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• RIOTS AND DISTURBANCES — CAPE

1986

Police teargas pupils after Belhar rally

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Staff Reporter

RIOT police allegedly fired several canisters of teargas at about 200 pupils in Belhar at noon yesterday as they were returning to their school after a pre-May Day rally at another school.

About 600 pupils from Belhar No 1, Symphony and Belhar No 2 High schools had earlier attended a rally at Belhar No 1.

Pupils from Symphony and Belhar No 2 were walking to their schools when they were confronted by police in a Casspir near the Belhar library. Seconds later several canisters of teargas were fired at them and they scattered.

Police also allegedly chased pupils from Belhar No 2 yesterday morning as they were walking to the rally after having completed an examination. A pupil was also allegedly arrested while walking home about 10.30am.

A Pretoria police spokesman confirmed to Sapa that "an incident" of unrest occurred.

At the rally, Clothing Workers' Union organizer Ms June Esau condemned the "brutal police action taken against our students". She was referring to an incident at Silverstream this week, when police whipped students.

Ms Esau, who was detained for more than a month last year, said the emergency had been lifted but police were still detaining, whipping and gassing pupils and the troops remained in the townships.

She spoke out against the presence of security gaurds at schools and the victimization of students and teachers. "Who are these people that visitors have to report to and that teachers have to answer to?"

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'Milestone' May Day meeting

By YAZEED FAKIER
Education Reporter

IN a massive show of solidarity, more than 2 000 pupils from the black and coloured townships yesterday held a May Day mass rally in Guguletu to show support for workers "and unity among ourselves".

It is the first time that so many coloured pupils have gathered at a black township venue. The rally was hailed by SRC members as "a milestone for student organization in the Western Cape".

After the four-hour meeting pupils on their way home stoned a Casspir and police van parked on a field next to the Apostolic Church Hall where the meeting was held.

Empty bus stoned

An empty City Tramways bus was also stoned in NY1 and police stepped up their patrol with five Casspirs, four Buffels and police vans, under the command of Major Dolf Odendaal, second-in-command of the Peninsula Reaction Unit.

Major Odendaal later asked a Cape Times team to leave the area because "we expect problems here".

Virtually all schools in the black townships were deserted as pupils streamed to the church hall from about 9am. They were joined by busloads of pupils from Belgravia and Rylands high schools and a delegation from Alexander Sinton in Athlone.

SRC leaders of the schools present described the rally as "a significant success for the joining of forces of all black pupils".

● About 1 500 pupils attended a two-hour rally at the Modderdam Senior Secondary School in Bonteheuwel and were addressed by Mr Trevor Baron, a member of the Bonteheuwel area committee of the UDF, and Clothing Workers' Union organizer Ms Shirley Gunn.

Mowbray station toilet blasted

Own Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — An explosion destroyed the public toilet at Mowbray station last night.

No injuries or deaths were caused.

A railway police spokesman at the scene declined to comment but it is believed that police are investigating the probability that the blast, which happened just before midnight, was caused by a limpet mine.

The explosion scattered debris over a wide area, destroyed a wall of the toilet and was heard in Claremont.

It was the first major bomb explosion in Cape Town for some years although at least one limpet mine has been found primed and placed on its target.

Police were told by a witness that a group of people were seen running away from the scene soon afterwards.

Investigations at the toilet continued well into the early hours of the morning.

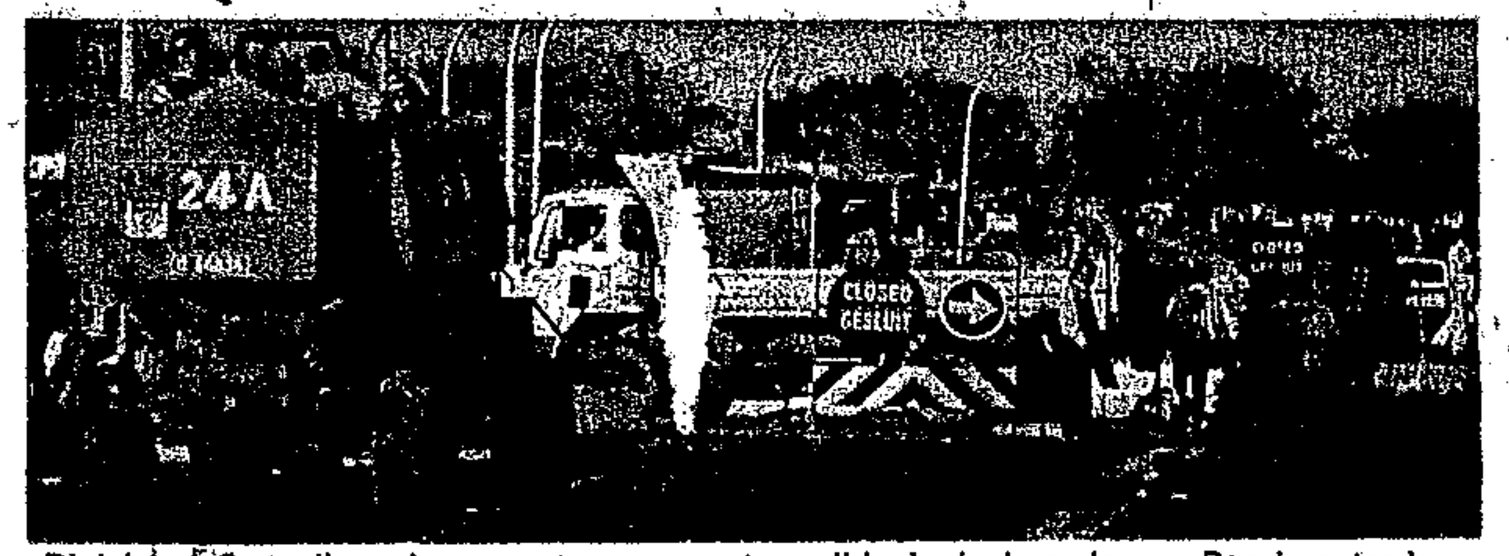


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Divisional Council workers erect permanent roadblocks in Lansdowne Road yesterday.
Picture: Anne Laing

No police escorts into Guguletu

By CHRIS STEYN and TONY WEAVER

PENINSULA ambulance drivers were told by police yesterday they would not be given escorts into Guguletu, while motorists were warned that the Divisional Council had permanently sealed off Old Klipfontein Road and a section of Lansdowne Road — the two main arteries leading into Old Crossroads.

Responding to the police escort refusal, baffled ambulancemen, who did not want to be named, said they had been ordered to stay out of the township and that if they entered, they would do so "at their own risk".

"The police are not telling us what is going on there," said one ambulanceman who said the order was apparently given at 2pm yesterday.

Meanwhile at Crossroads, massive 15-ton concrete blocks, 15cm thick and 10 metres long, were placed across entrance roads to the squatter town, with just a small gap left for residents to get through.

For some months now, large boards at both entrances to Crossroads have proclaimed in English, Afrikaans and Xhosa: "Road closed to general public."

One barrier has been placed across Old Klipfontein Road at the entrance to Crossroads, one at the intersection of Stock Road and Lansdowne Road, and five at the intersection of Lansdowne and New Eisleben roads — a total of 105 tons of concrete.

On Monday, a man was killed and his passenger severely burned when the bakkie he was driving was petrol-bombed. Later six shots were fired at police on patrol. In the past month, 48 incidents of stone-throwing and petrol-bombing occurred in the area.

An ambulanceman, asked what would happen in the case of casualties resulting from police action in unrest, said injured people would have to go to the police station.

He said an ambulance was turned away from Guguletu by police at 3pm yesterday and police told the ambulance crew they could not guarantee their safety.

The ambulance department was responding to a call from a sick resident and not an unrest-related injury.

The ambulanceman said it was not the first time police refused them an escort into townships.

"Whenever there is a funeral, the police don't allow us to respond to calls. The only people they allow in there are residents," he said.

Coloureds, Indians to join boycott

PORT ELIZABETH — Coloureds and Indians in Port Elizabeth are to join blacks in their boycott of white businesses in the city, Mr Mkhuseli Jack, the leader of the consumer boycott movement, said yesterday.

Mr Jack said coloureds and Indians had pledged their support for the boycott and expressed satisfaction with the results so far, saying white businesses were beginning to feel the pinch.

There were also clear signs that the boycott was increasingly putting pressure on the government to listen to the demands of the people in Port Elizabeth, he said.

The general stayaway by workers on May Day today would show the country just how united black people were in their determination and struggle for freedom, he said.

Meanwhile, Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, the police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said the police would protect workers from intimidation if they wanted to go to work.

● A public meeting will be held under the chairmanship of the mayor, Mr Ben Olivier, on May 20 to discuss the opening of Port Elizabeth's beaches to all races.

The meeting is being held after a petition by the Herstigte Nasionale Party and a city councillor, Mr Chris Meyer, asking that a referendum be taken on the issue.

PE's town clerk, Mr P. K. Botha, said a motion for a referendum would be put to the vote after which a poll could be held.

Mr Botha said the Administrator of the Cape would not be bound by the vote of the meeting. — Sapa

PE stayaway until Monday

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TODAY's May Day work stoppage by blacks has been extended in Port Elizabeth until Monday.

The May Day rally arranged for today was banned by Port Elizabeth's acting Chief Magistrate, Mr D F M Smith. A rally has now been called for 10am on Monday.

The extension of the stayaway was announced in thousands of pamphlets, printed in Xhosa and English, distributed today through the city's black townships.

The pamphlets were issued by the May Day Co-ordinating Committee representing the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu), the United Democratic Front (UDF) and the Council of Unions of South Africa (Cusa).

At a meeting of the co-ordinating committee consisting of all representatives of the different unions held last night, it was resolved that stayaway action be repeated till the workers were allowed to hold their May Day celebration.

● The stayaway of workers in the Port Elizabeth and Uitenhage area was reported to be almost completely effective today.

Mr P Nel, industrial relations manager for Firestone, said only a "handful" of African workers reported for duty today.

He said they were given permission to stay away tomorrow again without pay.

Mr M Killeen, public relations manager for General Motors, said there was a 100% stayaway at the plant.

He said tomorrow would be treated as a normal working day.

Mr Ronnie Kruger, public affairs manager for Volkswagen, also said there was a complete stayaway at the Uitenhage plant. Tomorrow would be treated as a normal working day.

The general manager of Cadbury's, Mr J Perrott, said there was a 100% stayaway.

Spokesmen for the Livingstone Hospital and the PE Provincial Hospital said they had no staff problems.

A spokesman for United Dairies said deliveries were only made to milk depots, cafes, shops and hospitals today. He said there was a total stayaway of African workers.

The public affairs director of Goodyear, Mr Mike Selley, said all the company's black workers stayed away from the Uitenhage tyre factory today, where there was no production today.

No work, no pay, no disciplinary action, would apply to today's stayaway, he said.

Attendance at African schools in PE and Uitenhage was nil.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, the police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said the stayaway looked "almost 100% effective" in PE.

He said the reverse applied in a few platteland towns. In some cases there had been a complete turnout.

Mr Smith said today that his decision to ban the rally had been a "local" one, and that he had received no instructions from the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange. He added that no new application to hold a rally had yet been received.

Last night, an urgent application by Cosatu against the Chief Magistrate in Uitenhage to set aside his refusal to authorise a May Day meeting there today, was dismissed in the PE Supreme Court.

No similar application was made to the court on the decision over the PE meeting.

Eye injury prognosis 'good'

Staff Reporter

THE condition of a Manenberg pupil, Fazlie de Vries, whose eye was injured after police whipped pupils at Silverstream Senior Secondary School on Monday, is "satisfactory", a hospital spokesman said.

The spokesman could not yet say whether Fazlie would lose the sight of his eye, but said "the prognosis at this stage is very good".

Police action on Crossroads slated

Staff Reporter

THE police decision to close off Crossroads was "ominous", Mr Jan van Eck of the Progressive Federal Party Unrest Monitoring Committee said yesterday.

He said the only conclusion which could be drawn was that the police had written Crossroads off as a no-go area.

By closing it off they would ensure that essential services such as ambulances and fire brigades were not being provided.

"One can only imagine the further hardships that this will cause to the inhabitants," he said.

In view of the recent battles between security forces and inhabitants, this would also enable security forces to operate virtually in secret without outside organizations being able effectively to monitor their actions.

"One must warn that this action will push Crossroads and neighbouring townships further on the road towards anarchy."

And commenting on reports that police refused to escort an ambulance into Guguletu on Wednesday afternoon, he said it was "totally inhuman" to prevent people from going into the township to respond to calls for medical help.

The police yesterday denied a Sapa report in the Cape Times that ambulancemen have been denied police escorts into Guguletu and that they had been told to go on to the township at their own risk.

A police spokesman said anyone requesting an escort would be accommodated, especially public services such as the ambulance and fire brigade.

The chief ambulance officer, Mr Basil Warner, said yesterday he was investigating the matter and could not comment.

Own risk

However, ambulancemen said on Wednesday that police had told drivers that they would not escort them into Guguletu and if they were to enter, they would do so "at their own risk".

Asked what would happen if there were any casualties resulting from police reaction to possible unrest incidents, an ambulanceman said injured people would have to go to the police station.

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Arrests, injuries in May Day rallies

Staff Reporters

AT LEAST 66 people were arrested and scores injured as troops and police broke up four Congress of South African Trade Unions May Day rallies throughout the Western Cape yesterday.

