.

"We see it everywhere in many other political movements."

Mr Botha said he did not know whether his expulsion from the CP a month ago had anything to do with his involvement in the bombing of Hillview High School.

CP leaders, who were yesterday assessing the political fallout of the "Botha bomb", were tight-lipped.

CP leader Dr Andries Treurnicht refused to comment, but another CP source said, reflecting the grim mood among Conservative MPs, "We will just have to live with it."

CP Chief Whip Frank le Roux said yesterday that any comment regarding Mr Botha's involvement in the explosion at this stage "may affect the court judgment."

Others said the case was "sub-judice."

Dr Pieter Mulder, official party spokesman, said he found Mr Botha's claim that a climate of violence in the CP had prompted his actions "really exaggerated."

He said Mr Botha had had meetings with the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging.

National Party secretary-general Dr Stoffel van der Merwe expressed shock.

"The worst was that the CP knew of Mr Botha's deeds before the Potchefstroom by-election and remained silent about it to now," he said.
Bombing: Call on Treurnicht to come clean
Nats demand explanation

Political Staff

THE National Party has demanded that Conservative Party leader Dr Andries Treurnicht explain to the public why he did nothing when he discovered months ago he had a bomb-planting member in his parliamentary caucus.

The NP's chief information spokesman Mr Piet Coetzee last night accused Dr Treurnicht of covering up the issue, and he labelled the "Koos Botha saga" a "full-blooded scandal".

It was totally unacceptable that Dr Treurnicht could announce that he discovered Mr Botha's alleged involvement in sabotage in January this year, "but did nothing about it, because he deduced the matter was already being investigated by the police".

Mr Coetzee said Dr Treurnicht should have established if there was any substance in the allegations and asked how many other CP MPs knew about them.

Dr Treurnicht should also say whether any other MPs were involved in such activities.

The issue raised charges of a large-scale "cover-up" by the CP and unless the matter was satisfactorily resolved, a question mark hung over each member of the CP caucus.

Mr Coetzee said the latest incident raised anew the questions about the presence of CP MPs in the fatal clash between police and the AWB at Ventersdorp last year.

The questions were strengthened by CP Bethal MP and advocate Mr Chris de Jager's decision to offer free legal defence to AWB members involved in this incident.
Treurnicht faces more flak over Botha saga

By Peter Fabricius
Political Correspondent

The political storm over the head of Conservative Party leader Dr Andries Treurnicht is still gathering in the wake of the Koos Botha bombing saga.

Dr Treurnicht is in the firing line over his admission that he knew in January that Wonderboom MP Mr Botha had allegedly blown up buildings — but did nothing about it.

A parliamentary inquiry is in the offing as the Democratic Party and National Party parliamentary caucuses meet today to discuss the controversy.

NP sources said yesterday that they were considering calling for a parliamentary inquiry.

DP caucus chairman Colin Eglin confirmed that the DP caucus would discuss its reaction to the affair.

He said Dr Treurnicht was guilty of a "gross dereliction of duty" if he had known about Mr Botha's activities and done nothing about it.

"This is a major political matter in that the leader of a political party and Leader of the Opposition has been aware for some time of a caucus member involved in political violence at a time when the issue of political violence is so contentious."

Mr Eglin said the incident had had political, legal and parliamentary ramifications.

In political circles there has been widespread concern that the police should investigate Dr Treurnicht's involvement. But The Star understands that the SAP is not considering any action at this stage.

Dr Treurnicht confirmed in an interview this week that he had known in January about the allegations involving Mr Botha but had done nothing about them because he believed the police also knew about them.

On Tuesday NP chief spokesman Piet Coetzee said Dr Treurnicht owed the public an explanation of his actions and should say whether any other CP MPs knew about Mr Botha's activities.

He called the Botha affair a "full-blooded scandal" and said Dr Treurnicht's explanation for his silence was totally unacceptable.

Dr Treurnicht suggested at a CP meeting in Welkom on Tuesday night that there might have been a political order from Law and Order Minister Hernas Kriel to leave Mr Botha free to see how much damage he could do to the CP.

He also accused the Afrikaans newspapers of the Nationale Pers group — which have been splashing the bombing story every day — of knowing about Mr Botha's bombing activities for some time.

He asked why they had not passed the information to the police or mounted pressure for Mr Botha to appear in court.

Dr Treurnicht said there was no need for him to inform the police of Mr Botha's activities as they already knew as much about them as he did.

"Why should I have done the police's work?" he asked.
Bomb destroyed far more than a school building

I watched something grow which was destroyed by the bomb that all but demolished the old Hillview High School building in Pretoria in July 1991.

Maybe if I spell it out in some detail, Koos Botha will begin to understand some facts of South Africa of which he is clearly ignorant and to which he was hostile enough to destroy public property probably worth a million rands.

For about a decade, the African National Congress ran a school at Mazimbu in Tanzania; a school with classes from nursery school to the top of the high school, and catered for several hundred children whose parents were exiles from the land of their birth.

It was called the Solomon Mahlangu Freedom College. It was a good school, and many on the staff were dedicated teachers, hailing from many lands.

When it became possible for exiles to plan their return, after February 1990, the ANC realised the children would also return, and the school would have to be wound down.

This involved several hundred children, ranging in age from about five to well over 20, for young people studying in exile were often the victims of the disturbed circumstances of their parents' lives, and therefore at times overage.

The ANC planned the return of the "Somafco" children — this was no easy task. People were sent from South Africa to Tanzania to assess all the pupils; many details of their school and life histories were obtained.

Committees were set up in Johannesburg to study the reports which our colleagues had compiled after their visit.

It was hoped to bring the children back in mid-1991, and after much debate it was decided that it would be best for these several hundred young people, if it were possible, to keep them together for the rest of the year, to house them and provide them with schooling in one or two places, so that the togetherness of their previous school experience would not evaporate as soon as they reached South Africa.

That involved approaching the State and eventually a reasonably suitable place that was standing empty was offered — the old Hillview High School.

The building was in some state of dilapidation, and the State undertook to restore it so that it would be ready to receive perhaps 300-400 of the young people who were sitting at Mazimbu waiting to come home.

There was some press publicity — it may have been leaked by some people secretly opposed to the whole idea. After that there were threats — made by people who, whatever else they knew, didn't seem to know that the whole operation was planned to be temporary. (Obviously the young returnees would later join schools in various parts of South Africa).

Then, on 14 July, came the bomb, destroying both a building and the belief that the State could effectively protect this and therefore any similar — school and hostel.

But the bomb also said — and as a member of the committee I really was close to tears when we eventually had to accept it — that South Africa 1991 could not guarantee the safety of a few hundred children home from exile if they are being given a home and a school together, so that they might help one another in the difficult task of adapting to new and strange circumstances.

And all that destruction was, it seems, done by an elected Member of Parliament who thought it was better to destroy perhaps a million rands' worth of State-owned educational buildings than to allow them to be used by the "wrong kind" of South African children.
AWB bust smasher is fined R6 000

Staff Reporter

THE Western Cape leader of the AWB, Stephan Jacobson, has been fined R6 000 for destroying a bust of leader Eugene Terre-Blanche in the SA National Gallery and threatening director Mrs Marilyn Martin.

Jacobson, 45, of Meiring Avenue, Fish Hoek, pleaded guilty in the Cape Town Regional Court to malicious damage to property and intimidation.

He was fined R1 000, or a year's imprisonment, for smashing the bust and R5 000 (or two years) for intimidation. He was also given an 18-month jail sentence, suspended for five years.

Charges against Mr Frederick van Vuuren and Mr Peter van Helsdingen of Melkbosstrand, Mr Johan Myburgh of Vredehoek and Mr Johan Myburgh, Mrs Dina Jacobson and a juvenile of Fish Hoek were withdrawn.

The court found that on January 15 Jacobson, accompanied by five members of the AWB, destroyed the Gail Neke artwork with a hammer.

Jacobson admitted warning Mrs Martin never to display a similar piece or he would "blow the gallery up."

"I took the threat seriously in the light of my having just destroyed the artwork," Mrs Martin told the court.

She said the work was bought for R1 900 and worth about R6 000.

Jacobson said he had numerous telephone calls before the incident telling him about the "grotesque" piece.

He said it "looked like a phallus" defamed his leader and provoked him into doing something about it.

He said he had asked Mr Terre-Blanche if the gallery had his permission to display the work.

Magistrate Mr P M Louw said it was "quite dreadful" if Mr Terre-Blanche had allowed Jacobson to take the law into his own hands.

"Violence and intimidation has become the order of the day in our society. You can't incite people emotionally and then try to distance yourself," he said.

Mr Louw said differences in taste made society unique and when opinion differed it should be expressed in an orderly way.

If Jacobson could smash the work in broad daylight, there was a possibility he could blow up a building at night.

Mr Louw suggested that Jacobson get his followers who were involved in the incident to help pay his fine.

Mr J van Vuuren appeared for the State and Mr C D de Jager, SC, assisted by Mr J R de Ville appeared for Jacobson.
Treurnicht tells police

Political Correspondent

APPARENTLY stung by repeated criticism that he did not inform the police after he was told that Mr Koos Botha had blown up Hillview school, Conservative Party leader Dr Andries Treurnicht said yesterday that he had informed the Commissioner of Police, General Johan van der Merwe, about fresh claims that CP caucus members might be involved with violence.

Dr Treurnicht took this step after Pretoria Central's NP MP Mr Gert Oosthuizen claimed that there was still gossip (skinderstories) about violent members in the CP caucus.
AWB to stage 'world forum'

PRETORIA. — The Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging is organizing a "world congress" for right-wing organizations in Klerksdorp on May 29 and May 30. According to a transcription of "call-up instructions" sent to AWB members, 220 overseas organizations had been invited to attend the congress.

The congress will be opened by AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, and will also be addressed by overseas right-wing figures.

— Sapa
A 33-year-old unemployed white man appeared in the Pretoria Magistrate’s Court yesterday in connection with the deaths of eight children in a fire at a church in Sunnyside.

The fire took place on March 12. No charges were put to Mr Johannes Stephanus Vorster and he was not asked to plead.

Vorster, of no fixed address, appeared before Mr D VZ van der Merwe. The case was postponed to May 27.

His appearance followed his arrest on Saturday in the Johannesburg suburb of Newlands.

Police arrested the suspect after they had received information from a member of the public that a man who matched the identikit published in newspapers was in a Newlands pub.

Vorster was being sought in connection with the death of eight street children inside the Elim Full Gospel Church building in Jeppe Street, Sunnyside, Pretoria, which was allegedly set alight on March 12 this year.

The building, which served as a shelter for street children, was gutted about 1.30am while the children were asleep.

Those who died in the blaze included Enoch Mabunda (16), Mogowa Makou (8), Sinky Mnisi (16), Charles Aphiwe (12), Jacob Mahlangu (17), James Makwinda (16) and David Makoena (13).

Police liaison officer Captain Marietjie Louw said the accused would be held pending the completion of investigations into the fire that killed the eight children.

‘Cover-up’

At the time of the incident, police said investigations by the fire brigade and forensic experts had revealed that no arson had been committed.

Police intensified their investigations after Lawyers For Human Rights, which conducted its own investigations, accused the police of “a cover-up.”

The organisation said their experts had found that the building was deliberately set on fire.

Police then released identikit pictures of two brothers wanted for questioning regarding the alleged crime.
Show blast: CP men helped

New bomb shock for Dr Tremlett's party
THE Conservative Party faces the grim prospect of another major "bomb" scandal following the arrest yesterday of 10 rightwingers in connection with a limpet mine explosion at the Rand Easter Show last month.

More than a dozen people were injured in the April 4 blast.

The suspects - among them two Boksburg town councillors - were picked up at their East Rand homes in a pre-dawn police raid.

The two Boksburg town councillors being held for questioning are "Klein Koos" van der Merwe - a nephew of Overvaal MP Koos van der Merwe who has been dismissed from the party - and Andries du Toit, CP chief whip in the Boksburg Town Council.

The former town councillor was named as Gideon Fourie, former management committee chairman of the council, who was unseated after being convicted of electoral fraud in 1990.

Also held is "Klein Koos" van der Merwe's wife Trudie and two other women, identified only as Mrs J Visser and Mrs PP Engelbrecht.

The other people arrested have been named as JS Visser, Piet de Wet, P Pieterse and R du Toit.

While National Party and Democratic Party spokesmen immediately tore into the CP for "encouraging violence" among its members, the Conservative Party's chief justice spokesman, Chris de Jager, said the CP had "taken note" of the arrests but insisted that the legal process be allowed to take its course.

"The CP will not participate in a trial by media," he said yesterday.

The CP has been rocked by claims that its leadership knew in January of the activities of Koos Botha, its former MP who says he bombed Hillview School in Pretoria.

Botha, in a sensational confession to a Sunday newspaper, said he blew up the school with stolen dynamite.

The school was earmarked for use by the children of returning ANC exiles. Damage estimated at R2 million was caused.
Easter blast: 9 held

NINE people — two of them Boksburg town councillors — have been arrested in connection with the limpet mine explosion at the Rand Easter Show on April 4.

This was confirmed by the acting Police Commissioner, Lieutenant-General Hendrik de Villiers, yesterday.

He said in a statement the arrests were made on the East Rand on Tuesday morning.

The blast injured nine people.

The general added: "Soon after the explosion, letters were distributed to the media in which the 'Orde van die Wit Wolwe' admitted responsibility for the explosion. "This aspect is also being investigated.

"Two of those arrested are Boksburg town councillors and one is a former member of the council. The suspects are being held for questioning."

De Villiers said the SAP "once again wishes to point out that we are there to serve all communities." - Sapa.
10 arrests on Rand Show blast
CP men held
Conservative Party reeling after arrests

THE Conservative Party was yesterday reeling under fresh disclosures that other prominent members had been linked to blasts.

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Covert security men threaten De Klerk and other top Nats

By Peter Fabricius and Shaun Johnson

President de Klerk and at least three senior Cabinet Ministers have received threatening letters from an organisation calling itself the “Binnenveld” (Inner Circle) and claiming to be a "formal covert group" made up of former security officers.

The letters called on the top National Party politicians to "turn back" from Codesa or "face the consequences".

Mr de Klerk, Law and Order Minister Hermus Kriel, Foreign Affairs Minister Pik Botha and former Finance Minister Barend du Plessis received the letters shortly before the referendum on March 17.

The Star is in possession of a copy of the letter sent to Mr Kriel.

It was typed — in English — on a Binnenveld/Inner Circle letterhead, and bears a Ministry of Law and Order stamp indicating that it was received in Cape Town on March 16.

In the letter, the Inner Circle claims to be a "well-structured group of former members of the SA Defence Force, Military Intelligence, Special Forces, South African Police Task Force, security police and of the National Intelligence Service".

The group said it had been monitoring your (the Government's) political initiatives over the last 18 months with growing concern.

"We were prepared to allow you the benefit of the doubt, and gave you the opportunity to prove your sincerity and provide a viable option for a new SA."

According to the letter, the Inner Circle "command cell" had now decided that the reform process was running out of control.

The letter said "we would not have contemplated using our resources and considerable capabilities (to which the General Staff of the Defence Force, Police and senior management of NSC can attest, as they have made use of, and are still using our services)" unless it was clear the country was going to be "handed over to a commuunist-dominated Codesa, interim government or the ANC."

Mr Kriel's spokesman, Major-General Leon Mellet, confirmed yesterday that Mr de Klerk and the three Cabinet ministers had received the letters.

Police were investigating the source of the letters but had not yet found any clues.

It is understood the police have some idea who might be behind the organisation, and that they believe it is possible it is a "crank outfit" rather than a serious security threat.
Turnout low for AWB’s parade

KLERSDORP: -- Fewer than 500 Afrikaner Weerstands beweging (AWB) members in uniform turned up at the start of leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche’s rightwing World Congress in Klerksdorp last night.

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They were made up of Wenkommando members from the East Rand and places as far afield as the Eastern and Western Cape as well as a small contingent from the Kalahari.

Two new units of the AWB, the Rooivalk and Red Falcons, and the AWB’s so-called “Undersea Divers” were also presented to a crowd of about 500 people.

The diving unit consisted of three members wearing all their paraphernalia. With gas tanks on their backs, flippers in hand and holding a banner aloft, they followed the Ystergarde into the stadium.

Eight women, kitted out in brown army trousers and red T-shirts, formed the Rooivalk. They hid their identities behind white balaclavas.

Mr. Terre’Blanche was expected to make a speech later with the visiting rightwingers from overseas taking turns behind the microphone today.

There has been little evidence of any foreign rightwing visitors at the congress so far.
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Bomb suspect held again

PRETORIA. — Mr. Andries Cornelius Oden- daal, an alleged right-winger who skipped bail after being charged with setting off several bombs in the Transvaal, has been re-arrested.

Police are still seeking his alleged accomplice, Mr. Andries Kriel, and have offered a reward of R10,000 (34) for Mr. Oden daal, Mr. Kriel, and Mr. Koos Botha, MP, for Wonderboom, formed part of a group suspected of placing bombs at Hillview High School in Pretoria, Cosatu House in Johannesburg and at two post offices. — Sapa
Woman brutally killed

By THEMBA KHUMALO

BLACKS in Pretoria have been gripped by fear after a white couple shot dead a 23-year-old black woman at point-blank range and tried to kill her husband at their plot in Roslyn this week.

Witnesses said after the couple had shot Grace Manyankwanyana on Tuesday they attempted to dump her in a veld, but were disturbed by passersby.

Roslyn, a white suburb 40 km west of Pretoria, is known for its conservative attitudes.

A spokesman for the northern Transvaal police, Capt Andrew Lesch, said his men were investigating murder charges against the couple who were questioned and released.

The dead woman was shot in the temple during a raid by her landlords.

**Two shots**

Manyankwanyana's husband, Joseph Mboyana, 29, said at about 9:30 pm their landlords knocked at their door and asked to speak to him.

"Our landlord ordered me to look at the roof. Then he hit me hard with a blunt instrument at the back of my head. When I ran away he told his wife, who was carrying a rifle, to shoot me."

Mboyana, still wearing bloodstained overalls, said on Thursday his landlord's wife fired two shots at him but missed.

Elsie Mabuza, 20, who lives in the room next to Mboyana, said she heard Manyankwanyana pleading for mercy as the couple beat her for at least 25 minutes. Then a shot went off and there was silence.

She said the couple then dragged Manyankwanyana's body into their car boot and drove off.

"My husband and I went to check our neighbour's room and we found pools of blood on the blankets and splattered against the walls. We then rushed to the local police station to report the matter. Along the way we saw our landlord's car trying to drive into a veld, but they turned when they saw us," Mabuza said.

A distraught Mboyana ran straight to the police station to report the attack and to his horror a policeman showed him his wife's bloodied body in the white couple's boot.
AWB ‘world congress’ attracts 500

LESS than 500 uniformed supporters turned up for the first day of AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche’s rightwing “world congress” in the western Transvaal on Friday.

Their numbers may have been few, but the rightwingers’ spirits were high and the ceremonies got underway with nine mounted members of the Ysterplaat Home Guard or Iron Guard, their faces hidden behind black masks, leading an AWB parade into the Klerksdorp showgrounds.

They were followed by another 33 masked men on foot, and about 150 Wenkommando members.

Reports by CP Reporters, Sapa, AP
Poor turnout for AWB bash

OF A promised 220 overseas organisations, only two representatives openly declared their support for the AWB's "World Congress for Right-wingers" in Klerksdorp this weekend. The two were Tony Andronopouloos of the People's Union of the Golden Dawn in Greece and a Czech woman who would identify herself only as "Milka."
Rightwing bomb suspect arrested

RIGHTWINGER Andries Cornelius Odendaal, alias Andre, who skipped bail after being charged with detonating several bombs in the Transvaal, has been arrested.

Police said they were still searching for Odendaal's accomplice, Andries Stefanus Kriel, and have offered a reward of R10 000 to anyone with information leading to his arrest. Odendaal, Kriel and MP for Wonderboom, Koos Botha, formed part of a group suspected of placing bombs at Hillview High School in Pretoria, Cosatu House in Johannesburg and the Voortrekker House in Krugersdorp post offices.

Odendaal and Kriel were due to appear in court on March 12, but disappeared.
CP man: 'Defend against ANC terror'

JOHANNESBURG - A London-based group led by South African Conservative Party member Mr Clive Derby-Lewis is offering to teach white South Africans how to protect themselves from "the ANC terrorist onslaught!"

Using the rank of commandant, Mr Derby-Lewis said yesterday training will be conducted by former soldiers who served in the South African Defence Force, the former Rhodesian Army and Britain's Special Air Services.

Other directors of the Western Goals Institute, who claim to be devoted to protecting the Western way of life, are Major Roberto D'Aubuisson from El Salvador and Messrs Andrew Smith and Jonathan Bowden, both from Britain. — Sapa
Teargas panic at Momberg meeting

By ANTHONY JOHNSON

PANDEMONIUM erupted last night in a packed Fish Hoek Civic Centre during a meeting addressed by the ANC's Mr Jannie Mombberg when AWB members exploded a teargas canister.

The meeting was called by the ANC MP for Simon's Town to explain to his constituents why he had left the Democratic Party.

Panic-stricken members of the 400-strong audience stampeded in all directions when the canister exploded amid a rowdy group of about 20 khaki-clad AWB members in the centre of the hall.

Members of the Pinelands Reaction Unit were called in. However, by the time they arrived the AWB members had made their getaway.

GAS GRENADE... Pandemonium erupted last night in a packed Fish Hoek Civic Centre during a meeting when members of the AWB detonated a teargas canister.

A shocked Mr Mombberg said he was "very sorry, particularly for the older people who had suffered as a result of this cowardly attack".

Colonel Raymond Dowd of the District Commissioner's Office said the police would launch an investigation into the incident.

In his speech, Mr Mombberg claimed a dozen DP MPs had felt "a special bond towards the ANC".

He said the 12 MPs had held a series of meetings about "a new position" for the DP in the political spectrum since March 1991.

He said the 12 members of the group were: Himself, Mr Jan van Eck (Claremont), Mr Dave Dulling (Sandton), Mr Rob Haswell (Marrizburg South), Mr Pierre Crone (Greytown) - now all ANC members - as well as the late MP for Green Point, Mr Tian van der Merwe, Mr Jasper Walsh (Pinelands), Mr Eddie Trent (Port Elizabeth Central), Mr Kobus Jordaan (Umlangla), Mr Wessel Nel (Mool River), Mr Geoff Engel (Bezuidenhout) and Mr Andre de Wet (DP nominated).

GUY OLIVER reports AWB Western Cape leader Mr Stephanus Jacobson denied last night his organisation was responsible for the teargassing of the meeting.

Mr Jacobson attended the meeting and said there was "no proof" the AWB were responsible as "there were other right-wing groups there as well".
Teargas attack
(From page 134)
Throughout his speech a group of about 30 AWB members maintained a steady cacophony of heckling and abuse.
The audience, including many elderly people, dashed for the doors as the aerid teargas spread through the hall.
Several angry people tried to confront the uniformed AWB contingent, which included several women, but police escorted them away.
Speaking after his meeting ended in chaos, Mr Momberg said he had not expected the police to step in to stop the rowdy heckling, but he did expect them to act against the AWB for letting off teargas.
"It is unfortunate," he said. Mr Momberg asked the police to inform the remaining crowd that the meeting would not resume.
"There are a lot of elderly people here and I cannot expect them to go back into the hall," he said.
Earlier Mr Momberg told the audience he was not prepared to resign his seat in parliament "and cause a whites-only election, which I am totally opposed to."

Gas at meeting — police will act
MICHAEL MORRIS (34)
Political Correspondent

POLICE will investigate any charges laid against members of the Afrikaner Weerstands beweging after they allegedly set off teargas in the Fish Hoek hall where ANC MP Mr Jannie Momberg was addressing a report-back meeting.

Colonel Raymond Dowie of the District Commissioner's office — who was at last night's meeting with a large contingent of policemen — told the angry crowd of about 300, who had fled choking from the hall, that if charges were laid the police would investigate them thoroughly.

Several members of the audience, teary streaming from their eyes, accused policemen outside the hall saying they wanted to lay charges.

The teargas was set off just as Mr Momberg was preparing to answer the first question from the floor.

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Teargas: Security police take over

By WILLEM STEENKAMP and ANTHONY JOHNSON

SECURITY police yesterday took over two police dockets opened after a meeting by ANC MP Mr Jannie Momberg in Fish Hoek on Tuesday night was teargassed.

The meeting, called to allow Mr Momberg to face his constituents and the Democratic Party over his defection to the ANC, erupted into chaos when a teargas canister exploded among a group of AWB supporters just as Mr Momberg completed his address.

Although local AWB leader Mr Steph Jacobson denied that the right-wing group had thrown the gas, eyewitnesses said yesterday, the canister had exploded among the AWB group who then "immediately get up as one" attack.

One of the AWB members was also wearing a pair of heavy gloves, one of the eyewitnesses said.

Police yesterday confirmed that two charges were being investigated, including a complaint of common assault made by an elderly man, and a charge of illegal possession of teargas in terms of the Teargas Act.
Momberg meeting disrupted

A uniformed AWB heckler waves his finger at MP Jannie Momberg during his report-back meeting in Fish Hoek on Tuesday night, shortly before a teargas canister was let off. The audience, including many elderly people, rushed from the hall to escape the flames. Yesterday the Democratic Party condemned the attack. The meeting was called by Mr Momberg to explain why he had joined the ANC.
Africa

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Public urged to aid teargas probe

Political Staff

POLICE have called on people who attended the political meeting in Fish Hoek on Tuesday evening to help the investigation of the teargas incident.

The meeting, addressed by the ANC's Mr Jamie Memberg, MP for Simon's Town, was disrupted with tear gas. About 30 AWB supporters heckled during the meeting.

A police spokesman said today that charges of assault and unlawful possession of a tear gas canister were being investigated by the force's crime intelligence services. There could be a third charge of malicious damage to property because of burn marks found on the floor.

A large contingent of police was outside the hall and went in when members of the public rushed out. No immediate action could be taken because no one was able to point out suspects.

Members of the public have laid charges at the Fish Hoek police station.

The spokesman asked people who had attended the meeting to contact Warrant Officer Willem Carstens at 419 3092.

Mr Memberg made a statement to the police today.
Hain: Can UK halt SA ‘defence units’?

Own Correspondent
LONDON.—Questions were tabled in the British parliament yesterday to try to prevent the spread of London-sponsored right-wing “defence units” among white civilians in the Transvaal.

Labour Party opposition MP Mr Peter Hain addressed the issue to British Foreign Secretary Mr Douglas Hurd to see “what steps the British government can take to stop this from getting off the ground.”

Mr Hain said the setting up of the units under the Western Goals Institute (WGI) presidency of CP member “Commandant” Clive Derby-Lewis was “obviously very sinister indeed”.

The new network of right-wing “self-defence units” — trained by professional soldiers — was confirmed yesterday by Mr Andrev Smith, who heads the London-based right-wing WGI.

The WGI was set up six years ago to “protect Western values”.

Mr Derby-Lewis became WGI president in March this year when his predecessor, the former honorary life president of El Salvador’s ruling party (the Nationalist Republican Alliance), Mr Roberto D’Aubuisson, died of cancer.

Mr Smith said six former members of elite army units in Britain, Zimbabwe and South Africa began training white right-wing Transvaal civilians in firearms use, unarmed combat and survival skills last month.

“Mr Nelson Mandela has made it clear that the ANC intends to bomb and shoot its way to power and last weekend spoke of moving into white areas — our aim is to ensure that law-abiding white people are able to defend themselves, their lives, families and property against this terrorist onslaught,” he said.

Mr Smith, who is chairman of the WGI, said he undertook a speaking tour of South Africa with CP leader Dr Andries Treurnicht in March.

His organisation had forged strong links with the Transvaal region of Inkatha, Black Christian groups, right-wing activist Ms Aida Parker and an organisation called Action Save SA.

“We've formulated policies of associative self-determination and believe power-sharing is the wrong solution — a confederation of independent states, essentially ethnic, is the way forward for South Africa,” he said.

Visa snap for rightist

Political Correspondent
RIGHT-WING British author Mr David Irving will now have to apply for formal permission every time he wants to visit South Africa.

A Home Affairs spokesman in Cape Town said yesterday he could not give reasons why Mr Irving, who has visited South Africa four times, had lost the visa exemption enjoyed by British citizens.

The immigration section of the South African embassy in London this week confirmed that it had received a formal application from Mr Irving to visit South Africa early next year.

In his application, Mr Irving notes that he will not undertake a lecture tour if granted permission to visit South Africa but would “purely reside at George to write my manuscripts…”

He lists as referees Mr Justice Louis Weyers of the Supreme Court in Pretoria, MP Mr Clive Derby-Lewis and Mr John Bishop of SATV.

An angry Mr Irving, already banned from Germany and fined R 25 000 for telling a beerhall audience there that the gas chambers shown to Auschwitz tourists were a “post-war fabrication”, yesterday vowed to fight the latest clamp.

The Austrian government was also so incensed by his comments that it issued a warrant for his arrest which still stands.
AWB assault trial resumes today

By DON SEOKANE

19 when the magistrate, Mr WJ Fourie, acquitted four of the accused - Mr Bernard Jordaan, Mr Stephanus Jacobs, Mr Albertus Pretorius and Mr Ignatius Terblanch - due to insufficient evidence.

The children, whose ages ranged between six and 15, were on a church outing when they were attacked.

Some of the children had to be hospitalised as a result of the beatings.

The accused have all pleaded not guilty.

Security police chief in Pietersburg, Captain Andries Dreyer, testifying before the case was postponed, said some of the accused had driven into the crowd of children in their vehicles at high speed.

Dreyer said one vehicle knocked down a child. He had also seen a black Rottweiler dog running among the screaming children and biting them. He said he was also told by one of the accused, Mr Barend Terblanch, that the AWB was in charge.

The remaining accused are Mr Lucas Beyer, Mr Jeffrey Sculliard, Mr William Schap, Mr Christoffel Wollaard, Mr Gerhardus van der Linde, Mr Bernard Terblanch, Mr Jan Beyer, Mr Phillip Terblanch, Mr Johan George Nagel, Mr Johan Frederick Kruger, Mr Stephanus Hendrik Boshoff.
ALLEGED AWB members on trial in the Pietersburg Regional Court yesterday denied assaulting black children who had gone on a Sunday School picnic at Louis Trichardt.

