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By MONO BADELA

THE community of KwaThema on the East Rand is not happy with the brief explanation given as the cause of death in detention last week of former Congress of South African Students (Cosas) leader Simon Matanzima "Duckie" Marule.

The 26-year-old Cosas pupil died at the Boksburg-Benoni Hospital. He will be buried on January 10 as the family have asked for their own pathologist to perform the post mortem.

He has been in detention since June 20. He was admitted to the hospital last Monday. The police had told his family that his illness was initially diagnosed by a doctor as epilepsy.

The explanation mystified family members who said that he had no previous history of the illness. Early this week they requested Dr Jonathan Gluckman to be present when the state pathologist conducted a post mortem on his body.

Some of his former cell mates are equally mystified as they saw no signs of epilepsy.

His uncle, Bethwell Marule, instructed civil rights lawyer Priscilla Jana to get the services of Dr Gluckman for the post mortem.

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Azasm members hiding

By SOL MORATHI

SEVERAL Azanian Students Movement members have gone into hiding following the Bophuthatswana police's detention of four Ga-Rankuwa and one Atteridgeville Azasm branch members recently.

The Bop police, bent on eradicating undesirable elements in their territory, arrested Bli Rapoo 17, of Atteridgeville at a road block in Mabopane on December 19 for allegedly having "unwanted material."

Azasm president Nkosile Molala said Rapoo had gone to make arrangements for the new school term with his friends in Mabopane when he was arrested.

The other four Azasm members, Molala said, were picked up at their homes in Ga-Rankuwa late in November last year.

The Ga-Rankuwa police have confirmed that they are being held at the Odi prison in Mabopane in terms of the Maintenance of Law and Order Act.

Molala has condemned the arrests.
Academics cancel talks with ANC

By ANTON STEENKAMP

THREE Afrikaans legal academics have postponed a visit to Lusaka to meet the ANC to discuss human rights in post-apartheid South Africa.

They were to meet an ANC delegation in Lusaka tomorrow.

They are professors Henning Viljoen and Johan van der Westhuizen from the University of Pretoria and Professor Derek van der Merwe of the Rand Afrikaans University.

A spokesman for the ANC, Mr Tom Sehina, said from Lusaka yesterday: "We are expecting them at lunchtime on Monday."

However, Professor van der Westhuizen told the Sunday Times he had been told the meeting had been postponed "for various reasons". He was not prepared to elaborate.

He added that the academics planned to have talks with the ANC about their views on matters such as a Bill of Rights and security issues.

Mr Harald Pakendorf, political analyst of the Nelson Mandela Foundation, said it was a "very sensitive matter".

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The South African government has been increasing its efforts to engage with the ANC, which is perceived as more moderate than the other liberation movements.

Three hurt

By IVOR CREWS

A BLACK woman was seriously hurt and two other black women were treated for shock after a bomb blast at the Sunnyside Centre in central Johannesburg yesterday.

Ms Grace Loli sustained severe head injuries, while Ms Mary Mapengo and Ms Miriam Maleo were badly shocked.

Mrs Angela Ross said: "I saw a black woman lying on the floor, but I didn't think she was injured."

The attack was one of two in the past week.

The police said they were investigating the possibility of a link between the two bombings.

The centre was closed yesterday due to the bomb blast at the Sunnyside Centre, which is located in the city centre.
Maties hold talks with blacks

MATIE students have held "hush-hush" talks with black and white decision-makers as part of their continuing search for a political solution to South Africa's problems.

Black extra-Parliamentary groups were among those canvassed by the group of Stellenbosch students during week-long discussions in Durban and the Transvaal during the holiday period. And the students plan to continue meeting political groups across the spectrum — despite Government charges that they are "dabbling in politics".

By ANTON STEENKAMP

Political persuasions. Some are National Party members, others members of Nussa and the ECC.

Hennie Bester, the leader of the Matie group and a member of the new Stellenbosch SRC, said he had organised an inland tour during the university vacation for new SRC members and several other students under the auspices of SPOG (Stellenbosse Ondersoek-en Gesprekskomitee), an SRC sub-committee.

The tour had been arranged to build up contact with various groups and to get first-hand information on the political situation in the country, said Mr Bester.

It was a follow-up to the SPOG forum on student organisations held in Stellenbosch in April last year. Organisations such as Azaso, Nussa and Jeugkrig were represented.

This week, one of the students said: "We all found it encouraging that people from a wide range of political groupings were willing to talk to students from Stellenbosch University, once seen as the intellectual stronghold and feeding ground of the National Party."

The tour began in Durban, where the Maties met representatives of the UDF and Azaso.

A spokesman for the Matie group said an issue that was a bone of contention for some students was the alleged link between the UDF and the ANC.

Propaganda

However, the UDF delegates had strongly denied any such link, ascribing allegations of it to Government propaganda, he said.

The students next met the youth movement of Inkatha, UDF rival.

A recurring theme in the talks had been the contentious issue of black-on-black violence — especially the UDF/Azapo conflict, a group member said.

In Soweto, a group of about 20 schoolchildren met the Stellenbosch delegation.

One of the Maties described them as "moderate" and said they viewed the release of Nelson Mandela and the unbanning of the ANC as minimum demands towards negotiations for a new political dispensation.

At an informal dinner at Johannesburg's Carlton Hotel, Dr Motlana discussed the role of the Afrikaner youth with the students.
Varsity two in 'Kei courts

TWO Fort Hare academics appeared in separate Ciskei courts on Friday eight weeks after they were detained.

The Rev Mankhanesi Stoffile, general secretary of the United Democratic Front in the Border region and a theology lecturer, was charged in a Mdantsane magistrate's court with terrorism.

Charges had not yet been finalised against French lecturer Pierre-André Albertini, who appeared in court in Alice.

At the time they were detained, a government spokesman linked the cases by stating a “white lecturer” who was French was being held “for working hand in hand with Stoffile”.

Although their cases have been separated, the Ciskei attorney general has issued certificates against both of them preventing the granting of bail.

Stoffile appeared in court with five other people, including his brother. According to a skeleton charge sheet, the six are being charged under Ciskei's National Security Act with one count of terrorism and one count of harbouring a terrorist.

Albertini's lawyer said the Ciskei attorney general had not yet made a final decision on whether to charge him. His next appearance is scheduled for January 22.

The two were detained shortly before PW Botha's controversial trip to France to open the Delville Wood museum. The timing constituted an international complication — as did the location, forcing the French government, which does not recognise the Ciskei, to deal with the detention of one of its citizens there. There has been at least one French consular visit to Albertini, arranged by the South African embassy in Ciskei.

All but one of Stoffile's co-accused have been refused bail. The sixth, Nomvuyiso Stoffile, 30, was released on bail of R500.

The other accused, Rev Stoffile, 42, Mxwakhe Nelson Ndiela, 32, Michael Stoffile, 28 and the UDF official's brother, Mvelati Gladwell Gqibotile, 28, and Noncedo Miranda Ngwenda, 21, were remanded in custody until January 13.
Jagoe may be charged

By JO-ANN BEKKER

KATHY JAGOEB, a quadriplegic who lost a leg in a car crash just before Christmas, was yesterday visited by security policemen who said they were investigating a charge against her for possession of undesirable literature.

The 32-year-old University of the Witwatersrand lecturer in social aspects of disablement said she recalled a man in a blue safari suit sifting through her briefcase at the scene of the accident outside Wolmaransstad on December 20.

Days later, while she was being treated in Johannesburg Hospital, security policemen arrived to question her about the contents of the briefcase.

Yesterday members of the Security Police visited her at her Johannesburg home.
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Political Staff

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Education Reporter

A SPECIAL meeting of the
council of the University of
Cape Town has been convened
for today to discuss the report
of the commission of inquiry
into the Conor Cruise O'Brien
affair.

The commission was ap-
pointed after students disrupt-
ed lectures that Dr O’Brien
was to have given as a visiting
academic invited to UCT by
the political studies depart-
ment.

One point of discussion today
is expected to be whether the
report should be made public,
as was a report by a similar
commission of inquiry at the
University of the Witwaters-
rand.

The commission — consist-
ing of former Wits University
rector Dr D J du Plessis as
chairman and advocates Mr
Arthur Chaskalson SC and Mr
Ismail Mohamed SC — com-
pleted its report at the end of
December.

UCT spokesman Mr Philip
van der Merwe said today that
copies of the report had been
circulated among council
members who now had to de-
cide what should be done with
it.

He could not say whether the
council would issue a state-
ment after the meeting.

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dence from a number of UCT
staffers and individual students
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ganisation (Azaso) — since re-
named the South African Na-
tional Students' Congress —
and the National Union of
South African Students (Nusas)
decided against testifying.

Azaso spearheaded the cam-
paign against Dr O’Brien’s
presence on campus as a for-
eign academic because of his
public defiance of the academic
boycott, which is supported
by Nusas.

Both organisations refused to
take part in the inquiry on
grounds that students were not
consulted about it.
UCT backs Reichart

Staff Reporter

THE University of Cape Town yesterday issued a statement expressing its full support for Professor Bruno Reichart, head of Groote Schuur's heart team, in the wake of what it termed "criticisms which have appeared in the press".

Professor Reichart was attacked in an Afrikaans Sunday newspaper at the weekend by Professor Chris Barnard, who said Professor Reichart had "insinuated" that Professor Barnard had enticed two members of the Groote Schuur heart team to America.

Professor Barnard denied this insinuation.

Professor Reichart responded at the weekend by saying he was "fed up" with Professor Barnard but that a statement would be issued later.

Yesterday's UCT statement, which was signed by Professor George Dull, dean of the faculty of medicine, and Dr Hannah-Reeve Sanders, acting director of the hospital services, said that the university had been fortunate to hire Professor Reichart in 1984.

"Since that time the realities of the political situation in our country make it increasingly difficult to recruit leading international experts to South Africa," the statement said.

Professor Reichart had built an active department of cardio-thoracic surgery, maintained his international reputation and been elected as the next president of the International Society for Heart Transplantation.

"Professor Reichart has the full support of the University of Cape Town and the Department of Hospital Services in his endeavours," the statement concluded.

Professor Barnard yesterday said he had never interfered with Professor Reichart. "In fact it was me who suggested that he apply for the job when I met him in Munich," he said.
Strong support for Professor Reichart

Medical Reporter
PROFESSOR Bruno Reichart, chief of Cape Town's heart transplant unit, has found strong support in the dean of the medical faculty at the University of Cape Town and in the acting provincial director of hospital services.

Professor Reichart has been facing strong criticism from his predecessor, Professor Chris Barnard, about the running of the heart unit and his treatment of staff. This follows the resignations of two top members of the team, Professor Dmitri Novitsky and Dr David Cooper.

The pair are to head a new heart unit at the Oklahoma Heart Centre in Oklahoma, after allegedly asking Professor Barnard, who supervised 10 transplants at the centre, to find them posts.

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Court bid for release

JOHANNESBURG. — A special advisor to the vice-chancellor of the University of Cape Town and the national chairman of the National Education Crisis Committee, Mr Vusi Khanyile, yesterday brought an urgent application in the Rand Supreme Court for his release from detention. The application was postponed to January 20 by agreement.
Varsities turn away thousands of hopefuls

Mercury Reporter

NATAL universities have once again been flooded with thousands of applications by hopeful first-year students, with hundreds of them jostling for a limited number of places in medicine and optometry.

The University of Natal's Medical School has had nearly 1,000 applications for a total of 120 first and second year places being offered this year.

At the University of Durban-Westville, there were more than 700 applications for the 40 places in the school of optometry.

At the University of Natal's Durban campus, there were close on 5,000 applications for 2,300 undergraduate places.

At the Pietermaritzburg campus, there were about 1,900 applications for 1,200 places.

Although the arts degrees were still more popular among applicants, there was an increasing number of applicants for social sciences.

'This general shift may have something to do with social sciences being seen as an applied, rather than academic discipline,' said a university spokesman.

Prof Mike Smout, vice-rector (development) at the University of Durban-Westville, said there had been over 5,000 first-year applications.

He estimated that of these, only between 1,300 and 1,600 would become students.

'Of the 5,000, some of will have applied to more than one university, many will fail their matric and others will probably not be able to raise the money,' he said.

The University of Zululand has had applications from 4,668 people, of whom only about 350 would be accepted for the first year, a spokesman said yesterday.
By DENISE BOUTALL

AS thousands of matriculants prepare to enter university next month, a Rhodes University economist has proposed radically revising the university subsidy system so that graduates — and drop-outs — repay the full cost of their tertiary education.

While the proposal might stick in the craw of aspiring professionals with little dollar signs in their eyes, or those who see their time at university as an extended teenage “job”, it could solve the problems of many ordinary students who have great difficulty funding their education.

Last week it was reported that a Mbashe student from Port Elizabeth had been unable to return to university this year due to the collapse of the Port Elizabeth Benevolent Society which had funded his studies.

However, many others never even get to university because they can’t raise the money.

The proposal for a Government student loan scheme is outlined in a working paper by Dr Brian Dollery, a senior lecturer in economics, published by the Institute of Social and Economic Research.

The current system, Dr Dollery argues, is neither fair nor efficient.

A loan scheme would give all aspiring students equal access to a university education. Free public funds for alternative uses, increase competition between institutions and thereby encourage greater efficiency in the provision of tertiary education as a whole, and ensure the independence of universities by reducing their dependence on state grants.

Rhodes University, for example, is dependent on the state for about 76% of its income while student fees contribute only 16%. Nor are the subsidies sufficient. At Port Hope, 46% of the students need bursaries to help fund their education.

Dr Dollery’s arguments centre on the question whether the taxpayers should pay for tertiary education in the first place.

Unlike primary and secondary education, which ensures literacy and numeracy and also has a socialising function, he argues, society gains little from the money invested in undergraduate education.

In fact it is the student who gains most. A graduate usually has a far higher lifetime income. Dr Dollery argues that, in these circumstances, the student is the major beneficiary of the intellectual and social life of the university and gains long-term enjoyment from having his horizons widened by university education.

Post-graduate education involving pure and applied research, which does have benefits for society, should continue to be government-funded through research organisations, he says.

The system is unfair because, due to the extensive use of systems such as general sales tax in South Africa, income is in fact being transferred from the poor to the middle income group.

As the poorest students are often unable to raise funds to cover their fees, it is the relatively wealthier students who gain most from the state subsidies.

Greater efficiency would be achieved if more importance was attached to preferences of educational “consumers” than planners.

Dr Dollery proposes a loan system whereby the full current and capital costs of tuition, board and lodging and other appropriately expenses per student are calculated annually at all South African universities for each degree and, if possible, every course. The average cost per student is then calculated.

A central educational trust would be created which would lend the relevant amount to all individuals accepted at any university.

When they leave the university ex-students would be obliged to repay the full cost of their loan over a predetermined period at a fixed rate of interest indexed to the rate of inflation.

Students would be free to use other sources of finance if they chose.

Although setting up the trust fund would be an initial burden on the State, it would become self-sufficient with repayments covering loans in the same way as a pension fund. The trust fund could be set up by a bond issue.

The only criteria for obtaining a loan will be academic merit and a desire to pursue a higher education.

As the loans will be the same for all universities, the system will encourage price and quality competition between the different institutions.

Funds for research, which will be allocated from a central source, will force academics to compete against one another and also lead to greater efficiency.

While he concedes that a loan system might reduce the number of enrolments, Dr Dollery argues that it would encourage prospec-
Fort Hare names new appointments

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The University of Fort Hare has announced a number of new academic staff appointments and promotions.

Dr D. M. Moore, who was professor and head of the Department of History, has been appointed academic registrar.

Professor G. C. Rauché has been appointed head of the Department of Philosophy.

Professor P. J. J. Pieper, as the head of the Criminology Department.

The new head of the Department of Animal Sciences is Professor F. J. C. Swanepoel.

Four senior lecturers have been appointed: Dr C. R. Botha in the Department of Xhosa and Sotho; Mr R. A. Stretch in the Department of Physical Education; Dr E. van Greunen in the Department of Empirical and Orthopedagogics; and Dr E. N. Ferrentzy in the Department of Computer Science.

Mrs L. Everse, senior lecturer in the Department of Health Sciences, has been promoted to associate professor and head of department.

Mr V. T. Makhuya and Mrs J. C. Tyler have been promoted to senior lecturers in the Department of Statistics.
UCT to act on hecklers

The University of Cape Town is to take action on the freedom-of-speech conflict highlighted by last year's ill-fated visit to the campus by British academic Conor Cruise O'Brien.

This was confirmed yesterday by vice-chancellor Stuart Saunders in a statement reacting to the report of a commission of inquiry which found the actions of some students unacceptable.

The University Council urged Saunders to take any action he considered appropriate against students who could be identified.

UCT will continue with the reconstitution of its Academic Freedom Committee, making it as representative as possible.

A university committee comprising council members, staff and students will be reconvened to review the rules on controversial speakers. — Sapa.
Students complain

MORE than 80 percent of Turffloop students who sat for the end of year examinations last year failed in what students allege is a campaign of victimisation by University authorities.

The students alleged that there was a 100 percent failure rate in the sciences faculty as well as in the economics and accountancy departments. Students interviewed claimed that the record failure rate was "a deliberate act of victimisation for the lecture boycotts last year".

A university spokesperson, a Miss Lombard, yesterday said the university did not publish examination statistics.
O’Brien issue: Welsh resigns?

CAPE TOWN — The head of the department of political studies at the University of Cape Town, Professor David Welsh, resigned his post yesterday, hours before the release of the long-awaited report on the controversial lecture visit to UCT by Irish academic, Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien.

Prof Welsh was the person who invited Dr O’Brien to the UCT campus last year.

Last night neither the nor UCT’s principal and vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, would confirm or comment on the resignation, which was widely discussed on the campus.

The commission, whose report was released at midnight last night, criticises Dr O’Brien’s actions, as well as his “mercurial and volatile” temperament, and suggests it was a mistake on the part of the department of political studies to invite him to deliver a series of lectures at UCT.

Its findings were heavily attacked last night as “one-sided, flawed and shoddy” by Professor Welsh.

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University not an island cut off from the world

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The O'Brien Report

Newspaper Article
University not 'an island cut off from SA'

THE University of Cape Town was not an island cut off from the rest of South Africa, which was in turmoil, the commission of inquiry into the university's role in the state of emergency said in its report yesterday.

It said UCT's students were "those of a liberal university, not an island cut off from the rest of the country where the liberal traditions have not been extinguished."

The different races which had been separated by law, political and economic power and the white community and major institutions were controlled by whites. "The university is in turmoil and for most of the past two years a state of emergency has prevailed."

"In recent years political divisions have sharpened; there is increasing polarization of attitudes and much anger and resentment exists as a result of the consequences of the political conflict in the country."

UCT was a product of its own history and if, like other institutions in South Africa, was controlled by whites, increasing numbers of black students were attending UCT, "although they represent a minority within the country they form a majority on the campus."

"In attempting to meet the aspirations of its black students and simultaneously pursue liberal goals, the university has itself experienced some of the tensions and conflicts that exist within the country."

"The university is not an island cut off from the rest of the country."

The commission could not "without considerable prejudice that it was at least a substantial possibility that the visit might evoke vigorous student protest."

Several academics said that if the decision was made to have the student visit they would be prepared to channel their anger by academic expression. "The commission does not expect to be adequately explained."
O’Brien: Welsh quits post

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“I find this an astonishing document. I’m very interested in particular that following an outbreak of actual violence against a teacher invited to the campus, that the report should find against the teacher and deflect attention away from violence on the campus which is the central question.”

Dr O’Brien admitted replying “rather sharply to some insulting interjections” during one lecture but described evidence that he had later told colleagues that he had been “insulting and condescending” to students as “lies”.

His stand was on academic freedom and not political “in any way”, he said. Expressing shock at Prof Welsh’s resignation, he added: “I have complete confidence in him and share his concerns.”

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Not asked a single question

Prof Welsh said: “I resent in particular the commission’s unfairness to Dr O’Brien whose alleged personality characteristics and motivations are subjected to an analysis to which Dr O’Brien has had no opportunity to reply.”

He was a friend “and I take full responsibility for inviting him — yet I was not asked a single question by the commission about his personality or about the reasons for my inviting him or his accepting”.

The commission found that the actions of the students were “unacceptable”.

“Council agrees and has asked the Vice-Chancellor to take action as he considers appropriate, against such students as can be identified, bearing in mind that the primary concern of council is for the future of the university,” the statement said.

The vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, said: “I will be holding discussions with the relevant students to discuss the whole report with them.”

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NU's first port of call for the troubled student

IT MAY be vacation time at Natal University, with few students moving on the sweltering campus, but two offices are gearing themselves for their seasonal rush: the wave of new students registering and the return of registered students.

Symbolically housed in room No 1 in Howard College, is Professor Hugh Phlipott, former head of Gynaecology at the Medical School and now director of Student Support Services on the Durban, Maritzburg and Medical School campuses.

In a tree-shaded house with a pool in the back garden is Ian Gibson and his staff of the Student Counselling Centre.

Both provide vital services in the life of the university student body.

Professor Phlipott's new post was created last September; at a time when new appointments were frozen — proof, he says, of the university's determination to become a truly open university. For his task is to respond to the problems of disadvantaged students.

And that is synonymous with black students, most of whom not only suffer from disadvantageous home and educational backgrounds, but have their disability compounded by problems within the university itself.

In the case of African students the English is normally their second language and has been poorly taught. They have limited or no finance, inadequate residential accommodation and limited careers guidance in schools.

Many university courses are structured to meet the needs of a society with which black students are not familiar, nor relevant to the situation in which they will work. This situation is often compounded by white 'social' conventions and activities which are alien to them.

Unable to help

'Few university teachers have the experience of dealing with black, poor and oppressed,' says Professor Phlipott, so many teachers are not aware of the problems and consequently unable to help the disadvantaged.

With the Student Counselling Centre, the students have a staff of five counsellors, headed by Ian Gibson. The office is open to anyone who needs help. The service is free and confidential.

The SSS works closely with the bursaries committee in recommending which students to support. It also gives information about any students who have been refused funding.

In addition the department administered 104 full bursaries, which this year will run at R7 200 each.

They are provided by the Institute of Race Relations, industrial corporations, overseas universities and local and foreign foundations. The German Government is another generous source of funds, says Professor Phlipott.

The SSS works closely with the bursaries committee in recommending which students to support. Numbers have to be turned down,' says Professor Phlipott, 'but a black student never gives up. He has a small change of a university education that he qualifies for and he never lets go. We turn nobody away. Instead we refer them to staff where they can get assistance.'

If the Students Support Services puts a student on the road at the university, one could say that the Student Counselling Centre has served him.

It was started on the Pietermaritzburg campus in 1948 as an advisory service and a student counselling programme. It was later expanded to cover all students and is now part of the Student Counselling Centre.

Today there are offices on both campuses, with a staff of five counsellors, headed by Ian Gibson. They handle the problems of prospective students, undergraduates, postgraduates and staff members.

Next year it plans a major bridging programme for which 24 new posts will be created in Durban and Pietermaritzburg to stage the first-year course over two years. Allied to this will be a four-week summer bridging course.

But it is for assistance in finance and accommodation that most black students head for, Howard College and its staff. Mrs Judy Brightman says that the department sees between 50 and 70 students a day; it will work up to 200 in the next few weeks.

It added up to 8 000 interviews last year and assistance for about 1 000 students, 452 of whom received short-term loans worth R30 000, of which R51 000 was repaid. 'Students are wonderful about repaying their loans,' she says.

Its outreach activities include teacher up-grade programmes in the high schools as well as extra tutorials, a creche for kids of students and courses to make up for the years the locusts have eaten,' Professor Phlipott says.

Its activities are underwritten by the SRC and the Padet Foundation, and the University of Natal has a programme of its own. It is helping students with the SRC and we get referrals of students from the SRC,' Mrs Brightman says. 'We don't treat the student as an object that must be processed, and we prefer our work to be regarded as counselling rather than advisory.'

Some students have difficulties with their personal lives, feel depressed, wonder if they should drop out. They will probably need more than one session. If psychiatric help is needed the staff can supply it.

We have representation on the Senate and if you look at the Senate minutes you may find one student's case taking up seven or eight pages,' says Mrs Brightman.

Ian Gibson has been with Student Counselling since 1972, and has served in a similar job at the Technikon three years ago. Newest recruit is Pietermaritzburg-born luckies, who transferred from the Medical School's Psychiatry Department in November.

All faculties

They're hoping that Ian's appointment may encourage more black students to make use of the Student Counselling Centre, which at the moment is '(sessing) from a job at the Technikon three years ago. Newest recruit is Naidoo, who transferred from the Medical School's Psychiatry Department in November.

Otherwise the centre attracts students from all faculties as well as counselling from right across the campus, both men and women, from all faculties. Even the hairy rugger-bugger engineer may have his problems.

The centre reaches out beyond the campus, maintaining contact with high schools, courtyard, teacher counsellors and other community organisations.

It organises a seminar on careers before the August-September company recruitment programme, gives information on full-time and vacation employment and assists with military deferral problems.

'We don't try to engineer a student's life for him; we want to make the decision,' says Ian Gibson. 'Our rewards are very worth while.'
Welsh quits top post, but to stay at UCT

By GAYE DAVIS
Staff Reporter

PROFESSOR David Welsh has decided to stand down as head of the department of political studies at the University of Cape Town following the report of the commission of inquiry into the Conor Cruise O'Brien affair.

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SIEGE SOCIETIES

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In their report the commissioners — former Wits University principal Professor D J du Plessis and Mr Arthur Chaskalson SC and Mr Ismail Mohamed SC — criticised the role of the political studies department in the controversy.

They questioned the wisdom of Dr O'Brien being invited. He was "not only a controversial political activist" but also "a person endowed with what appears to be a colourful and volatile personality not easily able to maintain academic detachment ..."

They said the political studies department failed to inform Dr Saunders of "the storm that was building up" and said "had the appropriate procedures been followed ... events might have taken a different course".

O'Brien misjudged students' sensitivities — Page 25.
Devaluing, Poynting's Face

NEWS FOCUS

SOUTH AFRICA's academics face devastating boycott over the creation of a new university in the post-apartheid era.
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A spokesman for the university said a report in a morning paper that Prof Welsh had “quit his post was misleading and incorrect.”

“Although he has resigned as head of the department of political studies, he has not resigned his post as Professor of Southern African Studies at the university.

"Departmental headships are not permanent appointments but are made for limited periods of up to three years,” he said.

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The Argus Foreign Service

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Commission on O'Brien 'useless'

CAPE TOWN — The report of the commission of inquiry into violence and intimidation during the visit of Irish academic, Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien at the University of Cape Town demonstrated that such commissions appointed by universities themselves are "utterly useless", the chairman of the University Free Speech Association said yesterday.

Mr J Lamison said no steps will be taken to discipline the left-wing students responsible.

"For the university authorities to hide behind the alleged state of the country is nothing but a straightforward dereliction of duty and a loathsome display of sheer gutlessness," he said.

The association appealed to the Government to:

• Appoint a judicial commission of inquiry into last year's incidents of intimidation and violence at UCT and at the University of the Witwatersrand;
• Introduce a Bill to guarantee freedom of speech at universities;
• Ensure that new students are given a straightforward introduction into academic life and not subjected to left-wing political indoctrination.

The National Student Federation of South Africa (NSF) said yesterday it was "unacceptable and disappointing" that the report "glosses over the use of violence by left-wing students to prevent lectures".

The association refers to "detrimental consequences for the already fragile position of academic freedom at UCT".

"The commission ignored the persistent ability of left-wing students to systematically deny the right of anyone else to hear a personality or point of view with which they may disagree."

"Instead the commission blames Dr O'Brien." — Sapa.
BEP's busy negotiating several sales

Maponya was just as reluctant to talk about the company. But he said BEP is presently negotiating with a number of companies poised to pull out of South Africa in the near future.

He said he "would not be happy" if the Weekly Mail published the story because "if we disclose at this stage we are going to get into a position where the whole thing may even abort".

One of the companies BEP is rumoured to have negotiated with is the multi-million rand oil corporation, Mobil.

However, Mobil SA yesterday denied that it was holding discussions with BEP or that it was to make a major announcement on May Day about pulling out of South Africa.

"Mobil has no intention of pulling out and has categorically said so on numerous occasions in the past few months," a company representative said.

The South African Congress of Trade Unions has condemned BEP's intentions, saying the "cloak and dagger manner of the deal exposes the selfish, individualistic attitudes of those involved".

"A buy-out plan does nothing to solve the vexing problems of the country."
Welsh plans to stay at UCT

Weekend Argus Reporter

PROFESSOR David Welsh of the University of Cape Town's department of political studies has no immediate plans to enter parliamentary politics.

He said today he had entertained the possibility of a political career ever since standing as a Progressive Reform Party candidate for Groote Schuur in 1974.

Although he had stood down as head of the political studies department following criticism of its role in the Conor Cruise O'Brien affair he was not intending to leave UCT at present.

Many of his close friends were PFP MPs and he believed they would enjoy their support were he to enter politics.
Prof slams report on unrest at UCT

By ELSABE WESSELS

Against his violation of the academic boycott.
An estimated 100 students, mainly Azame (Azanian Students’ Organisation) supporters, were involved in the protest, which received wide publicity.

Professors Welsh and Stuart Saunders, vice-chancellor of the University of the Witwatersrand, took pains to underline the fundamental conflicts which had precipitated the affair.

The commission concluded that the incident has its roots in the political conflict raging within the country and that the commission should respond to the incident in a punitive way.

The commission, however, launched a strong attack on Dr O’Brien and described his conduct as “provocative.”

Dr O’Brien is a politician, journalist and academic.

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Meanwhile Dr O'Brien said in a call from Ireland yesterday: "Unless the university disassociates itself from the remarks of the commission I will have to take the matter before court."

The report criticised Dr O'Brien's actions and his "mercurial and volatile" temperament and said he had not regulated "academic detachment under conditions of excitement or emotional 'stress'".
Welsh says he may leave UCT for politics

Staff Reporter

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*The National Union of South African Students (Nusas), which originally rejected the establishment of a commission of inquiry into the O’Brien incident, has now welcomed the commission’s report.*
100 T'kei students sit for supplementary examinations

Dispatch Reporter

UMTATA — More than 100 University of Transkei students started their supplementary examinations this week, while 244 others have already passed their final 1987 examinations.

The university's public relations officer, Mr G. L. Matshaka, said the supplementary examinations began on Monday and would continue until February 10.

He said the 1987 graduation ceremony would be held on Saturday, May 9, while the installation of the new principal, Professor Wiseman Nkuhlu, would be on March 4.

The orientation programme for new students would begin on February 3 and would continue until February 10.

Mr Matshaka said the programme would feature, among other things, the welcoming of students by the principal, career planning, introduction of deans, registration procedure, bookshop information, library procedures, personal development, skill gathering and language laboratories.

He said the registration of new students would be on February 3 and February 4, and that senior students would register on Monday, February 9, and Tuesday, February 10.

Mr Matshaka said the first day of the first semester on which all lectures were expected to begin, was February 11.

He said parents and students were welcome to partake in the orientation schedule.

The orientation for new staff members and lecturers would be given from February 4 to February 6.

Mr Matshaka emphasised that applicants should know that registration meant the actual admission which involved payment of fees, and no one would be able to register without the necessary fees.
UCT urged to show sensitivity to workers

UCT urged to show sensitivity to workers constituenced the pre-condition for UCT to play a relevant and meaningful role in the process of transition to a new society.

"We urge the university to display the same sensitivity to worker issues — to place the current struggle against re-frenchment and for a living wage at UCT in the context of a nationwide struggle of organized labour against mass unemployment and poverty, and to develop sensitive and positive responses to the demands for jobs for all at a living wage," the statement concluded.

In a statement issued after a meeting of the UWAWU shop stewards council the union welcomed the commission having placed specific events "within the context of a South Africa in the throes of change".

The O'Brien Commission was set up after fur-

rious controversy surrounded students disrupting lectures given by Irish academic, Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien, on the UCT campus on October 7 and 8 last year.

UWAWU said the critical self-examination of the values and structures of the university
THELMA TUCH

THE accounting profession is desperately short-staffed as a result of the "brain drain" from SA, according to Margo Steele, newly-appointed head of the department of accounting at the University of the Witwatersrand.

Steele — wife of Wits deputy vice-chancellor Jerry Steele — took over as head of the Wits accounting department this month, the first woman ever to head a department of accounting at an SA university.

The shortage of accountants is so acute, she says, that a situation has developed where members of the profession actually come on to the campus to canvass graduates for articles.

Worsening the situation is the noticeable increase in the number of graduates leaving SA, she says. Large numbers of the "best" of them are leaving for the US, Britain and Australia. Leaving for largely political reasons, they often depart immediately after graduation to avoid military service.

She says that last year about 12 graduates who received their call-up papers left the country directly after they had completed the course.

"I get excellent feedback from the US, UK and Australia about the quality of our graduates," she says.

The brain drain also hit Wits accounting staff members last year. Two of them emigrated; another member has left this year.

Accounting the cost of SA's 'brain drain'

Steele ... "been accepted"

The university has problems finding suitable people to fill these positions, she says, because its salaries are not competitive. To deal with this problem Wits has employed more part-time staff members who complement their salaries with other jobs. However, the department still faces a staff shortage; this will be one of the biggest challenges facing her in her new position.

Steele, longest-serving member of the Wits accounting department, passed the examination of the Public Accountants' and Auditors' Board at the age of 20 — the youngest CA ever to qualify in SA.

How does she feel heading a department which is predominantly male? She says: "I've been here for so long in a senior position that I know I have been accepted."

Up to 35% of accounting students today are female and they make good students, walking away with a large number of the accounting prizes, she says. "Women don't choose to do this profession unless they are really good," she explains.

Steele worked side by side with her husband in the accounting department for years. He started off as a lecturer and was head of the department from 1979-1984.

"An agreement had to be reached for me to be allowed to stay in the department, because a wife and husband in the same department is not generally allowed by the university authorities."

Her feelings about becoming head of the department? "The position was thrust upon me... I certainly would not have taken it out of choice. All my life I looked forward to having a nice, pleasant and relaxing job, but that certainly has not happened."
2 deans for Fort Hare

EAST LONDON — Two new deans have been appointed to the University of Fort Hare in Alice.

The head of the department of biochemistry and microbiology at the university, Professor J. M. Brand, has been appointed dean of the faculty of science. He succeeds Professor R. van den Berg who has gone to the Rand Afrikaans University.

Professor Brand joined the staff of Fort Hare in October 1978 from the University of Iowa, where he was a research scientist.

The head of the department of agricultural extension and rural development, Professor T. J. Bembridge, has been appointed dean of the faculty of agriculture. He succeeds Professor M. C. Laker, who has gone to the University of Pretoria. — DDR
Too many law faculties

SA has too many law faculties, Cape Town University’s law faculty’s acting dean Professor Reinhard Zimmermann says in the January issue of De Rebus.

And he suggests the number should be reduced from the existing 10 faculties to four or five — therefore becoming centres of academic excellence.

Zimmermann says one of the reasons for reducing the faculties is the dire financial situation at universities which is leading to law libraries falling behind international standards.

And he criticised the length of time and amount of money wasted by many students trying to get their BA LLB degree.

He says: "Many of them take up to seven years to finish, learning many things they’ll never use.”

Zimmermann says a three-year undergraduate degree at a practical legal training school on the technicon level should be introduced for those wishing to do basic legal work.
Professor Gerwel’s challenge: Walk with us into the night

"Walk with us into the night," said Professor Jakes Gerwel.

As new rector of the University of the Western Cape that was his welcome, his invitation... indeed, his challenge... this week to parents of the university’s new students.

It was a catchy line. But Professor Gerwel is not a man given to the slick, romantic image. What then lies ahead in this darkness where he would have us go? How does UWC plan to survive the night?

Already, uniquely, the university is increasingly realising many of its intended ideals. In 1982 it adopted a Charter committing itself to non-racialism and a total rejection of the apartheid system which spawned it as a "coloured" university. It committed itself, also, to the development of the Third World communities in Southern Africa.

Last year Professor Gerwel, as deputy-designate, identified UWC as a potential intellectual home for the Left. Since then it has drawn a number of top quality academics with its call to a left-wing and social perspective on African literature, like Professor Colin Bundy, a historian whose concerns are people's history and establishing an alternative to the "white" view dished up in traditional South African textbooks.

That those academics and more like them, find UWC the place to be, says much about the institution. In turn, these minds will feed the university with academic excellence.

UWC had to earn the interest of the heavyweights, though, and it has done so through its commitment to its intended ideals it has embraced and made public through its academic and concrete programmes and educational tasks it has set itself.

"Struggling off the constraints which kept us bound as bush college in the past, as apartheid institution, has been an ongoing process which, if you have put a stake in the ground, you will see started with the 1975 boycotts. The university was closed, for instance, when students joined as a body, and the call for a black rector led to the appointment of my predecessor Dick van der Ross. Then there was 1976 and since then each political and educational crisis has acceleated the change.

"When I stand up and make speeches about a new dawn and a university of the future I’m not doing it as a one-man show. I am the university’s chief executive but I am also elected and no one doubts my politics when they chose me for this position. UWC is the university it is today — and one of which we are increasingly proud — because we have grown out of our apologetic past mindfully, and in identifying and making known a vision of the future we can design our present with that ideal in mind."

The design so far has included the numerous initiatives and projects which operate out of the university and reach the community it serves.

The Centre for Adult and Continuing Education is a people’s education project offering working adults a second chance to learn. They overcome the disadvantages they faced during their education they were dished up in the education of separate education.

The UWC Institute for Social Development seeks to make social work relevant to a Third World community and, to give one example, at the request of the Cradock community this institute has appointed Di Bishop and Nyame Goliwe to undertake a community-cum-research project in that area.

Outreach programmes operate in schools in an attempt to offset the huge gaps left by the State education system. The quality of teaching, too, is addressed and courses are offered to upgrade the skills of existing teachers.

There is also the university’s well-equipped Plato System — the largest computer-based educational system outside the United States. This huge computerized library of educational bridging material is used to help both UWC students and members of the community frustrated by their educational disadvantages.

And the university faculties themselves are designed to make their teaching relevant to the community. The Faculty of Dentistry operates a community clinic; the Law Faculty runs a legal aid system which not only gives students a real taste of the field but provides essential legal advice in communities where help is at a premium.

The Legal Faculty has also attracted its share of leading academics including Professor Schalk van der Merwe, who left his post as dean at Rand Afrikaans University for a UWC professorship, and Professor Alan Copeland, who made the move from the University of South Africa.

Professor Gerwel wrote this column with pride to the Faculty of Community and Health Services, a new umbrella faculty for the old "social sciences" whose very name is the clue to the orientation.

"We are only one part of the society headed into what I called the night, but, in real terms, we might contribute to change and realise our ideals if we look constantly at what we teach, how we teach it, who teaches and at whom we target our teaching."

Those carefully designed educational programmes, subject to constant questionning and revision, make gains in the race for ideals and leave the status quo behind.

"We have to look at what we research, how we research it and how we disseminate our research results. All these are the day-to-day tasks of which we have to be aware at UWC.

"Universities," he says, "have a dual function. An internal responsibility to develop and grow within the university itself... to the pursuit of knowledge and excellence. And second, an external function... a responsibility to the community it serves and an effort to remain relevant to that community."

The night which lies ahead is Professor Gerwel’s metaphor for the increasing state repression he expects, not only for UWC but for society at large.

"One hears a lot of talk about a ‘revolutionary onslaught’ on South Africa but as a university person and without access to the security information that might convince me of this, what I see is South Africans trying to take South Africa from South Africans... and my ultimate concern is for a nation living in illegitimacy and justice."

The changed South Africa is not going to be one of superficial integration... that is not the kernel of the problem. A changed South Africa is one in which the ‘colonised’ sections of our society are empowered and the university’s role in this is to de-colonise the mind.

"The University of the Western Cape is explicitly like I say aggressively and I usually catch myself in time in a financial university in the tradition of that social and political context which has long identified non-racialism as an ideal for South Africa."

"But UWC is also predominantly black and as such represents something of that. South African ideal. It is non-racial but also not oblivious to the fact that blacks are predominant in this society."

Its history and an apartheid heritage has forced UWC to define itself in the face of its community. And it is doing just that, in the real world of its teaching, its clinics, institutes and people’s projects, and in the world of ideas beyond the night.
Tuks in Rupert row

By CHARMAINE NAIDOO

RIGHTWINGERS at the University of Pretoria are threatening to put up a fight over the nomination of a "verligte" Afrikaner for the post of ceremonial head.

And to try to oust the proposed nominee for chancellor of Tukkies, Stellenbosch businessman and philanthropist Dr Anton Rupert, they are planning to nominate a conservative candidate to stand against him.

The namechosen — though his name has not yet officially been put forward as a contender — is Dr Wally Hall, managing director of the Uranium Enrichment Corporation.

The post of chancellor became vacant when Mr Alwyn Schlebusch went back into politics.

He has been appointed as a Minister in the State President's office, his portfolio being the Commission for Administration and the SABC.
The report said the high
operation costs and lack of
space at the university caused
this problem. Professor Welsh
explained that there is a
problem with the current
administration and the lack of
funding. The report also
mentioned that there are no
planned solutions to address
this issue.

The problem is not
implanted
in the university's facilities,
but rather in the way the
administration handles the
school. Professor Welsh
said that the administration
has not been able to
communicate effectively with
the students and staff, which
has led to a lack of trust and
support.

The report stated that
there was a need for a
cultural change at the
university. Professor Welsh
agreed, stating that the
administration needs to be
more transparent and
accountable to the students
and staff. The report also
mentioned that the university
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infrastructure and facilities
in order to improve the
learning environment.

The report concluded that
the university needs to take
action to address the
problems mentioned. Professor
Welsh echoed this sentiment,
saying that the university
needs to prioritize the
well-being of its students and
staff.
Three to fast over university's SA links

WALTEMA, Mass. — Three chaplains at Northeastern University in Boston are on leave, pending an investigation into their role in a $100 million federal lawsuit.

The three chaplains — Rev. Fr. John W. Connolly, director of the university's chaplaincy center; Rev. Fr. Joseph E. R. Smith, associate director of the chaplaincy center; and Rev. Fr. William J. Mahoney, assistant director of the chaplaincy center — have not been charged with any wrongdoing.

The lawsuit, filed in 2017, claims that Northeastern University, the city of Boston, and several other defendants conspired to discriminate against student-athletes by providing them with preferential treatment through the use of financial aid and other benefits.

In December, 10 students filed a class-action lawsuit against Northeastern University, alleging that the institution discriminated against them by providing financial aid to student-athletes.

The suit alleges that Northeastern University violated federal law by providing preferential treatment to student-athletes, including financial aid, housing, and other benefits.

The university denied the allegations and said it was taking steps to address the students' concerns.

The three chaplains were placed on leave in December, pending an investigation into their role in the lawsuit.

In a statement, the university said it was taking the allegations seriously and was committed to ensuring that all students were treated fairly.

The university also said it was taking steps to ensure that all students had access to the resources they needed to succeed.

The investigation into the chaplains' role in the lawsuit is expected to take several weeks.

The university has not commented on the lawsuit since it was filed in December.
Motsuenyane's call at graduation ceremony

The South African Government must give full and equal citizenship rights to all its people, Dr Sam Motsuenyane, president of the National African Federated Chamber of Commerce, said at the weekend.

Apartheid, he added, had come up against sustained and unyielding condemnation and outright rejection both nationally and internationally.

"Like all other African countries that were once formerly under white rule, South Africa is destined eventually to become a multi-racial country with a predominately black central government.

History

"How long it will take and by what means this transition is to be effected, whether peacefully or violently, these considerations must be left to history," said Dr Motsuenyane.

He urged the Government to rapidly move away from the present race-oriented policies towards alternative policies that would give black people a rightful share in the political life of the country.

This move would create a climate of better understanding and cordial relations for the country's international relations.

Dr Motsuenyane said the fundamental reforms which ought to be introduced immediately and in fact long overdue, must include:

- The extension of full and equal citizenship rights to all South Africans irrespective of race or colour;
- The scrapping of all laws which discriminate against persons on the basis of colour.

A total 163 degrees and diplomas were conferred at the ceremony.
UCT professor on fraud charge

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A University of Cape Town professor and two other men are to appear in the Pretoria Magistrate's Court today on charges of fraud.

The charge is allegedly linked to classified research done 18 years ago.

The men are Professor Geoffrey Brundritt, 46, a senior lecturer in applied mathematics at UCT, Mr Raymond Vice, 61, of the CSIR's National Institute of Telecommunications Research, and Mr Francis John Hewitt, 67. Mr Hewitt, now-retired, is a former CSIR employee.

The charges relate to research done in 1968 and 1969 by Dr Jan Lochner at the University of Port Elizabeth. Dr Lochner is a former director of the National Institute for Defence, now Armscor.

The research involved submarines and electromagnetic waves.
De Vries warns Matie students on disruptions

Education Reporter

PROFESSOR Mike de Vries, rector of the University of Stellenbosch, has repeated a warning given last year that swift, punitive action will be taken against people disrupting academic activities on the campus.

Professor de Vries said today there was nothing unusual in the warning he gave when he opened the academic year yesterday.

He said: "It is not a new stand I have taken. The same message was contained in my opening address last year."

In 1985 "there were people on campus who almost came to blows because of differences." He wanted to avoid a repetition of that and warned students the following year.

Professor de Vries said he wanted a calm, peaceful campus on which people would be given a chance to state their views.

"An atmosphere where academics can speak freely is important," he said.

He told about 2,800 first-year students and 2,200 parents that the university would deal relentlessly with students who disrupted the academic year.

He said students could voice their views in a responsible manner, but they would undermine the atmosphere of academic dialogue on the campus if they displayed their views on banners, demonstrated, or distributed pamphlets secretly.

He said Stellenbosch had a spirit of moderate forbearance. He would not tolerate actions which disrupted academic progress or activities or lectures or speeches by guest speakers. Swift, punitive action would be taken against offenders.

Professor de Vries said South Africa was a vulnerable country which would be hurt if sanctions were applied against it.

The country would also be hurt if "things were not put right internally" and if there was no understanding and reconciliation among its citizens.

Professor de Vries said students could play an important role in improving race relations.
Microfilm blow to SA varsities

Free-for-all at wrestling

Staff Reporters

SOUTH African universities have been cut off from vital research data and their international academic status is in jeopardy.

University Microfilm International (UMI), a major supplier of microfilmed information, has withdrawn from the country and libraries and academics fear that their status would suffer a severe setback.

This means the loss of a list of unpublished doctoral theses which was of great importance to researchers, the chief librarian at the University of Cape Town, Mr. Tony Hooper, said.

In a letter to South African universities, UMI said it was withdrawing from South Africa to stand by the policy of their American affiliate, Bell and Howell Corporation, which had suspended South African imports of its products.

A Danish publishing company's proposal to publish South African research in the form of a circulation magazine was also hit by the embargo, particularly sectional teaching, said chief medical librarian at UCT, Ms. Shirley Parker.

Only service

University libraries and academics around the country said that UMI's services were the only information service from the US on unpublished dissertations and doctor theses.

Miss Parker said the implications were "enormous".

The medical library was forced to suspend subscriptions to journals that usually included UMI, which were "of considerable importance."

The dean of the medical faculty, Professor George Dull, said UMI put the university "at a great disadvantage."

Mr. Hooper said, "The basis of all universities is the need to conduct research so that further research can be done on the major criterion to get a doctorate in a specific field."

Hampering

Mr. Hooper said the letter from UMI was apologetic and it appeared UMI did not have the funds to finance its research.

Professor E.H. Groot, director of the library services at the University of Pretoria, said the suspension was "the key source" of their library.

The most important implication was that scientists and academics would lose access to the American postgraduate theses and dissertations.

Rejection in academic circles has been a constant threat, with some academics warning about difficulty in keeping abreast of developments.
Johannesburg — South African academics have suffered a severe blow with the announcement by an American company that it was terminating the only available microfilm reference service to South African universities.

In the most drastic development in the country's growing academic isolation, University Microfilms International (UMI) apparently informed all South African universities that it was terminating its service to South Africa.

The Unisa librarian, Mr Thys du Preez, confirmed the development in Pretoria yesterday, and said the step could be linked to the fact that UMI was a subsidiary of the United States' Bell and Howell company.

Bell and Howell has sold off its South African operations.

Academics warned yesterday that they would experience difficulties in keeping abreast of research abroad, and that 'even their status as academics could be called into question eventually by the international academic community'.

University librarians and academics said that the microfilm service was the main — and indeed only — information conduit from the US on unpublished dissertations and doctoral theses.

The development might compel South African universities to resort to 'academic sanctions-busting'. — Sapa.
Detection of submarines: Three men in court

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Three men have pleaded not guilty to charges of fraud concerning the detection of submarines.

They are Dr Geoffrey Brunditt, 46, of the University of Cape Town, Dr Raymond Vice, 61, director of the National Telecommunications Department of the CSIR, and Dr Francis Huwitt, 67, a former vice-president of the CSIR.

The three allegedly misrepresented to the Armaments Board and/or the Defence Force and/or the Council of the CSIR and/or the University of Port Elizabeth in 1968 that a formula to determine the variation in the magnetic field immediately below the surface of the sea was not valid.

A letter from the Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, was read to the court yesterday asking that the names of a military project and foreign companies and countries involved should not be named.

Dr Johannes Lochner, formerly of the CSIR and the University of Port Elizabeth, said he had been relieved of his position at the CSIR and a post had been created at UPE.

INVESTIGATION

He had previously uncovered corruption in a CSIR department concerning the purchase of useless equipment from a foreign country. He had approached General Hendrik van den Bergh, the then head of the security police, and he had launched an investigation.

Dr Lochner was later contracted to UPE to work on a project funded by the CSIR.

He had developed a system for detecting submarines through the magnetic field created by a cable. The system had worked and had complied with the pre-requisites in his instructions.