At least one man was seriously injured as running battles between police and residents continued in Nyanga and Guguletu last night. An ambulance worker said the man was shot through the back and "it was definitely live ammunition, not birdshot".

● **In Nyanga East**, police and troops fired teargas at more than 2 000 people in the Zolani Centre. Scores were hurt when the crowd, including many children and pensioners, stampeded for three entrances.

The rally began at 1.30pm.

Teargas was fired after a rock was thrown at a Casspir as about 150 youths marched up to a line of police and troops.

The youths were given two minutes to disperse as security forces — who parked about 100m from the hall throughout the rally — knelt in a line in the road, aiming rifles, shotguns and teargas launchers at the crowd.

Most of the canisters appeared to be fired straight at the hall and several went over the roof and into the courtyard where about 1 000 older people were seated.

Panic ensued and a number of children and old people were trampled underfoot. Teargas was so thick it was impossible to see more than a few metres, and more than 50 people, mainly pensioners, simply lay on the ground crying, retching and calling for water.

Outside, people ran for safety, and in the rush, Ms Nonkululeko Mkethi, 35, of KTC, fell and broke her ankle.

The Western Cape branch of the National Medical and Dental Association last night criticized the police action saying it was "highly irresponsible" to fire teargas at the hall as "the use of teargas in confined spaces is extremely dangerous" and inevitably resulted in stampeding and injuries.

● **In Mbekweni**, at least 59 residents were arrested after police sealed off the township and then fired teargas to disperse groups of people they prevented from holding a mass rally at the township stadium.

A pall of tearsmoke hung over the township after police dispersed hundreds of people at the Mbekweni Baptist Church hall where a packed report-back meeting was held after an initial spate of arrests. Pandemonium ensued as gas drifted into the hall and several people were injured by canisters.

A Cape Times newsteam saw a large police truck holding 58 men, women and youths parked for several hours in the sun outside the Paarl police station yesterday afternoon.

Independent township sources claimed several van-loads of people were ferried from the township earlier. They said well over 100 people were arrested, including two seven-year-olds.

Ms Lizzie Phike, an executive member of Cosatu and national organizer for the Food and Canning Workers' Union, was arrested at the Paarl police station charge office after an altercation with policemen.

● Teargas billowed over **Bonteheuwel** late yesterday during a running street battle between police and residents.

More than 50 police and troops in a convoy of seven Casspirs and Buffels and five patrol vans fired teargas canisters and rubber bullets.

About 4.30pm, soon after the end of the rally — attended by about 2 500 people, the security force convoy confronted a chanting group of about 200. When the group refused to disperse, police charged

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and scattered them in all directions.

Chaos ensued as people pelted police vehicles with rocks while police charged down side streets firing teargas and rubber bullets at hundreds of people on the streets. Police also fired over houses and shops in a running battle which lasted more than an hour.

Mr Rob Watson, a freelance journalist who was shot in the groin by a rubber bullet, said police "deliberately fired at me".

Freelance photographer Mr Dave Hartmann was arrested.

● **In Bellville South**, where more than 2 000 people attended a rally in the Civic Centre, police fired teargas canisters at workers waiting for home-bound buses after the meeting.

After police gave the crowd five minutes to disperse, the organizers of the meeting, including Cosatu office-bearer Mr Noel Williams, pleaded in vain with the police to allow the people to wait for their buses.

Police fired one canister, then chased people into the hall with sjamboks, and, according to people inside, "just laid into everyone".

● Soon after the incident, police confiscated Cape Times reporter Hilary Venables's notebook and said the Cape Times was "not allowed to report any police action whatsoever".

● A survey of Cape Town transport services, business organizations and chain stores showed that from 50 to 95 percent of African workers stayed away from work, while almost all workers from coloured areas reported for work.

Crowd backs new union

Own Correspondent

...BAN. — A crowd of ...ly 70 000 demonstrated opposition to disinvestment and sanctions at a rally at King's ...esterday to launch ...United Workers' ... of South Africa ...SA), a new trade ...linked to Inkatha.

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Dad told of son's death — 48 days later

A PAARL father discovered that his son was among the seven alleged ANC members killed in an alleged shoot-out with police in Gugulethu – nearly two months after the incident.

An eighth man, buried with the six victims of the shoot-out, was killed in an unrelated incident.

A police spokesman this week confirmed that Samuel Mjobo, 23, was one of the seven killed on March 3.

The spokesman said Themba Madiyana, one of the seven buried in a mass funeral in Gugulethu on March 15, did not die on March 3.

The Paarl father, John Mjobo, said cops told him only last Wednesday – almost two months after the shootings – that his son's body was in the State mortuary at Salt River.

"I have no proof that my son was killed by cops. But the dead men were my son's friends," Mjobo said.

Before the shootings police had been looking for his son in connection with the disappearance of two rifles from a police station in Mbekweni, near Paarl.

Fearing that his son would be arrested in Gugulethu, Mjobo said he did not report his disappearance. – Sapa.

Guardboxes destroyed by petrol bombs

Staff Reporter

SHELTER boxes used by security guards at three Belhar schools were destroyed by fire today.

The fires are understood to have been caused by petrol bombs thrown by pupils protesting against the presence of security guards at schools.

Pupils at Belhar 1 and Belhar 2 senior secondary schools and Symphony Primary School were dismissed early.

Police in a Casspir and other vehicles were still patrolling the area at 10.30am.

Pupils at Belhar 1 said resentment of security guards at schools was discussed at a pre-May Day rally called by the Belhar Inter-High Committee last week.

A May 5 deadline for the removal of the shelter boxes had been given to the Department of Education and Culture, one pupil said.

There was no confrontation between police and pupils as far as could be ascertained.

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TB increases by more than 1 100 cases a year

Medical Reporter

REPORTED tuberculosis (TB) cases in greater Cape Town have increased by more than 1 100 a year in the past decade — but 1 000 treatment beds have been closed.

This was "very depressing", the Medical Officer of Health, Dr Reg Coogan, said in his annual report.

TB was on the increase when it should have decreased.

In 1975 2 742 new cases of TB were reported, by last year the figure had risen to 3 825.

The hospital beds were shut for financial reasons.

There is now only one bed for every 25 cases of TB in the area. Dr Coogan said this was "a grave error."

The unrest severely hampered the work of TB clinics in the townships in the past year, Dr Coogan said. The x-ray unit at Langa had been destroyed by arsonists.

"The disease is fundamentally a manifestation of socio-economic ills — malnutrition, bad housing, overcrowding and poverty. It is not possible to eradicate TB by medical means alone," he said.

He said patients now had to attend township clinics, but, in spite of intensive health education, more than 30 percent of patients did not take their medication as opposed to two percent among in-patients in TB wards.

"This raises the spectres of failed treatment courses, relapses and the emergence of drug-resistant bacilli."

Pleas to the Department of National Health and Population Development and the South African National Tuberculosis Association (Santa) had produced "nothing but long debate", he said.

Unrest takes high toll in babies' lives

Medical Reporter

UNREST in black areas of the Western Cape took its toll with an increase in infant deaths last year.

Cape Town's medical officer of health, Dr Reg Coogan, said in his annual report that the figures showed "only too clearly the price paid by this group during times of unrest".

"For long periods Guguletu and Langa have been dangerous no-go areas and vital street cleaning, garbage removal services and immunisation programmes have suffered, with the inevitable cost in babies' lives," he said.

While figures for the black population had dropped significantly in the past decade, they showed increases in 1976 and last year.

Dr Coogan's report said the 17,6-percent infant mortality rate for coloured people in the Western Cape was "well within the World Health Organisation's acceptable limit for a city of the developed Western world", while the white rate — at 12,4 percent — had not changed in the past decade.

He said the rate was a valuable indicator of loss of life and its close relation to social conditions.

Macs claim 50

Handgrenade injures two

CAPE TOWN — Two women received minor injuries in a grenade explosion in Crossroads early yesterday.

The incident was confirmed in the unrest report issued by the police.

The incident occurred when a grenade was thrown between two private homes in the township but, according to the police, the women were only slightly injured.

The hand-grenade was thrown by "unknown people", the report said.

No arrests have been made.
— Sapa.

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Grenade injures two women in Crossroads

Staff Reporter

TWO women were slightly injured when a hand-grenade exploded in Crossroads.

A police spokesman said the women were walking past shacks when it went off at 8.15pm on Saturday, sending shrapnel flying.

Police have not established the motive for the blast or the make of the hand-grenade.

In other incidents at the weekend, three people were arrested when a Bonteheuwel policeman's home was stoned and a fourth person was arrested when a mobile police station was attacked.

Yesterday afternoon a crowd gathered near the Bonteheuwel community centre and stones were thrown at a mobile police station and police vehicles. A youth was arrested in connection with the incident, a spokesman said.

At 8.30pm yesterday about 10 people attacked the home of a policeman. Minor damage was caused and two adults and a girl were arrested.

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Elderly man shot dead in E Cape

PORT ELIZABETH. — An unidentified elderly man was shot dead and a woman injured in Kwa-Zakhele on Saturday, the day on which a funeral service for nine unrest victims was disrupted by members of the security forces.

In addition, several people were overcome by teargas.

He said an off-duty policeman who was attacked fired in self-defence and hit the man and the woman near the Njoli Road bus terminus.

Brigadier Schnetler said police had fired teargas at an illegal gathering near the church where the funeral was held — not inside the church.

"It is possible some of the teargas might have escaped into the church," he said.

There was pandemonium inside the church as some people collapsed from the fumes and others dashed towards the nearest exits.

After the funeral was disrupted, the nine coffins were returned to the funeral parlour.

The funeral will now be held today in Zwide.

The president of the United Democratic Front in the Eastern Cape, Mr Edgar Ngoyi, described the alleged firing of teargas into the church as "highly provocative" — Sapa

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Kabokweni Magistrate's Court

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

(1) Whether he or any member of the South African Police has been invited to participate in, and/or give evidence to, a commission appointed by the Chief Minister of KaNgwane to inquire into an incident which occurred outside the Kabokweni magistrate's court near White River in KaNgwane in March 1986; if so, (a) when and (b) who will give evidence to this commission; if not,

(2) whether the South African Police will send an observer to these proceedings; if not, why not;

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

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes, the District Commandant of the South African Police, Nelspruit.

(a) 21 April 1986.

(b) No member of the South African Police shall give evidence before the commission.

(2) No, since the commission has not been appointed in terms of the Commissions Act, 1947.

(3) No.

Alexandra Township

*22. Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any incidents of unrest occurred in Alexandra Township near Johannesburg on or about 23 April 1986; if so, what were the circumstances surrounding these incidents;

(2) whether the South African Police took any action in this township as a result; if so, (a) when, (b) what action and (c) with what result;

(3) whether any persons were killed in this township during these incidents; if so, (a) how many and (b) what was the cause of death in each case;

(4) whether any policemen were injured in action in this township; if so, what was the nature of their injuries;

(5) whether the police received any complaints or allegations that members of the South African Police were involved in incidents of burning houses and assaulting residents; if so, (a) when, (b) from whom and (c) what was the nature of the complaints or allegations;

(6) whether these allegations have been investigated; if not, why not; if so, what were the findings;

(7) whether any action has been taken as a result of this investigation; if not, why not; if so, what action;

(8) whether any persons have been taken into custody in connection with this unrest; if so, (a) how many and (b) in terms of what statutory provisions?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes, as from 06h00 on 22 April 1986 until 06h00 on 24 April 1986 various incidents of stone throwing, arson, fire damage, petrol bomb attacks, use of a firearm and the erection of road barricades occurred in the township concerned.

(2) Yes.

(a) Immediately after the first incidents came to notice.

(b) Reinforcements were sent into the township and intensive patrols were executed.

(c) Due to the intensified police presence and police actions the number of incidents decreased.

(3) Yes.

(a) 4 persons.

(b) In 2 cases due to gunshot wounds.
In 1 case due to burns.
In 1 case due to assault.

(4) Yes, one White member due to a gunshot wound in the stomach.

(5) Yes, allegations.

(a) 23 April 1986.

(b) and (c) Allegations that members of the South African Police were involved in incidents of burning houses and assaulting residents, appeared in Press reports.

(6) and (7) Yes, allegations made in Press reports are being investigated.

(8) No. (a) and (b) Fall away.

Guguletu: ANC terrorists

*23. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 23 on 22 April 1986, he will furnish information on the inquest into, and certain general matters relating to, the deaths of suspected African National Congress terrorists killed in Guguletu on 3 March 1986; if not, why not; if so,

(2) whether the inquest referred to above has been completed; if not, when is it anticipated that the inquest will be completed; if so, (a) when was it completed and (b) what were the findings;

(3) Whether any progress has been made in the investigation of the circumstances surrounding this incident; if not, why not; if so, what progress;

(4) whether any further action has been taken in regard to this matter; if not, why not; if so, (a) what action and (b) with what result?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) No, I refer the hon member to the content of my answer to Question No 23 which I have answered on 22 April 1986.

(2) No, but will be completed shortly.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(3) and (4) Fall away.