The case is a sequel to an incident in November 1990 when 15 alleged members of the AWB allegedly assaulted black schoolchildren. Four of the accused were acquitted on March 19 when the case was postponed due to insufficient evidence.

The men have all pleaded not guilty.

Testifying before magistrate Mr WJ Fourie, Mr Gerhardus van Linde said he did not see any of the co-accused assaulting the black children and that he did not assault anyone at the municipal park.

He revealed under cross-examination that he had gone to the park with a rottweiler dog which witnesses had earlier testified was seen biting some of the children.

Van Linde denied he was the owner of the dog and said he did not know who the owner was. He told the court that he found the dog walking along a street and took it with him to the park.

Told by the magistrate that a person did not just take a rottweiler along the street to a scene where he was told that there was trouble, he replied that he did not know the reason why he had taken the dog with him.

Another accused, Mr Willem Schaap, denied he had assaulted the children although he testified that he went to the park with a sjambok. He told the court that he always carried a sjambok in his car.

He could not say whether any of the accused were present at the park because when he arrived he saw a lot of black people going in different directions and did not know what was happening.

The case is continuing.
Mbeki robbery: ‘Motive unclear’

Johannesburg Bureau

JOHANNESBURG. — Police and the ANC yesterday said they had not established a motive for Sunday’s robbery at the Hillbrow flat of ANC international affairs director Mr Thabo Mbeki, who was also threatened by the white intruder.

Police liaison officer Captain Eugene Opperman said the motive for the robbery was unclear, but detectives were investigating all possibilities, including that the crime could have been politically motivated.

ANC spokesman Mr Carl Niehaus said the ANC was keeping an open mind about the event and the motive.

Mr Mbeki was robbed of his briefcase, money and several other household items on Sunday night when he was surprised by the burglar after having entered his flat.

Mr Mbeki had already phoned the Flying Squad, after discovering household contents strewn about his flat, when the knife-wielding attacker emerged from the kitchen.

The man threatened Mr Mbeki, demanded money and forced the senior ANC official to lie under his bed as he ransacked the flat before escaping.

The Flying Squad arrived shortly after the man had fled.

Sunday night’s incident is the second time this year that Mr Mbeki has been robbed.

In February his car was stolen in Soweto, but was later returned after the ANC appealed to grassroot structures to retrieve the vehicle.
‘Police’ forced man to sleep with corpse

PRETORIA. — Police confirmed yesterday they are investigating a complaint by a taxi driver that three men in a police vehicle had instructed him to "sleep" with a woman's corpse in a morgue.

Mr Frans Mlongwana told police the men, traveling in a vehicle with a police registration number, had stopped him at midnight last Thursday. They waved an AWB flag in his face and took him to the city morgue.

After asking him whether he supported Mr Nelson Mandela, they hit him and ordered him to "sleep" with one of the corpses.

When he refused, he was allegedly thrown to the ground and had a number of corpses placed on top of him. They then took him back to his taxi.

A spokeswoman for the taxi company said she was "very upset" about the matter. — Sapa
AWB kid-bashers get R3 000 fines

By DON SEOKANE

FIVE members of the AWB were found guilty in the Pietersburg Regional Court yesterday on charges of public violence.

The charges relate to assaults on black children who were on a Sunday School outing in Louis Trichardt in November 1990.

The men were each fined R3 000 or 18 months imprisonment and a further 18 months imprisonment suspended for five years. They are Christoffel Wolfaardt (45), Barend Terblanch (50), Phillip Terblanch (43), Johan Nagel (25) and Hendrick Bothoff (44).

At the beginning of the case, 15 men were charged but the cases against four of them were withdrawn on March 19. Six were acquitted yesterday after the court found there was insufficient evidence against them. In November 1990, a group of alleged AWB members armed with sticks and sjamboks attacked children from Venda who were having a picnic at a municipal park.

In passing sentence the magistrate, Mr WJ Fourie, said the State had to take into account that the accused were first offenders and that some of them had lost their jobs and their businesses because of the trial.

However, he said that during the assault, the accused were in charge of the situation and that when a policeman, Sergeant MR Botha, tried to arrest Bernard Terblanch, he was told that "die AWB is in beheer" (the AWB is in charge). He said the group of whites armed with sticks and sjamboks had pounced on the innocent children and that most of them had sustained injuries because of the beatings.

"A vehicle also knocked down a six-year-old child who had testified that after being knocked down by the vehicle he fell on top of a rock and sustained head injuries," said the magistrate.

Pleading in mitigation, defence counsel Mr Oelof de Meyer argued that the case had to be seen in the circumstances that people who were at the park were not residents of Louis Trichardt and that a march had been organised by the African National Congress on that day.

He said people were tense about the proposed march. The court should not find the accused guilty on a charge of public violence because there was a potential for danger because of the large number of people at the park. He submitted that the victims had suffered no grave danger.

Since the case resumed on Monday, the accused have denied having assaulted the children and Bernard Terblanch, who was reported to have been the leader of the group, admitted having carried a stick on that day. However, he denied assulting anyone with the stick.

Botha denied having told Botha that if he continued with arresting Terblanch he would be beaten up.

Witnesses who testified since the case began included a six-year-old boy, a paralysed Mr Thulwonder Denga - who entered the court amid giggles from the accused - testified that he was beaten with sjamboks and sticks, Sergeant Botha and Captain Andries Drieter of the security police.

In one instance, a spectator dressed in the uniform of the Ystergaarde - the commando wing of the AWB - came into court fully armed.
**New security officer laws**

The law controlling the registration of security officers is to be changed because of modern political sensitivities, the Ministry of Law and Order said yesterday.

It said in a memorandum attached to the Security Officers Amendment Bill, tabled yesterday, that the original 1987 act had played an important role in regulating the security industry.

The new bill envisaged certain improvements without prejudice to public or state interest. One provision will allow for extension of the definition of a security officer.

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**Turfloop call to Mandela**

SOVenga. — Members who resigned from the University of the North's (Turfloop) council have called on the chancellor, Mr. Nelson Mandela, to liaise with government for an interim university governing structure.

The members said yesterday there was an urgent need to restructure the university’s governing structure.

The university also announced a donation of $436,440 (about R1.4 million) from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation in Michigan.

The grant will be used for scholarships to undergraduate students.

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**‘Police’ forced man to sleep with corpse**

Pretoria. — Police confirmed yesterday they are investigating a complaint by a taxi driver that three men in a police vehicle had instructed him to "sleep" with a woman's corpse in a morgue.

Mr. Frans Mngwana told police the men, travelling in a vehicle with a police registration number, had stopped him at midnight last Thursday.

They waved an AWB flag in his face and took him to the city morgue. After asking him whether he supported Mr. Nelson Mandela, they hit him and ordered him to "sleep" with one of the corpses.

When he refused, he was allegedly thrown to the ground and had a number of corpses placed on top of him. They then took him back to his taxi.

A spokeswoman for the taxi company said she was "very upset" about the matter.

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**TV fare: 11 June 1992**
Five fined R3 000 for park assault

By Dirk Nel
Northern Transvaal Bureau

PIETERSBURG — Five men were sentenced to fines of R3 000 each (or 18 months' jail) in the Pietersburg Regional Court yesterday after being found guilty of public violence.

The convictions arose from the assault on a group of black Sunday school pupils in Louis Trichardt on November 24 1990.

Christoffel Johannes Wolfaart (45), Barend Johannes Marthinus Terblanche (50), Phillip Terblanche (43), Johan George Nagel (25) and Stephanus Hendrik Boshoff (41) were also each sentenced to an additional 18 months in jail, suspended for three years.

Initially, 15 men appeared in court in connection with the incident, but charges against nine of them were withdrawn at various stages.

Five fined for assault at park

From Page 1 of the prolonged hearing, Gerhardus van der Linde, another suspect in the case, was acquitted yesterday by magistrate WJ Fourie because of insufficient evidence against him.

The magistrate said it was clear that the group of children, under the supervision of two ministers, were on an organised outing when the confrontation took place in a Louis Trichardt park.

Policemen went to investigate why the group had stopped in the park, and were told that the party were on their way to a nearby church.

A group of men, armed with sjamboks and sticks, then arrived in several vehicles and assaulted the children, despite being assured by police that the situation was under control and that the church group would be moving on.

One of the men insulted and attacked a police officer, saying "the AWB is now in control", the court found.

It was evident that, apart from the physical attacks on the children, at least two vehicles were driven into the crowd. Several children were injured during the chaos, the magistrate said.

Earlier, Olaf de Meyer, defending the accused, claimed the evidence of the two ministers in charge of the children had been unreliable. He also questioned the testimonies of two detectives who were at the scene of the violence.

Arguing in mitigation, Mr de Meyer claimed the entire situation had become an emotional matter for the men, as there had been threats of an unruly ANC march on that day.

The magistrate pointed out that the accused had no right to take the law into their own hands or to obstruct police.

He said he had taken into account that some of the men had lost their jobs since the attack.
Death throw over wall

DURBAN — A 24-year-old black woman died after she was thrown over a seven-metre high wall outside a shopping centre by a white man on Tuesday night.

Police said Mrs Daphne Ximba was standing with two friends when two white men pulled up in a car and swore at the women, calling them prostitutes. The men chased the women and one man fired shots but nobody was hit.

Another grabbed Mrs Ximba and threw her over the wall. She was taken to King Edward VIII Hospital but died later. Police are investigating but no arrests have been made.

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AWB fascism led to abuse of black tots

By MATHATHA TSEDU

IMAGINE a group of black people attacking white children aged between four and 15 years on a Sunday afternoon in the presence of police.

Hard as it may be, try again to imagine feeble attempts by the police, without summoning extra help, to halt the assaults and being told that the organisation to which the group belongs is in charge and that police have no business to be there.

Imagine in the end no one being arrested as wounded children are carted off to hospitals for treatment of wounds inflicted by dog bites, sjamboks and other weapons.

Except for the race of the children and that of the attackers, this was precisely what happened in Louis Trichardt on November 24, 1990, when AWB members attacked black Sunday School children on a church outing.

At the root of the attack was the fascist belief of the AWB that black people were lesser human beings who should not mingle with whites.

The ugly faces of fascism and racism had reared their heads again and many people later asked whether the police, who allowed the anarchy to take place in their presence, would have reacted the same way if the attackers had been black, and their victims white.

It is an assertion that is not to be dismissed lightly, for during the trial, the police's own ingrained racism came out loud and clear.

As in their testimonies about the events:

"De mense het die swartes gejaag. Ek het een van die klein swartetjies opsetel en op my bors gestil maar die swartetjie was bang want ek was nie in my minivorm nie en het bykbaar gedink ek was een van die mense".

(The people chased the blacks. I picked up one of the little blacks and held him to my chest but the little black was afraid because I was not in uniform and apparently thought I was one of the people).

This was a typical testimony of the police officers.

The trial itself was some kind of battlefield. The AWB trialists came in uniform, with enough supporters to almost fill the hall.

Their first appearance was attended by AWB leader Mr Eugene Terreblanche in later appearances one of their supporters came dressed in the black uniform of the Stategaarde, armed with a pistol.

He was allowed into the court room with the gun, having passed through the ultra-modern electronic monitoring devices.

The practice was only stopped after Sweston reporters asked whether they too would be allowed to bring their own guns.

In one instance, a black spectator who was seated at the back was threatened with assault if he did not leave the "white bench".

Other black spectators joined in the argument, insisting that the man would not move.

The AWB members then left the bench. For the black people involved in that scuffle, it was a victory that brought grins and smiles.

But it was the testimony of the children and a crippled youth that almost brought tears to the eyes of many.

Almost invisible in the witness box designed for much older witnesses, a tiny and slender eight-year-old boy, Vulezani Lukhwareni, recounted the horrors of the assault and said he had been scared. "I saw whites with sjamboks and I could not understand why they were beating us. I was knocked down by a car and fell on a stone, injuring my head. My foot was also affected," he said.

A crippled youth, Thizwiloni Dengi, hobbled into court and spoke of how two white men had cornered him near a fence and waded into him with sjamboks.

When he fell down he was kicked. He was saved by a church elder, Mr Dokotela Mkhado, who risked his own life to save the invalid.

A black policeman, Constable Banani Makabeni, was also assaulted at the taxi rank as he alighted from a taxi heading for work. He said when he told the whites he was a policeman, they replied "Police isse moer" and hit him three times before moving on.

Taxis were also attacked.

And while the testimonies shocked people, it was the hushing of the accused as the toddlers passed near them to go and testify that shocked many black people.

For if any proof was needed at all that the hatred was more than just a passing fad, this was it. For these men, it was not enough that they had beaten children on a church outing who had done nothing wrong.

For them, the children remained black children who were not necessarily people to be respected, loved and assisted.

Out of the crowd that beat up the children, only 15 were arrested after prolonged media pressure. Of the 15, only four were found guilty in the Pietersburg Regional Court on Tuesday and fined R3 000 each.

They were also given suspended jail terms of 18 months.

Attacks of blacks by whites have been occurring in the region and many believe that sentences such as these help keep the practice alive.

The incident itself dates to that day on November 24 two years ago when the Apostolic Faith Mission in Mzhelele, Venda, had planned a visit to their white counterpart church in the town, to, in the words of their priest, "show the children what to do for God".

This was supposed to mean the nicer church building, the better ornaments inside, the green grounds. But it was not to be, for soon after the children arrived in town later than anticipated and went to relax at the local park, trouble started brewing.

The white rightwingers, who had been expecting a march by a consumer boycott committee, gathered at the park with dogs, sjamboks, fan belts, sticks and other weapons, baying for the blood of the now scared and trembling children.

With AWB attacks on blacks in many areas, the question in many people's minds is why police allow this to happen in the first place.
Men in AWB uniforms assault teachers

By Mawa Constantine

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Several officers, including two in Jewel, had been sent to the location. They were in the process of questioning people and gathering information when a man in a AWB uniform approached them. One of the officers attempted to stop the man, but he was quickly overwhelmed. The other officers managed to subdue the man, but not before he had already assaulted a few teachers.

The incident was reported to the station immediately, and an investigation is underway. The AWB has been ordered to provide an explanation for their actions.

In related news, the local school district has announced plans to implement new security measures at all schools, including increased police presence and additional security personnel.

The community is urged to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the police.
Militant security plan out

A right-wing plan to infiltrate South Africa’s burgeoning security industry by replacing black guards with militant unemployed whites has been uncovered.

The plan was raised and approved at a world congress of right-wing organisations hosted by the AWB in Klerksdorp two weeks ago. Right-wingers, who are already well represented in the security industry, envisage it playing an increasingly important role in protecting white communities.

AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche said last night security company owner Mr Johan Breyer had raised the possibility of using unemployed whites as security guards and as replacement labour during the forthcoming mass-action campaign.

Mr Terre'Blanche said with police hampered by the changing political scene, greater reliance was needed on the commercial security industry.

Reporters yesterday visited an abandoned country hotel at Elwenhof, south of Johannesburg, which a prominent Afrikaner businessman is buying for R2.4 million.

An AWB guard at the hotel the building would serve as a training centre for up to 30 000 white guards drawn from the ranks of right-wing political organisations.

It is likely that the main business of the SARB at its next executive meeting on June 26 will be to close those loopholes and have enforceable rules.
Right-wing plan to take over security industry uncovered

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Security industry

Policy options

The right-wing's plan to take over the security industry has been uncovered by a recent report. The report highlights the efforts of right-wing groups to influence the industry through political donations and lobbying activities. The report also reveals the tactics used by these groups to push for legislation that would benefit them financially.

The report found that right-wing groups have been targeting key figures in the security industry, with the aim of securing lucrative contracts and contracts for themselves. The report further states that these groups have been using tactics such as financial incentives and promises of political support to influence industry leaders.

The report recommends a number of policy options to address the issue of right-wing influence in the security industry. These include increased transparency in the procurement process, stricter regulations on political donations, and stronger enforcement of existing laws.

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By Elia ValSept
ANC worried about plan

PRETORIA — The ANC is concerned that right-wing groups are attempting to infiltrate SA’s security industry, a spokesman said.

A plan was discussed at a recent AWB-organised congress to have black security guards replaced by unemployed whites. An abandoned hotel south of Johannesburg was earmarked as a training camp for up to 30 000 white guards.

ANC spokesman Carl Niehaus called on police at the weekend to note the right-wing plans. He said the organisation hoped the necessary action would be taken to prevent right-wingers from making use of the security industry.

Right-wingers reportedly want striking black guards replaced by whites during the ANC’s mass action and stayaway campaign this week. — Sapa,
Karriss told to leave court.

By Quentin Wilson

June 20 to June 24, 1992
AWB guards quit hotel after death threats

AWB guards have left the Lido Hotel, south of Johannesburg, after a businessman who housed them there while buying the hotel was criticised and received death threats.

Businessman Johann Dreyer, who is buying the Lido for R2.4m, said he intended running the hotel as a business and that he had planned to have only 100 white security guards on the premises.

Dreyer raised the idea of recruiting unemployed whites through right-wing political groups at the World Congress of Right-wingers hosted by the AWB in Klerksdorp last month.

“ The Lido Hotel will be used as a hotel and pleasure resort. All the people on the security side were going to be housed at the hotel,” he said.

Dreyer said his security company Top Notch employed only white security guards. There were AWB members among them, but he said he did not involve himself in employees’ political affairs.

When a reporter visited the hotel recently, a uniformed AWB member said the hotel and grounds would become a training ground for up to 30,000 right-wing, unemployed whites. Dreyer said the AWB member was not entitled to speak on activities at the hotel.

AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche confirmed Dreyer had told him he supported the principle of employing whites who had no jobs. Terre'Blanche said he did too.

Dreyer said he had received a number of threats after publication of a photograph in Business Day of an AWB veldkornet at the hotel. He said he recently met members of the ANC’s security department to clear up “misunderstandings.”
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"Death squads' killed 5 — ANC

DURBAN. — The ANC's southern Natal region yesterday alleged "death squads" had killed five of its supporters in and near Umlazi at the weekend.

ANC spokesman Mr Dumisani Makhaye said three active ANC members were shot dead in Umlazi's U Section on Friday evening.

A survivor said members of the "death squad" had claimed they were policemen.

Mr Makhaye said another ANC member was killed in the same manner in Malukazi, near Umlazi, also on Friday, and another activist was ganned down in U Section on Saturday night.

Police reported that at least 10 people were wounded in a clash after a rally by thousands of Inkatha Freedom Party supporters in Durban's KwaMashu township on Sunday.

"Homes attacked"

KwaZulu Police spokesman Colonel Moses Khanyile said the IFP supporters were on their way home from the rally when they were attacked by unknown men armed with AK-47 rifles.

Colonel Khanyile said one attacker had been arrested by the SA Police and was in custody.

The ANC said the IFP supporters had attacked houses on their way home from the rally.

The home of ANC southern Natal chairman Mr Jeff Radebe was apparently one of those stoned.

Mr Makhaye said that statements made by IFP Transvaal leader Mr Musa Myeni at the rally had led to the violence.

Mr Myeni had called on IFP youths to start training for the Bhambatha Battalion, an Inkatha private army.

TRIGGER FINGERS... ANC to defend themselves when the Boipatong massacre.

"No guns" rule for teachers

TEACHERS at schools under the auspices of the House of Delegates have been banned from carrying guns in classrooms.

The Ministry of Education and Culture in the house has sent out circulars warning teachers that disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

The Minister, Mr R S Maharaj, said the department had received complaints that teachers were carrying guns on school premises.

Lieutenant in murder trial

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Former SAP Mool River station commander Lieutenant George NIchaus, 49, will stand trial in the Maritzburg Supreme Court from September 14-25 on two counts of murder and two of attempted murder.

His bail of R3 000 was extended yesterday.

Lieutenant Nichaus faces charges relating to incidents in Bruntville township when police allegedly fired on a crowd on June 16, 1990.
Bacteria for Uganda

NAIROBI — Uganda has signed a $60m deal with French mining group BRGM and Barclays Metals to use ecology-friendly bacteria to work extracting cobalt from waste tips at a disused copper mine.

Energy and Minerals Minister Henry Kajura said yesterday an agreement was signed to start bioleaching a $1.1-million ton cobalt pyrite stockpile at the Kilembe copper mines in the southwest of the country. Work should begin soon.

A top ministry official said it would be the first time thiobacillus ferro-oxidans, the bacteria, would be employed in production of cobalt, a strategic material used in jet engines. Projected production was about 1200 tons a year. The long-term average price of cobalt was $22/kg to $28/kg.

The Ugandan cobalt ores were above ground in 50-year-old heaps and could be extracted when prices were favourable, ministry officials said.

Copper was Uganda’s third-largest export after coffee and cotton in the early 1970s. The industry collapsed after dictator Idi Amin nationalised the Kilembe mines in 1972. At that time Uganda’s copper output was more than 16,000 tons a year.

The deal gives the government 45% ownership in the project, with Barclays and BRGM each owning 27.5%. — Sapa-Reuters.
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For the Asias
Council forces Klein Koos to take leave

By Anna Louw
East Rand Bureau

Boksburg Conservative Party councillor Klein Koos van der Merwe, believed to be the mastermind behind the Order of the Wit Wolwe, is being forced to take 60 days leave from the council after a decision at the monthly meeting last night.

The decision came in the wake of Mr van der Merwe’s recent arrest with other right-wingers in the town in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

The arrests are related to a limpet mine explosion at the Rand Easter Show in April and a fire at the Receiver of Revenue’s offices in Boksburg in January.

The local council is forcing Mr van der Merwe to take leave so that “the matter can be cleared up”.

His leave will begin on Friday.

The decision was supported by the National Party councillors, the CP mayor of Boksburg T J Ferreira, CP management committee chairman Beyers de Klerk, Buxs Williams (CP) and Herstigte Nasionale Party councillor Stephanie Greyling.

The chief whip of the CP in the council, Andries du Toit, walked out of the council chamber after accusing the press of making “ugly allegations” which he said was typical of the South African media.

He said the attack by the press was not aimed at Mr van der Merwe but at the CP.

A request by Mr du Toit to adjourn the meeting was refused.

Mr van der Merwe, who is the nephew of Overvaal Independent MP Koos van der Merwe, has accused the media of waging a vendetta against him.

Mr van der Merwe is on bail of R5 000 and is expected to appear in court again at the end of the month (July).

Boksburg’s mayor Mr Ferreira said the bad publicity which Mr van der Merwe had received in the press recently as well as allegations of running a massage parlour from his home, was a great embarrassment to Boksburg.

“Mr van der Merwe has been told to take two months leave to get his house in order,” Mr Ferreira said.
JOHANNESBURG.—The South African Communist Party yesterday claimed an unidentified armed man monitored the organisation’s secretary-general, Mr Chris Hani, with the view to shooting him in broad daylight.

SACP activist Mr Jeremy Cronin said Mr Hani and a friend, Mr Skenjana Roji, were walking up Marshall Street in downtown Johannesburg yesterday morning when they were alerted by a shop owner that an armed man was following them.

"The owner of a hair salon told Mr Hani that the man had entered the shop doorway and had prepared his gun for action. She then pointed out the African man who was across the street by that time," said Mr Cronin.

Mr Cronin said the man became agitated when Mr Hani and Mr Roji saw him. He said the man immediately walked over to a vehicle, spoke to two white men, jumped inside and sped away.

"Chris and Skenjana saw that the man was armed. It is clear this was an attempt to assassinate our leadership. We have the make, model and registration number of the vehicle. Further details will be revealed later," said Mr Cronin.—Sapa
ANC endorses conduct code

THE ANC/Cosatu/SACP alliance has endorsed a code of conduct drawn up by church leaders and aimed at ending violence during next week's general strike.

The code, released yesterday, calls for an absence of weapons and intimidation, with an appeal to the security forces to uphold the right to peaceful protest.

Other clauses of the code suggest protest organisers make their plans public, employers deal sensitively with the stayaway, and journalists and emergency workers be allowed to operate without interference.

At a media conference yesterday, ANC general secretary Cyril Ramaphosa said copies of the code would be sent to every regional and local branch of the ANC, SACP and Cosatu.

"Our participation should reflect the values and principles we are striving for — peaceful, disciplined and with respect for the right of free choice," Ramaphosa said.

He called on government to adopt a similar code, instructing security forces how to handle next week's mass action.

A delegation of church leaders presented proposals on ways of ending the constitutional impasse and preventing violence to senior constitutional negotiator Gerrit Viljoen and Constitutional Development Minister Roelf Meyer yesterday.

The meeting was one of a series this week between church leaders and business, union, government and political representatives aimed at getting negotiations back on track.

SA Council of Churches communications head Bernard Spong said the delegation had come away from yesterday's meeting with Meyer and Viljoen expecting a "positive response" to the proposals.

It is believed the church leaders called for the creation of an elected constitution-making body and a commitment by government to act on the resolutions of the Goldstone commission. In a church leaders' statement this week, the State President was urged "to take bold action to avert what could be a national disaster".

Right-wing pair refused bail by judge

TWO right-wingers wanted in Namibia on charges of murder, arson and sabotage were refused bail by a Rand Supreme Court judge yesterday, pending a decision by Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee on whether to extradite them.

Dismissing their bail application, Judge M J Strydom held that Oorde Boerevolk members Darryl Veenendaal and Leonard Stopforth and Leonard Veenendaal had failed to make out a prima facie case that the ends of justice would not be defeated if they were granted bail.

The pair, who have been in custody since April, are wanted by the Namibian authorities to stand trial for a machine-gun attack on the UN office in Opuwo in August 1989. A security guard was killed.

"They are also wanted in connection with the death of a policeman who was shot when they escaped from Namibian police custody and fled to SA."

Bail was opposed by Witwatersrand Attorney-General Klaus von Lieres and his Namibian counterpart.

The judge said it was clear that Stopforth and Veenendaal had no intention of standing trial.
Bombings: CP MP, three others in court

In a show of moral support, 10 khaki-clad, flag-waving members of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging arrived at the Pretoria Regional Court yesterday for the hearing of Koos Botha, rebel CP MP for Wonderboom, and three other men allegedly linked to several explosions in the PWV area.

Mr Botha; Petrus Judeel, of Brits; and Andries Cornelius Odendaal and Dirk Jan Hattingh, both of Pretoria, appeared briefly before R de Vos.

They were arrested in connection with the bombing of the Verwoerdburg and Krugersdorp post offices and Pretoria's old Hillview high school. A fifth suspect, Andries Stephanus Kriel, is still on the run from police.

No charges were put to the men and they were not asked to plead. The case has been postponed to September 14.

Bail of R1 500 was extended for Mr Botha, Mr Hattingh and Mr Judeel. Mr Odendaal was remanded.

Among the AWB supporters was Jeremia Japza Bezuendehout, who was rearrested last week after successfully applying for a passport.
MP in court in ‘terror’ case

PRETORIA — Independent MP Mr Koos Botha appeared in the magis-
trate’s court here yesterday in connection with charges relating to ter-
rorism, the illegal possession of explosives and theft. (344)

He appeared with three co-accused, Mr Pet-
trus Judeel, Mr Dirk Hai-
tingh and Mr Andries
Odendaal. — Sapa
Right-wing pair apply for bail

By Susan Smuts

Two rightwingers, wanted in Namibia to stand trial on various charges — including murder and sabotage — following an attack on an Unilag building in 1989, yesterday brought an application for bail pending extradition.

Mr Justice M J Strydom stood the matter down until today for additional papers to be filed.

Orde Boerevolk members Leonard Veenendaal and Darryl Stopforth brought the application against the Namibian government, represented by the Witwatersrand Attorney-General's office, and the SA Minister of Justice.

Johannesburg magistrate R le Roux ruled earlier this year that the men were to be kept in custody pending the Minister of Justice's decision whether to extradite them.

Namibia has asked South Africa to extradite the men to stand trial for murdering a policeman, arson, sabotage, possession of explosives, and car theft.
Rightwingers fear unfair trial in Namibia

Court Reporter

Orde Boerevolk members Leonard Veenendaal and Darryl Stopforth feared they would not get a fair trial in Namibia, where they are wanted for murder and sabotage, the Rand Supreme Court was told yesterday. The two men have applied for bail pending a decision on a Namibian extradition application.

The Namibian government wishes to try the men on charges arising from an attack on an Unita building in 1999.

The two men's defence counsel told the court the men would not flee if bail were granted, adding that Minister of Justice Kobie Coetsee appeared sympathetic to their plight and may not order their extradition.

Mr Justice M.J. Strydom replied there was no doubt that anyone standing trial in Namibia would be given a fair trial. Counsel appearing for Mr Coetsee said the minister would decide later on whether to extradite Mr Veenendaal and Mr Stopforth to Namibia.

Judgment was reserved.
Arms Factory.

AWB's Prison.
By no means can the scene be described as a "factory." Vandalized warehouses, damaged prison arms and other items scattered around the prison yard give the impression of a war zone. The walls are stained with blood, and broken windows are replaced with bulletproof glass. Guards carry loaded weapons, and the sound of gunshots can be heard in the background.

The incident began when inmate Thomas Brown escaped from his cell. A prison guard attempted to recapture him, but Brown resisted. The guard called for reinforcements, and within minutes, a dozen guards were on the scene. Shots were fired, and Brown was shot several times. He died a few minutes later.

The incident has sparked outrage among prisoners and their families. "This is not a place for human beings," said one inmate. "We want justice for Thomas Brown."

Prison officials have promised an investigation, but many inmates remain skeptical. "They always say that," said one inmate. "But nothing ever changes."

The prison yard is a war zone, with broken windows and bullet holes in the walls. The sound of gunfire echoes through the yard, and the smell of gunpowder hangs in the air. It is a scene of chaos and destruction, with no end in sight.
No regrets: Wit Wolf expects freedom soon

WIT WOLF killer Barend Hendrik Strydom, who murdered seven people in cold blood, is still unrepentant after four years in jail.

He also believes his life sentence will be terminated by the end of the year.

In an interview in Rapport yesterday, Strydom said he would never regret the incident three years ago in Pretoria's Strijdom Square when he mowed down seven black people and injured 16 others because he "acted to protect the safety of the nation".

"To have remorse over an incident one must have done something wrong," he said, "but Strijdom Square can never be wrong!"