He said there had been a difference of opinion between him and the president of the CSIR, Dr Meiring Naudé, Dr Vice and Dr Huwitt about whether the formula would work.

It was decided that Dr Brunditt would be shown the options so that he could give an independent opinion. Dr Brunditt found that the formula would not work.

The case continues today.
"Warning" to rowdy students

By HILARY VENABLES

"TROUBLE-MAKERS" who disrupt lectures and other academic activities at the University of Stellenbosch "will leave Stellenbosch faster than they arrived", the rector of the university, Professor Mike de Vries, warned yesterday.

Addressing first-year students and their parents at the opening of the university's academic year, Prof De Vries said Stellenbosch would not tolerate the disruption of academic activities, lectures or speeches by invited speakers on campus and would deal "ruthlessly" with trouble-makers.

His remarks come as a sharp contrast to the recommendations of the UCT commission of inquiry into the disruption last year of a visit by Irish academic Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien.

The commission, which released its findings less than two weeks ago, warned of "the very real possibility that the taking of harsh disciplinary action will open old wounds and sharpen the divisions".

UCT Vice-Chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders, who has not yet taken any action against the students in the O'Brien affair, did not wish to comment on Prof De Vries's speech until he had seen a transcript.

But an executive member of UCT's SRC, Ms Reneé Alberts, said Stellenbosch seemed "determined to isolate itself from the reality of South Africa in 1987".

"The iron-fisted approach outlined by Prof De Vries will not do away with the problems of dissatisfied students," she said. "Universities should uphold the democratic right to peaceful protest and dissent instead of playing the role of policemen."
Hall opened to homeless students

By TONY WEAVER

The rector of the University of the Western Cape, Professor Jakes Gerwel, threw open the university's Great Hall to student squatters late yesterday after more than 100 homeless students occupied the administration block and demanded housing.

And the students squatted overnight in a disused dining hall last night to press home their demands - after marching through the campus, singing freedom songs and chanting "viva the Freedom Charter!"

The students, mainly members of the South African National Students' Congress (Sasaco - formerly the Azanian Students' Organization, Azaso), marched on the administration block after a lunchtime mass meeting.

'Meal'

They demanded that the administration: Legalize squatting in residence rooms to alleviate the shortage; provide squatting students with residence canteen meal tickets; convert disused campus dining halls into temporary accommodation and erect prefabricated buildings as extra accommodation.

The students also complained that many of them are forced to seek accommodation off campus where "unscrupulous landlords" charge up to R150 a month each for a shared motor car garage with one meal a day.

"The accommodation problem is also a political problem, because the more students there are staying off campus, the less easy it is to organize people politically, as they are dispersed," one speaker at the sit-in said.

Professor Gerwel said yesterday afternoon that "for the next couple of days, we have provided the students with at least a temporary roof - the Great Hall. Many of the new students have arrived in Cape Town without any accommodation and are desperate.

"We are very very aware of their problems and are at present building three hostels, each with a capacity of 270 students - a total of 810 beds. "The student demand is that accommodation is a right, and not a privilege - which we appreciate - but obviously it is simply not physically possible to achieve this with our historical backlog of housing."

He said the question of squatting being allowed in the residences was "under discussion" - "like shebeens, we regard this as illegal, but like shebeens, squatting will always be there.

Appeal

"All their demands are under consideration, the solutions are not things we can pull out of our back pockets. The conversion of the dining halls to residences are under consideration and should already have been converted, but they will only be able to accommodate about 30 students."

Professor Gerwel appealed to the people of Cape Town to help provide accommodation for students.

UWC registered 1,200 more students this year than in 1986, bringing to about 8,000 the total number of students on the campus, the highest in its history.
February 5, 1987

**Witness:**

**Charge awaited on death**

PRETORIA. — A fraud case involving senior members of the CSIR and a weapons-development project took nearly 20 years to reach court because the complainant, a leading South African scientist, was waiting for the president of the CSIR to die.

Dr J Lochner said the case would never have reached court while Dr Meiring Naudé, the president of the CSIR, was alive because he was a very influential man and a friend of a former prime minister, Mr John Vorster.

**Formula**

Dr Lochner was testifying against Dr Geoffrey Brunditt, 67, a professor in applied mathematics at the University of Cape Town; Dr Raymond Vice, 60, Director of the CSIR National Telecommunications Department, and Dr Francis Huwitt, 67, a former CSIR vice-president, who allegedly misrepresented to the Armaments Board and/or the Defence Force and/or the Council of the CSIR and/or the University of Port Elizabeth that a formula to determine the variation in the magnetic field below the surface of the sea was not valid.

Dr Lochner said he was relieved of his post at the CSIR after he uncovered corruption there. He said he had asked his friend General Hendrik van den Bergh, then head of the security police, to investigate.

He said there was a dispute between him and the CSIR about whether a system for detecting submarines through the magnetic field created by a cable worked.

Dr Brunditt gave his independent opinion that it would not, and funds for the project were cut off.

Dr Lochner said he had repeatedly stated that the wrong type of cable was being used. — Sapa
University bans visits to SA

LONDON.—The senate of Leeds University yesterday voted in favour of a virtual ban on all academic staff and students going to South Africa. They would be officially "discouraged" from going. This is the first British university to take this action and the students' union intends lobbying for an academic boycott for South Africa. — DDc

The Leeds University decision was taken at a meeting of the senate yesterday and was almost unanimous. This body, which runs the academic side of the university, voted to "discourage" academics and students from visiting South Africa. — DDc
Talks on Homelessness

Education Reporter
THE Rector of the University of the Western Cape, Professor Jakes Gerwel, met members of the student community yesterday to discuss the university’s burgeoning housing problem.

The emergency meeting was called after more than 100 homeless students occupied the administration block on Wednesday demanding housing.

Students demanded that the administration legalize squatting in residences, provide squatting students with residence canteen meal tickets, convert disused campus dining halls into temporary accommodation and erect prefabricated buildings as extra accommodation.

As a temporary measure, Prof Gerwel provided the students with accommodation in the Great Hall, but negotiations are continuing, a student spokesman said.

This year UWC has about 8,000 students on campus, the highest in its history.
Botha advised me over submarine case — scientist

‘Go to court, said P W’

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — The then Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, advised a leading scientist to seek recourse through the courts over the submarine fraud case, the scientist claimed in the Pretoria Magistrate’s Court.

The alleged fraud involved senior members of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research and a project for the development of a device for detecting submarines.

The scientist, Dr J Lochner, said yesterday that he had battled for many years to get the case to court and that he approached Mr Botha about the dispute regarding his formula.

Magnetic field

Dr Geoffrey Brunditt, 46, a professor in applied mathematics at the University of Cape Town, Dr Raymond Vise, 61, director of the National Telecommunications Department of the CSIR, and Dr Francis Huwitt, 67, a former vice-president of the CSIR, are on trial.

They allegedly misrepresented to the Armaments Board and/or the Defence Force and/or the University of Port Elizabeth and/or the Council of the CSIR that a formula was not valid to determine the variation in the magnetic field below the surface of the sea.

They have all pleaded not guilty to the charge, which was yesterday altered to include another formula and a theory.

The court has heard that there was a dispute between the CSIR and Dr Lochner over whether a system for the detection of submarines through a magnetic field worked.

Dr Lochner said the decision to stop the funds for his research was made by Dr Meinhard Naude, president of the CSIR. The decision was based on a report by Dr Brunditt which stated that Dr Lochner’s solution would not work, while supporting Dr Vise’s solution.

Dr Lochner said: “Dr Naude’s science is rusty as a result of years of administrative work.”

He believed that Dr Naude would not have understood Dr Vise’s solution, though agreed that he would have understood a simply written letter from the Rector of UPE, Dr E Mare, asking that the funding be resumed.

An expert witness, Professor Anthony Walker of the University of Natal, said he agreed with Dr Brunditt’s conclusions that Dr Lochner’s solution would not work.

He said that even if Dr Brunditt had seen the amended formula, he would not have revised his conclusions because additional information about the experimental techniques was needed.

‘Signed’

Dr Lochner testified that he had once visited Dr Brunditt, who had signed a paper admitting that Dr Vise’s solution was not applicable to Dr Lochner’s system.

Dr Lochner said when he had been working for the CSIR he had uncovered corruption in the CSIR. General Hendrik van den Bergh, who was then head of the security police, had instituted an investigation. Following this, a post was created at UPE.

The hearing continues today.
Still hope for medical faculty - in five years

By KIN BENTLEY

A DECISION by the Government not to consider a medical faculty at the University of Port Elizabeth for the next five years was not the death knell to the idea, the chairman of the Medical Association of South Africa in PE, Dr Angus Hofmeyr, said today.

However, he questioned why the Government allowed a medical faculty to be established at the University of Transkei (Unitra), while PE was ignored.

Attempts to get details from Unitra about its faculty proved unsuccessful today. The faculty had been operating there since September, 1985.

Dr Hofmeyr said the Unitra school was the only one between Cape Town and Durban.

He asked where the money was coming from to finance the Transkei school.

"If this is South African taxpayers' money, why has it not come to PE?"

PATRICK CULL reported from Cape Town earlier that, according to the White Paper on Health Services tabled in Parliament yesterday, no new medical faculties would be considered in the next five years.

The White Paper, the Government's response to the Browne Commission's Report, states that extensions to existing faculties or new faculties will be reconsidered after five years.

The University of Port Elizabeth has been pressing for a medical faculty for a considerable time.

Dr Hofmeyr said today the Browne Commission's findings were just a substantiation of earlier findings by the de Villiers Commission, which concluded that no new medical school could be built in SA before 1990.

But, added Dr Hofmeyr, in terms of this and other studies, "PE and UPE had presented the strongest argument for a school, should it be deemed necessary in years to come".

Dr Hofmeyr said: "We need a medical school. The issue can't be sidestepped. The present facilities in other schools have been enlarged to a maximum."

Any further expansion of facilities or student numbers at the six existing schools would be counter-productive.

"A ratio of students and pupils must be maintained," he said, adding that when schools became too big they became impersonal. Medicine is a very personal thing. It involves human contact and interaction between the tutor and the student."
Scientist loses 20-year wrangle

PRETORIA. — Three eminent scientists charged with fraudulently rejecting the feasibility of a submarine-detection system were acquitted here yesterday.

The Magistrate's Court here found that it had not been convinced that the three men had misrepresented the feasibility of Dr J Lochner's system.

Dr Lochner had devised a system whereby the presence of submarines could be detected magnetically by an underwater cable.

The court heard a tangled story of how influence in high circles had prevented Dr Lochner from getting the case to court for 20 years. State President P W Botha had finally advised him to litigate.

Dr Lochner was visibly anguished to hear the verdict yesterday. Proceedings also had to be postponed earlier this week when he took ill.

However, magistrate Mr F J Poolman said that Dr Lochner's system had had potential, perhaps more than he had been given credit for.

Dr Lochner had allegedly lost financial support for his system when the accused, Dr Geoffrey Brunditt, Dr Raymond Vice and Dr Francis Huwitt, allegedly told the Armaments Board that his system would not work.

Dr Brunditt, 46, is a professor in applied mathematics at the University of Cape Town.

Dr Vice, 61, is the director of the National Telecommunications Department of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR).

Dr Huwitt, 67, is a former vice-president of the CSIR.

Dr Lochner said a decision to stop funds for his research was taken by a former president of the CSIR, the late Dr Meiring Naude, on the strength of a negative report by Dr Brunditt.

Dr Lochner had waited for Dr Naude to die before going to court, since Dr Naude was a powerful man and a friend of former prime minister Mr John Vorster.

An expert witness, Prof Anthony Walker, of the University of Natal, told the court that he agreed with Dr Brunditt's conclusions that Dr Lochner's formula would not work. — Sapa
EAST LONDON — Rhodes University here plans to open the 1967 academic year with aplomb next week.

According to the university's press officer, Mrs Mary Burnett, the opening ceremony will be held at the Guild Theatre on Tuesday evening. The guest speaker will be the registrar, Dr Keith Hunt.

This will be followed by a cheese and wine party in the Courtney Latimer Hall at the East London Museum and a special performance of Hijack Over Hygenia.

Students of Rhodes East London, the university's local board and a large number of invited guests will attend the opening.

Registration will take place on the following day, Wednesday, February 11.

"This year promises to be important for us," said the dean of studies at Rhodes East London, Mr Ray Sutner.

"We have a record intake of new students — 160 first-year students — which is double the 1966 figure of 80. This will mean that we will have more than 300 students. We are also expecting a bigger enrolment of BEd students this year."

The university is introducing psychology here this year and expects to have a class of 50 students.

"Psychology is an important course for students studying commerce as well as those concentrating on education, which are the main areas of study at Rhodes here," Mr Sutner said.

"We have noticed an interesting trend this year — more students are opting for full time rather than part-time studies in East London. This is probably due to the socio-economic climate. It is obviously more economical for young people to study from home rather than face the costs of studying away from home," he said.
Just for the Rines

Soaring 'varsity costs could put education right out of reach...

by GAYE DAVIS, Weekend Argus Reporter

SOARING costs are threatening to put a university education out of reach of all but the very rich or the very bright.

The very wealthy can cope with increases in tuition and residence fees and higher book bills, while the very intelligent stand a chance of landing an all-expenses-paid bursary.

But for the average student, a university career has become a very expensive business over the past 10 years.

A B.A. student at the University of Cape Town is paying R2 190 a year for the three-year degree this year, compared to the 1972 cost of R1 010 and four times as much as the R600 a year it cost in 1977.

A medical degree — lasting six years — cost R780 a year 10 years ago. By 1982 it was R1 380 and this year it costs R3 000 a year.

A single room in residence cost R908 in 1977, R1 665 in 1982 and this year R3 130.

At the University of the Western Cape, B.A. fees have leapt from R225 in 1977 to R161 in 1983 and now stand at R1 510.

Residence fees have gone from R360 10 years ago to R550 in 1983 and are now R9 000.

Stellenbosch BA fees were R410 in 1977, R780 in 1982 and now cost R1 656.

Medical students paid R660 in 1977, R1 240 in 1982 and this year have to pay R2 565.

Residence fees (a single room) have risen from about R740 in 1977 to R1 295 in 1982 and now stand at R2 220.

Books cost about four times more today than they did 10 years ago, thanks to inflation, the devalued rand and increases in foreign book prices.

"Very rough" figures supplied by the manager of a leading academic bookstore show a B.A. student could get away with R30 for first-year books in 1977 and R100 in 1982. This year it's R200.

Medical students are looking at book bills of R560 this year, compared to R250 five years ago and R125 in 1977.

UNISA

Increasing numbers of students are finding it cheaper to break the law and photocopy an entire textbook.

Getting a degree through the University of South Africa is cheap by comparison.

A B.A. degree costs a total of about R2 000, compared to the average R5 400 for tuition at a residential university.

Unisa's Western Cape public relations manager, Mr. Chip Joubert, believes the higher costs of full-time study are helping push up Unisa's enrolment, expected to hit a record 80 000 this year.

"The student who can't afford the fees and who can't get a bursary will get a job and study part-time through Unisa," he said. "About 91 percent of our students are full-time employees.

But parents and students trying to rake together the cash should pause before accusing universities of money-grabbing.

The universities of Cape Town, the Western Cape and Stellenbosch, like their counterparts in other provinces, are operating on austerity budgets in an effort to keep fee-increases at a minimum.

Posts have been frozen and spending budgets pared to the minimum in an effort to economise.

Before the Government started cutting subsidies, it usually provided about 80 percent of universities' running costs, with the institutions generating the remaining 20 percent.
R2-m grant for UCT buildings

Weekend Argus Education Reporter

DE Beers Consolidated Mines Limited has donated R2-million to the University of Cape Town to commemorate the centenary of the company which was founded in 1888.

Dr Stuart Saunders, UCT's vice-chancellor, said in a statement that the money would be used to meet the building costs of the Harry Oppenheimer Institute for African Studies.
UCT declares May Day a campus holiday

Staff Reporter

The University of Cape Town has declared May Day — May 1 — a full university holiday for its 12,400 students and about 3,700 workers and academics. A spokesman for UCT confirmed this yesterday.

He said the decision was taken at the February meeting of the UCT Council, where it was noted that the declaration of the holiday had been supported by the General Purposes Committee of the University Senate.

The University and Allied Workers' Union, who initiated moves that May 1 be declared a holiday and who last year forged an agreement with the university for a five-hour May Day commemoration programme, yesterday said they "salute" the decision.

"Calendar unrepresentative"

"May Day is Workers' Day. The recognition of May Day as a paid holiday underlines the importance of the working class in the life of the nation. "It recognizes, too, that the existing calendar of public holidays is unrepresentative of the history and aspirations of the majority of South Africa's population, in particular the working class."

Calling on all employers to declare May Day a holiday, the union said they would intensify efforts to have June 16 declared a paid holiday as well.

The University of the Witwatersrand last week announced that it had declared May Day and June 16 paid holidays.
the proposal to establish the new college of education, which is to be known as the College of Education and Culture, to be under the Ministry of Education and Culture, and to be located in the city of [City Name].

The proposal was [approved/rejected] by the [Approval Body], and it is now under [Implementation/Review].

The estimated cost of the project is [Cost].

The project is expected to be completed by [Completion Date].

The new college will focus on [Focus Area], and it will have [Number] departments.

The college will offer [Degree Type] programs, and it will serve [Number] students.

The college is expected to have [Number] faculty members.

The college's mission is [Mission Statement].
Rector appeals for funds as varsity faces R3 m deficit

Mercury Reporter

The University of Durban-Westville faces an expected shortfall of R3 000 000 over the next three years and its rector, Prof Jaap Greyling, has appealed to the private sector to give universities increased financial support.

In his address at the opening of the academic year yesterday morning, Prof Greyling said the university's shortfall could increase if there was a drop in projected student numbers and/or drastic cuts in the Government subsidy.

Prof Greyling said it was unrealistic to expect further financial relief from the Government which contributed about 82% of each university's running expenditure.

Recent cuts in the Government subsidy had had serious implications for universities and there would almost certainly be further cuts, he said.

Prof Greyling also appealed to the private sector to provide generously for student bursaries as 25.5% of the parents of the students earned less than R4 000 a month and 69% less than R1 000. The demand for bursaries last year had exceeded the amount available by almost R2 000 000, he added.

Prof Greyling said in spite of economic pressures, unemployment, inadequate income and the high cost of university education, the university had been faced with a record of more than 5 000 admission applications.

Boos

The student body had become increasingly representative of the country's population and every effort would have to be made to integrate students from different cultural backgrounds into a harmonious campus community.

The procession at the opening yesterday was greeted with boos and whistles from some students and a number of paper aeroplanes were thrown at professors and dignitaries from the gallery.
Rhodes study warns on Ciskei industry

By GRAHAM LIZAMORE

EAST LONDON — Ciskei's industrial growth over the past four years is in danger of grinding to a halt unless urgent attention is paid to productivity, turnover and training in the area.

This warning comes from researchers at Rhodes University who claim their investigations into Ciskei's economy have shown that concessions to new and existing industries could eventually bankrupt the country.

Last year concessions amounted to R96 million.

Although half of this amount is carried by the South African taxpayer, the danger exists that the South African Government might decide this money would be better spent in its black townships, to stop burgeoning social and political unrest.

The study by Professor P.A. Black, Mr P.J. McCarter and Mr P.M. Clayton of the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER) at Rhodes University, is part of a study into the industrial development policy of Ciskei.

While admitting a spectacular rate of industrial growth over the past four years, they point out the growth resulted from a number of factors, including a relatively cheap and available supply of labour, suppression of trade union activity, as well as lack of pollution, health and safety regulations.

Increasing levels of education and productivity, as well as the aggressive marketing of Ciskei as an industrial location also played a part.

The much publicised tax-free option to industries does not seem to have had the desired effect of attracting industries, because only seven out of an estimated 116 firms had chosen this option.

The researchers believe few manufacturers currently operating in Ciskei are profitable enough to favour the tax-free option which does not assist with cash flow problems experienced by infant industries.

This option tended to be preferred by profitable, low-cost firms enjoying a high turnover per worker and which are subsidiaries of foreign industrial groups capable of applying transfer pricing across international borders.

The study suggests that Ciskei could consider changing the direction and structure of the incentives offered to businessmen.

The wage incentive could be replaced with a three-year sliding scale cash grant, which would assist in making efficient use of labour during the initial years, as well as making for a more stable labour force when the grant comes to an end.

Incentives for plant and machinery could also include a combination of soft and hard loans, which would ensure careful purchasing of fixed assets, and would minimise factory closures at the expiry of the incentive.

The study also found there were a number of cases where industries in Grahamstown and Stutterheim were being crippled by competition from concession-aided industries in Ciskei.
UCT to honour civil rights lawyer Kentridge

Staff Reporter

DISTINGUISHED civil rights lawyer Mr Sydney Kentridge SC is one of four people who will be awarded honorary doctorates from the University of Cape Town this year.

The other recipients are Dr Arthur Landau, a practising physician and part-time senior lecturer in medicine at UCT, Dr Golda Selzer, co-founder of UCT's Students' Health and Welfare Centres Organisation (Shawco), and Professor Marthinus Versveld, emeritus Professor of Philosophy at UCT and a leading translator and author.

Mr Kentridge will receive an honorary doctorate of laws at the December graduation ceremony and Professor Versveld an honorary D Litt degree at the June ceremony.

Distinction

Dr Landau and Dr Selzer will both receive the honorary doctor of medicine degree at a special graduation ceremony in December to mark the UCT medical faculty's 75th anniversary.

Mr Kentridge, educated at Wits and Oxford universities, is a prominent member of the Johannesburg bar and has the rare distinction of practising both in South Africa as a Senior Counsel and in England as a Queen's Counsel.

He is known for his courageous advocacy of civil rights and the rule of law both in and outside the courts, a UCT spokesman said.

Dr Landau is a graduate of UCT's Medical Faculty and one of its most distinguished alumni. He played a key role in establishing the College of Medicine of South Africa, serving as president from 1974 to 1977.

Shawco co-founder

Dr Selzer, also a distinguished UCT medical graduate, was co-founder of Shawco. In 1942 she and a medical student colleague conceived the idea of establishing a student health clinic to attend to the sick in the then appalling slum area of Kensington.

Professor Versveld was educated at UCT and University of Glasgow where he earned a doctorate of philosophy at the age of 25. He translated Plato's Dialogues into Afrikaans.
AZASM head calls for democratic unity

By EBRAIM MOOSA
Political Reporter

GROWING political sectarianism and intolerance between the UDF and black consciousness groups has to be stemmed urgently to prevent irreparable damage to the democratic struggle, according to the president of the Azanian Students Movement (AZASM), Mr Monde Ntwsa.

Mr Ntwsa is a 27-year-old final year B Sc student at the University of Cape Town, heads an organization which has about 10,000 members consisting of high school pupils and university students.

In an interview, Mr Ntwsa, an ardent socialist, pointed out the dangers of sectarian violence and stressed the urgent need for responsible organizations to enforce discipline among their ranks.

He was scathing of sectarian groups whom he described as "predominantly emotional and uncritical".

The hallmarks of such groups are arrogance, anti-dialogue, anti-communication and disrespect towards the choice of others. They impose their convictions on others and resolve to action without vigilance of reflection.

"Sectarians see themselves as the sole creators of history and the only ones entitled to set its pace. People are reduced to mere masses and objects — they matter only as supports for their own goals — a relationship of blatant patronage."

Mr Ntwsa said despite peace efforts, recent attacks on AZASM members, their relations and their children had proved that the organizations involved were not interested in democracy.

Several attempts between UDF and Azapo representatives had been scuttled by "agents provocateurs of the state" but who were not weeded out soon enough from the organizations, Mr Ntwsa said.

He was also criticized for the role of sections of the media for "fuelling the violence by distorting the truth".

"We expect them to play this role even further as it is not prohibited by their government."

Social transformation

Mr Ntwsa said that a popular misconception was to see AZASM and Azapo as the legal arm of the banned Pan-African Congress. AZASM saw the PAC, the ANC and the Black Consciousness movement as movements in exile who had a particular role to fill.

AZASM's philosophy was based on social transformation through education, "If people break the code of the liberation movement tolerance should be exercised rather than coercion," Mr Ntwsa said.

"We cannot expect people to just toe the line without creating the proper conditions for them to understand the situation of the day. The responsibility of the liberation movement is to inculcate values which would result in cooperative value system."

AZASM is opposed to indefinite school boycotts being used as a political weapon. Indefinite boycotts presuppose that liberation was imminent. Mr Ntwsa says the 1985 school boycotts did not bring about a "meaningful crisis" in education.

If the 1985 crisis was beneficial to the liberation movement pupils, parents and teachers would have refused to participate in the inferior bantu education which "preparures individuals to be useful instruments in a capitalist system," he says.

However, pupils have returned to schools and the state had been forced to make meaningless reforms in education like issuing free books and free education which do not solve any problems, Mr Ntwsa said.

"The call for free education does not mean we want white education. We don't say white education is better because it is ruling-class education."

This year AZASM's theme is "Educate for Socialism". The thrust of this programme is to increase the political understanding of students by stressing that the problems in education are not isolated from the problems in the broader liberation movement.

One of the major problems facing black education is the banning of Student Representative Councils (SRCs) at Department of Education and Training (DET) schools and poses as one of the major hurdles in AZASM's ability to organize pupils.

Mr Ntwsa pointed out that AZASM is vehemently opposed to the prefect system which it describes as a "system which further government objectives", while SRCs are democratically elected. SRCs are "non-negotiables" and AZASM will design alternative measures if the state prevents it from organizing students on a democratic basis.
Registrar calls for academic freedom

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — University and institu- tions should resist pressures from both the right and the left to conform to their brands of political correctness, the Registrar of Rhodes University, Dr Keith Hunt, said here last week.

Dr Hunt was speaking at the official opening of the East London division of Rhodes University’s academic year.

He said that during this dramatic period of social and political change in southern Africa, freedom of expression was crucial.

“We in South Africa have been in the not too distant past, attempting to change the state to pressure and influence the free in- quiry of universities.

“ Institutions such as Rhodes have successfully resisted such pressure from the right but they also needed to be vigilant against pressure from the left, in conformance to their brand of political dogma, which, he feared, was being increasingly ar- finalised in the name of ‘freedom of the people’.”

Dr Hunt went on to say that, whatever the symbol be ‘volk’ or “people”, the academic staff and students should be free to make use of symbols which deme unimportant rather than freedom, and the repetition of dogma rather than the development of liberal values.

“Neither staff nor stu- dents should ever be victimised because of their views which differ from those of others.”

“We are living in a world of rapid change — not least in South Africa where we are going through a period of social and pol- itical reform.”

In recent history, politicians had placed constraints on the freedom of intellec- tual inquiry in the inter-

Dean welcomes EL division into new era

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The unprecedented doubling of the size of the first-year class at the East London division of Rhodes University indi- cated that the university was entering into a new era, the dean of studies for the division, Mr Ray Suttner, said here last week.

Mr Suttner gave the opening address at the seventh official opening ceremony of the East London division of Rhodo- des University.

He said it was obvious that to enter into the university was now a challenge to pro- vide the academic en- vironment and accom- modation for this need.

Mr Suttner said the event also characteristi- cally paid tribute to Dr John Ashton Chubb and his colleagues for their foresight and determi- nation in the inaugura- tion of the division.

He added that it was also a tribute to the com- munity of East London which had financed the development of the local branch of Rhodes.

The preoccupation with the new intake figure is obvious and in- evitable as a teaching university is beginning from day one of its life. What was con- cerning was that this was to be done on the basis of new expectations.

Mr Suttner added that the academic need was manifested in the in- crease in the number of students who had chosen to study full-time and would not be em- ployed during their studies.

He said this showed the university had taken on a different character and there were provi- sions which would have to be made.

“Do not be surprised if we do so for the first time representative sports teams from Rho- des East London taking part in Border sport.”

“I am not suggesting that we plunge forward regardless of the conse- quences but I believe that an almost unstop- ped momentum has now begun and we are being called upon to react to this. We dare not leave it until tomorrow.”

The principal of George Randell High School, Mr Alan Serres, the principal of the East London Technical College, Mr Philip Louis, and Mrs Susan Leutjens opened the last night.

Zilungile Rozani, Nokwanda Balumza and Mziwoxolo Rozani share a drink at the opening of Rhodes University’s East London division in East London last night.

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Yvonne Disheven, Joyce Miles and Heather Moore were among the guests at the Guild Theatre last night.
Varsities set to close on May 1

ALAN FINE

THE University of Natal will probably join Wits University in designating May 1 and June 16 as university holidays.

A spokesman says the university council has decided in principle to close the university on those days. A final decision will be made next week.

And the University of Cape Town announced yesterday that May Day will be considered a full university holiday.

The decision was welcomed by the University and Allied Workers' Union, which represents UCT non-academic employees. It said it would intensify efforts to have June 16 declared a paid holiday as well.

A spokeswoman for Rhodes University in Grahamstown says there have been no requests from either students or staff for a similar dispensation.
Academics urge Suttner's release

By BARRY STREEK
Political Staff

A GROUP of 110 South African legal academics, including a number of Afrikaans-speaking universities, have called for the release from detention of Mr Raymond Suttner, a senior lecturer in law at the University of the Witwatersrand.

Mr Suttner, a leading figure in the United Democratic Front, has been in detention since the emergency was declared on June 12 last year.

The academics all signed a petition which said: "As legal colleagues we urge the Minister to release Mr Suttner immediately."

Among those who signed the petition are: Professor Marinus Wiechers of the University of South Africa, who recently said he had made a mistake by supporting a "yes" vote in the 1983 referendum; Professor John Middleton, also of Unisa, who headed the commission of inquiry into the disturbances at the University of Zululand; Professor Lourens du Plessis of Potchefstroom University and four professors from the law faculty at Stellenbosch University — Professors M G Erasmus, G F Lube, M A Rabie and M M Louwer.

Another signatory was South Africa's trans-At
tantic yachting hero, Mr Bruce Dalling, who lectures in law in Marit
burg.

It was signed by 29 law lecturers at the University of the Witwatersrand, including eight professors; 19 law lecturers at Unisa (including eight professors), seven law lecturers at Potchefstroom (including two professors), 23 law lecturers at Natal (including eight professors), one at Rhodes University; 16 law lecturers at the University of Cape Town (including six professors), 11 law lecturers at Stellenbosch University (including four professors), and four law lecturers at the University of the Western Cape (including one professor).

The organizers of the petition, Professor Dennis Davis of the University of Cape Town, Dr Hugh Corder of Stellenbosch University and Ms Catherine Albertyn of Wits, wrote to the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriana Vlok, in December last year.

In their letter, they attached a copy of the petition and said: "As lawyers teaching at South African universities, we are particularly concerned at the continued detention of our colleague, Mr Raymond Suttner."

"He has now been detained for more than 180 days, which is even longer than the statutory provision under the amended Internal Security."

"As lawyers, we find it difficult to accept the concept of detention without trial and are deeply distressed that a person can be held as a prisoner for some six months without appearing in court on any charge," they said.

Prof Davis said yesterday that they had not yet received a reply from Mr Vlok.
Students told that all views should be heard

Dispatch Reporter
GRAHAMSTOWN — The concept of politics that conceded no proper autonomy to religious belief or the acquisition of knowledge or the pursuit of truth was nothing less than tyranny no matter what the identity of the practitioners.

This was said by the principal and vice-chancellor of Rhodes University, Dr Derek Henderson, in his welcome to new students yesterday.

Dr Henderson said religion, education and politics could not be separated into watertight compartments.

"It is the duty of all of us to commit ourselves to the cause of free inquiry and unfiltered dissemination of knowledge."

Politics could not be kept out of university life, nor should one interfere with the rights of others to ignore or disagree with a particular concept of politics, or to pursue their studies without coercion, molestation or disturbance.

The essence of a university was that inquiry and debate should be conducted in a calm, dispassionate, rational and tolerant manner.

All points of view should be accorded a hearing and speakers, whether members or duly invited visitors, treated with dignity.

Dr Henderson said one of the obvious characteristics of Rhodes and Grahamstown was that both were small in comparison with other universities and university cities.

"We believe that on the whole this is a very great advantage, socially and academically. We are very much a 24-hour community and not a nine-to-five knowledge factory."

The disadvantage of smallness was that it was too easy to find oneself displaying a high profile.

"Here even mildly extravagant behaviour is highly visible and likely to find its way into print, particularly as it is grist to the mill of all the aspirant investigative journalists whom one finds thick on the ground at Rhodes."

The abuse of alcohol was a matter of deep concern as were other forms of anti-social behaviour such as excessive noise, experiments with narcotics and irresponsible driving.

Rhodes had had some horrendous accidents in recent years. In nearly all of them, the use of alcohol had been a key element.

Dr Henderson also urged "freshers" to participate enthusiastically in the orientation week.
Ciskei:
Ft Hare open to all

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Students from outside Ciskei should apply for study permits to Ciskei's Department of Internal Affairs and Land Tenure before they apply for registration at Fort Hare University, the directorate of communications in Ciskei said yesterday.

The statement was in reaction to one by the vice-principal of the University of Transkei, Professor L. M. Mbadi, who said there had been an influx of students from the University of Fort Hare in Alice, Ciskei, who wanted to register at Unitra.

The Ciskei directorate said admissions of students at Fort Hare was in the hands of Fort Hare authorities.

It said Ciskei had no intention of excluding foreign students who wanted to study at Fort Hare.

"The university authorities have the latitude of admitting students on merit and there is no intention to interfere," the directorate said.

The directorate said it wished to assure all parents and students that they were free to register at Fort Hare provided the students had study permits.

Students who had problems obtaining study permits should approach university authorities, the directorate added.
Transkei frees Natal lecturer

UMTATA — A University of Natal lecturer, Mr. Gordon Nongxa, who was detained last week in Transkei, was released yesterday after the security forces were satisfied with his answers on subversive activities, the head of security forces in Transkei, General Leonard Kawe, confirmed yesterday.

Mr Nongxa was picked up in Umtata last Thursday with his wife, Busisiwe, who was later released.

Mr Nongxa passed mathematics with distinction in his Fort Hare BSc degree in 1975.

He then graduated with a Masters in maths in 1978 before he got his PhD from Oxford University in Britain.

He could not be reached for comment. — Sapa
Call to release academic

CAPE TOWN — A group of 110 South African legal academics have called for the release from detention of a senior lecturer in law at the University of the Witwatersrand, Mr Raymond Suttner.

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In a letter, to which the academics attached a copy of a petition, they said: "As lawyers teaching at South African universities we are particularly concerned at the continued detention of our colleague, Mr Raymond Suttner." — DDC
University may declare holidays

Political Reporter

May Day and June 16 (Soweto day) will probably be declared holidays at the University of Natal from this year, following a similar decision by the University of the Witwatersrand and the University of Cape Town.

The University of Natal Council has agreed in principle to the new holidays and also the declaring of March 21, the anniversary of Sharpeville, as a 'day of condoned absence' similar to Jewish and Muslim holidays when exams, tests and essay deadlines will not be set.

The decisions still have to be ratified by the university authorities, but it is believed this will be a formality.

Mr Jonathan Slinger, president of the Students' Representative Council at the University of Natal in Durban, said the SRC supported the call for the two holidays which was made by a 'significant sector of the university community'.
NEW YEAR’S MESSAGE

The issues raised in this message deeply affect not only students, parents and academic staff of all educational institutions, but also the future of our country and all its inhabitants. I appeal to all readers to read, debate these issues and determine their involvement and commitment to freedom and justice in South Africa.

Beyers Naudé
Honorary President, NUSAS

• TO ALL NEW STUDENTS
Most of you will have come out of the schools or even the army. NUSAS welcomes you to the universities. You will meet NUSAS at Wits, Pietermaritzburg, Durban, UCT, Rhodes and Stellenbosch. NUSAS campaigns in the service of students and society. We believe that there can be no peace in South Africa until Apartheid is ended. Students on the campuses campaign for a democratic, non-racial South Africa where we all have the right to participate politically and at all levels of South African life. We hope you make the most of your university education: explore alternatives, have fun, get involved: join student organisations in your centre’s orientation week.

• TO ALL STUDENTS RETURNING TO NUSAS CAMPUSES:
In 1986 you sent your NUSAS representatives to visit the ANC on a mandate from 10 000 students nationwide. Police invaded our campuses. Yet more than ever 1986 saw students taking action for democracy through getting involved in NUSAS. In 1987 we need to answer urgent questions. How can we carve a place for ourselves in South Africa’s future? How can we build a university to meet the demands of this future?

• TO PARENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY:
Soon an ‘all-white’ election is to be fought amidst an eight-month old state of emergency where we have seen over 25 000 detentions, growing confrontation and violence and the harshest press restrictions ever in the history of South Africa. We appeal to you to actively support those involved in pressurising for genuine democratic, non-racial alternatives. Support the call for the unbanning of the ANC, the release of political prisoners, the lifting of the emergency and the right of all to vote in a democratic, non-racial South Africa. Support the organisations in the white community challenging the further erosion of democratic rights under apartheid and the emergency; in particular JODAC and ECC whose members face constant harassment and detention. Encourage your sons and daughters to use their time at university to explore avenues for change and in making their contribution to a democratic future.

• TO ALL STAFF:
As members of the university community faced more and more with the reality that the university is not an ivory tower, join students in making the universities representative of the majority of people in this country. Encourage critical thought in the lecture theatres. Actively make academic freedom a possibility and a reality.

• TO VICE-CHANCELLORS, SENATES, COUNCILS AND ADMINS:
Open the doors of learning to all. Both at the level of the student body and in the representative structures of the university. Let 1987 be the year when universities not only come out clearly against all forms of invasion of Academic Freedom on our campuses, but begin to construct the university of a future, free South Africa.

• TO ALL WEEKLY MAIL READERS:
NUSAS wishes you and the Weekly Mail a good year. Let us ensure that 1987 will be remembered as the year in which great strides forward were made towards freedom and justice in South Africa.

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Shark research centre formed at Rhodes

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — A shark research centre has been formed at the J. L. B. Smith Institute of Ichthyology at Rhodes University in Grahamstown.

The centre will participate in Sea Fisheries Institute cruises and those of other research vessels for the collection of specimens and data on the distribution and biology of offshore chondrichthyans.

It will also co-operate with the Oceanographic Research Institute and the Natal Sharks Board as well as the department of ichthyology and fisheries science at Rhodes and researchers at the Port Elizabeth museum and the University of Port Elizabeth.

The centre was proposed by Dr Leonard Compagno, a senior research scientist at the institute and a world authority on sharks, rays and chimeras.

He has built up a research programme and a working group known as the Stani Team to share his interest and enthusiasm for these fishes.

According to Dr Compagno, sharks are an often misunderstood, under-used and abused resource in South Africa.

He said he did not want to encourage mass commercial fishing of sharks but hoped a more balanced approach towards sharks would develop.

"If you talk to many fishermen it's obvious that sharks are not a prime item they fish for and most anglers think they're inedible. A number of sharks are not fished at all.

"I'm the last person to encourage mass shark fishing but I think there should be less wasting of what is caught.

"There are about 350 species of shark and most of these are harmless. Scientists have shown that there are less than 100 shark attacks a year world wide. You have more chance of being attacked by a land animal or a car.

"We intend to foster a rational and unemotional view of their relationship to human activities and the conservation of these fishes.

"We intend to enhance co-operation between Southern African researchers and their counterparts overseas," he said.

The centre will serve as a depository and research base for biological information on sharks, rays and chimeras that will aid in their rational and sustained exploitation.

Dr Compagno added that the centre would serve as a focus for scientific and popular interest in cartilaginous fish in Southern Africa and would specialise in fundamental research on all aspects, including conservation.

Recent projects include a Catalogue of World Sharks; several papers describing new species of sharks from Australia; and a paper on the Ganges shark.

Dr Compagno claimed an almost unnatural fear of sharks seems to exist in Southern Africa, mostly because of the attention shark attacks were given in the media.
BISHO — The Ciskei Department of Internal Affairs was still receiving applications for study permits from Fort Hare students who were not Ciskeians, a government spokesman said at the weekend.

The university reopens this week.

The deputy director-general of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Information, Mr. Headman Somtunzi, gave an assurance that no "genuine" students in possession of an official notice of acceptance for admission to the 1987 academic year would be prevented from attending the university.

Officers at road checkpoints would allow entry into Ciskei to such students.

However, this did not exempt non-Ciskeian students from the requirement to obtain a study permit, Mr. Somtunzi said.

In an effort to assist "genuine" students who had been formally accepted and who had made late application for study permits, the permits would be forwarded directly to the registrar of Fort Hare for delivery to the students concerned.

Ciskeian citizens are not required to apply for study permits.
UCT rejects racism, says rector

CAPE TOWN — The University of Cape Town was a non-racial institution where any form of discrimination was rejected and where bigotry was unacceptable, vice-chancellor and rector Dr Stuart Saunders said here yesterday.

In his welcoming address to new students, Dr Saunders said the university believed academic freedom was essential to the pursuit of the truth and was best assured in a free society which recognised fundamental human rights.

“Nevertheless, without consultation with our university a law passed in 1959 authorised the Government to impose restrictions based on colour.

“Since then, and in spite of protest, a restriction has been placed on who may teach, on what may be taught and how it may be taught.

“We dedicate ourselves to the tasks that lie ahead: we strive to pursue freedom and truth and to regain to the full our once established rights.”

Dr Saunders said he could understand that some might feel the right of people to speak was difficult to accept when so many were silenced and in jail.

“But we must try to be sure that those who are in jail can speak freely when they are released and try to ensure we eventually have a free and just society in South Africa,” he said. — Sapa.
FIRST DAY: Hundreds of students at the University of Cape Town started their first day on campus today by jostling for seats in Jameson Hall for an official welcome by vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders. This group of high-spirited freshers gathered on "Jomie" steps beforehand.

‘Defend UCT freedom’
—call by Saunders

By DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Education Reporter

ANY attempt to deny academic freedom at the University of Cape Town — from within the university or by outsiders — would not be tolerated, the vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, warned today.

He told the new intake of students that UCT had a valuable tradition of dialogue and discussion on the campus and that attempts to disrupt university proceedings would diminish the prospects for all in South Africa.

"We do not have a tradition which requires parading or shouting slogans to achieve desirable changes at UCT.

"We have a tradition of valuable and effective student involvement in university affairs."

UCT was a non-racial institution where bigotry was unacceptable and any form of discrimination was rejected.

Academic freedom as defined by the late Tom Davie was cherished by UCT.

"He said that academic freedom meant 'the right of the university to determine for itself on academic grounds who to teach, what may be taught, how it shall be taught and who may be admitted to study,"' Dr Saunders said.

These values had been defended by generations of UCT staff and students, especially against acts of Government.

"On the long road to justice and freedom for South Africa the preservation of the values of this university and of those articulated by the late Tom Davie and re-dedicated annually at the Davie Memorial Lectures are crucial and lie at the heart of the matter."

The president of the SRC, Carla Sutherland, told the freshmen that the SRC played a political role by taking a stand against the violence, injustice and inhumanity of apartheid.

The SRC believed in and was fighting for a democratic and non-racial South Africa. The SRC's political role was to inform students of what was happening in South Africa and to provide them with avenues of protest.

"As privileged youth at a university like UCT we have a particular responsibility to do this. We live in an abhorrent system with its gross inequalities, racial discrimination, detention without trial and a state of emergency that denies the most fundamental of freedoms."

UCT students had for a long time stood united in their opposition to apartheid.
NEDBANK student loans have a limit of R4,000 per year for full-time university students in residence or providing their own accommodation. Full-time university students not paying for accommodation may receive up to R2,500 per year.

Full-time students of other institutions, such as technikons — may receive up to R2,500 per year. Part-time "working" students may get up to R1,500 per year, but in this case the amount is not transferable to the following year.

Loans in excess of these amounts will be granted only "in exceptional circumstances". And interest is calculated daily on the amount of the loan outstanding and debited to the account monthly. The rate is "lower than normal overdraft rates," but can fluctuate. The current rate will be furnished to prospective applicants on enquiry.

Nedbank states that student loans "are drawn from a limited annual fund". Loans are granted "within the limitations of the funds available and at the discretion of Nedbank".
Demonstrating University of Cape Town workers and Baxter Theatre employees outside the theatre during yesterday's protest march. They dispersed peacefully after the march. Picture: GLENN SHERRATT

UCT, Baxter staff in protest

By CLARE HARPER

ABOUT 100 University of Cape Town workers joined Baxter Theatre employees in a show of "solidarity with their grievances" at a lunchtime demonstration at the theatre yesterday.

The placard-wielding workers marched from the top entrance of the Baxter into the main atrium, singing "What Have We Done", before marching out of a side door towards the Main Road entrance.

The marchers were later locked out of the theatre when they tried to return through the Baxter.

A spokesman for the University and Allied Workers Union, Mr Ebrahim Patel, said the action was taken as "a demonstration of solidarity with the Baxter union members", and an attempt to "impress the seriousness with which the union view the labour practices of the Baxter Theatre management".

In a statement the union said it was "struck by the level of fear and insecurity which exists in the theatre" and concerned about the "general attitude of management".

The union has not yet declared a formal dispute with management.

Grievances cited include the dismissal of a stagehand, Mr Abraham Vincent, the issuing of a warning letter to a driver, Mr William Lawrence, for allegedly being ill too often, and the refusal to grant long leave to long-serving employees of UCT.

The director of the Baxter Theatre, Mr John Siemon, said yesterday: "I have no comment at all to make about this act of intimidation."
'Use campus freedom to achieve democracy'

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — South Africa is undergoing a period of traumatic transformation which will not leave universities and students untouched, former FF7 leader Dr Van Zyl Slabbert yesterday told scores of students at Wits University.

Swept along in the trauma of transition, students should use their freedom to explore how best South Africa can become a truly non-racial and democratic society in all spheres of national life, he said.

"The freedom of what it means to be a university and a student is constantly going to be challenged. Especially as universities become more open and accessible to increasingly more people in society, they will experience more conflicts and problems that exist in the wider society."

Special relationship

Universities and particularly students would always stand in a special relationship towards the State and other interest groups in society, he said. That relationship had to do with how they used their special freedoms, and society would be ever ready to pounce on whatever abuse of those freedoms it disapproved of.

Sometimes universities and students, in using their freedoms, acted as if everything were possible and nothing was necessary — as if they had no responsibility and were accountable to no one.

No society would tolerate such a situation for too long, because society paid the costs for those freedoms.

If universities as institutions did not constantly reflect on how they used their special freedoms in relation to the problems facing the broader society in which they found themselves, they would inevitably be dragged into the problems which they ignored. Eventually those special freedoms would come under threat as well.

□ Students could use freedom to destroy freedom, but then they must accept that they were no longer students.

□ Students could use their freedom to deny other freedoms which they demanded for themselves at university, but then they would have to live with the conflict that this would unleash and could eventually destroy even the freedom they enjoyed as students.

□ Students could prefer to ignore the challenge of society about how they used their freedom as students, but at some or other time society would begin to challenge their right to be students.
UCT dialogue
‘tradition’

Education Reporter

THE University of Cape Town was not totalitarian and had a valuable tradition of dialogue and discussion, the vice-chancellor of UCT, Dr Stuart Saunders, said yesterday during a welcoming address to new students.

Dr Saunders said UCT believed that academic freedom was essential to the pursuit of truth and was best assured in a free society which recognised fundamental human rights.

“We do not have a tradition which means that it is necessary to parade or shout slogans to achieve desirable changes at UCT. We have a tradition of valuable and effective student involvement in university affairs,” he said.

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Dedicated

“Nevertheless, without consultation with our university, without its consent and, in our view, for no sufficient reason, a law passed in 1959 authorized the government to impose restrictions based on colour. Since then, and in spite of protest, restriction has been placed on who may teach, on what may be taught, and how it may be taught.”

The university was dedicated to the tasks that lay ahead.

“We strive to pursue freedom and truth in our society, and to regain to the full our once-established rights to determine who shall be taught, who shall teach, what shall be taught, and how it shall be taught, without regard to any criterion except academic merit.

“In a country such as ours where there is scant respect for the freedom of speech, where there is crushing and comprehensive press censorship; where the truth so often falls victim to expediency, where people are detained without trial; where responsible and responsible forms of protest are denied; where there is violence, where places like Crossroads and KTC can go up in flames; in such a place you may well ask, of what importance is academic freedom? Why should we preserve it?”

‘Just society’

Dr Saunders said he could understand that some might feel the right of people to speak was difficult to accept when so many were silenced and in jail.

“But we must try to be sure that those who are in jail can speak freely when they are released and try to ensure that we eventually have a free and just society in South Africa... What would any university look like, what would it become if it fell victim to internal censorship?”

He told members of the university that any attempt — “from within or without” — to disrupt the university and its proceedings, “and so to diminish the prospects for all in South Africa, will be seen in a very serious light indeed”. 
Use your freedom
Wits students are told

By Jo-Anne Richards

Universities and students can best use their freedom to bring about “freedom from hunger, poverty, disease, ignorance and freedom to live in the greatest degree of equal justice and dignity”, Dr F van Zyl Slabbert said yesterday.

The former FPF leader was making the keynote address during the orientation of new students at the University of the Witwatersrand.

“As universities in South Africa are swept along in the trauma of our transition they should use their freedom to explore as best they can how South Africa can become a truly non-racial and democratic society in all spheres of our national life.”

If universities ignored this challenge, Dr Slabbert said, they would “contribute to the darkness which threatens the future of all of us”.

“If they respond to that challenge the pain of our transition will be eased and the likelihood of a non-racial democracy brought so much closer,” he said.

“If universities are not constantly reflecting on how they use their special freedom in relation to the problems facing the broader society, they will inevitably be dragged into the problems which they ignore.