Lawaaikamp

*24. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether the South African Police took any action at Lawaaikamp near George on or about 22 April 1986; if so, (a) at what time, (b) what was the purpose of this action and (c) who was in charge of the operation;

(2) whether this was a combined operation with the South African Defence Force; if so, (a) why, (b) who took the decision in this regard and (c) which section of the Defence Force was involved;

(3) whether any persons were taken into custody; if so, (a) how many, (b) in terms of what statutory provisions and (c) for what alleged offences;

(4) whether any of these persons were under the age of 18 years; if so, how many;

(5) whether any other action was taken on this occasion; if so, (a) what action, (b) what was the purpose of tak-

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(1) Whether he or any member of the South African Police has been invited to participate in, and/or give evidence to, a commission appointed by the Chief Minister of KaNgwane to inquire into an incident which occurred outside the Kabokweni magistrate's court near White River in KaNgwane in March 1986; if so, (a) when and (b) who will give evidence to this commission; if not,

(2) whether the South African Police will send an observer to these proceedings; if not, why not;

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

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes, the District Commandant of the South African Police, Nelspruit.

(a) 21 April 1986.

(b) No member of the South African Police shall give evidence before the commission.

(2) No, since the commission has not been appointed in terms of the Commissions Act, 1947.

(3) No.

Q car 1611
HANSARD 6/5/86

Alexandra Township

*22. Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any incidents of unrest occurred in Alexandra Township near Johannesburg on or about 23 April 1986; if so, what were the circumstances surrounding these incidents;

(2) whether the South African Police took any action in this township as a result; if so, (a) when, (b) what action and (c) with what result;

(3) whether any persons were killed in this township during these incidents; if so, (a) how many and (b) what was the cause of death in each case;

(4) whether any policemen were injured in action in this township; if so, what was the nature of their injuries;

(5) whether the police received any complaints or allegations that members of the South African Police were involved in incidents of burning houses and assaulting residents; if so, (a) when, (b) from whom and (c) what was the nature of the complaints or allegations;

(6) whether these allegations have been investigated; if not, why not; if so, what were the findings;

(7) whether any action has been taken as a result of this investigation; if not, why not; if so, what action;

(8) whether any persons have been taken into custody in connection with this unrest; if so, (a) how many and (b) in terms of what statutory provisions?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes, as from 06h00 on 22 April 1986 until 06h00 on 24 April 1986 various incidents of stone throwing, arson, fire damage, petrol bomb attacks, use of a firearm and the erection of road barricades occurred in the township concerned.

(2) Yes.

(a) Immediately after the first incidents came to notice.

(b) Reinforcements were sent into the township and intensive patrols were executed.

(c) Due to the intensified police presence and police actions the number of incidents decreased.

(3) Yes.

(a) 4 persons.

(b) In 2 cases due to gunshot wounds.
In 1 case due to burns.
In 1 case due to assault.

(4) Yes, one White member due to a gunshot wound in the stomach.

(5) Yes, allegations.

(a) 23 April 1986.

(b) and (c) Allegations that members of the South African Police were involved in incidents of burning houses and assaulting residents, appeared in Press reports.

(6) and (7) Yes, allegations made in Press reports are being investigated.

(8) No. (a) and (b) Fall away.

Q car 6/3
HANSARD 6/5/86

Guguletu: ANC terrorists

*23. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 23 on 22 April 1986, he will furnish information on the inquest into, and certain general matters relating to, the deaths of suspected African National Congress terrorists killed in Guguletu on 3 March 1986; if not, why not; if so,

(2) whether the inquest referred to above has been completed; if not, when is it anticipated that the inquest will be completed; if so, (a) when was it completed and (b) what were the findings;

(3) Whether any progress has been made in the investigation of the circumstances surrounding this incident; if not, why not; if so, what progress;

(4) whether any further action has been taken in regard to this matter; if not, why not; if so, (a) what action and (b) with what result?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) No, I refer the hon member to the content of my answer to Question No 23 which I have answered on 22 April 1986.

(2) No, but will be completed shortly.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(3) and (4) Fall away.

6/5/86 Q car 1614
HANSARD

Lawaaikamp

*24. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether the South African Police took any action at Lawaaikamp near George on or about 22 April 1986; if so, (a) at what time, (b) what was the purpose of this action and (c) who was in charge of the operation;

(2) whether this was a combined operation with the South African Defence Force; if so, (a) why, (b) who took the decision in this regard and (c) which section of the Defence Force was involved;

(3) whether any persons were taken into custody; if so, (a) how many, (b) in terms of what statutory provisions and (c) for what alleged offences;

(4) whether any of these persons were under the age of 18 years; if so, how many;

(5) whether any other action was taken on this occasion; if so, (a) what action, (b) what was the purpose of tak-

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Nico Williams (18) and Randall Hendriks (16) were among the sjambokked Arcadia children who received treatment for injuries.
● More pictures, page 9 Picture: Stewart Coleman

40 hurt as police whip pupils

BY CHRIS STEYN

AT LEAST 40 pupils of Arcadia High School in Bonteheuwel were injured yesterday morning when police ordered pupils out of classrooms and whipped them.

The pupils received rib injuries and deep lacerations on their faces and backs. One pupil is believed to have had his nose broken.

Two doctors were called from their private surgeries nearby and the Cape Times team at the scene watched them give emergency treatment to pupils, while about 20 who were more seriously injured were taken to hospital.

About 40 policemen and soldiers arrived at the school after pupils had staged a placard demonstration protesting against the detention on Friday of a mathematics teacher, Mr Neville van der Rheede,

The only comment a Pretoria police spokesman would make last night to Sapa was that if people had complaints against the police, they knew which procedure to follow.

However, according to a news agency report, a local police spokesman confirmed the sjambokking but said the action had been taken after stone-throwing. Police went to the school after reports of stones being thrown at private vehicles and passers-by during "an illegal gathering" in the grounds. The police vehicles were also allegedly stoned.

The spokesman said pupils were warned to disperse and after they refused, police used sjamboks to disperse them. Stones were again thrown and one policeman received minor injuries to the head, he said.

The spokesman said police took possession of placards found in the classrooms but denied that any soldiers were present.

The Cape Times team was at the scene soon after the security forces arrived and saw soldiers holding sjamboks. The news team remained outside the school during the action because police were guarding the entrances and entered the grounds only once the security forces had withdrawn.

There teachers described how the police entered one of the classrooms while a lesson was on and asked the teacher and the pupils to explain how stones — which were lying on the ground outside the classroom — got there.

A 17-year-old pupil, Jerome Anthony, said one of the policemen pointed out several pupils and pulled them out of the classroom.

Nico Williams, 18, said policemen were lined up on both sides of the entrance to the classroom and down the corridor.

Another pupil, Randall Hendriks, 16, said: "We were taken out of the classroom one by one and forced to walk through this 'guard of honour', and every time you pass a cop he hits you."

"We were told that we were being sjambokked because we were not wearing proper school-clothes, but many of the injured, including 13-year-old Duran Haywood, were wearing regulation school uniforms," Ralton Ides, 14, said.

According to 18-year-old Vernon May, "some of the kids fell to the ground as the cops were hitting them. They were just kicked and hit again".

Kenny Akiemdren and Charles Cleophas were seen being taken away and several posters, reading "Release our teacher" and "We want our teacher", were confiscated.

In a joint statement afterwards, the teachers said that "the staff of Arcadia condemn in the strongest terms the action taken by police and the South African Defence Force at our school this morning".

"We abhor the manner in which the pupils were dragged from their classrooms and brutally beaten in and outside classrooms by more than one person at a time."

The statement said students were staging a peaceful placard demonstration against the detention of Mr Van der Rheede when police arrived and stormed the classrooms "in the presence of teachers who were subjected to verbal abuse".

"We continue to demand the immediate and unconditional release of our colleague and the pupils who were taken by policemen this morning and all other detainees."

The Western Cape Teachers' Union condemned the "barbaric behaviour" of the police, accusing them of behaving "contrary to all civilized standards" and adding that 20 pupils had to be hospitalized.

The Bonteheuwel United Democratic Front (UDF) Area Committee said: "Today in Bonteheuwel, we have again witnessed the evil system of apartheid."

Late yesterday Mitchells Plain residents staged one-person placard demonstrations at the main intersections into Mitchells Plain calling for the release of Mr Van der Rheede, who is the treasurer of the Mitchells Plain UDF and also vice-chairman of the Westridge Residents' Association.

About 10 000 pamphlets condemning his detention were distributed at Mitchells Plain's three railway stations.

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Group stones boys to death in PE

By SHIRLEY PRESSLY
Crime Reporter

TWO teenage boys were stoned to death yesterday at Kleinskool, Port Elizabeth, and a third youth is fighting for his life in hospital after being punished by "comrades" in apparent retribution for the slaying of a teenage girl last week.

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, said today police had information that yesterday's deaths were linked to the murder of a teenage girl who had been stabbed and strangled.

The police had information that four teenage boys were pointed out as the girl's killers to "comrades" at Njoli Square in Kwazakele and taken away in a minibus to an open lot at Kleinskool, where one of the boys escaped.

The other three were stoned and stabbed with sharp objects.

Two of the boys died.

The third was admitted to Livingstone Hospital where his condition is critical.

It was reported last week that angry Kwazakele residents searched for the killer of Cubeka Belewa, 12, whose body was found on Thursday.

She had been stabbed and there were abrasions to her neck, which was marked with bloody fingerprints.

She had been a meat vendor at Njoli Square. The meat tray and money in her possession are missing.

The general secretary of the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation, and co-ordinator for the PE Consumer Boycott Committee, Mr Mike Ndzotoyi, was reported as condemning the incident as "a cold-blooded murder which should be fought".

The recording secretary for Pebco, Mr Xola Makapela, said today this was the first he had heard of the murder of the boys.

Pebco officials would investigate the circumstances of their deaths before the organisation reacted.

● The charred body of a man was found smouldering in Kwanobuhle, Uitenhage, yesterday.

Col Van Rooyen said the victim, identified as a municipal policeman, had a car tyre placed around his neck.

According to the SAP directorate of public relations in Pretoria, police yesterday fired tearsmoke and birdshot to disperse people throwing stones and petrol bombs at their vehicle at Soweto, outside Port Elizabeth.

In Worcester, a white man was assaulted and injured when a crowd pulled him from his truck at the Zwelentemba township.

In Mossel Bay, petrol bombs were hurled at a private vehicle, causing slight damage.

There were several other "unrest" incidents round the country.

Walkouts over whipping

Education Reporter

CAPE FLATS high school pupils yesterday staged walkouts and placard demonstrations and Bonteheuwel high schools were dismissed early following Monday's police whipping of pupils at Arcadia Senior Secondary School.

The walkouts took place at Belgravia Senior Secondary and other Athlone high schools, while the demonstration was at Rylands Senior Secondary — all to protest against Monday's police action in Bonteheuwel.

"We condemn the police action at Arcadia and are showing our solidarity with our fellow pupils," said a Rylands SRC member.

Angry parents yesterday arrived at Arcadia to discuss the possibility of laying charges.

Pupils at the school said they would continue to protest against the detention of mathematics teacher Mr Neville van der Rheede.

"We are extremely angry. It will be difficult to calm those who were beaten by the police and pupils have said they will take revenge. We won't leave it like this," said one pupil.

The school was dismissed about 9am after fears that "the police might come again", said one pupil. SRC members said they had been advised not to go to school for the next two weeks "because we heard that the police will be looking for us".

Sources said that two Arcadia pupils detained on Monday, Charles Cleophas and Kenneth Akiemdien, were released yesterday. They said a Std 6 pupil, Donovan Hendricks, was detained about 4am yesterday.

Police to investigate whipping of pupils

Cape Times 7/5 Pg.

BY CHRIS STEYN

A TOP-LEVEL investigation was launched yesterday into the police whipping of Bonteheuwel pupils amid widespread condemnation of the action.

A Pretoria police spokesman, Captain Henry Beck, said the inquiry had already begun. "A complaint was received this morning and all the allegations will be thoroughly investigated," he said.

At least 40 pupils were injured and about 10 were taken to hospital on Monday after they were ordered out of their classrooms and whipped by police after a placard demonstration at the school.

Mr Dave Dalling, the PFP's spokesman on justice, yesterday lashed out in Parliament at the "disgraceful" behaviour of police who had ordered pupils of the Arcadia High School in Bonteheuwel out of their classrooms and whipped them.

Speaking during the foreign affairs budget debate, Mr Dalling described police actions detailed in yesterday's Cape Times as "horrendous".

"I wonder whether the SABC will report this action or if it will once again leave it to the print media."

Calling for an immediate high-level investigation, Mr Vause Raw, New Republic Party MP and former party leader, said: "Public confidence requires urgent attention and full disclosure of the facts. And the evidence and photographs published in the Cape Times justify an inquiry."

Women Against Police Violence

Wives of Progressive Federal Party MP's yesterday launched a "Women Against Police Violence" campaign in response to the police action.

The organizer of the campaign, Mrs Maureen Bamford, said that PFP wives and mothers were outraged at the "brutal beating" of pupils by the police.

"We call upon the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, to immediately end physical violence as a means of resolving students' problems," she said.

Petitions condemning the whipping of students at Arcadia High School will be available at all PFP offices.

Professor Donald Carr, acting vice-chancellor of the University of Cape Town, said in statement: "I have read with abhorrence and disgust of the beating by the police of school children at Arcadia High School.

"Police behaviour of this sort not only appalls all decent people, but helps destroy the last chances of peaceful co-operation between all people of this country."

Students in Belgravia, Athlone and Oaklands strongly condemned the police action. The Bonteheuwel Inter-School Congress, the Thornhill Youth Congress and Thornhill Residents Association all released statements condemning police action.

The police have denied that they acted against pupils engaged in a "peaceful placard demonstration," according to a police statement from Pretoria yesterday.