Being in prison had fuelled his patriotism, Strydom said in the interview, but added that after his release he would "never again" commit any acts of violence.
Three white men, arrested in Thaba Nchu in connection with the brutal killing of a black resident of the Bophuthatswana town, will be tried for murder in South Africa.

Jerome Gaeswe (24), a shop assistant known as "Tex" to his friends, was buried in Thaba Nchu on Saturday.

Police say he was savagely assaulted shortly after midnight in Thaba Nchu on July 11. His body was found near the Thaba Nchu/Botshabelo Road — in SA territory — at 7.30 a.m.

Because Mr Gaeswe's body was found in South Africa, the charges by Bophuthatswana authorities against Willem Myburgh (26), Jeremy Grant (34) and Peirus Bays (28) were withdrawn and the SAP took over.

The three men appeared in the Botshabelo Magistrate's Court last Tuesday. The case was postponed to August 14 for further investigation.
Rightwingers refused bail

By Susan Smuts

Rightwingers Leonard Veenendaal and Darryl Stopforth have to stay in jail until the Minister of Justice decides whether they should stand trial in Namibia, because there was no guarantee they would not try to escape, a Rand Supreme Court judge said yesterday.

Refusing an urgent bail application by the Orde Boerevolk members, Mr Justice M.J. Strydom said it remained "an open question" whether the men would stand trial.

They face seven charges, including murder and arson, after an attack on an Unita building in Namibia in 1989 and their subsequent escape from custody when they allegedly killed a policeman.

The judge said the men faced lengthy jail sentences. They were heavily in debt and had escaped custody before. Their only tie to South Africa was their families — both their wives are pregnant — and it was an open question whether they would stay until the Minister had decided.
Webster assassination: Judge to preside at inquest

PRETORIA. — A judge has been appointed to hold a judicial inquest on Wits academic Dr David Webster, killed by unknown gunmen outside his Johannesburg home on May 1, 1989.

The Ministry of Justice announced that following a request by Justice Minister Mr Kobie Coetzee, Mr Justice M S Stegmann would preside.

Dr Webster was said to have uncovered an arms-smuggling operation from South Africa to Mozambique's Renamo rebels and was also believed to have been investigating hit squads.

According to the Harm's Commission report, Brixton Murder and Robbery head Brigadier Floris Mostert said a secret organisation — identified as the SADF's Civil Co-operation Bureau — existed to sow fear among leftist radicals.

The inquest will begin on October 14. Sapa.
**Numsa workers jump strike gun**

NUMSA members at several factories in Benoni jumped the gun on the union’s national strike — officially due to begin today — and started striking on Friday.

Several Seifisa members have already given notice to the union they intend to lock out workers next week. Numsa is striking in the motor, tyre and rubber, and metal and engineering industries.

It will be impossible to gauge the support for the strike before Wednesday, because of the general strike. Even after that it could be difficult depending on the extent of the mass action programme.

In the motor manufacturing sector, for example, Samcor has closed for the entire week by arrangement with Numsa shop stewards. So it is not actually clear if the workers are on strike or not.

If all Numsa’s 250,000 members in the affected sectors come out, it will be the biggest industrial strike in SA’s history.

Meanwhile, Seifisa denied last week that it had “bugged or used methods of dishonest means” to get information on Numsa’s strike.

Seifisa spokesman Hendrik van der Hoever said the suggestion was laughable.

He said Seifisa had learnt of the strike plans through its members, who had received written notice that the strike would start today.

Seifisa also said Numsa was “lying” in alleging that Seifisa had not responded to its inquiries on irregularities in the Seifisa ballot. Seifisa is going ahead with an interdict against Numsa for ballot irregularities.

Sources in the motor manufacturing, and tyre and rubber, industries said they expected to meet Numsa this week to continue negotiation.

Sapa reports from East London that more than 2,000 workers at Mercedes-Benz in East London will strike from today, Numsa said on Friday.

A further 1,300 Numsa members in the region involved in the engineering sector would also go on strike over an industrial dispute concerning wages and working conditions, said Numsa’s Border secretary Enoch Godongwana. Godongwana said the strike was separate from the two-day stayaway beginning today and would continue beyond that.

A Mercedes spokesman said the company could not comment on the situation as the dispute had developed in the national bargaining forum representing the seven motor manufacturers.
ANC ducks the AWB’s right hook

It was a very uneven fight, with about 30 members of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging in to stop at least 8,000 African National Congress members at the Jan Smuts Stadium in Kroonstad, west of Johannesburg, this week.

At the centre of the ring was the United Nations referee, Hussein Onnajad, while the police and members of the media took up sideline seats.

The 8,000 ANC supporters gathered at the stadium outside Kroonstad in preparation for a march to the town council as part of the rail-wrecker mass action campaign. They carried a memorandum to the Minister of Local Government and local MP Leon Wessels. Watching their arrival was a small group of AWB supporters, armed with batons and batons.

The test to arrive was the head of the UN monitoring team, Onnajad, who was loudly greeted by ANC supporters cheering, shouting, and shouting slogans. He was accompanied by the PWV regional peace committee chairman, Rupert Linder.

Round one was about to begin.

Linder pleaded with the 30 AWB supporters not to throw the first punch.

Inside the stadium the ANC marchers were dancing and singing. ANC Kwazulu Natal branch chairman, Uthman Motsoal, told the police that they should not let the AWB carry "their traditional weapons".

AWB leader Colonel Henry de Beer gave an impromptu media conference — for whites only. A photographer from The Sunday Times, Mbuyazi Zulu, was prevented from taking pictures by AWB members.

De Beer tried to go for a knockout, claiming that the march was a provocative action... "It is totally illegal. They (the ANC) don't ask, they just take over." He threatened that if the police don't stop this, "we will..."

An AWB supporter said "misconduct" was on the way. At this point Onnajad stepped in, asking De Beer to "give the police a chance to resolve the situation". He assured the AWB that the UN observers "understand their position" but added that the people of South Africa should resolve their own problems. "The United Nations has been invited to observe," he said.

When marchers began to leave the stadium on their way to the centre of Kroonstad, AWB members blocking the road were ordered by the police to move out of the way. Reluctantly they walked away, their fists clenched. The boat ended without a punch being thrown and the march continued peacefully.

Blick dawn... This man disappeared from Sebokeng hostel. His body was dumped in the street outside a few days later.
**Clashes narrowly averted**

CONFLICT between ANC demonstrators and armed AWB supporters in Despatch, Port Elizabeth, was narrowly averted this week after intervention by the local peace committee.

This ended a four hour stand-off between 300 ANC members attempting to march to the local police station, and a large group of armed residents, most of whom are believed to be members of the AWB.

It was the second time this week that a clash between ANC members and conservative whites was averted in the town.

Earlier in the week, police intervened after about 80 armed residents tried to block an ANC march.

Leaders of the march and police travelled to Uitenhage, where talks took place in the presence of UN observer Jose Camacho.

Negotiators returned to say it had been agreed to postpone the march for a week.

Announcing the deal, Cosatu president John Gomomo told the crowd: “We are going to drive the AWB out of town. The AWB is not going to tell us what to do.”

He said the Despatch community would be supported by ANC members.

UN observer Jos Camacho had to delay his departure. — Ecna
ET demands freedom for right-wing accused

PRETORIA — AWB leader Mr. Eugene Terre-Blanche yesterday demanded the unconditional release of rightwinger Mr. Leonard Veenendaal, said to be on the 54th day of a hunger strike.

Mr. Veenendaal and Mr. Darryl Stofforth are suspected of attacking a United Nations office in Namibia in 1989, killing a security guard. They also face charges of allegedly killing a policeman when they escaped from Namibian custody. — Sapa
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Former SADF men face weapons charges

By EVE VOSLOO

FOUR men — three of them former members of the crack SADF Reconnaissance Unit (Recces) — are to appear in the Cape Town Supreme Court tomorrow on charges of illegally possessing and dealing in weapons, including AK47 assault rifles, ammunition and an RPG-75 rocket launcher.

The three former Recces all served in what was then South West Africa in the war against Swapo.

They are Mr Willem Hendrik Snyders, a retired colonel who served with distinction, Mr Andre Klopper, a former sergeant, Mr Coenraad Frederick van der Westhuizen, a former captain and Mr Ian Neville Bosman of George.

Search

According to the charge sheet, between 1988 and 1990 Mr Snyders and Mr Klopper allegedly stole AK47 rifles from the defense force and stored them at Mr Van der Westhuizen's house in Vredenburg.

At the request of Mr Snyders, Mr Van der Westhuizen is alleged to have contacted with Mr Bosman and sold some of the rifles to him.

On 14 July last year, Mr Snyders was stopped by police near Joostenberglaakje and a search of the vehicle revealed a crate — addressed to him — containing two assault rifles and a large quantity of AK-47 rounds. The sender was allegedly Mr Klopper.

In a subsequent raid on Mr Klopper's farm near Durbanville police seized a large quantity of arms, including an RPG-75 rocket launcher found in an out-house, radios and other military equipment.

Arsenal

At the home of Mr Bosman in George, police also took possession of "an arsenal" of weapons, parts and ammunition.

The charge sheet contains a long list of equipment allegedly found in possession of the men including radios, a megaphone, antennas, batteries, cables, a smoke grenade, a steel helmet and an SADF security card.

Other parts of the charge sheet list weapons including 22 and 203 rifles; Martini Henry, Musgrave and Bruno rifles; air guns, Comet, Champion, Savage and Pietro-Baretta 12-bore shot-guns; a revolver; pistols; various rifle barrels and a vast amount of ammunition.

The Sunday Times has learnt that some of the nine assault rifles sold to Mr Bosman had been resold to other people in George.

Middlemen

Three of these people were subsequently arrested and sentenced to five years imprisonment of which three years were conditionally suspended for five years.

The man alleged to be the "middlemen", Mr Bosman's son Anton and four others, will appear in the Parow Regional Court later this year on charges of possessing or selling the AK-47 rifles.

The prosecution will be led by Mr Mike Stowe, a senior advocate in the attorney-general's office, who has wide experience in terrorism and related prosecutions.
AN estimated 5,000 ANC alliance supporters marched through Despatch's main street on Friday, monitored by 500 ANC marshals, rightwingers and the biggest concentration of police and security forces yet deployed for an eastern Cape protest march.

A teargas canister tossed from a bridge as the marchers entered town scattered the forerunners, but when the smoke cleared, the marchers regrouped and continued.

As the group made its way to the municipal offices, business came to a standstill in the main street.

The leaders presented a petition to town clerk Udet Erasmus, then marched to the police station to present a similar one to the SAP station commander.

A rally was then held at Bellview Sports Stadium.

The march had to be called off last week when AWB gunmen took up positions in the street. A week of negotiations between the tripartite alliance, the police and the Despatch Municipality paved the way for the Friday march.

About half an hour before the march was due to start, SAP Stability Unit chief Brig van der Merwe dispersed a group of about 60 whites who had gathered on the outskirts of the township.

AWB regional chief Barend Mostert also urged them not to interfere. - Sapa
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AFRIKANER Weerstandsbevægning leader Eugene Terre'Blanche yesterday claimed that Law and Order Min-ister Henk Kriel had sanctioned the continued operation of AWB training camps 

Speaking in Pretoria after meeting with Kriel and Police Commissioner Johan van der Merwe to discuss the implications of legislation relating to the training of private armies, Terre'Blanche said he had invited the SAP to monitor the AWB camps.

Terre'Blanche challenged the communists and Umkhonto we Sizwe to let the SAP monitor their camps as well "so that we can see who are the aggressors and a threat to human life, when they prepare bombs to take the lives of women and children". - EPA.
AWB to open training camps for inspection

By Peter Fabriecus
Political Correspondent

The Afrikaner Weerstands beweging has agreed to open its training camps to inspection by the SA Police to ensure that it is not contravening the newly promulgated law forbidding private armies.

Law and Order Minister Hermus Kriel announced this yesterday after meeting an AWB delegation under its leader, Eugene TerreBlanche, in Pretoria to discuss the Criminal Law Second Amendment Act which became law on July 31.

It prohibits organisations with a military character from organising, training, equipping or arming members or supporters to usurp police or SA Defence Force functions.

Mr. Kriel said he had informed Mr. TerreBlanche that the Government and SAP had no objection to groups training people for individual self-defence, but that training of a group of people to perform tasks that were SAP or SADF duties would contravene the new law.

He had also stressed that the Government and the SAP would allow no one to take the law into his own hands, and no political organisation would be allowed to take over the functions of the SAP or SADF.

To determine whether AWB activities contravened the law and to avoid potential conflict, Mr. Kriel suggested to Mr. TerreBlanche that he keep the SAP fully informed of the AWB's activities.

"Mr. TerreBlanche agreed to this suggestion and extended an invitation to the SA Police to monitor AWB training camps and activities. This was accepted by the Commissioner of SA Police, General Johan van der Merwe."

Lawyers from both sides would meet soon to arrange the monitoring.

Hermus Kriel... met AWB leader in Pretoria.

Eugene TerreBlanche... extended invitation to police.

AWB deputy leader Ernie van der Westhuizen confirmed Mr. Kriel's statement, but added that the AWB had also suggested that the ANC should throw open the training camps of its military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe, to the police to ensure it was not contravening the new law.

He said Mr. Kriel seemed to like the idea. "But obviously he can't throw open ANC camps to the police," he added.

"We are carrying on with our training camps because they do not contravene the law."
PRETORIA. — Mr Andries Kriel, who claims to be the leader of the Afrikaner Volkstaatsbewegung, yesterday warned that if right-wing hunger strikers, Leonard Veenendaal died his organisation would take revenge with "blood and bricks".

Mr Kriel is on the run from the police.

In a statement Mr Kriel claimed the AVB had received information that the Orde Boerevolk commander, "said to be on his 63rd day of a hunger strike," was dying. His organization had already proved its mettle in the "Hillview bomb blast," at Cosatu House and various post offices, said Mr Kriel. His threat therefore "should not be taken lightly". — Sapa
There's no place like homeland.
Ramsey Willie reports from New York on a black equivalent of S.A.'s ET.


ANCO and AWB Youth meet in seminar

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SOUTH Correspondent reports

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ANC action plans rile the Right

By Peter Fabricius
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ANC plans to launch mass action at right-wing-controlled towns have infuriated far-right parties, which yesterday threatened violent reaction and called on whites to take the law into their own hands if necessary.

The Afrikaner Weerstands beweging warned of "greater bloodshed than at Bisho or Boipatong" if the ANC conducted illegal mass action in Conservative Party-controlled towns.

Last night, the ANC said it took "the strongest exception" to the AWB's threats.

The ANC's department of information and publicity said the organisation remained committed to peaceful protest.

"However, we will not be blackmailed by bellicose threats aimed at the destruction of free political activity," it said.

The ANC would not let its right to peaceful democratic protest be eroded by "a fundamentally undemocratic organisation such as the AWB".

In a statement, AWB leader Eugeno TerreBlanche said the AWB itself would act if the Government failed to prevent illegal ANC mass actions in white areas.

And HNP law and order spokesman Oscar Hartung called on whites to mobilise themselves to resist the ANC plans, and to take the law into their own hands, if the Government did nothing to protect lives and properties.

He said that after Bisho it was clear that the ANC had not abandoned its armed struggle and it was astonishing that the Government had not punished the ANC.

The ANC stressed that the aim of its campaign against conservative towns was to secure free political activity.

Earlier, ANC spokesman Carl Niehaus said the ANC's national executive committee had decided last week to launch mass action against institutions which inhibited free political activity, including KwaZulu, QwaQwa and right-wing-controlled towns.

He stressed, however, that the ANC had only decided in principle to target right-wing towns and had not drawn up any specific plans.

No towns had been identified and no dates set.

The white supremacist Boere Kommando yesterday warned in Hendrina that it was preparing itself and its allies to ward off what it termed an expected violent communist onslaught against towns and farms.

In a statement, the Boere Kommando said its people had a right to self-defence if the Government was incapable of protecting them.

In an apparent reference to this week's ill-fated ANC march on Ciskei, the group said it strongly objected "to the Government allowing our country to be used as a basis for attacks on neighbouring countries".
PIET "Skiet" Rudolf, the fearsome AWB bomber who refused to stand trial under a black magistrate, led a convoy of seven vehicles into Malebogo township near Hertzogville in the western Free State this week.

His aim? To present a memorandum penned to the local ANC branch insisting that the black boycott of Hertzogville be called off.

The memo was handed over to branch chairman Sam Mokgobo by local farmer Faan Malherbe.

The memo stated that the tense situation and alleged intimidation by liberation organisations would not be tolerated any longer.

However, Mokgobo took a dim view of Piet's letter. He said his organisation viewed the contents of the memorandum as nothing more than a threat against democratic organisations.

He said that the consumer boycott in the area would continue as long as the farmers were not prepared to discuss problems in an amicable way.
Violence at FW meeting ‘planned’

POTCHEFSTROOM — Violence in Venterdorp during a public meeting addressed by President F W de Klerk had been thoroughly planned in advance, the Potchefstroom Regional Court heard yesterday.

State witness Mr Con Stukie was giving evidence in the trial of Afrikaner Weerstandsbebewing leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche; former AWB secretary-general Mr Piet Rudolph and 13 other men, all of whom have pleaded not guilty to charges of public violence.

Three died

The trial arises from clashes between police and right-wing supporters on August 9 last year when Mr de Klerk tried to address a public meeting in the Western Transvaal town.

Three people died during the violence.

Mr Stukie said that three days before the State President’s arrival, the AWB had decided at a meeting that licensed weapons be carried, that arm guards be worn and that insect repellent sprays be used for protection against police dogs.

A flat was turned into a first aid centre and the possibility was raised that the town’s lights could be switched off on the night of Mr de Klerk’s visit.

Mr Stukie, the AWB’s former financial head, was suspended from the para-military organisation in October after being arrested for allegedly helping a man escape from the Pretoria prison.

Mr Stukie claimed he had been suspended because the AWB owed him a large amount of money.

During cross-examination the defence counsel for the 15 right-wingers said Mr Stukie was trying to put the AWB in a bad light.

The trial continues. — Sapa
Former MP and other rightwingers to stand trial

Four rightwingers, including former Conservative Party MP Koos Botha, facing charges of theft and contravention of the Terrorism and Explosives Acts, yesterday had their case postponed to November 23 for trial.

The fifth accused, Andries Stephanus Kriel (47), was not present in the Pretoria Regional Court yesterday.

The other accused — Jacobus Jodeel (33), Andries Jan Hattingh and Koos Botha — had their bail extended.

The five are alleged to have planted bombs at the Hillview High School in Pretoria, Cosatu House in Johannesburg and two post offices. — Pretoria Bureau.
Giggling rightists rebuked by judge

POTCHEFSTROOM. — Right-wingers attending a public-violence trial in the Magistrate’s Court here yesterday were reprimanded by the magistrate after they laughed at evidence given by a policeman.

AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche, former AWB general-secretary Mr Piet Rudolph, 56, and 13 others were appearing on charges of public violence, conspiring to commit a crime and holding an illegal political gathering.

Despite the reprimand, uniformed AWB men continued to giggle when Mr Rudolph, who is conducting his own defence, colourfully cross-questioned the policeman.

All except Mr Rudolph pleaded not guilty.

The men were arrested on August 9 after AWB supporters and police clashed in Ventersdorp. Three people died and several people were injured.

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By Monica Oosterbroek

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Johannesburg. — An AWB meeting held three days before the “Battle of Venterdorp” was to discuss strategy and not to plan a confrontation with police, the Potchefstroom Magistrate’s Court heard yesterday. 

AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche, 47, Mr Piet Rudolph, 56, and 13 others are appearing on charges of public violence, conspiring to commit a crime and holding an illegal political gathering.

Sergeant Jacobus Kruger told the court he had arrested one of the accused, Mr Cornelis Terre’blanche, 32, after finding him in the power station. 

Sergeant Kruger was guarding the station. He saw three flares go up and then the town plunged into darkness. — Sapa
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Al — except Mr Rudolph, who refused to plead — pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Mr Rudolph said yesterday that despite accusations by State prosecutor Anton Ackermon that the AWB had thoroughly planned the violent confrontation with police in advance, the meeting was not intended to incite people to overthrow the Government or harm President F W de Klerk.

Mr Rudolph said they had discussed how the AWB could see democracy upheld and how the organisation could state its case to Mr de Klerk.

He accused a Potechstrom policeman, Warrant-Officer Jaco Huisamen, of being a secret political activist working for the National Party and denied inciting AWB supporters to violence, as Warrant Officer Huisamen had testified.

Another local policeman giving testimony, Sergeant Jacobus Kruger, told how he had helped arrest one of the accused, Cornelius Tereblanche (32), after he found him at a Ventesdorp electrical substation acting suspiciously.

Sergeant Kruger said he was guarding the sub-station on August 9. He saw three flares go up before the town was plunged into darkness. Within a minute, he entered the sub-station after finding the gates and front door open — and found Mr Tereblanche, an electro-technician with the municipality, fiddling with the control panels.

The trial continues.
AWB wanted to fight, says general

By Monica Oosterbroek

Police took steps to prevent the bloody Battle of Ventersdorp in August last year — but the AWB was determined to fight, the Potchefstroom Regional Court heard yesterday.

General Lourens Malan from Pretoria police headquarters said he was aware there was going to be conflict and he tried to avoid it.

He was giving evidence at the public-violence trial of AWB leader Eugene TerreBlanche, former AWB secretary-general Piet Rudolph and 13 others. All have pleaded not guilty.

The trial follows clashes between police and rightwingers on August 9 last year when President F W de Klerk addressed a meeting at Ventersdorp.

General Malan said that at a meeting in Pretoria on the morning of August 8 he had decided to bring 1000 well-prepared policemen into Ventersdorp with the SADF as a back-up. He also met National Party organisers and Mr Terre-Blanche later that day.

However, when Mr TerreBlanche told him "the police will not hit us", General Malan said he deduced that the AWB planned to challenge the police.

General Malan tried to meet Mr TerreBlanche again on the afternoon of August 9, but Mr TerreBlanche did not arrive for the arranged meeting.

That evening, General Malan said, he was standing near a large group of people wearing AWB uniforms. Armed with guns and sticks, they were chanting "AWB, AWB", he said.

General Malan then heard shots from the group that tear-gas had been thrown at them and he saw several large crackers thrown. Police helicopters were circling overhead.

As he had no gas mask and was unarmed, he returned to the police station. He later heard on the police radio that three people had been killed.

During cross-examination, defence counsel D Bischoff said General Malan should have advised NP organisers to cancel the meeting and thereby saved lives.

Mr Bischoff said police had wanted to pit their strength against the AWB to prove a point. He accused the police of being deliberately confrontational and irresponsible.

The trial continues.
Black cop hit, sworn at during AWB court coup

By DAN DHILAMINI

LAW and order was dealt a resounding blow in the corridors of the Potchefstroom Magistrate’s Court this week when a self-appointed Afrikaner Weerstands beweging (AWB) “general” assaulted a black policeman in full view of other policemen.

Constable Buffel laid a charge against the man - who was not arrested. The incident took place outside the Regional Court where AWB heavyweight Eugene Terre-Blanche, Piet “Skiet” Rudolph and 13 others were appearing on charges of public violence.

The charge stemmed from the so-called “Battle of Venterdorp” on August 29, between AWB members and the cops.

The corridors of the courtroom have recently been commandeered by thickset AWB-uniformed blokes who have thrown up a wall of flesh and verbal abuse against blacks wishing to attend the proceedings.

AWB types, meanwhile, have been jamming the gallery.

When Buffel, who was wearing civilian clothes, walked towards the regional court door, a woman in AWB uniform barred his way saying there was “no place for kaffirs” in the courtroom.

An angry Buffel warned the woman not to talk to him in racist terms.

A lengthy altercation spiced with racial slurs took place, until the arrival of a burly man, also in AWB uniform, who col leagues dotingly referred to as “General”.

In the presence of white policemen, the “general” told Buffel: “Kaffer, jy kan nie so praat met my vrou nie. Ek sal jou dood klap.” He punched the constable in the face before other cops intervened.

A Western Transvaal police spokeswoman confirmed the incident and said Buffel had laid an assault charge.

She said no one had been arrested and police were investigating.

The trial, which is scheduled for six weeks, follows the “Battle of Venterdorp” where three AWB men died in a shoot out with police. Many blacks were injured in the crossfire.

The righters had been attempting to prevent a speech by State President FW de Klerk.

The trial continues tomorrow with Rudolph insisting that he will call De Klerk to give evidence.

Magistrate TJ la Grange earlier rejected a demand that he recuse himself because this was “a political trial.”
HOW VENTERSDORP FIASCO BECAME A B-MOVIE

IN scenes reminiscent of a B-grade combat movie, the battle of Venterdorp was replayed in the Potchefstroom regional court this week, writes CATHY STAIG.

As police videos showing the conflict between the AWB and the police on the night of August 9 last year were screened in the darkened courtroom on Friday afternoon, right-wingers relived their night of the long knives, which left three people dead.

As the sound of gunfire erupted from the TV screen, there was laughter, whispers, exclamations of annoyance and groans of despair from the accused and their supporters.

Questions

On trial, charged with public violence, are 13 men, including AWB leader Eugene Terre Blanche and Piet "Skiet" Rudolph.

The magistrate, Mr Jack la Grange, has heard evidence that President De Klerk was due to address a closed meeting of the National Party on the night in question, and that the AWB demanded to be allowed in to put questions to him.

After hurried negotiations between the police and the various political parties, a decision was taken that the meeting would go ahead despite the crowd of heavily armed AWB supporters pouring into town. There were also up to 1,000 policemen and policewomen in town, the court heard.

On the video Mr Terre Blanche and Mr Rudolph, then the AWB's secretary-general, are seen walking arm-in-arm while row after row of their supporters march behind chanting "AWB, AWB, AWB".

At the coiled razor wire separating the crowd from the hall there are arguments about admission. People are turned away.

Then Mr Rudolph is seen arguing with police.

In the background someone sings, "Take me back to the old Transvaal."

Laughter as AWB relives its night of the long knives

Suddenly the still photographs blazoned across newspapers at the time come to life on the screen.

Mr Rudolph extends his arm. Men surge forward into the no-man's land separating police and AWB supporters.

Profanities

Dogs lunge, fangs bared. Cans of insecticide are pointed at them and their handlers.

The camera swings to a group of black men, women and children fleeing in terror. Searchlights pierce the blackness, insults are shouted, the strains of military music wait incongruously off the screen.

As the first shots are fired, a voice is heard off-camera. "This is PW's fault."

The camera pans to a body, face down on the ground, and a voice says passionately, "That's an AWB casualty."

In court Mr Terre Blanche exclaims, "Jesus."

His face fills the screen as he addresses his followers. Raising cheers, flag-waving. More military music.

The trial continues tomorrow.
AWB shot

2 in bakkie

By Monica Oosterbroek

Afrikaner Weerstands-
beweging supporters
shot and injured two oc-
cupants of a bakkie after
the vehicle had ploughed
into a group of scream-
ing bystanders in Ven-
tersdorp last year, the
Potchefstroom Regional
Court heard yesterday.

Warrant-Officer Gert
Archer said this hap-
pened shortly after a
driver had driven a bus
into the crowd, killing
two people.

He was giving evi-
dence in the trial of AWB
leader Eugene Terre-
Blanche, former secre-
tary-general Piet Ru-
dolph and 13 others, all
of whom have pleaded
not guilty to charges of
public violence.

The trial follows
bloody clashes between
police and rightwingers
on August 9 last year in
the western Transvaal
town.

The trial continues.
"We'll take up arms"...

WHITES were just as prepared as the African National Congress was to take up weapons to fight for their nation, AWB leader Mr Andrew Ford said yesterday.

Ford said the time for politics had passed and right-wing organisations were expanding into a powerful movement and building underground organisations like the ANC.

He said right-wingers no longer recognised the laws of the country as the ANC, apparently, did not, which had been promulgated by a "terrorist government."
Activists 'fled into dunes'

UPINGTON — Two right-wing extremists drove their car through two barbed-wire fences before disappearing on foot over the sand dunes of the Kalahari desert, a policeman has told an inquest hearing.

Detective Sergeant Marius Pieterse of the Vehicle Theft Unit in Upington was giving evidence in the inquest into the deaths of Johannes Jurgens Grobbelaar (19) of Krugersdorp and Jurgen Matthews White (22) of Louis Trichardt.

The two self-confessed right-wing activists were killed after an encounter with police in the Kalahari near Noeniepet on November 7, 1991.

Police found a large arsenal of terrorist weapons, ammunition and political literature in their possession.

The inquest court hopes to solve the riddle of whether the two men committed suicide as alleged by the police, or whether they were killed by police fire.

Sergeant Pieterse said he had stopped the two men in a red Golf while on a routine patrol between Rietfontein and Noeniepet.

The driver identified himself as Alex Burger of River Street, Hercules, Pretoria. He said he and his passenger were both students on their way to the Kalahari Gemsbok Park.

Their car registration number did not tally with that on the windscreen, Sergeant Pieterse said.

Later, when he pulled up alongside the Golf, a smoke grenade was hurled out of the vehicle. It then sped off and a car chase through the semi.

After finding the Golf abandoned, Sergeant Pieterse called for reinforcements and, accompanied by police trackers, followed the men's tracks.

"About 500 m from the dunes, I heard the sound of gunfire. Shortly after that I discovered the two suspects, fatally wounded. I found two R-4 rifles, one R-1 and an AK-47.

Two police trackers had been shot and one, Daantjie Berendse (23), died of his wounds.

Earlier, ballistics expert Major Gerhardus de Waal, of the Forensic Science Laboratory in Pretoria, said forensic tests could not show with certainty whether the bullets that killed Mr Grobbelaar were fired from police weapons, or whether the fatal wound was self-inflicted.

The inquest continues.
Life's a burning hell for the white knight in a little platteland dorp

JAN GROENEWALD is the only white African National Congress member in the Free State dorp of Petrus Steyn — and is paying heavily for his beliefs.

Last Sunday his shopping complex, worth R1,11-million, was gutted by fire, after months of threatening telephone calls and letters.

The blaze, which bears all the signs of arson, took place against the backdrop of violent upheavals in the neighbouring township of Mamafedbe and claims of a "dirty tricks" campaign against ANC activists.