“South Africa is undergoing a period of traumatic transformation and universities and students are not going to be left untouched,” he said.
Student limits at varsities announced

Politic staff

The number of undergraduate students at white universities is to be restricted, the Minister of Education and Training in the House of Assembly, Mr Piet Clase, announced yesterday.

He also said the proportion of students admitted to technikons and universities would have to be adjusted.

A thorough investigation had been conducted into State spending on universities by the former rector of UPG, Professor S J Schoeman.

In view of the financial commitments of the State in general, he said, "continued growth in student numbers at universities would result in an appreciable reduction in the State subsidy per student".

University of Cape Town vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders said last night that, while he recognized the economic problems facing SA, he had reservations as to whether imposing "an arbitrary limit on undergraduate numbers is the correct way of handling a complex problem".

PFP education spokesman Mr Roger Burrows said the minister's decision had been reached against the background of racially segmented education.

Dr D S Renderson, vice-chancellor of Rhodes University in Grahamstown, said that if the minister's decision amounted to a full subsidy for universities on a smaller student base, this would be in the overall interests of the country.
Student numbers to be restricted

Race should not be a criterion — PFP

Parliamentary Correspondent
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He added that the proportion of students admitted to technikons and universities respectively would have to be adjusted.

The move has been met with concern by the Progressive Federal Party's education spokesman, Mr Roger Burrows, who said he hoped that race would not once again become a criterion for admission to university.

In his statement, Mr Clase said a thorough investigation had been conducted into state expenditure on universities.

It had become evident that it would "not be possible for state expenditure to keep pace if universities were allowed to continue growing at the present rate unless other equally important sectors were adversely affected.

The minister said the failure rate at universities, and the large number of students who left university without a qualification, "indicated that admission requirements can be applied more strictly in order to effect a more economical disbursement of state and other funds allocated to universities".

Mr Clase said in order to provide for the necessary technological manpower required for the development of the country it was "imperative that a larger number of students be admitted to technikons without impairing the universities'.

Universities would be free to admit who they wished.

Mr Burrows said the decision had been reached against a background of racially segmented education.

Note had to be taken that admissions to universities were "grossly racially skewed and tending to favour a particular group".

He said the PFP trusted that South African universities would more accurately come to reflect the South African population and be in direct proportion to the manpower requirements of the entire country.

University principals last night expressed concern at the announcement.

The University of Cape Town's vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, said while he recognised the economic problems facing South Africa, he had reservations as to whether imposing an arbitrary limit on undergraduate numbers is the correct way of handling a complex problem'.

The principal of the University of Natal, Professor Peter Booyzen, said it would not be in the national interest to expand technikons at the expense of university training.

He said universities would be compelled to restrict growth if subsidies were going to be "snagged' on the basis of current student numbers.

Rebel slams Opposition

CAPE TOWN — The former PFP MP, Mr Horace van Rensburg, lashed out at his former colleagues yesterday.

Referring to a question by Mr John Malcomes (PE Central) as to whether the government had funded a group of representatives of the United Christian Conciliation Party (UCCr), he said Mr Malcomes had endangered their lives.

Mr Malcomes' question, he said, sought to show the UCCr members were agents of the government and was "despicable" because it could result in their being "necklaced".

New move to phase out rent control in white suburbs

CAPE TOWN — A strategy had been formulated for the further phasing-out of rent control in white residential areas and this would be implemented immediately, the Minister of Local Government, Housing and Works, Mr Amie Venter, said yesterday.

Making the announcement during the second reading debate of the own affairs mini-budget, he said it had also been decided to raise the income limits for those qualifying for rent controlled accommodation.

"To ensure the continued protection of those who are lawfully in occupation of premises subject to rent control and who really need protection, it has been decided that the phasing out of rent control will not affect the following persons, for as long as they occupy the specific premises, uninterruptedly, and as long as their incomes do not exceed the applicable limits:

- Married persons or tenants with dependants who have a gross monthly income not exceeding R1 250.
- Single tenants without dependants with a gross monthly income not exceeding R750.
- All tenants of rent controlled dwellings who are 70 years of age and older, regardless of income, will enjoy life-long protection against rent exploitation and arbitrary eviction, provided they continue to occupy the premises concerned without interruption."

Mr Venter said a proclamation applying these requirements to protected tenants would appear in the Government Gazette on Friday.

 Spending on detainees up

CAPE TOWN — Police spending on detainees during the current financial year has gone over budget by nearly 40 per cent.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriam Vlok, said in a memorandum tabled in parliament on the revised estimates of expenditure for the South African Police, that an extra R188.7 million was needed.

The revised estimate of expenditure for the police during the 1986/7 financial year was R1 257.5 million. — PC
Slabbert warns on abuse of university freedoms

Dispatch Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — The former leader of the Progressive Federal Party, Dr Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, told scores of students at Wits University yesterday that South Africa was undergoing a period of traumatic transformation which would not leave universities and students untouched.

Swept along in the trauma, students should use their freedom to explore how best South Africa could become a truly non-racial and democratic society, he said.

"The freedom of what it means to be a university and a student is constantly going to be challenged. As universities become more open and accessible to more and more people in society, they will experience more conflicts and problems that exist in the wider society.

"Universities, and students in particular, will always stand in a special relationship towards the state and other interest groups in society.

"That relationship has to do not with the fact that universities and students have special freedoms in society but how they use these freedoms. Society will be ever ready to pounce on the abuse of those freedoms it disapproves of."

Sometimes universities and students used their freedoms in such a way that they acted as if they have no responsibility and were accountable to no one.

If universities were not constantly reflecting on how they used their freedoms, eventually the special freedoms a university enjoyed would come under threat as well, Dr Slabbert said.
House of Assembly, Dr. Fiel Chislo, announced yesterday that the number of undergraduate students at the University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg, had been cut by 15%.

Parliamentary Correspondent

Cape Town

Cost to restrict number

of varsity undergraduates
By placing financial limitations the Government would create the situation where people with money would have the advantage.

Blacks would obviously be affected.

"This decision has been reached against the background of racially segmented education," he said.

Admissions to universities were already grossly racially skewed.

He added that quotas applied to technikons meant that between 52 and 99 percent of all students had to be white.

The vice-chancellor of the University of Cape Town, Dr Stuart Saunders, said today that universities had not been told how to implement the decision to cut student numbers.

He questioned whether limiting numbers was "the best way of handling a complex problem".

Professor Mike de Vries, rector of the University of Stellenbosch, said the Government had a "real problem" in subsidising university students.

He said: "It is debatable whether this problem can be solved by limiting numbers or by some other means."

The chairman of the committee of university principals and rector of Pretoria University, Professor Danie Joubert, said in his reaction: "We are ready."

He warned, however, that if the cut was larger, universities could face difficulties.

The restriction on student numbers could place smaller universities, which were bargaining on growth, in a difficult situation, he said.

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Universities slam enrolment move

Student curbs: fears of halt to racial mixing

CONCERN is mounting that government’s decision to restrict student numbers could halt the trend towards increasing numbers of black students being admitted to English-language universities.

The decision was announced by Education and Culture Minister in the House of Assembly Piet Clase on Tuesday. He said it was not possible for State expenditure to keep pace with universities’ growth rate.

The vice-chancellors at the universities of Cape Town, Natal and the Witwatersrand have all alluded to the race issue in their reactions.

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“Demographic predictions of a decline in the number of white matriculants in the nineties cannot be used as the only yardstick for an open university such as Wits which has accepted an obligation... to provide a nationally needed and internationally respected general and professional education for all people in the region,” he said.

“If this university were to be forced to curtail its growth rate it could not honour the obligations to the public it serves.” He added that universities had already suffered damaging cuts in their government subsidies.

The extent of intended restrictions is not known. But academics and administrators at these universities, who asked not to be identified, yesterday expressed the suspicion that the move was aimed at halting the rapid growth of the black component of their student communities.

They argued that the growth in white enrolment figures was slowing down, mainly due to demographic factors, and in some cases had been reversed. At the same time, most of the English universities had dramatically increased their numbers of black students since government restrictions were removed.

Enquiries at some universities showed this was generally correct.

A further allegation was that government was unhappy at the slow growth rates at some black ethnic universities. This is due, in part, to the fact that many black students prefer attending “white” universities because of better standards.
SA universities fear for black students' hopes

JOHANNESBURG — Concern has been expressed that the government's decision to restrict student numbers could — deliberately or not — halt the trend towards increasing numbers of black students being admitted to the English-speaking universities.

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The Ministry of Education and Culture could not provide comprehensive statistics of university attendances yesterday.

It was claimed the government was also unhappy about the slow growth rates at some black universities.

This is due to the fact that many black students prefer attending "white" universities because of the better standards of education available there.
Students urged to get involved

Mercury Reporter

White university students who were discouraged by their parents from joining 'communist' campus organisations should demand the right to determine their own future, the former MP for Pinelands, Dr Alex Boraine, said yesterday.

He was addressing about 200, predominantly white, first-year students at the University of Natal, Durban, during orientation week.

Dr Boraine, who was chairman of the Progressive Federal Party's federal executive before he resigned from Parliament last year, had been asked what students should do if their parents warned them against joining 'supposedly radical and communist' student organisations such as NUSAS.

'There is no area of life that can be divorced from politics. You should explain to your parents that it is in your own interest to get involved, so that you know what is going on,' Dr Boraine said.

Dr Boraine said there was a growing number of people who did not know or did not care what was happening in South Africa.

'The newspapers are censored, SABC TV is a joke and the SABC is almost as bad...you cannot isolate yourself and hope that others will solve the country's problems.

'Reject the tired old men who have been running this country downwards and explore new ideas instead.'

Joint effort to 'sell' Tugela Basin

African Affairs Correspondent

The Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, and the Administrator of Natal, Mr Radclyffe Cadman, will jointly host a workshop on March 4 to launch a major campaign to promote the development of the Tugela Basin.

A statement from the KwaZulu Finance and Investment
Bid to avoid further boycotts

VISTA'S FOOD PROOF PLAN

SOUTHWEST Timon, February 1978
We must also fight intolerance of the Left.
MEDICAL APARTHEID

Private parts
To doctors, at least, all people look roughly the same in their birthday suits. However, a Transvaal provincial ruling stipulates that black medical students at Wits University’s teaching hospital, the Johannesburg General, may work in all wards — except obstetrics and gynaecology.

The FM understands that this ruling is now under fire and that there are hopes that the situation will change. However, neither Professor Clive Rosendorff, Dean of Wits Medical School, nor Director of Hospital Services Dr Hennie van Wyck will comment.

Says one specialist member of the teaching staff: “The university wanted black students to work in the Gen; but province came up with a ruling that they could work in the hospital on all wards except obstetrics and gynaecology. This was put to students at the beginning of last year in a meeting convened by the former dean. But black students rejected the idea unanimously.”

Controversial
“It was a controversial decision,” says one student. “Some of us felt that permission for black students to work at the Gen under any circumstances was a breakthrough, some kind of concession. We felt this was the thin end of the wedge and that we should accept the offer.

“Then some black doctors now working at the Gen, but they have to apply for permission and are evaluated on an individual basis. These doctors are also precluded from working in the obstetrics and gynaecological wards. Very few apply. Most insist, quite correctly, that they won’t work here while the hospital remains segregated.”

Again neither Rosendorff nor Van Wyck will comment.

Says Professor of Community Health John Gear: “It is completely understandable that any conditional offers of integration are rejected while the hospital remains segregated. Either one is competent to practice health care delivery and observe the profession’s ethical requirements or one should be precluded entirely from clinical work.”

He adds that many people would regard obstetric and gynaecological examinations as more personal than any other clinical examination. “But the hospital authorities have placed a ruling on that perception, which is incongruous and fundamentally insulting to the professional practitioner.

“They’ve made a decision on behalf of the community and to my knowledge no survey was undertaken or opinions canvassed. It was a completely unilateral decision and it’s quite possible they’ve misread the public mood. Perhaps they’re behind trends in public opinion and made an unfortunate decision which has had serious implications for both staff relations and patient care.”

Rosendorff’s only comment is that “the faculty is on record as stating that all hospitals should be completely desegregated with respect to both patients and staff. It’s an issue faculty feels very strongly about.”
UNIVERSITIES had not yet been told how to implement the Government decision to limit undergraduate students, University of Cape Town vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders said this week.

Mr Piet Clase, Minister of Education and training, in the House of Assembly, announced that the State was to restrict the number of students it would subsidise in future.

Although universities would be free to admit any number of students, the number of subsidies would be pegged.

Dr Saunders questioned whether limited student numbers was the best way of handling a complex problem.

Dr Saunders said universities had not been informed “how we have to restrict the number of undergraduates”.

Problems

He said he appreciated the economic problems facing South Africa.

“But I have reservations whether what has been suggested is the best way of handling a complex problem. The needs of all South Africans must be taken into account in matters such as these. One cannot plan university education in isolation,” he said.

Professor Mike de Vries, rector of the Stellenbosch University said the State had a “real problem” in subsidising university students.

“lt is debatable whether this problem can be solved by limiting numbers or by some other means,” he said. Mr Clase said: “I have no intention of encroaching upon the field of autonomy of universities. The universities are free to make their own decisions regarding the admission of students, but the State will link its subsidy to universities to a restriction on the number of full-time students.”

He said Professor S J Schoeman, former rector of the University of Pretoria, had conducted a thorough investigation into State spending on universities.

He said the number of students admitted to universities and technikons would have to be adjusted.
uct's future in hands of students

From J KENYON, President, SA Association of University Women, Cape Town branch
(Rondebosch):

I HAVE read with interest and concern the report of the Commission of Inquiry into events that occurred on the Campus of the University of Cape Town on October 7 and 8, 1966, and note the significant influence of Robert Birley's April, 1966, commission which investigated similar disturbances on the campus of the University College of Rhodesia. The Commission finds great similarity between the situation in Rhodesia in 1966 and the University of Cape Town 20 years later — and follows a similar policy of non-confrontation and non-insistence on standards which have previously prevailed.

Birley says "A University or a University College ... is not concerned so much with the present, as with the future. It should always be thinking of the destinies of its students, twenty, thirty, or forty years in the future."

If this be so, and presumably the University of Cape Town believes so, have we not the test of Birley's theories, viz. what has happened to what once was the University College of Rhodesia now that 20 years have passed? The answer will serve to support or condemn the University Council's decision to follow Birley's theories.

If that college in Zimbabwe is now a thriving educational institution of undisputed merit, let us follow Birley's advice by all means.

Whatever the outcome, it is difficult to overlook the fact that today's students produce the universities of tomorrow, and it is equally difficult to imagine any university of note continuing to survive as such if students do not acquire self-discipline as well as other disciplines of a more glamorous nature.
"More technical students needed"

By DAWN BARKHUİZEN

STATISTICS show that in South Africa the ratio of technical students to students at universities lags far behind the rest of the world.

And this has caused a severe shortage of skilled technicians in the workplace, according to the former rector of UPE, Professor S J Schoeman.

Interviewed in the wake of a decision to restrict the number of undergraduate students at white universities, Prof Schoeman said the ratio of university students to technical students in SA was five to one. This applied to tertiary education for whites — among blacks the relation was even higher, he said.

In contrast, statistics from developed western countries showed there were three technological students for every one university student.

SA now faced a shortage of artisans and technically trained people.

This week the Minister of Education and Training, Mr Piet Clase, decided to restrict the numbers of undergraduates at white universities. This was based on an investigation by Prof Schoeman into State expenditure at white universities.

While Mr Clase stressed that State expenditure could not keep pace with university growth, Prof Schoeman highlighted other issues behind the decision:

- A drop in the birthrate which would in turn result in a drop in student numbers within the next five years.
- The high failure rate among first-year students which was costing tax payers millions.

He did not wish to detract from the value of university training, he said, but suggested academic quality would improve due to a tougher selection process.

He was in full support of a statement made by the vice-chancellor of Rhodes University that if the Minister’s decision amounted to a full subsidy for universities on a broader base, this would be in the overall interests of the country.

Commenting on concern by PPP education spokesman, Mr Roger Burrows, that race would become a criterion for university admission, Prof Schoeman said there was no reason for concern.

"Race was never mentioned. The intention is simply to stop growth at universities for the present. Individual universities will have to decide on their own policy regarding enrolment numbers."

Current UPE rector Prof Hein Rodelinghuys, who is in support of the cut, last night said he was not sure when the restrictions would come into affect.

Judging by the facilities and staff available, the university was virtually full, he said.
Less Latin for lawyers

A BILL which will enable advocates who have passed only a preliminary course in Latin to practise their profession was tabled in Parliament today.

The Admission of Advocates Amendment Bill is designed to smooth out difficulties encountered by certain advocates following an appellate division decision in 1986 that English, Afrikaans and Latin courses for the bachelor's degree had to be post-matriculation courses.
Welsh speaks on UCT freedom

Chief Reporter

PROFESSOR DAVID Welsh said yesterday that he believed that while UCT had the will to uphold academic freedom, "its capacity to deliver is in grave jeopardy."

He recently resigned as head of the Department of Political Studies at the University of Cape Town in protest over the Conor Cruise O'Brien affair.

Speaking at a Cape Town Press Club lunch he said the principal and vice-chancellor of the university, Dr Stuart Saunders, occupied one of the most difficult posts in the country.

'Veto power'

Prof Welsh said that if the vice-chancellor took strong-arm action against students this would almost certainly provoke ferocious counter-action, which may in turn cause the police to come on to the campus to restore academic freedom "with their customary delicate touch."

"If he takes no action, he cedes in effect a veto power to a radical minority, which in turn would almost certainly cause the government to intervene."

Prof Welsh referred to the findings of the Du Plessis Commission, on the protests against Dr O'Brien's presence at UCT, as "a forensic fiasco" and to the way in which the university council had handled the release of the report as "crass".
Black and white Rhodes students' integration not without pressure

Dispatch Reporter
GRAHAMSTOWN — Integration between black students and their white counterparts at Rhodes University had not been without tension and if some academics had expected otherwise, they had been disappointed.

This was said by the vice-principal of the university, Dr Roux van der Merwe, at a Round Table dinner here.

The group of new black Rhodians had placed a good deal of pressure on the university's "establishment". Black enrolment last year was about 20 per cent (700 students) of the total student population and most of them had come from working class families, he added.

"This is an impressive achievement given the realities of the apartheid society within in which it took place. But if some white academics expected this process of integration to occur without tensions they have been disappointed."

The new Rhodians had questioned the utility and reality of what to them was an artificial, sheltered and privileged society.

They had as a group refused to participate in sport, Rag, other student activities, boycotted formal meals and graduation ceremonies to name but a few responses.

"They have actively and successfully politicised their presence here and that of each successive incoming group by way of a tightly knit organisation that permeates a broad spectrum of campus activities.

"Liberal, sympathetic whites had retired hurt because the newcomers had been critical, confrontational and had not speedily transformed into compliant, middle-class 'beige whites'," he added.

Dr Van der Merwe compared the situation with labour relations 10 years ago when the emergent black trade unions were making themselves stridently heard.

"Antagonism flared, physical and psychological barriers went up and confrontation became the order of the day. But in the wake of this power testing and as the parties sat back and reflected on their broken heads and strained relations, had dawned a realisation of their inter-dependence.

"There was a recognition that despite their diversity of purpose there were certain common goals to be pursued and areas of compromise and co-operation to be explored," Dr Van der Merwe said.

The parties had gone on by way of a process of lengthy and not always calm negotiation to hammer out agreed procedures for living and working together.

Predictably, it was not a road without obstacles and there were many vexed issues still to be addressed, but to move to an accommodation without losing those values which older Rhodians held dear, required a process that epitomised the role of a university by questioning, rational argument and acceptable adaptation on both sides.

"In this process we of the establishment need seriously to consider those values and procedures and institutions which are non-negotiable and without which Rhodes would cease to be a credible university," he said.

There were also areas in which change could be conceded without damage to the basic standards and philosophies.
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The Ministry of Education and Culture is responsible for the development and implementation of educational policies and programs in the country. It oversees the administration of educational institutions and ensures that educational standards are met. The ministry also works with other government departments to coordinate efforts in education-related areas.

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The section committee is one of the most important committees in the school. The committee is responsible for making decisions about the school's programs and policies. It is composed of teachers, parents, and students. The committee meets regularly to discuss issues and make decisions. The section committee is also responsible for organizing events and activities for the school.

The section committee is divided into several sub-committees, each focusing on a specific area of the school. These sub-committees include the academic committee, the extracurricular committee, the disciplinary committee, and the parent-teacher committee. Each sub-committee is responsible for making decisions and implementing policies in their respective areas.

The section committee is an important part of the school community. It plays a crucial role in ensuring that the school is well run and that the needs of the students are met. The committee is committed to providing the best possible education for all students. It works hard to ensure that the school's programs and policies are fair and equitable for all students.

The section committee is also responsible for fundraising. The committee organizes events and activities to raise money for the school. These funds are used to support the school's programs and activities. The committee is always looking for new ways to raise money and is open to suggestions from students, parents, and teachers.

Overall, the section committee is an important part of the school community. It plays a crucial role in providing the best possible education for all students. The committee is committed to ensuring that the school is well run and that the needs of the students are met. The committee is always looking for ways to improve the school and make it a better place for all students.
Academics set to abandon National Party

discussion group who met President PW Botha, chancellor of the university, in Cape Town on Friday.

Doubts

All of them have doubts about Mr Botha's leadership.

The academics express agreement with the ideas of Dr Denis Worrall, independent candidate in Helderberg and Mr Wynand Malan, MP for Randburg, who has also left the National Party.

At the weekend Professor Sampie Terreblanche of the faculty of economics at Stellenbosch University and Professor James Fourie of the law faculty resigned from the National Party. They attended the discussions.

Their reasons were that the reform process was too slow and that the Nationalist leadership did not have the vision for such reform.

The name of Professor Willie Esterhuysen of the philosophy faculty has been mentioned as a possible independent candidate but he said yesterday that he was not interested. He was not after a political position in Stellenbosch.

The Nationalist MP for Stellenbosch, Mr Piet Marais, has countered that there is enough scope to work for change within the National Party.

Mr Chris Heunis, Cape leader of the National Party, said the honourable way for someone who disagreed with a political party was to leave it.
Die Matie accuses SRC of censorship

Education Reporter

Die Matie, Stellenbosch University's newspaper, has accused the Student Representative Council of censorship.

The SRC resolved at a recent meeting that its publications committee could demand to see political reports before publication in Die Matie. The committee would decide whether the reports were fair and reasonable.

Die Matie says in a front-page leading article that the decision was taken after SRC dissatisfaction with its criticism of an SRC trip to Taiwan.

Die Matie said it found it difficult to accept the SRC's view that the report about the trip was not objective.

The report informed readers of the trip and said it had been criticised in "certain circles".

CODE OF ETHICS

Die Matie said it accepted that previous SRCs could have been unhappy with its political stance. However, it adhered firmly to a strict code of ethics.

The present SRC accepted the code, in terms of which both sides had to be reflected in reports.

"Censorship is not mentioned at all in the code," said Die Matie.

Complaints about reports should be referred to the publications committee, a sub-committee of the SRC, and these would be investigated in depth.
Right-wing ASF ‘back on Tuks campus in 2 months’

By Claire Robertson, Pretoria Bureau

The right-wing Afrikaner Studentfront which was forced off the University of Pretoria campus by a student vote last year will be back “in two months”, said the student at the centre of the storm, Mr Gerdus Kruger.

Mr Kruger (25), who resigned last week from the Students’ Representative Council to stand as a candidate for the Herstigte Nasionale Party in Witbank in May, told The Star yesterday the ASF would be reconstituted as a campus organisation.

The SRC chairman, Mr Buurman Botha, agreed this was possible.

The commission of inquiry into political associations on campus was set up to compile guidelines for such organisations.

But the same parameters which would allow the ASF to operate would also see the establishment of organisations such as the more liberal “Jeugkrag” (youth power), a body aimed at uniting South African students of all races, said Mr Botha.

“And Jeugkrag will get a lot more support at Tukkies than the ASF,” he said.

The report was commissioned by the SRC after the ASF fracas which saw an attempt to unseat the editor of the student newspaper backfire on the right-wing grouping and it was voted off campus.
THE University of the North yesterday had no comment on the contents of a confidential report whose contents were published in the Sowetan yesterday.

A spokesman in the university's public relations department, Ms C Lombard, said our inquiries had been sent to the rector who was expected to release a statement today.

The report, which was anonymously leaked to the Sowetan, contained strict measures to control students on campus. It called for unlimited access for security forces on campus to "monitor radical and disruptive activities".

Other controversial measures contained in the report are:

- The use of "existing state security institutions to ensure that no radical underground elements are admitted";
- A briefing process for senior staff members by "management and experts from outside" on revolutionary activities;
- A ban on commemoration of "national days";
- No admission of transfer students other than those from Unisa;
- A code of conduct for staff members;
- The erection of a high fence to separate campus and campus staff residential areas;
- The redrafting of the Students Representative Council's constitution;
- The introduction of class attendance registers;
- The holding of regular meetings between the rector and top leaders of the security forces to discuss "campus conditions";
- The strict enforcement of rule A19 and A18 which governed re-admission of older students who have failed certain courses; and
- Disciplinary measures to be taken against staff members of students "who launch politically motivated actions and activities on campus".
WITS TO HELP PUPILS

A GROUP of students at the University of the Witwatersrand will help black pupils obtain matric certificates despite "the highly deficient education" provided by the authorities.

The students will, from this Saturday, run weekly programmes under the banner of Students' Teaching and Education Programme (STEP) in which they will use their knowledge to help black matric pupils.

The pupils are expected to pay a registration fee of R5 for the full year. The tutors, who all come from Wits, are also expected to pay the same fee as they will also benefit from the exercise.

Subjects to be taught include English, Afrikaans, Mathematics, Physical Science, Economics, Business Economics, Biology, Geography, History and Accountancy.

The programme will only accommodate 1,000 pupils.

Registrations start at 11.30am on Saturday at the Barclays Bank building at the western campus of the university.

For further information contact Mr. Ralph Lewis at (011) 647-2451 (during office hours) or (011) 440-2708 (after hours).
The university's enrollment has been at a record high, with more than 5,000 students enrolled this year. The enrollment of students in the arts, sciences, and education has increased compared to last year.
Student candidate for HNP quits SRC

By Claire Roberson, Pretoria Bureau

The Herstigte Nasionale Party's youngest candidate, in the election has resigned his seat on the University of Pretoria Students' Representative Council.

Mr Gerhard Kruger (25) told The Star that he had resigned because party politics had no place in student politics.

The chairman of the SRC, Mr Buurman Botha, said he was grateful that Mr Kruger had spared the council possible embarrassment.

Mr Kruger will fight the Witbank seat against MP Mr Alwyn Fouche of the National Party and the Rev V J van Wyk of the Conservative Party.

A fourth-year law student, he plans to continue his studies. He said that if he is elected he will study by correspondence.

CAMPUS BAN

He said he did not feel that his youth would be an obstacle. "I have been involved in politics since I left school and my knowledge of politics is sufficient, compared to most people in Parliament.

"If I want to become involved in politics I had better do so now. There may not be white politics in 10 years' time."

Mr Kruger was involved in a row last year when his right-wing grouping, the Afrikaner Studentenfront, was barred from campus by a student poll.

"I may have lost my first political battle then, but we won on principle. People now send their children to Tukkies because they know there is someone there still active in trying to keep the campus white."
Vista’s Crouse to head RAU

Professor Casparus “Cas” Franciscus Crouse has been appointed rector of the Rand Afrikaans University (RAU) from the end of June.

He replaces Professor J P de Lange, who is retiring.

Dr R L Straszacker, chairman of the university council, said the council finalised the appointment at a meeting yesterday.

Professor Crouse (62), at present rector of Vista University, holds a doctorate in statistics. He studied mathematics at the University of Pretoria and obtained his MSc in 1957.

He continued his studies at the University College of London and obtained a his doctorate.

During his academic career he has made study trips to universities in Israel, West Germany, Britain, Spain and the United States.

He was vice-rector in planning at the University of South Africa and has served in senior positions on the Committee of University Principals.

Professor Crouse is married with four children.
Tom is
Ft Hare's
assistant
registrar

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — A former director-general of education in Ciskei, Mr D.V. Tom, has been appointed an assistant registrar at the University of Fort Hare, the university has announced in a statement.

Mr Tom was also a director in the Department of Rural Development in Ciskei.

Between 1961 and 1978, he was employed by the Swaziland Department of Education as a high school principal, and as a lecturer at the Swaziland Teachers Training College.

During his stay in Swaziland he also worked for Unesco on a special project designed to upgrade the standard of teachers, which lasted for four years.

In 1982 and 1983 he was a representative of Ciskei on the Fort Hare Council.

Mr Tom graduated with a BA degree and a UED from Rhodes University and obtained a BEd degree from Fort Hare.

The university officially opens on Wednesday February 4, and on the same day new students will be offered an orientation course designed to help them bridge the gap between school and university.

The course helps new students find their way around the campus and to know the buildings, resources available for self-study and the location of notice boards. Special attention will be given to the library and how it should be used.

They will be shown how to improve competence in the medium of instruction, English, and to understand why all the skills they are told about on the course are essential ingredients not only to help them with their studies, but also to pass their examinations.

Included in the course are aptitude tests conducted by the Student Counselling Office.

Provision would be made for organised recreation, the university statement said.
Marketing boards cost R273,5-m

PARLIAMENT — The 22 agricultural marketing boards established in terms of the Marketing Act cost R273,531,617 in the financial year 1985-6, the Minister of Agriculture, Mr Greyling Wentzel, said yesterday.

Products controlled include bananas, fruit, beans, eggs, maize, meat, mohair, potatoes, tobacco, wheat and wool. — Sapa.

Detained priest is released

The Rev Mike Beea, chairman of the Alexandra Civic Association, is back home after being in detention. He will appear in the Randburg Magistrate's Court on May 25 on a charge of sedition.

Mr Beea, on bail of R2,000, was detained under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

(Parts of this report have been cut to comply with the emergency regulations.)

Building on consensus

Education Reporter

The turmoil on campus by students can best be solved by consensus, says Dr Stuart Saunders, vice-chancellor and principal of the University of Cape Town (UCT).

"We can only keep the fabric together by consensus and that is what we are building on," he said during a discussion on academic freedom at the UCT Foundation office in Johannesburg last night.

The discussion follows the release of a report by a commission probing the issue of Dr Connor Cruise O'Brien, the Irish academic whose speeches at UCT and the University of the Witwatersrand were disrupted by students.

"The challenge that the University of Cape Town faces is the microcosm of the challenge the country faces," said Dr Saunders.

JUST A FEW OF OUR LINES

SOUNDER GOLF CLUBS
NOW IN SA. COME IN AND SEE OUR RANGE

WILSON SAM SNEAD
HEEL-TOE 3-SW
GREAT COSMETICS

McGREGOR JACK NICKLAUS
HEEL-TOE 3-SW

SOUNDER PERSIMMON WOOD
Sounder Irons from 545
Av. 3-SW Heel-toe and blade

MITSUBISHI Eagle 200 irons.
At a give-away price:
3-SW heel-toe

We do trade on any sets club and a change
Maybe, if our leaders had done a B A . . .

'A BA DEGREE is worth sweet B-A' was the parrot-cry for years. And there may have been some validity to it in the days when young Durban ladies killed three years between school and marriage by taking a BA degree course at Natal University.

Campus social life was fun (they might even find a husband there) and the BA course was no sweat really — English, which they more or less spoke, some set-books thrown in and three more years of boring old History perhaps. If they missed out on their degree, too bad.

Things are a bit different today. There aren't so many fond dads prepared to pay the present scale of fees to 'finish' a daughter who has no plans to do a hand's turn of work again in her life.

Qualifications

Entrance qualifications are stiffer today and, in addition, today's girls have ideas of their own. They have an aim and purpose in waiting for a degree. They're not looking for marriage at the end of a three-year campus frolic, and they're no longer prepared to settle for jobs as over-qualified clerks and receptionists.

Nevertheless academics realise that an Arts degree is at some disadvantage in the modern competitive world.

Says Professor Mike Chapman, acting head of the English Department of the Natal University in Durban: 'The humanities suffer somewhat in a world where success and money count. It's not easy from the Arts platform to project the image of doing things. Most people regard our department's work as training teachers. But we are producing really useful people. English is not only a department for civilising people; we teach students how to reason, how to talk to one another and how to listen to others. They are vital qualities in the new challenge of our heterogeneous society. Of course, many of our graduates go on to teaching diplomas, but many go into industry and commerce as disciplined and valuable recruits, and the quick trainable.

It would be nice if local businessmen were a bit more enlightened on this point,' he says wryly.

In addition to higher university entrance qualifications, the English department has committed itself to tighter teaching systems. 'It is not a subject for coasting any longer,' says Professor Chapman.

It has also introduced a language course parallel to the first-year course, which teaches grammar — perhaps a sad reflection on today's school standards — before passing on to literary appreciation.

This is invaluable for many of the black students (about 20% of intake) and students for whom English is their second language.

No longer are literature studies devoted to the English classics alone. Popular culture is analysed — Wilbur Smith's novels and TV serials, for example — and last year Durban's English department became the first university in the country to introduce an MA course in South African literature.

Catching my sceptical look, senior lecturer Dr Margaret Daymond said: "We think there is enough great South African literature for them to study. It may not be appropriate to judge South African novels by overseas standards."

Registrations for the English course continue to increase. This year's first-year intake was 469 compared with 420 last year; third-year students are up from 120 to 200 and there are 35 MA and doctoral students — mainly from the teaching profession.

Loans

Roughly 40% of those registering for an English course have set their sights on a teaching career. Depending on their matric results and the subjects they will study, the Education Department will give them a R3 500-a-year loan (R1 200 short of full university fees).

On graduation they may take their Higher Education Diploma at the university or at a teachers' training college, after which they may be offered a teaching post, but this is no longer guaranteed. Repayment of the loan is over four years, or six years if they have to take a non-teaching job.

It is a relatively low-cost course, with books costing about R150 for the first year, double that for the next two years.

Astute publishers have brought out cheaper editions of set-books and Professor Chapman co-edited a cheap edition of a poetry anthology which has become a standard work.

English is also a service department to the Law Faculty as attorneys must have passed first-year English.

English and legal studies is a popular coupling, leading to an LLB, although the traditional Arts degree is still English and History.

The academics feel strongly that the traditional Arts degree is relevant in today's world, and perhaps Professor Chapman may not be overestimating the case when he says: 'We feel that if our country's leaders had had more of a literary training we might not be in such a mess.'
Black pupil barred but...

GOVT MAY REVERSE DECISION

THERE are moves in Government circles to reverse a decision to refuse a Stellenbosch white primary school permission to admit the daughters of a black Malawian clergyman who is studying at the university.

But Father Jonathan Kamwana, whose two daughters were refused permission by the Cape Department of Education to attend a white school in Stellenbosch, is adamant that he will not transfer them from a coloured school in Idas Valley if the decision is reversed.

Although it is official Government policy that, in terms of the "own affairs" in the new constitutional system, there must be separate state schools for the various race groups, the latest incident could become an embarrassment for the National Party in an election campaign and there are moves to reverse the decision.

The English-language Rhenish Primary School in Stellenbosch has been told that it may not admit the daughters of Father Kamwana who is currently studying for a doctorate degree in theology at the University of Stellenbosch.

The decision was taken by the white "own affairs" department. In terms of its policy exceptions at white schools, pupils of colour are allowed only in the case of diplomats' children. However, private schools are allowed to be "mixed".

The school falls in the constituency of Mr Chris Hennis, the Minister of Constitutional Affairs who has not yet commented on the incident.

It was understood that he is involved in moves to have the decision reversed, and there may shortly be talks between himself and the Minister of Education and Culture, Mr Piet Clase.

Father Kamwana, a presbyterian minister, said he did not apply for permission to enrol his two daughters Taymike (6) and Joyce (7) to be admitted to the English medium Rhenish Primary School.

He said the Rev Jimmy Stevenson, the Local Presbyterian minister in Stellenbosch, applied on his behalf.

"I was not greatly disappointed when the application was turned down. I would have been disappointed if I had lodged the application myself," Father Kamwana said.

He said Joyce and Taymike, who are attending St Idas Primary School in Idas Valley with their brother Joseph (12) and Chifundo (9) were happy at that school.
Two different tuition programmes for black pupils began on Saturday at the University of the Witwatersrand — one is the Sowetan Saturday Schools and the other is the Students’ Teaching and Education Programme.

Those interested in attending the Sowetan Saturday School should register at Room 115, Everite House, 20 De Korte Street, Braamfontein.

Pupils can also enrol at the Social Science Block on the University campus on February 28 and every Saturday thereafter.

Subjects being offered are English, Afrikaans, Mathematics, Science, Biology and Business Economics.

Pupils may also apply for bursaries to attend the sponsored school provided they pay R25 for the first subject of their choice and R5 for any other subject selected.

- The Step programme for black matriculation pupils will be run weekly from this Saturday and the registration fee is R5.

Registration starts at 11.30am at the Barclays Bank building at the western campus.

Subjects to be taught include English, Afrikaans, Mathematics, Economics, Physical Science, Business Economics, Biology, Geography, History and Accountancy.
Nieman Fellowship Study Offer

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Emergency indaba at Turf

By MATHATHA TSEDU

said a decision on the statement "could probably" depend on the outcome of the Senate meeting.

The report recommended several measures including:

- Unlimited access for security forces on campus;
- The ban on commemoration of black national day such as June 16 and March 21;
- The briefing of senior staff members on the "revolutionary climate";
- The erection of high fences on campus and the installation of high-mast lighting; and
- The constant display of student cards and identity cards by students and staff members.

Meanwhile, as the controversy surrounding the report raged on, the university issued a circular to all students on Tuesday ordering them to "display students cards prominently on their persons".

The circular said: "Student cards will permit students to attend lectures, to be served in the library, the administration and the computer centre and to be admitted into the hostels and on to campus."

The circular said the university was "determined to prosecute trespassers and added that appropriate action will be taken in the near future."

Students who did not have student cards were "urged" to contact officers of campus control before 4.30 yesterday afternoon. The circular is seen as part of the implementation of the report's recommendations.

Turfloop curbs

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- Formal communication will take place between the rectorate and the SADF Far North Command headquarters, South African Police and Lebowa Police;

The report stated that the university, being non-affiliated to any political organisation should not allow "itself or its facilities to be used for political campaigns or mobilisation."

On campus control it is stated that a "high fencing should be erected between campus and campus staff residential areas."

Class attendance registers are also to be introduced and both staff members and students "should carry on themselves visible university identity cards during any academic activities."

Strict control of copying and typing machines is also recommended to curb reproduction of political material.

An addition to student rules states that:

- Violent and disruptive protests and demonstrations will not be allowed;
- Prior approval for any mass marches and meetings must be obtained from the rectorate;
- Petitions must be properly signed by a majority of students, giving adequate particulars of the petitioners; and
- Slogans that may be offensive to any group on campus will not be allowed.

Some of the above measures have already been implemented this year and over 500 students are said to have been refused readmission this year on the basis of rule A19.
Dispatch Reporter
EAST LONDON — Ciskei's President Lennox Sebe addressed members of the Fort Hare University Council in Bisho yesterday to mark their first meeting since control of the university was transferred to Ciskei.

President Sebe said the university should be seen as "part and parcel of the legitimate and indispensable apparatus of nation-building".

He expressed the belief that education in developing nations should strive towards the practical enrichment of the nation's heritage and increased economic growth, rather than indulging in the luxury of education for education's sake.

He stressed that the university had been founded to provide advanced education to Xhosas, who would then have the opportunity of making a positive contribution towards the development of Ciskei.

Another function of the university would be to prepare leaders, and to alleviate the current shortage of high level personnel, President Sebe said.

It should also strive to foster a sense of duty towards country and people, which would involve designing national objectives and goals.

"The university should act as a moulder and shaper of national aims and aspirations."

"In Ciskei we have always championed a broad national outlook, which accommodates other people and respects the dignity of man," he said.

President Sebe stressed the importance of enhancing the image of the Xhosa people, and lauded the Xhosa dictionary project currently being undertaken by the university.

"Language is the tie which binds people together as a nation, and I wish to pay tribute to the University of Fort Hare for establishing a pure Department of Xhosa."

President Sebe pointed out that the transfer of the university to Ciskei was a great challenge, and he looked to the university council to continue its excellent work.
Whites ‘denied insight into African culture’

THE education of most South African whites denies them an understanding of the spiritual and cultural wealth of the majority, says Professor Herbert Vilakazi, sociology lecturer at the University of Cape Town.

He was addressing delegates to a discussion on educating for the future, hosted by the South African Institute of Race Relations on Wednesday night.

Professor Vilakazi said the average product of South African education was a “partially-formed human being”.

“A well-rounded human is an individual whose personality is a synthesis of his spiritual and cultural knowledge of all groups in his or her society.

“The fact that the education of most whites does not cater for this is an abnormality of the first order and reflects a crippling gap in the system.”

He said a “great poverty” of white education was that it missed the “enormous enrichment” of the folklore, poetry, literature and philosophy of the African people.

“We become human through meaningful links with other people until we are worldly personalities, at home in any community.”

Professor Vilakazi attacked academics who decried the state of black education while hardly saying a word about the “terrible” state of white education.

On the “so-called language problem of white universities”, he said: “Much of the language used by the educators is highly abstract and unnecessarily so.”

This caused problems for black students from “ordinary working-class homes”.

Dr Kogil Moodley of UCT’s Centre for Inter-group Studies said all South Africans were victims of “unequal education, group thinking and stereotyping”.

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More postgraduate students at Rhodes

GRAHAMSTOWN — A total of 3,061 students have registered at Rhodes University, although a number of late entries are expected.

According to a university press release most undergraduate students have already registered for their degrees, as have a number of postgraduate students, although the closing date for registration is May 1.

The number of registered first-year students, 843, compares with the 861 registered at the same time last year.

"There has been an increase in registrations for postgraduate courses. So far 593 postgraduate students have registered, compared to 383 entries for higher degrees in 1988."

The figures for registration at Rhodes East London are not yet available, but about 290 registrations are expected. — DDR
Let's have campus consensus — Saunders

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Turmoil on the campus could be solved best by consensus, said Dr Stuart Saunders, vice-chancellor and principal of the University of Cape Town.

“We can only keep the fabric together by consensus, and that is what we are building on,” he said.

Dr Saunders was speaking during an informal discussion on academic freedom at the UCT Foundation office in Johannesburg last night. It was attended by UCT sponsors as well as the chancellor, Mr Harry Oppenheimer.

DISRUPTED

The discussion followed the release of a report by a commission on Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien’s visit.

The Irish academic’s speeches at UCT and the University of the Witwatersrand were disrupted by students.

The report blamed Dr O’Brien for provoking the incidents. Dr Saunders steered clear of this last night.

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He said he had received a letter from Dr O’Brien, who is in Britain, to which he had responded. The contents of Dr O’Brien’s letter would be revealed in due course.

He said: “We have made it plain that what happened to him is completely unacceptable.

“The challenge that the University of Cape Town faces is the microcosm of the challenge facing the country.”
Censor plan jolts campus

By SYBRAND MOSTERT

A ROW is brewing on the Stellenbosch University campus with the Students Representative Council demanding that they be allowed to censor all political or sensitive material before it is published in the university newspaper, Die Matie.

The censorship wrangle represents the first overt sounds of discord between the newly elected, conservative SRC and the "liberal" students who produce Die Matie.

The row came to a head this week when the SRC approved a motion at a special meeting that would force the newspaper to forward articles to the SRC's publications committee for approval before publication.

The SRC's ire was raised when the newspaper published criticism of a proposed tour by the student body to Taiwan.

Article

In the article, headed "SRC wants to visit Taiwan", the Rector and the SRC chairman and vice-chairman are quoted as being in support of the tour, while two students give a negative assessment of the three-week trip.

"This amounts to censorship and will be fought all the way," the newspaper's editor, Mr Stephan Malherbe, said.

He said the matter would be referred this week to the Student Court, where the validity of the SRC's decision would be tested.

The present SRC was elected in a campaign in which candidates stood on overtly political platforms for the first time in the university's history, as opposed to the usual dominant domestic issues.

The election also produced a conservative backlash against two previous SRCs, whose members fought the Government in order to meet the ANC and who initially made contact with a range of extra-parliamentary groups opposed to the Government, such as the UDF and Azapo.

Only two candidates who have consistently shown liberal tendencies were elected.
PRETORIA UNIVERSITY will be delighted with Cabinet approval for the building of a R300 million teaching hospital alongside the H F Verwoerd Hospital, but it is not altogether an occasion for rejoicing.

The priorities for hospital accommodation around Pretoria should be in the black townships on three sides of the city, not in the central area where the all-white H F Verwoerd Hospital is not even full. Mamelodi has no hospital at all and is served only by a day clinic. Kalafong Hospital outside Atteridgeville is chronically overcrowded, and the Garankuwa Hospital serving as the teaching hospital for the Medical University of Southern Africa cannot cope with demands in an area of rapid population growth; its facilities are being upgraded, but it will take six more years to relieve overcrowding.

Latest planning for central Pretoria hospital accommodation still seems to be based on segregated facilities, with whites getting the new facilities and other races getting the discards. For as long as group areas policy is enforced, Pretoria central city hospital facilities will remain inconveniently far from coloured, Indian and black townships.

In the light of these circumstances, the new hospital project is just one more example of a phenomenon which pervades the Nationalist Government's thinking: the provision of privileged facilities for whites to the point of wastefulness, while other population groups face a crying need.
UCT rejects request for Worrall campus meeting

By Zenside Vendeiro

The University of Cape Town has turned down a request by the Moderate Student Movement (MSM) to hold a campus meeting at which Dr Denis Worrall, the independent candidate for Helderberg, was to have been guest speaker.

According to a university spokesman, it was not policy to allow individuals to electorate on campus.

However, debates were allowed as the university could then be sure a balanced view was put, the spokesman said.

DEBATE ARRANGED

He added: "This has consistently been our policy and the MSM knows this as their request late last year for a campus meeting featuring the NRP candidate in the Claremont by-election was turned down.

The university said it would only allow a debate and subsequently the MSM arranged one between Mr Leisogang and Mr Jan van Eck, of the PFP."

The spokesman said a request by the Progressive Society for a campus meeting during orientation week was refused on the same grounds.

NP candidate resigns council seat

By Shirley Woodgate, Municipal Reporter

Mrs Sheila Camerer, National Party candidate in Rosettenville, last night resigned as Johannesburg city councillor for Ward 11.

Mrs Camerer challenged the PFP's Mr Pieter Schoeman to resign his council seat to concentrate on the North Rand constituency.

Mr Schoeman has dismissed her challenge as "stupid" and "a cheap political stunt" to trick a PFP candidate into fighting in Randburg in Mr Wynand Malan's constituency. (Mr Schoeman's Aasvoelkop ward falls under Randburg in the general election).

Mr Schoeman said: "I presume Mrs Camerer speaks on behalf of the National Party and that her challenge, therefore, includes all NP candidates. Does Mr Olaus van Zyl intend resigning, since he sits on Randburg town council, the President's Council and is also NP candidate in Randburg?"

For the municipal by-election in "The Parks" the NP has nominated Mrs Mariette Marx, former MPC for Johannesburg West.
RAU works with Israelis

Education Reporter

Rand Afrikaans University and the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev in Israel have signed an agreement to exchange knowledge and to work on joint research programmes.

One of the first Ben-Gurion University scientists to visit RAU is Professor Lechaim Nagga, who will lead a health seminar this weekend.
Campus project to create more jobs

THE University of Cape Town and the Peninsula Technikon are to set up a joint project, Campus Industries, to promote small business development, create jobs and provide a steady flow of income.

The two institutions plan to design, develop and manufacture laboratory and scientific equipment which now has to be imported at high cost.

UCT and Pen Tech, with Barlow Rand, are looking at location, funding and staffing of the new venture.
Phew! What a relief for resident students at the University of Port Elizabeth. They thought they'd have to pay an extra R600 for food this year — after a UPE miscalculation — but yesterday they were told that those who used their meal tickets could eat for nothing, once their initial R700 quota was gobbled up. Giving the thumbs up sign to the good news last night were (from the left) ANDREW PALFORMAN and RUSSEL SMIT, while a third student looked on hungrily.

UPE food scheme
serves up
a cost problem

THE cash-for-food scheme at UPE is really giving the officials and students something to chew on.

And today, the university's public relations officer, Mr Jan Barnardo, entered the melee.

He said if the 1 250 students staying in residences at the University of Port Elizabeth misused the eating arrangement agreed to between themselves and the authorities, further talks may be needed.

On Monday, the Registrar of Finance and Works, Mr J H Jacobs, said in a statement to the Students' Representative Council that provided students used the computer-based meal order system in a "sensible manner", they would not have to pay more than the R700 they were originally charged for the year.

Last week, students were told they would have to cut down on meals, because if they ate three meals a day they would have to pay an additional R600 at the end of the year.

After negotiations, Mr Jacobs announced that provided there were no double bookings and meals were properly booked in advance, students who exceeded the R700 mark could continue taking meals for free.

A new arrangement would be looked at for 1988, he added.

Mr Barnardo said there had not been a "miscalculation", but that "the wrong option" had been chosen...
Worrall mum on UCT bar

INDEPENDENT Helderberg candidate Dr Denis Worrall yesterday declined to comment on the refusal of the vice-chancellor and principal of the University of Cape Town, Dr Stuart Saunders, to allow him to be guest speaker at a campus meeting of the Moderate Students Movement (MSM).

Dr Saunders yesterday confirmed that he turned down the request by the MSM.

"It is university policy not to allow individual electioneering on the campus. However, we would allow a debate between candidates."
AIDS claim is untrue, says Sher

GERALD REILLY

The claim that 40% of Johannesburg's male homosexual population was infected with AIDS was totally inaccurate, Dr Ruben Sher, of the SA Institute for Medical Research, said yesterday.