The statement said: "At 10.42am on May 5 approximately 200 pupils of the Arcadia High School gathered and displayed placards.

"They were ordered to disperse. They (pupils) immediately retaliated by stoning the police so severely that the police had no alternative but to disperse them forcefully.

"When the pupils re-grouped and continued stoning the police, they were dispersed with quirts. Two of the youths were arrested."

Parliament and Politics

Allegations not true — minister

Staff Reporter

WASTEPAPER baskets and plastic bags full of stones were found in classrooms of the Arcadia Senior Secondary School in Bonteheuwel where the police dispersed riotous pupils with whips on Monday.

In the inner courtyard of the school a place was found where bricks and stones were being broken, obviously for throwing purposes.

This was said in a written report about the incident the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, received yesterday from Brigadier C A Swart, Divisional Commissioner of Police in Cape Town, and repeated here as it appeared in the Burger yesterday.

Differed

According to the report the police dispersed the demonstrating pupils with whips after they had ignored warnings and continued to stone the police.

None of the pupils was hit or kicked after being removed from classrooms for identification.

The Burger said this official version differed substantially from the version in a front-page story in Tuesday's Cape Times, in which, inter alia, it was stated as a fact that the police ordered pupils to leave their classroom and afterwards hit them.

A police team led by a senior officer is conducting further investigations into the incident.

Mr Le Grange said in his statement that the facts, as given him by Brigadier Swart, were as follows:

"On May 5, about 10.42am, the police noticed that about 200 pupils of the Arcadia Senior Secondary School in Bonteheuwel were holding an illegal demonstration with placards. They were warned to disperse, but attacked the police with stones.

"It became so serious that the commander fired a shot with a shotgun over the heads of the pupils to frighten them off and prevent serious injuries to members of the police.

'Slogans'

"After the shot the pupils ran to the inside of the school terrain, where they gathered illegally and shouted slogans. One police platoon thereupon entered the school terrain, at which they were attacked with stones once more.

"The commander thereupon ordered that the pupils be dispersed with whips. A warrant-officer was struck by a stone.

"The pupils then ran to their classrooms. The classrooms were searched to identify the ring-leaders. Two 15-year-old pupils were detained for questioning. They are still being detained.

"Wastepaper-baskets and plastic bags containing stones were found in the classrooms and removed. The police also confiscated 47 placards.

"In the inner courtyard a place was found where bricks and stones had been broken. They were clearly meant for stone-throwing.

"None of the pupils was hit or kicked after they had been removed from the classrooms for possible identification, and allegations in the Cape Times to that effect are untrue."

Incidents

Mr Le Grange said that according to the report he had received, the incident was preceded by various others at schools in the vicinity. These incidents were:

- On May 5 it appeared that a general climate of unrest prevailed at schools. At three schools security guards' huts were burned down during school hours.
- At 10.30am on May 5 about 400 pupils set fire to tyres in the street outside Bonteheuwel High School. On arriving at the scene the police were stoned. Pupils moved back to the school terrain, after which the headmaster dismissed classes.
- About 11.15am on May 5 about 300 pupils of Modderdam High School stoned vehicles in Modderdam Road. The headmaster succeeded in getting the pupils under control and dismissing classes.

'ANC' funeral in Paarl

Staff Reporter

THE funeral of the seventh alleged ANC guerilla killed in a shootout with police in Guguletu on March 3 will take place in Mbekweni, Paarl, today.

Members of the Progressive Federal Party, including Mr Tian van der Merwe, and the Black Sash said they would attend.

Yesterday afternoon the Chief Magistrate of Paarl, Mr J T P Swart, altered the original restrictions which prevented the funeral from taking place at a weekend or on a public holiday.

Mr Sammy Mjobo's funeral, scheduled for last Saturday, was postponed as a result of the restriction order.

Following a meeting between the Paarl Civic Association, representatives of the family and Mr Swart, the order was changed to allow the funeral to take place today, and for mourners to participate in the traditional washing of hands ceremony before dispersing.

However, other restictions issued last Friday still apply, including:

- Any speeches at the funeral ceremony must take place indoors and only the four people named on the order may make a speech. They are parents Mr John Mjobo and Mrs Enid Mjobo, the Rev Headman Mbaqa and Mr Zwandke Njsnba, the master of ceremonies.
- No loudspeakers may be used during the funeral.
- The speakers shall not in any manner defend, attack, criticize, propagate or discuss any form of government or principle or policy of a goverment of a state or any boycott action or the existence of the state of emergency or any action by the South African Police or a member of the police force.
- No flags, banners, placards, pamphlets or posters may be displayed or distributed.
- The body of the deceased and persons attending the funeral shall be conveyed only by means of mechanically driven vehicles from the house of the deceased.

The precise route of the hearse is also stipulated in the order.

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SACC funds case against security forces

JOHANNESBURG. — The SA Council of Churches and the Roman Catholic Church's Justice and Reconciliation Commission are funding the Krugersdorp Residents' Organization's (KRO) application to the Supreme Court to have an order granted restraining security forces from committing alleged unlawful acts in two townships.

The townships are Kagiso I and II and Munsieville.

The action was brought last February against the Minister of Defence, the Minister of Law and Order and the District Commissioner of Police for the West Rand.

The KRO application is supported by 114 affidavits containing allegations which include the killing of innocent people, assault and damage to property, entering homes without a warrant and harassment and intimidation.

The respondents have claimed that the KRO statement is either wilfully false, made in furtherance of the aims of the ANC, or made to undermine the authorities and to create "liberated areas" in the townships.

The secretary of KRO, Mr Lawrence Ntlokoa, said in court yesterday the SACC and Catholic Church had helped to pay the legal costs.

The court was told of the funding after Mr Bruce Berman, for the Minister of Law and Order, asked if the KRO had funds to continue the case.

Asked about the KRO's aims, Mr Ntlokoa said the KRO was trying to get some order in Kagiso and Munsieville.

"We are doing things that they (the Community Council) are not doing," he said. "If these things were done, we would not have to do them ourselves."

Mr Ntlokoa agreed with Mr Berman that KRO's objectives were to fight the black local authorities, the huge profits made from residents by employers and to fight apartheid and capitalism at local level.

If any of these aims were the same as the aims of the ANC, he said, it was simply a coincidence.

Mr Ntlokoa said it was untrue that he was given R18 000 by the South African Breweries and that he bought a car with the money.

Mr Berman on Tuesday asked Mr Ntlokoa to bring knives, confiscated during a KRO crime-prevention drive, to court, and yesterday 20 knives, a homemade hatchet and a large panga were shown to the judge.

Mr Ntlokoa said he had encouraged the building of parks in Kagiso and Munsieville by young people because it beautified the township.

The hearing will resume on Monday.

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Black leaders meet police chief over action at funerals

The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — Black community leaders have met the commissioner of police in the Eastern Cape, Brigadier E Schnetler, to discuss police action at funerals.

One funeral last weekend was said to have been completely disrupted.

Present at the meeting were Mr Henry Fazzie, leader of the United Democratic Front in the Eastern Cape, Mr Mkhuseli Jack, president of the Port Elizabeth Youth Organisation, and the Rev M Soga.

Police would not comment on the talks, but Mr Fazzie said they were "very fruitful".

He said Brigadier Schnetler denied reports that teargas was thrown into a church during a funeral last weekend, causing mourners to panic and overturn coffins.

Mr Fazzie said that according to Brigadier Schnetler the lid of one coffin was knocked off and the teargas filtered into the church after it was used on crowds outside.

The brigadier agreed that in future police would stand farther away.

Mr Fazzie said he asked that funeral processions should be allowed to return to township stadiums as the churches were far too small.

Brigadier Schnetler promised to attend the funeral of 13 unrest victims on Saturday to monitor it.

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Mbekweni sealed off before 'ANC' funeral

By DENNIS CRUYWAGEN, Staff Reporter

POLICE today sealed off all entrances to Mbekweni township near Paarl as residents prepared to bury Mr Samuel Mjobo, who died in police action.

Mr Mjobo, an alleged member of the African National Congress, was killed when police shot dead seven alleged ANC men in Guguletu on March 3.

Police today erected a temporary police station at one of the entrances to the township. Everyone entering the township was checked.

Another temporary police station appeared to have been erected on the outskirts and three police vehicles were seen patrolling the township.

The coffin, surrounded by a guard of honour, was displayed outside Mr Mjobo's home. The guard of honour, some wearing the black, green and gold of the ANC, sang softly in Xhosa. They frequently said: "Viva Oliver Tambo."

Two police patrols were seen on the N1.

● The Chief Magistrate of Paarl, Mr J T P Swart, yesterday lifted two of the restrictions originally placed on the funeral. He allowed it to be held today and permitted mourners to take part in the traditional washing-of-hands ceremony. The other restrictions remain in force.

Gen Coetzee denies report on whipping

Staff Reporter

THE Commissioner of Police, General Johann Coetzee, last night denied a report in the Cape Times which said that police ordered pupils out of classrooms and whipped them at Arcadia High School in Bonteheuwel.

General Coetzee said in a statement: "A thorough investigation was launched into allegations contained in a front page report in the Cape Times of May 6, 1986, in which it was alleged that members of the South African Police had ordered pupils out of classrooms and had whipped them at the Arcadia High School in Bonteheuwel.

"The report inter alia claimed that the students had been staging a peaceful placard demonstration against the detention of a teacher and that according to some pupils they were whipped because they were not wearing proper uniforms.

"The report in the Cape Times led to a public outcry among certain sectors of the community who probably believed that the facts portrayed in the report were factually correct.

"The Divisional Commissioner of Police of the Western Cape ordered a thorough investigation into the incident following the report in the Cape Times and a report was presented to the Minister of Law and Order on the same day.

"Since the opening of coloured schools in January this year continued unrest prevailed at certain schools in Bonteheuwel and particularly at Bonteheuwel High School, Modderdam High School and at Arcadia High School. The trouble mainly revolved round illegal gatherings and the stone-throwing and petrol-bombing of private and police vehciles.

"The police constantly had discussions with individual headmasters, inspectors and even with Minister Ebrahim in a bid to normalize the situation but to little avail.

"On May 5, 1986, an illegal placard demonstration was held by about 200 pupils at the Arcadia High School. They were ordered by the police to disperse and instead of heeding the police warning they immediately began stoning the police.

"A police major in charge at the scene ordered that a single shotgun shot be fired over the heads of the pupils in a bid to disperse them without injury.

"This only resulted in the pupils running onto

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the school terrain whe they regrouped and fro where they continue shouting slogans an stoning the police. On policeman was injure when he was struck by stone.

"Police then usec quirts against the youths to disperse them and most of the youths then fled into their classrooms.

"A search by the police of an area in the courtyard at this school revealed that bricks and stones were broken up for the apparent use as missiles to attack passing vehicles and to be used against the police.

"A further search of the classrooms revealed wastepaper baskets and plastic bags were found with stones inside (sic). Forty-seven placards were also found which contained slogans supporting violence and highly derogatory slogans.

"Two 15-year-old youths were detained for further questioning and are still being held.

"Although members of the Defence Force were present as a back-up to the police they did not take part in the operation and they were not issued with quirts.

Set alight

"The incident was preceded by a climate of unrest at schools in the vicinity that morning. At three schools the sentry-posts of security guards were set alight and gutted during school hours.

"At Bonteheuwel High School about 400 pupils placed burning tyres in the street as barricades and when the police arrived, they were stoned by the pupils before fleeing into the school. The headmaster then adjourned the school.

"At Modderdam High School about 300 pupils stoned private cars. A local inspector succeeded in restoring order when urged by the police to do so. This school was then also adjourned by the headmaster.

"At no stage did the police order students out of their classrooms and whipped (sic) them as was stated by the Cape Times."

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Pupils of Mondale, Spine Road, Westridge, Woodlands and Portlands high schools run along Spine and Merrydale roads when Casspirs and police vans approached Spine Road High School yesterday morning. Pupils abandoned their classrooms to hold a rally in solidarity with Bonteheuwel pupils whipped by police on Monday.

Walmer township sealed off by SAP

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Post Reporters

POLICE, assisted by members of the Defence Force, threw a human cordon around Walmer Township early today and effectively sealed offthe township.

The Police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, said the police were looking for certain suspects in the township.

He said the suspects were wanted for questioning in criminal and unrest-related cases.

Township residents reported seeing a man, his head was covered with a pillowslip with two slits cut for his eyes, sitting inside a Casspir. He allegedly pointed out several youths to the police.

The youths were picked up from their homes during a house-to-house search and brought by police truck to the Casspir containing the masked man.

Though the atmosphere was tense, there was relative calm.

An Evening Post team watched as a group of about 20 youths, whose ages ranged from 15 to 18, alighted from a truck and formed a queue outside the Casspir. Some later climbed into police trucks, but others were allowed to return home.

Cars going in and out of the township were stopped and searched. Motorists were ordered to open their car boots and bonnets.

Army vehicles were stationed round the township and people using footpaths appeared to be turned back and directed to use the main entrance.

A line of SADF members stood in a row on Fountain Street, which is centrally situated and divides the township in two. Their line stretched from the main entrance to the end of the road.

Curious crowds of people formed groups a short distance away from the police vehicles, with the police now and again trying to disperse them.

A statement from the Walmer branch of the Port Elizabeth Youth Congress (Peyco) criticised the search, which is believed to have started at 7am.

"We view this siege of our township by members of the army and the police as harassment."