Groenewald said mystery callers had accused him of turning the town, a Conservative Party stronghold, into a "black shopping centre". Besides the complex, he owns a butchery, a restaurant, a gas centre and land near the town.

Last Thursday a caller warned him: "We will see you right. We are not happy that you are selling out Petrus Steyn to the blacks."

At about 4.50am Sunday, Groenewald was telephoned by the police who told him the complex was on fire. By the time he reached the fully stocked shops, the building was a write-off.

Suspicion that the blaze was a result of arson hardened when it was discovered the mains which powered the alarm had been switched off. The locks on an outside window and the store door had been broken off, indicating the building had been forcibly entered before the fire.

A stoic Groenewald described the complex as the first place in the Free State where blacks could go along and do their own shopping. His restaurant "was the only place in town where they could sit and eat their meals like human beings".

His racial tolerance is striking in this dorp of 300 whites deep in the heart of the Free State platteland. He waves black customers to the table in his roadside restaurant and bends to his English wife, Olly, to bring them coffee and vetkoek which he serves himself.

Describing his membership of the ANC in very non-political terms, Groenewald said: "My relationship with blacks goes back decades. We were very poor but when we started we always dealt with people fairly and honestly when we did business on their behalf. They built up a business with us. When the new dispensation came along I could not resist joining them."

Besides signing on with the ANC, Groenewald has been instrumental in launching a number of development programmes for Mamafedbe. These include a knitting project for women and a vegetables co-operative for the unemployed. The chairman of the civic association, Anthony Nakedi, said of Groenewald's participation in the projects: "Once he talked about it, he wanted to be part of it."

Groenewald has plans for the development of the township based on a partnership of white skills and finance and black contacts in the township markets on strictly business lines. "If the platteland dorpies are going to survive, they have to go our route. The whites are not ready but they are going to land in the water and will have to swim or drown."

Those whites who aren't ready to test the water have made life difficult for the Groenewalds. Smiling at his daughter he said: "Her life is hell at school, but I tell her to give them hell back."

Although showing no rancour to those who "think differently", he smiles wryly when telling of the death threat he has received: "I tell them bullets are expensive and if they miss, I won't."

But the family no longer stroll around the town at night. Groenewald, 58, displays typical Afrikaner doggedness in standing by his beliefs. "There are things in your life which force you in a certain direction, whatever the obstacles are."

Groenewald's participation in the political struggle in Mamafedbe has been rewarded with acceptance in the black community. "We had a meeting and the community decided to help him get back on his feet," said Nakedi.

"We will build it together, and if we can get it right here in the heart of the platteland, then the rest of South Africa has no excuse," said Groenewald.
AWB check on border crime

EAST LONDON: — AWB supporters have arrived at Ugie, Maclare and Elliot in the Eastern Cape to “monitor crime on the border with Transkei”.

The organisation said it would make use of civil arrests to stop criminals, and that violence would be used only if its members were attacked. (342)

Earlier, the police called on people not to take the law in their own hands. — Sapa
Mom hurt as Strydom, wife disappear on honeymoon

By Helen Strang and Own Correspondent

The mother of mass murderer Barend Strydom was upset and disappointed with her son’s disappearance yesterday from Pretoria Central Prison straight to Pretoria to be with his “in-laws”.

The “Wolf” and his young bride, Karin — whom he married while in prison — left after lunch at a house in Pretoria for a secret-destination honeymoon, according to her brother, Deon Rautenbach.

Mr Strydom’s mother, Daphne Strydom, speaking from Heidelberg, was unaware of the decision yesterday afternoon, saying in a notably upset tone that her son had not told her of his plans.

“He is somewhere with his in-laws. I don’t know... He just went off with his wife to his mother-in-law who is in Pretoria somewhere. I haven’t even spoken to him, so I don’t know what his plans are. He just said to me when he was walking from the prison was that he was tired and he didn’t feel what was happening to him was real.”

Mr Strydom left the prison through a side entrance with his wife, disappointing a large media contingent and a handful of excited khaki-clad rightwingers well-wishers wielding the "Vierkleur" and Free State republic flags.

Orde Boerevok leader Nic Strydom and his wife arrived at the prison early yesterday to witness their son’s release.

Mrs Strydom was visibly upset when her husband announced apologetically to the media that his son would not be leaving through the main gate.

Mr Rautenbach said Barend and his wife had luncheoned with family members and a few friends before departing on their honeymoon.

“Barend looks very good and was in good spirits. It was as if he had come back from an overseas visit, rather than four years in jail. He was relaxed and pleased to see his family.”

Speaking from his home near Brits, Mr Rautenbach said: “When Karen heard he was being released, she couldn’t believe it. She thought it would be at least 10 years before he would be let out.

“We have to thank President de Klerk for releasing Barend. What he did is a sign of a true statesman.”

“Barend would not do what he did again as the country has changed and the Government is now prepared to speak to us,” said Mr Rautenbach.

It is understood that Mr Strydom has sold his story exclusively to an Afrikaans Sunday newspaper.
Victim outraged by Strydom's release

Father of two paralysed from the waist down by bullet during the shooting spree in the centre of Pretoria:

A MAN who was crippled by a bullet when mass murderer Barend Strydom went on a shooting spree in the centre of Pretoria four years ago is unhappy about his release.

Mr Geelbooi Mabena of Stinkwater near Hammanskraal greeted the news of Strydom’s release with outrage when Sowetan visited him at Kalafong Hospital where he is being treated for complications resulting from his injury.

A former Pretoria City Council employee, Mabena was paralysed from the waist down after a bullet penetrated his spine on that day in 1988.

Eight people were shot dead in the incident.

"Words fail me when it comes to having to define Strydom's character. The man can't be trusted and I therefore find it strange that the Government saw fit to classify him as a political prisoner.

"He is a cold-blooded murderer who smiled his way through the streets of Pretoria, killing black people indiscriminately," said Mabena.

"With a man who has sworn that, given a chance, he would kill black people again on being freed, my monthly visits to Pretoria to collect the disability grant my family depends on for a living will not be as easy as they used to be."

Sowetan apologises to readers for the non-placemat of the above story in our later editions yesterday.
Moral dilemma when crime pays

MOST people would agree that there is little justice in a callous murderer not only being released after serving a mere three years of a life sentence, but being paid handsomely for his story.

Freed mass murderer Barend Strydom is being paid an undisclosed sum of money — probably more than R100 000 — by the Afrikaans Sunday newspaper Rapport for his exclusive tale.

Despite numerous attempts by The Star to reach Rapport editor-in-chief Izak de Villiers for comment yesterday, no calls were returned. He told Sapa, however, that murderers had been paid for their stories in the past — and would be paid in the future.

Asked whether he was happy with the practice, he said: "It’s not a matter of me being happy or unhappy, and I prefer not to discuss the matter further."

Although Mr Strydom is legally entitled to sell his story, media lawyers believe there is a loophole in the Prisons Act which needs to be covered to prevent criminals released on parole, such as Mr Strydom, from being rewarded for their stories.

And although there is no media code of conduct stopping newspapers from striking such a deal in a case like Mr Strydom’s, the SA Union of Journalists (SAUJ) plans to set up ethics committees to address this kind of dilemma.

Most lawyers and journalists agree it is immoral when the crimes of killers like Mr Strydom become lucrative assets while their innocent victims often struggle without compensation.

For instance, one of Mr Strydom’s victims, Geelbooi Mabena, who was crippled from the waist down, is battling over a disability grant of R500 after formerly earning a monthly salary of R700.

University of South Africa Professor Koos Roelofse told Sapa he felt "cheque-book journalism" should be used only as a last resort to obtain information in the public interest. In Rapport’s case, the deal had been struck to boost the newspaper’s circulation and revenue.

"Rapport will boost Strydom’s image and give him celebrity status. This is dangerous because there is a public perception that murderers are not being punished," he said.

Despite this state of affairs, however, justice has on occasion managed to see the light.

Britain’s Yorkshire Ripper, Peter Sutcliffe, who killed 13 women and is serving a life sentence, was sued successfully for damages by his youngest victim’s mother.

Sutcliffe, who made a small fortune from publicising his story, was compelled to pay a large chunk of the proceeds of the sale of his house to the woman.

At home, in the case of assassins’ murderer Marlene Lehnberg, a Republican Press deal involving payment of about R50 000 for the autobiography she had written in her cell was scuppered when the Prisons Act was amended in 1977 to stop prisoners from writing for financial gain.

But as the Prisons Act only prevents remuneration or benefit for a prisoner’s crime stories, prisoners who are released, even on parole, escape this constraint.

This meant that when Miss Lehnberg was released after serving seven years of her 20-year jail sentence for murdering her lover’s wife, she immediately sold her story for R120 000.

At the time, London’s Observer newspaper spoke out against a "bitingly unjust" situation whereby an "innocent woman was brutally murdered and, as the victim, her family gets nothing!"

Mr Strydom has also been freed to earn from his crimes in this way, and in addition, does not have to fear being sued for compensation.

South African law stipulates that compensation must be sought within a period of three years of being found guilty of the crime. (Mr Strydom was judged and sentenced in May 1985.)

Rapport also escapes on a technicality. According to the code of conduct of the SA Media Council, “no payment shall be made for feature articles or programmes to persons engaged in crime or other notorious misbehaviour.”

This covers only criminals who are known to be continuing criminal activity, and hence journalists’ concern over ethics in a case like Mr Strydom’s.

SAUJ general secretary Karen Stander said the situation was problematic and that regional ethics committees were in the pipeline.

“We think it would be extremely unfortunate if cheque-book journalism became widespread in South Africa, not only because of the ethics question but because exclusivity of information limits diversity of opinion,” she said.

In Britain, several newspapers have been roundly criticised by the former British Press Council for making payments to criminals.

In one instance, a newspaper was condemned for paying for the confession of a woman whose activities contributed to the downfall of a Cabinet Minister.
BASE CAMP ... In a large cave in the Maclear district the AWB has set up a base from which armed patrols are sent out.

‘If the govt won’t, we will’

Own Correspondent

EAST LONDON. — “If the government is not willing to protect people, the AWB will,” the commander of the AWB in southern Natal, “General” Nick Fourie told reporters near Maclear.

The right-wing organization has been patrolling north-eastern Cape farms since Sunday.

The AWB began its patrols after a series of events that led farmers to believe their livelihood was in danger.

A farmer said it was the AWB’s policy to intervene wherever there was “white and black confrontation”. Patrols began after the AWB leader, Mr Eugene Terre’Blanche addressed a meeting on cross-border crime.

In June a Ugie couple were shot dead on their farm, Nelani. Gunmen strode into Mr Peter Lake’s farm store and shot him in the head at point-blank range. Minutes later his wife, Borbory, lay dead.

The following month, in nearby Elliot, Mr August Wink was chased from his farm store and shot in the head at close range. In August two farmhouses were fired on with automatic weapons and petrol-bombed.

In the same month farms at Elliot, Ugie and Maclear were devastated by fires, which many believed had been set deliberately and which swept across the area, leaving an estimated 500 people destitute and 30,000 animals dead.

A reporter and photographer were allowed into an AWB operational base near Maclear this week and were shown around by Mr Fourie.

As the newsmen arrived, Mr Fourie pointed to a cliff behind trees and said the base was in a cave which could conceal about 400 people.

The base is in the cave. Vierdieur and AWB flags were attached to the rock outside. A few bins were set up, as well as a three-legged pot on a fire. A bakh- clad man in a wheelchair was communicating by radio with people on patrol. Armed guards, including children, watched the valley below.

Inside the cave, where a local farmer usually sheared his sheep, were piles of food, tools, and other equipment. Above, AWB members practised their shooting.

“We are always training,” Mr Fourie explained.

He said farmers in the area had been battling before. New people from Transkei were stealing stock, burning their property and bringing their own livestock to graze on South African farmers’ lands. The farmers had asked the government to protect them, but nothing had been done. “Out of desperation they turned to the AWB.”

Mr Fourie said AWB members had come from all over South Africa to take part in the operations, at their own expense and “at great sacrifice”. “The police and SADF do it for income—we do it for survival.”

According to Mr Fourie, the AWB members were not making citizens’ arrests.
Strydom pledge to renounce violence

MASS murderer Barend Strydom, who was freed from prison on Monday, had promised never to commit violent crimes again, Correctional Services Minister Adriaan Vlok said yesterday. 

Strydom also promised to work for negotiations by trying to persuade right-wingers that violence could not work.

At a Pretoria news conference yesterday, Vlok said senior officers of his department had interviewed Strydom, his wife and his family prior to his release.

"We trust and hope he will honour his undertaking," Vlok said.

He insisted that Strydom qualified for release in terms of the guidelines negotiated with the ANC which created a further category to release prisoners beyond those agreed in the Pretoria Minute.

Meanwhile, the brother of one of the victims in the Magoo's blast was injured while making an explosive device at his home at Glenashley, north of Durban.

Clive Pattenden, 23, was hurt when chemicals he was mixing exploded on Wednesday night, police said. He suffered severe burns, but was not admitted to hospital at his family's request.

Police are investigating charges under the Explosives Act.

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There are extremely disquieting elements in the deal struck by F W de Klerk and Nelson Mandela at the weekend. The release from prison of Robert McBride and Barend Strydom is bad enough — an obscenity which the nation is supposed to swallow for the sake of a pious reconciliation which is far from happening.

But again — as we suggested last week — one is struck by how quickly our leaders are moving away from genuine democracy. There is nothing propitious in this release for our future freedom, happiness and security. The entire affair was stage-managed to precede yet another of Mandela’s foreign fund-raising jaunts and almost immediately contradictions emerged.

Let’s consider some.

Now that they have been forgiven for their murders, McBride and Strydom — both young men — have been received back into their markedly segregated and mutually hostile communities. Neither has shown any remorse; rather, they have been gloating with an idiotic triumphalism and McBride has said he would be prepared to “do it again” (blow up civilians) in the same circumstances as 1985. This so that “peace and democracy” will prevail.

We do not yet know what Strydom thinks, since he has sold his story exclusively to Rapport. But clearly he, as much as McBride, is a hero to some.

The victims thus brushed aside, we are enjoined to consider the big picture — the national interest. These points arise:

Government has finally indicated that it will move on certain glaring catalysts of violence, specifically the carrying of weapons of death in public and the monitoring of violent hostels. These matters, one would have thought, should have long since been dealt with firmly — before Boipatong. The suspicion exists that they were left unattended for so long not because their potential for violence was unknown, but because they became chips in a bargaining process.

The cost of such neglect has been many deaths. In addition, there is the alienation of Mangosuthu Buthelezi, who now seeks an alliance with the likes of Oupa Qoozo.

The ANC can with some justification claim that mass action has worked — it brought government to the point where it had to act on public weapons and hostels as a kind of concession.

This supports the suspicion that government has all along had a hidden agenda in negotiation which, at the least, it backed with a dangerous tolerance of black-on-black violence. Yet, in employing the means of mass action to achieve this end, the ANC has shown itself prepared to sacrifice ruthlessly its followers for propaganda. They dutifully went straight into the death trap at Bisho.

The issue of amnesty for “political” crimes is far from being settled. In any comparison of psychopaths, the ANC can presumably claim that McBride believed that killing three women in Mago’s Bar was a blow for freedom and democracy but that Strydom is in a different category. There are already warnings that the ANC might rescind amnesty for the Wit Wolf — which defeats the purpose of whatever was actually agreed at the weekend.

Clearly McBride and Strydom were “swapped” for symbolic reasons, the essential understanding being that political deals transcend the rule of law. Both sides have thus laid the basis for continuous rule by expediency. Any government of “national unity” would be an uneasy — if not treacherous — coalition of political bosses continually looking over their shoulders at their constituencies.

And who exactly are the senior figures for whom government wants amnesty? How high up are they in the political and military hierarchy? De Klerk surely knows.

The extent to which justice has been subverted is emphasised by the behaviour of the Ministry of Law & Order — which abruptly suspended its well-publicised investigation of the crimes of returnees and security force agents. What only a week or so ago was said to be a matter of principle has been “temporarily postponed until such time as finality has been reached on this matter,” according to Craig Kotze.

In other words, such retrospective investigations can be turned on and off like a tap, depending on what suits government.

The De Klerk/Mandela summit was a turning point. Now we know that justice itself is a pawn in a far bigger political game. Buthelezi sees this well enough — and has the potential to wreck bilateral deals which exclude him. But in his new leopard-skin garb he appeals directly to tribal, sectional emotions and, in this, is also merely playing that bigger political game with its basis in raw power.

Who can doubt that government and the ANC will be back at Codesa, or its equivalent, within a few months? Their interests lie there. But with or without Buthelezi, scepticism over the validity of any agreements reached must be well-founded. Our two big leaders now have certain qualities in common: they are wooden, unconvincing and contradictory.
We'll hit back if AWB attacks, says Holomisa

By Kaizer Nyatumba
Political Reporter

Transkei military ruler Major-General Bantu Holomisa yesterday strongly objected to the patrolling of some towns bordering Transkei by armed Afrikaner Weerstands beweging members, and warned of retaliation in the event of an attack.

General Holomisa said the AWB's continued training of its members, and the public display of lethal weapons, did not "augur well for a peaceful resolution of South Africa's problems."

He said Pretoria's failure to "stop" the AWB cast a shadow of doubt on its integrity and its commitment to change.

"One can safely predict the reaction of the Pretoria Government and its Western allies to a similar situation, if it was done by members of the military wings of the liberation movements. "There is no doubt that the South African Defence Force would have been deployed to mow them down," General Holomisa said.

His statement followed the screening on TV1 on Wednesday evening of footage of armed AWB members patrolling towns bordering Transkei.

General Holomisa, addressing members of his Transkei Defence Force (TDF), said his government would not ask permission from South Africa "to retaliate with the means at its disposal" if any of its citizens were attacked by members of the AWB.

Such a retaliation, he said, was bound to jeopardise the recent undertaking between South Africa and Transkei to combat crime-related cases on their respective borders.

The Transkei leader told TDF members that salary parity between South African and Transkeian civil servants would be implemented from October 15.

The AWB could not be reached for comment yesterday.
Right-wing mass murderer Barend “Wit Wolf” Strydom had promised prison authorities before his release this week that he would not repeat his crimes and in fact would do everything possible to convince other right-wing extremists that the only future was through negotiation.

Correctional Services Minister Adriaan Vlok said this yesterday at a Pretoria press conference, when asked how he could be sure Mr Strydom would not kill blacks again.

Mr Vlok said his department had had a long interview with Mr Strydom and his family, before he was released, at which he gave the assurances.

“We hope and trust that he will never do it again,” Mr Vlok said.

Mr Strydom fitted the new guidelines for identifying political prisoners because he had committed his crime with a political motive, and releasing him would contribute to political reconciliation, the Minister said.

If any right-wing organisations wished to negotiate with the Government for the release of their prisoners, they were welcome to do so, he said in reply to questions.

Mr Vlok appealed to the media and others not to delve into the record of the crimes committed by those who had been released.

“It does not help to say the judge said this person had committed an atrocious crime. We know that. But we have started a process of reconciliation now.”
Rehabilitation was considered impossible by the presiding judge.

A government source counters: "We made it clear to the ANC that we had to treat all prisoners on the same basis, and that in this regard, no preferential treatment could be given to people according to political affiliation. That's what fairness and balance is about."

McBride protests strenuously against this notion of "balance". He adds that, by releasing Strydom, the government has allowed the far-right to piggyback on to a deal between itself and the ANC when it has not even entered the negotiating forum.
Barend Strydom is a psychotic killer, says top criminologist

ONE of the country’s leading criminologists, who examined rightwing mass murderer Barend Strydom at the time of his trial, has warned that he is a psychotic killer, “not safe out of prison”.

Strydom, who was released unilaterally by President FW de Klerk and the cabinet on Monday, was originally sentenced to death for murdering eight people in central Pretoria and one woman in a “practice run”.

Dr Irma Labuschagne, a lecturer at the University of South Africa, examined Strydom at the invitation of his defence team. However, she declined to give evidence in mitigation because she believed he was insane and could carry on killing.

Minister of Correctional Services Adrian Vlok told a Pretoria press conference yesterday that the government had only released Strydom after the mass murderer had promised not to do it again. He said “we trust and hope” Strydom would keep his promise.

Vlok said Strydom’s release was in terms of guidelines established for the release of political prisoners — carried out “in the general interests of the country” and “in the interests of reconciliation and peace”.

But the African National Congress has confirmed that Strydom’s release was not even discussed in the negotiations with the government which led to the deal on the release of political prisoners. It is also believed that no rightwing political organisations were involved in negotiations on his release.

It would appear, therefore, that the decision to free him was simply an electioneering gesture by De Klerk.

Although there was no court finding during his 1989 murder trial that he was insane, there was considerable evidence to indicate this. Among other things, he placed money in his parking meter before he went on the shooting spree and smiled ironically at his victims before blowing their brains out. This suggests that he was out of touch with reality while carrying out the murders.

Strydom was sentenced to death on May 25 1989 in the Pretoria Supreme Court. His sentence was later commuted to life imprisonment. Passing sentence, Mr Justice Louis Harms said Strydom showed no remorse about his actions and would do the same thing again if given the chance. Commenting

that the murders had been callous and cold-blooded to an extent he had never previously experienced, Judge Harms said there was no possibility of Strydom being rehabilitated.

Labuschagne believes that Strydom is suffering from paranoia “in the psychotic sense” — that he has the appearance of sanity except in respect of the object of his paranoia, black people.

When she saw him, “my impression was that we had a very ill person.” She declined to examine him further, because she considered he was a subject for a psychiatrist, not a criminologist.

Labuschagne also said that she would distinguish “most gravely” between Strydom and Robert McBride, the Magoos’s Bar bomber who was released at the same time as the Pretoria mass murderer, and whom she did not consider to be insane.

Labuschagne explained that a person suffering from paranoia, as distinct from paranoid schizophrenia, was seemingly in touch with reality “but for the one thing they are paranoid over — it could be racial, it could be religious, it could be many other things”.

The condition was recognised as insanity under South African law “and I would have thought that would have been the best way for it (Strydom’s trial) to go”, she said. “But it would have had awful repercussions had they found him not guilty because of his mental state “because many people would have felt justice was not being done.”

The indications that a criminally insane man has been set free for narrow party political gain come hard on the heels of the controversial release of Lucky Malaza, jailed for bank robbery and killing a policeman, in terms of the Record of Understanding between the government and the ANC. Malaza secured his freedom by posing as a politically motivated “necklace” killer.
Strydom: Scars too deep to heal

By ELIAS MALULEKE

THEY will not forget ... nor will they forgive the "Wit Wolf".

Mass-killer Barend Hendrik Strydom's victims say the pain and scars caused by him are too deep to heal.

For them, the 1988 massacre is a recurring nightmare.

And most people interviewed this week shared these views after the release of the man dubbed the "laughing" killer — who in November 1988 slaughtered seven black people and wounded 13 others.

One of his victims was an 80-year-old grandmother.

Some of his victims and families of the deceased were shocked at
By ELIAS MALULEKE

THEY will not forget... nor will they forgive the “Wit Wolf”.

Mass-killer Barend Hendrik Strydom’s victims say the pain and scars caused by him are too deep to heal.

For them, the 1988 massacre is a recurring nightmare.

And most people interviewed this week shared these views after the release of the man dubbed the “laughing” killer — who in November 1988 slaughtered seven black people and wounded 15 others.

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Some of his victims and families of the deceased were shocked to hear of his release. But no one was more shocked than Simon Khorombi Mukhondeleli, who prevented Strydom from continuing with his racist slaughter on that fateful day.

Mukhondeleli is said to have gone underground, fearing a revenge attack.

Then, in what appears to be a bizarre and sinister rightwing message, the fountain at the scene of the massacre turned red minutes after Strydom was released. It is believed a dye was sprayed into the water by his supporters, to indicate that more blood will flow.

Far from being an outcast, Strydom has been elevated to the status of a hero of the volk.

The mass killer has also sold his “exclusive” story to an Afrikaans Sunday newspaper.

Strydom was released on Monday by State President FW De Klerk, a move seen as an exchange for ANC member and Magoo’s bar bomber Robert Mcbride, who was also released this week.

The two were released with 148 other prisoners — including Lucky Malaza, a notorious bank robber and killer allegedly freed by “mistake”.

However, the release of Strydom, a cold-blooded murderer who was sentenced to life imprisonment for the Pretoria carnage, was greeted with bitterness by the black community.

ON THE RUN... Simon Mukhondeleli, who stopped and disarmed Strydom.

He was convicted to hang seven times and handed a life term by Justice Harms at the Pretoria Supreme Court in July 1989.

The judge said Strydom “must be removed from society for the rest of your life”.

The ex-cop — who first killed a woman in the western Transvaal while he was still a policeman “in a practice run” for the Pretoria massacre — went straight into hiding after his release.

He went on the rampage on November 15, 1988, shortly after 2 pm. His shooting spree and trail of death started at the Strydom Square near the State Theatre in Church Street, and stretched for over four blocks down Prinsloo Street before he was stopped and disarmed by Mukhondeleli.

In his wake, five people died on the spot and 17 were seriously injured. Two later died in hospital.

Strydom picked his targets carefully, shooting only blacks and laughing in their faces as they reeled back in shock and pain.

The family of the 80-year-old grandmother, Selina Nkuza, said they were shocked and demanded to know why Strydom was released with political prisoners when he was just a cold-blooded killer.

Gielioy Mabena, who was crippled by bullets fired by the “Wit Wolf”, lay in pain at the Kalafong Hospital this week and cursed the release of the man who “ruined my life”.

“I will never forget or forgive, he should have hanged,” he said.
PRISONER 41/0884 violently shoves the vertical bars of the locked security gate.
"You have to keep this gate open!" he shouts.

Then he begins to scream, wildly turned around and seems almost embarrassed as he sees the people in his parents' kitchen.

It is going to take mass murderer Barend Strydom's white wife to get used to her freedom.

It is Monday night and she is in Pretoria Central on December 31st, 1991, she has heard and is very tired of their "livelier" lifestyle.

The relationship grew for people to appropriate every minute visit near a month — allowed.

On August 27 this year his mother saw Barend for the first time in 13 months. "We felt she was unfair," said Mrs. Strydom. "We would have loved to see him more often."

On Monday morning she finally saw her son before he was brought away to his wife, an American Sunday paper, which had bought the story for an unidentified woman, then took him to court.

The Strydoms found out that Barend's family, the Strootabchs, had organized a "Barend reunion," will be attended by the children.

But Mrs. Strootabch: "I decided to tell Barend there and then that she was my child now.""

In our house we don't have children-in-law or stepchildren — we have children and that is it. We were very surprised about the Strydoms for right-wing political purposes.

"Naive"

One morning the family saw Barend for the first time in four years.

"He seemed fine," said Mrs. Strydom. "I am sure we can be patient for a little longer."

"Family tension over freedom for Barend isn't going to mean more than platters of drinking coffee from his favorite mug at home, viewing the garage of furniture his parents have assembled for him over the past four years, or playing with his brother's children."

"Since Barend was sentenced to death four years ago for killing eight innocent black people in Pretoria his world has changed. Many tensions — both political and familial — have developed."

"A lot has also changed for his parents during the last four years.

"An electric storm caused a power failure the day their son went back to Pretoria's court.

"We couldn't watch the live 'Zap' news on television," said Mrs. Strydom. "We first found out when a journalist phoned us for comment."

"Strydom: "I was shocked. I didn't think Barend would do something like that.""

"Asked whether he supported his son's life, Mr. Strydom replied: "I supported him."

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White 'com' fights boer

By LEN KALANE

JAN Groenewald said充 his eight friends at his restaurant in the CI-controlled Free State during his arrest.

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They see his buddies. They call him充Comrade Popye".

It is this type of relation that has cost Groenewald dearly.

He is sooner by white residents who call him "kafferboeties" and accuse him of "selling out".

He recently incurred damage to excess of R1 million when his supermarket was burnt down by white right-wing groups.

He could soon be paying with his life.

But Groenewald told City Press he is not scared and believes he is doing the right thing. Not even the prospect of death is going to deter him, and he is given strength by a strong faith in God.

He said former prime minister DF Malan’s death was a great-grandfather.

His wife Molly is also related to another former prime minister, BJ Vorster.

"My wife and I come from the same part of the world," chuckled Groenewald.

And wait for this.

Groenewald is now the only white ANC card-carrier in the 300-stong white community in Pretoria.

He said it for this reason that he has fallen out with the white residents.

His restaurant is patronised mostly by black customers. His other business, a supermarket, was gutted by fire about two weeks ago because whites felt Groenewald was extending too much too much of a hand of friendship to local blacks.

He has now learnt to cope with the threatening telephone calls.

Immediately after the supermarket incident, a caller phoned, saying they would "get him" if he built another one.

He said in spite of this he was not going to look back on the road to reconciliation.

He had voted since 1969 that he was going to fight apartheid and help bring down the present "regime" down if necessary.

He is also a bitter man.

Blister at the fact that he was locked up in solitary confinement for six weeks by the South African government after he refused to take orders from the elite Afrikaner movement, the Broederbond.

"I was so bitter," he recalled. "If they could do it to me, then, their own Afrikaner brothers, what about people from other races? It forced me to give the system a fresh look."

It was at that point that Groenewald began communicating with black township residents.

He has bought a number of businesses around Pretoria and said he intends handing these over to blacks as soon as possible.

"There's no way that I will let white bastards take over. We need to upgrade the blacks, teach them about the economy and make them responsible for it.

WIT GEVAAR... Jan "Popye" Groenewald stands in the ruins of what was once his thriving supermarket before right-wingers burnt it down.

PHOTO: MIKE MEYERHOF
E Cape demo against AWB

UMTATA - Opposition to the presence of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) in the Eastern Cape farming towns of Elliot, Ugie, Maclear and Barkly East was demonstrated at the weekend.

Over 300 people marched through the streets of Maclear carrying anti-AWB placards.

The demonstration was watched by SADF and SA Police members and went off peacefully.

The AWB say they are controlling the region to defend farmers against the violent attacks and stock thefts which have been occurring in recent months. — Sapa
Mass-killer says he feels no remorse

BAREND Strydom is prepared to kill again.

He is not sorry he killed eight blacks in 1988. Strydom, the Strijdom Square killer, says this in the Afrikaans Sunday paper Rapport. The newspaper has reportedly paid him R25 000 for the exclusive rights to his story.