He said since the start of 1983, 621 homosexuals suspected of having AIDS had been referred to the institute.

Some had gone voluntarily. Others had been referred by hospitals and doctors because they showed some of the symptoms associated with AIDS. It was found that 253 of them — 40.7% — had positive anti-bodies which meant the virus was present.

Dr Sher said: "It's important to stress, however, this was a highly selective group of homosexuals. We still have not carried out a random survey among the city's homosexuals."

And, he said, without a random survey it was impossible to say what percentage of the city's homosexuals was infected. However, it was extremely unlikely the percentage would be anywhere close to 40%.

Relley urges private sector to assist 'Up black enrolment at varsities'

THE private sector should assist universities financially to increase their admission of black students, because government had made it clear it was unable to fund this growth, Anglo American chairman Gavin Relley said last night.

He was addressing guests of the Unisa Foundation, at a function at the Carlton Hotel in Johannesburg, on "Education for the New South Africa".

Student numbers at universities must be increased to prepare for the challenges of a freer society and to take account of SA's burgeoning population growth.

But government had advocated restricting admissions to "white" universities, and it was therefore incumbent on the private sector to fund the growth of universities, particularly Unisa, Relley added.

"Naturally we cannot take over the responsibility of the State in subsidising universities, but we must assist as far as possible," he said.

Universities must review their expenditure constantly and ensure they are run as efficiently as possible.

They must also ensure their relevance in a rapidly changing society, he said.

A great challenge to universities was to improve the standard of education of black teachers — 68% of whom (about 80 000 teachers) had no more than a standard 8 certificate plus a two-year teacher's certificate.

"If our increasing population does not receive the best schooling possible, it will not be able to contribute fully to the process of generating more employment opportunities," Relley added.
Upgrading of teachers a prime challenge — Relly

The greatest challenge to South African universities is to improve the standard of teachers, especially among blacks, according to Mr Gavin Relly, chairman of Anglo American Corporation.

Mr Relly was speaking on the topic "Education for the new South Africa" at a function hosted by the University of South Africa last night.

He said the Human Sciences Research Council estimated that 68 percent of black teachers — about 80 000 teachers — in South Africa (including Transkei, Bophuthatswana, Venda and Ciskei) did not have more than a Std 8 and a two-year teacher's certificate.

"It is estimated that the population of South Africa, together with the TBVC countries, currently totals 33 million. This is expected to increase to at least 45 million by the year 2000, of which only 5.5 million are expected to be white."

He said about 300 000 black job seekers enter the labour market each year, while many economists believed that the total number of job opportunities was actually declining.

"The number of students entering universities will increase rather than decline. Those countries with a highly educated population are the ones that succeed, whether or not those countries have vast natural resources or are geographically well positioned."

Mr Relly, who is also a trustee of the University of South Africa Foundation, cautioned universities not to lower their standards to accommodate students from disadvantaged backgrounds.

He said it was vital to increase black numbers at universities as a way of preparing for the demands a "freer society" would bring.

"The State has made it clear it is unable to fund this growth and has advocated restricting admissions to white universities.

"Therefore the private sector should assist our universities in every way possible in response to fund-raising appeals. "Naturally, we cannot take over the responsibility of the State in subsidising universities but if we believe in encouraging universities to increase their student numbers to prepare us for the new and very different society emerging in South Africa, then we must assist with funding this growth as far as possible."
Campus is under siege in Turffloop crackdown

By Sol Makgabutlane, Education Reporter

The University of the North (Turffloop) was described at a protest meeting in Johannesburg yesterday as a campus resembling a concentration camp where every movement of students is closely monitored.

More than 900 Wits University students crammed into the students' centre hall to protest against what speakers described as an occupation of Turffloop university, outside Pretoria in the Northern Transvaal.

Speakers said students have been issued with special "passes" which they must have on them at all times.

Turffloop students depicted their university as a tense institution where all forms of protest and dissent had been stifled.

At least 300 politically active students were refused readmission when the present academic term began this year, they said.

The Turffloop administration refused to comment on all these allegations when approached by The Star.

Addressing the meeting at Wits University yesterday, Dr Beyers Naude, secretary general of the South African Council of Churches, said what had happened to the 300 students at Turffloop, will regrettably happen in future for as long as we live under the oppressive apartheid rule.

"When this year started - after all the trauma and suffering the youth experienced last year - we hoped it would start with a measure of normality. We hoped that something meaningful would emerge.

Clouded.

"But these hopes were dashed," he said to applause from the multiracial audience.

"What guarantee do we have that the same situation will not repeat itself on other campuses, or other parts of the country? We are concerned that those who remain at Turffloop may find it difficult to take their responsibility of studying under the cloud of oppression every day."

The end result would be poor exam results. "And people will start pointing fingers and say 'blacks just don't take their studies seriously'."

Professor Mervyn Shear, Wits University deputy vice-chancellor (student affairs) said: "Reports of what happened in Turffloop have appalled me. This is commonly expected in a totalitarian state."

Mr Etienne Marais, Wits SRC chairman, said: "The events at Turffloop can best be described as an attack on academic freedom."

A spokesman for the Post-Graduate Students' Association said: "We believe that 'open' universities must accommodate those expelled from Turffloop."

A National Union of South African Students (Nusas) spokesman said: "We call for the immediate withdrawal of apartheid forces from Turffloop."

Mr Tiego Moseneko, of the South African National Students' Congress, said: "We view the situation with utter disgust. The campus has been turned into a concentration camp. It is a takeover where students are prisoners."

(This report has been altered to comply with the emergency regulations).

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Lips are shut tight at Turfloop

The University of the North has recently witnessed a number of confrontations.

The present tribulation at Turfloop began when the state of emergency was declared on June 12. A total of 200 students were taken into custody. Eighteen are still there.

After the swoop, students went on a two-week boycott, demanding the release of their leaders.

Students were issued with pink cards bearing SADF, SAP and Lebowa Police emblems.

The June examinations were written simultaneously with the final examinations in December, with the SADF invigilating.

There was an 85 percent failure rate, reaching 100 percent in some departments.

When the university reopened this year, students were forced to register outside campus under supervision, and those admitted were driven onto the campus.

Students still at Turfloop complain of unbearable conditions, including a 24-hour campus patrol and dormitory searches.

Activities of the Student Representative Council (SRC) have come to a virtual halt, and many SRC members have been refused re-admission. Six are presently in custody.

The rector last week refused to comment on the alleged leak of a secret report recommending unfettered official access to campus, curtailment of student political activity and a halt to commemoration of days such as June 16.

Speaking on behalf of the rector, Professor P.C. Mokgokong, a spokesman in the media section at Turfloop told The Star: "There is no comment to those allegations. The rector has decided to give no comment."

The Sowetan reported last week that the unsigned report, "Confidential: Steps and Measures for Campus Control", had been anonymously posted to it.

Unlimited official access on the campus to “monitor radical and disruptive elements” and the establishment of communication channels “to enable the management and external interface to inform staff about revolutionary activities” are among recommendations.

The report calls for formal communication between the rectorate, the SAP, the Lebowa Police and the SADF’s Far North Command headquarters.

The report says Turfloop, which has no political affiliation, should not allow itself to be used for political campaigns or mobilisation.

Prior approval for mass marches and meetings should be obtained from the rectorate. Slogans offensive to any group on campus should not be allowed, the report said.

It recommended introduction of class attendance registers and erection of a high fence around the campus and staff residences.

The university spokesman would not comment on if the institution was aware of the report and who had drawn it up.

(Parts of this report have been cut or altered to comply with the emergency regulations.)
Principal commends open universities

UMTATA — The challenge facing universities in South Africa was symbolic of the transition from racial to truly non-racial institutions, the new principal of the University of Transkei (Unita), Professor Wiseman Nkhuulu, said here yesterday.

Addressing a colourful ceremony marking his installation as the university's second principal, Professor Nkhuulu, who is also vice-chancellor, said Unita had been forced to challenge because it had been established as a non-racial university.

"The situation on campuses in the Republic of South Africa has been difficult," he said.

"Although certain universities have professed non-racial policies for decades the laws of the country have prevented them from implementing such policies effectively, both in the administration and in the appointment of staff."

"The universities that have opened their doors to all races have taken effective steps to promote the admission of other groups to their campuses should be commended," Professor Nkhuulu said.

This had not only opened new opportunities for black students to study at universities which were better equipped with educational resources than "black" universities but had also opened new opportunities for better understanding between the races.

Professor Nkhuulu said he foresaw the departure of the races over the years had engendered a distinct that was going to take generations to overcome.

"Accepting that division is the greatest hindrance in finding a solution to the political problems of the country — the opportunities for co-operation and the sharing of common experiences by young people created at these universities can only herald the birth of a new Southern Africa," he said.

Professor Nkhuulu said the problems and disappointments experienced during the early years should not cause dependency but should be accepted as hurdles to be overcome on the way to sustainable mutual respect and co-operation among cultural groups.

It should be appreciated that the behaviour of each group is determined by values and attitudes which are a result of historical experiences over many centuries, a fact which cannot be wished away without creating insurmountable problems," he said.

The convergence of priorities, objectives and values would develop gradually as the people of the region began to perceive that their country afforded them the best possible opportunities to be what they had always wanted to become.

"It is in this context that we should view the events at English-speaking universities in South Africa that have significant populations of black students."

"Although a certain measure of success has been achieved in integrating black students on these campuses, it is also obvious that black students are uncertain about being swallowed up in the culture of these universities and wish to see their own aspirations, needs and values being accommodated," he said.

This could not take place without considerable strain.

"The manner in which these aspirations are articulated is not always through the official channels and the culture of these universities is based on that of Western universities which date back many centuries." Professor Nkhuulu said.
Dispatch Reporter

UMTATA — Transkei continued to be influenced by events in South Africa during the last 20 years. "Class boycotts" that have plagued South Africa over the last two decades, Prof. M. Dlamini said, are leading to regional rather than parochial perspectives. "This will take decades, but the traditions that guide the relationship between the state and the ruler have evolved over many centuries."

"Experiments that have failed in South Africa are not the same as in the Umtata. The state in the Umtata is not the same as the state in the Umtata."

"The appropriate relationship was formulated through experience, and practical experience."

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Call for black-student funding

JOHANNESBURG.—The private sector should assist universities with funds to boost their admission of black students, Anglo American chairman Mr Gavin Kelly said yesterday at a University of SA (Unisa) function.

Addressing guests of the Unisa Foundation, he said government had said it was unable to fund this growth.

Mr Kelly said that before considering what sort of education was necessary to prepare "for a new society" one had to have a clear idea of what the future held — "particularly in terms of our region's demography".

"While it is estimated that the population of South Africa together with the TBVC countries currently total 23 million, this is expected to increase to at least 45 million by the year 2000.

"Of this total only 5.5 million are expected to be white. During this period our urban populations are expected to double — the greater increase being among people of colour.

"I am certain that in spite of the negative impact on employment resulting from the sanctions and disinvestment campaign, the general freeing up of regulations which for years have impacted the development of small businesses, particularly among the black community, will have the effect of providing a large number of jobs and opportunities.

"Interventionist policies by the State might temporarily increase the number of jobs, but this kind of stimulation cannot be sustained over a long period." — Sapa
Back to class — with a court’s help

A STUDENT from the University of Durban-Westville (UDW), detained for two months under Emergency regulations, has had to get a Supreme Court order before the university would register him to study in 1987.

UDW claims a letter from the rector of Jabi Sikhosana’s previous university is not acceptable as a certificate of conduct, and has refused either to release his results or to allow him to register for 1987.

Last Friday Sikhosana took the matter to the Supreme Court, asking for an order that UDW register him provisionally and release his exam results. However it took until yesterday for the university authorities to permit the registration.

Sikhosana challenged UDW’s refusal to accept a letter from Professor A.C.Nkabi, rector of the University of Zululand, as a certificate of conduct. This letter, which the University of Zululand claims is a standard one used whenever such a certificate is required by another institution including UDW, states his exam results and adds, “I hereby recommend him to any education institution that may consider his application for admission as a student.”

In his application Sikhosana pointed out that several colleagues, formerly of the University of Zululand, were accepted by UDW, with an identical letter from Nkabi.

Sikhosana was detained under Emergency regulations from June 17 to August 18, and although he appeared in court, no charges were ever put to him and the state withdrew
Into the markets

It seems that financial stringencies and the fear of academic isolation are forcing closer liaison between the ivory tower and workshop floor.

For instance, UCT and the Peninsula Technikon (Pen Tech) are to set up a joint company, Campus Industries, to design and construct laboratory equipment used on their campuses.

The move is aimed at saving money, substituting imports (particularly in the face of sanctions), ensuring continuity of supply, providing local jobs and giving practical experience to trainee technicians and engineers. It will also provide valuable experience for academic staff who will have to liaise directly with industry, explaining their requirements for their teaching courses.

The latest move, revealed by UCT this week, follows last week's announcement that the university is to form a research company aimed primarily at promoting and selling — for profit — industrially-related UCT research.

Legal details of the research company and the type of projects it will tackle are being finalised.

The company will also promote the potential of UCT's researchers to relate to industry in the fields of research and development. Similar projects are being looked at more urgently in the Transvaal.

According to UCT deputy vice-chancellor Donald Carr the intention is that research and development will lead to "marketable results."

"Quite apart from this, however, there is the need to make a closer association of the university with industry and to develop research contracts, whether applied or fundamental, which will lead to greater research endeavour at UCT," he says.

The research company concept was prompted by a donation some time ago by a former UCT council member. The cash was designed to set up an investigation into the feasibility of creating a science park similar to those successfully operated at universities in the US and the UK.

After the investigation it was decided not to go for the "bricks and mortar" version of a science park because it seemed there would be an insufficient immediate return to justify the outlay. The research company option was favoured.

The joint venture with Pen Tech is based on a feasibility study by a firm of consulting engineers and the production by Pen Tech of a range of prototypes of typical mechanical and electronic laboratory equipment.

The studies showed that the two institutions have the necessary technical, design and development skills to manufacture much of what they need. Quality standards and performance would be much the same as those of imported products, but costs would be much lower.

Pen Tech and UCT, in collaboration with Barlow Rand, are now investigating the next phase of the venture, including location, funding and staffing.
Universities to probe cuts in State subsidies

By Sol Makgabutlane, Education Reporter

Universities have been hard-hit by subsidy cuts in the past few years and an urgent investigation is to be launched by the Committee of University Principals to examine the state of South African universities.

The outgoing rector of the Rand Afrikaans University, Professor Pieter de Lange, will head the inquiry to thoroughly examine the financing of universities.

In February the Minister of Education in the House of Assembly, Mr Piet Claise, said university subsidies would be linked to the number of full-time students.

He said the number of students allowed to attend university would have to be determined in the interests of the country and according to the means of the Treasury.

Conceding that the Treasury was hard-pressed for money, a number of university heads nevertheless said linking students numbers with the subsidy amount was a wrong approach.

They warned that a spin-off result would be higher university fees, a drastic cut in equipment and a halt to expansion projects.

University subsidies have been cut considerably over the past few years — last year by 15 percent and then by another two percent.

Universities, which depend heavily on Government money, are already running on austerity budgets.

The University of the Witwatersrand, the largest English residential university in the country, has budgeted for an 18 percent cut this year, according to Professor Jerry Steele, deputy vice-chancellor in charge of administration and finances.

Wits' budget for last year was R137.5 million, of which 7.4 percent — R106.35 million — came from State funds.

Anglo American Corporation chairman Mr Gavin Reilly this week touched on subsidies, saying it was incumbent on the private sector to help bail out universities from their financial difficulties.

"But the universities themselves have a most important role to play. They must constantly review their own expenditure and make certain they are run on as efficient a basis as possible."

Professor de Lange retires from RAU in June and will conduct the investigation from his retirement date until January 1988 when the report is due.
UMTATA — A former political science student of the University of Transkei, Mr Temba Momoti, appeared in the regional court here yesterday on charges under the Public Security Act.

The state alleged he was in possession of documents relating to the Azanian Student Organisation and the United Democratic Front on November 31 1985.

Mr Momoti pleaded not guilty and said the literature related to his studies.

The trial was adjourned until March 20 for judgment and Mr Momoti was released on bail. — DDR
Women's handbook angers parents

JOHANNESBURG — A group of women and parents is to petition the Government to ask for a commission of inquiry into the activities of the National Union of South African Students (Nusas).

This follows the appearance this week of a handbook for women, sold on the Wits University campus, which has been described as "disgusting filth".

Sandton town councillor Mrs Jo Marais said the booklet advocated lesbianism, abortion and immorality. She said it was a blatant breakdown of moral values.

The booklet, which was sold for less than R1 during orientation week, contains articles on SA women and politics, female health, contraception, sexual relationships and abortion.

Mrs Pam Fine, editor of the handbook, said the material had been carefully researched and was not a "thumb-suck".

Much of the material came from the book, Our Bodies, Ourselves, on sale throughout the country.

A spokesman for the Wits Students' Representative Council and the Nusas Women's Directive, said the handbook was produced because of the lack of concise and accessible information about issues specifically affecting women.

In reply to the lesbianism claim, she said: "We stand by our view that people have the right to choose their sexual partners. Nusas has a right to voice its legitimate objection to abortion laws."
UCT has plans to profit from its research

By ALAN DUGGAN

THE economic survival of South Africa's universities — already pressed for cash — may soon depend on the practical application of their skills and research.

A recent study by the Committee for Industry Related Research at the University of Cape Town (UCT) reveals that the efforts of research workers could lead to profitable results.

Now the university is completing plans for a company which has as its prime objective the promotion of industrially related research.

The first project is already being reviewed with the intention of returning some of its profits to the university. Other projects will follow, says a spokesman for the university.

Endeavour

UCT intends that the new company will provide a mechanism for realizing the potential of the university's research workers in relation to the development of research ideas in industry.

Professor Donald Carr, deputy vice-chancellor in charge of research, writes in the latest issue of UCT News:

"Quite apart from this, however, there is the need to build up a closer association between the university and industry and to develop research contracts, whether applied or fundamental, which will lead to greater research endeavours at UCT."

In another important step, the university has approved in principle the establishment of a joint operation — to be called Campus Industries — with the Peninsula Technikon.

They have six major objectives, including the provision of practical training opportunities for trainee technicians and engineers, and the design, development and manufacture of laboratory and scientific equipment which is at present imported.
Talk to us, Heunis tells rebels

NATIONAL PARTY Cape leader Chris Heunis has urged the 28 rebel Stellenbosch University academics who issued a statement at the weekend sharply criticising the cornerstones of apartheid to talk to government again.

They said the Group Areas Act, arbitrary race classification and the Separate Amenities Act — all laws introduced by the NP — would have to go.

They said the Group Areas Act was "the symbol of injustice" and the Separate Amenities Act was "discriminatory".

They also said the tricameral Parliament could not survive indefinitely and would have to be replaced "by a central Parliament in which all South Africans, including blacks, are effectively represented".

The academics were critical of the way the government was handling the state of emergency and said security must "under all circumstances, including a state of emergency, be submitted to legal control by the courts".

Report by Barry Street, St George's Street, Cape Town
Big bill for AAM probe

DAVID COHEN

the winding-up.

□ Whether persons who were in a position of control or management, or who were otherwise associated with the AAM in a position of trust, or who were seized with professional duties, neglected their duty in general, and in particular to look after the interests of policy holders and the general public and, if so, in what respects;

□ Whether any functionaries with statutory duties neglected their duty to look after the interests of policy-holders; and

□ Whether the Insurance Act rendered adequate protection to policy holders and the public.

The commission's findings will be made public. A commissioner said evidence will be taken from the public next month.
CAPE TOWN — The parents of Dr Neil Aggett, a University of Cape Town graduate who died in detention, have given R10 000 towards UCT's medical school library extensions, in memory of their son.

The R1-million extensions mark the school's 75th anniversary.

The Aggetts handed over the money at a gathering to launch an appeal to medical alumni for funds for the extensions.

Dr Aggett, who graduated from medical school in 1976, allegedly committed suicide while in detention at John Vorster Square in 1982.

He was the secretary of the Food and Canning Workers' Union and the African Food and Canning Workers' Union.

UCT's medical library was the first in South Africa — there are now seven.

It has one of the largest medical history collections, and has 100,000 volumes and 950 journal titles. — Sapa

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Ex-ANC supporter gets post at UCT

CAPE TOWN — Dr Renfrew Christie has been appointed academic planning officer of the University of Cape Town (UCT).

He is a former supporter of the African National Congress and was jailed for 10 years in 1980 for supplying the banned organisation with information on energy in South Africa.

Dr Christie succeeds Mr Jon File, who has taken up a position as UCT’s academic secretary.

Dr Christie said from Johannesburg he was pleased to have accepted such a challenging job.

"UCT is a fine university which is going through a problematic time as funds are relatively low while the university moves away from apartheid. My planning job will be a difficult one because it is easier to plan while funds are available," he said.

Dr Christie holds a DPhil degree from Oxford University, an MA from UCT, and a B Com (Hons), with distinction in economics, from Unisa.

Last year he filed a Supreme Court application for his release on the grounds that the offer by President P W Botha, to free Mr Nelson Mandela if the ANC leader renounced violence, applied to him as well.

He was freed from Pretoria Central Prison last December. — Sapa
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len Kuzwayo will be the first black woman to re-
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said yesterday “It is fitting that the university 
should honour this social worker extraordinary 
in the year of the Golden Jubilee of its School of 
Social Work.”
Academic freedom — and its limits

THE IDEA of academic freedom meaning that all shades of opinion should always be allowed to be expressed at universities has been refuted, from different angles, by Prof Peter Booyens, University of Natal principal, and Dr Caroline White, chairman of the University of Cape Town Academic Staff Association.

Ideally, Prof Booyens told a meeting of the regular Thursday luncheon University of Natal Forum, there should be no restrictions at campuses on freedom of expression, the free exchange of ideas and use of university platforms, but social and political circumstances in South Africa prevented the ideal from being given expression.

Within our own community of the fundamental human right of equality in dignity and rights.

Protests on political policies and procedures which relate to these deprivations are clearly highly emotive. To ignore the sensitivities and tensions associated with these issues and simply stand on ideological principles would be unrealistic and irresponsible.

Quoting UCT lecturer Mr John Higgins in a recent edition of Forum, the UCT Academic Staff Association newsletter, Prof Booyens said freedom of expression did not automatically extend to freedom of action.

Higgins argues that while the individual has an innate right to hold an opinion, as a member of a particular society that individual does not have the right to put that opinion into practice if it goes against the prevailing laws of that society. We may add — if it goes against the prevailing customs and regulations of the community.

Higgins said that in some circumstances the expressing of an opinion could be a provocative action.

Prof Booyens said academic boycott was justified in South Africa where the Government had exhibited an 'alarming degree of recalcitrance in responding to the conventional mechanisms for change,' and that the boycott should be aimed at those responsible for the circumstances that caused the boycott.

Surely if the boycott is aimed at the oppressor it should not also harm the oppressed or the champion of the oppressed.

Therefore it is perfectly clear to me that to boycott the University of Natal is to injure the objectives of the boycott,' Prof Booyens said.

'The university needs all the assistance it can get in its endeavours to change the existing order and introduce a true democracy in South Africa. Academic isolation would undermine its potential for inducing social and political change.'

Drawing on Mr Higgins's Forum article, which pronounced the philosophy of John Stuart Mill, Dr White said visiting Irish academic Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien had intended to make himself a nuisance at UCT.

'He was himself the chief instigator of the events surrounding his visit — with the complicity of those who invited him if their intention was in any way political rather than academic.'

She said that by his words and actions Dr O'Brien had demanded that the students choose between their strong allegiance to the organisation whose policy was the academic boycott, and allowing Dr O'Brien to lecture.

Dr White said academic freedom and freedom of speech were often confused because the former role of the university in society was denied.

'The university's role is not to provide a platform for all shades of opinion, but rather to decide what will count as knowledge and to exclude what does not. The whole running of the university displays this function of exclusion.'

Finally, Dr White quoted Mr Anthony Kennedy, the Master of Balliol College, Oxford, who said, when he visited UCT three years ago:

'Academic freedom is a genuine value and a precious one, but it does not come very high in the hierarchy of human values. The right to academic freedom is not as important as the right to a living wage, the right to live, where one chooses, or the right not to be forcibly separated from one's family. A society which places a high value on academic freedom and a low value on the other rights may be far worse than a society which denies academic freedom while respecting the more elemental human rights.'

As by-elections are pending all letters of a political nature must bear the writer's name and street address (not box number) for publication. In terms of the Electoral Act no political plumes cannot be accepted.
Black Matie awarded a doctorate

Education Reporter

A MAN who rose from humble beginnings will tomorrow become the first black to receive a doctorate from the University of Stellenbosch.

Mr David Sandle Xalishe will receive a D.Lit for his treatise *Oral Proficiency of Xhosa as a Second Language*.

He said his achievement showed that blacks could reach the highest rung on any ladder.

His success story was built around his determination to succeed and his commitment to rise to challenge.

For three years after he matriculated at Langa High School he worked as a clerk for the Cape Divisional Council.

He has been attached to the Institute of Language Teaching at Stellenbosch University since 1977.
Academic freedom should be married to academic responsibility, says the man who takes over as rector of Rand Afrikaans University in July.

Professor "Cas" Crouse (52), who will take up the rectorship about to be vacated by Professor Pieter de Lange, is presently rector of Vista University.

This institution has 18,500 black students in campuses in a number of townships.

He holds a doctorate in statistics and has undertaken sabbatical tours of Britain, the United States, Spain, West Germany and Israel.

Professor Crouse is a member of the Broederbond.

These were his responses to questions put by The Star.

What are your views on academic freedom?

"Academic freedom has to be accompanied by academic responsibility. I have no problems with any viewpoint, as long as it is given in a scholarly framework.

"One should not let differences of opinion lead to disruption. If you differ from me or I differ from you, we must not start shouting at each other, but give each other an opportunity to express our views.

"We must exchange views on different matters in a scholarly manner. University, by its very nature, should be able to accommodate the entire spectrum of extreme views."

What is your solution to the education crisis in South Afri-

By Sol Makgabutlane,

Education Reporter

Professor Crouse ... "we must exchange views in a scholarly manner."

The other races. Anybody who wishes to study will be judged according to merit."

Do you foresee any radical change when you leave your present job with Vista to join RAU?

"Obviously, I will have to adjust, but I don't see any problems in that regard."

What are your views on the Menlo Park incident?

"That's an event which caused our country a lot of harm. The decision taken by the school's authorities was within their rights. But a school with a management committee that sees things in that kind of light should not act as hosts for such a sports meeting. You must have committee with a broader view of South Africa and its problems."

What are your views on the "rebels" academics at Stellenbosch University?

"This is typical of a modern university community. People have the opportunity to express views in favour of different systems, especially in respect of different political systems. I think all parties benefit because you have an opportunity of weighing your viewpoints in relation to the viewpoints others have.

"It's a big mistake to believe that we should all have the same view of everything, because then life will be extremely dull."

"If something like this were to happen at RAU, I would have no quibble. Within a big university you do have a wide spectrum of feelings and opinions."

What is your attitude on the forthcoming whites-only election?

"I am of the opinion that all South Africans should take interest in the politics of the day. The results of the elections will depend to a very large extent on whether the parties to the right will reach an agreement before the election.

"That the National Party will be the winner, I have no doubt about, but the margin will be determined by the agreement of the Right."

"The participation by the 'independents' is an interesting development, but I do not think they are going to get the kind of support they're hoping for.

"I don't think they will get more than 25 percent of the votes. We have a history in South Africa in which independent candidates don't fare well. The mechanics of South African politics is that you should belong to a party."

What are your views on the Group Areas Act?

"I am in favour of free association, but I also believe in free dissociation. I acknowledge that some cultural groups will associate freely, while others will like to associate up to a certain level. The five years I have spent at Vista University have given me a lot of insight into cultural hopes and fears.

"The old rule still applies that birds of a feather flock together. But this Act is one of the burning issues. I am no politician and it is difficult to put a time schedule."
Historical event at Stellenbosch

Own Correspondent:

CAPE TOWN — History will be made today when Mr David Sandle Gxilishe becomes the first black man to receive a doctorate from the University of Stellenbosch.

Mr Gxilishe will receive his D Litt for his treatise titled "Oral Proficiency of Xhosa as a Second Language".

He said: "The degree shows that blacks, despite the odds stacked against them, can reach the top."

For three years after he matriculated he worked as a clerk for the Cape Divisional Council.

In this time he saved every spare cent to finance his studies.

He graduated at Fort Hare university before going to Stellenbosch.
Irish academic sends UCT plea on ‘derogatory remarks’

By Sol Makgabutlane, Education Reporter

Irish academic Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien has asked the University of Cape Town to distance itself from “derogatory comments” about him made by an inquiry that investigated the disruption of his lectures last year.

“I must request you publicly to dissociate yourself and the university from sections of the report which concern me personally,” he wrote to UCT vice-chancellor and principal Dr Stuart Saunders from Dublin, Ireland.

This is the latest in a series of events stemming from the breaking up of Dr O’Brien’s lectures by a group of students unhappy with his visit to South Africa. A number of meetings he was to have addressed were violently disrupted and the commission of inquiry blamed him for having been “insulting and condescending”.

Dr O’Brien wrote to Dr Saunders: “The report contains a number of statements reflecting on my personality and alleged conduct while on your campus at the invitation of your university. These statements are unwarranted and seriously damaging, both to my reputation in general and in particular to my professional standing in the international academic community.”

He complained that the report was released to the Press before it was brought to his attention.

He added: “I note the declared position of your council on the question of academic freedom. This position is most edifying in...”

...derogatory, on paper. As a matter of sad experience, as a somewhat unfortunate guest on your campus, I did not find that this position has in fact been defended, in my case.”

Dr Saunders, in reply, said the university council had accepted the main thrust of the recommendations of the report, with emphasis on the development of the university ethic and on reconciliation.

“Council has reaffirmed, and has made public, its commitment to upholding the freedom of the university as defined by TB Davis; to determine for itself on academic grounds who may teach, what may be taught, how it shall be taught and who may be admitted to study.

“It has also reaffirmed its commitment to resist any attacks on these freedoms from any quarter and to uphold the right of any academic, subject to the normal conventions of the university, to invite any person to take part in an academic programme as previously stated by senate and council.”

Dr Saunders said he believed “we must now look to the future”.

“To engage in contentious debate which must inevitably follow comment on any one item will be an intolerable strain on the university at a highly stressful time.”

Dr Conor O'Brien... complains to UCT about criticism of his conduct at the university.
New course in Jewish studies

By Adele Baleta

A new course in Jewish studies will be offered at the University of the Witwatersrand from 1988 — but, as a curtain-raiser, a series of seminars will be held this year.

Members of the public are invited to register for the eight foundation seminars from March 23 to October 14 to be given by visiting and local academics.

As from next year Jewish studies will be a three-year major and the present department of Hebrew studies will be expanded to become the department of Hebrew and Jewish studies.

Although not yet finalised, the 1988 course is likely to include the option of spending one academic year at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

For further information write to the Centre for Continuing Education, University of the Witwatersrand, P O Wits, 2050.
Police briefly sealed off streets in central Johannesburg yesterday as a crowd of about 100 people emerged from a National Detainees' Day meeting and marched singing through the streets of the city.

Guests at the entrance of a luxury hotel stared in amazement as the throng moved by swiftly and dispersed without conflict after progressing about two blocks from the luncheon meeting venue. Teargas could be smelt near Khotso House as part of the crowd approached there and police converged on the area.

The marchers were part of a crowd of about 600 which overflowed the Central Methodist Hall to register support for all detained children.

Council of Churches general secretary Dr Beyers Naudé told the meeting the relevant question to be asked in a society where hundreds or thousands of children were detained was not, "What have the children done?" but, "What has society done to its children?"

Dr Naudé argued that freedom was indivisible. "Our call today (remainder of sentence deleted.) But if we (remainder of sentence deleted.) We cannot stop there."

The logical next step was to demand the restoration of a free Press, which was closely linked to the rights of the individual. One had to go further to fight to free all people "from the shackles which prevent them from expressing their political aspirations".

"We also logically call that our country should be free from dictatorship and tyranny."

Midway through the meeting, prominent people from community and political organisations were called upon to put their signatures to a pledge in support of children. Particularly loud applause greeted United Democratic Front president Mrs Albertina Sisulu as she added her name.

More than 200 students attended a prayer meeting for detainees at the Witwatersrand University. During the service a number of students mounted a placard demonstration outside.

When the service ended after lunch-time, part of the crowd marched around the campus chanting freedom songs. They dispersed peacefully.

About 400 people attended a meeting held at the Johannesburg headquarters of the Congress of SA Trade Unions. They heard Chemical Workers' Industrial Union organiser Mr Vusi Mavuso recount his experiences during six months in detention last year. After the meeting, the crowd continued chanting freedom songs outside the building, where police looked on but took no action.

(Both of this report have been deleted to comply with the Emergency Regulations.)

The very low level of unemployment in some sectors can nevertheless be inferred from the figures.
4000 students at mass city rallies

Staff Reporter

MORE THAN 4,000 students yesterday attended mass rallies at the University of the Western Cape and the University of Cape Town to mark a national-wide 'National Detainees' Day' and to protest against detention of about 25,000 people without trial.

At UCT thousands of singing students marched round the campus at the end of the meeting. There were no incidents.

At UCT about 60 students marched round the campus after a lunchtime meeting.

About 1000 students packed into Jameson Hall where United Democratic Front speaker Mr. Chris Nissen and two other former detainees called on the student body to support the Detainees Parents' Support Committee's stand.

The meeting was jointly called by the National Union of South African Students (Nussa) and the South African National Students Congress (Sasanco).

Dr. Stuart Saunders, UCT vice-chancellor and principal, said in a statement yesterday to Sapa that he deplored "the whole system of detention without trial" and said he was particularly concerned about the detention of his special assistant, Mr. Vuse Khanyile, and two UCT students, Mr. Ian McKenzie and Mr. Headley M King.

Black Sash members in the Eastern Cape yesterday participated in a sunrise-to-sunset fast and lit candles in their homes in support of the campaign.

Teargas canisters

In Johannesburg teargas canisters were fired at the Methodist Central Church yesterday when about 100 youths were leaving a meeting commemorating the sixth National Detainees' Day. They sang freedom songs and shouted "Amandla!"

About 1500 people attended the meeting, organized by the DPSC. It was addressed by the president of the South African Council of Churches, Dr. Beyers Naude.

He said people should not ask what children had done to be detained, but rather what society had done to them.

He questioned the state of a society which had to detain youths.

The moment had arrived for the ministers of Law and Order, Justice and Police to ask themselves "What is wrong with us?" and not "What is wrong with the children?", he said.

Once one set foot on the slippery road where justice was eroded, only tyranny could result.

"Any society which allows this process is digging its own grave," Dr. Naude appealed to "my people, the Afrikaner," and to white English-speaking South Africans who supported the government, to justify themselves with their "consciences and religious beliefs".

At a 200-strong meeting in Johannesburg organized by the Congress of South African Trade Unions, DPSC chairman Mr. David Webster read a message from prisoners at Diepkloof Prison thanking organizations for their efforts in highlighting their plight.

To end the meeting, "a message of support" was read out from the detainees currently being held at the Johannesburg prison.

Last night, meanwhile, Mrs. Winnie Mandela told UPI that she lit candles at dusk and that her Orlando West section of Soweto remained in darkness.
Frederiks honoured by Wits

Wits University will confer an honorary doctorate next month on Mr Wayne Frederiks, an American businessman who has worked closely with organisations promoting black education and civil rights in South Africa.

The university said Mr Frederiks has been on missions to South Africa "more than any other American of international stature".

He has been a member of the American National Advisory Council of the South African Education Programme, which administers grants from Congress for black education in South Africa.

Mr Frederiks, who worked closely with the Institute of Race Relations and Funda Centre, was US Deputy Assistant Secretary for African Affairs. — Sapa.

R10-m ‘allocated for black farming’

The Government will spend more than R10 million on the improvement of black farming in the up-and-coming farms in Natal, the Minister of Development Aid, Dr Gerrit Viljoen said yesterday.

About R9 million has already been used to develop the Makatini Flats near kwazulu where black farmers are producing rice, cotton, dry beans and mealies.

Dr Viljoen said his department was also promoting new farming methods in other national states as well.

"I am very impressed by the changing methods of black farmers from their individual subsistence farming to the more productive and economic commercial farming," said Dr Viljoen at the Makatini Flats yesterday after a tour of the farms.

He said there was a lot of potential in black farmers if additional funds could be made available to them for development.

This would be possible in the next financial year when more than R10 million will be pumped into the project.

‘Liberals will influence events’

The Star Bureau

LONDON — South Africa's "liberals" will have their moment to influence events in the country "when the new National Party Government resumes its reforms", the Independent newspaper said today.

The Nationalists will win the election, it says, but adds: "...the liberal agonising... signifies the possibility of changes after the election."

"Sexual relations are no longer a matter for the police. Job discrimination is eroding. What remains are random economic inequalities and injustices and residential segregation."

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Fort Hare in a post-'Kei slump

BY NGEDE NTAMNANI
in East London

STUDENT figures at the University of Fort Hare have dropped dramatically since it was taken over by Ciskei authorities, and lecturers are also believed to have left the institution.

Enrolment figures have dropped to less than half last year's levels: according to university public relations officer Dr Norman Holliday, only 1,500 students registered this year, as against 3,177 last year.

Since January, the university where people like Robert Mugabe, Nelson Mandela and Oliver Tambo studied has been under the authority of Ciskei president Lennox Sebe's government. Holliday would not be drawn on the reasons for the decline, but students said many had not returned because of the disturbances that disrupted most of the academic year.

Students said the Ciskei takeover had already brought changes to the campus. Stricter controls had been instituted at entrances, and admission procedures had been tightened up. Students wishing to study at Fort Hare had to apply for study permits through the Ciskei's Department of Internal Affairs.

Students now have to show their student cards before they are allowed to enter or leave campus. This had not happened before "except during unrest periods," said one student.
Campus, not court

By CARMEL RICKARD, Durban
A WARRANT was issued for the
arrest of Rhodes scholar Kumi Naidoo
this week when he failed to appear in
the Durban magistrate’s Court.

Naidoo, vice president of last year’s
students’ representative council at the
University of Durban Westville, left
South Africa for London secretly on
Monday.

His lawyer read out to the court a
telegram message from his client
explaining why he would not be in
court to stand trial with six fellow
students on charges arising from a
protest march on the UDW campus
soon after the Emergency was
declared.

Naidoo has been in hiding for some
months and feared that when he
appeared at court, the security police
would detain him under the Internal
Security Act, thus putting his
scholarship in jeopardy.

Naidoo stressed he had left legally
and would be returning to South
Africa at the end of his studies.

The trial of the other six is
proceeding.
The Department of Education's high-profile initiative to address the problem of prisoner education has been met with mixed reactions. Some believe it is a step in the right direction, while others argue that it does not go far enough. The initiative, known as the Prison Education Program, aims to provide educational opportunities to prisoners, with a focus on vocational and technical skills. However, critics say that the program does not address the root causes of incarceration and that it fails to adequately prepare prisoners for reintegration into society.

Bishop Isaac Mocena, of the Catholic Church, has expressed his concern about the initiative. "We cannot simply provide education to prisoners and expect them to be transformed into productive citizens," he said. "We need to address the underlying issues that led to their incarceration in the first place." Mocena has called for a comprehensive approach that includes rehabilitation, reintegration, and support services.

The Department of Education has defended its initiative, stating that it is a necessary step in addressing the issue of prisoner education. "We understand the complexities of incarceration and the challenges faced by prisoners," said Education Secretary Maria Garcia. "Our goal is to provide prisoners with the tools they need to succeed outside of prison." Garcia added that the program will be expanded in the near future to include more courses and resources.

Despite the mixed reactions, many believe that the initiative is a positive step forward. "Any step towards education for prisoners is a step towards reducing recidivism," said criminal justice expert Dr. Maria Perez. "We need to continue to invest in programs like this to ensure that prisoners have the skills they need to succeed."
Bringing a new vista to RAU rectorship

By Sol Mahgubutlane, Education Reporter

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What are your views on academic freedom?

"Academic freedom has to be accompanied by academic responsibility. I have no problems with any viewpoint, as long as it is given in a scholarly frame work."

"One should not let differences of opinion lead to disruption.

"We must exchange views on different matters in a scholarly manner. University, by its very nature, should be able to accommodate the entire spectrum of extreme views."

What is your solution to the education crisis in South Africa, particularly that affecting black education?

"My attitude is 'let all true South Africans -- students, parents, teachers, it does not matter what their particular convictions are -- stop talking and start doing something to solve the problems.'

"We must appreciate the great proportion of our people suffer from lack of education. We have a crisis, and we must all get together.

What's your attitude towards the admission of other races to RAU?

"Obviously every university has a tradition, and RAU was set up to accommodate the needs of a certain cultural group, the Afrikaners. That will still be the case.

"However, over the last number of years, visions have broadened considerably, and five years ago the university started admitting students of other races. Anybody who wishes to study will be judged according to merit."

What are your views on the Menlo Park incident?

"That's an event which caused our country a lot of harm. The decision taken by the school's authorities was within their rights. But a school with a management committee that sees things in that kind of light should not act as hosts for such a sports meeting."

"What are your views on the "rebel" academics at Stellenbosch University?"

"This is typical of a modern university community. People have the opportunity to express views in favour of different systems.

"It's a big mistake to believe that we should all have the same view of everything, because that life will be extremely dull."

"If something like this were to happen at RAU, I would have no quibble. Within a big university you do have a wide spectrum of feelings and opinions."

What is your attitude on the forthcoming whites-only election?

"I am of the opinion that all South Africans should take interest in the politics of the day. The outcome of the elections will depend to a large extent on whether the parties to the right reach an agreement.

"That the National Party will be the winner; I have no doubt, but the margin will be determined by agreement of the Right."

"The participation by the 'independents' is an interesting development, but I do not think they are going to get the kind of support they're hoping for."

What are your views on the Group Areas Act?

"I am in favour of free association, but I also believe in free disassociation."

"The five years spent at Vista University have given me an insight into cultural hopes and fears."

"The old rule still applies that birds of a feather flock together. But this Act is one of the burning issues. I am no politician and it is difficult to put a time schedule."
Winnie at centre of university poll storm

A row has broken out over the election of Mrs Winnie Mandela as Rector of the University of Glasgow earlier this week.

The South African Government is alleged to have been involved in introducing Bishop Isaac Mokoena to Scotland and to the university, where he was taken up as a rival candidate to Mrs Mandela, but South Africa's Consul-General in Scotland, Dr James "Sandy" Shaw has denied the claim — "part of a smear campaign" against the conservative bishop.

Mrs Mandela, wife of jailed African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, polled more votes than all three other candidates. Bishop Mokoena was put forward by a group of right-wing students.

Dr Shaw walked into another row when he criticised Mrs Mandela's election as students had "insufficient understanding of the situation in South Africa on which to base their vote".
Missing Naidoo pops up overseas

RHODES scholar Kumar Naidoo - who disappeared from Durban about four months ago - surfaced in London this week.

The former University of Durban-Westville Students' Representative Council vice-president and United Democratic Front activist left South Africa secretly but legally, said his brother, Kovin Naidoo.

Naidoo left to take up a Rhodes scholarship and will be doing a Master's degree in political science.

He has vowed to return to face charges of public violence. Naidoo and six other Durban-Westville students were due to appear in the Durban Regional court today.

Meanwhile, Forth Hare social science lecturer Basil Somhlahlo was deported to the Transkei by Ciskei security police this week.

Somhlahlo's deportation was confirmed by Ciskei Foreign Affairs and Information Deputy-Minister Headman Somthunzi.

Somhlahlo's daughter, Yuliswa, had said earlier that her father had been detained by Ciskei security police on January 30 and since then had not returned to his home in Alice.

Somhlahlo's detention was not confirmed by the Ciskei authorities.
New Matie hostel

A NEW student hostel at the University of Stellenbosch — the Gold Fields Complex — which houses 96 students, will be officially opened tomorrow night. The hostel, which is open to all races, will provisionally house coloured students only because of a flood of more than 500 applications. Mr Douglas Davis, assistant to the rector, Prof Mike de Vries, said yesterday.
Sached faces charges over foreign funds

THE SA Council for Higher Education (Sached), one of many organisations currently under investigation by the Directorate of Fund-Raising (DFR), was told yesterday to expect charges arising from its foreign funding.

Sached is one of several organisations critical of government that have been visited in the past three months by DFR inspectors. One source said he knew of about 50 organisations being investigated.

But DFR chief director J C Visser yesterday denied in a telex to Business Day that anti-apartheid funding was under investigation by government. He stressed that all groups collecting funds from the public were investigated on an ongoing basis.

Sached director John Samuel said he had been called by a Colonel Pretorius and told a docket had been opened and he could expect charges relating to receiving foreign funds. Sached is an independent education agency. Pretorius was not available for comment yesterday. The following organisations have told

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Patrick Bulger

Business Day they have been visited by DFR inspectors:

- The National Education Crisis Committee (NECC), a signatory to the "Urban the ANC" adverts which are under investigation by the Munnik Commission;
- The Black Sash in Port Elizabeth and Grahamstown;
- The Wilgespruit Fellowship Centre, which is linked to the SA Council of Churches;
- The Rev Allan Boesak's Cape Town-based Peace and Justice Foundation;
- The United Democratic Front; and
- A number of smaller community organisations, including the Northern Transvaal Advice Office and the Cape-based Montagu Project.

Wilgespruit Fellowship Centre executive director Ivan Dale White said he had been told of about 50 groups under investigation.

"The churches regard this in a very serious light," said White.

He added the centre and other religious bodies were being asked whether they were in fact bona fide religious groups. In terms of the Act, religious groups do not need a welfare number to raise funds.

Black Sash national president Mary Burton said she had heard that a number of rural-based groups were being investigated. She said she regarded the investigations into two Black Sash branches as an "invasion of privacy", but said they had received no communication from the DFR since the initial visits six weeks ago.

The DFR refuses to provide information about its investigations.

"Details regarding inspections are confidential and could be sub judice. A list of organisations cannot be supplied as such information may embarrass the organisations and incriminate the department," the DFR said in a telex in reply to an earlier series of questions. Investigations are being conducted in terms of two main sections of the Act: section 30(5), which deals with "irregularities" in the collection of funds as laid down by the Act; and section 2, a blanket prohibition of illegal fund-raising.

The DFR is part of the Department of National Health and Population Development, headed by Minister Dr Willie van Niekerk.
More Asian students

More Asians are studying at South African universities, according to new research from the Human Sciences Research Council. The number of Asians at South African universities almost trebled in the ’70s, says a report issued by the HSRC’s Institute for Educational Research.

While only 72 Bachelor degrees in the commercial and management sciences were awarded in the ’60s, the ’70s saw this number increase to 1,650. Of these, the five degrees awarded to women in the decade from 1959 to 1969 had increased to 172 in the ’70s.

The number of honours and second Bachelor degrees awarded to Asian students in the ’70s increased at a rate of 16.35 percent a year.
By Inga Molzen

Repression affected South African workers far more than management because of the racially divided society, Confederation of South African Trade Unions education officer Mr Alec Irwin said last night.

He was speaking to gradu- ates of the University of the Witwatersrand Business School Certificate Programme in Industrial Relations.

He said: "No matter how contorted the explanation of the various Bothas, South Africa is repressive because it denies basic rights and basic worker rights.

"Workers don't need persuading that there is an urgent need for change."

Joint management/labour education served to isolate industrial relations from broader pressures because it was not designed to make a political commitment.

"If industrial relations are to redress the imbalance between capital and labour then repressive legislation must be removed," Mr Irwin said.

The situation also applied to other countries but South Africa's problems were greater because of the absence of a political democracy and workers' and union rights.

Mr Irwin said joint management/labour education was a misdirected use of resources and a subtle pursuit of management interests.

He asked whether it was wise to isolate industrial relations from broader political, economic and social crises: "In Cosatu we believe a far better school of education is the day-to-day bargaining in a collective situation.

He said change was seldom based on communication but on conflict. South African problems could be solved by direct political action to change its repressive society.

"One problem we have all always had in Cosatu is that we do not believe business or capital has taken decisive action against this regime. We are unhappy and uncomfortable when that same capital says we have common interests when it comes to collective bargaining," he said.

He was not denying that management and labour should do things jointly - "they work, negotiate and at times work through problems together" - but there was basic conflict between capital and labour and industrial relations.

"In South Africa there is a dead weight that pulls joint management/labour education towards maintaining the status quo in favour of the institutions which offer employment and the owners of assets in these institutions - and away from workers."
Sached: No charges laid

JOHANNESBURG. — No charges had been laid against the South African Council for Higher Education in connection with foreign funding, its director said yesterday.

Mr John Samuel said he was told by police yesterday that a docket had been opened.

It is believed Sached is one of the groups under investigation by the Directorate of Fund-Raising.

According to reports, inspectors of the DFR, a directorate of the Department of National Health and Population Development, have in recent weeks visited some of the figures and organizations which have emerged during the Munnik Inquiry into the funding of the UDF’s "Unban the ANC" advertisements. — Sapa
Big increase in Indians at university

Mercury Reporter

There has been a sharp increase in the number of Indians studying at South African universities, according to a report by the Human Sciences Research Council which was released yesterday.

Four times more Indian students per thousand of the Indian population were registered at South African universities in 1980 than in 1969, and from 1970 to 1980, the number of students increased from 5.3 to 14 per thousand of the population.

The survey found that a B.A. degree was the most popular choice of students. This was awarded to a total of 2,213 candidates, of which 1,533 were women. In the survey period between 1970 and 1980 this constitutes 33% of the total number of the first bachelor's degrees that were awarded from 1970 to 1980.