He said that his organisation would check to see who had been arrested in the swoop.



Clenched fists, flags and uniforms at the funeral of Mr Samual Njobo at Mbekweni near Paarl.

Police hold up procession, search hearse for flags

Staff Reporter *ARGUS 9/5/86* 275

POLICE stopped the funeral procession of alleged African National Congress member Mr Samuel Mjobo on the outskirts of Mbekweni to search the hearse for flags.

Mr Mjobo, killed with six other men in a shootout with police in Guguletu on March 3, was buried in Mbekweni, near Paarl, yesterday.

Mr Tian van der Merwe, Progressive Federal Party MP for Green Point, who attended the funeral, criticised the police action which held up the procession of more than 100 cars and buses.

Pallbearers in khaki uniforms, accompanied by about 3 000 people, carried Mr Mjobo's coffin to the Mbekweni Baptist Church.

A police video unit filmed the procession.

In the church Mr Mjobo's coffin was covered in the green, black and gold flag of the ANC.

Outside the crowd swelled to about 6 000. The crowd at the cemetery was even larger.

In the church several speakers addressed about 600 people.

Mr Barnie Theo of the Paarl Youth Congress greeted mourners in the name of "our leader Nelson Mandela".

Mrs Nomaliso Phike of the United Women's Congress said people should be prepared to die for freedom.

Two youths carrying the ANC flag walked ahead of the coffin leading a procession.

Paarl funeral for 'ANC' man banned

By CLARE HARPER and CHRIS BATEMAN

TODAY'S planned funeral of Mr Zandisile "Sammy" Mjobo, one of the seven alleged ANC guerillas killed in a shootout with police in Guguletu in March, has been banned.

The Chief Magistrate of Paarl, Mr J T P Swart, has ordered the funeral restricted to a weekday or public holiday in terms of the Internal Security Act.

Mr John Mjobo discovered only last week that his son was among the seven killed in the shootout. The other six and a seventh man, who police now say died in an unrelated unrest incident two days before the March 3 shootout, were buried in Guguletu on March 17.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, has told Parliament that all seven killed in the shootout were trained members of the ANC and identified the seventh man as a Mr Themba Madiyana.

In a telex to Sapa yesterday police said that Mr Mjobo was definitely killed in the shootout but that he was known to his friends and to police as Mr Themba Madiyana. Friends had "tentatively" identified him as such the day after the shootout.

Police however had believed that he could also have had another name as it was practice for ANC terrorists to have various identities. The police "tried in vain" to trace the next-of-kin to positively identify him.

'Prints'

"As a result the body was not released for burial together with the other six. On March 7, 1986, fingerprints and photos of the dead man were sent to police headquarters.

"He was at that stage still known as Mr Madiyana as that was the identity given to him by the ANC and the name by which he was known to the police because of his ANC involvement."

On April 22 police headquarters established his real identity by means of fingerprints as that of Mr Zandisile Mjobo and his next of kin were then traced and informed of his death.

Mr Tian van der Merwe, PFP MP for Green Point, said the disclosure by police that one of the seven was incorrectly identified was "astounding" and had serious implications.

Sash: police disrupt protest

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — A Black Sash placard protest here was disrupted 10 minutes before it ended, the local chairman, Mrs Sue Powers, said.

She said a placard, protesting against the detention of Duncan Village Residents' Association members, was confiscated by two members of the security police.

"I was given a receipt for the placard, as well as for a letter from the town clerk authorising a lone demonstration in front of the city hall," she said.

"We are certainly puzzled by this action because similar lone protests by the Black Sash in other parts of the country went off without incident.

"We were given the ridiculous explanation that despite it being a lone protest, it became an illegal gathering when the lone protester handed over the placard to the next protester," Mrs Powers said.

She said the Black Sash had planned a three-day protest from Monday but 10 minutes before the end, at 2 pm on Wednesday, the placard was confiscated.

The acting police liaison officer, Sergeant Dalene Rossouw, said she would investigate the matter and comment later.

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Sniper killing of policeman: Man held

Staff Reporter

PENINSULA detectives on Wednesday arrested a 23-year-old man in connection with the sniper killing of a Pretoria policeman in Lansdowne Road, Crossroads, on March 25.

A police liaison officer for the Western Province, Captain Jan Calitz, yesterday said the man had been arrested after an intensive investigation following the shooting of Pretoria West policeman Constable Patrick Legong, 24.

However, the investigation continues as police have not yet recovered the large-calibre firearm used in the killing.

Captain Calitz asked anyone with information which could help police solve the murder to contact their nearest police station.

Captain Calitz said the man would appear on charges of murder in Athlone Magistrate's Court on Monday.

Constable Legong was hit in the eye by one of several shots fired at him by a sniper on the side of the road seconds after he had stepped out of a Casspir sent to investigate a stoning incident.

Ebrahim to talk on the whipping

Cape Times 12/5/86

Staff Reporter

THE Minister of Education and Culture in the House of Representatives, Mr Carter Ebrahim, will speak today on last week's whipping by police of Arcadia Senior Secondary School pupils.

Mr Ebrahim declined to comment yesterday on an article and editorial comment in the Sunday Afrikaans newspaper Rapport Ekstra, in which a House of Representatives official is quoted as saying the minister was to give a press conference on the incident at 9.30 this morning.

He would also not comment on reports that parents of some children at the Bonteheuwel school were taking their children out of the school following the incident.

Police have said that their action was taken only after they had been exposed to "severe stoning" and that no pupils were dragged from classrooms and whipped, as was alleged.

Pupils have denied that any stoning took place.

In the Rapport Ekstra editorial, Mr Conrad Sidego said that the "animal protection society" would have taken action had animals been dispersed (verjaag) in such a fashion.

"To the stone-throwers (who can cause just such unfortunate injuries) we say: Conduct the struggle with judgement and dignity.

"To our friends in the police: Please distinguish between fair maintenance of law and order and that which borders on assault.

"In the final analysis, the struggle .... is not about obliterating each other, but about persuasion."

(The Commissioner of Police has denied a report in the Cape Times that pupils were ordered out of classrooms and whipped by police. Editor, Cape Times.)

Excessive force by police 'can't be condoned'

Education Reporter

EXCESSIVE force by police in dealing with demonstrating pupils at Arcadia High School in Bonteheuwel could not be condoned, the Minister of Education and Culture in the House of Representatives, Mr Carter Ebrahim, said today.

He was commenting for the first time on incidents last Monday when pupils were beaten by police after demonstrating against the detention of Arcadia mathematics teacher Mr Neville van der Rheede.

Mr Ebrahim said at a Press conference that he could not "approve of or condone" the excessive use of force by the police at Arcadia but said pupils "should get it into their heads" that the police "had a duty to use force in dealing with criminal acts to protect the public".

He had written to Brigadier C A Swart, Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Western Cape, expressing his concern and had made proposals which would "hopefully prevent it happening again".

"UNINFORMED"

Questioned on how the impasse at Arcadia — where pupils are refusing to return to class until Mr van der Rheede is released — could be resolved Mr Ebrahim said the teacher's detention was "in the hands of the police" and he was "totally uninformed" about the reasons for his detention.

He had yet to receive a report on the incident from Arcadia staff. He had no independent verification of police allegations that "wastepaper baskets and plastic bags full of stones" were found at the school.

He criticised as "highly irresponsible" statements by Mrs Helen Suzman, Progressive Federal Party MP, in a radio interview in which she condemned the police action and expressed approval for a "peaceful student demonstration".

Such student actions — peaceful or not — were totally irregular and unwarranted.

There was no place in the daily school timetable for political demonstrations and where they took place it was obvious there had been "a temporary breakdown in discipline".

This was being investigated, but what had so far come to light was "a very high degree" of intimidation "by the Marxists behind the school unrest"

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Police action is criticised

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of pupils and staff, particularly principals, some of whose homes had been petrol-bombed.

There were also "a minority of cases" where teachers appeared to be "encouraging disruption" in schools.

EQUAL

Pupils were in any case "tilting at windmills" because the Government was committed to providing, and was implementing, "equal and adequate" education for all. The pace of educational reform would be "materially slowed down by negative student action".

● An Anglican Church regional council has called for a judicial inquiry into allegations of "brutal attacks" on schoolchildren by police.

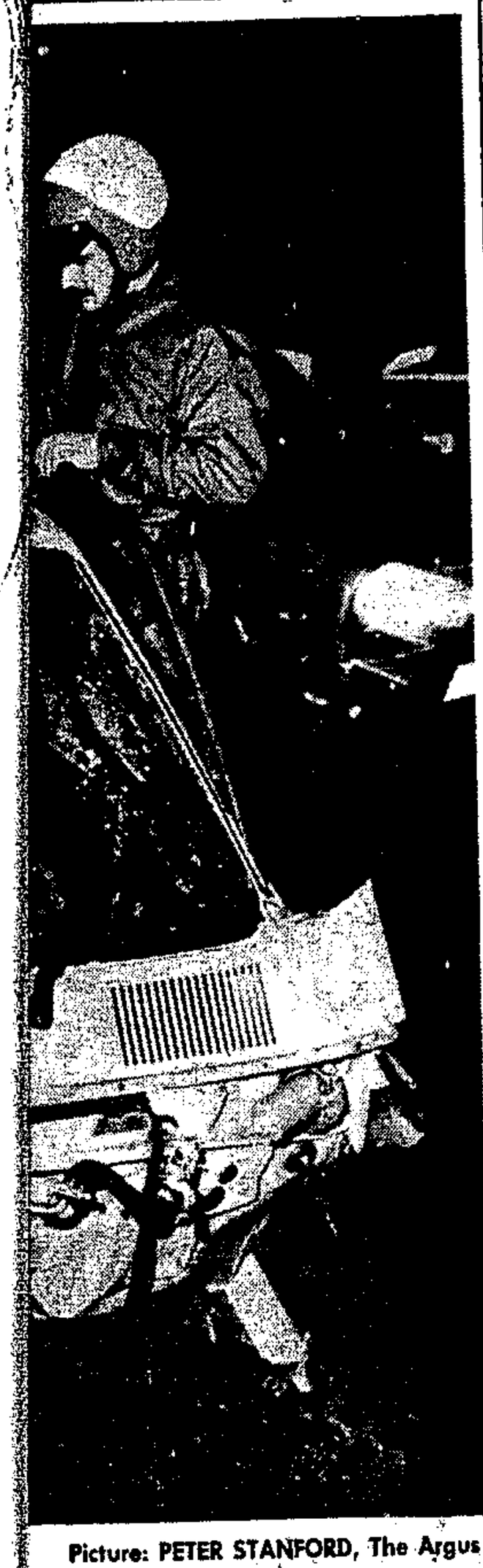
At a meeting on Saturday the western regional council of the Cape Town diocese of the Church of the Province of Southern Africa passed a resolution condemning "the brutal attacks allegedly made by members of the South African Police on schoolchildren on the Cape Flats" and called for a judicial commission of inquiry.

Police shoot suspected sniper

Crime Reporter

A MAN arrested for allegedly killing a Pretoria-based policeman in Crossroads in March was killed today when he was shot in the head by police.

Police said the 23-year-old man, whose name has not been given because his family has not been told, was shot when he escaped from a Casspir while helping detectives.



Picture: PETER STANFORD, The Argus

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The weather

Rain

(Details — page 2)

The man was arrested by a Guguletu investigation team last Wednesday and was due to appear in court today in connection with a charge of murdering Constable Patrick Legong on March 25.

A police liaison officer, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said the man was taken to point out certain areas.

At 4am the Casspir in which he and members of the investigation team were travelling, stopped in Mahobe Drive near the entrance to the Western Cape Development Board offices and Crossroads.

HANDCUFFS

Members of the investigation team left the vehicle leaving the man inside under guard.

Lieutenant Laubscher said that soon afterwards he asked for permission to relieve himself and his handcuffs were unlocked.

One of the guards climbed out of the vehicle and waited next to the steps for the man to alight.

Lieutenant Laubscher said the man leapt from the vehicle, knocking over the guard, and fled in the direction of shacks.

Four shots were fired at the fleeing man and one struck him in the head.

CERTIFIED DEAD

He was taken to Groote Schuur Hospital where he was certified dead.

Lieutenant Laubscher said police were investigating the possibility that the man's brother died in police action some months ago.

He said the latest death would be investigated and an inquest would be held.

● Constable Legong was hit in the eye by a heavy calibre bullet fired at him by a sniper when he and colleagues went in a Casspir to investigate reports of unrest in Lansdowne Road near Crossroads.

Four shot, three burnt in unrest

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Four men were shot dead and three were burnt to death in incidents of unrest at the weekend, according to police reports.

In Port Alfred, a man was shot and killed in the township when a mob charged and entered the house of the mayor and stabbed him three times.

He fired a revolver at the attackers and one man was killed.

The charred body of an unknown man was also found in the town late on Saturday.

In Soweto, three youths were shot dead when a West Rand Development Board policeman fired on a crowd who were stoning a development board vehicle.

A man and a dog were burnt to death when the bus they were sleeping in was set alight at the Uluntu Community Centre in Gugulethu, near Cape Town.

According to the caretaker of the centre, Mr Edward Pika, the dead man, whose identity is being withheld as his next of kin has not yet been notified, was the driver of the bus. The vehicle belonged to a Transkei bus company, he said.

The charred body of a man was found in Zwelitsha, Uitenhage. No arrests have been made.