He was released last Monday, the same day the Government released the MK trio of Robert McBride, Mthetho Macube and Mzondelele Nondula.

Says Strydom: "I am not stricken with remorse. To be remorseful, you must have done something wrong. I did nothing wrong. I did not kill because of hatred for my enemy but because of love for my people. My victims were not without guilt. They were people who, day after day, are trying to take over my country." He admits that he wrote a letter to State President FW de Klerk renouncing violence. In his letter to the Government he said when he committed his crimes, there was real unrest in the country.

He says this has now changed and there is no

room for violence. However, if there were to be a return to the violence of the 80s, he would repeat what he did to protect his people. He says the 1988 killings in Strijdom Square and De Deur were not impulsive acts but carefully planned. "They were a counter to to the ANC's terrorism. They were killing innocent women and children."

Instead, he says, his killings should have been better planned than they were.

Just a 'normal day's work', he says of slayings:

"The world should see me as a freedom fighter and not as a cold-blooded murderer who should be hanged," he says.

According to him he woke up on November 15 1988, the day he killed six blacks in Pretoria, knowing that he had a duty to perform.

"For me this was just a normal day's work which I had to do. There were no specific thoughts in my mind. I just knew I had a duty to perform."
Right-winger granted bail

PRETORIA. — The man allegedly responsible for the bombing of Hillview High School here was yesterday granted R3 500 bail in the regional court. (31.4.44)

The application by 47-year-old Mr Andries Kriel was not opposed. Mr Kriel, who along with four other right-wingers allegedly made the bombs used in the blast at the school and at Cosatu House, is awaiting the outcome of an application for indemnity.

— Sapa
Farmers 'don't want' AWB

Own Correspondent

EAST LONDON. — The Afrikaner Weerstandsbeveg (AWB) presence in the northeastern Cape was not requested by organised agriculture; farmers' association representatives said at the weekend.

The AWB arrived in Maclear last week and claimed it was responding to the requests of farmers who believed the police were not doing enough to protect them.
It’s hard to see any purpose in destabilisation by violence, writes Stanley Uys from London

Digging the white man’s grave

YOU can call this the Confessions of a Puzzled South African, who has been asking himself what motive could possibly exist for the manipulation by whites of the violence that has been tearing South Africa apart.

Black-on-black violence — between the ANC and Inkatha, for example — I can understand. They are fighting over territory and power, as has been man’s habit since history began. But why would whites want to encourage the slaughter, when the result will be to fragment the country politically, reduce the chances of a mutually beneficial settlement being negotiated and dig the white man’s grave?

It’s the apparent irrationality of white manipulation of violence that puzzles me. It must be obvious, even to the thickest of the manipulators, that the weaker the two major parties (NP and ANC) become, the more unstable the ultimate settlement will be, the more the economy will slide downhill, and the smaller the slice of the cake will become that the whites will want to claim as their share.

Leave aside the question of which whites are manipulating the violence. Just say they are rightwingers who do not want to see blacks take over even one rein of government, let alone both. Their strategy is then to “destabilize” the ANC, the obvious inheritor of power, and imperil the negotiations.

“Destabilisation” has succeeded like a dream. It has made it difficult, sometimes impossible, for the ANC to organise and recruit in the townships, and to protect its people from killings. Its stature among blacks, particularly that of its “moderate” leadership, is at an all-time low in the Vaal towns, and even in Alexandra, while more and more of its regions, anxious to march on Ulundi, Bisho, Mabhato, or wherever, are becoming increasingly rebellious.

The “third force,” therefore, has triumphed in its immediate aim. It has undermined the ANC’s urban support base. But, at the same time, it has strengthened the radicals, who in turn are making it increasingly difficult for President de Klerk to strike a deal with the “moderates”.

Take the analysis a little further — beyond the perception that violence divides and rules and that it confirms that blacks cannot run a bath, let alone a country — and the picture is no longer as simple.

If “moderates” in the ANC are being steadily undermined by white manipulation of violence, and the radicals are being strengthened, what possible benefit is there in this for South Africa’s whites?

This is what puzzles me. If 28 million blacks are politically destabilised, the result will be something approaching anarchy, or ungovernability, and that will be the end of economic recovery. Where will the whites, rightwingers and manipulators no less than reformists, go from there?

Consider another, more sophisticated, scenario: that the violence will so diminish the ANC leadership’s ability to deliver the black constituency to a negotiated settlement that the only choice left to it will be to join forces with the NP and for the two of them to ram a settlement down everyone’s throat.

Such a development would create political vacuums — for the Right, the Left and the Centre — and destabilisation could then begin in earnest. I doubt very much whether the white manipulators of violence think in such sophisticated terms, but political vacuums could be an unintended consequence of orchestrated violence.

The new Right could embrace (loosely, not necessarily in a formal alliance) homeland leaders (Buthelezi, Gqozo, Mangope, maybe Kenneth Mopeli), the Afrikaner Volksunie, what is left of the CP, and the “third force”. The emergence of such a conservative front might well be an invitation to NP supporters to defect in sizeable numbers.

The new Left could be a workers/socialist party led by Chris Hani, and a Centrist party could emerge under Dr Oscar Dhlomo, Dr Frederik Van Zyl Slabbert and (who knows?) detractors from the ANC. My guess is that if such a Centrist party is formed, the NP hurriedly will change its name and persona to salvage its position as the major white party.

What a Tower of Babel South African politics would then become. In a new Right, the manipulators of violence would be considerably strengthened, acquiring a more tightly focused political aim, namely, to protect regional or minority rights in the company of black allies.

From the flanks they will harass the ruling parties with guerrilla-like attrition, deepening the instability and inexorably dragging the economy down.

So what are the white manipulators of violence up to? As they dig the white man’s grave, is it because they are stupider than one has imagined them to be, or is there simply something in the dark recesses of their psyche that drives them to this self-destruction? Or is there a strategy someplace that I have missed, because I am sitting here 10 000 km away — some aspect of white manipulation of violence that even remotely will benefit the whites, or even a section of whites? Can someone tell me?
Radicals 'showing their true colours'

EAST LONDON — Both left- and right-wing radicals had unmasked themselves through their actions and the world was beginning to see them for what they really were, NP Cape leader Dawie de Villiers said last night.

"The government did not ban their activities. We allowed them the democratic freedom to show their undemocratic nature," he said at the official opening of the Cape NP congress in East London. (244) 610/92

The government had conducted itself with patience, reserve and responsibility, he said.

Law and order had been maintained as well as was possible under "horrendously difficult conditions," he said.

The influence of left- and right-wing radicals was beginning to wane and the opportunity was available for genuine negotiators to come forward, said De Villiers.

"Responsible and constructive people seek to pursue the road to the future through negotiation rather than conflict," he said. The discussions between the government and the ANC have taken this process further forward."

It was regretted that Inkatha president Mangosuthu Buthelezi had decided to withdraw from negotiations on the basis of incorrect allegations against the government.

"Just as it is unlikely that a lasting solution is possible without Inkatha, they surely do not imagine that they can go their own way without the co-operation of the other parties in SA," he said.

The NP would devote attention to the stumbling blocks which kept Inkatha from participating in negotiations. The overriding aim had to be to resume multiparty talks, he said.

NP leadership faces concerned congress

EAST LONDON — The NP leadership — reeling from a series of setbacks in negotiations — will face the music when the party’s Cape congress gets under way in the city today.

Growing perceptions among the party rank-and-file that the ANC has won the lion’s share of concessions at recent bargaining sessions and fears that government could be alienating its potentially valuable election allies like Inkatha will have to be addressed directly by government ministers.

KwaZulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi’s recent decision to break off talks with government and will also be dealt with by President F W de Klerk, party sources indicated yesterday.

They say delegates will be looking to the NP’s congress this morning, to allay many of their fears and uncertainties about the future.

These anxieties are reflected in the resolutions to be debated at the two-day congress. De Klerk is also expected to deal with the growing furor over the release of political prisoners — as well as a number of hardened criminals released as political offenders.

Government’s chief negotiator, Constitutional Development Minister Roelf Meyer, will also be called on later today to allay concerns about the nature of the deal government is holding out for in negotiations.

Political Staff

A resolution which Meyer will have to respond to calls for a commitment that a new constitutional dispensation will ensure that "civilised norms, values and standards remain intact" and that Afrikaans be retained as one of the official languages.

A total of five constituencies have expressed their "deepest concern" over the corruption, fraud and malpractices taking place in government departments and have called for tough action against offenders, including the instant dismissal of officials with loss of pension benefits — instead of the now common practice of transferring guilty parties to other government departments.

With legislation designed to outlaw hard gambling due to be tabled in Parliament next week, another hot topic at the congress is bound to be a request for the government "to clarify its policy with regard to casinos", sources say.

A number of MPs are known to oppose government moves to close up to 2 000 private gaming clubs that have mushroomed across the country in recent months.

Other topics to be debated include the high incidence of violence throughout the country and the "deteriorating security situation in the Transkei", the growing squatter problem across the country, rising unemployment and rocketing food prices.
Alliance rejects accord

Mangosuthu Buthelezi said those at the meeting — including CP leader Dr Andries Treurnicht and Ciskei and Bophuthatswana leaders Oupa Gqozo and Lucas Mangope — would not be bound by any agreements or legislation to which they were not party.

The De Klerk-Mandela agreement paved the way for the release of political prisoners, the banning of dangerous weapons and the fencing of hostels.

Buthelezi said a delegation would ask De Klerk to abandon the agreement.

The meeting endorsed Buthelezi's demand that Umkhonto weSizwe be disbanded, and recommended the scrapping of Codesa, replacing it with a forum which would include the PAC, the CP, Azapo and the AWB.
John Kane-Berman responds to critics of Dr Anthea Jeffery's report, "Disinformation about Violence in SA"

We cannot pretend that blame lies on one side only

JUDGING by the anger it has aroused in some quarters, Dr Anthea Jeffery's report, "Disinformation about Violence in South Africa", has struck home. In criticizing it in The Star on September 22, Dennis Davis and Gilbert Marcus ignore Jeffery's explicit acknowledgment (on page 9 of her report) that Amnesty International and the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) are not courts of law and that they may legitimately therefore contend that they are not bound by rules of evidence and procedure.

Her report goes on, however, to make the point that in a volatile political climate these organisations have an overweening responsibility to be circumspect, to bear and report both sides to conflict and to guard against accepting at face value allegations that have not been tested in any way. Amnesty, the ICJ, and the Human Rights Commission (HRC) may indeed not be commissions of inquiry, but that does not absolve them of a general responsibility to tell as much of the whole truth as they possibly can.

The passage about the Crossroads massacre which Davis and Marcus accuse Jeffery of omitting is in fact reproduced, virtually verbatim, on page 43 of her report.

The opinion surveys to which Davis and Marcus refer were not conducted by the Institute of Race Relations, as they suggest, but by a professional market research organisation commissioned by us to conduct the survey.

Jeffery points out that the HRC, Amnesty, and the ICJ are "fully justified in recording and criticising crimes committed by members of the IFP or the SAP". She then points out that all three reports ignore, inter alia:

- The ANC's refusal to disband Umkhonto we Sizwe
- The ANC's refusal to surrender its secret arms caches
- The high number of IFP officials and members - now allegedly totalling over 1,000 - killed in recent years.

Davis and Marcus would have us believe that our drawing attention to these omissions is a trivial quibble.

The Davis/Marcus article suggests that the Institute of Race Relations should formulate "constructive suggestions to curb abuse of power by the State". The institute's record in exposing abuses of power by the State over the decades is of course second to none. Our annual surveys - the 56th edition of which is now in preparation - constitute a meticulous, factual and dashing indictment of the apartheid system, unrivalled anywhere.

We have also put a great deal of energy into suggesting how abuses by the State can be stopped.

Last year we helped to promote the ideal of drawing up codes of conduct for the police (and for the rest of us) and the position we take comes as a result of our research.

I have indeed pointed out on a number of occasions that apartheid policies are at the root of violence, but that is very different from saying that the Government's (however appalling its track record) is responsible for all the current violence.

Umkhonto we Sizwe is in America. His column will resume in November.

Only the wilfully blind will take the view that the abuse of power by the State, whether at Biko or anywhere else, is the only cause of violence, or indeed any longer even the major cause.

The physical war in South Africa's black communities is accompanied by a propaganda war waged through the media. Far from being "largely irrelevant and unhelpful in addressing the current problem of violence", the institute is playing a vital role in focusing public attention on aspects of violence that are hidden beneath the disinformation smokescreen.

No problem can begin to be solved unless its causes are fully analysed and understood, not hidden beneath reports which pretend that violence emanates only from one side.

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OPINION

Dr Andries Treurnicht examines what he believes is the root of the violence in SA

Power struggle is the catalyst

JUST before the referendum, I wrote in a newspaper article that "a Yes vote on March 17, nothing could be as awesome as the resistance to Xhosas/ANC hegemony by the numerically superior Zulus who . . . will never accept ANC/SACP rule".

Apart from everything else that has gone wrong since the Yes vote was cast, the core problem — the justling for power in a post-Febuary 1990 South Africa — remains, and this struggle has now become the catalyst for the destructive conflict now enveloping South Africa. It is strange that P.W. de Klerk refuses to acknowledge this fact, and that a state under an ANC government can never survive.

Even liberal whites are having second thoughts about an ANC takeover: the organisation has shown its true colours these past months and confidence in the NP’s new South Africa has understandably taken a dive.

Our economy reflects this lack of faith in the future, despite brave words from our captains of commerce and industry who funded the Yes campaign.

An IBRC survey revealed that only a small percentage of whites are prepared to live under an ANC regime, yet the government guarantees the ANC’s presence at the negotiating table, and pays a heavy price for this in concessions.

Millions of blacks have borne the brunt of ANC coercion, and self-governing and independent states are the victims of the ANC’s march to power. One can thus understand the inability of economic managers to stop the violence consuming our country.

De Klerk talks of federalism as the way to a peaceful, shared South Africa. Others talk of regionalism as a reluctant step to the diversity of peoples in this part of the world. But federalism does not address the core of the dilemma: nationalism and the instinctive desire of people to be with their own. Whether nationalism is seen as a problem or as a solution, it exists to such a degree that people throughout the world are prepared to die for their flag, their language, their culture, their nation. The configuration in Eastern Europe is just one example of this phenomenon.

Unless a final constitutional dispensation addresses the problems of ethnicity and self-determination, it is a waste of time and a recipe for discord. In a federal or regional South Africa, whites will still be unable to rule themselves. Although the proposed regions appear to be democratically elected, entire national lines, whites will have nothing of their own.

The Conservative Party believes in economic independence and political independence, a system similar to the European Community where trade and aid are interchangeable. We cannot, however, subscribe to a policy where the central government has the real power and where regional autonomy is only as autonomous as the central administration permits. This is not independence, and the growing unrest in Europe about subsuming national political and monetary power to a central administration in Brussels is one reason why the Maastricht Treaty could be a "dead letter", as one British journalist put it.

Confederation or a commonwealth of independent sovereign states allows people to govern themselves while interacting with each other within the limits which each one of them has set.

In other words, a Kwazulu or a Bophuthatswana, government within a South African confederation maintains control over its own resources, its schools, its culture, its security forces. If it so desires, it may — in conjunction with other nations in the region — decide to allow matters such as transport, systems, economic concern or foreign affairs to be handled by a central structure which would only function within the parameters allocated by the nation states within the confederation.

The fear of losing one’s power base, of being swamped by another nation, of disappearing from the face of history is perhaps the most important reason why the governments of Kwazulu, Bophuthatswana, Ciskei and QwaQwa have withdrawn from negotiations with the Government.

They see their sovereignty being taken away by virtue of the bilateral and prorogative agreements recently signed by the ANC and the Government, and they have done the most natural thing in the world. They have retreated to their heartlands and have said they will defend their countries. The same sentiments are expressed by white patriots.

Add to this the relentless dishonesty displayed by the National Party over the past years (to their own voters as well as to other political forces) and we have a recipe for conflict.

The Government’s regular capitulations to every ANC demand has not gone unnoticed in Ulundi, Mdantsane and Bizana, and De Klerk’s agreement with the ANC to allow a "democratically elected" constituent assembly to draw up a new constitution and serve as an interim parliament must have been the last straw for those who naively believed he would consult them about a future dispensation.

What must be done now? Every effort must be made to stop the NP/ANC/SACP alliance in its tracks. The De Klerk administration has not only deceived its own supporters but it has deceived those who once voted for "freedom". The writer is leader of the Conservative Party.
Shun racists, Hani tells IFP

Reference to mini-summit between homeland leaders and white right-wingers:

MEMBERS of the Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP) should distance themselves from the warm embrace their leader gave to diehard white racists this week, South African Communist Party secretary-general Mr Chris Hani said yesterday.

Hani was apparently referring to Tuesday’s mini-summit which was attended by the IFP’s Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, Ciskei’s Brigadier Oupa Gqozo, Bophuthatswana’s Chief Lucas Mangope, and right-wing groups including the Conservative Party and the Afrikaner Volksbond.

“Enough is enough. Every decent black person and democrat in our country is nauseated by the depths to which Buthelezi has now plunged himself,” said Hani.

Buthelezi had once presented himself as an anti-apartheid fighter and had even borrowed the colours of the African National Congress for his IFP, he said.

Racist white foremen

Yet, CP leader “Dr Andries Treurnicht represents racist white foremen who daily make the lives of migrant workers a misery. His followers represent the most backward white farmers who oppress farm labourers”, charged Hani.

Whatever the IFP’s differences with the ANC alliance, his relationship with white racists was degrading, said Hani. — Sapa
I’m prepared to take Strydom on anytime and anywhere, says the man who stopped the ‘Wit Wolf’

WHERE’S THE JUSTICE? ... Simon Mukhondeleli, right, the hero who disarmed mass murderer Barend Strydom, left, is bitter because the butcher has not only been freed from prison, allegedly as a political prisoner, but has also been paid a small fortune for his story.

“Strydom took the court that he would kill again, he has repeated the chilling message on his release,” Mukhondeleli said.

“Strydom is proud of killing and people who spoke to him after the massacre said he was capable of doing just that, so why was he released and paid for his story?”

“How many more murderers like him will the press pay in future for maiming blacks at will? Where is justice in this country?” he asked.

Mukhondeleli, who was unarmmed when he stopped Strydom’s killing rampage, has in the past escaped numerous attacks from suspected white rightwingers for his brave act.

Among others, Mukhondeleli was detained by police on a number of occasions for “filmy” charges which failed to hold up in court.

He had his car fired at twice and escaped numerous attempts to kidnap him.

He became an instant celebrity after City Press reported that he had stopped the “Wit Wolf” single-handed and brought the carnage to an end.

It was reported in other papers that police stopped Strydom, until City Press disclosed the identity of the little-known hero.

Mukhondeleli disarmed Strydom after cornering the “laughing” killer inside a store in Pietersloot Street “while police looked on.”

Earlier, before the racist killer was cornered, Mukhondeleli had watched how Strydom had chosen his victims—all blacks—then gunned them down “like dogs” while laughing in their faces.

The shooting spree started at Strijdom Square near the State Theatre in Church Street, then proceeded down Pietersloot Street before Strydom went into a machine shop at the corner of Struben Street.

Mukhondeleli said he poked through a window as Strydom lifted his gun and pointed it at a startled black woman.

“There was an evil smile in his face as he pulled the trigger, but there was a ‘clack’. The gun was empty.”

Mukhondeleli dashed into the shop like a comic-strip super hero as Strydom was about to reload and distracted the killer’s attention.

“I tapped him on the shoulder. Then I said: ‘Sorry baaas, daar nie baaas roep jou.’ I turned and grabbed the gun and pointed it at him.”

“‘He lifted his hands in the air and I searched him. He gave up like a weak cow, without a fight, and proved he was just a freak,’” Mukhondeleli said.

Their second encounter was at the Pretoria Supreme Court in 1989. Strydom and Mukhondeleli stood face to face before Judge Harms.

The killer gave the hero a wry smile as Mukhondeleli told the court how he disarmed him.

Mukhondeleli was praised by Harms for bravery.

Harms said if it was not for Mukhondeleli’s bravery, many more lives would have been lost.

Mukhondeleli received R3,000 from the State “for his act of bravery.”

However, he seemed to have courted the wrath of white racists and some elements of the police.

Now Strydom is out and the challenge is on...

“I will take him on any... anywhere,” Mukhondeleli said.

I’m NO COWAR

By ELIAS MALUKILE

PRETORIA massacre hero Simon Khorombi Mukhondeleli, 36, is no “coward” and has no intention of going into hiding.

He is not scared of “Wit Wolf” Hendrik Barend Strydom, the man who butchered innocent black people in Pretoria in November 1988. Mukhondeleli stopped the “laughing” killer shortly after he had slaughtered seven black people and wounded 15 others. One of the dead was an 80-year-old grandmother.

“I will stand and fight if need be. I am not a coward,” Mukhondeleli said this week.

The plucky hero was reacting to allegations that he was planning to go underground for fear of his life, following the questionable release of the mass murderer last week.

He said he managed to stop the blood-crazed mass killer before, and if Strydom tried in with him, he was going to meet his match.

“I will not stand and watch this time, he will get his just desserts. I will teach him not to fool with Khorombi.”

Mukhondeleli said he has also been in “worse” situations from rightwing elements and certain white policemen who have been harassing and intimidating him since that fateful day when he stopped Strydom’s shooting spree, and there was no way he could go into hiding now.

Since Strydom was released, Mukhondeleli has refused to give press interviews. In this exclusive interview with City Press, the first he said he has given, he disclosed why he did not want to talk to the media.

“Strydom killed people and I stopped his murder spree. I risked my own life in the process, but I knew that if I did not disarm him when the chance came, he could have killed more people.

“However, he has been paid a substantial amount by a newspaper to tell the world why he killed my own people. He is now rich when he did not deserve a penny, and he still says he will kill again.

“But for my own trouble, a so-called hero, I got nothing. I don’t think it is fair that any killer — Strydom in particular — should be rewarded for dastardly acts. It makes crime pay, doesn’t it?”

MURDER

The 36-year-old son of a retired policeman said Strydom should have been hanged shortly after he was convicted, to send the message through to other like-minded people that murder is murder regardless of one’s skin color.
General tells of battle with AWB

The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — A police general gave his men orders to shoot back at Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) members during the Battle of Ventersdorp last year, but said in the Potchefstroom Magistrate’s Court that there was no shooting after he had given the command.

General Adriaan de la Rossa, who co-ordinated the police ground operation during the clash with the AWB on August 27, was giving evidence yesterday at the public violence trial of AWB leader Eugene TerreBlanche and 14 others.

General De la Rossa said he was sent to Ventersdorp to protect President De Klerk who was addressing a meeting, as police had been informed the AWB planned to disrupt the meeting.

General De la Rossa said chaos broke out when teargas was thrown at police and the AWB, led by rightwinger Piet Rudolph, charged the police.

While attending to two policemen wounded during a subsequent shooting, a young constable asked what to do if the AWB opened fire again. General De la Rossa told him to shoot to kill. However, the shooting had already stopped and, not another shot was heard.

General De la Rossa saw khaki-clad men pulling blacks out of a red minibus, which looked as though it had crashed.

He left the scene to warn Mr De Klerk of the battle and advise him to leave the town straight after the meeting.

When he returned to the police station, he saw men breaking the windows of police cars.

Video tapes shown in court showed the minibus and a bakkie carrying a coffin had been riddled with bullets.

Ballistics expert Colonel Andre du Toit said the fire had come from a number of directions. Bullets were also found in the body in the coffin.

The trial continues.
24 die in Natal unrest

DURBAN. — At least 24 people have died violently in Natal since Sunday.

And most of the Local Dispute Resolution Committees in the province have been unable to begin work because the IFP has withdrawn from those in Umlazi, Port Shepstone and Groutville.

The party claims the ANC has a hidden agenda and that IFP supporters were killed while peace structures were in operation.

The ANC has denied the claims, saying its supporters are dying as well.

Meanwhile the toll in Natal mounts.

In the worst attack at the weekend at least nine people died in the ANC-supporting Amagcino township near Umbababa on the South Coast.

Residents yesterday said several hundred attackers invaded the area early on Sunday morning, searching for "comrades" and shooting and hacking those they found.

Police arrested five people after Sunday's killings, and hundreds of Amagcino residents fled the area. More than 30 shacks were destroyed and many others were burned.

In other incidents since Sunday, police reported three killings in Ondolani, outside Wartburg in the Midlands, and three deaths in Umbumbulu, south of Durban.

Four people died in political unrest in KwaManzini, north of Durban, two in clashes between IFP and ANC supporters in the Uganda shack settlement, Umbihi, and one in KwaMakutha, near Amanzimtoti.

One person was killed in Richmond's Ndaleni township in the Midlands, and a person was murdered near Estikwazi on Natal's North Coast.

The South African Council of Churches yesterday condemned the continuing violence in Natal. It said it was still shocked by last week's killing of eight police linked to the IFP. — Sapa

War threat in refugee row

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — IFP national chairman Dr Frank Mdhlalose visited the troubled Phatheni township in Richmond yesterday in an attempt to defuse the situation — and the ANC vowed to "match the war declared by IFP on ANC members in the area by nothing else but war".

An angry ANC Natal Midlands regional secretary Mr Sifiso Nkabinde said: "The IFP people may think they have won the battle, but they must rest assured we will eventually win the war."

Trouble began when the ANC national leadership who had accompanied ANC refugees to Phatheni, left the township. IFP supporters eventually forced the refugees to seek shelter at the local school, where they spent a night before being taken back to Richmond.

A spokesman for the IFP Information Centre, Mr Kim Hodgson, said the organisation was convinced that some of the people who were said to be refugees were not from the area but were trained ANC members.

Government, IFP plan bush summit

THE government is attempting to arrange a bosberaad — bush meeting — with the IFP to discuss differences that have arisen between them.

It hopes the meeting will follow a bosberaad with the ANC scheduled for next month.

Constitutional Development Minister Mr Roelf Meyer, emphasising that it was important to have the IFP on board when multi-party negotiations resume, made the announcement last night.

Mr Meyer said a government delegation would include representatives of the KwaZulu, Ciskei and Bophuthatswana governments on Thursday.

The meeting will be a follow-up to last week's Conference of Concerned South Africans.

At that meeting the conference tabled its reservations over the Record of Understanding signed by President FW de Klerk and Mr Nelson Mandela.

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MPs 'squabble over perks'

By ANTHONY JOHNSON

RUMBLINGS among so-called "brown Nationalists" about the division of spoils in the own affairs Ministers' Council is threatening to break into open revolt.

Disgruntled MPs — said to number about two dozen — are pushing for a special meeting to resolve their differences with Mr Jac Rabie's Ministers' Council and some MPs were hopeful that a meeting could be arranged as early as today.

The clash was summarised by one MP in the House of Representatives as "a squabble involving perks and personalities."

Among the reasons cited for anger among the rebel MPs:

• The failure of the Ministers' Council to make good on promises to MPs when they defected to the NP to look after the needs of their constituencies regarding housing and other services.

• The apparent unwillingness of the entrenched Ministers' Council to consider a system of rotating ministers which would spread the high pension and retirement packages enjoyed by ministers more evenly.

• The manner in which overseas trips for MPs are awarded.

Senior Nationalists yesterday dismissed suggestions that there were various divisions or tensions in the party.
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MP admits he blew up school

By BARRY STREEL

RIGHT-WING MP Mr Koos Botha yesterday rocked Parliament by admitting he blew up a Pretoria school — and then blamed the Conservative Party leadership for inspiring him to violence.

Mr Botha, currently on trial for his involvement in the July 1991 bombing of Hillview School, which was to have housed exiled ANC children, said he had blown up the building to help demonstrate the power of the Afrikaner.

Speaking during the debate on the Further Indemnity Bill, he named CP leader Dr Andries Treurnicht, its deputy leader Dr Ferdi Hartzenberg and its Cape leader Mr Jan Hoon as making speeches that inspired him to violence.

Dr Treurnicht immediately rejected the claims and said it was strange that Mr Botha was the only person among the hundred thousand people at the Voortrekker Monument who took his statement that “the third war of freedom has begun” as a personal instruction to violence.

If Mr Botha was his disciple, he was an undisciplined disciple, who, after his sabotage of the Hillview School, had openly boasted about it.

Mr Botha had conveniently forgotten repeated warnings by the CP leader that individuals should not take the law into their own hands, but should rather resist an unjust government, Dr Treurnicht said.

The CP MP for Roodepoort, Mr Daan du Plessis, said if Mr Botha stopped blaming the party leadership he would find they had sympathy for him.

“Naturally, the third war of freedom has begun, but the fact that I say this here today does not obligate you to go out tomorrow and plant bombs,” Mr Du Plessis said.

The CP MP for Roodepoort, Mr Jurg Prinsloo, said Mr Botha had made one of the most unpatriotic speeches he had heard in Parliament, but the CP MP for Claremont, Mr Jan van Eck, said he had taken a very big step which would contribute to reconciliation in South Africa.

In his speech, Mr Botha said something had built up inside him and he reached his Rubicon of violence when it was announced that the ANC was going to be allowed to use the Hillview School in Pretoria, Afrikaners’ holy of holies.

“For me, the ANC move into Hillview School would have been the Afrikaner’s Waterloo.

“I then blew up Hillview School with explosives in an attempt to help demonstrate the power of the Afrikaner and help show that we are not all traitors and hensappers.”

However, after his arrest, he had received no support from the CP and the party’s leadership had “shamelessly turned their backs”.

“I warn every Afrikaner who might be considering committing political violence. Watch out for leaders who lead you by the nose, talk you into jail or the death cell, and then shamelessly turn their backs on you.

“The CP today openly speaks about making war. I can only hope that CP leaders in future care more for the victims of their talk of violence than they have up to now.”

He stood before Parliament as someone who had committed sabotage and violence, and, along with others, as someone whose entire future would be directly affected by the bill.

The Afrikaner would be stupid if he wanted to engage in violence as a substitute for the intellectual concretisation of his vision of the future.

“We now need freedom fighters with a trowel and a spade in their hands. Let us put away the AK-47s and the R3s and work ourselves free.”