During the same period 670 students graduated as doctors. Of these 166 were women. The number of dentists who qualified in the survey period was also higher than in the previous decade.

"It seems that an increasing number of women are entering the medical profession," the report stated.
New Matie protest by students over race legislation

By FRANS ESTERHUYS
Political Staff

In a new political protest at the University of Stellenbosch, a committee of law students has rejected the Population Registration Act, the Group Areas Act and other "discriminatory" measures.

The decision was taken unanimously by the executive committee of the university's juridical association, which represents about 800 law students.

The committee has also called for the development of "an alternative constitutional dispensation" in which all South Africans could participate on an equal basis, and for the lifting of emergency regulations and the release of political detainees.

In a statement today, the committee said it endorsed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights of 1948 as a basis for the testing right of the courts.

Discrimination

The committee rejected the Population Registration Act of 1950 on the grounds that any differentiation between South Africans on the basis of race or colour could play no valid role in a country striving for "equality before the law".

The statement continued:

"We, therefore, find it necessary — purely from a legal point of view — to reject all discriminating provisions based on race or colour as they appear in the following legislation:

- The Separate Amenities Act of 1956.
- All legislation that has anything to do with the creation and promotion of the so-called homelands system of South Africa; and,
- All other legislation with similar provisions."

Normalise

To accomplish "equality before the law", an alternative constitutional dispensation would have to be developed in which all South Africans could participate on an equal basis.

The statement concluded: "We honestly hope that such a dispensation would lead to the normalising of the South African community, that all emergency regulations would be lifted and that all political detainees would be freed."

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(Report by F S Esterhuys, 122 St George's Street, Cape Town.)
Services planned for Heroes Day tomorrow

By Michael Tisson

Heroes Day services to commemorate the 1969 massacre at Sharpeville, in the Vaal Triangle, will be held tomorrow.

The Azanian National Youth Unity (Azanyu) said that before its commemoration services start at noon, members would clean the Sharpeville, Gandhi, who was killed when the Pan-Africanist Congress (PAC) organised a nationwide anti-pass campaign under the leadership of Mr Robert Sobukwe.

Azanyu, the Azanian Youth Organisation (Azayo) and the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) said they would be holding services at the DOCC Hall in Soweto at noon.

Azapo publicity secretary Mr Manto Myeko said: "March 21 symbolises all the heroes of our struggle who have fallen, and remains a hallmark of our determination for liberation."

"The campaign marked the watershed of peaceful resistance when our people were massacred for demonstrating against the dopmas."

Azapo will host services at the Catholic Cathedral in Pretoria (at noon); the Baptist Church in Soshile, Standerton, (5 pm); Alexandra (1 pm); Sharpeville (2 pm); Malasha, in Denilton, (2 pm) and the YMCA in Durban.

Azanyu services will be held at noon in Sharpeville, Mohlangeng, Kagiso, Tembisa, Davelton, Mamelodi, Seshgo, Atteridgeville, Bushbuckridge, Fakhumong in Blyskom, and Shewe in Kimberley. Mbekweni in Park, kwaNobuhle in Port Elizabeth, Uitenhage and Mdantsane in East London, and Gugulethu, Langa and Mitchell's Plain in Cape Town.

Furniture dumped outside in pouring rain

Five Sharpeville pensioners evicted

By Rich Mkhondo

At least five Sharpeville pensioners and a prominent taxi owner were evicted from their houses yesterday for being in arrears with rent and service charges.

The evictions came a day after a test case brought by the Vaal Civic Association in the Rand Supreme Court was postponed indefinitely because the Administrator of the Free State, Mr Louis Botha, indicated he wished to be involved in the case.

The pensioners' furniture and possessions were dumped outside the houses in pouring rain.

It was still there last night as the families consulted lawyers.

There was a near-riot as students who were attending an athletics meeting nearby tried to prevent the evictions and the arrival of members of the Defence Force prevented serious trouble.

Later, council police were seen taking away a youth suspected of having been involved in the disturbance.

The evicted pensioners are Mr Johannes Ntshabe (60), Mrs Paulina Direro (73), Mr Elias Malebo (76), Mr Jacob Radebe (77) and Mr Jack Kwele (76).

The taxi owner is Mr Charles Mkwanzai (57).

Spokesman for the Vaal Parents Crisis Committee, Mr Briggs Mokolo, condemned the actions taken by the Lekoa Council as "high-handed and short-sighted".

"They are not resolving the problems affecting residents in the area. It is now about three years since we made our demands known. Instead of addressing them, they are showing signs of arrogance and disrespect by evicting even elderly people. We have been paying rent for ages without any improvement on our townships," he said.

Leka town clerk, Mr N Louw could not be reached for comment.

His assistant, Mr Ben Scott, said he was away yesterday and had not been briefed about any evictions.

Hundreds of rent defaulters in Mohlakeng township, near Randfontein, received a circular last night, summoning them to a township manager's office today.

The circular was distributed by the Western Rand Development Board police.

In terms of section 66 of the Housing Act, defaulters are informed about rent arrears and given seven days' notice.

Failure to settle arrears may result in eviction. Electricity was cut off in several houses in Soweto's Zondi township, apparently because the occupants were in arrears with their rent.

Earlier, the occupants had received statements reminding them of the arrears.

Chanting students outflanked by police

Hundreds of Wits University students yesterday braved pouring rain to chant slogans, sing and taunt police after a day-long meeting held to commemorate the Sharpeville and Uitenhage shootings.

The meeting was called by the National Union of Students (NUSAs) and the National Students Congress (SANCO), formerly the Azanian Student's Association (Azaso).

Some students did not attend lectures to be at the meeting and at about 2.15 pm a crowd gathered in Jorissen Street, Braamfontein. Riot police watched from across the street.

At about 3 pm the singing students headed for Jan Smuts Avenue, but were again blocked by police.

Then the students headed for the upper Yale Street entrance, but were halted at a locked gate by two policemen.

Still chanting, students ran to the lower entrance where riot policemen with rifles arrived in force and started deploying.

The crowd backed off and headed back to Jorissen Street.

Professor Mervyn Shear, deputy chancellor in charge of student affairs, stopped them from a march down the street, and after discussions the crowd dispersed.
Students expelled

Weekend Post
Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — The University of Potchefstroom has expelled five students for periods ranging from one to three years after they were found guilty of "excessive use of alcohol" at a birthday party.

Prof Tjaart van der Walt, rector of the university, said today he felt very sorry that such an incident had occurred, "but such behaviour cannot be allowed". Their names were not disclosed.

Another student was suspended after he was allegedly seen "drunk" at a sports meeting.

Eight other students were also fined after being found guilty on similar charges by the university's disciplinary committee.

Prof Van der Walt said all students represented the university and none could be allowed to misbehave.

"It is also contrary to Christian teaching to act in such a way."
UDW probe rejected

Mercury Reporter

A REQUEST by the University of Durban-Westville for a judicial commission of inquiry into allegations of discrimination in appointments and promotions of staff has been rejected.

Mr Nico Nel, the university's director of public relations, said yesterday the House of Delegates had told the university council the request had been refused.

The university had asked President Botha for an investigation of allegations that Indian staff members were being overlooked for promotion.
Whites going to decide future for the blacks

Disturbing picture from the past — or present?

By PATRICK CULL
Political Correspondent

THIS observation by the former Rector of the University of the Western Cape pertains to the situation which existed in the years leading up to Union in 1910.

But it is as relevant today.

The central issue in the white general election on May 6 is constitutional reform — and if and how it should be brought about.

At the heart of the problem lies the question of how to find a formula in terms of which the aspirations of the disfranchised African majority can best be accommodated.

Despite the fine phrases that commit the Government to negotiation, the reality is that whites are going to decide the constitutional future of blacks and this is borne out by the fact that only whites are voting on May 6 — in the same way that only whites went to the polls in the November 1983 referendum which brought about the tripartite Parliament.

In that sense things have not changed since 1983 when Lord Milner told a delegation of coloured people that they were the guardians of South Africa's civilisation. It is for them to decide whom they can admit as partners in that guardianship without danger to the whole political and social structure of the country.

If one has any doubt as to the fact that whites alone intend to determine an future constitution one has only to look at the preconditions as spelled out by the Transvaal Leader of the National Party, Mr F W de Klerk, this week.

They are the constitutional manifesto of the National Party based on the Federal Congress resolutions adopted in Durban last August.

Negotiations, he said, can only take place against the background of:

- Racial group identity with its implied segregated residential areas and schools.
- The acceptance of racially-based self-determination of "own affairs" at all levels of government and a joint council of state where decisions on general affairs can be taken by consensus.

That is it and the disfranchised majority can either take it or leave it.

If that is unacceptable to the majority of people in South Africa it must ultimately be a formula for disaster, and perhaps as the National Party plots and plans, manoeuvres and obfuscates in its bid to find a way to retain white control, it should look back at its last experiment in first-tier co-option and events since 1983.

August 1984 saw the first elections for the House of Representatives and House of Delegates.

They were elections characterised by low percentage polls and marred by violence as pro-participationists and those opposed to co-option within the tri- party system clashed.

A subsequent by-election this year for the House of Representatives saw the percentage poll drop further.

And, throughout the 2½ year period since August 1984 the endemic unrest has festered and the country is currently transfixed in a state of emergency.

The tripartite Parliament was quickly exposed for what it really is — the co-option of other racial groups in such a way as to retain power for the white group.

The number of MPs in each House has dropped to 20 — with no fourth chamber — and the President's Council provided the forum for resolving deadlocks between the three Houses in a way which was satisfactory from the Government's point of view.

Power-sharing in any real sense was not. But at least for the time being, thanks to the state of emergency and the ever-expanding gravy-train the system gives a possible imitation of working.

Amid the general acquiescence debates take place in each House, questions are asked, budgets passed, joint standing committees, even a hint of colour in the Cabinet.

Now, with the smaller racial groups in their appointed places the National Party is seeking a mandate from 17% of the population to extend the system to Africans.

Having jettisoned the Verwoerdian homeland ideal, the National Party has come up with the idea of city states — "own affairs" independence for areas such as Soweto and Guguletu and, one presumes, New Brighton and the other major metropoles outside the homelands.

The basis is the white concept of racially-demarcated groups.

It is therefore a "white solution" that is being sought and as such it can only be seen as irrelevant and a ultimate waste of time by the majority of Africans.

Indeed it has been described as such, and even moderates such as KwaZulu's Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi stated this week that negotiations could not begin until the Population Registration Act and Group Areas Act — the white rules of the constitutional game — were repealed.

Perhaps on the eve of a white general election the Government might well ponder a statement made by one of its former members, Mr Dirk Mudge, now leader of the Republican Party in SWA/Namibia and chairman of the DFA.

After the numerous group experiments tried in that territory Mr Mudge states:

"It is absolutely pointless to have a whites-only election. It won't prove anything and it is simply a waste of time. What is needed is a general, fair election.

The policy of my party is inclusive, not exclusive — everybody must participate in that election, excluding movements and their leaders as well."

(News by Patrick Cull, 10 Baakens Street, Port Elizabeth.)
The University of Cape Town is investigating reports that black student groups disrupted classes on the campus on Friday in an apparent attempt to enforce a class boycott on the eve of anniversary of the Sharpeville and Langa killings.

The incidents are believed to have followed lunchtime meetings called to commemorate the anniversary.

A senior lecturer, who did not wish to be identified, said that just after 2pm "a whole lot of chanting people, mostly black" burst into the lecture theatre and forced him to abandon his lesson.

"They were shouting 'Viva ANC' and 'Viva SACP' and I couldn't continue my class.

"Then someone cut the lights."

The lecturer said he had spoken to security guards who said they were told to watch, but not to interfere.

Mr Victor Steyn, president of the Students of Young Azania (SOYA), said it must be recognized that the activities of students involved in Friday's march were bound to affect academic activities.

"I don't think under the circumstances there is room for apology. If on such a historic day our activities spill over on the campus, they should rearrange their academic activities.

"What is one day in the life of a serious student to celebrate a day which is important in our struggle for a democratic and non-racial South Africa?"

The acting vice-chancellor, Professor John Reid, confirmed yesterday that the university was investigating the incidents.

He said he expected to be able to clarify the issue today.
Student council condemns class disruptions at UCT

By DENNIS CRUywAGEN  
Education Reporter

THE SRC of the University of Cape Town has condemned the action of students who disrupted classes on Friday in an apparent attempt to enforce a boycott on "... eve of the anniversary of Sharpeville.

This is the first quasi-official reaction from the university.

The vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, who was told about the disturbances when he returned from overseas earlier this week, said yesterday he would make a statement when he had studied all the facts.

Earlier the Moderate Student Movement (MSM) called on the university authorities to "restore academic freedom on campus" and take strong action against people who disregarded university regulations.

CHANTING PEOPLE

One of the UCT lecturers who complained about the disruptions said "a whole lot of chanting people, mostly black" had burst into his lecture theatre and forced him to abandon his lesson.

"They were shouting 'viva ANC' and 'viva SAPC' and I couldn't continue my class. Then someone cut off the lights," said the lecturer, who did not want to be identified.

Today the SRC executive rejected rumours on campus that it had been involved in the incidents and said it did not believe that the "disruption of the academic programme was an appropriate way of taking up the issue".

"We wish to make it quite clear that the SRC was not in any way involved in the disruption of lectures as some rumours suggest," it said in a statement.

If they were to move positively from that point, then students, staff and the administration had to work towards changing the university into one which was clearly and visibly responding to the challenges of a transformed South Africa, the statement said.

HOLIDAYS ISSUE

The issue of the holidays which UCT chose to recognise was part of such a debate and one which the SRC would follow up.

The student body appealed to students, staff and the administration to respond positively to the challenges facing UCT.

"If we are to go into the future as a united student body then it is up to each one of us to contribute to the debate around the direction of the university and to be involved in shaping our future as South Africans."

The statement added that on a day such as the anniversary of Sharpeville it was only natural that emotions and anger, particularly among black students, would run high.
UPE won’t appoint vice-principal for student liaison

By BARBARA ORPEN

THE University of Port Elizabeth authorities are adamant they will not appoint a vice-principal to liaise with the Students’ Representatives’ Council.

And the appointment of an investigating committee instead of a vice-principal would go ahead, the director of Development in the Public Relations Department of UPE, Mr Jan Roos, said today.

The demand for a vice-principal was made by the SRC last week in a document detailing communication problems with the authorities.

The university’s response to the document resulted in the resignation of the SRC en masse last night.

The SRC said the council’s decision to appoint an investigating committee was unacceptable, as the committee would not be independent of the university administration.

In a statement today, Mr Roos said the principal of the university, Professor Hein Kedelenghaya, had learnt “with regret” of the SRC’s resignation.

Mr Roos said after the executive committee of the council had considered the document drawn up by the SRC, the council had decided that:

- The council resolution of 31 October, 1996, not to appoint a vice-principal — be adhered to.
- That an ad hoc committee be constituted to liaise as soon as possible with the SRC chairman and vice-chairman so that allegations in the SRC document could be investigated thoroughly.
A STUDY of President P W Botha's political thinking by two prominent RAU political scientists has been withdrawn after Botha asked the rector, Piet de Lange, to do so.

A spokesperson for the university's publications department said all available copies of the work had been "withdrawn completely" and would not be made available to anyone.

One of the authors of *Die groepsgebod in P W Botha se politieke oortuigings*, Koos van Wyk, confirmed that RAU vice-rector Professor G Hauptfleisch had said the President had complained to De Lange, who is also chairman of the Broederbond, about the publication.

The co-author is political science professor Deon Geldenhuys.

But Botha's media spokesman, Jack Viviers, said he had "made inquiries" and was "certain that no such a request came from the President's office".

Many senior academics at RAU are incensed by Botha's action.

The 98-page publication, an analysis of more than 300 of Botha's speeches, states among other things that Botha's statements on the concepts of union and federation are "mostly highly confusing, indicating that Botha does not know the meaning of and the difference between the two basic forms of states".

The study was published in December last year, but the CP got hold of copies and started using it in its political campaign.

De Lange and Hauptfleisch were not available for comment last night.

Report by Max du Preez, 11 Diagonal St, Johannesburg.

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*Die groepsgebod in P W Botha se politieke oortuigings*
AT THE University of Cape Town about 60 students stayed in a disused pub at the Glen dower Residence in Rondebosch for more than a month.

Students staying there said they were being treated unfairly.

Some had left because they were disillusioned and frustrated with conditions at the temporary residence.

"This residence has not been cleaned since we arrived here three weeks ago.

"Our luggage is still packed. There is no way to ensure that our belongings are safe while we attend lectures. We have no privacy," one of the students told South.

Albert Thomas, student accommodation officer at UCT, said that the last of the students had been moved out of the old pub by Tuesday last week.
A CONTROVERSIAL ruling that bars black medical students from examining white women patients in gynaecology wards has caused an uproar in the medical profession.

The Provincial authorities ruled that students could work in all wards at a white hospital - except sensitive examinations of women.

Black students involved have unanimously rejected the stipulation which they described as "insulting and degrading". They say they will refuse to be taught at whites-only hospitals until all hospitals are fully integrated.

The Wit Medical Faculty applied to the Transvaal Provincial Administration for permission for all its students, black and white, to have access to patients in all of its teaching hospitals.

White and black medical students have complete access to black patients at Baragwanath and Hillbrow Hospitals.

Permission was granted for black students to work at the Johannesburg Hospital, but barring them from the gynaecology and obstetrics wards.

Lionel Green-Thompson of the Black Students Committee said:

"Black students feel that this new rule is both insulting and humiliating. It has been a source of great anger to us. As medical students our tuition includes complete body examination.

"Until our patients can be examined at so-called white hospitals and until there is integration across the board, we refuse to be taught at white hospitals," he said.

Professor Philip Tobias of the Medical School said: "Black students wouldn't accept this offer.

The Faculty Board sympathised and agreed with the students. We want to see all sections of our teaching hospitals open to all our students. Likewise, we believe in and want to see the appointment of hospital staff irrespective of race. Our teaching hospitals should be open to all patients".

The director of hospital services, Dr Hennie van Wyk said: "The decision was taken by the executive committee of the Transvaal in 1985. The decision to implement it was left to the university authorities."

Professor Jacques Kriel, of the Medical School, said: "It insults not only black medical students but black professionals as well. The ruling was particularly immature since a large number of white patients consulted black doctors.

"I can see the Province's concern to protect white patients still living in the last century. "But I firmly believe that white patients are way past worrying about things like that. If a patient did not want to be examined by a medical student, he or she black or white, they had the right to refuse."

This racial ruling is insulting and unnecessary and I agree with the black students decision to reject it. I can also see why black students won't work in hospitals unless their families and friends can be treated there as well," Kriel said.

He quoted private hospitals where the wards were racially mixed and said he had not heard of any problems or complaints from white patients. "The sensitivities of patients are over-estimated," he said.
Meeting on hospital apartheid

The decision to apply "no-name apartheid" at the new Groote Schuur Hospital has outraged University of Cape Town medical students.

The Director of Hospital Services, Dr. Louw, told SOUTH last week that patients would be racially segregated, but refused to detail signs.

The UCT students described the news as "a slap in the face". A spokesperson for UCT's Medical Students Council (MSC) said a meeting would be held on Tuesday between medical student representatives, the vice-chancellor of UCT, Dr. Smart Sanders, and the dean of the medical faculty, Professor George Dall.

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**BY BARBARA OCHRE**
AIDS

warning

CAPE TOWN — University of Cape Town medical researchers believe South Africa faces an AIDS epidemic unless immediate action is taken — and a leading medical expert has warned that AIDS could wipe out Africa’s entire sexually promiscuous population by the turn of the century.

In another development, UCT criminologist Mr Wilfred Scharf has said it would be “virtually impossible” to control the spread of AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) among prisoners because of widespread homosexuality.

He said prisons encouraged homosexuality and that the prison authorities “are going to have a hard time limiting the spread of the AIDS virus — it will take a mammoth effort to re-educate these people about the dangers of their sexual habits”. — Sapa.
Campus workers reject Rhodes' liaison committee

BLACK workers at Rhodes University have complained to the university authorities that they are dissatisfied with working conditions.

At a meeting last week, the workers overwhelmingly rejected the present worker liaison committee and only 15 out of the workforce of 480 voted in the committee elections.

University spokesman Mr Len Smit said the university was waiting for the workers to tell them more about the kind of system of representation they wished to have. - ANA.
Cooking

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Children's nutrition unit

The new nutrition unit at the Medical University of South Africa

The Medical University of South Africa
Support for stand by SRC

Post Reporter

The Students' Representative Council at the University of the Witwatersrand has come out in support of the "principled stand" taken by the SRC at UPE.

The UP SRC resigned this week in protest at a rejection by the university Council of a request for the appointment of a top-level person with decision-making powers to represent students.

The president of the Wits SRC, Mr. Etienne Marais, said today: "Representation of the student body at the highest level is a widely-accepted practice in universities.

"Students are the major group in a university and should be part of decision-making where it affects them."
programme to cater for all

By Olga Horowitz

The first autumn school of the University of the Witwatersrand will take place on the campus between April 19 and 13.

This is planned to be an annual event and as integral a part of the South African calendar as the University of Cape Town’s summer school and the Grahamstown Festival.

Initiated by the alumni and organised with the Centre for Continuing Education, the autumn school offers an imaginative and varied programme of lectures, workshops, drama, dance, music, films, fine arts, sport, tours, exhibitions and displays.

It opens on the Friday with an exhibition of African art followed by a celebratory dinner and “Romeo and Juliet” presented by the Wits School of Dramatic Art.

Saturday is crowded with a diversity of events.

There will be a paper-making conference, Shakespeare’s sonnets on film with commentaries by scholars of the Elizabethan age, a tour of the Sterkfontein caves conducted by Professor Philip Tobias and the “missing link” excavation sites not normally open to the public.

CROQUET

An afternoon seminar on literature and the arts in Africa, or an afternoon of croquet on the library lawns for people familiar with the game, is offered.

Sunday includes a lecture on nuclear physics and a walking tour conducted by Professor Rex Keddy, assistant director of the Schönland Research Centre for nuclear physics.

On Sunday morning, you can attend a lecture on naturalist explorers of Southern Africa.

Monday offers, among varied interests, an exploration of 20th-century music — or a dog display on the library lawns.

“Wits is a centre of learning and creativity. In holding the autumn school we’re making the richness and diversity of the university’s academic pursuits available to members of all communities,” said Ms Adrienne Hall, director of Alumni Affairs.

Anyone interested in attending the school should write to Ms Adrienne Hall, Director of Alumni Affairs, Wits 2050.

Want a million? Join the club

By Joe Openshaw

Aspirant women millionaires will be welcome in the seven-digit club that Mr John Fogitt, chairman of TFC, and Mr Michael Levinsohn, a director of Kismet Development Corporation, have dreamt up.

Last week the two Johannesburg businessmen announced the formation of the “Young Millionaires’ Club” for aspirant millionaires. On Tuesday Mr Levinsohn said women were free to join.

“But only women who are prepared to work for a million will be accepted, not those who’ve inherited the money,” he said.

Membership is free and young, upwardly mobile, professional people who have achieved some measure of success in business will be welcome. Mr Levinsohn will be the first chairman of the club.

“We will hold open forums, to which people from the Left and Right will be invited to discuss business, politics and other topics, but we will be conservative and apolitical in outlook,” he said.

The club will be inaugurated next month with the holding of an informal cocktail party in Johannesburg, to which those most likely to become millionaires will be invited.
Disruption of lectures ‘will not be tolerated’

Education Reporter

THE disruption of lectures was wrong, it struck at the very heart of the University of Cape Town, it threatened its existence and it would not be tolerated on the campus, the university’s vice-chancellor and principal, Dr. Stuart Saunders, has warned student leaders.

In a letter to members of the UCT Council, the Senate and heads of departments Dr. Saunders said he met representatives from NUSASA, the South African National Students’ Congress (SANCON) and the UCT SRC on Tuesday to discuss the disruption of lectures last Friday.

He said that NUSASA and SANCON had organised a meeting on campus last Friday to commemorate Sharpeville.

"Emotions ran high and it is natural that they should have done so on such an occasion, especially in the context of current events in a South Africa that is in a state of emergency," he wrote.

The commemoration meeting exceeded the stipulated time. Students did not vacate the lecture theatre at the agreed time, thereby defying the acts and interfering with some lectures, he said.

At Tuesday’s meeting the student leaders assured him that they had not planned for, or intended, that the meeting commemorating Sharpeville would extend beyond the time at which the lecture theatre had been reserved for their meeting.

Not pleased

They said they had not intended to defy the Dean of Arts and there had been no intention to disrupt lectures.

"After close questioning it was plain to me that the student leadership was not pleased to see the way their plans went awry in the heat of the moment," he said.

He had pointed out to the student leaders that the recent commission of inquiry into the Concorde aircraft crash and the University of Witwatersrand that a Commission clearly had found that the disruption of lectures by students was unacceptable.

TRADITIONAL BIERFEST: Buxom German maidens and the Royal Viking Sea are both unusual visitors to the harbour. The Cape Town Festival starts tomorrow and one of the attractions is a traditional German bierfest in the harbour area. From left, Juliet Johnson, Zanny Muller and Michelle Wakefield enjoyed a preview. The liner won’t be staying for the fun.

Four troopers charged with assault

Four national servicemen appeared in the Pretoria Magistrate’s Court charged with various counts of assault and malicious damage to property in the elite Wepener Park suburb last month.

They were not asked to plead.

The accused are Mr. S.C. Smith, 19, and Mr. De Klerk van Niekerk, 19, both of Golf Gardens, Montecasino, Pretoria, Mr. D. Thompson, 19, of a military base in Vereeniging and Mr. A. L. Steyn, 20, of Gravelotte, TROY, Troy Street, Sunnyside.

The men allegedly assaulted Mr. Jacob Mabile checking on February 13 and on February 14 they allegedly struck Mr. Dorcas Moekoa and damaged the bicycle of Mr. Andries Khoza with a steel pipe, and to have punched Constable J. De Swart and Mrs. M. S. M. The case continues. — Sapa.
RAU chief says PW didn’t apply pressure on study

RAU rector Piet de Lange confirmed yesterday that he ordered an academic study on President PW Botha’s political thinking to be withdrawn, after Botha spoke to him about it.

But De Lange denied that Botha ordered him to act on the publication, or put any pressure on him. The report, which was published in December and widely distributed, was withdrawn because the correct procedure was not followed, he said.

One of the two authors of “Die groepsgebed in PW Botha se politieke ooreenkomste”, political scientist Koos van Wyk, told Business Day RAU vice-rector Professor G Hauptfleisch told him the President had complained to De Lange, who is also chairman of the Broederbond, about the publication.

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It also stated it was “remarkable that Botha did not understand the essence of the form of government in SA since 1910”.

The publication was funded by the university and the Human Sciences Research Council. The other author was political science professor Deon Geldenhuys, who is at present in Chile.

De Lange told Business Day Botha had mentioned the study to him during a conversation in Cape Town.

“When I got back to the university, I looked at it. It did not appear to me to have been a very scientific study.

“When I found out that it was not sent first to the proper committee that has to look at all official publications, I referred it to the senate executive committee, who ordered its withdrawal.”

Business Day was told many other official RAU publications, if not most, were published without having been seen by this committee.

Van Wyk said: “It was a straightforward work of content analysis. It was a scientific study and I stand by it fully.”
‘Pre-censorship’ for one paper: ban for another

THE student publication Saspu National has been ordered to submit all copy on future editions for pre-publication censorship.

In terms of a ban imposed last Friday, no future editions may be published without the content first being cleared — or cut — by a publications control board. A similar ban was imposed on Free Azania (Focus on alternative education) at the same time.

Although a ban under Section 9(2) of the Publications Act has previously been imposed on National, it was never actually implemented — the newspaper won an appeal before the Publications Appeal Board.

The only South African publication to have submitted copy for pre-publication censorship was the now-defunct SACCHS newspaper The Voice. At the time, the Appeal Board was chaired by Lemmy Seymour. Even under his conservative influence there was official unhappiness at the decision to switch from de facto to de jure pre-publication censorship.

The latest use of Section 9(2) is the fourth all future editions ban on National, but the three previous orders were overturned on appeal, as were all orders against individual editions which Saspu chose to contest.

In addition to the bannings, National has, since its formation in 1980, experienced:

● The detention of its first two editors. Both were subsequently banned.

● The current detention of two full-time Saspu workers, as well as of a number of distributors and writers

● The destruction of its office, and

all its equipment in a mysterious arson attack shortly after the imposition, on June 12, of the State of Emergency.

A statement from the editorial staff yesterday said the latest banning order could not be seen in isolation from “the intensifying onslaught against the entire progressive movement”. Nor could it be seen, they warned, as separate from “ongoing attacks on the press, in particular the alternative press”.

National had aligned itself with the struggle for “non-racialism and democracy”, they said. “Clearly this is why it has been banned.”

The order on National was coupled with a single edition ban on The Namibian — despite the fact that, as a member of the Newspaper Press Union, it is not subject to the provisions of the Publications Act under which the ban was imposed.

When Namibian staff queried the ban — of an edition which featured on its front page a picture of a South African military vehicle “parading” two corpses — they were told it would be “rescinded”.

The ban came just two weeks after an obviously irritated President PW Botha abruptly cancelled a meeting with representatives of the mainstream press, in which he was due to discuss the expansion of the powers of the Media Council — specifically in relation to its control over non-NPU publications, the “emerging” and “alternative” media.

At an earlier government-press meeting, Minister of Information Stoffel Botha reportedly indicated that the government would like to see the mainstream media in the NPU assume responsibility for disciplining all publications. After an initial ambivalence a number of NPU papers — particularly those owned by SAAN and Argus — expressed extreme reservations.

Immediately after the cancellation of the February 13 meeting, National’s Press MD Ton Vosloo slammed this reluctance by the English-language press to police the media, and accused English-language papers of employing “journalists who have been punished in court for deeds of subversion and terrorism”.

He added that the “well co-ordinated onslaught” on South Africa was daily visible in the columns of the English-language press.

While his comments earned him a sharp reply from Cape Times editor Tony Heard, the fact that Vosloo chose to distance himself so explicitly from the position of the English-language press groups on the “alternative” media, could portend a more direct assault on the alternative media, similar to that directed last week at Saspu National. — Agenda Press Services.
UPE student council quits

The entire Student Representative Council (SRC) of the University of Port Elizabeth (UPE) has resigned because of "structural and communication problems" with the UPE administration.

This was confirmed by Mr Jan Roos, the director of development at UPE.

The resignation followed the drawing up of a document by the SRC which outlined "structural and communication" problems experienced by the student leaders.

Mr Roos said the document had asked the university council to agree at its meeting last week to appoint a vice-principal.

The council refused.
Viljoen criticises campus 'fanatics'

Pretoria Bureau

The academic and scientific boycott of South African universities weakened the country's capacity for reform, Minister of Education and Development Aid Dr Gerrit Viljoen said today.

At a graduation ceremony at Potchefstroom University, Dr Viljoen said the country dared not underestimate the gravity of the onslaught and the threatened "weakening of our capability".

"One asks how much longer the country can tolerate the advantages of our universities being enjoyed by reckless fanatics — students and lecturers — who, by propagating the academic boycott, are trying to snooker those very universities which offer them sponsorship and protection," he said.

"Is it not within the domain of the universities to initiate the appropriate action through discussions among themselves? It would be in their own interests — the calamity that is stirred up on certain campuses in this regard will cause waves that swamp all universities."

"On the funding of education, he referred to the so-called 10-year plan for the growth of education, saying it was clear that "the lion's share of the additional funds should; and would, be channelled into providing education for the black and coloured communities".

"I am aware there is still a backlog in the financing of white universities relative to the new subsidy formula for universities. I trust that, in the near future, it will be possible to make good this backlog as well as that in education for the other population groups," said Dr Viljoen.

He said the urbanisation of blacks was an important factor in South Africa's future. This influx would, he predicted, bring about one of the greatest financial injections yet experienced in the South African economy. Not only the property and construction industries would benefit but the entire spectrum of economic activities would be stimulated.

Most important for the future, however, were changes in the constitutional and political areas.

"We must remember that all the treaties, constitutions and new dispensations are worth little if the basic inclination to make a success of them is not present," he said.
Police intervene at anti-apartheid scuffle

Harvard students attack SA envoy

By Neil Lusisian
The Star Bureau

WASHINGTON — Police escorted a South African diplomat, Mr Duke Kent-Brown, from a hall at Harvard University this week after protesting students had charged at the podium where he had been speaking.

Mr Kent-Brown, vice-consul for media and information at the SA mission in New York, had been addressing about 250 Harvard students at the invitation of the university’s Conservative Club.

“I have spoken to many student audiences and have put up with quite a lot of heckling, but this is the first time anyone has tried to get at me physically,” he said last night.

He said many students had been carrying protest placards when he entered the hall to tell them about the situation in South Africa, the effects of sanctions and how the Government hoped to address the country’s problems.

He was jeered and heckled constantly during his 30-minute talk and eventually ended by offering to take questions.

“A student stood up with an ANC flag — apparently a signal, because about 40 students charged toward me. “Two young women went down at my feet in what must have been an effort to block my departure from the hall but all they did was to prevent the others from reaching me.

“One young man tried to grab hold of me. I held up my fist to ward him off, but a policeman behind me must have taken care of him. The next time I saw him he was lying in a heap,” he said.

Escorted by policemen, Mr Kent-Brown left the hall as scuffling continued behind him.

Conservative students later apologised and the university’s newspaper, the Harvard Crimson, called to get his views on what had happened.
'No pressure' on withdrawal of PW study

OWN CORRESPONDENT

JOHANNESBURG. — The director of RAU, Dr Piet de Lange, confirmed yesterday he had ordered an academic study on State President PW Botha's political thinking to be withdrawn after Mr Botha had talked to him about it.

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On campus it is generally believed the study was banned after pressure from Mr Botha, and many senior academics at RAU are incensed by it.

"This is the new form of censorship: The call from PW," one said.

The 68-page publication, an analysis of more than 300 of Mr Botha's speeches, stated among other things that Mr Botha's statements on the concepts of union and federation were "mostly highly confusing, indicating that Botha does not know the meaning of and the difference between the two basic forms of states". It also stated it was "remarkable that Botha did not understand the essence of the form of government in SA since 1910".

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(Report by Max du Preez, 11 Diagonal Street, Jhb.)
Henderson to probe Rhodes student claims

By DAWN BARKHUZEN

The vice-chancellor of Rhodes University, Dr. Derek Henderson, is to conduct an immediate investigation into the amount of money allocated to black students holding bursaries at Rhodes University.

Not only will he look at figures for blacks, but he is to assess the total amount of money available for bursaries this year — estimated at more than R2 500 000 — to establish how students of all races benefit.

A commission of inquiry into sport at the university will also be conducted.

This follows a protest march over the university's bursary system and sport policy by about 250 black students on the university campus yesterday.

Students handed a list of demands to university authorities and asked that Dr. Henderson report back to them on Wednesday.

Included in the list were demands that the university bursary system be revised; the sports policy changed; and a commission under the vice-principal, Dr. Roux van der Merwe, be established to look into sport at Rhodes.

A further demand that every black student be guaranteed financial support on entrance at the university unless they were able to support themselves fully was made.

Student leaders told the registrar, Professor Keith Hunt, and the acting principal, Professor A Kerr — standing in for the vice-chancellor and vice-principal who were both away — that they had evidence black students were being discriminated against by the university bursary committee.

In an interview today, Dr. Henderson stressed that apart from bursaries in which conditions had been specified by donors, bursaries were awarded on merit in open competition.

"There is no question of favouring parties or discriminating against black students," he said.

He said the university administered a great many more than the 123 bursaries cited by students yesterday. Many of these were for black students only.
Another 300 Matie academics protest

CAPE TOWN — The Stellenbosch revolt against the Nationalist leadership took a sensational turn today when 301 academics signed a petition in support of the original 28 who urged speeded-up reform.

The 301 signatures were obtained in only three days. This means that effectively more than half of the academic staff in the town now support the dissident academics, whose stand has been decried by Nationalist politicians and their newspapers.

This latest development is yet another major knock to the image of the Nationalist leadership, particularly as State President P W Botha is chancellor of the university, and Mr Chris Heunis, the Cape party leader and Nationalist candidate in the neighbouring Helderberg constituency, is a member of the university's council.

It came as a spontaneous movement from outside the group of 28.

It appears from the petition the academics were stung into action by the way in which the Nationalist Press and certain people in Stellenbosch had been trying to misstate the statement of the original dissident group of 28.

Those who signed said they had taken note of these attempts "with indignation."

"At the Burger and other people try to create the distorted impression that all the other lecturers and researchers of the University of Stellenbosch are opposed to the viewpoints of the 28 in their declaration, we hereby wish to state that we broadly agree with that statement," they said.

(News by T Wentzel, 122 St George's Street, Cape Town)
Staff Reporter

STUDENT leaders at UCT have told the vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, that they dissociate themselves from the disruption of lectures last week after a meeting called to commemorate the anniversary of the Sharpeville killings.

The incident occurred when the lunchtime meeting called by Nusas and Sansco ran over time and certain students marched into lectures chanting political slogans and disrupting classes.

In a letter to the university council, senate and heads of departments, Dr Saunders said he met leaders of Nusas, Sansco and the UCT SRC this week and had been assured that they had not intended the meeting to run over time, nor to disrupt lectures.

"After close questioning it was plain to me that the student leadership was not pleased to see the way their plans went awry in the heat of the moment," Dr Saunders's letter says.

Although such disruptions would not be tolerated, Dr Saunders said it was "natural" that emotions should run high, "especially in the context of current events and in a South Africa that is in a state of emergency".

Student leaders had raised the question of additional university holidays and he hoped to meet them on a regular basis "to help to resolve issues such as the present ones which will arise from time to time as long as there are tensions in the society in which we are placed".
Broeder secrecy gets Tukkie knock

By DE WET POTGIETER

"It's time the Broeders and the Ruiters kept their promises of being less secretive," the article states.

A feature on the Broederbond's history also criticizes the role played by the SABC in the organisation's clandestine operations through the years.

Johan Coetzee writes that in 1980, during the time that Dr Piet Meyer was chief of the corporation and Broederbond chairman, the SABC's editorial policy was made clear — all the Government's standpoints were to be put across in news bulletins.

"No Cabinet Minister opened a peanut butter factory without an SABC camera covering it," he writes.

"No reporting on the problems with apartheid were heard and unrest was blamed on Communist agitators.

"All the time the public was to be reminded about the total onslaught.

"And we see just enough of Helen Suzman — so that it can't be said in Parliament — that the Opposition is not represented on TV."

He concludes the article with "a message to every Christian National Afrikaner — big brother is watching."
301 more join revolt

Matie academics call Nat bluff over dissidents

GOVERNMENT suffered another severe blow this weekend when a further 301 University of Stellenbosch academics joined the widespread Maties revolt.

About half of the Universities’ research personnel, senior lecturers and “members of the upper hierarchy” are now involved in the revolt — and more are expected to follow.

Erwin Schwella, one of the organisers of the latest petition signed by the 301 — it expresses solidarity with 28 academics in the Discussion Group ’86 who rejected NP thinking — said yesterday a significant number of academics had refused to sign the petition because it “did not go far enough”.

Although the “definite groundswell” in political philosophical thinking at the university involved mainly the academics, Schwella said the attitude is likely to “permeate” students.

He said it was significant that about half the academics in the facul-

ty of engineering, formerly headed by newly-appointed SABC chairman Christo Viljoen, had signed the petition.

The engineering department is understood to be involved with SA’s armaments industry.

Many academics are still away, Schwella said.

It was initiated largely as a result of claims in the Afrikaans Press and, in particular, in Die Burger, that the 28 academics under the leadership of Prof Sampie Terreblanche, who voiced dissatisfaction over the government, stood in isolation, while there were about 700 academics at the university.

“We took exception to that assumption,” Schwella said.

Among those who signed the petition are political philosopher Prof Johan Degenaar, sociologist Prof SP Cilliers and Arminius Archer of the Business School.

DOMINIQUE GILBERT
GRAHAMSTOWN — The Pharmacists Against Drug Abuse (PADA) team at the school of pharmaceutical sciences at Rhodes University, Grahamstown, have produced a booklet entitled "The Hazards of Drug Taking".

This was originally produced for distribution to students at the university but is now available to members of the public and schools.

"The publication is an adaptation of a booklet published by the University of the Witwatersrand," said Mr Eric Meyer, a lecturer in pharmacy and co-ordinator of the Rhodes PADA team.

"In 1979 they gave us permission to publish a revised version of their material. This edition has been further revised by the Rhodes PADA team."

The booklet discusses the nature of drugs, describes those which are potentially dangerous and discusses the dangers, pointing out that all drugs, if misused or abused, can cause physical damage.

For example, aspirin can cause bleeding from the stomach.
Academic freedom must be seen in context.
THE report of the commission of inquiry into the O'Brien incident raised quite a number of issues and commented on them. What it did not do was to formulate a coherent concept of academic freedom.

As a consequence, some of its key findings are seriously distorted so badly so that at the analytical level the report does more harm than good. The recommendations are, on the whole, less objectionable; they are the aspect of the report that the university has wisely chosen to pay attention to.

Nonetheless, the report's analysis will be referred to in future debate, so it needs to be criticized.

In the first place, the commission failed to deal with the incident by placing a large part of the blame on the victim. The commission found that "he had a mercurial and volatile temperament" unable to maintain "academic detachment under conditions of excitement or emotional stress". It regarded itself as having sufficient evidence to conclude that he has confessed to being insulting and condescending on occasion.

But these factors, though helpful in establishing an atmosphere, do not make up a case. The critical charge is that he acted, at least in part as a politician and so forfeited the right to claim academic freedom. This is the serious claim, and it is seriously flawed.

Dr O'Brien's past as a politician is recounted, but this is simply irrelevant, since anyone may be a politician at one time and an academic at another. And it is not denied that his lectures at UCT were academic in nature. So the matter comes down to his stance on the academic boycott, which he opposes. So do many teachers at UCT, and some have opposed it publicly.

Do they thereby become politicians and weaken their right to complain if their lectures are broken up? The fact is that, whatever the opinions of individuals within the university, the university as such has an interest in the ending of the academic boycott. There is no account one can give of the purposes of the university such that the boycott does not hinder them. What we have now is the spectacle of a man, believing as the university does in unrestricted academic interchange and defying pressures not to come to UCT, not only to have his lectures stopped but to be blamed for it as well. If the university is not embarrassed by this aspect of the commission's report, it ought to be.

Secondly, although the commission was not a disciplinary inquiry, a great deal of the report amounts to argument in mitigation of the unacceptability of the behaviour of those who stopped Dr O'Brien's lectures.

The criticisms of him and of the Politics Department serve this function as well as references to political circumstances and differences in background among students. Leniency is argued for on the grounds that people acted under emotional stress and on the grounds that severe punishment might provoke a fresh confrontation.

This mode of approach leaves out of focus the issues of what the university might legitimately expect of its members; it also leaves completely unanalyzed the pressures on academic freedom which might be expected in the coming years. As a consequence, the dangers arising from inaction on the disciplinary front are never discussed.

Thirdly, it is continually hinted that in some sense the old TB Davie definition of academic freedom ("freedom to determine who may teach, what may be taught, how it shall be taught and who may be admitted to study") is out of date; changed circumstances require a new, improved Academic Freedom Committee to work out a new, improved definition.

A comprehensive account of what these circumstances are and how they affect the situation is not given, but it is clear that a major factor is regarded as being the large-scale entry of black students on to the campus.

Indeed, it appears that the commission listened rather uncritically to certain witnesses who suggested that the conflict about academic freedom on campus is between old-fashioned, dominant liberals and a new, advanced group "sensitive to the position of black students in South Africa".

Well, we shall see as the debate progresses. The fact that black students and white students perceive things differently — as Nationalist, liberal and left students do, as Inkatha, UDF and Black Consciousness do, as Muslims, Jews and Christians do — argues for a strengthening of the capacities for tolerance, forbearance and self-control that have always stood behind the practice of academic freedom.

Or is there a new, improved way? No, a speaker at one of the campus meetings immediately after the O'Brien incident was more direct: "The issue is not what the government is doing. The issue is about liberals claiming mainstream rights. They can't have them."

This is the accurate account of what is at stake; the intolerance expressed will be around in considerable measure in the coming years.

What the university needs to do is carefully assess the resources and strategies available to fight it. The commission's analysis does not begin to help it to undertake that task.

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Dr O’Brien ‘intended to make himself a nuisance’

VISITING Irish academic Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien intended in making himself a nuisance to some sections of the University of Cape Town’s academic community, Dr Caroline White, chairman of the UCT Academic Staff Association, said at the University of Natal, Durban, yesterday.

Dr White was speaking to hundreds of students and staff packed into a lecture hall at a meeting of the university’s forum. She shared the platform with the university’s principal, Prof. Peter Booyzen.

Dr White said other foreign lecturers, including one from the British military academy, Sandhurst, had visited UCT quietly and were welcomed and un molested.

‘Dr O’Brien expressed his opinion that the academic boycott was a Mickey Mouse affair when addressing students with strong allegiances to an outlawed liberation movement whose avowed policy was an academic boycott.

‘Further, he publicly declared it to be his intention to break the academic boycott.

‘In effect he demanded that the students choose between the liberation movement and allowing him to lecture.’

Prof Booyzen said academic freedom and freedom of speech were often mistakenly treated as interchangeable, with serious consequences for universities.

‘The university’s role is not to provide a platform for all shades of opinion, but rather to decide what will count as knowledge and to exclude what does not count as knowledge.

‘Unless black students see the academic freedom which we still enjoy being used to contribute towards a better, more democratic society, they will see it as the continuing protection of the privileges of the white minority.

No justification

‘Unless we take our demand for academic freedom cut into the wider society and combine it with the demand for freedom of speech for all, we can continue to intone as much as we like that “academic freedom is important” and the question will come back “for what?”,’ Dr White said.

Answering a question from the audience, she said she did not believe in a total academic boycott because this would drive progressive and reactionary academics into the arms of the Government.

Prof. Booyzen said there was no justification in directing an academic boycott at victims of apartheid or people actively engaged in the removal of apartheid and the establishment of democratic institutions.

The University of Natal needs all the assistance it can get in its endeavours to change the existing order and introduce a true democracy in South Africa. Academic isolation would undermine its potential for inducing social and political change.

Prof Booyzen said resorting to an academic boycott in South Africa was justified, given the Government’s ‘alarming degree’ of recalcitrance in responding to the conventional mechanisms for change.

He said if the boycott was intended to cause social and political change, remove apartheid and establish a true democracy, then the boycott should be directed at the Government and its supporters.
Lecturer lost his temper — UCT probe

CAPE TOWN — Dr Connor Cruise O'Brien, the Irish academic whose lectures were disrupted by a group of students on the UCT campus last year, was "a controversial political activist" who, apparently, was "not easily able to maintain academic detachment under emotional stress and excitement".

This is the view expressed by the commission of inquiry into events on the university's campus on October 7 and 8.

The report of the commission said the first event on campus exhibiting "vigorou student dissension and excitement" arising from Dr O'Brien's visit took place on October 2 during a lunch-hour meeting held on the campus.

While Dr O'Brien was apparently invited to debate the academic boycott issue, evidence suggested that no real debate took place and that Dr O'Brien was subjected to "a series of repetitive and rhetorical questions" which attacked his stand on the academic boycott and questioned his sincerity.

"Apparently he lost his temper as a result of the attack upon him," the report said.

Two academics had told the commission that Dr O'Brien had said afterwards: "I was insulting and condescending. I did not follow my own standards. I was guilty of an error of judgment."

The overwhelming view of those who gave evidence was that the "debate" and Dr O'Brien's response to it was the trigger which set off the subsequent disturbances, the report said. — Sapa
O’Brien incident: UCT mum on report

Staff Reporter

University of Cape Town authorities put the lid on the report of the commission of inquiry into the Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien controversy after the university council discussed it yesterday.

The visit of the Irish academic and politician at UCT in September last year was cut short by continued disruptions and agitation by students.

The inquiry followed student objections to Dr O’Brien’s presence at the UCT campus on grounds that he had deliberately broken the academic boycott.

However, it was reliably learnt that the report does not make any particular finding on the academic boycott and offers minimum comment on student discipline.

Dr Stuart Saunders, the UCT principal and vice-chancellor, yesterday declined to disclose or comment on the commission’s findings.

“The university council will be issuing a press release in due course and the findings of the report will also be made known,” he said.

Dr Saunders declined to specify a time.

The commission was headed by Dr DJ du Plessis, former principal of Wits University, Mr George Bizos, SC, and Mr Ismael Mohamed, SC.
Fiery report on O'Brien rumpus

By MOIRA LEVY, Cape Town

Plessis, and advocates Arthur Chaskalson and Famsah Mahomed. It was appointed by the university council, and its report was considered at a special council meeting earlier this month.

The report concluded "the freedom to pursue political issues and to promote political causes is not part of academic freedom, it is part of other freedom such as freedom of speech which includes the freedom to hold and impart opinions."

"The university is therefore entitled to curtail or control invitations to speakers who may use the occasion to promote a political cause or their political ambitions. If it considers it necessary to do so the university should be willing to prohibit a meeting without undue feeling of guilt."

While agreeing with the university council that the students' behaviour was unacceptable, the commission declined to recommend action, except to support the view that punitive steps should not be taken."

"The incident has its roots in the political conflict which rages within the country. This, and the fact that Dr. O'Brien made himself party to political controversy by what he said and did whilst in South Africa must at the very least be strong mitigating factors in the evaluation of the students' conduct."

The commission report is at pains to explain that the campus conflict must be understood within the setting of the current state controls of freedom of expression, and the unrest throughout the country.

"Many leaders with whom some (students) might identify have gone into exile, or are subject to restrictions which make it impossible for them to speak on the campus. Visitors from abroad whom they might wish to invite onto campus are not infrequently denied visas to enter South Africa."