The police also reported that police vehicles were stoned in two incidents at Lingelihle, near Cradock. A mob was dispersed with tearsmoke.

● At Fingo Village, near Grahamstown, the police had to use shotgun fire to disperse a mob when their vehicle was petrol bombed. No injuries were reported.

● Tearsmoke was also used to disperse a crowd in Tantyi township, near Grahamstown, after a police vehicle was petrol bombed. — Sapa

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Police hunt after man dies in bus fire

Staff Reporter

POLICE are hunting those responsible for a fire on a bus in Guguletu which left the driver and a dog dead.

A spokesman said today that police suspected arson but they had not yet established how the Blue Line bus was set alight.

The name of the dead man has not been released as his family have not been told.

The spokesman said the blaze was noticed about 7.15pm on Saturday. The bus was parked near the Uluntu Community Centre in NY78 Guguletu and police presumed the driver was asleep when the bus was set alight.

The spokesman said when police arrived they were attacked by about 80 people throwing stones. The crowd dispersed after being warned.

At 10.40pm on Saturday a petrol bomb was thrown at a home in Binne Circle, Bellville South. The bomb exploded outside the house and no damage was caused.

No arrests have been made

(1) Whether any person was bitten by a police dog at the Arcadia Senior Secondary School in Bonteheuwel on or about 25 April 1986; if so, (a) why, (b) what was the nature and extent of the wounds caused by the dog and (c) what were the circumstances surrounding the incident;

(2) whether the person concerned was armed at the stage when the dog was released; if so, what weapons did this person have in his possession at the time;

(3) whether this person was given any medical treatment by the police as a result of this incident; if not, why not; if so, what was the nature of the treatment given;

(4) whether any complaints have been received by the police as a result of this incident; if so, (a) when, (b) from whom and (c) what complaints;

(5) whether any action has been taken as a result; if not, why not; if so, what action;

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

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) to (c) A police action was aimed against persons who participated in an illegal gathering, gave black power signs and shouted slogans. The persons had stones in their possession and in the process of action a police dog was released on one of the potential stonethrowers, due to which the person sustained light scratch marks on his right forearm and his left upper arm.

(2) No, but he had stones in his possession.

(3) No, the scratch marks were superficial and of a minor nature.

(4) No.

(a) to (c) Fall away.

(5) No, since no complaint was laid with the police.

(6) No.

Q en 1676
HANSARD 13/5/86

Alexandra Township

*12. Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether the police fired any ammunition on or about 28 April 1986 at a certain house in Alexandra Township, the address of which has been furnished to the South African Police for the purpose of the Minister's reply; if so, (a) at what time, (b) what were the circumstances surrounding the incident and (c) what specified weapons were used;

(2) whether any hand grenades were used by the police on this occasion; if so, (a) why, (b) what is the rank of the person who gave the order in this regard and (c) what was the nature of the damage caused by the hand grenades;

(3) whether any other houses suffered any damage as a result of this incident; if so, (a) what are the street addresses of these houses and (b) what was the nature of the damage in each case;

(4) whether any persons were killed or injured in this incident; if so, (a) how many, and (b) what was the cause of death or injury, in each case;

(5) whether any persons were detained on this occasion; if so, (a) what are their names and (b) in terms of what statutory provisions were they detained;

(6) whether all policemen on patrol in Alexandra Township are issued with hand grenades; if not, (a) which policemen are issued with hand grenades and (b) why; if so, (i) why and (ii) who took the decision in this regard;

(7) whether policemen in any other townships have been issued with hand grenades; if so, (a) in which townships, (b) why and (c) when in each case;

(8) what is (a) the policy of the South African Police regarding the issuing and use of hand grenades and (b) the purport of the standing orders regarding the use of hand grenades;

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

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) No, no ammunition was fired at the address on the date concerned.

(2) to (5) Fall away.

(6) and (7) No, hand grenades are only issued on a selective basis and in extraordinary circumstances and only when the necessity for it exists. Decisions in this regard are taken according to each circumstance and then by the officer in charge of a specific action.

(8) (a) and (b) Hand grenades are issued to members as explained in paragraphs 6 and 7 above and the purport of the Standing Orders is the same as for the use of any fire-arms.

(9) No.

Q en 1697
HANSARD 13/5/86

Job creation

*13. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Manpower:

(1) Whether his Department has provided any funds for projects to provide work for unemployed persons in Zolani, Ashton; if so, (a) what amount, (b) on what dates, (c) how many persons were employed, (d) what projects were undertaken, (e) what categories of jobs were created, (f) who requested the funds and (g) by whom were these (i) funds and (ii) projects administered; if not, why not;

(2) whether any funds are to be provided for this purpose in Zolani; if not, why not; if so, (a) when and (b) what amount?

†The MINISTER OF MANPOWER:

(1) No.

(a) to (g) fall away.

(2) (a) and (b) If acceptable projects for work creation are submitted by the private sector, such projects will be considered.

13/5/86 Q en 1698
HANSARD

Sandkraal/Lawaaikamp

*14. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 14 on 29 April 1986 any houses at Sandkraal near George have been damaged or destroyed by fire; if so, (a) how many, (b) on what dates, (c) what was the cause of the fire and (d) what was the extent of the damage in each case;

(2) whether any steps have been taken to ensure that fireproof materials are used in the construction of houses in this township; if not, why not; if so, what steps;

(3) whether any inspections are carried out to exercise control over the quality of the building materials and methods of construction used in this township; if not, why not; if so, (a) by whom, (b) at what stages of construction and (c) what is the (i) nature and (ii) extent of these inspections;

(4) whether the survey to ascertain the housing needs of persons expected to

move to Sandkraal has been completed; if not, when is it anticipated that it will be completed; if so, (a) when, (b) how many families were included in this survey, (c) what were the findings, (d)(i) by whom and (ii) in what manner was this survey carried out and (e) what (i) questions were asked and/or (ii) items were included in this survey;

(5) whether his Department intends providing any housing for residents of Lawaaikop and other areas in the vicinity of George who cannot afford to provide their own housing; if so, what will be the (a) nature of this housing and (b) conditions attached to the allocation of such housing; if not, why not;

(6) whether residents of Lawaaikamp who are unable to provide their own housing will be allowed to remain in existing housing in Lawaaikamp; if not, (a) why not and (b) what steps will be taken in respect of such residents;

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

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

(1) Yes.

(a) 2.

(b) One during the night of 15 February 1986 and the other one during the weekend of 19 April 1986.

(c) Arson in both cases.

(d) A show-house which was used by an officer of the Development Board as an office was completely destroyed. Concerning the second house almost no damage was done.

(2) Yes. It was negotiated with the Development Board that gypsum board cladding be fitted in future on the inside of the external walls and that the foundations be closed-in with asbestos cement sheeting.

(3) Yes, an inspection was carried out on 22 January 1986.

(a) By a Control Inspector of Works of the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning.

(b) After completion of the first 89 houses.

(c) (i) Technical.

(ii) Quality of finishing, materials used, method of construction and quality of construction.

(4) No, due to the unrest situation it is not possible to undertake the survey at this stage. The survey will however be undertaken as soon as circumstances permit. (a), (b), (c), (d)(i), (ii), (e)(i) and (ii) Fall away.

(5) Yes.

(a) Conventional two-roomed brick houses.

(b) Sub-economic group earning less than R150,00 per month.

(6) No.

(a) The land belongs to the Municipality of George and forms part of the townships for Coloured people.

(b) Negotiations with each of them will be undertaken as soon as the survey has been done.

(7) No.

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Johannesburg City Mall: person arrested

HANSARD 13/5/86 (254)

*15. Mr P A MYBURGH asked the Minister of Defence:

(1) Whether any members of the South African Defence Force arrested a certain person, whose name has been furnished to the Defence Force for the purpose of the Minister's reply, during the course of a meeting at the Johannesburg City Hall on or about 29 April 1986; if so, (a) what were the circumstances surrounding the incident, (b) how many Defence Force personnel were involved, (c) what is the rank of the person who took the decision to arrest this person at this stage and (d) what is the name of the person arrested;

(2) whether the Defence Force personnel were in uniform at the time of the arrest; if not, (a) why not and (b) how were they dressed;

(3) whether the Defence Force personnel identified themselves to the person concerned prior to making the arrest; if not, why not; if so, in what manner;

(4) what is the policy of the Defence Force regarding the (a) carrying out of military duties by personnel in plain clothes and (b) identification of Defence Force personnel operating in plain clothes;

(5) whether the Defence Force personnel used military vehicles on this occasion; if not, (a) why not and (b) to whom did the vehicles belong; if so, what specified (i) vehicles were used and (ii) military markings were displayed on these vehicles;

(6) whether an investigation has been held into this incident; if not, why not; if so, (a) what is the rank of the person who was in charge of this investigation and (b) what were the findings;

(7) whether any action has been or is to be taken as a result of this incident; if not, why not; if so, what action;

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

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE:

(1) Yes, but not during the course of the meeting. The arrest was made 15 minutes before the commencement of the meeting.

(a) The person failed to report for military service which he was liable by law to render.

(b) Twelve. Nine members of the Military police guarded the exits and three entered the hall of whom two made the arrest.

(c) Captain.

(d) Lance Corporal P G Wilkinson.

(2) No.

(a) Firstly, because the nature of the meeting was such that military policemen in uniform could have created the wrong impression among those present about the purpose of their presence at the meeting. Secondly it could have given the arrested person the opportunity to escape.

(c) In plain clothes.

(3) Yes. By showing a military police identity card to the arrested person.

(4) (a) Where circumstances necessitate, the Military police wear plain clothes.

(b) Military Police are required to carry an identification card and to produce it upon demand, when they act in an official capacity.

(5) Yes.

(i) Two panel vans.

(ii) None.

(6) and (7) No, there was nothing irregu-

spector and explanations were given to the satisfaction of the pupils.
— Motivation courses for teachers were presented.
— The Township Council was requested to assist in normalising matters in the township.

Stamps celebrating founding of Republic

*7. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Communications:

(1) Whether his Department is responsible for the (a) content, (b) printing and (c) distribution of the Philatelic Services and Intersapa bronchure advertising the issue of stamps celebrating the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Republic; if not, who was responsible for each of these aspects; if so, (i) what is the name of this brochure, (ii) who compiled the text printed under the heading "25th Anniversary of the Republic of South Africa: 31 May 1986" and (iii) what was the total cost to his Department of printing and distributing this brochure;

(2) whether the text was approved by him; if not, who approved the text?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS:

(1) (a), (b) and (c) Yes.

(i) Philatelic Bulletin 189,

(ii) officials of the Post Office in consultation with the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning, and

(iii) R2 881,76;

(2) no; it was approved by officials of the Department in the normal course of duty.

Q CR 1691
Voters
HANSARD 13/5/86

*8. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Home Affairs:

(1) Whether persons who neither reside nor own property in a constituency are permitted to register as voters in that constituency; if so, (a) under what circumstances, (b) in terms of what statutory provision and (c) what procedure is to be followed to register as a voter in such a constituency; if not,

(2) whether any special concessions are made in respect of (a) Cabinet Ministers, (b) departmental officials or public servants and (c) any other specified persons to enable them to register as voters in constituencies in which they neither reside nor own property; if so, (i) in respect of which persons, (ii) in terms of what statutory provision, (iii) why in each case and (iv) what total number of persons was registered as voters in terms of this provision as at the latest specified date for which information is available;

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

†The MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS:

(1) Yes.

(a) and (b) The hon member is referred to section 1(4) of the Population Registration Act, No 30 of 1950.

(c) The information as required by the said measure must be supplied by a voter either by way of an application for an identity document, or by means of a formal notice of change of address or by letter.

(2) No, except for the special provisions contained in the aforementioned measure.

(i) to (iv) Fall away.

(3) No.

13/5/86 Q CR 1693
HANSARD

Simon's Town naval base

*9. The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION asked the Minister of Foreign Affairs:

(1) Whether any discussions were held or negotiations were entered into with any foreign governments over the past two years regarding the use by a foreign country of the Simon's Town naval base; if so, (a) with what foreign government or governments, (b) on what date or dates, (c) what specified use of the said naval base was discussed or formed the subject of negotiation and (d) what were the results of the discussions or negotiations in each case;

(2) whether any agreements have been reached with any foreign governments regarding the use of this naval base; if so, (a) with what governments, (b) when and (c) what are the terms of these agreements?

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT AID (for the Minister of Foreign Affairs):

(1) No. (a), (b) and (c) Fall away.

(2) No. Not since the Simonstown Agreement with the United Kingdom was terminated on 16 June 1975. (a), (b) and (c) Fall away.

New Zealand rugby players

*10. Mr B B GOODALL asked the Minister of Finance:

(1) Whether a certain company, the name of which has been furnished to the Minister's Department for the purpose of his reply, will receive any tax concessions as a result of its sponsorship of the current rugby tour by New Zealand rugby players; if so, (a) what specified tax concessions, (b) in terms of what statutory provisions, (c) what is the estimated total loss of revenue to his Department as a result of these concessions and (d) what is the name of this company;

(2) Whether any other special tax concessions are to be granted to this company in connection with its sponsorship of this tour; if so, (a) in terms of what statutory provisions and (b) what is the estimated total loss of revenue as a result of these concessions?

†The MINISTER OF FINANCE:

(1) No, unless legislation is passed providing for a tax concession in respect of certain sponsorships.