“This Indemnity Bill has served as the watershed moment in the history of our violence. Come let us seize the moment. Let us clean the slate,” Mr Botha said.
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CAPE TOWN - Right-wing MP Koos Botha admitted in Parliament yesterday that he blew up a Pretoria school - and then blamed the CP leadership for inspiring him to violence.

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Botha, in his speech supporting the Bill, said something had built up inside him and he reached his Rubicon of violence when it was announced the ANC would be allowed to use the Hillview School, a cherished place in Afrikanerdom.

Botha said he now believed it would be stupid to engage in violence. "We now need freedom fighters with a trowel and a spade in their hands. Let us put away the AK-47s and the R4s and work ourselves clean."
He doesn’t know his AWB from his ANC

IF you’re in Kliplaat looking for the AWB’s local commander, try the Black Sash office.

Otherwise, he may be at the pool hall, shooting pool with ANC members.

Johannes Jurie Human is no ordinary member of the AWB.

Having drifted into rightwing politics through disillusionment with the "toothless" Nats, he has recently joined an initiative spearheaded by the ANC alliance to save the town of some 3 000 people.

He cheerfully admits that this "toenadering" to the ANC will probably lead to his expulsion from the AWB. For the moment he is still the local commander.

In his home, a full-colour portrait of AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche, encased in a 100-year-old frame, still occupies pride of place above his double bed.

On his lounge wall, there is a framed replica of an R1 rifle.

As recently as a few months ago, he was part of the armed AWB posse who stopped an ANC march in Despatch.

The story of his Damascus-style conversion is full of irony.

He was approached by local leaders of the ANC alliance who wanted the AWB to be part of a community effort to "save Kliplaat from becoming a ghost town".

Spoornet plans to close down its local operation and there are fears this may kill the town, where unemployment already stands at some 70 percent.

He remembers ANC fears: "They were told that if they came to my house they would get a bullet through the head."

But that first meeting was a welcome surprise for him. They found common ground in their concern for their hometown.

Human boasts about taking over the lease and opening the town’s pool hall to all its residents. This is confirmed by a group of ANC/SACP members, who arrive to finalise a deal to shoot pool with him. - Pres
Slipping into anarchy

LLOYD VOGELMAN says the government, by releasing prisoners, has shown that it is insensitive to the fears South Africans experience about crime and violence.

The Department of Correctional Services' announcement that it is to release more non-political prisoners is bewildering. While understanding the need to lessen overcrowding in prisons, the release of more criminals is likely to take South Africa further into the realm of anarchy and brutality.

The release of criminals would be understandable if there was evidence that the incidence of crime was decreasing in South Africa. But the crime statistics for January-May 1992 make sad reading. Compared with the overall figures for 1991, there has been an increase in every major crime with the exception of small decreases in car theft and house-breaking.

According to the figures, we are now averaging 53 murders a day compared with the average 40 murders per day last year. Serious assault and armed robbery have also shown increases. There are, on average, 374 serious assaults and 138 armed robberies a day in South Africa.

Unfortunately these tragic figures do not tell the whole story since thousands of such offenses go unreported.

It is of concern that the Department of Correctional Services can speak with such confidence about its success in rehabilitation and its administrative capability of supervising released offenders when its past record and the more recent bungled release of convicted bank robber and murderer, Lucky Malaza, shows the opposite.

Furthermore, even if the Department of Correctional Services' dubious claims that it has an 88 percent success rate in rehabilitation are correct, the effect of the release of these prisoners conveys a number of disturbing and destructive messages to South Africans.

The first is that the government is insensitive to the daily fears that South Africans experience about crime and violence. Given the incidence of crime and the furor over the release of criminals in 1991, it is incomprehensible that the government permits the further release of individuals who have in some way damaged the lives of other South Africans.

The second is that it conveys to the victims of crime in South Africa that the trauma of their experience is not taken seriously. Victimisation involves loss, either physically or psychologically. Given the absence of any substantial programmes of victim aid in South Africa, victims of crime are mostly expected to cope with their sadness, fear, loss of dignity and the financial cost of crime by themselves.

The one sphere that victims of crime have come to partly rely on the government for is retribution. The early release of prisoners negates this. It says to the victim that his or her offender only has to suffer limited negative consequences for the trauma and pain for which he or she is responsible.

Furthermore, it encourages the perception that the only means to satisfactorily obtain justice is to do it informally outside the criminal justice system. In so doing, we create a cycle of informal retribution and revenge that is difficult to control and contain.

Third, the release of prisoners undermines the morale of law enforcement and criminal justice agencies. The arrest and conviction of any offender takes a great deal of time and effort. The early release of prisoners inevitably raises the question in the minds of such officials as to what the purpose of their work is. There are already serious problems with policing in South Africa.

Reduction in morale will further hamper police efforts in reducing crime and amplify the daily criticisms levelled at the police.

Finally, the early release of prisoners informs potential criminals that the consequences of any offence need not be too deleterious. Given the fact that a primary deterrent of crime is the possibility of imprisonment, the early release of prisoners can serve only to heighten the incidence of violence and crime in South Africa.

If there is to be any reduction in crime, not only are we in need of democratic political solutions, socio-economic development, a co-ordinated anti-crime programme and a better trained, non-partisan and community-oriented police force, but also a social system which breaks the confidence of criminals and potential offenders and indicates to the survivors of crime that they have not been forgotten.

© Lloyd Vogelman is the director of the Project for the Study of Violence at the University of the Witwatersrand.
Guards charged
with murder

 Pretoria 27/10/92

 ■ Fidelity Guards in court over
 "killing" black colleague.

 THREE white former Fidelity Guard
 security officers appeared in the Springs
 Circuit Court yesterday charged with
 murdering their black colleague.

 Mr Willem Oosthuizen (36), Mr Johan
 van Eijk (37) and Mr Hendrik Gerber (42)
 appeared before Mr Justice R Schutz on a
 charge of murdering Mr Samuel
 Kwanakga (23), a security guard with the
 company at the time of his death in May
 last year.

 According to the indictment, the three
 men took Kwanakga to an old mining
dump in Benoni on the East Rand on May
 21 last year, questioned him at length and
 tortured him over the disappearance of
 about R60 000 from the firm's offices in
 Hillbrow, Johannesburg.

 The three men later allegedly hanged
 Kwanakga (apparently by his feet) on a
 tree and "made fire under his head".

 They also covered his head with a bag
 and used a "so-called shock machine" in
 an attempt to extract information from
 him, the State alleges.

 Kwanakga's body was found near a
 mine dump three days later after a search
 initiated by his union officials following
 reports that he was missing. It was indi-
 cated and without hands.
AWB on the march in Free State

Armed patrols to help besieged border farmers

ANDRE JURGENS
The Argus Correspondent
JUBUTANA — Natal’s Scissors Weerstandsbestand Weerstandsbestand (AWB)ıyor a farm in the eastern Free State at the weekend in a show of force and solidarity with farmers hit by drought, a wave of stock theft and attacks.

The right-wing organisation has set up military-style bases around the country to “monitor” what is happening on the borders of their fatherland, which they believe belongs to the Boer nation.

They say that if “outsider” groups like the United Nations are allowed to remain part of the country, the AWB reserves the right to do the same.

A new team visited one of the farms, on a farm near the Letsibotho border, where hundreds of white farmers have farmed for generations.

They arrived in convoy along rugged dirt roads and are now guarding the farm of a white farmer. The farmer’s house is surrounded by a chain-link fence.

One of the bumper stickers read: “Free the rhino — save the white on.”

The farmers are worried about falling off the fence.

The farmers are told to be on the lookout for the AWB’s “Stooges”. Some of them have been seen fishing on the farm.

The AWB also warned that if they are caught fishing on the farm, they will be shot.

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PRETORIA. — The AWB was trying to "gain political benefit or create a political embarrassment" by serving a subpoena on President F W de Klerk to testify for the defence in the public violence trial against its leader and 14 other rightwingers.

This was argued by advocate Mr Sam Maritz, SC, before Mr Justice WJ van der Merwe in the Pretoria Supreme Court yesterday.

The criminal trial stems from AWB members' disruption of a public meeting addressed by Mr De Klerk in Venterdorp last August. Three right-wingers died in subsequent scuffles with police.

Yesterday Mr Maritz argued the subpoena served on Mr De Klerk by several of the accused should be set aside. He submitted that it was an abuse of the process of law and Mr De Klerk could not possibly make a meaningful contribution to the trial.

Earlier this month, Mr de Klerk's attorney requested details from the respondents on the nature of the evidence required.

The only reply they received was a letter by advocate Mr G Botha, saying that he could give the assurance that the president was a vital witness for his clients' case.

The Supreme Court has not yet made its ruling. — Sapa
Subpoena for FW set aside

PRETORIA. — A subpoena compelling State President Mr F.W de Klerk to testify for the defence in a public violence trial of 15 rightwingers was set aside by the Supreme Court here yesterday.

Mr De Klerk had been called to testify on November 2 at the Potchefstroom Regional Court trial of Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging leader Mr Eugene Terre’blanche and 14 others.

The criminal trial stems from AWB members’ attempts to disrupt a National Party meeting addressed by Mr De Klerk in Venterdorp last August.

Mr Sam Maritz, SC, for Mr De Klerk, who applied for an urgent court order setting aside the subpoena, on Thursday argued that the AWB was trying to gain political benefit or create a political embarrassment by serving the subpoena on Mr De Klerk. He said the subpoena was an abuse of the process of law.

Mr B Gouws, for the respondents, said it was important that the impression should not be created that the accused were deprived of their right to a proper defence.

Mr Justice WJ van der Merwe found Mr De Klerk could not contribute to the defence of the rightwingers. — Sapa
AFFORDABLE .. Joas Mogale, f.f.t, Phillip van den Heever and Peter Vundla at the launch.

Low-cost housing scheme kicks off

By JETHRO SEREISHO

A BANKING executive told this week of his shock at the poor workmanship of houses built for an Orange Farm squatter camp housing exhibition seven months ago.

Future Bank general marketing manager Phillip van den Heever was addressing an affordable housing media launch by his bank in Johannesburg.

"Those houses were built by different contractors during the house show, but after only seven months, were already falling apart.

"Low cost should not necessarily mean low quality."

The scheme intends covering houses costing up to approximately R12 500, with loans repayable over three years. Loans will be granted without the expense of mortgage bond registration, but long-term tenure over the site will be mandatory.

"It is becoming increasingly obvious that the availability of finance, rather than the actual supply of land, is the major obstacle facing the current housing crisis.

"Our scheme is designed to provide these funds to employees, without calling for exorbitant guarantees from employers," Van den Heever said.

He added the housing shortage was in the region of two to three million homes. It appeared that many people currently living in shacks were perfectly capable of meeting reasonable monthly instalment.

"Extensive research, both locally and internationally, has shown that long repayment periods are inappropriate for the low-income sector and that it is more important to provide a revolving facility for the upgrading of accommodation.

"Our plan caters for this admirably, as the facility can be "rolled" after three years to enable the employee to expand his basic home," Van den Heever said.
Goldstone closes Boipatong inquiry

THE inquiry into the Boipatong massacre was declared closed by Judge R Goldstone on Friday, but could be reopened if the analysis of erased police tapes warranted such a move.

The tapes, which contained information relevant to events of the evening of June 17, were submitted to British government experts for analysis after the information was taped over by the Vreëndeling internal stability unit of the SAP.

Closing proceedings, counsel for the commission J J du Toit asked the commission to consider recommending creation of a "crack apprehension squad" which could work closely with the internal stability unit of the SAP in townships. The unit's prime task should be the following up of attacks and the tracing of those responsible while the trial was still fresh.

Meanwhile, Pulp Hattingh SC, representing the SAP, said in closing argument that massacres such as that at Boipatong could not be averted. "It is physically impossible to prevent attacks of this nature taking place. We do not have the manpower and vehicles to patrol every township 24 hours a day," Hattingh argued.

He conceded the police should have taken steps to enter and search KwaMadinha Hostel sooner than they did after the Boipatong massacre. This could have resulted in the arrest of more attackers and seizure of evidence before it was destroyed, he said.

But, he told the commission, entry into the hostel shortly after the massacre would have met with resistance, violence and possible further bloodshed.

Louis Visser SC, representing Inkatha and the KwaZulu government, said in his closing argument on Friday that there had been no evidence that linked his clients to the massacre.

"No evidence has been submitted which in any way justifies allegations of any direct or official complicity in, or planning of, the attack on the residents of Boipatong by either the KwaZulu government or Inkatha," Visser said.

Although evidence showed residents of the KwaMadinha Hostel had perpetrated the attack, "the fact that someone is a Zulu and lives in KwaMadinha does not necessarily mean he is a member of Inkatha".

Visser told Goldstone the criminal trial which would follow in the near future would probably show the massacre was not preceded by a carefully considered, politically motivated plan.

SADF senior counsel Anton Mostert SC argued that the two SADF units in the area on the night of the massacre had conducted themselves properly.

R8,7m passed for hostels in Transvaal

PRETORIA — An amount of R8,7m had been voted from the R198,6m made available by government to the TPA for the improvement of 92 hostels in the Transvaal, planning and development MEC John Mavuso said at the weekend.

It had been agreed that at 12 out of 14 towns in the eastern Transvaal, hostel accommodation should mainly be converted into family units.

Mavuso said cooperation between inter-

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Negotiations were in progress at a further 46 hostels on the process of upgrading and/or conversion.

Mavuso said in nine other cases, efforts were being made to identify all interested parties and to urge them to negotiate.

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Bonds for Tsakane

STANDARD Bank has allocated 70 bonds to interested, prospective and qualifying people to purchase houses in Tsakane Extension 5, the FHA homes development has announced.

The FHA has given buyers a wide choice of attractive and functional designs and in the past three years has developed 1100 sites of which 560 have been sold.

FHA sales manager Mr Willie Clegg said Tsakane had been made attractive by its proximity to industrial areas such as Brakpan, Springs, Nigel and Benoni and the local hospital and police station.
THE SOUTH AFRICAN HOUSING Trust has built more than 9,500 homes for disadvantaged families in the lower-income sector this year.

In its annual report, the trust says this created some 8,000 jobs in the construction industry.

The report says over the five-and-half years since inception, an aggregate of 38,000 houses were constructed, via private sector contractors, while 48,000 stands were serviced by the development division of the trust.

Through the retail lending operations of Khayalethu Home Loans Pty Limited, some 600 new loans - with an average value of R29,000 - were granted during the year, bringing the total number of clients at the end of the year to 26,000.

Although the volume of serviced stands sold during the year was lower than that of the previous year, a surplus of R609,000 was recorded in both its development and retail lending operations after making adequate provisions for doubtful debts and potential losses.

Acting chairman Mr J M Kaka said: "A key factor which underpinned our achievements has been the leadership and guidance provided by our previous chairman, the late Dr Simon Brand."

During the past year, activity in the housing sector, with particular reference to the lower-income segment of the market, declined further.

Given the high population growth, increased urbanisation as a result of the drought and the already immense housing backlog, it was apparent that every effort would have to be made to ensure that development was sustained.

"The experience of housing in the low-income segment of the market, vested in the staff of our organisation and others, must be retained as far as is practically and financially possible to ensure that the future of South Africa can rise from a sound and sustainable base."

He said the absence of a broadly accepted national housing policy and strategy, together with the continued lack of co-ordination and synchronisation between all levels of development planning, remained a matter of national concern.
Stand owners fight for their rights

By Joshua Raboroko

THE newly-formed Evaton Stand Owners Working Committee has met officials of the TPA to discuss various problems, including the expropriation of their properties by the authorities.

Leader of the committee Reverend Lord McCamel highlighted the plight of the property owners and said their rights had been eroded by the now-defunct local authorities.

He said they were concerned about the payment of rates and taxes as well as arrears.

Property owners needed clarification regarding the role of the new administrator in Evaton following the dissolution of the town council.

The administrator Mr D McLean said ratepayers should dispel fears that Evaton was being “swallowed” by the authorities, especially in view of the fact that the township would be administered by the Meyerton Town Council.

He added: "There is a possibility of joint administration between the two councils early in 1993 and this may be the opportune time of getting into grips with the affairs of Evaton."

He promised to keep the stand owners informed about their status as well as any project the council would embark on.

The council would provide services such as building roads, installing electricity, water and sewerage and improve recreational facilities in the township.

However, he warned stand-owners to meet their obligations by way of paying for the services, adding, failure to do so might result in the council stopping the facilities.

He explained that failure to pay often resulted in the expropriation of properties in accordance with the prescribed legal actions.

The council had not expropriated land from the owners, and instead the land had been sub-divided and sold on freehold basis to the residents.

McCamel promised to convene a meeting of residents at his church on November 29.
Development of Oukasie is taking shape

200 plots handed over to residents.

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The much-awaited R10 million upgrading of Oukasie township near Brits has started.

Marking the development of the township, a fully fledged urban area was the handing over of 200 residential plots with metered water and toilets with water-closet systems at the weekend.

Oukasie, which was earlier threatened with forced removal, was reprieved by the Government after the local community resisted the move to Lethlabile township 25 kilometres outside Brits.

The upgrading of the area is intended to be carried out in seven phases until all the people who have been living in backyards are accommodated in the new area.

According to Mr Levy Mamabolo, chairman of the Oukasie Development Project, residents in the newly developed area will pay a flat rate of R25 until the upgrading project is complete.

These people will put up their own structures while negotiations continued to help them acquire affordable housing schemes.

Included in the budget for the new area are gravel and tarred roads and primary and secondary schools. Electricity will be installed over a five-year period.
A Pretoria polling station was razed yesterday, possibly caused by a brick bomb. Police have yet to establish its cause.

The Pretoria police said yesterday: "We cannot rule out a political motive at this stage."

"A large brick bomb was thrown through the window of a Pretoria polling station," the police said.

The police also confirmed that a man had been arrested yesterday.

A man was detained yesterday in a Pretoria polling station.

"A man was detained in a Pretoria polling station yesterday," the police said.

"A man was detained in a Pretoria polling station before DP rally."
Strydom issues ultimatum

PRETORIA.—Wit Wolwe leader and mass murderer Barend Hendri Strydom has released a document threatening “action” unless the government negotiates a range of demands with the rightwing organisation.

He released the document last night to journalists on Strydom Square, Pretoria, where he shot dead six blacks and an Indian man almost four years ago.

The government recently released the convicted murderer, sentenced to hang after he had given an undertaking that he would not repeat his actions.

The document, bearing a Wit Wolwe letterhead, said the organisation expected a written reply to its demand for a meeting with the “illegal government” to “negotiate the achievement of our demands”.

“Otherwise, the government would leave us with no choice but to follow up with an action within 30 days after the delivery of the demands.”

Strydom would not explain what he meant with “action”.

Among the demands are the restoration of the Boer Republics and the acceptance of God as the only God.

The Wit Wolwe also demanded that the taxation of petrol be dropped immediately.

Immigration should be stopped and “foreigners” such as ANC president Mr Nelson Mandela and SA Communist Party chairman Mr Joe Slovo should be deported, the document said.

Strydom had set up the meeting by telephone and appeared out of the darkness to hand over the document to journalists.
ANC, DP concerned over Wit Wolf threat

OWN CORRESPONDENT

DURBAN. — The ANC and the DP have expressed serious concern that Wit Wolf mass murderer Barend Strydom — recently released in the interests of “national reconciliation” — may again resort to violence.

On Monday night Strydom, convicted in 1988 for the murder of seven people in a shooting spree, threatened to take “action” if demands made by his extreme right-wing organisation were not met.

The ANC said in a statement yesterday: “What adds to our outrage and concern is that Strydom made these statements at Strydom Square, where he killed so many in cold blood. Clearly it is not at all certain that Strydom will not kill again.”

DP justice spokesman Mr Mahmoud Rajab said: “It is debatable that prison has reformed Strydom’s attitude to violence, as the political demands he is now making amount to thinly-disguised threats of violence.

“This fiasco underscores the DP’s opposition to random, and now secret, indemnification of persons guilty of heinous crimes, misrepresented as political acts.”

Strydom did not explain what he meant by “action”, but among his demands were the restoration of Boer republics.

A Department of Correctional Services spokesman said Strydom had not broken his parole conditions by releasing the document.
10 companies go bust
every working day

POLITICS

Business bid to ease Natal crisis

BUSINESS had become involved in negotiations with the ANC and Inkatha in a desperate bid to find solutions to the deepening crisis in Natal, an ANC official said yesterday.

ANC southern Natal official Bheke Cele said ANC regional leaders, Inkatha, and business representatives were engaged in low-profile negotiations aimed at removing obstacles to a meeting between ANC president Nelson Mandela and Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

Cele said the ANC's three Natal regions were opposed to a Mandela-Buthelezi meeting until the resolution of certain problems, including the ban on ANC members using school buildings in KwaZulu-controlled areas for political meetings, and the withdrawal of Inkatha from several local dispute resolution committees.

Natal-KwaZulu regional dispute resolution committee chairman M C Pretorius refused to comment on the business/ANC/Inkatha negotiations. He said the talks were delicate and that comment could jeopardise the process.

Meanwhile, "last night's" meeting of the national peace committee's executive was postponed until tomorrow because ANC officials could not attend as they were travelling to Natal to work on defusing tensions.

Our political staff reports that hundreds of Natal servicemen are being called up to help stem the violence ravaging the province.

The army said yesterday Natal citizen force and commando units would have to be called up to supplement troops being transferred to the province from other areas.

President F W de Klerk promised last week that the number of troops deployed in the province in support of the SAP would be doubled by tomorrow.

Commenting on the decision to deploy more troops, ANC spokesman Carl Niehaus, said the ANC had "grave concerns . . . in light of President de Klerk's statement that one of the specific duties would be to halt down MK people."

Inkatha spokesman Kim Hodgson welcomed the move and said the organisation had called for this step several months ago.

Meanwhile, Sapa reports that Inkatha is to ask the Goldstone commission to investigate the role of the ANC armed wing in attacks on the mainly Zulu party.

Hodgson said: "Inkatha would also ask the commission to investigate MK arms caches. We are convinced that such arms, ammunition and explosive devices are being used by the ANC in its military operations."

Strydom's actions do not defy parale conditions

"WIT Wolf" Berend Stry-
dom's issuing of a list of political demands in Pretoria's Strijdom Square - where he gunned down seven people in 1989 - did not contravene his parole conditions, the Correctional Services Department said yesterday.

Strydom said on Monday night that the "illegal government should resign and meet him within 30 days or face "action."

A Correctional Services spokesman said the mass murderer's parole conditions did not prevent him making news statements. The threat of "action" did not necessarily imply force or the commission of any crime, the spokesman said.

However, the ANC yesterday called on government to take the necessary steps to prevent Strydom from killing again.

Strydom issued a six-page document to journalists in Strijdom Square on Monday night, stating that the Wit Wolf's organisation expected a written reply to its demand to meet the "illegale government" to negotiate "the achievement of our demands."

The ANC said in a statement that it had been government's decision to accept that Strydom's "heinous crimes" were committed in defence of apartheid and fell within their definition of legitimate political acts.

"Having done so, the government will also have to accept full responsibility for any future atrocities Strydom might commit," the ANC said.

The DP said: "This fiasco underscores the DP's opposition to random, and now secret, indemnification of persons guilty of heinous crimes, misrepresented as political acts."

HOW MUCH
Vlok and 'Wit Wolf' Strydom to meet today

Political Staff

JOHANNESBURG. — Mass murderer and 'Wit Wolf' leader Barend Strydom, who was released on parole last month, has been summoned to a meeting with Correctional Services Minister Adriaan Vlok in Pretoria today.

News of the meeting drew immediate condemnation from Democratic Party leader Dr Zac de Beer, who said: "I have received messages of shock because Minister Vlok is seeing Strydom, apparently at the minister's suggestion".

Dr De Beer said the DP regarded Strydom as a man who perpetrated a particularly horrifying crime.

"We have been deeply perturbed by truculent statements that Strydom has issued since his release. It is astounding that a minister should dignify him in this way."

The ANC reiterated its concern about the freeing of Strydom and said that the government must bear responsibility for anything he might do.

Lawyers for Human Rights director Brian Currie responded more warily, saying that if the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the conditions of Strydom's parole, then it was to be welcomed.

The meeting comes only days after Strydom threatened unspecified "action" if the government did not meet a list of demands, including the reconstitution of the Boer Republics and the "deportation" of ANC president Nelson Mandela.

Described by observers as bizarre, the demands also included dropping tax on petrol.

In a briefing in Pretoria yesterday, Law and Order Minister Hermus Kriel said parole conditions might be tightened and rejected allegations that the release of Strydom had been a "mistake".

"I think our decision to release Strydom was the correct one."
Did you know that the CIA assassinated Charles de Gaulle and President Abdul Nasser and killed Hendrik Verwoerd? That PW Botha is a Freemason? That the Rand Afrikaans University promotes communism?

Racist mass murderer Barend Strydom thinks so — and makes it clear in a series of chillingly off-the-wall letters written in the run-up to his 1986 killing spree in central Pretoria, copies of which are in the possession of The Weekly Mail.

Numbering more than 100, and directed at targets as diverse as Ronald Reagan (spelt "Reagun"), the Kremlin, the South African Publications Board and the "Minister of Indians", the letters provide clues to the peculiar brand of fanaticism that made Strydom kill and this week demand the deportation of African National Congress president Nelson Mandela and South African Communist Party chairman Joe Slovo.

Written from Poobus 1216, Nigel in a childlike scrawl, and ending with the salutation "Boere groete", the letters suggest a man radically out of touch with reality. After his highly controversial release from prison last month, top criminologist Irma Labuschagne said he was "one of the least dangerous men on the planet".

In one of the letters in Afrikaans to the Kremlin, he tells the "Moscow Communist Party" that the Boers are tired of them trying to take over the ZAR (the old Transvaal Republic) for their "Satanic purposes". He also asks why only the "Jewish church" has freedom in communist states.

"The Boer people are now tired of your sick intimidation," he warns.

Reagan is asked for help in fighting to the death "the capitalist under Rockefeller and the communists" because both the CIA and the KGB want to see Christians destroyed.

In other letters:

- Former president PW Botha is accused of freemasonry, and the Freemasons of "murdering people to protect their secrets".

- Hotel magnate Sol Keizer is accused of "being busy with the
AWB cashes in on squatters

By JAN TALJAARD

AFRIKANER Weerstandsbeweging leader Eugene Terre'Blanche has a novel way of solving the AWB's financial problems—he has demanded a cut of money paid to a Krugersdorp businessman for the expropriation of the Swanieville squatter camp.

Terre'Blanche could not be reached for comment this week, but highly reliable sources say the AWB leader brought emotional pressure on Sarel Swanepeel, the former Swanieville landlord, by reminding him of the AWB's role in precipitating the expropriation.

Swanepeel was earlier this year awarded a substantial expropriation settlement—believed to be in excess of R4 million—by the Transvaal Provincial Administration after calling in the AWB to remove the squatters from his property.

The AWB is understood to be in serious financial trouble after a series of legal actions against it. The businessman is said to have donated enough money to cover current legal costs incurred by the AWB.
Wit Wolf gets his tail clipped

PRETORIA — Wit Wolf, Berend Strydom, and his "tail feathers" clipped by Correctional Services Minister Mr. Adrian Vlok, in an hour-long meeting in Pretoria yesterday.

In a statement issued after the meeting, Mr. Vlok said he had told Strydom his recent "actions and statements" did not contribute to the process of peace and reconciliation.

Mr. Vlok summoned Strydom for the meeting after the Wit Wolf had held a press conference at the scene of his 1988 massacre, Strijdom Square in Pretoria, demanding that the government resign, that ANC President Mr. Nelson Mandela be deported, and that the Boer Republic be reconstituted.
Racist Killer StISODE GIVES THE GOVERNMENT 30 DAYS OR ELSE...
White racists attack Benoni’s streetkids

BY MONWABISI NOMALJOLO

DESTITUTE streetkids roaming Benoni on the East Rand allege that there was a “clean-up operation” launched by suspected white racketeers who randomly attacked them in the city.

The youths said they have been accused of killing a white child who was found five months ago near Northmead, and further accused of snatching bags from white women.

The claims follow the brutal death of a runaway boy: 11-year-old Sipho Nkosi, who was severely assaulted and later thrown into a Benoni dam on September 29.

In July, the body of another street kid, known as Oupa, was found in a drainage pipe. He had been shot in the back of his head.

Police spokesman Lt J. Smith confirmed Nkosi’s death, adding that no arrests had been made.

Most of the kids have become victims of indiscriminate attacks allegedly by whites who do not want them in the area.

A centre for street children called Kienfontein Children’s Home, just outside Benoni, was opened three weeks ago to accommodate the destitute and homeless youths.

Director of the centre, Stephen van Steenbergen, confirmed that the children were victims of constant racial attacks.

Frightened child... Twelve-year-old Xolane Nhuloe points to the spot where the body of Sipho Nkosi was found.

Teens chased, beaten, drowned

Van Steenbergen said the attacks intensified following the death of a white child whose body was found at the same place where Nkosi was attacked and thrown into the dam. Nkosi’s friend Eric Nhuloe told City Press of agonizing screams and a plea for help on the night his friend was attacked.

Nhuloe said he and his friends, including Nkosi, were on their way to a tent at the children welfare centre where they were staying. It was shortly after midnight.

He said they were being followed by a Ford Laser all the time. But just as they were nearing the dam, the car, with four white men inside, cut them off.

“They then came out of the car armed with batons and we realized they were going to beat us,” Nhuloe said.

“We ran away, splitting into two groups. We ran in the direction of the city while Nkosi and others ran in another direction,” Nhuloe said.

A distance away he could hear his friend screaming but was too afraid to go near the scene, he said.

They then went to sleep at the tent for the night without Nkosi.

The next morning the boys went back to the scene of the beatings and got a shock of their lives—their friend’s battered body was floating in the water.

Police said the cause of death was unknown.

“The boys said they knew the men who chased them that night. Four men were subsequently arrested but later released because they had alibis,” Van Steenbergen said.

However, the boys insisted this week that they were certain about the identity of the men.

Another youth, Youngz Bafebe, told City Press that the day before Nkosi died, he was assaulted by another white man driving a Combi in the city,
AWB lashes CP over secret programme

PRETORIA. — The AWB yesterday criticised the CP's decision to launch a secret "mobilisation for freedom" programme and accused the party of entering territory already occupied by the AWB.

AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche warned the decision could mark the end of the CP.

The CP announced the move at its Free State congress on Wednesday, saying the programme would avoid violence if possible, but violence could not be discounted.

Said Mr Terre'Blanche: "The AWB will not allow its commandos, already numbering more than 33,000 men, to be misused in CP actions though party-political lies."

He said the CP had failed in the political arena. It had failed to take the advice of the AWB to force a general election by resigning en masse from Parliament. — Sapa
Karoo town sees ‘scare tactics’ against ANC members

By Diane Coetzee

The community of Murraysburg, a small town deep in the heart of the Karoo, is under siege. Workers in the local advice office say apartheid is more alive than ever in the town and that ANC members are victimised.

Their isolation from any major city only compounds the situation, they say.

Murraysburg, which has 5 000 residents, is 100km from Graaff-Reinet and 158km from Beaufort West.

Police accused

Advice officer worker Mr Mbulelo Olifant told SOUTH the police were primarily to blame for acts of intimidation and indiscriminate harassment, particularly a Warrant Officer Van Eck.

Allegations include:

• On August 8, Mr Freddy Bonjala, 82, was assaulted by WO Van Eck for allegedly urinating in public. Charges against Bonjala have been withdrawn.

• This year five comrades from the town of Richmond who attended a workshop on Aids in Murraysburg were assaulted by five SAP officers — WO Van Eck, Constable Blom, Constable Fourie, Sergeant Viljoen and Constable April. The comrades, — Mr Zamile Boniile, Mr Johnus Lumkwan, Mr Kenana Ndala, Mr Norman Motswana and Mr Jeffry Njinini — were returning from the conference when they were allegedly stopped by the policemen who asked to search the car and then assaulted them.

• A 56-year-old man, Mr Preck Festus, was assaulted by a Mr Benina Du Toit, allegedly because Festus did not want to work for him any longer. Charges have been laid against Du Toit, but the advice office claims that no follow-up work has been done.

Olifant said the people experiencing repression were ANC members.

"I think this is part of an attempt by the National Party to scare people into joining the party as the ANC has the majority of support in the town and the NP is trying to recruit members."

"Nothing has changed in this town since the end of apartheid," said Olifant.

"People still get called kaffirs and homos. We cannot defend ourselves against this abuse as the police are on the side of the whites."

"We sometimes wonder why our leaders signed the National Peace Accord because what is happening in our community is proof that what is written is just words."

The community is also under siege economically.

Olifant said 95 percent of people were unemployed and only managed to scrape together enough money for food by doing seasonal piece-work on farms or gardening.

R30 a month

Domestic workers were also suffering in a town where their average wage is R30 a month.

He alleged that shopkeepers exploited the community by charging high prices for food.

But he said that in general it was difficult to organise workers as many were scared of the consequences.

The SAP at Murraysburg were supplied with details of the workers’ allegations. They had not replied by the time of going to press.
Wit Wolf remains undercover

By JOHAN RETIEF

WIT Wolf leader and convicted mass murderer Berend Strydom this week refused to discuss what action he might take should the government not comply with his demands, contrary to the promise he made. City Press last week.

"I shall however talk to City Press immediately after I have delivered my demands to the office of the State President two weeks from now," he said.

"As he was asked about last week's discussion between him and Correctional Services Minister Adriaan Vlok, Strydom said some of his demands were discussed, but Vlok earlier this week denied this."
PRETORIA — A rightwing group calling itself the Boere Republickeins Leer has claimed responsibility for the Saturday bomb blast in Pretoria in which a 37-year-old man was slightly injured.

A spokesman said in a telephone call to the SABC yesterday the explosion was a warning to the African National Congress and other leftwing groups to stop attacking elderly people.

Mr. April Motsweni's arm was injured in the explosion, which shattered windows in buildings.

Police said they had no knowledge of the existence of the Boere Republickeins Leer (Afrikaner Republican Army). The group warned that it would plant more bombs — Sapa.
PRETORIA. — A right-wing group calling itself the Boere Republikeinse Leer has claimed responsibility for the Saturday bomb blast here that slightly injured a 35-year-old man.

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Police said they had no knowledge of the Boere Republikeinse Leer (Boer Republican Army).

A police spokesman said the device went off in a rubbish bin outside the Transvaal Provincial Administration’s Blood Street workshop.

Mr April Motsweni, a passerby, suffered abrasions to his arms when the device exploded at 2.11pm. The blast also shattered windows in nearby buildings.
FOUR white men masquerading as policemen plundered a Soweto house, phoned 087 sex lines, drank the family's liquor and looted a spaza shop before making off with R4 500 in cash.

The men also allegedly damaged the family's BMW car before towing it away.

Mrs Sarah Dlamini, a 63-year-old Jabulani pensioner and owner of the house, said four white men brandishing firearms raided her home about 2pm on Saturday.

Dlamini said the men demanded to "see papers for the car". She said they then went outside and scraped the car with a screwdriver.

"They said the car was stolen. We gave them documents as proof that the car was not stolen, but they threw them away.

"We phoned the police at Jabulani. About four black policemen arrived and an altercation ensued. The white policemen spurred them, calling them kaffirs," she said.

Dlamini also alleged the men took R3 000 from the till and R1 500 from her daughter's purse.

Dlamini's son, Fanyana (25), went to identify the car at Jabulani police station. He said at least a battery, engine top, injectors, a radiator, spare wheel, tape recorder and speakers had been removed.

Police spokesman Captain Eugene Henning said the incident would be investigated once a charge had been laid.

He said the car was suspected to have been stolen.
Owners of club get threats

By Isaac Moledi

THE owners of La Rosa Country Club in Zuurbekom near Westonaria live in fear of their lives after an anonymous phone call warning them of an imminent attack if they continued running their business.

Two former exiles, Mr Abia Molaba and Mr Tshediso Mokhoanatje, together with Mr Thabo Mokone, who has been operating the club since December 1991, now say they can no longer continue the business.

He said the caller wanted them to close down because the business was patronised by renegades, particularly armed members of Umkhonto we Sizwe.

Mokone said on November 8, six men, two white and four black, came to their club driving a white Monza and demanded to search the place.
No arrest yet in shooting of schoolgirl, 13

By Justin Pearce

THE MAN who allegedly shot 13-year-old Jolene Peterson of Villiersdorp has still not been arrested, more than six weeks after the incident occurred.

This is despite fact that the farmer who allegedly fired the shot was recognised and identified by Jolene at the time of the shooting on October 4.

Jolene was shot behind the ear while she was taking a short cut through a field.

Police spokesperson Major Hendrick Opperman said the investigation was complete. The findings were sent on Tuesday to the senior state prosecutor who will refer the matter to the Attorney General for a decision whether to arrest the suspect.

Opperman said that this unusual procedure was necessary because it was "a very sensitive case" owing to the amount of publicity given to it.

Activists in Villiersdorp have claimed the police had deliberately tried to forestall an arrest.

Villiersdorp ANC chairperson Mr Thomas Jansen said he enquired two weeks ago about the progress of the investigation and police told him the matter had been referred to the Attorney General.

This is in contradiction to Opperman's statement.

Jolene has experienced continuous pain since the shooting, which severed a nerve.

Doctors have not yet removed the shot, which is lodged next to her tongue, for fear of causing further tissue damage.
**news in brief**

**AWB threatens Mandela**

If an ANC government confiscated land from white farmers, meddled with white pensions, nationalised banks and other institutions and did not deliver promised fruits to its followers, Mr Nelson Mandela would be the first to be necklaced.

This was said by AWB leader Eugene Terre’Blanche in an address to several hundred supporters at a public meeting in the Durban City Hall on Tuesday night.

He also said his organisation would never accept an ANC government and reiterated his willingness to declare war should “bore” land be touched.

**Pitiful drought relief aid**

The government has allocated R2.3 million for drought relief in South Africa - but Operation Hunger says the grant will not last four months.

The organisation also noted that aid was not reaching remote communities most in need of it. This had resulted in hospitals crowded with children in various stages of malnutrition, especially in Lebowa, Gazankulu and Transkei.

**Distress at Bop march ban**

The SA Council of Churches has voiced its “distress” at the Bophuthatswana government’s banning of a planned march by clerics through the homeland capital Mmabatho today.

“A group of unarmed ministers of religion, in their robes, carrying their Bibles, does not constitute a threat to anyone, including the security of the Bophuthatswana homeland,” the SACC said in a statement.

On Tuesday Bophuthatswana authorities took a hardline stand on the planned march, insisting “no such march will take place.”
You sicken me, Wit Wolf told

"GOD is a white man because the Bible says God blushes and everyone knows a black man can't blush.

The logic would be laughable if it didn't come from the mouth of a soft-spoken mass murderer, a man who shot dead eight people as casually as if he were snuffing out vermin.

Barend Strydom, the grimly killer responsible for the November 1988 Strydom Square massacre, was the guest on John Robbie's talk show on Radio 702 yesterday.

The host experienced no mixed emotions. "You make me sick. I despise you. You're sick in the head," was Robbie's introduction.

"Speaking through an interpreter" in a composed, calm voice, Strydom said he randomly massacred innocent people because of the colour of their skin because it was his "duty. My entire lifestyle revolves around my volk and God."

Did Strydom expect forgiveness from his God?

"I know the commandment 'Thou shalt not kill' is true, but Moses - who wrote the Ten Commandments - killed an Egyptian because he was a member of another race."

Strydom tried to draw a distinction between "normal killing" and politically motivated murders "in times of war". Robbie replied that such reasoning surely justified murders by ANC and PAC members.

"I reject the views of the ANC. No I don't agree with you there."

"We are a chosen people. We are right and the others are wrong. The battle of Blood River showed clearly that God was with us." Later he added: "Blacks are inferior to whites". He also said he viewed himself as totally normal.

Strydom said his murders were committed to demand the reinstatement of "Boer republics". Snorting that Boer republics were a pie-in-the-sky idea of a bunch of crackpots, Robbie said: "You frighten me."

Several times, an incredulous Robbie asked if Strydom honestly believed black people were foreigners, despite history proving South Africa had been inhabited by black people long before Boers arrived.

"History can be adapted and has been adapted to suit what the liberals want people to know," Strydom said. "There have never been blacks in Boer republics except the Matobele who were driven to Zimbabwe by Hendrik Fornberger. Historians are liberals and they use history to prove their own liberal views."

One caller asked what Strydom's reaction would be if he discovered on judgment day that God was in fact black. "God is definitely white. In the Bible this is clearly proven. God blushes and blacks cannot blush," came the deadpan reply.

Two callers supported Strydom and said he deserved a medal for his murdering. One woman said: "I support you fully. Blacks are not the immediate enemy. The British Empire is the enemy. But once we've sorted out blacks we'll get to them."

When told that the British Empire no longer existed, Strydom said money moguls within the British power structure still repressed the Boer nation.

Strydom dismissed as media hype a story which claimed he drove round Pretoria with the decapitated head of a black man in his car.

"That happened when I was still a policeman. I arrived at the scene of an accident and found a man had been decapitated. I took the head back to the office and had photos taken with it. I wanted to write a slogan on the back of the photos and then make copies of them and send them out as a warning to the ANC."

"There was a slogan in the police at the time which went: 'Happiness is 160 confirmed kills'."

"Will you do it again?" was Robbie's final question.

"I support peace and I always have," Strydom told the nonplussed host.
AWB bullies command township security — claim

By Sabeta Neso

AFRICAN security officers employed by Iapa Town Council (ITC), claim that their white commanders are members of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB).

They also claim that the ITC gives firearms only to the white security officers and does not promote African officers.

The security officers say the alleged AWB members are employed to keep them in check.

The claims are made in a memorandum outlining the plight of African security officers. The memorandum was handed to the Cape Provincial Administration (CPA) in Goodwood this week.

The memorandum lists the following “evidence” for the claim that the white employees are members of the AWB:

- They wear rings on their fingers which are engraved with the letters “AWB”;
- They shout slogans such as “Viva AWB, viva”;
- The letters AWB are written prominently on their telephone directory;
- They often display their badges when they are angry and openly declare that they are AWB members.

An African security officer in Nyanga said the white security officers boast that they are AWB members whenever there is a quarrel between white and African security officers.

“A quarrel broke out when he found me lighting a paraffin heater, he kicked it and confiscated it and told me he was an AWB member and took out a badge to show me,” said another.

The white security officers force us to patrol without any firearms to protect ourselves,” an African security officer complained.

Another claim is that the ITC does not promote African security officers to senior positions.

“Some of us have passed standard 10 and have been in junior posts for 9 years,” said an officer.

ITC principal security officer Mr George Olivier refused to comment on the allegations.

CPA regional director Mr Fanie Naudé acknowledged that he had received the memorandum but refused to comment before he had met with the African security officers.

ITC town secretary Mr Deon Adriaanse said the ITC does not keep a record of the political affiliation of its members.

He also denied that the ITC was giving posts to people on the basis of colour.

Adriaanse said the fact that there are people who have been in junior positions for ten years is not new and is “what is happening all over the world.”
WHITE racists are harassing blacks in formerly whites-only areas.

Causing most of the trouble, say black residents, are black-baiting whites — dubbed "the Rhodie (Rhodesia) factor" — who have vowed to drive blacks out.

In Yeoville — ironically an area renowned for tolerance and anti-racism among many whites — the rotten eggs have organised themselves into neo-Nazi groups.

White "skinheads" are running amok in Rockey Street, assaulting mainly blacks at night.

Last Friday, cops were called in to quell an explosive situation in Yeoville involving skinheads.

Police spokesman Maj Henrietta Bester said three youths were detained briefly and later released.

Many black Yeovillites said the attitudes of some whites were shocking.

They spoke of assaults — verbal and physical — by whites who whinged about the "decreasing value of their properties".

Flat-dweller Susan Mazibuko said a self-styled "Wit Wolf" was bullying her. He had even written graffiti deriding her and the kids.
Railway worker shoots three in street

A railway controller fired a pistol from his office window at Germiston station on Tuesday night, wounding three black men walking in the street.

Police said yesterday the gunman started firing from a building in Railway Street, which runs past the station.

Joel Sekgora (23), who was shot in the stomach and thigh, is reported to be in a serious condition in hospital.

Jackie Moss (22) was shot in the shoulder and Ben Molefe in the knee.

A 45-year-old man is expected to appear in court soon. — East Rand Bureau.
Swedes keep silent about charges against rightwinger

By Julianne du Toit

Swedish policemen in South Africa to investigate murder and robbery charges against a Swedish rightwinger refused to divulge their findings when they announced the end of their visit yesterday.

The suspect, John Alexander Ansforsius (30), faces one charge of murder and 10 charges of attempted murder in Sweden. Weapons of South African origin were allegedly used in the crimes.

Ansforsius, who was arrested in Stockholm on June 12, also faces charges in connection with at least 10 bank robberies, chief investigator and State prosecutor Ulf Engberg said.

When Ansforsius was arrested, police found an address book in his possession allegedly containing names and numbers of South African rightwiners.

Ansforsius was in South Africa in 1991 and this year, and left at the end of May. The money he stole was “for the good life in South Africa.”

No finding on Mlangeni’s killer

By Philip Zulu

The Rand Supreme Court was yesterday unable to make a finding on who was responsible for the death of ANC lawyer Bheki Mlangeni (52), who was killed by an explosive device intended for renegade policeman Dirk Coetzee.

“Had the investigating team acted with greater promptness, this may well have led to a different finding,” said Mr Justice Brian O’Donovan.

February 15 last year, when he tried to listen to a tape recording on a Walkman which had been posted, addressed to Coetzee, who was staying in Zambia.

The headphones of the Walkman exploded when the machine was turned on and Mlangeni died of mutilation of the brain.

The judge said the point was taken by counsel for Mlangeni’s family that investigators had been lethargic — they had visited Vlakplas, an uninvolved blonde woman who had been questioned, the judge said.

But he said investigating officer Captain A Kritzinger subsequently spared no effort in trying to assist the court to arrive at the truth.

The judge nevertheless found that no evidence in court could establish the identity of the person who sent the parcel.

“In this respect, the available evidence falls lamentably short of the proof required, even on the basis of mere probability,” the judge said.
ET’s back on the warpath

Addressing a crowd of about 400 people at Nyilstroom on Wednesday night, he told them that the AWB accepted the declaration of war issued by Azanian People’s Liberation Army at King William’s Town.

Referring to “the taunting little round Bushman, Benny Alexander”, Terre’Blanche said: “You have declared war on my people. We accept this declaration of war. We will level you (gelyk blaaus) with the stones.”

Then, to the khaki-clad listeners: “You must clean your rifles, you must get your structures in order. They have declared war. They are definitely coming. The hour is close now.

“Peace is not coming to South Africa. Instead there will be a bloody war the likes of which Africa has never seen, not in the Belgian Congo or Katanga.”

Pronouncing the Boerwolk to be dead and in need of resurrection, Terre’Blanche also stated that a new Day of the Vow is needed as the one entered into by Sarel Cilliers before the Battle of Blood River is not relevant anymore.

“We cannot enter the war without a vow,” he said. (On December 16) I will ask the Lord himself to be the general and you and me the corporals.”

According to him the new vow is in the process of being drawn up by far-right theologians such as AWB “chaplain,” Reverend Coenie Snyman.

Claiming a membership of 34 000 for the AWB’s commandos, Terre’Blanche said they are all being called up to attend the Day of the Vow at the Barnard stadium in Kempton Park.

How many of these “members” will eventually turn up, remains to be seen. Earlier this year Terre’Blanche issued similar “call-up instructions” to every member of the commandos to attend a two-day event at Klerksdorp billed as the “World Congress of the AWB.”

In the end the event, which he dearly wanted to be a show of force, was attended by about 500 uniformed members and an added 300 or so hang-ons. For the upcoming show of force, he seems to be strategically more shrewd. Up to 70 percent of the AWB’s membership may be seated in the large sub-economic class of whites on the East Rand.
Black deaths, white deaths — all are South African deaths

THERE he stood, large as death: white South Africa’s worst nightmare. A black man with a gun, pointing it at people for no fathomable reason other than the pallid colour of their skins. And worse... he grinned before he opened fire, before the grenade he rolled among the innocents ripped their limbs from their bodies.

It has long been a curiosity to the outside world that in the whole history of apartheid, the number of straightforwardly racial black-on-white “revenge” killings has made up but a fraction of the vast national death toll. Whites here have thought about it too, but the fear has been too deep to be spoken. No longer, after King William’s Town.

Now white people, ordinary decent white people, are frightened as never before. Brutal robbery, and the rape and murder that so often accompany it, is one terrible, reprehensible, but perversely comprehensible thing. The golf club killings are somehow different. They are a vision of outright madness.

How have we reacted? In a way, in my view, that feeds the madness rather than fights it. We have had an orgy of recriminations, of “my-lossmatters-more-than-yours” idiocy. Whites have howled in power, but uneven, outrage. Blacks have screamed in anger at the fact that the white outrage was absent at Falwani, Esikhawini and a hundred more place-names now known for their massacres above all else.

Both responses are understandable, of course, but lamentable at a moment in our history when we must all help each other or surely perish.

It is true, what the foreigners say about us: we South Africans have been brutalised by the sea of blood in which we swim. Whites especially are callous about atrocities in the townships, where most of the victims of our political folly live. But can it help anyone to take pleasure from the whites’ pain when it arrives?

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I believe we have to understand and overcome one gigantic obstacle that stands in the way of all discovering our common humanity. This was middle-middle-class South African suburbia being a hostile place. Whites know people who have never seen a Boipatong or Crossroads, and who simply cannot fix a picture in their minds when they hear a report of a massacre at a shebeen or night vigil. Now, with a small leap of understanding, they can and must. And on both sides of the still-intact racial divide, we can share compassion and anger and above all the will to make it stop — whether in King William’s Town or Khayelitsha. It is possible for a society, united to one end, to change itself.

It is not true, as some media reports have it, that the golf club attack was the “first of its kind”. There was the random, mad black-on-white stabbing spree on Durban’s beachfront. Further back, there was Pogo and Bashee River.

But if they did not focus the national mind, then perhaps King William’s Town can. Black deaths, white deaths — all deaths are South African deaths, and for each we will pay an equal price.

Our country is in many ways unique. In the matter of fratricidal killing this is not so. In this week of black and white horrors I happened to read an account by a man who had just returned to his native Northern Ireland. He wrote: “My nation’s soul is a soul that never quickens except to the dead, harsh rhetoric of its demagogues. It is a soul that is content to be soothed by the dulcet prayers of its priests and pastors. The horrors that occur almost on a daily basis are now taken for granted. A killing condemned is a killing forgotten...”

“One of the most striking features of Northern Ireland is the guilt between middle- and working-class people. The killing is almost entirely confined to the poorer quarters. As far as most middle-class Ulster people are concerned, it might as well be happening in Bosnia as Belfast. The real problem is smugness. It is all-pervasive, and prevents people from confronting the consequences of their own hatreds and bigotries — some 3,000 corpses and still rising.”

“How painfully easy it would be to substitute ‘South Africa’ for ‘Northern Ireland’, and just multiply the death toll. We can learn from the level of self-knowledge that the Irishman has achieved.

I was also struck this week, reading the journal of William Ten Rhyme of the Dutch East India Company, written in 1673 when he first came into contact with our land and its nascent citizens. Of us Ten Rhyme wrote: “Nothing is more barbarous than this country, where the rugged climate and rocky mountains seem to have produced men of their own kind.”

His words make me angry. But can we prove him wrong?
Whites drop out of ANC mass march

THE ANC-led march on the Klipplaat Town Council failed to draw the expected support of the white community, following reports of widespread intimidation by the rightwing AWB earlier this week.

A death warning, bearing the AWB insignia and the inscription "Death awaits you next", was posted on the door of the Klipplaat Advice Office.

Advice Office spokesman Eugene Langeweldt said members of the AWB from Cradock came to the town on Monday and threatened civic leaders.

He said they also made threats on the life of AWB local commander Johannes Human, who was out of town.

Human made national headlines recently when he came out in support of an ANC-led initiative to unite the town.

Only two white residents joined the ANC alliance march, part of a mass action campaign to oust the Klipplaat Town Council. About 30 more white residents registered their dissatisfaction with the council in a 1 000-signature petition calling for the council's resignation.

Klipplaat mayor Johan Weppener declined to comment on the petition.

Frederick van der Esterhuisen, one of the town's many unemployed white residents, says he believes the ANC can offer him help and set him on his feet again.

"I supported the Conservative Party, but they cannot give me a better deal than the ANC can," he said, adding he was going to join the ANC immediately after the march.

The only other white resident to join in was Byron Frankopolis, also unemployed, but in the process of setting up a small business venture in the town.

He came to Klipplaat to get married, but instead found a home within the black community. He supported the march because, he said, we are "all together as one now".

He said he was a staunch supporter of the National Party but found "friendliness and brotherliness" with the ANC instead.

Some 200 of the town's residents marched to the council to hand over a list of grievances.

The residents gave the council until Friday to reply to the demand for their resignation.

The march was organised to coincide with the court appearance of 15 coloured families, who were in arrears with their rent. — Pan
Rush for guns as focus on a frontier at war

By Mary Ann Harnish

White fears surge

When stormers...
in jailbreak case
Guilty plea expected
CP issues home guard call-up

Food prices won't rise if new way to market is adopted, government claims
Police ‘harass’ advocate’s family

By Philip Zolo

Three Randburg policemen have been accused of behaving like "aggressive animals" after they allegedly broke down the front door of the home of a Johannesburg advocate, harassed his wife and tried to arrest the couple on false charges.

Advocate Gerrie Meyer’s wife, Karin, was at home with her three children in Fairland when the policemen arrived at about 1 pm yesterday. They jumped over the gate and shouted at her to open the front door, she said.

She said she would not let them in because she was afraid they could be criminals. At no stage did they offer to identify themselves. She told them that her husband was on his way home, and pleaded with them not to kick down the front door.

She then locked herself, her twin daughters (5) and her 1½-year-old baby girl in the study. Within minutes the policemen had broken down the front door. They threatened to arrest her if she did not open the study door, she said.

John Caplan, a Johannesburg advocate who spoke to her on the telephone while her husband drove home, said he heard "complete terror in her voice".

When her husband arrived, the policemen tried to arrest him. Meyer said he told them to leave. He was shown an arrest warrant for someone else on a charge of non-payment of taxes.

Meyer said the police continued to threaten him, even after he told them he was an advocate. According to Meyer, one sergeant said: "I’m not afraid of any advocate, any attorney or any court in this country."

The policemen finally left after he told his wife to phone his father, attorney Piet Meyer, and make arrangements for bail application.

Piet Meyer said: "If this happens to an advocate, what happens when they go to houses of black people?"

The Meyers laid a charge of malicious damage to property with district commissioner Brigadier Jac de Vries.

De Vries said detectives had completed their investigation and a docket could be submitted to the Attorney-General today.

He said it did happen that policemen abused their power, although he did not think such instances were common. He placed high emphasis on police acting within the law, by using minimum force. Policemen who contravened this principle would be brought to book.

De Vries nevertheless appealed to members of the public to co-operate with police.

English tourist dies on Table Mount

Own Correspondent

Blinkwater Ravine the body of Sharon Webb (34), of Cumberworth, Lincolnshire.

Grass, which she tried to clear from her path, made the ascent difficult.

At 11.15 pm, 20 Mountain Club members and Metro rescue personnel stretched down the path and recovered the body. She had fallen from the edge of the cliff.

CAPE TOWN — The body of an English tourist, who fell 40 m to her death down Table Mountain was found last night.

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We have believed for too long that violence works, writes Satish Cooper

SOUTH AFRICA IS THE BEST OF ALL WORLDS

TRAUMS HAVE LED US UP GARDEN PATH

What the black community

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reached such a level that our survival depends on our ability to protect ourselves.”

This week, members of the SAP’s Internal Stability Unit were deployed along stretches of the Transkei border. A fortnight ago, members of the Eastern Province Command moved into the Lady Grey area to bolster SAPF troops already stationed there.

A crack SADF motorbike section trained to respond within four seconds of coming under fire — also swung into action this week.

The officer commanding operations in the northern Border region, Colonel Gerry Brand, disclosed this week that SADF training bases in the horseshoe-shaped Elliot/UiGe enclave had been reactivated in mid-September.

As the number of attacks reached unprecedented levels — 21-by the end of November, compared with a total of 11last year — troop numbers were doubled to protect isolated farmers.

"We have stepped up roadblocks and soldiers are deployed on vulnerable farms," said Colonel Brand.

"Security force reaction time has been cut from a maximum of two-and-a-half hours to 30 minutes. We have also brought in a Cessna and Alouette chopper for back-up and troop drops."

He added the SADF was patrolling the border around the clock.

Tactics

In addition, the SADF is teaching farmers how to "harden" their farms in terms of a self-protection programme code-named Project Mostekampon. "The SADF does not have the manpower to protect every single farmer. It is vital that members of the community learn to protect themselves," said Colonel Brand.

"We have taught families the fine tactics of defence under attack ... how to crawl in the dark, which lights to switch off, where to return fire from."

"If this sounds heavy, it is because we are in a state of war, declared Apla."

While the deployment of troops had effectively stopped attacks in the enclave — the worst-hit trouble spot — recent trends showed urban areas in the Free State and Border region were now being targeted.

But frustrated soldiers and commandos complain that they are barred from chasing attackers who flee over the largely unfenced, unmanned Transkei border down a maze of access roads. More recently, raiders have been escaping into Lesotho.

Said Colonel Brand: "The political stability of this area depends largely on the political aspirations of radical groups."

"We are not allowed to pursue them over the border, but if we find them involved in terrorist activities on this side, we will hunt them down here and destroy them if we can't arrest them."
Prepare for War Now: Terreblanche
Afrikaners facing 'forces of evil', Treurnicht warns

VEREENIGING. — Afrikaners had to prepare themselves against threats made by organisations such as the Azanian People's Liberation Army and Umkhonto we Sizwe, Conservative Party leader Dr Andries Treurnicht said here.

He was speaking at a Day of the Vow rally where about 250 Afrikaners celebrated the defeat of the Zulus by the Voortrekkers at the Battle of Blood River in 1838.

Dr Treurnicht said Afrikaners were a threatened people surrounded by revolutionaries, agents of communism and forces of evil. "A threatened people must be prepared."

The Afrikaners' struggle had entered a critical stage.

"We are a surrounded people but not destroyed and (we are) a threatened people who remain undefeated."

Any future constitutional developments would have to take into account the rights of Afrikaners. Dr Treurnicht emphasised their right to self-determination and to govern themselves in their own country.

He warned that Afrikaners would have to find the courage and vision to prevent their nation from becoming the oppressed in their own country.

Negotiating with a people who sought one's defeat would lead only to deadlock — and the time had come to stop giving way.

Dr Treurnicht said Afrikaners would never bow to those who regarded a separate Afrikaner nationality as absurd, nor would they give way to the African National Congress's desire to govern the country. — Sapa.
AWB prepares for full-scale civil war

Terre'Blanche

JOHANNESBURG. — South Africa was going to be involved in a full-scale civil war and the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging was preparing to fight.

AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche said this yesterday while addressing about 2,000 supporters at the Barnard Stadium in Kempton Park to celebrate the Day of the Vow.

Mr Terre'Blanche said South Africa would not know peace "because the ANC, the PAC and APLA are not interested in power-sharing". Instead, they wanted "our land and to get rid of the Afrikaner and our Christian beliefs".

Mr Terre'Blanche, who led a parade of about 700 uniformed AWB members — consisting mostly of old men, young children and women — reiterated his warning to PAC secretary-general Mr Benny Alexander, who was "out of sight" last week, that he would "get" him wherever he was.

Mr Alexander earned the AWB leader's wrath when he went on TV last week to maintain that APLA was "operationally independent" from the PAC and that the outcry which greeted the attacks in King William's Town and Queens-Dale was because the victims were white.

Mr Terre'Blanche, who said the time was right to renew the Day of the Vow, called on his supporters to commit themselves to fighting to the death in the coming war which, he said, President De Klerk and ANC president Mr Nelson Mandela were forcing on them.

Motorcyclists flying Vierkante and PAC flags, as well as the horse brigade with Mr Terre'Blanche, were followed by the black-clad and masked AWB "Iron Guard" army, members of the dog unit and heavily armed khaki-clad soldiers.