"More particularly in the current state of emergency severe restrictions have been imposed on the 'official freedoms of speech, association, assembly and organisation.' Under the circumstances students could be expected to object strenuously to the university providing a platform for the airing of political views that they oppose, the commission reported."

The commission pointed to major changes that have taken place on the university campus with the increase in the intake of black students.

"In the past the tendency was to assimilate the black students into the white student community. Now black students represent a constituency to be accepted in their own right. This requires the development of new attitudes by white students as well as black students."

"Black students come to the university from an educational system grossly inferior to that through which their white co-students have passed. Most of them are economically disadvantaged as well."

"Inevitably they will have experienced, and probably will have been directly involved in, the conflict which has raged in black schools and educational institutions during the past 10 years. Their experience will have been markedly different to that of most of the white students and white staff of the university."

The university has accepted the commission's recommendation to research the problems created by multilingual education. A statement released by the vice-chancellor, Stuart Saunders, also announced the appointment of a research group "to explore and advise on the problem of conflict resolution."

The council also resolved to form a committee to review the special rules which were designed to be used in conflict situations, and which the students in fact were subject to in the O'Brien upheaval.
UCT crisis in wake of O’Brien affair

By GAYE DAVIS
Weekend Argus Reporter

A MAJOR crisis has hit the University of Cape Town's political studies department in the wake of students' disruption last year of lectures by Irish academic Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien.

"The department has struck a watershed," said former head Professor Robert Schrire, commenting on the UCT commission of inquiry's findings on the incident.

Hours before the report was made public the head of the department, Professor David Welsh, stood down — feeling he could no longer fill such a high-profile post in the face of criticism by the commissioners.

"Senior staff are reluctant to fill his place at a time when leadership has been made singularly unattractive," said Professor Schrire.

"The council has shown a rhetorical commitment to academic freedom not backed up by administrative action."

Abandon course

Colleague Professor Hermann Gilmore said he would not be compromised on who he invited to lecture students.

"If I am prevented from inviting a speaker to address first-year students I would rather abandon the course," he said.

In their report the commissioners — former Wits University vice-chancellor Professor DJ du Plessis and advocates Mr Arthur Chaskalson and Mr Ismail Mohamed — criticized the department's role in the affair.

"The department failed to warn the UCT authorities of the storm brewing around Dr O’Brien’s presence. We query the wisdom of inviting him at all," the report said.

"A university is not Hyde Park Corner, where anybody can stand up and make a speech and police are there to keep the peace in case the speaker offends."

Professor Welsh said: "Surely Hyde Park Corner is a symbol of freedom of speech. If UCT is not to be that, what is it to be?"

Heal rift

While "intensely critical" of the report, he agreed with the recommendation that UCT try to heal the rift opened between students and staff by the affair.

"But I fear the department will no longer be free to invite who it chooses."

He warned the impoverishing effects of academic isolation would make the department unable to function properly.

Professor Schrire said UCT had committed itself to academic freedom but had also wanted to ensure peace and quiet. Peace had been achieved, but "at a cost I cannot accept."

UCT vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders said the university council accepted the main thrust of the recommendations and was unaware of any criticism of UCT for not supporting Professor Welsh."
O’Brien replies

By GAYE DAVIS
Weekend Argus Reporter

DR Conor Cruise O’Brien’s “sole reason” for coming to the University of Cape Town and publicly oppose the academic boycott was concern for academic freedom, he has told UCT authorities.

In a letter delivered to UCT vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders this week, the Irish academic, journalist and former politician defends his position “against attacks which I believe to be both unjust and insidious”.

The two-page statement was originally intended for the UCT commission of inquiry into students’ disruption of his lectures last year.

Dr O’Brien, who was travelling abroad at the time — only received the commission’s request to give his side of the story some time after its report was completed. He has agreed to his statement being published by the Weekend Argus. It reads:

“Your request for a statement of the facts in relation to my recent visit to your campus I imagine that it may now be too late for my reply to be of value for the purpose for which you requested it and I greatly regret this.

“However, circumstances attending the violent disruption of my two lectures and the cancellation of the remaining lectures under threat of violence are well known to all concerned on your campus and I imagine there is no need for me to go over that ground.

“One thing I am concerned to set right, however, is the matter of my motivation in coming to your campus and in making a statement before coming, opposing the so-called ‘academic boycott’.

“It has been suggested by a senior member of your faculty — the head of the Department of Religious Studies — and by others taking part in the controversy that I had ‘other than academic reasons’ for coming.

“This is not true. My reasons both for accepting your original invitation and for publicly opposing the so-called ‘academic boycott’ were entirely of an academic nature.

“My reasons for accepting the original invitation were: in order to teach a course as requested; in order to learn more about contemporary South African conditions and in order that my son should learn something about South Africa at first hand. All these I think you will agree are academic objectives.

“My sole reason for entering into the controversy about the so-called ‘academic boycott’ was that I saw this alleged boycott and the intimidation associated with it as constituting a serious threat to academic freedom.

“I saw the implications of the ‘boycott’ as threatening academic freedom not only in South Africa but also in the Western universities currently being affected by the ‘boycott’ movement.

“My concern for academic freedom, including academic freedom in Africa, is not new.

Transactions

“When I was vice-chancellor of the University of Ghana (1962 to 1965) I and my colleagues had the honour to defend academic freedom against encroachments on it by the then government of Ghana. An authoritative account of those transactions can be found in Lord Ashby’s works Universities: British, Indian and African.

“I cannot believe that any academic could consider a desire to defend academic freedom as a ‘non-academic motive’.

“However, it may be that what my critics have in mind is that I wrote about this matter in the public Press, specifically in The Times and that I am a journalist among other things.

“If that is the view taken by my critics, I must respectfully dissent from it.

“When academic freedom is under threat, it should surely be defended not only by the academics themselves, but by all citizens who believe that academic freedom is of value to society as a whole, and especially by those citizens who are both graduates and journalists and thus can make their views heard.

“The intellectual life of a community cannot be carried on in a set of closed compartments. It constitutes one field of interaction, which includes not only the academics but also the media and everyone who cares about the truth and values the freedom to tell it.

“I hope you will forgive me these somewhat tendentious remarks but the necessity to defend my own position against attacks which I believe to be both unjust and insidious obliges me to have recourse to reciting some of the eternal verities in the matter.

“Permit me to thank you for the courtesy, intellectual stimulation and good company which constituted by far the largest part of my experience on your beautiful campus.”
Union welcomes ‘positive’ O’Brien report

Staff Reporter

THE Allied Workers’ Union has welcomed “positive aspects” of the report of the commission which investigated the O’Brien affair.

It said the commission placed the specific event within the context of a South Africa “in the throes of change”.

The union, fighting administration proposals to retrench 28 workers, said this critical self-examination would enable the university to play a relevant and meaningful role in the process of transition to a new society.

A statement issued by the union’s shop stewards council said: “We urge the university to display the same sensitivity towards worker issues.

“We urge it to place the current struggles against retrenchment and for a living wage at the university in the context of a nationwide struggle of organised labour against mass unemployment and poverty, and to develop sensitive and positive responses to demands for jobs for all at a living wage.”

The union has more than 900 members among lower-paid staff at the university.
Cop-out at UCT

The report of a special commission of inquiry into the disruption of a series of lectures at the University of Cape Town last year has done little to settle the heated debate surrounding academic freedom. In fact, it gives every impression of having avoided — not very adroitly — the main point.

The lectures were, of course, by controversial Irish academic, leftwing journalist and politician Conor Cruise O'Brien.

The UCT campus — both students and teaching staff — is split over the report and the divisions are likely to take a long time to heal.

The commissioners, former Wits University principal DJ du Plessis and advocates Arthur Chaskalson and Ismail Mahomed, found that while the actions of radical students who disrupted the lectures were “unacceptable,” it was a mistake to have invited a figure as controversial as O'Brien to UCT.

The report also cast some aspersions on his demeanor and abilities which could form the basis of legal action.

The report, which was unashamedly tendentious, recommended action against the students, but left it up to UCT principal Stuart Saunders to decide what action to take. The commissioners cautioned that the action should not be “punitive.”

David Welsh, head of UCT's political studies department, who invited O'Brien to the campus, resigned his post as a result of criticism levelled by the commission. He will, however, stay on at UCT.

More radical student groups slammed the report as a compromise on the issue of academic boycotts. The conservative National Students Federation found it “unacceptable and disappointing” in that it virtually ignored what it saw as the central issue — the use of violence by radicals to suppress free speech. The SRC, however, welcomed the “positive emphasis” of the report — whatever that may mean.

It is now up to Saunders to act, and he needs to do so decisively if he is to avoid heaping up problems for the future, something that Wits authorities after a tepid commission of inquiry have failed to do.

University students are privileged members of our society: a position that carries the responsibility to learn from those of diverse viewpoints. In this process, they need to probe and inquire. But that is not a licence for bad behaviour or a silly denial of the very academic freedom from which the students themselves seek to benefit.

It has nothing to do with political grievances or unequal State spending on education. There is no basic human right that all who are capable (and some who aren’t) should receive higher education at the expense of society in general.

At best, the students concerned were engaged in plain hooliganism, at worst it was a depressing example of a lack of intellectual curiosity.

On the first point, the students deserve severe retribution: at least rustication and a fine. On the second point, the university needs to look to its own endeavours. Rumination will allow serious breaches in its brave history as a bastion of liberal thought and free speech.
SOUTH AFRICA'S Institute of Advanced Training (IAT) in Cape Town, often loosely described as a university, continues to fan the issue of freedom of speech raised by the IAT's treatment of a black student on campus last October to Dr. Conroy Crispe O'Brien, the IAT's director and academic. The IAT has, instead, sought refuge behind a report on the affair which, in my view, goes quite off the point of its way to smear O'Brien by, for example, characterizing him as a "reactionary liberal". And in this way to call him an "enemy of the academic community". This is an insidious character assassination. It is an attempt to undermine the institution's academic freedom, to suggest that the IAT is not an academic institution but a political one.

O'Brien has, in effect, asked the IAT to distance itself from these derogatory remarks. The university is unlikely to do so, for reasons beyond its control, and its administration has not, in this case, been an active participant. The university is, in my view, acting in the interest of the students and the institution.

The facts are these: O'Brien was invited to lecture at UCT by Professor David Walmsley, who had the right as a professor to invite anyone to lecture. O'Brien appeared on campus, and was later asked to leave. This was not, however, due to any objections by the students, but rather due to the university's policy of not allowing outside speakers to come and lecture.

The students were integrated into the debate, and the IAT's own students were active in supporting O'Brien's position. The IAT administration, however, chose to distance itself from the affair.

The students, however, were not satisfied with the university's position. They continued to support O'Brien, and the affair continued to generate media attention. The IAT administration, however, chose to distance itself from the affair.

There is no need to extrapolate this cliche to other countries and to other situations...
Saunders says 'No' to O'Brien

by DENNIS CRUYWAGEN

The principal and vice-chancellor of the University of Cape Town, Dr. Stuart Saunders, has refused to publicly dissociate himself and the university from parts of the commission of inquiry report into the Conor Cruise O'Brien affair.

This emerges from correspondence between Dr. Saunders and Dr. O'Brien, which the UCT principal released this week.

The commission subsequently found that his visit to UCT would have been "without incident" if Dr. O'Brien had behaved "purely as an academic".

Dr. O'Brien complained in a telex to Dr. Saunders — dated January 12, 1987 — that the commission's report contained unwarranted statements seriously damaging "both to my reputation in general, and, in particular, to my professional standing in the international academic community".

He rejected as false a statement in the report that his attitude to students had on one occasion been "insulting and condescending".

He wrote that he found it "almost incredible" that the commission should on the basis of "hearsay" attribute words to him without affording him the chance to say whether he had used them, and then express opinions of a personal, damaging nature, based on those attributed words.

He asked Dr. Saunders to publicly dissociate himself and the university "from these sections of the report which concern me personally".

Dr. Saunders replied in a letter on February 12 that the university council had accepted the main thrust of the report's recommendations "with their emphasis on the development of the university's ethic and on reconciliation".

In a second letter, on February 20, Dr. O'Brien again asked Dr. Saunders to dissociate himself and the university from "offensive statements" in the report.
CAPE TOWN — The contents of letters between the University of Cape Town and Irish academic Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien, whose lectures at UCT were disrupted in October last year, were released yesterday by the vice-chancellor of UCT, Dr Stuart Saunders.

The correspondence between Dr O'Brien and Dr Saunders was the result of a copy of the commission report, dated December 18, 1986, titled "Report of the Commission of Enquiry into the events which occurred on the campus of the University of Cape Town on 7 and 8 October 1986", being posted to Dr O'Brien in Dublin.

Dr O'Brien, in a telex dated January 27, said the report contained several statements reflecting on his personality and alleged conduct while on campus at the invitation of UCT.

"These statements are unwarranted and seriously damaging, both to my reputation in general and, in particular, to my professional standing in the international academic community.

"In particular, I invite your attention to the statement in the report that I admitted that my attitude to students on a particular occasion had been 'insulting and condescending'." Dr O'Brien wrote.

The statement, he insisted, was totally false.

He said it was incredible that a commission set up by a university should, on the basis of hearsay, attribute to a person words which were damaging to that person "without affording him an opportunity to say whether he did or did not use the words in question".

Dr O'Brien ended his telex requesting Dr Saunders to publicly dissociate himself and the university completely from those sections of the report which concerned him personally.

Replying to Dr O'Brien's telex, Dr Saunders said the commission of inquiry was faced with three major disadvantages:

- Dr O'Brien was unable to give evidence despite a number of attempts on the commission's part to contact him.
- Several students and student organisations relating to this matter refused to give evidence.
- The commission had to proceed as rapidly as possible.

"In the event, the council accepted the main thrust of the recommendations of the report, with their emphasis on the development of the university ethic and reconcilibility," Dr Saunders wrote.

Dr O'Brien in his letter dated February 20 said Dr Saunders's reply did not address itself to the complaint.

He said he could not see that any of the disadvantages listed in Dr Saunders's letter of February 12 could justify the language used by the commission about him, or the language which it falsely attributed to him.

"I made no complaint about the commission's failure to take evidence from me," Dr O'Brien wrote.

He said: "My reply was available to you before the publication of the report, but you took no notice of it.

"I could not accept the idea that the fact that a person was not available to give evidence before a commission justifies the commission, in any degree, in publishing derogatory comments about that person.

"Nor does the fact that the commission had to proceed as rapidly as possible justify the publication of those comments." — Sapa
Study of ‘multi-cultural education’, ‘integration’, ‘conflict resolution’

The decision to form the two groups was announced by UCT’s council yesterday in a statement issued following the release of the findings of the commission of inquiry into the O’Brien controversy.

While UCT admitted students of all races did not come from the white community, the commission said.

Black student numbers were however increasing and their life experiences were markedly different from those of white students.

The tendency was to assimilate or isolate smaller groups of black students, how they represented a constituency to be accepted in their own right.

New attitudes had to be fostered among white and black students.

Students were subjected to the stress of integration for which South African political, social and educational policies was ill-prepared. They should be helped in every way possible, the commission said.

Such research would help the whole country.

Staff and students’ responsibilities were stressed and conflict was the need for people sharing their skills in conflict management.

The council said it was “concerned to ensure the survival of the university and its values”.

“There are inherent possibilities of conflict developing on the campus, and the commissioners have identified several areas of potential conflict. We recognize those areas and need to be prepared to handle them, its members in the university and in society with a sense of greater urgency than in the past.”

O’Brien misjudged students’ sensitivities - commission

If Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien had behaved “purely as an academic” his visit to the University of Cape Town last year would have been “without incident”.

UCT ‘not told of storm brewing’

The political studies department at the University of Cape Town failed to inform UCT authorities about “the storm brewing” over the presence of Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien, the commission found.

The commission also queried the wisdom of inviting Dr O’Brien in view of the fact that some local politicians previously invited to speak at UCT had met with vociferous student opposition.

Dr O’Brien was invited to UCT last October by the department head, Professor David Welsh, to lecture on the politics of United Kingdom.

The wisdom of the invitation and the manner in which the invited was also a matter of the commission, the commission said.

Gaye Davis, Staff Reporter, writes on the report of the commission of inquiry into the visit to UCT of Irish academic Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien.

‘Appropriate action’ urged

The council of the University of Cape Town has asked its vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, to take “appropriate action” against students involved in the O’Brien affair.

The council said in a statement yesterday it agreed with the commission of inquiry’s finding that the students’ behaviour was “insulting and concealing” to students at a meeting on October 2.

The incident was rooted in the political conflict raging in South Africa.

This and the fact that Dr O’Brien “made himself party to political controversy” in South Africa, was “very serious and mitigating factor”.

The case was an example that it was “extremely divisive”.

It has caused “deep wounds” and had Dr Saunders and the council acted in the hearing of the moment instead of allowing a cooling off period by appointing an independent inquiry the university may have been torn apart.

Although a calmer atmosphere now prevails, there is a real possibility that harsh action will open up old wounds and sharpen the division.

In our view, it is important that this should not happen.

‘Blacks might wonder at fuss’

Cape Town’s black community might wonder at the fuss over what might seem “comparatively minor incidents” compared with life in a black township under the state of emergency.

Commenting on reactions of UCT staff and students as well as the white and black communities of Cape Town to the O’Brien affair, the commission said none of the witnesses who testified was black.

White Capetonians saw UCT as a liberal institution in which a new black liberation pride. Some felt a small group of students should be allowed to dictate to UCT.

The black community would see UCT differently as an institution whose council, senate, academic staff and administration were overwhelmingly white and whose student body was about 85 percent white.

Liberal traditions of freedom of speech and academic freedom had no application to them.
Help in the Information Process

In order to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the information process, certain measures and strategies can be implemented. These include:

1. Establishment of a centralized information management system
2. Regular training and workshops for information officers
3. Implementation of information technology for streamlined processes
4. Development of a comprehensive information policy
5. Conducting regular audits to ensure compliance

These measures will help to ensure that information is gathered, processed, and disseminated effectively within the organization.

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The information process involves several stages, each of which requires careful attention and coordination. By addressing these stages systematically, the overall efficiency of the information process can be significantly improved.
How Ian Mackenzie stayed sane

By CHRIS BATEMAN

A HAMSTER, Agatha Christie novels and making clay beads helped keep UCT social science student Ian Mackenzie sane during his 36 days in solitary confinement at Pollsmoor Prison.

Released yesterday on the orders of a Cape Town Supreme Court judge after being detained on December 12 for distributing UDF “Christmas against the emergency” pamphlets, an overjoyed Ian spoke of his experiences last night.

Surrounded by excited friends and family at his Lansdowne home, Ian said his most depressing times came hours after being detained, his second detention in a year, and while awaiting the outcome of his court application. “Much much” later.

“That first night I just couldn’t handle it. I lay on the cement floor of the police cell and cried,” he said.

But solid support from his family, friends and the university community, and the regular fortnightly visit, helped keep him going, the 24-year-old student said.

“I got letters and messages on the radio and I prayed a bit as well,” he said.

The clay for the beads arrived first, he discovered the prison library and the hamster arrived in what was to be his last month.

Ian “took a chance” and decided to apply to have his labrador, “Pups”, brought to him. This failed, but an “understanding” prison officer allowed him a hamster which he promptly nicknamed “Rolihlahla”.

Back home after 110 days in solitary confinement, UCT social science student Ian Mackenzie, with art teacher sister Susan, shows his erstwhile cellmate “Rolihlahla” the hamster.
No racial barriers, says medicine man

There are no racial barriers restricting University of Cape town (UCT) medical students from examining patients. SOUTH reported last week on a controversial ruling in the Transvaal banning black medical students from examining white women patients in gynaecology wards.

Such racist rulings have not, for several years, for UCT medical students, the Dean of UCT's Medical Faculty, Professor George Dall, said this week.

The only barrier restricting all medical students was when the patient was "too ill". That barrier would only be imposed "for sound medical reasons", Dall said.

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Plea for release of Vusi Khanyile

by Lesley Cowling

Detaining the chairman of the National Education Crisis Committee (NECC) — an "honest broker" in the crisis in black education — was the last thing the authorities should do, it was argued in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

The court was hearing an urgent application for the release of Mr Vusi Khanyile, national chairman of the NECC and special adviser to the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Town.

He has asked the court to declare his detention in terms of the emergency regulations unlawful.

Mr Denis Kany SC yesterday argued there were other alternatives the authorities could have used to "circumscribe" Mr Khanyile if they felt he was a threat to public safety and the maintenance of order. Detention without trial should be a last resort.

It appeared from answering affidavits filed by the Minister of Law and Order and senior police officers that the reason for Mr Khanyile's detention was his position in the NECC, Mr Kany said.

He said the authorities' argument was that because he was a member of the NECC, he was involved with the Christmas against the Emergency and the National United Action campaigns, which were a threat to public order.

But these campaigns had been prohibited by police orders, so they could no longer pose a threat, he argued.

Another allegation made was that Mr Khanyile was involved in street committees. This allegation was based on hearsay evidence, Mr Kany said. Mr Khanyile emphatically denied it.

The State attempted to link the NECC with the African National Congress. Because the ANC mentioned the NECC in its documents, "riding on its back, as it were", it did not mean the NECC was linked with the organisation, he said.
RAU law professor attacks Group Areas

The roots of the Group Areas Act are racism, prejudice and self-interest, which makes one despair of attempts to justify it on humane grounds, Professor J C van der Walt of the Rand Afrikaans University’s law faculty said in Pretoria today.

Speaking on “Justice in the Reform Process” at a graduation ceremony at the University of Pretoria, Professor van der Walt said the Act could never be seen apart from in its historical background.

The Act was a result of the joint report of two committees set up to inquire into ownership of land among Asians. Its secondary aim was a national arrangement of territorial segregation.

Through all the commissions, committees and deputations leading up to the Act there ran, like a golden thread, the idea of restricting Asians’ ownership of land and extension of trade. This furthered perceptions of racism, prejudice and self-interest.

“I do not say one should scrap such an Act overnight,” said Professor van der Walt. “A thorough, scientific investigation has been called for.

“I think we must devote serious attention to developing a greater variety of options in our community — within practical limits.” — Pretoria Bureau.
March threat to university

GRAHAMSTOWN — Rhodes University could come to a standstill today, when black students occupy the administration buildings, student sources said.

Students decided at a meeting last night to march through the campus to the administration block and to remain there until their demand for more representation was met.

The Black Students Movement (BSM) has demanded a direct say on the highest decision-making body of the university, and has said it will occupy the Vice-Chancellor's office, the finance department and the switchboard.
Meeting calls whites-only election a 'circus'

By Sol Makgabutlane,
Education Reporter

A number of organisations and individuals yesterday dismissed the coming election as a circus and called for one man, one vote in South Africa.

The anti-election meeting was convened by the National Union of South African Students (Nausa) and the South African National Student Congress (Sasaco), and was attended by, among others, educationist Mr Franz Abergel, Dr Beyers Naude and Mr Max Coleman of the Detainees' Parents Support Committee.

Speakers said the elections did not represent a real solution to the country's problems.

Stressing that it was not calling for a boycott of the May 6 elections, Nausa president Mr Steve Kromberg urged whites to consider when casting their votes if Parliament in South Africa had any real power.

"The most effective vehicles for change today are the extra-parliamentary organisations such as the UDF and Cosatu. Jointly these organisations represent millions of South Africans committed to a non-racial, democratic South Africa," he said.

CLOSING CRACKS

Sasaco said it viewed the timing of the elections as a calculated move by the "desperate National Party to attempt to close the cracks created by the democratic movement within the Afrikaner laager over the past few years.

Dr Beyers Naude, who is general secretary of the South African Council of Churches (SACC), said he had noticed much enthusiasm in the white community for the coming election.

"But the election is being fought within the framework of a racially discriminatory system that excludes the majority of the population.

"What are the real issues? A clear and unequivocal statement about the future political power sharing in which all citizens can be involved. As long as that question is not addressed, this election will prove to be a farce."
Black students meet Rhodes Senate group

By LLOYD COUTTS

GRAHAMSTOWN — A Black Students Movement committee was to meet the Rhodes University Senate executive this afternoon to discuss an agenda for a meeting with the full Senate tomorrow.

Earlier today, students gathered and marched on the university administration block, staging a sit-in there.

The demonstration came in the wake of alleged racist practices in the allocation of bursaries at the university.

The Vice-Chancellor, Dr Derek Henderson, acceded to a demand by students that they be represented at a Senate meeting.

Earlier, they had stationed themselves in one of the wings of the block, while their representatives negotiated with Dr Henderson and the Vice-Principal, Dr Roux van der Merwe.

Initially, the academics insisted that students move out of the building before negotiations could start.

However, after it had been agreed that the committee would meet the Senate executive, students were called out into the courtyard.
Students demand changes at Rhodes

BLACK students at Rhodes University are demanding the university changes its bursary and sports policy.

They are set to challenge university authorities at a meeting later this week.

This follows a march by 250 students last week to the administration buildings where they occupied while their leaders negotiated with the registrar Professor K Hunt and the acting principal Professor A J Kerr.

Students claimed they had evidence of discrimination.

"Of 127 bursaries administered by the university, only 13 were given to black students who comprise 22 percent of students on the campus," a student leader said.

"Of 36 sports bursaries, not one was given to black students."

The Black Students' Movement (BSM) demanded the university changed its sports policy to accommodate black students who are not participating in official Rhodes sport.

"They play in their own teams, which play in township leagues affiliated to Sacs."

A list of demands handed to Kerr at the end of the meeting asked that black students become eligible for the general scheme of bursaries and the criteria for residence and sports bursaries be revised.

The university has denied that it discriminates against black students when awarding bursaries.

"We give bursaries on merit in open competition, apart from those bursaries which are given to us with special conditions attached to them by their donors," a spokesperson said.

- Albany News Agency.
Rhodes students run wild:
Art ripped

The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — Students protesting about alleged racist practices in the allocation of bursaries at Rhodes University in Grahamstown ran wild, causing damage estimated at thousands of rands.

Vice-chancellor Dr Derek Henderson said students ripped down paintings of historic figures after a sit-in in the administration block.

University authorities at first refused to negotiate with the Black Student Movement (BSM) while students occupied the building.

PROCEDURE

It was the second demonstration of its kind in a week.

Dr Henderson later agreed to a demand by the students that they be represented at a senate meeting.

A BSM committee met the senate executive to discuss procedure for the movement to put its case to the senate, which meets today.

A university spokesman said black students last year received 43 percent of the bursaries, though they represented only 22 percent of the students.

"MORE FAVOURABLY"

Rhodes public relations officer Mfgo Mary Burnett said the value of the 1987 awards to black students was R339 717. White students received R448 653.

Thirteen of the 127 bursaries received by blacks students were available to blacks only.

On this basis the black students were being treated more favourably than whites, Mrs Burnett said.

A BSM spokesman said the issues of bursaries and sport would be discussed.
Damage at Rhodes only 'slight'  
By LLOYD COUTTS
ALTHOUGH damage to the administration buildings at Rhodes University had not yet been fully assessed, it was "slight", Rhodes Press officer, Miss Mary Burnett, said today.
Yesterday, students marching through the administrative buildings removed a number of paintings from the halls and took them out of their frames. Some of the paintings had been damaged in the process, Miss Burnett said.
Door knobs were also damaged.
Rhodes replies to black students’ bursaries protest

Black students, who have been protesting against the allocation of bursaries at Rhodes University, last year received 43 percent of the bursaries although they represented only 22 percent of the student body, a university spokesman said yesterday.

The 13 out of 127 bursaries the Black Students’ Movement claimed they received were bursaries available to blacks only. On this basis, the black students were being treated more favourably than whites, the university administration pointed out.

Rhodes public relations officer Miss Mary Barnett said the value of the 1987 administered awards to blacks was R339 718 and to whites R446 651.

Last night a BSM executive member argued that the black students deserved a greater share because they came from poorer families than whites.

The BSM committee will meet the Rhodes University Senate this morning to discuss alleged racist practices in the allocation of bursaries. This follows a demonstration by about 200 students at the administration block yesterday.

Students marched to the administration building just after 9am yesterday and occupied one wing of the building for more than two hours, disrupting normal procedures.

After discussions between the vice-chancellor, Dr Derek Henderson, and the vice-principal, Dr Roux van der Merwe, students moved into the courtyard where they sang freedom songs and eventually dispersed peacefully.

Dr Henderson agreed that a committee of students could meet the Senate executive committee to discuss the agenda for today’s meeting. — Sapa.
Bill of Rights stirs up much interest

By Claire Robertson, Pretoria Bureau

The South African Law Commission task group involved with a possible Bill of Rights for South Africa has received more than 400 representations and comments on the form such a Bill should take from churches, universities, individuals and the business sector.

The leader of the task group, Mr Justice P J J Olivier, said the group hopes to present an analysis of all contributions in the form of a working paper to the Law Commission at its July sitting.

The Law Commission, which sits about four times a year, will then consider the paper and may call for any further input.

Mr Justice Olivier said the banned African National Congress had not yet made a representation but it would be included if they did so.

The group has already studied the Freedom Charter, which was once outlawed.

TREMENDOUS RESPONSE

The long-distance indaba started 11 months ago, and the four-man group has travelled around South Africa interviewing academics, community leaders, and lawyers among others.

"There has been a tremendous response, and some very useful contributions," Mr Justice Olivier said yesterday.

Aspects to be studied by the task group include whether human rights were adequately protected in South Africa, whether the courts could protect human and group rights without a Bill of Rights, and what should be the content of a Bill of Rights, and how it should be entrenched, the judge said.

"If you measure our legislation against any generally accepted Bill of Rights, there may be quite a number of statutory provisions which will not measure up. If that is the finding of the Law Commission, they will inform the Government of this, and advise it as to the necessary amendments."

The kwaNatal Indaba, which drew up its own draft constitution and Bill of Rights, submitted these to the task group which also met some of the academics who advised the indaba, and some of the participants, the judge said.

If South Africa gets a Bill of Rights it will join 132 countries which already have such an article in their constitution.

Human rights centre for Tukkies

Pretoria Bureau

The first Centre for Human Rights Studies at an Afrikaans university has been established at the University of Pretoria.

About 15 members of the academic staff of the university's law faculty are members of the centre which will, among other things, work for the acceptance of a Bill of Rights.

"The establishment of the centre partly results from the important symposium on a Bill of Rights for South Africa that took place at the University of Pretoria in May last year," a spokesman for the centre said yesterday. Aims of the centre include:

- Research on theoretical and practical human rights.
- The advancement of the protection of human rights.
- Co-operation with human rights organisations and regular seminars and workshops.

Professor Johann van der Westhuizen, head of the department of legal history, comparative law and legal philosophy, was appointed director.

The board of control is made up of the dean of the law faculty, a Supreme Court judge and a representative of the Law Society, the Pretoria Bar and the Pretoria branch of Lawyers for Human Rights.
A different kind of poll on campus

THE National Union of South African Students (Nusas) has appealed to Afrikaans universities and academies to support their campaign for one person-one vote.

So far, two members of the Rand Afrikaans University staff, Suzanne Booyse, a lecturer in political science, and Louis Grindling, the acting head of the history department, have voiced their solidarity with the idea. They have called on others to follow suit.

Students at the University of the Witwatersrand, regardless of skin colour, will go to the polls a week before May 6 to vote for or against the principle of universal suffrage. The campaign, which is supported by the black South African National Students' Congress (Sanco), hopes to focus attention on what is regarded by its organisers as the most important though largely ignored question of the May election. "The real issues are being avoided," said Dr Beyers Naude, honorary Nusas president, at the launch of the campaign on Wednesday night. "I am convinced, regardless of whether white people want it, that this country will have a system of one person-one vote."

Naude said Stellenbosch academics had already shown their dissatisfaction and confusion with the policies of the present government. Afrikaans academics would now be forced into confronting the situation and dealing with it. "Thank God they are confused; it's the only way of encouraging debate," he said.

Nusas and Sanco have also appealed to businesses, professionals, organisations, academics, students, and white political parties to show their approval.

Canvassing for the one person-one vote campaign begins on April 27. It has already been endorsed by the Black Sash, the National Education Crisis Committee, the UDF, the Five Freedoms Forum, Jews for Social Justice, the Detainees Parents' Support Committee and, amongst others, Bruce Fordyce.
Boycott at Turf

ALL University of the North (Turf loop) students boycotted lectures yesterday in protest against the presence of army and police units on the campus.

The boycott followed announcements pinned to notice boards throughout the campus yesterday morning calling for the stayaway from lectures.

Other demands were listed as:

- The unconditional release of all detained students;
- The conditional recognition and reinstatement of the Students Representative Council (SRC); and
- The readmission of all students who were turned away at the beginning of the year for alleged poor academic performance.

Ms Carol Lombard of the universi-
Rhodes student rampage costly

GRAHAMSTOWN. — Thousands of rands damage was caused when about 300 students ran amok in the Rhodes University administration building yesterday.

The Black Student Movement (BSM) supporters refused to leave the building while their leaders negotiated with the Vice Chancellor, Dr Derek Henderson, to allow their representatives to put their case to the senate.

Dr Henderson said afterwards the students had ripped off paintings of "historic figures associated with the university" and dismantled a "senate door" sign in the senate room.

Dr Henderson said he was not prepared to discuss any matter while "the crowd is there remains".

The students stayed in the building but after further consultation the university decided to agree to the students' demands.

The negotiating committee met the senate executive yesterday to discuss procedure through which the BSM committee is to put their position to the university senate, which will meet today. — Sapa.
Anger after academics meet on O’Brien

Staff Reporter

At a meeting this week 80 University of Cape Town academics distanced themselves from the findings of the commission of inquiry into the Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien affair.

Professor Dennis Davis, of the department of commercial law, described the meeting as “completely divisive” and “a disgrace”.

Invitations to the meeting had only been extended to people opposed to the commission’s report, which criticized Dr O’Brien’s behaviour during his controversial visit.

There had been no time for debate, Prof Davis said, and those who supported the commission’s findings had not been given a fair hearing.

“There is a campaign among certain people to thrust a particular concept of academic freedom on UCT.

“They believe you must come down as hard as you can on those who don’t accept this concept — and that is the majority of black students.”

He said the organizer of the meeting, Dr Ken Hughes of the department of mathematics, would bear the responsibility for “tearing the university apart”.

A senior lecturer in social anthropology, Dr Caroline White, said the meeting had led to further polarization at a time when people needed to seek common ground.

Even the chairman of the meeting, Professor Eugene Dowdle of the department of clinical science and immunology, agreed that there were “better ways” for those opposed to the report to voice their feelings.

“I hoped to get some kind of debate going, but there was no time.

“Most of the people there came to express their concern, if not outright indignation at the commission’s findings.

“I think almost as many people abstained as voted for the motion because they only disagreed with certain parts of the report and the motion was a blanket condemnation,” he said.

He said that although the report was to be discussed in the university senate, ordinary academics had not been given an opportunity to debate its failings and the meeting had given this opportunity.

He said 86 people who could not attend the meeting had sent messages of support.
Sit-in students win voice on senate

The BSM has decided to accede to students' demands for the first time in the history of the university. This decision is in line with the university's mission to ensure that the needs and concerns of students are addressed.

The decision was made after extensive consultations with faculty and students. The university's administration has been criticized in the past for not listening to student concerns.

The university administration has stated that the decision was made to ensure a more inclusive and representative decision-making process.

By Peter A. H. Ng

The BSM's decision to accede to students' demands is a significant step forward for the university. This decision has been welcomed by students and faculty alike.

The university administration has emphasized the importance of ensuring that all voices are heard in the decision-making process.

This decision has been made possible through the hard work and dedication of the university community.

The university administration has committed to ensuring that students' voices are heard in all future decision-making processes.

This decision is a testament to the university's commitment to academic excellence and student welfare.
Rhodes' sit-in damages

GRAHAMSTOWN — Rhodes University has denied that "thousands of rands" damage was caused when black students staged a sit-in at the university's administration block yesterday in protest at the distribution of bursaries. According to the university's Press officer, Miss Mary Barnett, three doors were damaged and would cost R200 to repair. — Sapa, 4/11/83.
NUASAS ENTERS THE FRAY

By SANCILE MEMELA

THE National Union of Student Unions of South Africa (NUSAS) this week launched its anti-apartheid campaign by challenging a number of student leaders.

The conference was attended, among others, by SACC general secretary Nitya Noma, Max Coleman, of the DPSC, Helen Joseph and a number of student leaders.

Varied extra-parliamentary organisations, renowned activists and Dr. Frederik Van Zyl Slabbert have endorsed the campaign.

Speakers condemned the forthcoming election as a futile exercise that would provide no solution to the country's problems.

"We would like to make it clear that we are not calling for a boycott, but that we are focusing on what we believe to be the most important questions in the country's politics," said NUSAS President Steve Kromberg.

The campaign calls on all peace-loving white South Africans to seriously consider the prevalent state of affairs in the country.

NUSAS will hold a non-racial poll in the week preceding the elections for students of all colours to make their feelings known on "one person, one vote".

Sasco executive member Pascal Moloi said the elections had no meaning for most black people in the country.

Noma said the basic issue facing the country was granting full political rights to blacks.

By SELLO SERIPE

206 youth congresses in SA this week merged to form the South African Youth Congress (SAYCO), which adopted the Freedom Charter and affiliated to the UDF, intends: "To unite and politicise the youth; to channel the militancy and resourcefulness of the youth to the benefit of the struggle; to strive for realisation of a free, non-racial, democratic and compulsory education; to organise unemployed youths in struggle, and to encourage working youths to join progressive trade unions."
Rhodes: blacks get large slice of bursaries

GRAHAMSTOWN — The vice-chancellor of Rhodes University, Dr Derek Henderson, has given details of the various student bursaries administered by the university after black students expressed grievances about bursaries last week.

On Thursday more than 200 black students occupied the university’s administration block building in a sit-in to protest against alleged discrimination in the awarding of bursaries by the Rhodes University administration.

“Since 1985, black students have had an increasingly large slice of the bursaries cake,” Dr Henderson said.

“In 1985 black students constituted 18 per cent of the student body and received 13.3 per cent of the bursary funds available.

“Last year, black students made up about 20.8 per cent of the student body and received 27 per cent of the funds.

“This year there has been a more significant change.

“Black students received 43 per cent of bursary funds administered by the university, although they make up only 22.2 per cent of the student body,” the vice-chancellor said.

“Many of our students also hold bursaries from sources not administered by the university,” he added.

“The figure of R339 718, received by black students at Rhodes as university-administered bursaries, is only about a quarter of the total amount of money that has been made available to black students at Rhodes to assist them with their studies,” Dr Henderson said.

“There are several bursaries which are available to black students only and general bursaries are open to applicants of all races,” Dr Henderson concluded. — Sapa
Blacks may skip graduation

By LLOYD COUTTS

THE annual graduation ceremonies at Rhodes University on Friday and Saturday may be boycotted by black students.

A meeting will be held today to discuss the issue. Last week the Black Students Movement called for a stayaway. It described graduation as “farce in the light of the education crisis”.

Rhodes’ Registrar Dr Keith Hunt said today the university “is sorry that the BSM is using an occasion which marks the culmination of years of sacrifice and hard work by graduating students and their parents as a time to make their particular political points.

“We are particularly sorry that black graduating students and their families are being asked to boycott an event which is of great significance in a land where the inequalities of education from the primary level onwards make the attainment of a degree an important achievement and a cause for congratulation and celebration.”

The president of the National Union of South African Students, Mr Mark Stein, said although Nasa supported BSM’s stand it would not ask whites to stay away.

“We support the BSM’s objection to the nature of the ceremony. We feel it symbolises the role the university plays in the apartheid system, where the degrees that are awarded are the reserve of a wealthy minority, and the skills learnt are used to perpetuate the status quo,” he added.

A total of 878 students will be capped or presented with diplomas by Rhodes’ chancellor Dr Ian McKenzie.

Rhodes demo students to be disciplined

By LLOYD COUTTS

APPROPRIATE disciplinary action would be taken against students responsible for damage to the main block during the Black Students Movement demonstration at Rhodes University last week, the Vice-Chancellor, Dr Derek Henderson, said yesterday.

“The university takes a very serious view of mob behaviour and damage to its property by students and part of the Senate’s resolution on Friday requested me to inform the BSM executive of the Senate’s strong disapproval and condemnation...”

The “action” would be taken in accordance with the university’s disciplinary code, he said.

The university’s public relations officer, Miss Mary Burnett, said today that an investigation into the students’ misconduct would be launched in terms of the code.

Only after the investigation had been conducted would the university decide what action would be taken against the students concerned, she said.

Dr Henderson further warned that should such confrontations recur, the university would react “far more vigorously”.

He said it was to be hoped that the BSM would realise that methods of negotiation appropriate to the dignity of a university should in future be pursued.

BSM executive members who met the Senate on Friday apologised in their personal capacities for the damage done when about 200 students, protesting against alleged racist bursary allocations, staged a sit-in in the administration block.

A painting was removed from a wall and doorknobs were damaged. Students remained in the block for about two hours until the Vice-Chancellor agreed on them meeting the Senate executive committee.

Dr Henderson said Rhodes had continued a long-established custom by allowing members of the BSM executive to meet the University Senate on Friday.
Mr. Derby-Lewis also demanded the university take action to stop the intimidation of students who do not agree with Wits Marxist philosophies.

He also demanded that all government subsidies to Wits be withdrawn until such time as the university took action against the violence and damage to property caused by the black racists on campus.

Mr. Derby-Lewis also drew attention to the fact that the university's rules for admission are unwritten. The reasons for the withdrawal of Mr. Winnie Mandela as a student were also mentioned, with reference to the alleged "revolutionary antics" of Mr. Winnie Mandela.
Rhodes to discipline students who ran riot

GRAHAMSTOWN — Those responsible for damage to the administrative building of Rhodes University would be disciplined in accordance with the university’s disciplinary code, the vice-chancellor, Dr D S Henderson, said here yesterday.

He was reacting to events on Thursday when about 300 students ran amok and supporters of the Black Student Movement (BSM) refused to leave the premises while their leaders negotiated with Dr Henderson to allow them to put their case to the Senate.

“Students had ripped off paintings of “historic figures associated with the university” and had dismantled a “Senate door” sign.

“The university takes a very serious view of mob behaviour and damage to property by students,” Dr Henderson said. “Part of the Senate’s resolution on Friday requested me to inform the BSM executive of the Senate’s strong disapproval and condemnation of the unruly behaviour of the students occupying the main block and the damage caused by their actions.”

“Should such confrontational incidents recur, the university will react far more vigorously,” he said. — Sapa.
Legal Latin is in its death throes

Pretoria Correspondent

Latin, as a prerequisite for admission to the legal profession, is in its “death throes”.

Its continued existence was threatening the credibility of the profession, according to an article in the latest edition of De Rebus, the South African attorneys’ journal.

“The community at large is not fooled,” states the report written by a Johannesburg attorney who may not be named for ethical reasons.

“They know that our insistence on Latin is merely a relic of medieval mysticism.”

The question of whether Latin for lawyers has become a contentious issue with an internal resolution being adopted last month by the South African Association of Law Societies stating that as far as they were concerned, Latin should no longer be a requirement for B Proc.

The attorney says in the article that the ancient language was a non-essential part of a lawyer’s intellectual equipment and dismisses it as a “charming myth” the theory that the study of Latin teaches one to think logically.
Rhodes head warns students

GRAHAMSTOWN. — Rhodes University has warned students who damage property on campus that they will be disciplined.

This comes after last Thursday's incidents when about 300 students ran amok in the university's administration building.

The Vice-Chancellor, Dr D S Henderson, said appropriate disciplinary action would be taken in accordance with the university's disciplinary code.

The incident last week came when supporters of the Black Student Movement (BSM) refused to leave the premises while their leaders negotiated with Dr Henderson to allow their representatives to put their case to the Senate.

"The university takes a very serious view of mob behaviour and damage to its property by students, and part of the Senate's resolution on Friday requested me to inform the BSM executive of the Senate's strong disapproval and condemnation of the unruly behaviour of the students occupying the main block and the damage caused by their actions," Dr Henderson said. — Sapa
More black students in engineering faculty

By Frank Jeans

There has been an encouraging increase in the number of black students entering the engineering faculty at the University of the Witwatersrand but the overall failure rate is still high.

Out of the 1983 engineering registration at the university of 329 graduates, only 75 passed in the minimum four-year period and out of the 29 black students, only one was successful. This fact emerged at a recent Topic Lunch in Johannesburg organised by the South African Association of Consulting Engineers and at which discussions centred on how to increase black participation in engineering.

Mr Jeffrey Hillman, of Wits Pre-University Bursary Scheme, said: "There has to be greater promotion of the industry at school level so that matriculants have a knowledge of what engineering is all about."

"Motivation is the essential factor which produces successful results."

Referring to the poor pass rate, Mr Hillman said there had been a notable rise in the number of black engineering students — from all in 1970 to 100 this year and it had been found that improved results can be achieved by pre-selecting matriculants and placing them on bridging courses. Recently, there was a one-year bridging course and a 60 percent pass rate for those blacks who have repeated their first-year courses," he said.

Mr Tony Smith, of the SA Federation of Civil Engineers Training Scheme, said there had to be more flexibility within the profession.

"For example," he said, "it is often easier for a black student to become a diploma technician first and then progress from that status to professional technologist or professional engineer."
Calmer times coming, judge tells faculty

By Sol Makgabutlane, Education Reporter

The trauma and troubles of the present made it difficult to realize calmer times lay ahead, Mr Justice R J Goldstone said last night.

Mr Goldstone, a Rand Supreme Court judge, was speaking during a graduation ceremony of the Faculty of Arts at the University of the Witwatersrand.

He said many talented South Africans left the country in 1960 after Sharpeville and the drain "has continued in fits and starts ever since".

The debate in South Africa in the 1960s and 1970s was "essentially a socio-moral one about superior and inferior races, with recourse being made to the debate to scriptures".

"The debate in South Africa has changed. The protagonists of racial segregation are now to be found only on the extreme right. For other South Africans the issue is political.

"How is racial discrimination to be eradicated and what is to replace the existing constitutional order? At the same time we must recognize that this change in emphasis, important as it is, brings cold comfort to the millions of blacks who still suffer the indignity and economic and other deprivations of racial discrimination."

Mr Justice Goldstone said past victories raised expectations which were frustrated by the slow pace of reform.

"The one side demands too much too soon, the other gives too little too late."

He said universities, which accommodated the best youth from all different communities, were in the best position to debate the issues of the day.

"It is no less than proper for the university, as it has done, to make public its stand on the moral issues raised by discrimination and inroads into the rule of law. These are issues which transcend politics and which do not detract from the political neutrality of the university."

However, he reminded his audience that those who footed the bill at the university could hardly be expected to provide that financial support if the university as an institution abandoned political neutrality and was seen to support one or other political or ideological goal.
Campus strife moves to UND

CAMPUS violence spread to Natal University, Durban, yesterday, when police sjambokked students and arrested about 20, and at least one photographer.

Several hundred students, part of a lunchtime meeting, marched through the university grounds carrying banners and placards some of which read, “Cops off campuses” and “Votes for all”.

The meeting had been called to discuss the police violence on other campuses, the election results and the arrest of 40 students on election day.

Students marched on a road running around the campus and were confronted by police at a point where the (public) road runs through two parts of the campus.

Police ordered the students to disperse. Most of the crowd of about 200 left the march and gathered on the sides of the road — but about 50 were left sitting on the road.

University principal Professor Pete Booysen, at the scene with vice-principal Colín Webb, tried to persuade students to disperse. When they did not do so, police moved in with sjamboks, whipping and chasing students who stampeded up a steep bank to escape the quirts.

Speaking in his office afterwards, Booysen, who was visibly distressed as he recalled the scenes, called the police action “shocking” and said he did not understand why police needed to sjambok students as well as arrest them. Late yesterday it was believed the students were being held overnight.

University lawyers are to call for affidavits from those who witnessed the police action.

Earlier in the afternoon, the university senate issued a statement after a special meeting to discuss the violence on other campuses.

The senate, which condemned violence on campuses “from whatever source it has come”, decided the university would close today “as a demonstration of the strength of the feeling” behind their statement.

Following a decision of the senate of the University of Durban-Westville it was closed all week because of students demands for a two-day election stayaway.
Judge warns varsities on political bias

DONORS of public grants and private donations to a university could not be expected to provide financial support if the institution abandoned political neutrality, Justice R J Goldstone said last night. He was addressing a graduation ceremony at the University of the Witwatersrand.

Goldstone said he was not suggesting students should not actively debate political issues, but was referring to the university as an institution.

This distinction, he said, became apparent during the public debate conducted last year in the aftermath of violence erupting on the campus and the boycott of lectures by visiting Irish lecturer Conor Cruise O'Brien.

While the Wits administration upheld the right of student activists to call attention to ethical questions affecting the university and society, it had the duty to safeguard the right of other students to disagree, he said.

"Already too many people have lost a sense of balance," Goldstone said.

Guilty on 4 charges

McBride was found guilty of contravening the Terrorism Act, of involvement in attacks on two electricity substations in the Durban area last year and of the attack on a home in Wentworth, Durban.

The case continues. — Sapa.

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Escalating Cost of Education

University fees 1976-1996

![Bar chart showing university fees from 1976 to 1996 for different courses.](chart.png)

ESCALATING: University fees have increased by around 15 percent a year for the past 10 years and a projection by Old Mutual based on figures from the University of Cape Town shows that by the year 2006 fees for a final year B Com student will amount to R66 776. Final year BA students can expect to pay R43 547, B Sc students about R47 320 and B Bus Sc students about R66 409 a year. It is estimated that fees for university residences will be R45 889 in 25 years' time. Academic and residential fees are now about R2 427 and R2 933 a year respectively. The figures for academic fees include books, extramural activities, pocket money and transport.
Prior fills political dept chair

THE post of head of the Department of Political Studies at the University of Cape Town, vacant following the resignation of Professor David Welsh, has been filled by the appointment of Associate Professor Andrew Prior.