Attention is drawn to the press statement issued by me on 20 January 1986 in which the following was mentioned:

"in the light of the special problems faced by sporting and other bodies in South Africa, the Government resolved last year to introduce during this year's Parliamentary session amending legislation concerning tax concessions for sponsors of international sporting, cultural and educational activities."

If the proposed legislation is enacted by Parliament, sponsors complying with its condition will qualify for tax relief. They will as taxpayers be entitled to have their affairs treated as confidential. Any public disclosure of the affairs of any particular sponsor would be contrary to the policy of the Income Tax Act.

Since no legal provisions exist in terms of which a claim for tax relief may be made it is at this stage not possible to estimate the loss of revenue which will result from the proposed concession.

(2) In view of the answer to (1), this question falls away.

13/5/86 Q CR 1694
Arcadia school
HANSARD Q 75

*11. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any person was bitten by a police dog at the Arcadia Senior Secondary School in Bonteheuwel on or about 25 April 1986; if so, (a) why, (b) what was the nature and extent of the wounds caused by the dog and (c) what were the circumstances surrounding the incident;

(2) whether the person concerned was armed at the stage when the dog was released; if so, what weapons did this person have in his possession at the time;

(3) whether this person was given any medical treatment by the police as a result of this incident; if not, why not; if so, what was the nature of the treatment given;

(4) whether any complaints have been received by the police as a result of this incident; if so, (a) when, (b) from whom and (c) what complaints;

(5) whether any action has been taken as a result; if not, why not; if so, what action;

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

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) to (c) A police action was aimed against persons who participated in an illegal gathering, gave black power signs and shouted slogans. The persons had stones in their possession and in the process of action a police dog was released on one of the potential stonethrowers, due to which the person sustained light scratch marks on his right forearm and his left upper arm.

(2) No, but he had stones in his possession.

(3) No, the scratch marks were superficial and of a minor nature.

(4) No.

(a) to (c) Fall away.

(5) No, since no complaint was laid with the police.

(6) No.

Q en 1676
HANSARD 13/5/86

Alexandra Township

*12. Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether the police fired any ammunition on or about 28 April 1986 at a certain house in Alexandra Township, the address of which has been furnished to the South African Police for the purpose of the Minister's reply; if so, (a) at what time, (b) what were the circumstances surrounding the incident and (c) what specified weapons were used;

(2) whether any hand grenades were used by the police on this occasion; if so, (a) why, (b) what is the rank of the person who gave the order in this regard and (c) what was the nature of the damage caused by the hand grenades;

(3) whether any other houses suffered any damage as a result of this incident; if so, (a) what are the street addresses of these houses and (b) what was the nature of the damage in each case;

(4) whether any persons were killed or injured in this incident; if so, (a) how many, and (b) what was the cause of death or injury, in each case;

(5) whether any persons were detained on this occasion; if so, (a) what are their names and (b) in terms of what statutory provisions were they detained;

(6) whether all policemen on patrol in Alexandra Township are issued with hand grenades; if not, (a) which policemen are issued with hand grenades and (b) why; if so, (i) why and (ii) who took the decision in this regard;

(7) whether policemen in any other townships have been issued with hand grenades; if so, (a) in which townships, (b) why and (c) when in each case;

(8) what is (a) the policy of the South African Police regarding the issuing and use of hand grenades and (b) the purport of the standing orders regarding the use of hand grenades;

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

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) No, no ammunition was fired at the address on the date concerned.

(2) to (5) Fall away.

(6) and (7) No, hand grenades are only issued on a selective basis and in extraordinary circumstances and only when the necessity for it exists. Decisions in this regard are taken according to each circumstance and then by the officer in charge of a specific action.

(8) (a) and (b) Hand grenades are issued to members as explained in paragraphs 6 and 7 above and the purport of the Standing Orders is the same as for the use of any fire-arms.

(9) No.

Q en 1697
HANSARD 13/5/86

Job creation

*13. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Manpower:

(1) Whether his Department has provided any funds for projects to provide work for unemployed persons in Zolani, Ashton; if so, (a) what amount, (b) on what dates, (c) how many persons were employed, (d) what projects were undertaken, (e) what categories of jobs were created, (f) who requested the funds and (g) by whom were these (i) funds and (ii) projects administered; if not, why not;

(2) whether any funds are to be provided for this purpose in Zolani; if not, why not; if so, (a) when and (b) what amount?

†The MINISTER OF MANPOWER:

(1) No.

(a) to (g) fall away.

(2) (a) and (b) If acceptable projects for work creation are submitted by the private sector, such projects will be considered.

13/5/86 Q en 1698
HANSARD
Sandkraal/Lawaaikamp

*14. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 14 on 29 April 1986 any houses at Sandkraal near George have been damaged or destroyed by fire; if so, (a) how many, (b) on what dates, (c) what was the cause of the fire and (d) what was the extent of the damage in each case;

(2) whether any steps have been taken to ensure that fireproof materials are used in the construction of houses in this township; if not, why not; if so, what steps;

(3) whether any inspections are carried out to exercise control over the quality of the building materials and methods of construction used in this township; if not, why not; if so, (a) by whom, (b) at what stages of construction and (c) what is the (i) nature and (ii) extent of these inspections;

(4) whether the survey to ascertain the housing needs of persons expected to

Brigadier refuses to see group of parents



Mr Jasper Walsh, regional chairman of the PFP, and other members of a delegation of "concerned parents" on the steps of the Thomas Boydell Building yesterday after seeking an interview with the Divisional Commissioner of Police, Brigadier C A Swart, in connection with the whipping of Arcadia High School pupils.

Staff Reporters

THE Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Western Cape, Brigadier C A Swart, yesterday refused to see a three-person delegation after an earlier undertaking to see them if they made an appointment.

About 20 "concerned parents" from various Cape Town organizations first visited Manenberg police station at 10am yesterday to ask for an explanation for the whipping by police of about 40 pupils from the Arcadia High School last Monday.

The deputation, which included members of the PFP unrest monitoring committee, the Black Sash and Quakers, was referred to the Riot Squad.

They attempted to make an appointment with the Riot Squad chief, Lieutenant-Colonel W S Visser, but were told that only Brigadier Swart could make a statement.

Shortly after 11am the delegation, led by the regional chairman of the Progressive Federal Party, Mr Jasper Walsh, was received on the sixth floor of the Thomas Boydell building by a liaison officer for the Western Province, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher.

Lt Laubscher told Mr Walsh that Brigadier Swart was unable to see the entire delegation without prior appointment, but that he was willing to see a smaller delegation of two or three people if they made an appointment.

However, when making the appointment later in the day, Mr Walsh was told that there was to be no meeting as Brigadier Swart had "nothing to add to the statement he had already made", and he was advised to present any specific questions to the brigadier in writing.

Murder suspect shot dead in 'escape bid'

Staff Reporter

A 23-YEAR-OLD man suspected of murder was shot dead by police early yesterday when he allegedly tried to escape from custody during an investigation in connection with the murder of a policeman in Old Crossroads.

A police liaison officer for the Western Province, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said the man, Mr Ayanda Silika, had been arrested last Wednesday in connection with the sniper killing of a Pretoria West policeman, Constable Patrick Legong, 24, in Crossroads on March 25.

Mr Silika was to have appeared in Athlone Magistrate's Court today on charges of murder.

Lieutenant Laubscher said a team of investigating policemen from the Guguletu police station had taken the suspect with them in a Casspir for further investigations in Old Crossroads. He was apparently going to point out some places to them.

Handcuffs

The Casspir was parked outside the Old Crossroads Western Cape Development Board Offices in Mahobe Drive at 4am. The suspect was left inside, handcuffed and guarded by two of the policemen.

When the suspect asked to relieve himself his handcuffs were unlocked but when the policeman climbed out of the vehicle Mr Silika had knocked him down and made a dash for the nearest shacks.

The policeman called on him to stop and four shots were fired, one of which struck him in the back of the head.

He was rushed to Groote Schuur Hospital where he was certified dead.

According to the suspect's lawyer, Mr D I Adam, Mr Silika had been arrested at Athlone Magistrate's Court last Wednesday after appearing on charges of assault together with four other men.

He said a post-mortem had been performed yesterday morning but Mr Silika's family had asked for a second to be held in the presence of an independent doctor.

Police burst in on Sacla talks

Labour Reporter

PLAINCLOTHES police armed with shotguns burst into the Sacla clinic in Crossroads yesterday while the Crossroads Executive Committee and medical staff were meeting to discuss the closure of the clinic on Monday last week.

Witnesses said three Casspirs and two police vans arrived at the clinic just before midday and three policemen entered the building.

According to the staff, one of the policemen said: "I believe you've got a meeting going on in here," and began searching the room.

"When we asked him for a search warrant, he said he didn't need one," a doctor said.

The police left soon after without giving reasons for their visit.

The staff and the executive committee, which closed the clinic and confiscated the keys because it claimed the building was being used for "political purposes", reached some agreement yesterday on the continued running of the medical service.

Members of the executive committee said they had assured the staff that they were free to belong to any political organization they chose as long as they did not use the clinic to recruit members.

They also agreed to discuss all problems with the clinic committee, instead of arbitrarily closing the clinic.

The clinic has undertaken in turn to use its press only for clinic and church printing.

● Police yesterday confirmed that police had entered the clinic after reports that an armed man was seen in the area.

Two factions battle in PE township

12/5/86 E. Post

Crime Reporter

BLACK smoke billowed above Walmer township yesterday and shots were fired as security forces moved in to quell fighting between two groups in the township, each reported to be about 500 strong.

Ambulances were seen in Heugh Road picking up injured people.

According to the latest SA Police unrest report issued in Pretoria, police confiscated a home-made rifle after the warring factions, said to be members of the United Democratic Front and the Azanian People's Organisation, were dispersed with birdshot.

When the security forces moved in, a group of about 100 attacked them with kieries and home-made assegais.

The security forces fired birdshot and the attacking group fled.

Police said it was not known if anyone was injured.

In another incident yesterday municipal police fired birdshot at a group of 300 who attacked the Centenary Hall in New Brighton with stones.

Later police received a report that a 28-year-old woman was at a doctor's surgery receiving treatment for birdshot wounds.

A woman was arrested and taken by police to Livingstone Hospital where she is under police guard.

Several other incidents of unrest have been reported by the police.

The Mayor of Rini Town Council in Grahamstown, Mr N E Botha, was stabbed three times in the back and head by a group which burst into a house he was visiting in Port Alfred's black township on Friday. Mr Botha fired five shots with his revolver and a 26-year-old man was killed.

An unidentified sniper fired six rifle shots at the home of a policeman in Kwazakele at the weekend. One shot was fired at the home of another policemen in Kwazakele. Nobody was injured.

Uitenhage police fired shots to disperse a stone-throwing group on the national road.

At New Town, Paterson, a beerhall was damaged by arsonists.

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Stayaway for Beaufort burial

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — In Kwa Tini Dubu township, near Fort Beaufort, most workers stayed away from work yesterday for the funeral of an unrest victim, Mr Velile Kaleni, who was shot during a May Day stayaway.

The Fort Beaufort town clerk, Mr D. van Eck, said only people employed in the essential services, such as the hospital, went to work.

All businesses, including the municipality, had to make do with coloured and white workers.

Most employers had decided that workers could stay away from work but a policy of no-work-no-pay would be strictly adhered to, Mr Van Eck said.

Residents of Kwa Tini Dubu said Mr Kaleni was to have been buried last Saturday but the family was ordered to conduct the funeral on a weekday.

Thousands of people had attended the funeral while police kept a low profile, residents said.

● In Duncan Village, a group of about 200 people stoned police vehicles on Monday afternoon, the deputy Border police liaison officer, Sergeant Dalene Rossouw, said.

Police fired birdshot to disperse the stonethrowers and arrested two men in connection with the incident. They were both charged with public violence.

No injuries were reported, Sgt Rossouw said.

Also in Duncan Village, a group of people stoned a private vehicle on the Douglas Smit Highway on Monday.

No injuries were reported and no one was arrested.

● At Joza, near Grahamstown, a private house was set alight with a petrol bomb.

A man was later arrested in connection with the incident. No injuries were reported.

● At Dorrington, near Fort Beaufort, police used tearsmoke to disperse a group of stonethrowers. No arrests were made and no injuries were reported.

● Sapa reports that the regional director for the Department of Education and Training in the Northern Transvaal, Mr P. G. Felstead, said the department had decided to close six schools in Atteridgeville, outside Pretoria, following the uncontrollable behaviour of pupils at the schools.

He did not say what would happen to the teachers.

● In the Western Cape, the number of high school teachers facing charges of misconduct has risen to 72.

An attorney, Mr Yusuf Ebrahim, who is representing a number of those charged, said the teachers are alleged to have "caused, committed or connived at anything prejudicial to the administration, discipline or office of the department or school".

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Clerk criticised in township dispute

Provincial Staff

A NATIONALIST MPC has attacked George's town clerk for his handling of a township dispute in which shacks have been bulldozed and the threat of demolition hangs over more homes.

In the Provincial Council, Mr George Kellerman, MPC for the area which covers Lawaaikamp township, said the town clerk, Mr C P du Plessis, had aggravated a tense situation with his unsympathetic attitude.

During a debate on a private member's motion by Mr Jan van Eck (PFP Groote Schuur) calling for independent arbitration to resolve the dispute, Mr Kellerman assured residents of Lawaaikamp who had lived there "for some time" that their homes would not be demolished.