The parade marched about 5km around the town, chanting "AWB, AWB!". Police and traffic officials monitored the march, which proceeded peacefully.

The Star photographer Alf Kunzelo was thrown out of the rally and subjected to verbal abuse.
Just visiting this planet

The 1 400 rightwingers who turned up to hear Eugene Terre`Blanche’s war talk are a sign that economic woes are helping the AWB.

By JAN TALJAARD

OASTING more than 700 men, women and children in uniform, and roughly an equal number of hangers-on, the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging this week staged its biggest show of force since its heyday in 1988.

At what was billed as “the last Day of the Vow before the war”, AWB leader Eugene Terre`Blanche reaffirmed the vow taken by the Voortrekker leaders before the battle of Blood River on the same date in 1838.

Held at the Barnard stadium in Kempton Park on Wednesday, the AWB event included a march through the city of Kempton Park.

The march was led by 50 horsemen, followed by 30 masked members of the elite Ystergarde (Iron Guard), 18 generals, various other officers, 534 uniformed members of the AWB rank and file, a white Alsatian led by his masked master, six black dogs tied to their respective handlers and 66 children belonging to the AWB’s own Youth Brigade.

Making up the rearguard were the Stormvalke (Storm Falcons), the revitalised motorbike squad of the AWB. Led by the silver-helmeted “captain”, Freddie Harmse from Roodepoort, and his wife, Alta, on an ageing Yamaha 1100, the contingent consisted of another six motorcycles and a truck that carried a message on its rear end: “Only visiting this planet”.

In the end these touches of light relief were precious few. The overwhelming impression on Wednesday was one of martial manoeuvring and of black-clad heavies with pump-action shotguns, and cocked pistols.

The ugliest moment of the day came when Alf Khumalo, photographer from the Star, walked into the arena taking pictures of Terre`Blanche as he strode towards the podium.

Shouts of “Wat daai kaffer weg? (Take that kaffer away)”, “Wat maak die swart hond hier? (What is that black dog doing here)” were heard from the stands, while the unperturbable Khumalo carried on with his job.

Earlier, just before the procession entered the arena, Iron Guard members on horseback also tried to bar him from entering. After a whistle

Taking the vow ... AWB leader Eugene Terre`Blanche reaffirms the vow taken by Voortrekker leaders before the battle of Blood River

serving “call-up instructions” to each and every member of the AWB.

But while there was not much sign of the 34 000 commando members Terre`Blanche keeps alluding to, the 1 400 dedicated faithful he managed to attract served as an indication that political and economical circumstances may be helping the recruitment programme of the AWB.

Having had to contend with waning numbers and a few minor purges since Jani Allan and the Paardekraal incident in December 1988, Terre`Blanche has since then rarely been able to mobilise more than 500 members at a single meeting.

In May this year he managed to attract fewer than 500 uniformed members to a two-day “World Congress” held at Klerksdorp after

It seems that this time Terre`Blanche had decided that more drastic measures were needed to up attendance. According to reliable sources, officers of the AWB were threatened with demotion if they failed to attend without written notification.

In contrast with the relatively good attendance, the speech of a tired-looking Terre`Blanche was rather docile compared to his usual fire-breathing oratorical performances.

Stating as a fact that war would break out in 1993, he offered AWB members victory and an own Volkstaat at the end of the war. Not saying exactly where the Volkstaat would be, he told the crowd that its borders would be drawn by the outcome of the conflict.

Referring to the Azanian People’s Liberation Army and the “war declared by Apla”, he threatened Pan Africanist Congress secretary general Benny Alexander: “Carry on, then I am coming to get you, Benny — as certainly as I am standing here.”

Terre`Blanche also stated that he had notified Apla about the meeting in Kempton Park after Apla had threatened to break up Afrikaner festivities on December 16. “And where is Apla now?” he triumphantly asked.

Earlier he had suddenly switched to English in front of an almost exclusively Afrikaans audience: “I am saying this in English so that the uneducated Aplas can also understand: We are going to knock the hell out of you.”
AWB plea to gays for military aid off target

LONDON — Fresh from having his large, white bottom dragged through the British courts, AWB leader Eugene TerreBlanche has made another foray into the British consciousness.

A letter is being circulated to individuals, groups and organisations which the AWB believes would support its cause.

It reads: "To our friends, sympathisers and comrades around the world — please help us. At this stage we beg your financial assistance for our cause, no matter how small or insignificant you may consider it to be — later we might have to appeal for your physical and military assistance to keep our country safe and the rest of the world from communist and One-World takeover."

It warns: "If South Africa falls, so will the rest of the world."

Andrew Moncur in The Guardian discloses that the latest group to be targeted is Pride Trust — organisers of Lesbian and Gay Pride in the capital.

"No," says Moncur. "They won't be sending any military assistance to TerreBlanche just at the moment, thank you very much."
Farmers won't turn other cheek

Despite the presence of rooifs, Border farmers maintain their own security measures and train for the day when they can invade Transkei to flush out their attackers. BRONWYN WILKINSON reports.

TIME was when their carfree upbringing made farm children the envy of their city-bred counterparts. But while their city cousins are watching movies or riding skateboards, six-year-old twins Danie and Jako Venter are at target practice, rehearsing hand grenade drill or standing guard on their father's Border farm.

When attacks on Border farmers started with five simultaneous unexplained fires and two gruesome murders in August, the twins' father bought his sons a .22 rifle and taught them to shoot.

As chairman of the Ugie and Maclear farmers' associations, Danie Venter (21) mobilised farmers into self-defence units and drilled out weapons.

Three-year-old children learn security awareness and hand grenade drill, and can fire rifles faster than themselves.

"At first people were scared, but now they are just angry," Venter says. "Those who were going to leave in terror have gone. The rest are staying to fight."

Venter's father, J J Venter (73), knows what it is like to give up his land. In 1983 his farm was consolidated into Transkei.

"When the Transkei border was shifted in 1983, I thought I should give up the land that belonged to Transkei," he reflects.

Venter opened a small trucking store near Ugie and he is digging in his book.

The intrepid old man believes he is on an Apartheid People's Liberation Army (Apala) hit list. He also knows of Apala camps across the border.

"Halt"... South African police stop cars heading for Transkei at a roadblock outside Lady Grey.
But if they come, I am waiting," he says, caressing the 12-bore semi-automatic "Protec tor" shotgun on his lap.

"They will have to murder me, but still I will be buried here."

Some farmers refuse to wait for criminals to steal across the border to murder them and burn down their farmhouses as apparently did to Peter and Dot Lake at their trading store in August.

After the August attacks, Ma ncleer and Ugie Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) commandant Flip Skeppel recruited 700 men from around the country for "Border duty". The men patrolled farms and occasionally went into Transkei to "sort out" troublemakers, Skeppel explains.

The move was not popular with all local farmers.

Some have tried to make friends with their new neighbours across the border and with the AWB would leave the Transkei farmers alone.

Tertius Leakt, a chicken farmer in Ugie, believes the attacks are criminal, not political, in nature. But he still takes precautions.

His three-year-old son Willem cannot tie his own shoelaces, but he can fire a pump-action shotgun and Leakt has just erected a two-metre electrified fence around his homestead. Leakt is pleased to see SADF and SAP patrols, "but I don't care who protects me. The AWB can patrol my farm, the police can do it. If the PAC wants to protect me, they are welcome."

Farmers in the horseshoe-shaped region where attacks on Dordrecht in the west to Lady Grey in the north-east breathed a tentative sigh of relief as the first SADF and SAP troops rolled in last week and set up camps in farmhouses abandoned by families too scared to stay.

Although the attacks continue, farmers feel safer already.

The AWB has withdrawn its patrols and farmers say the SAP roadblocks on main roads into Transkei have proved a morale-booster and deterrent to criminals from murderers to stock thieves.

According to local detectives, the closest Apla training camps are in Herschel, Sterkspruit, Tsolo and Umtata. As police could not cross the border themselves, they gave The Star detailed directions to the camps, but warned they did not look anything like training camps in the normal sense of the word.

They were right. Children played in the yard outside the clusters of painted huts, old men lounged in the sun and women shoed the chickens out from underfoot as they went about their daily chores.

"There was no gun in sight and very few men around who could be described as potential soldiers."

According to SAP sources, Apla is a freelance army. This is its biggest advantage, but also its downfall, they say.

Sources say SAP intelligence is that Apla recruits a young man in the area, issues him with a weapon, trains him how to use it, how to activate a mine and how to use a grenade.

The recruit is then given his target, the day of his "hit" and the nature of the attack. His instructions are to carry out the attack, dump his weapons and never bother Apla again.

"This is why when someone is caught, they sing like a bird," a Border detective explains, but adds the army's nature makes it difficult to trace.

Although police say they know of Apla camps in Transkei, they are not allowed to cross the maze of unmanned border posts, which are little more than cattle grids on farm roads.

The police and farmers are becoming frustrated.

"The more we see our children at target practice and carrying real guns instead of toys, the more likely it is that the people are going to invade Transkei themselves," one irate farmer said.

His sentiments are contagious and the tide of anger is beginning to swell through the valleys and around the farms, where more and more farmers are preparing for battle on the soil across the border.

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Free State farmer (70) and daughter murdered

An elderly Free State farmer and his daughter were shot dead inside their Theunissen home yesterday afternoon in the latest in a spate of brutal attacks on the Free State farming community.

Although the political Right and agricultural unions immediately linked the killings to recent attacks in the Ficksburg area near the Lesotho border, police said they believed the attack on Koos Ward (70), his wife Ann (68) and daughter Ammi (32) on the farm "Ezias" was an attempted robbery.

Ward's daughter, killed in the attack before she died, Free State police spokesman Captain Johlene van der Merwe said. Her mother was wounded.

Police were looking for another man they believed had assisted the gunman, Van der Merwe said.

As plans were being fined for a crisis meeting in Ficksburg today, Free State Agricultural Union president Dr Piet Gous warned that whites were preparing for a full-scale "black-white war".

And in Theunissen, where a resident told press the town was in a belligerent mood, a meeting to discuss the murders was set for 4 pm today in the Farmers' Hall.

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Free State farmer and daughter shot dead

Van der Merwe said that when Ward answered a knock on the door, a man rushed in and shot him.

His wife and daughter rushed to his aid. Ward's daughter and the gunman died after a shoot-out.

Ward was found slumped in a chair. His wife was taken to hospital where she is "critical".

The attacker's body was found outside. Van der Merwe said police believed that the attacker had an accomplice, but dismissed any link between the killings and the Ficksburg attacks.

But Gous said last night it was naive and convenient for the police to say it had been a robbery attempt.

"If we should have to enter a white-black war, I have no problems with it," he said.
in attack
2 whites die

One of the attackers killed

WARNING FOR BREAKFAST — A teenage girl who had been left
alone at the store where the incident occurred, ran into a
store to call police. She was attacked and killed. The attackers
ran away before police arrived.

The attack was one of a series of incidents in the area, with
2i whites reportedly killed in similar attacks.

CP gives the
Government
an ultimatum

NEWS

Father and daughter killed in OFS farm case

Conservative vows to resume attacks

The PCF is calling on the Government to address the
situation in the OFS region, where attacks on farmers
and their families have been occurring.

The PCF has warned that if the situation is not
resolved, the organization will take direct action.

The Government has denied any involvement in
the attacks, but the PCF remains unconvinced.

By Sipho Lekangika

The Right-Wing Echo continues to demand
politicised prosecution

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SOWETAN
GOVERNMENT handed a formal protest note to Transkei and stepped up diplomatic pressure on Lesotho yesterday as right-wingers threatened to take the law into their own hands and strike at Apia bases in the two countries.

The CP has vowed to take unilateral action against the alleged bases unless government implements strong measures against the PAC’s armed wing within a week.

The weekend slaying of a 14-year-old girl in Ficksburg, near the Lesotho border, has also prompted threats of arbitrary revenge attacks on blacks by right-wing extremists in the area.

While the CP has welcomed the deployment of policemen on the 200 farms along the SA border with Lesotho, it has urged that hot pursuit operations be authorised into the country. "Mere statements of cooperation with the Lesotho police are not enough," the CP said.

A Foreign Affairs spokesman said co-operation was "being received" from Lesotho, where the girl’s killers fled.

Another source said the attack was probably launched from within SA, and not from bases in Lesotho. Law and Order Minister Hermus Kriel has mentioned Transkei and Zimbabwe as possible sites for Apia bases.

Foreign Affairs said the diplomatic protest to Transkei demanded strong action against guerillas who attacked SA vehicles in a section of the Queenstown-Dordrecht road which passes through Transkei.

Tonight, Ficksburg farmers, police, army and AWB officials plan to hold a meeting to discuss the spate of attacks against residents in the area. Kriel and Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee – who is also the Free State leader of the NP – are expected to attend the meeting.

At the same time, Sapa reports the Lesotho government has called a special meeting to discuss the deteriorating security situation along the border.

Two more deaths occurred on a Free State farm yesterday, but police suspected the motive for the attack was robbery. Koos Ward, 70, and his 34-year-old daughter, "tired" of being an intruder on their farm yesterday.

Foreign Affairs and police spokesmen have expressed fear that right-wing action might prompt delicate operations, in cooperation with other governments, to stop the killings. "While channels between the governments of SA, Transkei and Lesotho remain open, we believe any unilateral action by groups will be unfortunate," the Foreign Affairs spokesman said.

Government wished to decide on a joint strategy with Transkei to counter the attacks, but would first evaluate the homeland’s response to the protest note, he said.

Police spokesman Col Louis Botha said heightened security, including additional Internal Stability Unit bases, permanent and mobile roadblocks, farm patrols and spot checks on vehicles, were being implemented. He said it was clear the perpetrators of incidents in the Border region were coming from Transkei and returning there afterwards, "frustrating" police who could operate only in SA.

Individuals were being advised at border roadblocks not to travel through Transkei, and Transkei police had begun escorting vehicles in some areas.

Police would testify about the size and nature of Apia forces before a Goldstone commission hearing today and early in January, he said, adding that Apia was "not a very large grouping" which confined its attacks to within a couple of kilometres of the Transkei border.

The latest attacks showed that slow-moving vehicles on isolated roads were being targeted.

Boerestraat Party leader Robert van Tonder said right-wing organisations were co-ordinating efforts to defend SA’s borders with Lesotho and Transkei. An undis-
Fallen dreamers of the far right

The year the myth of the righteous dwindled

By JAN TALJAND

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Farmers bay
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efforts were being made
to upgrade security.
Kriel announced 23
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and eastern Cape — the
border area with Trans-
kei in which several at-
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curred — had been de-
clared unrest areas. The
declaration gave securi-
ty forces sweeping arrest
powers. 5/12/23.
The areas are East
London, Ficksburg,
Komba, King William's
Town, Stutterheim,
Queenstown, Cathcart,
Indwe, Wodehouse,
Sterkstroom, Alitwal,
North, Maclear, Elliot,
Barkly East, Lady Grey,
Fouriesburg, Bethlehem,
Kestell, Cloetespan, We-
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and Bethulie.
Angry farmers call for beefed-up security

By Monica Oosterbroek

Hundreds of angry Free State farmers and their frightened families yesterday flocked to the Ficksburg Town Hall to voice their concern about the spate of murders in the area.

Women, clutching their children closely to their sides, said it had become nerve-racking living on remote farms and that they were very concerned about the safety of their children.

Agreed

Worried farmers who had gathered around bakkies lining the streets told The Star the situation had become very dangerous, and that extreme measures had to be taken.

Most agreed they had to adopt the "agric-alert" system used by Rhodesian farmers during the bush war, when farmers formed a radio network. They said this would allow them to keep in constant contact with neighbours, check up on each other regularly and communicate easily with the police.

Farmers also want each household to be issued with an automatic weapon.

Laura Naudé, who lives with her husband and five young children about 5 km from the farm on which 14-year-old Leonie Pretorius was killed a few days ago, said: "We have farmed here all our lives and we will just have to adapt to these violent times."

Naudé, who supports no political organisation, said she carried her gun everywhere. But, she said, it would be useless against terrorists armed with automatic rifles.

Naudé said farmers were responsible for protecting their workers, who were also terrified by the recent attacks.

She said she fretted constantly about the safety of her elderly parents-in-law, whom she did not want to name for security reasons.

They lived alone on a farm outside Clocolan, and their nearest neighbours lived more than 6 km away.

Their immediate neighbours were bludgeoned to death in August.

More than 200 policemen, who were deployed in the Ficksburg area at the weekend, surrounded the hall during the lively meeting, and police barricaded surrounding roads.

When the farmers ended the four-hour meeting, they marched to the police station to call for closer cooperation between police and farmers.

In the volatile atmosphere, heavily armed local Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging members seized the opportunity to recruit new members.

Carried

They carried flags saying: "It could be your child" and "FW has blood on his hands."

While farmers returned to their farms, uniformed AWE members gathered outside the town hall, chatting and cleaning their guns before wandering across the road to a pub.

The heavy police presence prevented any violence when a rightwinger claimed that a black standing safely behind two policemen, had threatened to kill him "very slowly."
AWB's pledge to farmers

THE AWB will do everything in its power to prevent attacks on whites by the Azanian People's Liberation Army. AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche said yesterday.

Following repeated attacks from neighbouring countries on border farms, the AWB demanded that the Government provide all farmers in border and unrest areas with subsidised electrified fencing, Terre'Blanche said.

"It is shocking that in this emergency the Government is taking steps to sack several generals and to retrench more than 6 000 Permanent Force posts to accommodate Umkhonto we Sizwe and Apalas terrorists in the SADF," he added.

Composer dies after illness

SOUTH African gospel music composer Gideon Mgekula has died at Mhaaisane near East London.

Mgekula, a minister of the Apostolic Church of South Africa, died on Saturday after a short illness.

He had composed several gospel music scores and hymns. He will be buried next year.

Refugees to return home

REFUGEES who fled the Eumimbili area near Port Shepstone because of political violence will return today, ending nearly three years of bitter conflict between rival parties.

A spokesman for the Port Shepstone Local Dispute Resolution Committee said refugees would gather at the Gamalakhe Stadium about 15km inland from Margate on the Natal North Coast.

Their return stems from an initiative of the Commonwealth observer mission with a mandate from the Port Shepstone LDRC to arrange for the refugees to meet tribal leaders to decide on ways to re-integrate them into the community.

- Sowetan Reporters and Sapa.
Kriel declares 23 unrest areas

Irate farmers boo Ministers over security

ANGRY Free State farmers and right-wingers booed and heckled Law and Order Minister Hermie Kriel and Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee yesterday at a meeting in Ficksburg to discuss the deteriorating security situation.

Kriel said government had taken security measures, including the declaration of 23 places along the Lesotho and Transkei borders as unrest areas.

He also announced that three people had been arrested for the murder of a Thembisweni farmer and his daughter, Sapa reports.

Reacting to Kriel's announcement, Transkei leader Maj-Gen Bastu Holomisa said President F W de Klerk would have to act with equal vigour against armed right-wing militias if he wished to be seen as sincerely trying to end violence in the area.

"De Klerk is showing us that in SA he will allow the armed wings of white political organisations, while calling for the disbanding of others like Umkhonto we Sizwe," Holomisa said.

Security measures announced by Kriel included:
- The deployment of police on farms;
- Stepped up roadblocks in border areas;
- Increased security force patrolling of affected areas.

An army spokesman said troops would be deployed alongside policemen to secure isolated farms along the borders.

Speakers from the Free State Agricultural Union security committee, which convened the meeting, called for the appli-
Funeral

Drowned

Attacked

Sickle

By Reni Kwast
The gun
Year of

THE KILLERS

IN 1992, LOGAN BECAME SOUTH AFRICA'S

In the days that followed South Africa's historic, turbulent, and emotional negotiations, the gun was a symbol of the new era. The year 1992 marked a significant change in the country's political landscape.

The old order had ended. Only the gun remained the symbol of a past era. The liberation struggle had achieved its goal. The path to democracy was paved. This was the year of transition, the year of hope and promise.

Together, the man and the weapon could be a force for change. But in government, the gun was used to enforce order and maintain control. This was the time when the gun became a symbol of repression and fear.

The man was a symbol of the new era. The gun was a symbol of the old. The contrast was stark, and the world watched as South Africa navigated its way towards democracy.
Chances 'slim' of gun for Witwold

The Argus
Correspondent
Johannesburg
Witwold Barend Strydom's chances of being granted a gun's licence are slim, police said today.

Lt. Brahms: "The most important criterion for getting a firearm licence is a person's past criminal record, and it is likely that Strydom will not be granted a licence."

Strydom applied for a licence after the display of posters in Brits depicting a masked man carrying a picture of his head and sporting the slogan: "Fascists beware: crush the AWB."

The Department of Correctional Services said Strydom's release conditions did not stipulate that he could not apply for a firearm licence - only that he should not get involved in criminal activities or leave the Brits area.

Lieutenant-Colonel Barry Elek, said the police would have to decide whether Strydom would receive a licence, but the chances were slim.

Strydom said he had earlier applied for a gun licence for self-defence purposes, but the application was turned down by Law and Order Minister Mr. Herman Kriel and he was referred to the Commissioner of Police.

"I apparently re-applied for the licence in fear for my life," after seeing the posters pinned up on a number of Brits shop windows and in the light of recent Apla attacks.

The posters were reportedly displayed in the ANC's Brits office and Strydom has asked the organisation to remove them "or face the consequences."

Strydom has made a written appeal to Mr. Kriel, saying he needs the licence to protect himself as he has received a number of death threats.

Strydom's father, Mr. Nic Strydom, said there was no reason for the authorities to deny his son a licence.

"He should be able to carry a gun. The fact that he has no licence does not mean that he cannot repeat his actions in Strydom Plein, where he killed those people."

"It is just a matter of self-defence. He needs the gun," said his father.
Wit Wolwe shot blacks

By Bronwyn Wilkinson

A man claiming to be a killer for the extreme right-wing group the Wit Wolwe yesterday claimed responsibility on behalf of his organisation for the shooting of two black men in Randburg on Sunday.

The man, calling himself Gerhard Steyn, telephoned The Star and said the shootings were in retaliation for the "general mas" of murders of white people committed by blacks.

He would not say if he was personally responsible for Sunday's attacks. In the first attack, at about 5 pm on Sunday, Patrick Malepele (29) said he was shot in the neck by a white man in a car. Police found Malepele on a road in Fourways.

About three hours later, a second black man, whose name has not been released, was found with bullet wounds in the chest and throat.

He also told police he had been shot by a white man driving a car.

Witwatersrand police liaison officer Captain Eugene Opperman said the SAP had taken note of the man's claims and were investigating them. He said police could still not officially link the two attacks or ascertain the motive at this stage.

Ministry of Law and Order spokesman Captain Craig Kotze urged the public not to take the law into their own hands and become involved in racial warfare or revenge attacks.

The leader of another right-wing group, the Boere Weerstandsbeweging, said yesterday that all BWB members had been put on "full alert" after an attack on one of its members near Kimberley a week ago.

Andrew Ford said unknown attackers had fired at R.J. Brits and his son last Tuesday.
Man (25) dies after assault

NEWS

An arrested after a suicide with 5 alleged pickpockets stand by for matic results

A report tells of alleged beating by John Worster
Boers 'on standby after attack

Johannesburg — The Boere Weerstands beweging (BWB) said yesterday all its members had been put on standby following an attack on one of its members in Kimberley.

BWB leader Mr Andrew Ford said in a statement, attackers had fired at Mr R J Brika and his son a week ago.

The bodies of at least six people, shot dead since Christmas Eve, have been discovered in Natal-KwaZulu police said yesterday.

Three people died when they were ambushed by gunmen on a road in Umbumbulu on December 24. Also on Christmas Eve, an 18-year-old who had been shot in the chest was found dead, while another man was shot dead on Sunday.

On Monday at Zanani Slums in Umlazi, south of Durban, two people were killed by gunmen.

— Sapa
Tempers flare in OFS after taxi hits boy

By Bronwyn Wilkinson

Tempers are again nearing boiling point in the Free State border region after a 15-year-old white schoolboy was run down by a black taxi near Ficksburg on Sunday evening.

Police are investigating the possibility that Danie Kels, who suffered head injuries and concussion, was deliberately knocked down while jogging with his sister on the shoulder of the Ficksburg-Poriesburg road, a police spokesman confirmed yesterday.

The taxi did not stop.

Police are investigating charges of attempted murder, reckless or negligent driving and failure to stop at the scene of an accident.

The Ministry of Law and Order has appealed to residents of the area to stay calm and not to seek retribution.

Danie Claassen, vice-chairman of the Free State Agricultural Union's security committee, told Sapa that the community was shocked and angry after Sunday's incident.

He called on the SAP to offer a reward for information that could lead to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for it and other attacks.

Ministry of Law and Order spokesman Captain Craig Kotze yesterday appealed to the community to co-operate with existing security structures.

"It is vital that people do not allow emotions to swell as this would be playing into the hands of the Azanian People's Liberation Army," Kotze said.

He said South African security intelligence was working overtime to track down the perpetrators of all recent attacks in the region.

Last Sunday, 15-year-old Leonie Pretorius was killed in a grenade attack on her parents' Ficksburg farmhouse and on Thursday, a group of whites attacked two black taxis, killing a driver and injuring three other people.

Farmers believe they are being terrorised by Apal insurgents from Lesotho.

• The SADF has information that Apal intends using SADF weapons and uniforms in attacks on "soft" targets in the eastern Free State, according to the officer commanding the Free State Command, Brigadier Andre Bestbier.

Bestbier claimed yesterday the action was being planned in an effort to discredit the SADF and to link the SADF to so-called third-force activities.

• Sapa reports that three men from Meloleng at Virginia appeared in the Theunissen Magistrate's Court on Monday in connection with the murders of an elderly Theunissen farmer and his daughter on December 21.

The three men, Johannes Leabi (31), Stephen Masala (20) and Sankie Solomon Dassie (26), were not asked to plead and were remanded in custody to January 25.
Skeletons of missing men found in shaft

The skeletons of two missing men were found underneath a pile of stones in a mineshaft outside Klerksdorp only hours after two policemen were arrested on charges of murder and robbery, an SAP spokesman said yesterday.

Lance-Sergeant Carl Albertus Blom (25) of the Klerksdorp police and Constable Gavin Corter (19) of the Internal Stability Unit at Diepkloof, Soweto, were arrested on December 24.

The arrests follow the disappearance of Klerksdorp liquor store manager Bopo Tsholo and security guard John Nghathini in April after a robbery at the store during which R1,000 and six bottles of liquor were stolen and a Toyota bakkie also went missing.

Only hours after the arrests of the two policemen, police discovered the skeletons of the two missing men in a mineshaft near Klerksdorp.

Parts of the bakkie were also found in the shaft.

They appeared in court on December 25 and were let out on bail of R400 each.

Police are still searching for a third man. — Sapa.
CP mobilises home guard units

CP HOME guard units in the Lady-
brand area announced yesterday they
were to establish camps to train com-
munities in self-defence and weapon
skills after recent attacks on whites.
This decision was taken by the
leadership of 14 CP home guard units
in the Ladybrand area at a meeting in
the southern Free State town of
Marquard yesterday.
CP MP for Ladybrand Charl
Hertzog said yesterday’s meeting was
part of a nationwide mass mob-
obilisation. Local home guard units
would improve and extend the exist-
ing neighbourhood watch system, he
said.
Training camps would instruct
communities in weapon proficiency
and self-defence against attacks on
pedestrians or motorists.
Hertzog encouraged all country-
men (volksgenoot) to involve them-

Police officer beaten to death

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JOHANNESBURG policeman Jerry Thu was beaten to death by a group of taxi drivers and their accomplices in Hillbrow on Monday night, Witwatersrand police spokesman W/O Andy Pieke said yesterday.
The policeman, who was off duty and not wearing a uniform, approached a man suspected of theft in order to arrest him when the group surrounded him and beat him to death, Pieke said.
He said two men had been ar-
rested for murder but had subse-
sequently been released.
Taxi drivers questioned by the
police alleged that the policeman
attempted to rob one of the taxis, sparking off the incident, Pieke said.
He said the police hoped to clear up the details of the attack soon and had questioned 18 people so far.
Pieke said the car carried by
the policeman could have rein-
forced the perception that he was a
robber. He added that the SAP
strongly condemned all vigilante
activities.
Thu was rushed to hospital in
a police vehicle after waiting for an
ambulance for more than two
hours and was pronounced dead
on arrival, Pieke said.
He said he hoped that the group
was not aware that Thu was a
policeman, because the attack
might then be interpreted as one
directed specifically against a
member of the SAP.

Police hope arrests end Pretoria train attacks

THE arrest of three men, allegedly
responsible for a spate of killings and
robberies shortly before Christmas,
could put an end to train attacks in
the Pretoria area, police believe.
Four attacks on Pretoria Metro
trains — the first train killings in the
area this year — took place on De-
ember 18, 19 and 24 and left three
two black minibuses were shot at on
Wednesday and Thursday last week,
men dead and one injured.
The first attack was made on Mon-
day this week at the Belle Ombre
station outside Pretoria, and was fol-
lowed by two more arrests at the
Pretoria station on Tuesday and at
Mabopane yesterday, Northern
Transvaal police said.
"All indications were that the mot-
ives of the attacks were robbery and
not political," police said. They also
believe the arrests will put an end to
the incidents," a spokesman said.
Saps reports police also announced
a man had been arrested in connec-
tion with the deaths of two policemen
on Christmas Eve in Voslooms.
East Rand police liaison officer
Capt Ida van Zwei said the arrest of
a 21-year-old man on Monday fol-
lowed the shooting of a municipal

Women and dogs shot on smallholding

WEST Rand police discovered the
bodies of two women and the carcasses
of six dogs on a smallholding near
Randfontein after a worker found a
note on the door asking that the
police should be called.
The body of Myra Barnard, 59,
was found on her bed with a bullet
wound in her head. Her elderly moth-
er, Florence Chetty, was also shot in
the head.
One of the dogs was shot and killed
next to Cherry, and five others were
killed in the bathroom.
Police seized a firearm and a note
claiming responsibility for the
murder and were searching for a
Gideon Barnard, who could assist in
the investigation.
security check ... police and troops search a moment at a roadblock in the Frohburg area yesterday. The strong

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