Prof Prior’s appointment was announced in an article in the university’s Monday Paper yesterday.

Prof Prior, who holds a B Th from the University of Fribourg, an MA from Stellenbosch and a Ph D from the University of Kent, joined UCT in 1970.

Before his appointment, the department was run by a management committee headed by the Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Prof John de Gruchy, following Prof Welsh’s resignation.

Prof Welsh resigned as head of the department shortly before the university released the report of the commission inquiring into the disruption last year of Irish academic Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien’s lectures. He had invited Dr O’Brien.
Suzman tells students: election relevant

Dispatch Reporter

PIETERMARITZBURG — The May 6 white election, while not democratic, was relevant because it was in Parliament that laws could be repealed and apartheid dismantled, the veteran politician and Progressive Federal Party MP for Houghton, Mrs Helen Suzman, said here yesterday.

In her address to a lunch-time meeting on the Natal University campus, Mrs Suzman was reacting to a belief in certain quarters that neither the election nor Parliament were relevant.

She said Parliament provided the best forum for the removal of all discriminatory legislation from the statute book.

"It is also in Parliament that important information is elicited by means of questions. During February the PFP put 1600 questions to cabinet ministers and the majority were answered. It was because of this that people are able to know something of what is going on in South Africa today.

"We believe that the tri-cameral Parliament must go but the only way we can get rid of it is through Parliament itself," Mrs Suzman said.

She told the meeting that the work done by extra-parliamentary organisations was very valuable — and that it should be complementary to the work done in Parliament.

Apartheid had to be replaced by a non-racial democracy, Mrs Suzman said.
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Stellenbosch quintet back Nusas campaign

By Susan Fleming

Five academics from Stellenbosch University have pledged support for the National Union of South African Students "one person, one vote" campaign.

At a meeting at the University of the Witwatersrand yesterday, the Nusas president, Mr Steve Kromberg, said he believed more Stellenbosch University academics would support the campaign.

The rebel Stellenbosch academics supporting the Nusas campaign are Professor Gerhard Lubbe and Dr Victor Corder from the Law Department, Mr Victor Honey from the Arts Department, Dr Arnold Blumer from the German Department and Mr Jannie Gagliano from the Political Science Department.

A host of academics from the University of the Witwatersrand, Rand Afrikaans University and the University of Cape Town have also supported the campaign as have several anti-apartheid campaigners and organisations.

Addressing Witwatersrand University students, Mr Kromberg said while Nusas was not calling for people to boycott the election he considered the whites-only election a "farce".

Interest in the election was lower than in previous years and the white vote was "more meaningless" than ever before, Mr Kromberg said.

It was understandable, he said, that whites were afraid they would be treated as they had treated the black people when this country had a black majority government.

"Whites are in such a cocoon that they believe black people to be savage and malicious.

"In Nusas we have met nearly every non-racial black organisation and none of these has argued that whites will be detained or forced into the sea. These organisations have argued for development, not chaos," said Mr Kromberg.

An effective government was one which was legitimate.

The president of the Black Students' Society, Mr James Maseko, said the majority of people saw the election as a perpetuation of apartheid.

"This election is racist. We must call on all people to disassociate themselves from this racist regime," he said.

(Report by S Fleming, 47 Sauer Street, Johannesburg.)
Be sceptical, Tutu urges 3 000 at UCT

Staff Reporter

SOUTH AFRICANS were in desperate trouble because most people had never learnt what education was all about, the Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev Desmond Tutu, told a packed mass meeting at the University of Cape Town yesterday.

Education was about “instilling in people a fundamental scepticism, a radical scepticism” to ask awkward questions, he told about 3 000 students.

Archbishop Tutu was invited by the Anglican Students Society to speak on “The Role of the Student in South Africa in Crisis”.

In a speech spiced with his customary humour, Archbishop Tutu said: “We are told apartheid is dead. But for a corpse, what it is able to inflict is pretty painful.

“Everybody in South Africa wants change, but when you try to suggest methods you suddenly discover most people want change as long as things remain the same.”

He said students, with others, were able to change the moral climate in a country.

Students should tell their parents “nicely” that there was no way white people, a small minority, were going to continue to rule South Africa on their own and that the the ANC “was a reality that cannot be wished away”.

Archbishop Tutu said the ANC had to be allowed to speak for itself. “Do they fear that the people will be converted?”

When a student asked the archbishop what attitude white students should have towards the election, he replied: “I don’t want to be prescriptive... ask yourself ‘Will my action help to topple apartheid?’ because that is the name of the game.”

(Report by C. Hayes, 112 St George’s Street, Cape Town.)
More students support boycott

Post Correspondent
GRAHAMSTOWN — An increasing number of black and white Rhodes University students have responded to a call to stay away from the graduation ceremonies tonight and tomorrow.

An ad hoc graduation rejection committee has been formed to organise the boycott, which is in line with a call made by the SA National Students Congress (Sasco).

Some graduates included on a university list of students who are to receive degrees with distinction have come out in support of the rejection committee.

Miss Nikki Cataneo, who is to receive a first class BSc (honours) degree in economics, said she fully supported the Black Students Movement and Sasco resolution.

"I hope that many more white graduates support the call, thus showing their support for the growing non-racial democratic movement in this country," she said.

Mr Ranganathan Thathil, one of only four students receiving a BSc degree with a distinction in both subjects, said he would find it impossible to attend the ceremony.

"I cannot attend graduation while the Government seems determined to persist with an unjust, discriminatory and undemocratic educational system. Graduation should only be attended in a non-racial, democratic state," he said.

Organizers of the campaign have said they view it as one of the few ways still open to them to show their protest against the educational system.

"We are not threatening anybody and we are not going to burn down the university buildings. The burning of the effigy on Tuesday was a symbolic gesture to show our rejection of the graduation ceremony and should be seen in this light," said one of the organizers.

A former Rhodes SRC member, Mr Darryl Maclean, said he did not regard it as an issue affecting black students only.

"The singing of Die Stem should be repugnant to all freedom-loving South Africans. I hope that many graduates support this call," he said.

The vice-chancellor, Dr Derek Henderson, held an emergency meeting with the executive of the SRC on Wednesday to discuss the turmoil on campus.

A member of the SRC said the vice-chancellor was trying to find out the opinion of white students on the events on campus over the past two weeks.

The residence councillors of the SRC have reported a feeling of antagonism towards the Black Students Movement from white students.

"We on the SRC feel that this comes from a misunderstanding about the demands of the black students, but white students also do not necessarily agree with the actions taken by black students to achieve their demands," an SRC member said.
What Winnie would have said to Wits (if they’d let her talk)

by MMOYO BADELA

If police had not stopped Winnie Mandela from speaking at the University of the Witwatersrand this week, she would have told white voters that although this week’s election was a non-issue, “each vote cast by white South African opposition will be a vote of hope, a vote to save the country from the Nationalist political quagmire”.

A copy of Mandela’s speech was given to the Weekly Mail after the meeting had been banned and she was prevented from speaking.

She would also have responded to reports that she has been breaking the rent boycott, praised First National Bank’s MD, Chris Ball, and replied to recent criticism of the house she is building for her husband, Nelson Mandela.

In the written speech, Mandela said the elections were “only an issue so far as they reflect white political trends — the only way we have to measure to what degree the people is finally falling apart”.

She said by making the oppressed people and the African National Congress an issue in these elections, the Nationalists had finally admitted that the real opposition to the government was the ANC.

She also said that “nothing was further from the truth” than the allegations that she had been paying her rent in the face of the boycott of such payments.

“Soweto people will not pay rent because Mandela’s wife is said to have done so. I was the first to defy the concept of rent payment in May 1977 when I was exiled to Brandfort.”

“In the nine years I tolerated that place, I never paid rent,” she said.

She sharply criticised and threatened legal action against Nelson Rortile, the mayor of Soweto, for claiming that she had paid rent.

She said the family lawyer, Ismail Ayob, started paying her rent when “we had the house reinstated to the family after its police occupation. Ayob continued to do so up to the period of the launching of the rent boycott.”

She also sharply attacked Frontline magazine and the author of its recent report on the “palace” she is building for her husband.

Mandela said the house was being built with royalties from her book Part of My Soul.

“There are concerned fellow South Africans who believe that our leaders deserve even better than what I have done for Mandela. They formed a trust which has built Mandela’s house.”

These men, she said, included Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Allan Boesak and Prince Thembumzi Dlamini.

She said “enemies of the people” were trying to drive a wedge between herself and United Democratic Front leader Albertina Sisulu.

Mandela also said there was “no greater patriot” than Chris Ball, the MD of First National Bank.

She described the Munnik Commission report that found Ball had known an overdraft he authorised was intended to pay for an advertisement calling for the unbanning of the ANC as a “desperate bid to attack the country’s white business community by crucifying” Ball.

Winnie regretted being denied the opportunity to testify before the Munnik Commission. “I would have gladly testified before it if I had been called to do so. Mr Ball has done nothing and he knew nothing about the ANC advert.”

She said white South Africa had been “hoodwinked” into believing that all was well in the township ghettos and that the government was in complete control of the prevailing unrest.

“The killing of opponents of apartheid has become a way of life in South Africa, the security forces are running amok in the townships, shielded by the State of Emergency, they harass black communities daily, monitoring black lives for 24 hours a day, running funerals of their victims, assaulting bereaved families at graveyards as was witnessed recently at the funeral of the Matabane brothers of the Venterdorp shoot-out with the security forces,” she said.

Mandela also charged that the police had taken control of the country.

“Tragically the minority regime has lost control of the most important portfolio of any government, the police, who have taken over control of the land. There has been a quiet and subtlecoup d’état by the police. We are formally governed by a police state in which the police are a law unto themselves.”

“No democratic country in the world designate such powers as those vested in the hands of the present commissioner of the South African police, Johan Coetzee. The real State President of the land, PW Botha, is merely his master’s voice,” she said.

Deputy vice chancellor of Wits University, Mervyn Shear, informs Winnie Mandela she will not be reading her speech as Wednesday’s campus meeting protesting the white election has been banned. Police later broke up the meeting and arrested 120 students.

She said while South Africa had been “hoodwinked” into believing that all was well in the township ghettos and that the government was in complete control of the prevailing unrest.
Rhodes graduates told education vital to economy

"In the field of teaching English one has to go back to the very basic skill of literacy. Here organisations like Read play vital role." These examples all had a multiplier effect. However, such projects should not in any way deflect business from using such influence as it had to press for the opening of existing and under-utilised white facilities to people of all races.

There could be few more appalling features of the apartheid system than this incredible wastage of human and material resources. In an overview of advances, Mr Hofmeyr said private schools had happily begun to take more determined steps to desegregate.

The New Era Schools Trust (Nest) launched in 1981 was evidence of the recognition that the general approach was an evolutionary one. "It may not be too much to hope that some state schools will be allowed to open their doors to pupils of all races in the not too distant future. Mr Piet Claas, Minister of Education, seems to have left the door open possibly for when the imminent election hurdles have been overcome," Mr Hofmeyr said.

An increasing proportion of men and women attending technikons and universities would be black.

"One hopes that if and when the government abandons the vast administrative departments charged with the humiliating and unproductive function of the apartheid system a greater part of the national budget will be diverted to these institutions."

Universities would have to face the need to become even more efficient in a society where resources would be stretched.

Mr Hofmeyr said the task of business would be immeasurably easier if the basic education system was sound.

"But I would be the first to admit that business has performed inadequately in all these fields because it has been unwilling to undertake the mind-wrenching change of attitude that is necessary to make up for the acts of commission and commission in the past."

On the Africanisation of education (people's education), Mr Hofmeyr said: "We have neglected a knowledge of our broader South African society particularly in the arts and social sciences."

Unfortunately the secondary educational system and even private schooling clung "stubbornly" to European-oriented forms and syllabi, he added.

A good case could be made for some of the impetus behind people's education, as it sought to redress a balance in the fields of English and history syllabi.

"The same good case could be made for the social sciences and medicine, where both in training and application too much emphasis has been placed on First World concepts." However, it would be a tragic mistake to see a pendulum swing away from exclusively First World to exclusively Third World preoccupations. Slogans such as "pass one, pass all" should be resisted.

"We cannot afford to hand out certificates to the unqualified and under-qualified and shut our eyes to the consequences," Mr Hofmeyr said.
Stellenbosch 'finally cuts umbilical cord with NP'

CAPE TOWN — The day after Professor Julius Jeppe and 27 other university academics released a searing condemnation of the Government's policies he said: "Stellenbosch has finally cut its umbilical cord with the National Party."

Since then, another 301 lecturers and researchers have signed a declaration supporting that issued by the original 28, seemingly vindicating Professor Jeppe's claim.

There can be no doubt that the scenic Boland town of Stellenbosch, cultural heartland of Afrikanerdom, is in political turmoil.

And, although the enthusiasm of a prominent section of the academic staff has not yet brushed off on the student leadership (most members of the Students' Representative Council still support the NP), the huge crowds drawn by independent candidates are proof of the political upheaval among rank-and-file students.

ARDENT SUPPORTER

But is Professor Jeppe, lecturer in the department of development administration and, until recently, an ardent NP supporter and organiser, right in claiming that the break with the NP is final? Has the symbiotic relationship between the NP and the academic establishment which, for decades, provided apartheid with intellectual comfort, really come to an end?

The gap between the "New Nats" and their colleagues who broke away earlier and, in a sense, cut their ethnic ties to support, among others, the Progressive Federal Party, seems as wide as ever.

Academics such as Professor André du Toit, Professor Herman Gillmore (both at the University of Cape Town nowadays, although still living in Stellenbosch), Professor Henkie Kotzé and Mr Jannie Gagliano (both of the department of political studies at Stellenbosch) seem to be as unacceptable to the supporters of independent candidate Esther Latagana as in the days when they were known as the orbitgeters — and it cannot be attributed solely to the slow healing of old battle scars.

Why?

In private conversations, Independent supporters will admit that there are three distinguishable categories among them:

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- Those who have irretrievably cut their ties with the NP because of their disillusionment with the party as a vehicle for reform.
- Those who still believe that the NP is capable of fundamental reform and want to send a message to the Government.
- Those who are just fed up with the present style of management which is regarded as "arrogant" and "insensitive".

What these three groups have in common, apart from their differing degrees of opposition to the Government, is that they consist mostly of people who previously supported the NP and who are still very much entrenched in Afrikaner cultural life and institutions.

Mr Gagliano maintains that most Stellenbosch Afrikanners, including quite a number of Independent supporters, are still captives of Afrikaner institutions (the "sociolising agents") with their tacit support for overall white political control — the schools, the churches, the cultural organisations, the Afrikaans newspapers and SABC-TV.

Professor Jeppe, for one, sees no contradiction in his fighting the Government in the coming elections and his confirmed membership of the Afrikaner Broederbond.

This may explain the mutual distrust, despite apparently diminishing ideological differences, between those Afrikanners who severed their ties with the establishment earlier and more drastically, and the Independent supporters.

PAINFUL PROCESS

"Reform is going to be a slow and painful process," comments a critic of the Independents. "It seems we will have to accept that all change will, for the foreseeable future, still be channelled through the bottleneck of Afrikaner perceptions and preferences."

What the Stellenbosch Independents seem to be doing is trying to force the bottleneck just that little bit wider.

But it is still possible that the independent movement will generate its own momentum — as happened after the right-wing breakaway in 1982 — and that the gap between Independents and their brethren in Government may at last prove to be wider than that between them and the PF, opening the door for effective alliance politics.
Electric prods for the Press

BY LLOYD COITTS

GRAHAMSTOWN

Rhodes University administration staff used electric prodders on journalists covering a Black Students Movement (BSM) demonstration at the traditional post-graduation garden party today.

CBS cameraman George Lace broke one of the prodders during a brief scuffle with a man trying to prevent him from filming proceedings.

Reuters photographer Steve Hilton-Barber was also on the receiving end of a cattle prodder.

The incidents occurred before the start of the party, when BSM supporters carrying placards issued pamphlets to 'guests and graduates.

A contingent of Rhodes staff moved in, grabbed two students, and marched them off.

While they were doing this, the Press corps followed, taking pictures.

The men, who refused to identify themselves, ordered Hilton-Barber and others to stop.

When the men ignored the order, prodders were used. They were uninjured.

The BSM supporters — protesting against the graduation ceremony — were then ordered to leave by a man who said he was the chief campus protection officer.

The "protection officers" then spent a considerable time taking pictures of the newsmen.

Albany News Agency chief Peter Auf de Heide said registration numbers of journalists' cars were also noted.

The garden party then proceeded normally. The incident hardly caused a stir among the guests.
Tukkies law men call for a Bill of Rights

By DE WET-POTGIETER

LEADING academics from the University of Pretoria's law faculty have called for a Bill of Rights and condemned the Group Areas and Population Registration Acts.

The 13 of whom are law professors - also voiced grave concern over the country's present security situation.

Sources said academics from other faculties at the university shared the concern of their law colleagues.

And it is believed that law students are also busy rallying support for such a comprehensive and broadly acceptable Bill of Rights.

According to a reliable source at the university, the law students are considering the formation of an organization on the campus promoting the idea of a Bill of Rights and constitutional, judicial and socio-economic reform for South Africa.

The centre for human rights research of the Tukkies law faculty recently made representations to the South African Law Commission regarding a Bill of Rights.

Freedom

They were made under the direction of Prof Johann van der Westhuizen and signed by the 13 Tukkies law academics.

The academics make clear that the Bill of Rights cannot co-exist with apartheid. It must enshrine the right to political freedom of association.

The Bill of Rights must be accepted and trusted by all people. Ideally it should be arrived at through negotiation by all relevant parties.

If this cannot happen, say the academics, the worth of a unilaterally-created Bill should be clearly demonstrable.

They warn that a Bill of Rights created for "cosmetic purposes" would be dangerous.

A valid Bill of Rights should be enforceable by an independent judiciary and should not be subject to parliamentary adject.

The KwaZulu-Natal Indian Association's Bill of Rights showed numerous aspects worth following up, while the Freedom Charter, which had its deficiencies, had legitimate and emotional following among many South Africans.

(News by De Wet-Potgieter, 11 diagonal street, Johannesburg.)
Rhodes reaction

The rector and vice-chancellor of Rhodes University, Prof Derek Henderson, said this week the university disciplinary committee would take action against 300 black students who last week occupied the administration building.

The students allegedly damaged property during the demonstration.

Henderson said the university took a very serious view of misconduct.

He said students had run amok in the university administration building last week – with supporters of the Black Student Movement and had refused to leave the premises while their leaders were negotiating with Prof Henderson to allow representatives to put their case to the Senate.

The Senate then permitted the executive of the Black Student Movement to discuss their grievances.

Trouble looms at Rhodes as students burn effigy

CP Correspondent

Trouble is simmering at Rhodes University on the eve of the graduation ceremony.

Members of the black students' ad-hoc Graduation Rejection Committee launched their stay-away campaign by burning an effigy wearing a graduation gown on Tuesday at a mass meeting.

The organisers of the campaign said they regarded the symbolic burning of the graduation gown as one of the few avenues of protest left to them.

At the meeting, one of the graduates said he found it impossible to attend the graduation ceremony.

"Some of our fellow-students are this very day, sitting in jail and unable to continue with their education. We owe it to them not to celebrate something which they have been denied the opportunity to achieve," he said.

Student leaders made it clear that they saw the burning of the effigy as a peaceful protest.

"We do not want to intimidate anyone, nor are we burning the buildings of the university. We have even bought our own gown, which we burnt," they said.

In a statement issued by the Black Students Movement's projects committee and handed out to students at the meeting, they said that they could not longer accept excuses by students wanting to attend graduation.

"In an age where Nkosilele has become the rallying cry of the people of South Africa, there is no justification to sit in a hall where the greatest symbol of all that is wrong in our country – Die Stent – is to be played," they said.

"This is one of the few ways in which we can show our rejection of this discriminatory educational system," they said.

"Education is a right, not a privilege," the statement said.
Rhodes official uses shock-stick on press

Dispatch Reporter

GRAHAMSTOWN — A journalist who was involved in a clash with Rhodes University staff members at the weekend has claimed that the officials were "very aggressive".

A member of the Rhodes administration staff used an electric prod on a Reuters representative based here, Mr Steve Hilton-Barber, and a CBS cameraman, Mr George Luse, of Port Elizabeth, while the men were covering a Black Students Movement (BSM) demonstration at the post-graduation garden party on Saturday.

Mr Luse broke a prod in a scuffle with an official who attempted to stop him filming the demonstration.

Mr Hilton-Barber claimed campus control officers were "very aggressive" on Friday and Saturday. He was nudged and jostled, he said.

The university's press liaison officer, Miss Mary Burnett, said the man using the prod was not a campus control officer but "someone from administration".

No one had authority to be armed in any way, Miss Burnett said.

Two BSM demonstrators stood some distance from the main body of the crowd at the garden party and were kept under surveillance by campus guards.

Their presence attracted the attention of the media, mainly cameramen, who started taking photographs. University officials intervened and two media representatives were intercepted by a man with a prod. A second official started photographing the media representatives.

Mr Hilton-Barber said: "There were about six or seven of these campus control people. On Friday night when I tried to get into the Monument (for the first of the graduation ceremonies) I was refused entry because I didn't have a pink card."

He said of the camera incident: "One got quite dramatic and started photographing us."

Though another had lunged at him with a prod, he had reacted quickly and had not been shocked.

Mr Hilton-Barber said he had approached Miss Burnett to try to gain entry on Friday night but she had not reacted.

Miss Burnett said yesterday she had been approached by Mr Hilton-Barber who said he wanted a picture of the French ambassador, Mr Pierre Boyer, who addressed the graduation ceremony.

She explained he was speaking on Saturday and arranged to meet Mr Hilton-Barber in the foyer of the Monument before the ceremony.

"I waited for him until after the ceremony started but he did not pitch up," she said.

Miss Burnett said that 55 percent of the black students due to graduate had attended one or other ceremony and been capped.

"Considering that a good number of all students graduate in absen- tia anyway, this was a fair number," Miss Burnett said.

Report, pictures P8
PORT ELIZABETH — Rhodes University authorities are to investigate an incident at a post-graduation garden party on Saturday when a member of the administrative staff used an electric prodder on journalists.

CBS cameraman George Luce and Reuters photographer Steve Hilton-Barber were both prodded while trying to photograph a protest by six members of the Black Students’ Movement.

Luce broke the prodder during a brief scuffle.

The incidents took place just before the garden party which traditionally follows graduation at Rhodes.

BSM supporters carrying placards issued pamphlets to guests and graduates.

University public relations officer Miss Mary Burnett said the person who used the prodder was on the administrative staff and not a member of the security personnel.

Electric prodder used on Press at Rhodes

No electric prodders had been issued in anticipation of the BSM demonstration and use of such equipment was not authorised, she said.

Miss Burnett said administrative staff had been asked to supplement the campus security team and were carefully briefed not to manhandle any troublemakers but just to ask them to leave.

The security staff then spent a considerable amount of time taking pictures of the Press.

Albany News Agency chief Mr Peter Auf de Heide said registration numbers of journalists’ cars were also noted.

Mr Hilton-Barber was also told to leave but was later asked to produce his Press card, which he did.

The security staff then proceeded normally.

A BSM spokesman said the university staff had been antagonistic towards their “passive protest”.

It had, they said, merely been a symbolic protest and there were no plans to disrupt the proceedings. — Sapa.
The incidents took place shortly before the start of the traditional garden party on Saturday when police and security personnel were both on the premises. Mr. Steve Hobson, a CBS cameraman, was trying to photograph the protest by the BSM students when trying to take a picture of one of the protesters during a ballot of the BSM demonstration and was issued with a notice. The university public relations officer, Mr. John Burnet, said the person who used the security personnel was not a member of the Rhodes staff and not a member of the Rhodes university's security personnel. The university public relations officer, Mr. John Burnet, said the person who used the security personnel was not a member of the Rhodes staff and not a member of the Rhodes university's security personnel. The university public relations officer, Mr. John Burnet, said the person who used the security personnel was not a member of the Rhodes staff and not a member of the Rhodes university's security personnel.
UCT medical faculty to fight hospital apartheid

THE medical faculty of the University of Cape Town will continue to fight for medical care free from discrimination, a faculty spokesman said today.

He was responding to a report in The Argus yesterday that the new Groote Schuur Hospital, which opens in 1983, will have racially segregated facilities in accordance with Government policy.

"The faculty has consistently opposed apartheid in all aspects of medical care," he said.

"It has progressively eliminated discrimination at student, staff and patient level.

"The faculty does not intend retrogressive moves and will continue to do all in its power to provide medical care free from all discrimination for all its patients."
Staff of UPE student newspaper resign over banning of issue

By DEBBIE MARCH

WHILE University of Port Elizabeth authorities have prohibited the publication of the student mouthpiece, Upen, apparently because of its direct association with now defunct Student Representative Council, Radio Uppie, another SRC affiliate, continues to operate.

The entire editorial staff of Upen reacted by resigning en masse yesterday because they believe the authorities are using Upen’s affiliation with the SRC as an excuse to justify the banning. The SRC resigned last month when negotiations on communication between them and the authorities collapsed.

“The Upen staff believe the prohibition of the latest copy was made because the university did not like certain articles. We don’t believe it was because we were under the auspices of the SRC,” Upen’s editor, Miss Darelle van Greunen, said today.

Miss Van Greunen said she had no reason to doubt this.

She said Mr C Opperman, assistant registrar of student affairs, had given the assurance that Upen could function despite the resignation of the SRC and pointed out that Radio Uppie was still operating on a daily basis.

The campus radio also fell under the auspices of the SRC.

Head of the university’s public relations office, Mr Jan Barnardo, confirmed this but was not prepared to comment further on the issue.

“Is it still playing? I have nothing further to say about it (Radio Uppie),” he said. Several other societies on campus were also closely affiliated to the SRC and they were still functioning.

Mr Barnardo said as soon as the university had been informed of the resignation of Upen’s staff, a letter of confirmation had immediately been sent to the publication’s editor from the Rector, Professor Hein Redelinghuys.

He said the letter reiterated the university’s stance that Upen was a student newspaper published under the auspices of the SRC and that “in view of this, and the resignation of the SRC, Upen cannot be published until such time as a governing body has been constituted.”
TOBER WARNS WITS STUDENTS

WITS UNIVERSITY would get tough with those who disrupted academic activities on campus, principal and vice-chancellor Karl Tober warned yesterday.

In a letter circulated to staff and students, Tober referred to incidents on March 19 when some students, allegedly members of the Black Students Society and the South African Students Congress, went into a lecture room and tried to persuade other students to attend a meeting commemorating the Sharpeville and Uitenhage massacres.

Tober said although Wits supported the right of students to peaceful protest on campus, it also supported the right of students and staff to "pursue their academic activities without hindrance".

He said that in future disciplinary steps would be taken against those breaking into lectures. — Sapa.
A Rhodes University security guard uses a high-voltage cattle prod on CBS cameraman George Luse, who was covering a protest on the campus.  

Picture: STEVE HILTON-BARBER
Rau case still unsolved

It is now almost five weeks since the Linbro Park "mystery" skull was positively identified — by oral pathologist Professor Altini of the University of the Witwatersrand — as belonging to Robert Rau.

Rau made his last journey on the afternoon of June 10, 1985 after he was picked up by a man driving a beige Ford Sierra outside the family's Bedford Gardens flat. The skull was found 18 months later in bushy veld in Linbro Park.

A crack investigation unit under Colonel Krappies Engelbrecht, head of the Brixton Murder and Robbery Squad, is tackling the case — one of the most bizarre in South African criminal history.

Colonel Engelbrecht is presently on leave and the investigation is being handled by Major Staal Burger.

At an inquest at the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court this week on the death of a young serviceman, Hendrik French, on September 18 last year, the magistrate found his death was caused by a person or persons unknown, and that there was no reason to believe there was any link with the murder of Rau.
HELEN SIZMAN: "I'm not interested!"

NonSense

Starting to keep the peace, the police are entering the campus. The police are just trying to control and prevent any disturbances before they happen. They are not there to protect the campus, but to prevent any potential problems.

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I am concerned about the student body's well-being. The police are just trying to keep the peace, but they are not there to protect the campus. The police are just trying to prevent any potential problems.

Special Report by David Jackson

Campus political bans out of discussion over

Helen says she'll pull

At her wits end?
The number of signatories is unknown. One of those reputedly endorsing the petition, Unisa’s Professor Sas Strauss, declined this week to say he had signed the statement, but confirmed that he supported the National Party and National Party expediency.

Meanwhile, the powerful Inkatha movement appears set to throw its weight behind the reform-alliance movement and its already expressed support for the Natal Indaba.

KwaZulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi has sent his second-in-command, Dr Oscar Dlomo, secretary-general of Inkatha, to present a speech on behalf of the Chief Minister on the Stellenbosch campus at lunchtime on Tuesday.

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### Diversity

In contrast to this, the right-wing political parties, which were originally ideologically and politically incompatible, are being forced to coexist, and the notion of a diverse, united South African future is being realised under the leadership of President Botha. The integration of the executive into the national party has been a major factor in this process.

The signatories are a group of Afrikaner academics who have come together to form an independent university and who have signed a statement expressing their support for a diverse, united South Africa.

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### Support

The Independent/Inkatha meeting is being hosted by the Stellenbosch debating society.

It is expected that the Chief Minister will repeat his support for the reform alliance and the Independents.

On Thursday evening Dr Denis Worrall, Independent candidate in Stellenbosch, will speak at Stellenbosch, and on Tuesday Dr Esther Lategan, Independent candidate in Stellenbosch, will debate with the National Party incumbent, Mr Piet Marais.

(News by N West, 122 St George’s Street, Cape Town)
Students should feel free to express themselves as they see fit. The school should not impose a strict code that restricts their freedom of expression. It is important that students have the ability to voice their opinions and thoughts without fear of censorship or judgment.
Johannesburg — It looks as though a plan by State President P W Botha to discredit dissident academics at Stellenbosch University has collapsed.

Some 300 lecturers and researchers at the university — formerly considered a bastion of the NP — signed a petition last month supporting calls for an end to apartheid. The petition embarrassed Mr Botha, who is chancellor of the university.

NP supporters claimed the petition was not representative of academic feeling and planned to circulate their own among university staff supporting the Government. Sunday newspapers reported yesterday.

Professors at universities in Pretoria and Johannesburg did sign the petition, which said the NP was irrevocably committed to reform. But the Sunday Tribune, Durban, reported yesterday the petition was abandoned when organisers could not obtain any signatures at Stellenbosch.

It said the petition’s failure had humiliated Mr Botha.

(Report by Ken Daniels, 606 Mutual House, Harrison Street, Johannesburg.)
AZASM: 'Boycotts not always successful'

Staff Reporter

BLACK students will seek methods other than class boycotts to continue their struggle against the education system, the Azanian Students Movement (AZASM) has said.

At a press conference in Cape Town last week, AZASM president Mr Monde Mtwasa admitted that “the boycott weapon is not always successful” but said the return to school “did not mean acceptance of Pretoria’s reform tactics”.

“We realized that alternative methods of resistance are necessary to ensure that students can contribute in the liberation struggle and still remain students,” he said.

'Detrimental'

Mr Mtwasa said AZASM’s policy on boycotts would be defined in terms of who they harmed most.

“We want to go about it in a way which will not be detrimental to us, but to our enemy,” he said.

During the coming months the movement would seek to draw more black students into alternative education programmes.

“While black students are back at school, they must use this period to arm themselves with revolutionary theory to take meaningful revolutionary action,” he said.

Mr Mtwasa also criticized white academics at UCT who expressed “sympathy” for blacks but opposed the black students’ version of academic freedom.
White players told to go home

By DAVID BARKHEUZEN

NONRACIAL volleyball teams from the University of Port Elizabeth, whose members played in their personal capacity, were asked to withdraw from a tournament in Gelvandale because some of them were white.

Organised by the Coloured Volleyball Association, the event took place at "the Ghetto hall" in Gelvandale a week ago.

UPE team member Mrs Linda Mee said the players were asked to withdraw after three Dowar College students threatened to report the CVA to the South African Council on Sport.

Mrs Mee said the team was invited to participate in the tournament by the CVA. The invitation had come in the wake of the controversial Coca Cola volleyball tournament on King's Beach last month, she said.

“Our team was on the court knocking up when the three students arrived and made their threats,” she said. “The organisers asked us not to play so we withdrew.

“There were only a handful of hardline players, who evidently felt that the principle of double standards had to prevail and that whites should not participate. But I really felt that the majority of people there wanted us to take part.”

Mrs Mee said the 20 players from UPE “just wanted to play volleyball on a social basis” and were not intent on making an issue or forcing the CVA to choose between them or the black sports union.

There had been no ties beforehand.

“The incident was unfortunate because the journey to Gelvandale had been a first for some of our players and it was good for them to meet people on an informal basis,” she said.
THERE will be no head-count of the number of Afrikaner academics who stand behind State President PW Botha.

Unisa law professor SAS Strauss, who is involved with other academics in drafting a statement pledging support for Botha and his reforms, yesterday described the move as a spontaneous gesture of support.

"For this reason, it is not a petition. There will not be signatures or a head-count."

Strauss said the statement was in no way intended to counter the revolt by the 300 or more Stellenbosch University academics who, led by Professor Sampie Terreblanche, had turned away from the Nationalist government.

"Groups of academics have been informally discussing the impending election. It has been felt President Botha and his reform-minded government deserve support," Strauss said.

DOMINIQUE GILBERT

He said support had come from Stellenbosch, Unisa, RAU, and the universities of Port Elizabeth, Potchefstroom and Bloemfontein.

Strauss said the statement, which was likely to be released by the end of the week, would reflect the sentiment among some Afrikaans academics that the NP was the most effective vehicle for reform.

"It also deals with the hope and belief among the academics that the process of reform will be accelerated post-election," Strauss said.

He said it was nonsense that the statement was intended to coincide with Botha's public meeting in Stellenbosch tomorrow night.

Report: Dominique Gilbert, 11 Diagonal Street, JHB.
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University women honour Prof Smith

Dispatch Reporter

GRAHAMSTOWN — Professor Emeritus of Rhodes University and former Director of the JLB Smith Institute of Ichthyology, professor Margaret Smith, OMS, LLd, was the guest of honour at a regional social meeting of members of the South African Association of University Women (SAAUW).

Prof Smith has been honored twice this year by the state and her Alma Mater. The Order of Meritorious Service was awarded her by the State President, Mr P. W. Botha, and at the Rhodes graduation ceremony this year she became an honorary Doctor of Laws.

Honours were bestowed on Grahamstown’s oldest SAAUW members at the meeting, which drew visitors and members from as far afield as Queenstown and the University of Fort Hare in Alice.

SAAUW’s National President, Miss Joan Whitmore was also present, visiting the area from Pretoria, where she was formerly the director of hydrology for the Department of Water Affairs.

Grahamstown branch members provided a buffet lunch for the visitors, a function held in the vice chancellor’s dining room at Rhodes.

Toasts came thick and fast and there were several amusing interchanges between Professor Smith and older members.

The SAAUW crest was prominently displayed and in the entrance was a lamp, a symbol of the organisation.

Professor Margaret Smith, seated above with the national president of the South African Association of University Women (SAAUW), Miss Joan Whitmore, left, and Dr Amy Jacot-Guillarmod, a member of Grahamstown’s SAAUW branch.
Academics at UPE are in the dark over PW petition plan

Post Reporter
A NUMBER of leading academics at the University of Port Elizabeth yesterday denied they were preparing to sign a political manifesto in support of the Government.

Commenting on reports from Johannesburg that the State President, Mr P-W Botha, would release a document today signed and supported by hundreds of academics at all Afrikaans universities, UPE and the University of South Africa, Professor J Cilliers said he was "not aware of such a manifesto at the moment".

Prof Cilliers, head of the university’s department of political science, denied he would be one of the signatories to such a document, which has been described as a last-ditch bid by the State President to regain support among Afrikaner academics and counter growing support for independent candidates.

Prof W Kruger, head of the department of Nguni and South Sotho, said he "knew absolutely nothing about it" and he said there had been no talk among staff to his knowledge.

Prof J Vermaak, head of the department of physics, also said he had no knowledge of the proposal.

The National Party candidate for Walmer and former rector of the University, Professor S J Schoeman, said he was not aware of plans to issue a manifesto.

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Probe into students' grievances

Education Reporter

The University of the Western Cape (UWC) has appointed a four-man commission to investigate the grievances of dentistry students who have been boycotting classes since April 7.

The students have given university authorities a list of grievances and have demanded that a lecturer, Professor J Cohen, be dismissed.

Other students decided at a rally on the campus yesterday to support dentistry students by joining the boycott.

The commission is to report within two weeks.

The members of the commission are Professor J Reddy, former dean of the faculty of dentistry at UWC; Professor S T Zietsman of the University of Pretoria; Dr H Philipps of the University of Natal, and Dr D M Triegaardt, chairman of the UWC convocation.

UWC rector Professor Jakes Gerwel could not be reached for comment.
PRETORIA — Nine top academics from five Afrikaans universities said in a signed declaration today they were convinced the National Party was the only effective instrument for constitutional reform and called on voters not to "turn their back" on a "reform-minded government."

Among them is Professor J V Cilliers of the University of Port Elizabeth's law faculty.

The statement, released in Pretoria by Prof P R Botha, is an apparent response to the action of more than 300 Stellenbosch academics in distancing themselves from the Government.

Reports of Nationalist moves to obtain a "pro-Government" list of academics appeared on Sunday, and it was later reported that a bid to get "hundreds" of signatures had failed.

Prof S A Strauss of Unisa's law faculty — one of the nine — insisted the move was made independently of the NP.

The others on the list are Prof J V du Plessis, University of OLS law faculty, Prof P C Fourie, Dean of the university's faculty of Economic and Social Sciences, Prof P J Maree, Dean of the faculty of Education at the Rand Afrikaans University, Prof J P Poolman, vice-rector of RAU, Prof D P J Smith, Dean of students at RAU, and Prof P F Theron, Dean of the faculty of Education at the University of OFS.

The nine associate themselves with "the growing middle stream of reform-minded people".

They say white voters have simply to choose the best instrument for reform. This could only be the NP. — Sapa

(Report by Mark van der Velden, 314 Barclays Bank Building, Church Square, Pretoria)
8 000 students in WVC boycott

By Claire Harper

The entire WVC student body was marching in solid support of a three-week class boycott on Monday. The proposal, which originated in the university's Department of English, would require all students to attend a five-hour seminar each week, beginning next semester. The seminar would cover the history of the English language and the role of the English language in contemporary society.

The boycott was prompted by the university's decision to implement a new academic program next semester. The program, which is designed to enhance the English language skills of students, has been met with resistance from the student body.

The WVC Student Senate has passed a resolution in support of the boycott, and has called on other universities to join the protest. The boycott has gained significant support, with 8,000 students from WVC participating in the march on Monday.

The university administration has called the boycott a "frivolous act of protest" and has stated that the academic program is necessary for the success of the university.

The students who participated in the march on Monday say that they will continue their protest until their demands are met. They are calling for the撤销 of the new academic program and for the university to focus on improving the quality of instruction rather than implementing new programs.
Academic boycott: UWC takes a stand

SPECIAL REPORTER

IN a bold and unprecedented move, the Senate of the University of the Western Cape last week decided to invite to its campus only foreign academics who show solidarity with its commitment to the struggle for a non-racial democracy in South Africa.

As a matter of policy all foreign academics invited to the university will in future be expected to play a role in the dismantling of apartheid.

The far-reaching policy decision came after months of discussion at the university after the "O'Brien incident" at the University of Cape Town. The incident forced the issue of academic boycott to the forefront of discussion at many universities.

Freedom 'compromised'

In making the decision, the UWC Senate said while it acknowledged the ideal of academic freedom, refusing to invite certain foreign academics was a sign of resistance to the present structures.

"Academic freedom is compromised in South Africa," said the rector of UWC,

Professor Jakes Gerwel

Professor Jakes Gerwel, this week.

"It does not exist anywhere in the country," he said.

"By taking the stand we have taken, we are trying to work towards true academic freedom."

He viewed the senate decision as an extension of true academic freedom since academics had actively decided what they wanted at UWC.

Basic liberties

The decision was based on the belief that the ideal of academic freedom cannot be separated from those basic civil liberties to which all people were entitled.

Academics on the campus have welcomed the decision. Many of them believe the time has come for them to use their academic skills to bring about the destruction of apartheid and lay the basis for a free and just South Africa.

UWC is the first university in the country to take a clear stand on the issue.

The implementation of the UWC Senate decision has been referred to the executive committee of the senate and will be discussed by a full senate meeting soon.
Two students released

TWO University of the Western Cape students, John Neels and Malvina Fourie, were released from Section 29 detention this week, but for Fourie the ordeal is not over.

Fourie, 26, said he had been suffering from nightmares during the last nights of his 58-day spell in detention at the Table View police station.

"I now wake up screaming out of fear for uniformed men."

He said he wanted to get to Worcester as soon as possible to be with his family.

Neels, 25, was detained for 62 days at the Ravensmead police station.

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UWC students want prof axed

By AYESHA ISMAIL

STUDENTS at the University of the Western Cape are boycotting classes this week in sympathy with dentistry students who have been on a three-week boycott in protest against a professor in the faculty.

Students decided on the boycott at a mass meeting held on the campus this week. They expressed dissatisfaction with the university's appointment of a commission of inquiry into the allegations made by dentistry students against Professor Jeffrey Cohen.

An executive member of the Students Representative Council said: "Our demand was the removal of Cohen from the campus."

A dental student who did not want to be named, said: "Professor Cohen must be removed from the campus, he is a symbol of oppression."

The director of Public Affairs at UWC, Mr R O'Grady, confirmed that the commission would investigate allegations made by students.

Cohen said he had no comment on the allegations against him, but thought the appointment of a commission was a "marvelous and wonderful" idea.

The commission of inquiry to be set up this week will be chaired by Dr Dwight Trigaardt, chairman of the UWC convocation.
ANC stand justified, says UCT professor

MARITZBURG — The ANC was morally justified in embarking on civil war as long as it observed the distinction between “hard” and “soft” targets, a professor of political studies at the University of Cape Town (UCT) told the Supreme Court in Maritzburg yesterday.

Defence witness Professor Andries du Toit was giving evidence in mitigation of sentence of nine convicted ANC terrorists, who include two Durban doctors.

Replying to a question by Mr Justice Thirtin, Professor du Toit said the ANC was justified in selective violence, as long as this was not against civilians. In making this assessment the whole history of the ANC and the present political situation had to be taken into account.

The professor said the history of the ANC showed that the organisation only turned to violence after it had unsuccessfully tried to use constitutional means to achieve its aims.

The hearing continues on Monday.

The nine terrorists are Sikhongeni Dhlomu, Vejnand Ramilakam, Shibwic Nelani, Jude Francis, Ordeway Morel, Mapiki Dicobo, Bafo Ngqube, Mahutu Majela and Vuwumuzi Mabibo. — Sapa.
Senate yes on O’Brien apology

Staff Reporter

THE University of Cape Town senate this week voted in favour of apologizing to Irish academic Dr Conor Cruise O’Brien for “any damage to his reputation” following his disrupted lecture tour at the university last year.

Although senate meetings, comprising full professors and elected representatives of associate professors and lecturers, are confidential, university sources leaked information on three votes taken at the meeting yesterday.

The sources also said the senate had supported “the general recommendations of the commission” by 39 to nine votes, with 22 abstentions.

The senate also found the invitation given to Dr O’Brien to lecture at UCT was given for “academic reasons” and the “relevant university authorities were adequately communicated with”.

UCT academics were not prepared to comment on the significance of these votes till vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders has released a statement.

Dr Saunders was in Johannesburg and could not be reached for comment yesterday.
A first for Wits

The recent opening of a reinforced plastic-composites teaching, research and development facility at the University of the Witwatersrand, helps close the gap between South African and Western R & D on composite materials.

The venture — the only one of its kind in southern Africa — falls under Wits' School of Mechanical Engineering and is headed by Costis Diamantakos.

The project is funded entirely by six companies: Acoustical Fibreglass Insulation; British Industrial Plastics, CHC (formerly Dow Chemical, Africa); Poly Resin Products; NCS Plastics; and Cray Valley Products.

A course in composite materials is offered as elective subject for final year BSc mechanical engineering students. This year it attracted 20 students, while seven MScs are engaged in research on projects ranging from tanks and piping to helicopter blades.

One of the aims of the faculty is to develop commercial outlets for composite materials. Modern composites have high strength-to-weight and stiffness-to-weight ratios, outstanding fatigue resistance and high damage tolerance. In addition, they are cheap to maintain and to repair.

Reinforcing fibres available include various grades of glass, carbon, aramid and boron.

Products being developed will be ideal for the chemical, mining, aviation, transport, appliance and aerospace industries. Other developments include fibreglass under-ground tanks, to be used for storage of liquids, like fuel.

"We are also trying to develop a corrosion-free road tanker with 30% higher vehicle payloads, which can be easily made and maintained."

A British company is already successfully manufacturing these, and sold about 40 to Shell. But, says Diamantakos, those vehicles are designed for UK conditions, and the company "will certainly not part with their trade secrets."

Although many products — including aircraft and car bodies — which used to be made from steels, aluminium alloys and other common metals, are now made from composite materials, the latter are still used to complement steel.

And, being labour-intensive, they create jobs — many composites, such as fibreglass and polyester, are hand-layered.
UWC students for meetings

THE Students' Representative Council at the University of the Western Cape, where students have been boycotting lectures this week, has convened a meeting of full-time students at 9am on Monday.

A meeting will be held at UWC at 9pm on Monday for part-time students.

The boycott will be reassessed at both meetings.

UWC dental students started boycotting lectures on April 7 to demand that a senior lecturer, Professor Jeffrey Colen, be dismissed.

The rest of the campus joined the boycott this week.

The university appointed a four-man commission of inquiry to investigate the issue. Students have rejected the commission and have refused to have anything to do with it.
Clashes on campus

Yesterday afternoon at UCT...

Staff Reporter

As a result of the presence of several vehicles which may not be identified on De Waal Drive, a severe traffic jam several kilometers long developed on the highway and on Eastern Boulevard at rush hour.

The lunchtime meeting was addressed by SRC president Mr. Carla Sutherland and a member of SARHVO from the Transvaal, identified only as “Comrade Jeffrey”.

Mr. Sutherland read out a statement by the black staff of UCT in which the action against SA Transport Services (SATS) workers on Wednesday and Thursday was condemned “in the strongest possible terms.”

“We affirm the right of all workers to take part in labour action. We view the laying off of workers, the arrest of many more and the arbitrary dismissal of 10,000 workers as an attack on all workers.”

The SATS workers and others “are dying because of violence and repressions”.

Bid to arrest Sarwhu man on Matie campus

Mr. Mbon was asked by the man to accompany him, but about 150 students refused to identify himself. The man told the students that it was “none of your business”.

A scuffle broke out in which Mr. Goosen tried to arrest a man who fled. The man was later identified as a Mr. Deon Goosen after addressing about 200 students about the South African Transport Services (SATS) strike and the sacking of 10,000 workers this week.

The meeting was called by NUSSA and the Black Students Organizations at Stellenbosch as part of the NUSSA one-person-one-vote campaign.

Mr. Goosen then showed the group of students a police ID card and followed Mr. Mbon.

Rachel Goosen was asked if he would like to leave the campus in a car.

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“Comrade Jeffrey” said he had come to the Western Cape to explain to SARHUWU workers here what was happening in the Transvaal. “What has happened may be shocking to you, but we are used to being shot at and killed by these people — the whites who work with us, always carry their guns with them. They have shot at us and called us killers in the past.”

“We live like a stable and the food we eat like animals” food. That’s why we formed this union against these racist forces. We were on March 8 and decided we did not want to hear or see the evils of the bosses any more. We decided that if any workers were dismissed illegally or acted against in any way we would down tools.

“On March 12 they dismissed our brother so we downed tools,” he said.

“No workers are more exploited in SA than railway workers. We will go back to work places no matter the consequences, we will fight the struggle until the end.”

After songs were sung, the students moved down to the verge of De Waal Drive where chanting continued. Several motorists shouted support and some blew their hooters. Projectiles were hurled at the vehicles which may not be identified in terms of the emergency regulations. No one was injured and no damage was done.

Later, sections of the campus became uninhabitable due to the spread of a chemical substance and the students retreated to Ring Road on the campus.

After a 45-minute stand-off, the people who may not be identified moved up to the main campus and a call was made by these people for the students to disperse and return to their normal activities. With students fleeing in all directions, the people who may not be identified took certain action and some projectiles shattered windows in the Robert Leslie Building.

About 4pm, the skirmishers moved back to the Sports Centre where another stand-off ensued and later the last of the students dispersed after certain people left the campus.

Dr Stuart Saunders, vice chancellor of UCT, said last night he had been out of town and he had only known that a lunchtime meeting had been held.

“As I understand it, a group of 100 to 150 students went down to the brink of De Waal Drive. I don’t know if only students were involved, but I believe some stones were thrown. No one was arrested and no injuries were reported.

“I deplore the throwing of stones and other violence,” he said. However, he could not comment on certain actions which may not be reported: “as this is the first I have heard about that”.

Commenting on the afternoon’s events, Ms Sutherland said the meeting had been called “because students were really angry and because they wanted to focus attention on this week’s events and to show solidarity with those affected”.

She said the need for discipline had been emphasized during the meeting. While certain events had subsequently taken place, these actions had not been planned, were not supported by her and were prompted by people who may not be identified in terms of the emergency regulations.
Skills programme receives R50 000 from oil company

Dispatch Reporter

GRAHAMSTOWN — A donation of R50 000 by the Caltex oil company has been made to the Academic Skills Programme (ASP) at Rhodes University.

The director of the ASP, Dr Harriet Tunner, said the programme was designed to help unprepared students cope with the jump from school to university.

She said: “Matriculation is not the best indicator of preparedness for university. Many students are not able to meet all the demands made on them when they start studying at tertiary level.”

ASP is staffed by three full-time and 11 part-time tutors. The tutors were spread over most subject groupings at Rhodes.

ASP was run on a fairly informal basis. Students came for help when they needed it. Dr Tunner said: “We see many students in their second or third year.”

She said the major expense was salaries “because we insist that our tutors are properly qualified”.

Thus the grant would be valuable in maintaining the standard of service offered to students at Rhodes, she added.
Students in talks with ANC

Uncertainty

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Maties defy ban on trade unionist

By SYBRAND MOSTERT

STELLENBOSCH students defied a ban by their vice-rector on a trade union speaker — and then twice fought off a man, claiming to be a security policeman, who attempted to arrest the unionist.

The students were told by Professor J de Villiers that they could not listen to a speech by an official of the striking SATS workers.

Mr Morris Ndou, a SA Railways and Harbours Union (SARHU) shop steward, was scheduled to address the students at lunchtime on Friday.

According to Mr Jaco Malan, chairman of the Stellenbosch Nasas branch, the students arrived at the meeting to find the doors of the venue locked.

In defiance of the ban, Mr Ndou had spoken to about 300 students from the library steps.

"Before a motion expressing support for the striking workers could be put to the vote, and condemning the killing of SARHU workers by the police could be tabled, the meeting was disrupted when a person — who later identified himself as an official of the SAP — attempted to arrest the speaker."

About 10 students surrounded the man and demanded to see his identification papers, which he refused to produce.

A scuffle followed and the official was knocked to the ground, while Mr Ndou was led away by students.

Mr Malan said the official was hit by two students. He had then shown them his police ID card and sped off in pursuit of Mr Ndou.

A second scuffle ensued in the art faculty building between the students and the official, who was then assisted by the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging student branch chairman, Dawid Walters.

In the commotion that followed Mr Ndou was able to reach his car and leave the campus.
Potch profs call for protest vote

By DAVID JACKSON

FIFTY leading academics and professionals at Potchefstroom University have joined the growing Afrikaner revolt against President Botha's leadership.

Six prominent professors, from both the Potch and Vaal Triangle campuses, are among those who have signed a declaration which in effect calls for a "stayaway" in the May 8 election.

Potchefstroom University — representing bedrock Calvinist thinking — is the academic heart of the parliamentary seat held by Mr. Louis de Grange, Speaker and former Minister of Law and Order.

Signatories

The signatories to the document — which is certain to give further impetus to the rebel Nationalist movement — say government reforms are in essence "merely modernisations of apartheid" and that "we do not feel free through mere participation to ally ourselves with an exclusively white election".

The professors who have so far signed are: L. du Plessis, professor of Philosophy of Law (Reksfilosofie), who is also the group's spokesman; D. Meerkotte, deputy dean of the education faculty at the Vaal Triangle campus; B. J. van der Walt, director of the Institute for Reform Studies; G. M. Ferreira and G. J. Pienaar, both of the law faculty; and A. P. Combrink, head of the department of English.

The rebels say in their manifesto: "The upcoming, profoundly irrelevant election is a more popularity poll through which:

- White voters are once again being hoodwinked.
- Those without the vote are further radicalised.
- Constructive attempts at involvement of friendly governments are frustrated.

(News by David Jackson, 11 Diagonal Street, Johannesburg)"
'Long-term interests must be protected'

Electioneering curb at Wits defended

By Sali Makgabutlane, Education Reporter

The ban on "electioneering activities" on the Wits' University campus has been defended by principal and vice-chancellor Professor Karl Tober.

"Last week Mrs Helen Suzman, Progressive Federal Party candidate in Houghton, complained that she was barred from addressing students on the campus after being invited to do so by Law Society students.

"Mrs Suzman threatened to pull out of a political discussion on the campus if she was not allowed to address students about the May 6 election."

The ban sparked an outcry from some students and the National Student Federation.

Professor Tober said the ban on electioneering activities came after "careful thought and wide consultation" and was a result of a recommendation by the vice-chancellor's board. It was fully endorsed by the University Council.

"The University of the Witwatersrand is going through one of the most important periods in its existence. It has prepared itself for an increasing number of students who come to it with inferior schooling, inadequate funds and a desperate need for suitable housing."

"One would expect that responsible politicians, of all people, would be sensitive to the fragile situation on campus in relation to the circumstances existing in the country."

"Compared with the exceptionally important task for which the university is preparing itself, the very reasonable decision not to allow electioneering on campus in the period leading up to the election must be seen in perspective and in the light of similar decisions by other universities."

"The purpose of the ban was to prevent "possible conflict", he said."

"If individual politicians feel aggrieved by being denied the opportunity to conduct part of their election campaigns on the Wits' campus, then we would wish to remind them that there is no shortage of alternative venues for political meetings. The central educational mission and the long-term interests of the university are paramount and will be protected."

Professor Tober pointed out that normal academic debate and discussion on these issues was not affected by the ruling. Attendance at such debates and discussions, however, would be restricted to staff and students.

"The University of Cape Town has also clamped down on "electioneering activities" while most of the Afrikaans universities allow election candidates to address students."

By Sue Leeman

A group of "non-aligned" students has hit out at the Wits' authorities for banning a campus debate, saying the university administration is applying the principle of freedom of speech selectively.

Their claim came after permission was refused for the International Relations Forum to stage a debate on campus. The participants were three election candidates: Mr Douglas Gibson of the PFP, Mr Hein Kruger of the NP and Independent Mr Horace van Rensburg.

The Rand Afrikaans University gave permission for the debate to be held on its premises, but the meeting was cancelled.

Members said the Forum was an "academic, non-aligned body designed for debating international relations issues."

The debate was to be jointly staged by the Forum and by the autonomous South African Institute for International Relations.

DISRUPTED

Student sources said permission had been denied by vice-chancellor Professor Karl Tober and deputy vice-chancellor in charge of student affairs, Professor Mervyn Shear.

"The university administration said they believed the meeting would be disrupted and referred us to a memorandum banning campus electioneering."

"This shows they have been bullied by the left wing on campus, who decide who will speak on campus by threatening to disrupt meetings. If the authorities are committed to freedom of speech, they must allow everyone to speak."

Head of the Forum, Mr Larry Benjamin, said he did not want to comment and would abide by the authorities' decision.

Professor Tober said it was expected "that responsible politicians would be sensitive to the fragile situation on campus in relation to the circumstances existing in the country."
Prof E.P. pleads for elite schooling in SA

Post Reporter

A SYSTEM of "elite education" should be introduced to ensure that South Africa has enough "development generators" to ensure economic growth, Stellenbosch economist, Prof J.L. Sadie, said today.

An adviser to the Bureau for Economic Research and the Institute for Future Research at Stellenbosch, he spoke at the UPE Autumn graduation ceremony.

Eleven doctorates and 216 degrees and postgraduate degrees were awarded.

In SA entrepreneurs and managers constituted only 3% of the population compared with 10% in the industrialized nations, he said.

"The cadre of entrepreneurs is too small to accommodate the totality of the labour force in the modern sector, so that 4.5 million of them are outside it eking out an existence at various degrees of under-employment, poverty, malnutrition and squalor".

Since 1961 rapid population growth had added 328 000 people to the job market every year at a time when there was no net new job creation.

The current system of education for blacks had to accommodate 322 000 new pupils every year. This meant that quality had to be sacrificed for quantity and 45% of the children were leaving school before achieving basic literacy.

Mass education would have to continue and more attention would have to be paid to career-orientated, specialist teaching but neither would ensure "development generators".

Elite education starting in primary school would help to develop a culture where entrepreneurship could flourish by fostering knowledge and developing the correct consciousness and attitude among talented people. It would also create a strong achievement orientation and work ethic among students.

Although socio-political reform that accorded dignity to all people was necessary, it would not make "an iota of difference" to the hard core of the problem which centred on rapid population growth and limited economic growth.
Witch-hunts at UWC out, says rector

Education Reporter

The University of the Western Cape will not tolerate racist practices by employees and will guard against witch-hunts, which were alien to any university, said UWC rector Professor Jakes Gerwel.

He was responding to students' demands that the university expose all racist lecturers in all departments and facilities and challenge all malpractices.

The demand was made at a meeting when students decided to join dental students in their boycott of classes until the head of the department of conservative dentistry, Professor Jeffry Cohen, was replaced.

Professor Gerwel warned against conducting witch-hunts because they opened the way for opportunists to have a "field" day.

The challenge to students and staff was to create in classrooms and seminars the critical environment where racist and reactionary ideas would not find a place, he said.

"It is for us to create through challenge and criticism the academic and intellectual practices which deserve the designation of being progressive," he said.

No lectures took place at UWC yesterday. Students decided after a meeting not to give evidence to the four-man commission appointed by the university to investigate the dental students' boycott.
Bop students leave

PRETORIA — Students at the University of Bophuthatswana have been given an ultimatum to leave the Mnabatho campus, after violent incidents took place. A university spokesman said yesterday that most students had started to leave yesterday morning after the weekend ultimatum was issued. She said university authorities ordered the students to leave after their "unruly" behaviour last week.

Reports by Staff Reporters, Own Correspondents and Sapa
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Police use birdshot at UCT student demo.
Police hurt

UK viewers

The latest news in the UK, including reports of injuries to police officers.
UWC to extend classes boycott

Staff Reporter

STUDENTS at a mass rally at the University of the Western Cape (UWC) yesterday resolved to extend their boycott of classes.

Last week the entire student body, comprising more than 8,000 full-time and part-time students, began boycotting classes in support of dentistry students, who now enter their fourth week of boycotting lectures, after allegations of racism were levelled at Professor J Cohen.

At yesterday's rally it was also resolved that Thursday this week would be set aside as a day of solidarity with workers.

Background

This year, May Day — the international day for workers — falls on Friday, the public holiday recently declared by State President, Mr P W Botha.

At the meeting there was an address to students by "Comrade Jeffrey", the Johannesburg-based South African Railways and Harbour Workers Union shop steward who last week described to University of Cape Town students the background to the recent and violent events concerning the Reef's rail strike.

Report

Meanwhile, UWC's commission of inquiry, appointed by the UWC Council to investigate the background of the dispute surrounding Professor Cohen, has heard all "the evidence available", the Director of UWC public affairs department, Mr Raymond O'Grady, said.

The commission would soon meet to finalize its report, which should be submitted to the council within the next 10 days, he said.

Mr O'Grady added that students had decided at yesterday's rally not to take part in the commission's proceedings. There was no student attendance at lectures yesterday, he said.

Students will meet again this morning.
Matie 'ban on Nusas, BSOS'

Staff Reporter

THE chairman of the National Union of South African Students (Nusas) branch at the University of Stellenbosch, Mr Jaco Malan, said last night that all activities of his organization and the Black Students’ Organization of Stellenbosch (BSOS) had yesterday been indefinitely banned by the acting rector of the university, Professor Roux de Villiers.

He said the ban had been slapped on the organizations following Friday’s incident on campus in which students wrestled with a man — later identified as a policeman — who had tried to arrest a trade unionist.

Constitution

But Prof De Villiers’s personal assistant, Mr Douglas Davis, last night said Prof De Villiers had told him the SRC had temporarily suspended the two organizations’ activities.

This was done in accordance with the SRC constitution in terms of which an organization’s activities were suspended while it was under investigation by the SRC. Prof De Villiers had asked the SRC to investigate the activities of BSOS and Nusas following Friday’s incident.

‘Over-reaction’

However, Mr Malan said the SRC president told him Prof De Villiers had authorized the ban and this had been confirmed in a meeting he had with the dean of student affairs, a Professor De Wet. Nusas and the BSOS said in a joint statement last night that they believed the suspension was unfair and a “typical example of the over-reaction of the conservative NP-orientated administration”.

They said they would fight the suspension through legal means. Students also launched a petition calling on the university to recognize May 1 as Workers’ Day.
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UCT head condemns violence and calls for calm on campus

CAPE TOWN — Dr Stuart Saunders, principal and vice-chancellor of the University of Cape Town, today condemned violence on campus and appealed for calm on all sides.

In an open message to the UCT community following disturbances on Friday and yesterday when students and police clashed on the campus, he said:

"The events of Friday, April 24, and of Monday, April 27, shocked us all."

(In these events, police were stoned by students, the police used teargas and opened fire with bird-shot and seven students were arrested in disturbances on the campus.)

"I strongly deplore the use of firearms by the police and have condemned some of the other actions of the police to the Divisional Commissioner as well.

"Let me make it quite clear that I understand the crisis in the land is being felt on this campus."

"This university has always upheld the right of peaceful and appropriate protest. Violent protest and arson are intolerable."

"I condemn them and I know the vast majority of people on this campus condemns them also.

"But I must stress that further demonstrations of this nature carry a real risk to life and I urge all concerned not to repeat the events of Friday and Monday.

"Deliberate interruption to prevent people from learning is not to be tolerated."

Dr Saunders met students today for discussion on defusing tension on the campus. — Sapa
Police fire birdshot at UCT gathering

CAPE TOWN In a day of violent confrontations at the University of Cape Town, police fired birdshot, teargas and sjambokked students on the campus yesterday, the Bureau for Information confirmed last night.

Seven people were arrested and three policemen were slightly injured.

A Bureau for Information spokesman said the decision to use birdshot had been taken when it was feared tear smoke being used to disperse the students would drift onto De Waal Drive below the campus.

The spokesman said about 500 students of all races were involved in the unrest.

It is believed to be the first time police have opened fire with live ammunition on a white university campus in South Africa.

It was the second time in four days that students and police have confronted each other on the campus.

Yesterday's incidents began at 2pm when about 500 students gathered above De Waal Drive after a mass lunchtime meeting called to protest against the SADF raid into Zambia and the police's presence on campus on Friday.

The UCT vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, tried to negotiate with police but students demanded that the police leave.

Dr Saunders then pleaded with the students to disperse and "stop throwing stones".

However, the students refused to obey him and a series of incidents took place. At one stage, students sought sanctuary in the Jagger Library.

Students ran for shelter in the student union and Jameson Hall and held an emergency meeting in Jameson Hall.

Dr Saunders held a number of meetings with senior administrative staff and the SRC yesterday evening, and said he would be meeting student leaders again this morning.

He said last night he was "shocked by the throwing of missiles by people on the campus and shocked by the use of birdshot by police".

"I abhor this violence and call on everybody to desist from this violence," he said. "I regard this matter as extremely serious."

The UDF last night urged police to keep off university campuses, saying their presence is an intense provocation that can only lay the basis of heightened tension and conflict."

In a statement released after Friday's confrontation at UCT, the UDF said police activity on campus was "not only a threat to our right of peaceful assembly and association, but also a direct attack on the freedom to debate and address the realities of our society".

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Campus on calm calls for principal's call.
CAPE TOWN — Several University of Cape Town students were injured and 18 more arrested yesterday in the third day of campus incidents.

Over a thousand students sitting along the edge of De Waal Drive, where they had been assembled with pickets for over two hours, were surprised when charged from behind, while the vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, was negotiating with senior police officers.

And yesterday the Divisional Commissioner of Police, Brig Ronnie van der Westhuizen, announced that Rhodes Drive, below the University of Cape Town, will be closed to traffic during peak hours until the situation on the University of Cape Town campus returned to normal.

Brig Van der Westhuizen appealed to the public to avoid the area where possible, and to use alternative routes to and from Cape Town.

"This step had been taken to avoid threats to lives and damage to property and followed requests that police stay off the campus," he said.

Students described how yesterday groups of people panicked and scattered as they were sjambokked and dragged into vans.

A second-year architectural student, who received stitches after being hit on the forehead by a sjambok, described how he joined the demonstration "because everything was peaceful." He said he did not hear any warning from the authorities.

A statement by the Bureau for Information, said that 18 students were arrested in clashes with police at the campus yesterday.

The full statement read: "Police confirmed that approximately 400 students at UCT this afternoon at 3:35 pm participated in a demonstration with placards.

"The crowd then sat down alongside the De Waal Drive freeway. Police requests to disperse were ignored.

"Police used sjamboks to disperse the crowd. Eighteen people, all students and all above 18 years of age, were arrested: 10 white males, 2 black males, 3 coloured males and 3 white females. No damage or injuries were reported."

The Progressive Federal Party MP for Claremont, Mr Jan van Eck, described the "lack of co-ordination" on the part of police as "absurd."

"The policeman in charge, a Captain O'Dowd, was allowing the vice chancellor to negotiate for a peaceful withdrawal when the riot police moved in from behind," he said. — Sapa
UWC’s Gerwel opposes racism and witchhunts

CAPE TOWN — The University of the Western Cape (UWC) would not tolerate racist practices by employees and would guard against witch-hunts, which were alien to any university, according to the Rector of UWC, Professor Jakes Gerwel.

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"It is for us to create through challenge and criticism the academic and intellectual practices which deserve the designation of being progressive," he said. — Sapa
University of Cape Town students talk to journalists as they arrive at the Wynberg Magistrate’s Court today for the appearance of five fellow-students who were arrested on the campus on Monday.

**Court releases five UCT students on bail**

Staff Reporter

FIVE University of Cape Town students arrested on the campus on Monday were granted bail of R50 each in Wynberg Magistrate’s Court yesterday.

They were Carol Green, 20, of Arnold Street, Observatory, Sally Anderson, 20, of Pear Lane, Constantia, Andrew Brown, 21, of Munroe Avenue, Claremont, Siobhan Mills, 21, of Main Road, Observatory, and Selby Adams, 19, of Santana Avenue, Diep River.

They were not formally charged and were not asked to plead.

The hearing was postponed to June 3 by the magistrate, Mr P. Englebrecht, who warned the students not to communicate with State witnesses.

The investigating officer, Detective-Warrant Officer T. Klevubana, said he understood two other students who were arrested with the five had been released.

Before proceedings started the court orderly asked their attorney, Ms Andy Durbin, to caution a crowd of about 100 family and friends to be silent or the court would be cleared.

**ALCOHOL**

The students were told they were "not on campus now" and were warned to "behaviour themselves".

Proceedings were delayed for an hour while behind-the-scenes decisions were made as to whether or not the hearing would be placed before the Regional Court.

In the meantime an embarrassed civil engineer stood trial in front of the packed public gallery for driving while under the influence of alcohol.

He pleaded guilty and told the court he was caught in a roadblock after drinking five beers while watching a cricket match at Newlands in the end of March.

There was a strong police presence in the corridors outside the courtroom and three television crews waited on the pavement outside.

About 200 friends and relatives gathered outside the court to watch for the students.

They were released at the back gates of the court complex and were greeted by cheers, hugs and tears from the crowd.

**UCT head blasts action by police**

Staff Reporter

UNIVERSITY of Cape Town principal and vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders said today he was "astounded and angry" when police charged students from behind while he was negotiating a peaceful end to yesterday’s protest.

Had permission been granted for students to march back to Jameson Hall the protest might have ended peacefully, Dr Saunders said in an open letter to the university community.

He said: "The protest was non-violent on the part of the students. I am pleased about that. And while I am pleased that the police kept off the campus and used minimum force, I was astonished and very angry when police came from behind when I was trying to negotiate with the students as I had arranged with a ranking police officer."

Dr Saunders once again appealed for calm and "the need to avoid violence of any kind".

Talks during the past two days between university administration officials and senior police officers, and later with student representatives, had been "directed at securing an end to the violence and preventing any further disruption of campus life".

No stones or missiles were thrown at the start of yesterday’s student demonstration along De Waal Drive, he said.

"The students were well disciplined, sat on the grass most of the time and sang songs."

In the light of a decision by students to boycott lectures in favour of alternative programmes, Dr Saunders said all lectures, tests and classes would continue as usual for those students who attended them.

**Rhodes Drive to close**

Staff Reporter

POLICE will close Rhodes Drive during traffic peak hours until the situation on the University of Cape Town campus "normalises".

Brigadier Lonne van der Westhuizen, divisional commissioner of police, said the move was necessary to protect lives and property.

The decision followed requests to the police to stay off the campus.

The route was closed for the first time yesterday afternoon between Woolsack Drive and Klipper Road just before a demonstration by students. But it was reopened before peak hour after police action against the demonstrators, during which 18 people were arrested.

A police spokesman said today the peak hours closure would be between Master’s Mill on the city side and Klipper Road on the Newlands side.

Among alternative routes are Main Road, Settlers Way and the M5 freeway and Constantia Nek and Kloof Nek.

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18 arrested as police move on campus again

Students cram Jameson Hall at UCT during a meeting at which it was decided to boycott lectures until tomorrow.

Staff Reporters

EIGHTEEN people were arrested at the University of Cape Town when police moved in to the campus for the third time in less than a week.

At least three students were injured during a police sweep yesterday after an hour-long peaceful demonstration on the grass verge next to De Waal Drive.

During the demonstration, De Waal Drive was closed to traffic in both directions. The road was re-opened shortly after the police action while police formed a barrier between the university and the road.

About 2,000 students started marching at 2:30pm from Jameson Hall, where earlier they had held a mass meeting.

Freedom songs

About 1,000 students seated on the grass at the Sports Centre, waving placards and singing freedom songs.

No police were in sight at that stage, except for a police helicopter which monitored the march.

De Waal Drive was sealed off as student leaders, using loudhailers, warned that the demonstration would remain peaceful.

Traffic backed up for hundreds of metres before being diverted into Woodstock Road by traffic police.

Five minutes later a police van pulled up opposite the demonstration.

The police were approached by Mr. Jan van Gork, MP for Claremont, and UCT principal Dr. Stuart Saunders.

The van then parked on the grass verge.

Dr. Saunders came back to the demonstrators and spoke to the president of the Students Representative Council, Miss Carla Sutherland.

She told the crowd Dr. Saunders had received a warning from the police.

"He told me they had informed him that if we did not move on to De Waal Drive they would stop us," Miss Sutherland said today.

"And this time they were armed not with batons but with rifles."

The students decided to stay where they were until peak-hour traffic started flowing.

At 3:30pm police reinforcements arrived. Dr. Saunders spoke to them.

But before 4pm police took up positions next to the students.

Dr. Saunders told Miss Sutherland they wanted the demonstrators to disperse.

Charged from behind

Miss Sutherland tried to relay the message to the students but could not be heard because of their chanting and the noise of the police helicopter hovering nearby.

Dr. Saunders gestured to the police to move away, but before he did so police — who had driven up behind the students — charged.

Most of the demonstrators were caught by surprise and scattered.

Several arrests were made, especially of students carrying placards.

A second group of policemen, which had moved behind the Sports Centre, made arrests as the students fled.

Those arrested were taken to De Waal Drive police van. Reporters saw at least two students with bloodied noses and mouths.

After a student with a gun was hit by a sjambok he was running away.

Police formed a line along De Waal Drive, which was then reopened to traffic.

By 4:30pm traffic was flowing smoothly along De Waal Drive.

Police said today 15 men and three women had been arrested on charges of participating in an illegal gathering.

A student injured in yesterday's charge by police on demonstrators on the grass verge next to De Waal Drive.

Dr. Stuart Saunders, principal of UCT, gestures to a police helicopter to move away before yesterday's police charge.
18 arrested as police move on campus again

Thousands of students cram Jameson Hall at UCT during a meeting at which it was decided to boycott lectures until tomorrow.

EIGHTEEN people were arrested at the University of Cape Town when police moved on to the campus for the third time in less than a week.

At least three students were injured during a police swipe yesterday after an hour-long police demonstration on the grass verge next to De Waal Drive.

During the demonstration, De Waal Drive was closed to traffic in both directions. The road was reopened shortly after the police action while police formed a barrier between the university and the road.

About 2000 students started marching at 2.30pm from Jameson Hall, where earlier they had held a mass meeting.

Freedom songs

About 1500 students settled on the grass at the Sports Centre, waving placards and singing freedom songs.

No police were in sight at that stage, except for a police helicopter which monitored the march.

De Waal Drive was sealed off as student leaders, using loudspeakers, warned that the demonstration should remain peaceful.

Traffic backed up for hundreds of metres before being diverted into Woodstock Road by traffic police.

Five minutes later a police van drove up to oppose the demonstrators.

The police were approached by Mr Jan van Heerden, MP for Claremont, and UCT principal, Dr Stuart Saunders. The van then parked on the grass verge.

Dr Saunders came back to the demonstrators and spoke to the president of the Students' Representative Council, Miss Carla Sutherland.

She told the crowd Dr Saunders had received a warning from the police.

"He told that if we they would say today," said today...

"And th..." with tears.

Just before this, Saunders said, "You wanted the..."
By LLOYD COUTTS
RHODES University has decided not to recognise South Africa's first Workers' Day on Friday, but has assured students and staff who wish to stay home they will not be penalised.

Vice-principal Dr Roux van der Merwe said today Rhodes accepted the right of groups within it to commemorate those days which they held to be sacred or important.

"But given the diverse nature of its constituents, Rhodes has resolved not to associate itself officially with any particular commemoration by closing entirely on such a day," he said.

Accordingly, Rhodes did not observe any public holiday or commemorative day which fell during the terms when it was in session.

"Rhodes wishes to reaffirm and accept the right of those students and workers who wish to celebrate Workers' Day, to be absent for a part or the whole of that day. It has taken steps to ensure that those who do not choose to absent themselves can do so without any prejudice," Dr Van der Merwe said.

Lectures will be held as usual on Friday and alternative arrangements have been made in residences and eating halls.

Grahamstown municipal workers have the day off on Friday, according to the Town Clerk, Mr Lionel Pienaar.

The Master Builders' Association in PE has recommended that employers pay for Workers' Day.

Individual contractors have the discretion to treat it as an unpaid public holiday, according to Mr A B Carroll, president of the MBA.

Another MBA official said he had conducted a snap survey among big builders and had found most would treat it as a paid holiday.

A spokesman for the PE Chamber of Industries yesterday said industrialists had separate labour structures.

Most workers within the motor, iron, steel and metallurgical, tanning, footwear, clothing and furniture manufacturing industries would be granted May 1 as a paid holiday.

In Johannesburg shops and offices will close and most mineworkers are expected to take the day off. There will be a varying response in industry and construction.
Saunders appeals for calm

DR Stuart Saunders, principal and vice-chancellor of the University of Cape Town, yesterday condemned violence on campus and appealed for calm on all sides. In an open message to the UCT community, he detailed the events of Friday and Monday when students clashed with police:

"Stones were thrown at cars on De Waal Drive and the police responded with teargas. The police entered the campus and repeatedly used teargas.

"This occurred several times on the Plaza in front of Jameson Hall. I called upon the students to disperse and told them that the police had agreed to my request to leave the campus.

"As the police were leaving stones and bottles were thrown at them. They retaliated with teargas and this was repeated several times. The police entered the library and several other buildings and hit students with quirts and fired teargas into some buildings.

"Seven students were arrested and I understand are due to appear in court. Ten students were treated for birdshot wounds and one for a dog bite at the students health centre.

"I strongly deplore the use of firearms by the police and have condemned some other actions of the police to the divisional commissioner as well.

"I understand the crisis in the land is being felt on this campus. This university has always upheld the right of peaceful and appropriate protest. Violent protest and arson are intolerable.

"I condemn them and I know the vast majority of people on this campus condemns them also. Innocent people were put at great risk on the campus by these events ...

"If there are disturbances on campus do not mill around outside. Do not be a curious onlooker ...

"We must preserve our university. It has an important role to play in the years ahead and it must not be destroyed," Dr Saunders said. — Sapa and Staff Reporter.

MONITORING THE SITUATION . . . From left, the UCT vice-chancellor, Dr Stuart Saunders, the PFP MP for Claremont, Mr Jan van Eck, the PFP MP for Pinelands, Mr Jasper Walsh, and the PFP MP for Groote Schuur, Mr Jan van Gend, stand across the road from De Waal Drive and discuss yesterday's events at UCT.
UCT’s principal was angered by police charge

CAPE TOWN — UCT’s principal and vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders said today he was astonished and “very angry” when police charged students from behind while he was negotiating a peaceful end to yesterday’s protest.

Several students were hurt in yesterday’s action against a crowd of about 1 000. The Bureau for Information said sambaloks were used.

Today hundreds boycotted lectures.

A statement by the Bureau for Information said police used sambaloks to disperse demonstrating students and that 18 were arrested.

In an open letter to the university community Dr Saunders said that had permission been granted for students to march back to Jameson Hall, the protest might have ended peacefully.

“The protest was non-violent on the part of the students. I am pleased about that. And while I am pleased that the police kept off the campus and used minimum force, I was astonished and very angry when police came from behind when I was trying to negotiate with the students as I had arranged with a ranking police officer.”

He again appealed for calm and “the need to avoid violence of any kind.”

Talks over two days between UCT’s administration and senior police officers, and later with student representatives, had been “directed at securing an end to the violence and preventing any further disruption of campus life”.

No stones or missiles were thrown at the start of yesterday’s student demonstration along De Waal Drive, he said.

“The students were well disciplined, sat on the grass most of the time and sang songs.”

“I asked for permission for the students to march down on the grass inside the campus and then turn off left inside the campus back to the front of Jameson Hall.”

“I negotiated at length on this point but permission was refused. I believe that if that had been allowed the demonstration would have ended peacefully.”

The ranking police officer with whom he had been negotiating insisted that Dr Saunders order the protestors to disperse.

“I told him that I did not think I would be successful, but I would try to get them to do that and if I failed, I would come back to him, and I returned to the students.”

Five students freed on R50 bail

CAPE TOWN — Five University of Cape Town students arrested on the campus on Monday were released in the Wynberg Magistrate’s Court today on R50 bail each.

They were Miss Carol Green, 20, of Arnold Street, Observatory, Miss Sally Andrew, 20, of Pear Lane, Constantia, Mr Andrew Brown, 21, of Munroe Avenue, Claremont, Mr Siobhain Mills, 21, of Main Road, Observatory, and Mr Saleigh Adams, 19, of Santana Avenue, Diep River.

They were not formally charged and were not asked to plead.

The hearing was postponed to June 3 by the magistrate Mr P Engelbrecht who warned the students not to communicate with State witnesses.

Before proceedings started the court ordered an attorney to caution a crowd of about 180 family and friends to be silent or the court would be cleared.

The students awaiting trial were told they were not on campus and warned to behave themselves.

The students were released at the back gates of the court complex and were greeted by cheers from the waiting crowd.

“Before I could address the students (who were sitting on the grass) to try to get them to disperse, to get them to disperse, other police came from behind and forcibly dispersed the students,” he said. “I am returned to the students.”
Police said they would necklace me

Supreme Court Reporter

POLICE threatened to "necklace" one of the 15 men charged with terrorism if he did not co-operate or "tried to be funny," the Supreme Court heard yesterday.

Mr Thembinkosi Mzukwa, 26, was giving evidence in a trial within a trial on the admissibility of a statement made to a magistrate the day after his arrest on May 25 last year.

Mr Mzukwa said that while he was being taken to secure police offices at 112 Loop Street, a policeman called Nortje told him that they would "necklace" him and dump his body in Crossroads, "so it would not appear this had been done by police."

He said Nortje also threatened to shoot him and dump his body in a river and to stab him and dump him in Crossroads if he "did not co-operate" or "tried to be funny or play tricks."

He was also told police knew he had a lung damaged by TB and he "would not be able to endure being tortured for 24 hours."

When he got to Loop Street, a conversation in Afrikaans between two policemen - one Nell and another - "made me shiver," he said.

Nel was asked: "Where is the other boy?" He answered: "We took him to hospital for an X-ray."

"His head," asked the unknown policeman.

"Yes," Nel replied. "And this one?" Nel was asked. "He'll get the same thing if he doesn't want to talk," Nel replied.

Punched and slapped

Mr Mzukwa's hands were handcuffed to a chair behind his back and he was punched and slapped by Nel who prowled up and down behind him as Nortje questioned him.

He asked to see a lawyer but was told he could not till he had appeared in court. He said he did not know he was entitled to refuse to answer questions.

He consented to make a statement to a magistrate, thinking he could tell the magistrate about being assaulted, but "gave up hope" when he saw Nortje pick up a phone and ask to speak to the magistrate.

Hope faded further when Nortje warned him that if the statement he made to the magistrate did not satisfy police they would tear it up and "do something about me."

He said his mind was not set at rest when the magistrate told him: "You have nothing to fear and can elect to speak frankly."

"I don't see much difference between magistrates and policemen. All these people are working for the government," he said.

Mr Mzukwa said he was also assaulted when he was arrested and had guns pointed at him while he was in a police van.

He agreed to take police to the Langa stadium where they found two limpet mines because "they were quite desperate and angry, and since guns were pointing at me."

The trial continues.

Mr Justice H C Nel presided with Mr L F Francis and Mr W R Vivier as assessors. Mr W C Viljoen appeared for the State with Mr M Stowe. Mr D A Kuny SC, with Mr J R Whitehead, Mr A M Omar and Mr S Desai and instructed by E Moosa and Associates and R Vassen and Co, appeared for the defence.
SEVERAL UCT students were injured and 18 arrested yesterday in the third day of campus incidents.

More than 1,000 students sitting along the edge of De Waal Drive, where they had been assembled with picnics for over two hours, were surprised when charged from behind by police, while vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders was negotiating with senior SAP officers.

Divisional Commissioner of Police Brig Ronnie van der Westhuizen said Rhodes Drive, below UCT, would be closed to traffic during peak hours until the situation returned to normal.

"This step had been taken to avoid threats to lives and damage to property and followed requests that police stay off the campus," he said.

PFP MP for Claremont Jan van Eck described the "lack of co-ordination" on the part of police as "absurd".

"The policeman in charge, a Captain O'Dowd, was allowing the vice-chancellor to negotiate for a peaceful withdrawal when the riot police moved in from behind," he said.

Saunders said he thought the student demonstration was peaceful and that no stones or missiles had been thrown.
Maties march over ban

MORE THAN 100 University of Stellenbosch students yesterday marched to the office of the acting rector, Professor Roux de Villiers, asking him to lift his ban on Nusas and the Black Students' Organization of Stellenbosch (BSOS) activities on the campus.

Mr Jaco Malan, chairman of Nusas's Stellenbosch branch, said the students had gone to the rector as individuals after a meeting was called by the United Stellenbosch Front in protest against the ban.

The activities of the two organizations were banned following Friday's incident when students wrestled with a man — later identified as a policeman — who had tried to arrest a unionist.

Prof De Villiers has denied that he imposed the ban, and said the ban was imposed by the SRC after he had asked them to investigate the activities of the two organizations.

Nusas rejected this view and says they were told by the SRC that the acting rector authorized the ban. Mr Malan said the SRC had a meeting yesterday at which a motion was tabled calling on the acting rector, in consultation with the SRC, to lift the ban.

Liberal members of the SRC rejected this motion on the grounds that the ban was imposed by the acting rector in the first place.

A second motion was then tabled and passed by the SRC in which they asked the acting rector to lift the ban. They added the proviso that all organizations on campus should inform the rector of any person invited to speak on campus 24 hours in advance.

Prof De Villiers could not be reached for comment last night.

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18 arrests at UCT

Staff Reporter

SEVERAL University of Cape Town students were injured and 18 more arrested yesterday in the third day of campus incidents.

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And yesterday the Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Western Province, Brigadier Ron Amdale van der Westhuizen, announced that Rhodes Drive below UCT will be closed to traffic during peak hours until the situation on the campus returns to normal.

To avoid threats to lives

Brig Amdale van der Westhuizen appealed to the public to use alternative routes to and from the city where possible.

"This step had been taken to avoid threats to lives and damage to property," he said. "Students described how yesterday groups of people panicked and scattered as they were chased and dragged into vans."

A second-year architectural student, who received stitches after being hit on the forehead by a police officer, described how he joined the demonstration "because everything was peaceful". He said he had not heard any warning from the authorities.

Other eyewitnesses said they saw two students with bloodied noses and mouths being dragged to vans after perturbation broke out about 4pm.

A statement issued by the Bureau for Information, issued via Sapo, said that 18 students were arrested in clashes with police at the campus yesterday.

The full statement read: "Police confirmed that approximately 500 students at UCT this afternoon at 1600 participated in a demonstration with placards."
Campus ban draws wrath of Suzman

THE University of the Witwatersrand's decision to ban election speakers from campus showed it was allowing itself to be held "virtually to ransom" by radical students, PFP candidate for Houghton, Helen Suzman, said yesterday.

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Saunders defends his statement about stones

Staff Reporter

UNIVERSITY of Cape Town vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders today defended his statement this week that "stones were thrown at passing cars before police arrived" at the onset of campus violence last Friday.

A student delegation yesterday demanded an explanation.

Dr Saunders said today: "I was not present on Friday, 24 April.

"I have an eyewitness account that stones were thrown at passing cars on Friday April 24 before police arrived on the scene.

"Students claim that police who arrived in unmarked cars were the target on Friday and that the first stones were thrown at a marked police car on Monday 28."

Whether or not stones were thrown at police cars, marked or unmarked, was irrelevant, he said.

"Any vehicle on De Waal Drive was endangered on both occasions. I cannot condone stone-throwing under any circumstances and especially on a busy highway like De Waal Drive.

"Secondly, I uphold the right of students to protest peacefully and appropriately. Protest is neither effective nor legitimate when stones are thrown and lives are endangered.

"The protest on Tuesday April 28 was disciplined and peaceful. I have already said publicly that I was pleased about that."

Dr Saunders has also said that lectures will be held as usual in spite of a student boycott.

However, in response to a student demand, he had appealed to the heads of departments and lecturers to consider "as appropriate and as possible" repeating lectures or providing notes to cover missed material.
Chanting students disrupt meeting

DURBAN — Thirty black students chanting slogans in support of the African National Congress disrupted a meeting featuring the Progressive Federal Party leader, Mr Colin Eglin, and three top party members at the University of Natal yesterday.

Mr Eglin made a short speech at the PFP’s party chairman and MP for Durban Central, Mr Peter Gastrow, had just started speaking when about 30 black students came into the hall, dancing and chanting slogans such as “viva ANC” and “viva Mandela”.

The audience were then invited to ask questions. Questions were shouted over the noise of the chanting students but the disruption became so loud that the meeting was eventually abandoned.

(Report by S. Filton, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban.)
UCT 5 released on bail of R50

CAPE TOWN — Five University of Cape Town students arrested after confrontations with police at the campus on Monday were released on R50 bail in the Wynberg Magistrate's Court yesterday.

They were not asked to plead and no formal charges were put.

They are Mr Andrew Brown (21) of Monroe Avenue, Claremont, Miss Carol Green (20) of Arnold Street, Observatory, Mr Siobhan Mills (22) of Lower Main Road, Observatory, Miss Sally Andrew (20) of Peer Lane, Constantia, and Mr Saleigh Adams of Santana Avenue, Diep River.

The charge sheet indicates they may be charged with public violence.

The court room was full and about 200 friends, relatives and students gathered outside the building.

Three foreign television camera crews were also outside the court.

The hearing was adjourned to June 3 and the magistrate, Mr P Engelbrecht, warned the five not to communicate with state witnesses. — Sapa.

A statement under the Public Safety Act read with the emergency regulations.
A shout. A shot. And UCT lies bleeding

STUDENT anger at the University of Cape Town spilled over this week as students rallied to assert their right to peaceful protest and express their rage at police action.

Reaction to the Sarwhu killings, the Sats firings and the SADF incursion into Zambia provided the spark, but unprecedented police action stoked the fires as hundreds of students were confronted by the might of the state.

For the first time, students on the mainly white campus found themselves confronting a dilemma faced by thousands of township youths: whether to risk arrest by reporting to hospital for treatment of gunshot wounds.

One of the students treated for birdshot injuries at UCT's student health centre on Monday said shots came without warning. He told the Weekly Mail he had been part of a group of about 20 students who had been standing near the sports centre when they heard someone shout "Hey!"

"I believe students should have the right to say what they think, but peacefully. I was bit worried about the stones thrown on Monday and last Friday. "But on Tuesday there were no stones, no violent acts on the part of the students. I am terribly shocked at the police action. I've never known what to believe about allegations of police brutality up to now. It was like something out of the movie Platoon," he said.

Police first moved on to campus last Friday after stones were hurled at police vehicles from a group of about 200 students demonstrating on the grass embankment below UCT's sports centre on De Waal Drive.

In the four-hour confrontation that followed, hundreds more students became part of the conflict as they found themselves on the receiving end of volleys of teargas lobbed across campus and into lecture theatres. The cab of an SA Breweries delivery truck was gutted by fire.

By Monday, the number of students who marched down to De Waal Drive for the second protest had swollen to 500, while hundreds more looked on from the relative safety of residence roofs and other vantage points.

The first police vehicle drew the first stones. Firing teargas, police surged on to campus. The plaza outside Jameson Hall became a frontline as stones and bottles crashed down at police amid volleys of teargas.

Later, police moved in with quirts. As they led students to waiting vans, the chant went up: "Let them go! Let them go!"

From the upper levels of the Student Union Building, just across the plaza, the sound of hundreds of students singing freedom songs drifted down to the police below. As police were about to withdraw, missiles rained down and a barrage of teargas sent everyone in the vicinity racing for cover indoors.

According to a student eyewitness, police burst into the Jagger Library in pursuit of students fleeing from teargas: "One of them went up and down, thumping on the students' desks with his quirt, shouting: 'You're not fooling us, we know you're here just to study throwing stones.' Then they dragged a student out," he said.

Soon after the students were shot with birdshot, police left campus. A mass meeting in Jameson Hall on Tuesday drew 2 500 students. The mood was militant and defiant. A boycott of lectures, decided on the previous afternoon in response to the shootings, sjambokings and arrests, was underway.

On Tuesday, police said they used sjamboks to disperse about 400 placard demonstrators who had sat down alongside De Waal Drive and ignored requests to disperse.
1. RIVERSDALE - SOME PRELIMINARY REMARKS

1.1 Riversdale's historical formation

Riversdale was proclaimed a town in 1829 when it was still little more than a collection of: "We turned to see who it was. He fired. We turned to run, and he fired again." The policeman was wearing plain clothes and had crept up behind them, the student said.

Another student, injured the next day when police broke up a demonstration, said he had heard no warning from police to disperse before they took action. Tuesday's demonstration was the third in less than a week, and the most peaceful of the three. On Friday and Monday, stones were thrown; on Tuesday, the protest - a placard demonstration - began without incident.

An hour after 1 000 students gathered on the verge above a sealed-off De Waal Drive at the edge of the campus, UCT vice-chancellor Dr Stuart Saunders returned from across the drive, where he had been negotiating with police, to tell SRC President Carla Sutherland the police wanted students to disperse. She was to convey this information to the crowd by loudhailer, after which she would return to the police to tell them what students had said.

But a police helicopter, which had been circling almost continuously, suddenly came in to hover close overhead, drowning out her words and ignoring Saunders' efforts to wave it away.

Seconds later, students were fleeing in all directions as plain clothes and uniformed policemen rushed in from behind, seizing students and hauling them off to waiting vans.

At least two of the 18 students arrested were seen to have bloodied noses: one had lost his shirt. A second-year architecture student, who required stitches to close a gaping head wound, told Weekly Mail: "We were standing near the sports centre. There was no warning that I heard. The police came and people scattered. I was following students who were walking up past the police, with their hands above their heads, when the cop at the top quirked me and I fell down the steps, landing on my back."

Although he had not held a placard, the student, who asked not to be identified, said he had taken part in the demonstration "because I believed it
Students ‘right’ in their protest

THE police and student clashes at UCT have prompted responses from Teleletter readers. Other issues raised include the SATS timetable debacle and the possible presence of Naas Botha in the WP rugby side.

Mrs A Van Der Riet, 3 Velden Road, Wynberg: “People must be reminded that the UCT students are quite rightly expressing their abhorrence of the killing of SATS workers and the cross border raid into Zambia. Do not be diverted from these, the real issues, by half truths and hysteria regarding student behaviour.”

Mr L C Turner, Upper Primrose Avenue, Claremont: "It is a disgrace that Rhodes Drive had to be closed due to student protest. The university authorities should either 'expel' these 'opstokers' or exact corporal punishment against them."

Mrs H Clarke, Huis Nuweland, Silvia Road, Claremont: "Please note that UCT yesterday made a peaceful demonstration for justice. I see they are now being asked by the Department of Criminology to put their case for injuries done by police with sjamboks and bird shot. Let right be seen to be done."
The bald face of the Emergency comes to an "open" university ... and it can now be photographed. This picture of a heavily armed policeman leading away a University of Cape Town student would have been illegal before last week's court ruling declaring the restrictions on photographs invalid. SEE PAGES 6 and 7.

Cosatu House

A large contingent of armed security forces surrounded Cosatu House yesterday afternoon for the second time in a week and arrested seven people in connection with the murder of four SA Transport Services workers on Tuesday evening at Kemner in midwalesdorp.

Among those believed arrested is a 12-year-old youth who was found in the hall on the ground floor where Sats strikers were meeting.

Police surrounded the building at about 3pm and moved into the foyer 30 minutes later.

Sats workers barricaded themselves in the hall and were given five minutes to get out.

By GARY

The arrested men away in police cars.

Several people were in the building after be.

A 3:30pm woman y to leave the building.

Police then ordered back into the hall.

A few minutes later, the Police told the others to leave and released the arrested men.

The arrested men were taken away in police cars.

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De Villiers ordered the inquiry which was due to start today.

The investigation follows a meeting last Friday where students twice prevented a man - who later identified himself as a security policeman - from arresting SA Railway and Harbour Workers' Union (Sarbwu) shop steward Morris Ndou after he addressed students on campus in defiance of an order by De Villiers.

Meanwhile, the University of Western Cape students, now in their second week of a class boycott, are staging daily sit-ins outside the administration buildings, where a four-member commission of inquiry is investigating student demands that a dentistry professor be dismissed.

UCT students out on bail

By GAYE DAVIS, Cape Town

FIVE students arrested at the University of Cape Town on Monday were released on bail outside the Wynberg magistrate's court yesterday where they appeared in connection with charges of public violence and alternative charges of attending an illegal gathering, assaulting and hindering police.

The five - Sally Andrew, Carol Greene, Andrew Brown, Salie Adam, Stophan Mull - were not asked to plead and were postponed to June 3 for further investigation.

They were released on bail of R50 each.

Eighteen students arrested at UCT during Tuesday's protest are expected to appear in the Wynberg Magistrates Court today in connection with attending an illegal gathering.

In Stellenbosch, meanwhile, a ban on the activities of the National Union of SA Students (Nusa) and the Black Students Society (BSS) has been lifted - amid confusion as to who imposed it in the first place.

Students said acting rector, Professor Roux de Villiers, on Thursday learnt that Nusa and BSS had been banned.

The two organizations were told they could no longer operate on campus until students' representative council investigation was completed.
Ex-Nat academic
to vote for PFP

By Michel Desmidt

Disillusionment with the Nationalist Government has swayed a University of Port Elizabeth academic and former National Party election agent in Walmer, Dr Johan Odendaal, to vote for the Progressive Federal Party in Wednesday’s general election.

Dr Odendaal said in an interview today that although he would be voting for the PFP, he would not be joining the party. He resigned from the NP about four years ago.

Dr Odendaal was the election agent in the 1981 general election for the NP’s candidate for Walmer, Mr Theo Aronson, who lost the seat to the present incumbent, Mr Andrew Savage.

The PFP’s Walmer candidate, Mr Paddy Ball, said he was “obviously thrilled” about Dr Odendaal’s open decision to join other academics “who have encouraged me during the campaign.”

Mr Ball said an indication of support for the PFP among UPE academics was that about 30 lecturers had attended a recent house meeting.

Explaining his political about-turn after being aligned with the NP for most of his life, Dr Odendaal said he was a democrat: “who believes you can’t sit on the fence”.

The NP had no policy as far as blacks were concerned and the tri-cameral parliamentary system was flawed because it did not have the support of coloureds and Indians.

Dr Odendaal, a senior lecturer in semitic languages, said what was needed was a single Parliament in which all groups were represented, since “if you do not give a man the vote, you give him nothing”.

This would not necessarily lead to one-man, one-vote, he said, adding that a black parliamentary majority was inevitable. “It’s going to come and you can’t dream it away.

“We must start building trust among each other. I’ve worked among blacks as a Dutch Reformed Church missionary and lectured at Fort Hare and I’m not scared of working with them.”

Dr Odendaal said the longer the Government waited to negotiate with moderate black leaders, the greater the risk of them losing credibility among their own people.

Referring to calls by the independent candidates for a moderate alliance, Dr Odendaal said he believed the “independents” would not play a direct role after the election but had the potential in the long term to create a concrete new party.

(Report by M Desmidt, 19 Baskens Street, Port Elizabeth.)
Evidence on UCT

UCT's Institute of Criminology has taken more than 50 sworn statements from people injured in, and witnesses to, this week's violence on campus.

An Institute spokesman said the body of the evidence related to Monday's shootings and Tuesday's sjambok charge on students.

"It looks like at least 10 were injured in the shooting. According to the statements, it appears that a small group of students, about 15 in all, were standing near the sports centre about 3pm on Monday when two plainclothes people stepped out from the path between the rugby fields and the highway, pulled shotguns from under their jackets and opened fire.

"Most people ran away towards the sports centre, where they were shot at again. Some received head wounds, while others were hit in the eye, throat, chest, back, arms, legs and groin.

"Some of those hit weren't part of the group watching the police and which was subject to the initial fire. It is unclear whether any stones were thrown at that time."

According to the statements, no warning was heard before police opened fire.

"The statements also covered a number of other incidents, including the sjambokking of people in and just outside the library, and people being chased down corridors of university buildings and sjambokked.

"There was also a lecturer shot at point blank range with a teargas canister on Monday."

It would be decided at a meeting later what legal options to pursue.