NEGOTIATION

Mr Kellerman said the recent confrontation between township residents and the George municipality had been aggravated by the unsympathetic way Mr du Plessis had dealt with the situation.

He and the MP for George, Mr H A Smit, had talked to black leaders and attempted to move the municipality towards negotiation.

"Instead the road of confrontation was followed," he said.

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Mr van Eck said the town council would have to "get rid" of Mr du Plessis. His attitude towards the black community was so negative that he could not remain in his position.

Mr van Eck said 160 shacks on the edge of Lawaaikamp demolished last month had been rebuilt in the centre of the township.

He warned that "all hell will break loose" if the municipality demolished these on Thursday as it had threatened.

Teargas fired 'into homes'

CAPE TIMES 14/5/86

By ANDREW DONALDSON

IN A large-scale security force "crime prevention exercise" at Nkqubela township outside Robertson on Saturday morning, police fired teargas into homes and assaulted a number of people, residents claimed yesterday.

Black Sash members — who collected affidavits from residents and transported others to Worcester for medical attention as they were wary of local doctors — and the press were told that in the weeks before the incident the township had been peaceful and quiet.

The township had been sealed off and police — backed up by about 30 vehicles, including SADF Buffels and police Casspirs — had conducted two waves of house-to-house searches, residents said.

'Criminal'

Police, however, said the operation took place because "criminal elements" had been exploiting the "sporadic unrest" in the township and that they had arrested five people on charges of public violence.

One resident, Miss Sarah Mokweni, 34, said that she had been in her home about 7am when about seven policemen in riot gear burst into her home, smashing the door, and one of them hit her in the face with a pickaxe handle.

Miss Mokweni's head, split above her right eye, was still swollen from the blow.

The police left immediately after she was hit, she said. There was no reason for the assault as the area had been quiet with no incidents of violence before the security arrived, she said.

After consulting with the chairperson of the Robertson Civic Association, Mr Peter Nhobo, Miss Mokweni made a statement to the police.

This was confirmed by a police spokesman in Pretoria, who said the matter would be investigated.

Another resident, Mr Hoffman Ntsulela, 22, said he had been approached by four policemen — all armed with pickaxe handles — about 10am and questioned about a burning vehicle near his home.



Miss Sarah Mokweni ... allegedly struck in the face with a pickaxe handle by police.

A fifth policeman approached the group and suggested that he be taken to a nearby toilet for questioning, Mr Ntsulela said.

"I would have told them about the car if I had known anything, but I didn't, so they said I was lying and they began to hit me," he said.

Mr Ntsulela claimed he was struck repeatedly about the shoulders, arms and right leg and only when a policemen warned they might kill him, did the beating stop. Yesterday, he still had difficulty walking — even with a cane — and one arm was in a sling.

Another resident, Mr Jackson Boy, told how his wife — paralysed from the neck down for the past seven years — had lain helpless in her bed as the room began to fill with teargas after a canister had been shot through the roof of his "tin house".

He had gone to the police to make a statement, but had not been able to get his wife to a doctor as it was extremely difficult to move her.

Residents were still puzzled about the incident. According to Mr Nhobo, there has been little violence in the township recently.

Since October, residents have been on a rent strike and the electricity supply to the township was cut off last month and they now fear their water supply, too, is to be cut.

'Meeting'

On Thursday morning, police visited Mr Nhobo and questioned him about a meeting to be held with residents that afternoon over the rent strike.

"They said they would be back," Mr Nhobo said. "They came back — hitting."

The police spokesman said that police would investigate any complaints once affidavits had been made at police stations.

The "crime prevention exercise" had taken place as "criminal elements have been exploiting the sporadic unrest situation in the township" and lasted from 5am to 11am.

"A group of about 500 blacks at one stage gathered illegally in the township and refused to obey a police order to disperse whereupon tearsmoke was fired to disperse them. The police also arrested five men on charges of public violence," he said.

BRIEFS

Petrol bomb hits guard's hut at school

Staff Reporter

A GUARD'S hut at Strandfontein Senior Secondary School has been petrol-bombed, causing slight damage.

Police said the attack came just before midnight yesterday. The fire was put out by the guard.

Earlier two incidents of stone-throwing were reported.

About 12.20pm a vehicle was stoned in Modderdam Road, Bonteheuwel, causing minor damage.

About 12.40pm a Post Office vehicle was stoned by youths near Bonteheuwel post office.

Boycott bankrupts Watson stores

The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — The Watson brothers' chain of clothing stores has been put out of business by the black consumer boycott.

Mr Gavin Watson said the four stores — which traded almost exclusively with blacks — had been placed in voluntary liquidation and would be closing shortly.

The Watson brothers first hit the headlines more than 10 years ago when Dan "Cheeky" Watson, an Eastern Province rugby wing and Springbok trialist, left white rugby to play for a black club.

Since then the four brothers, Cheeky, Ronnie, Gavin and Valence, have stayed in the public eye with their championing of black causes.

Last September the luxury family home of Mr Watson senior, which was also a home for the brothers and their families at times, was destroyed in a firebomb attack which caused R400 000 damage.

Two of the four Watson stores were exempt from last year's four-month boycott in the Eastern Cape but they have not escaped the effects of the present boycott, now in its second month.

Mr Gavin Watson said: "We are not the first store bankrupted by the boycott and we will certainly not be the last."

He said the family had other business interests in the area and would not be leaving the Eastern Cape.

"We are all involved in the formation of the Group of Twenty of concerned local businessmen and feel we still have a role to play, so we are not considering leaving."

Cheeky said it was lucky the family had other interests. He said: "Can you imagine anyone in the Eastern Cape giving Cheeky Watson a job?"

Kinikini trial: policeman's evidence probed

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By DEBBIE BOOYSEN

A RULING was made in the Supreme Court at Uitenhage yesterday allowing the defence to question a police witness in the Kinikini trial about evidence he had given in another trial in which one of the accused was convicted of possession of a petrol bomb.

Making the ruling Mr Justice Mullins said serious allegations had been levelled against Detective Sergeant George Dicker, who had helped investigate the Kinikini case and who had found a petrol bomb in the room of Mr Mlamli Mielies when he arrested him on April 10 last year.

The defence had alleged that Sgt Dicker would use "stratagems and devious means" to obtain from a suspect the evidence he wanted and that Sgt Dicker had given false evidence that contributed to Mr Mielies's conviction.

Judge Mullins said if cross-examination of Sgt Dicker's evidence in Mr Mielies's case revealed what the defence had alleged, it would reflect very seriously on the value to be attached to his evidence in the present case.

The accused are: Mr Mnyanda Jantjies, 21, Mr Mlamli Mielies, 22, Mr Lungile Bobby, 22, Mr Thobile Mahlahla, 19, Mr Ngqondo Vena, 26, Mr Zandisile Ndwanya, 18, a 17-year-old youth, two of 16 and one of 15.

They have all pleaded not guilty to six counts of murder and one of public violence.

The case arose from incidents in Kwanobuhle on March 23 when the undertaking complex of Mr Benjamin Kinikini, 57, was set alight and Mr Kinikini, his 13-year-old son Stanley, Mr Silumko Kinikini, 20, Mr Eric Kinikini, 25, Mr Qondile Kinikini, 18, and Mr Zolisile Pram, 20, murdered by a crowd.

Mr Justice Mullins was on the Bench. Mr B P Loots and Mr E A Logie sat as assessors. Mr Christ Nel appeared for the State. Mr Justice Poswa, together with Mr H K Naidu (instructed by Thole Majodina and company) appeared for the defence.

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AREA B: Bloemfontein, East London, Klerksdorp, Odendaalsrus, Paarl, Pietermaritzburg, Potchefstroom, Virginia and Welkom and Municipal Area of Witbank;

AREA C: Delmas, Heidelberg (Tvl), and Highveld Ridge; Municipal Areas: Bethlehem, Harrismith, Kroonstad, Ladysmith, Middelburg (Tvl), Newcastle, Pietersburg and Rustenburg;

Necklace victims found

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Business Day Reporter

EASTERN Cape police have discovered two necklace murders, one at Addo and the other at Port Afred.

Lt-Col Gerrie van Rooyen, SAP liaison officer in Port Elizabeth, says it appears as though the unidentified man found in Port Alfred was stoned before being set on fire.

The other man — identified as Alfred Sam — is believed to have been necklaced at Langa, near Uitenhage.

The police directorate of public relations, Pretoria, said yesterday incidents of arson and stone-throwing had occurred in various townships on Monday afternoon and late in the evening.

In Daveyton, East Rand, there were incidents of stone-throwing. Police made use of tearsmoke and fired shots when a mob tried to overturn a police vehicle.

In Soweto, near Johannesburg, a police vehicle was stoned, and a private vehicle destroyed by arsonists.

Arsonists caused extensive damage to a school in Boipatong, West Rand, a shop in Sebokeng, Vaal Triangle, a delivery vehicle and a shop in Emjindini, Eastern Transvaal.

At Umlazi, near Durban, an 11 year-old boy was badly burned when a policeman's home was petrol-bombed.

There were other incidents in Mamelodi, near Pretoria, Lingilihle, near Cradock, Dorrington, near Fort Beaufort, Joza, near Grahamstown, and Duncan Village, near East London.

SWEETMAKING INDUSTRY, EAST LONDON

Parties. Employer Organisation: Wilson-Rowntree (Pty) Ltd.
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Details of the township dead now available

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Post Reporter

REACTING to a statement by Brigadier E Schnetler, SAP Divisional Commissioner in the Eastern Cape, that people being buried at unrest funerals were not unrest victims, black leaders today said that all people buried recently were "apartheid victims".

Mr Henry Fazzie, regional vice-president of the United Democratic Front, has now produced the names of people buried on Saturday.

He said that of the 11 buried, only two had died from unrest-related incidents other than gunshot wounds. One had died after falling from a truck that had been enveloped in teargas and another had died after inhaling gas, he said.

Mr Fazzie and Mr Mkhuseli Jack, spokesman for the PE Consumer Boycott Committee, met Brigadier Schnetler on Wednesday and promised to hand over a list of those buried. Mr Fazzie said confusion about where the list should be sent had caused the delay.

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Arson death: Man named

Staff Reporter 975

POLICE have disclosed the identity of the man who was burnt to death with his dog when the bus they were sleeping in was set alight in Guguletu on Saturday evening.

He was Mr Nyansile Boyana, aged between 20 and 30 years. His dog's name was Twiggy.

The caretaker of the community centre in Guguletu told the Cape Times that he suspected arson as the fire had taken hold so fast.

Residents fear water may be cut

CAPE Times 15/5/86

Staff Reporter

NKQUBELA residents who fear water to the small township outside Robertson is about to be cut off this week claimed that the Western Cape Development Board is refusing to accept their monthly water account payments.

Cutting off the water, they allege, will be the WCDB's way of "intimidating" residents, who have been on a rent strike since October.

A senior WCDB spokesman, Mr Sampie Steenkamp, said yesterday that Nkqubela residents would continue to receive water as long as their service charge accounts were paid regularly.

The WCDB office in the township is damaged and the entire community council has resigned. No one has volunteered to stand for election.

According to the chairman of the Robertson Civic Association, Mr Peter Nhobo, residents, although on a rent boycott, have made water payments at the WCDB offices at Ashton.

Mr Nhobo said: "Residents were told (on Monday) that the Board was not going to take their money any more and they were going to cut off the water. Naturally, because of the house rent, we suspect this is an intimidation method."

Mr Nhobo said that about three weeks ago, the electricity supply to the township was cut off "without warning" but as many houses in Nkqubela were not supplied with power, this was not serious.

Mr Steenkamp said: "It's not true that we are intimidating them."

He confirmed that the township's electricity had been cut by Robertson Municipality.

"The rent is a different matter altogether and we will deal with that in a different way."

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Silence on research on unrest shootings

Staff Reporters

UNIVERSITY of Cape Town and medical authorities have declined to comment "at this stage" on the "leaking" last week of a UCT researcher's findings that more than half the people killed by police in unrest in Cape Town last year were shot in the back.

According to a report in a weekly newspaper last week, the research was conducted by a registrar in UCT's department of forensic medicine, Dr Joe Duflou. He collated results on 93 post-mortems conducted on people shot dead by police, 87 of whom were killed during unrest incidents.

Epidemiology workshop

More than half were shot in the back while 12 percent were shot in the side.

Commenting on the publication of the research, the chief specialist and head of UCT's department of forensic medicine and toxicology, Professor Deon Knobel, confirmed that Dr Duflou's paper had been discussed at an epidemiology workshop held at the university's Medical School on April 18 this year.

"At the commencement of the meeting, the head of the department of community health (which organized the workshop), Professor J Klopper, announced that the meeting was closed and not open to the press.

"Publication of Dr Duflou's article, together with another by myself discussing firearm injuries and other violent deaths during civil unrest, which was also discussed at the meeting, is pending," said the professor.

"I therefore do not wish to comment any further at this stage."

The two articles have been submitted for publication in the SA Medical Journal later in the year.

One source, who declined to be named, said at least two other articles "which put Dr Duflou's findings into context" were also discussed at the meeting, but only Dr Duflou's paper had been leaked to the press.

Dr Duflou has declined to discuss his research without permission as he is a public employee, but the details of his research as published at the weekend have been confirmed by other sources, it was reported.

Inquest proceedings

His study found that almost 35 percent of the victims had been shot more than once and six percent were wounded five times or more. Most of the deaths were caused by shotgun fire.

A spokesman for the police public relations division in Pretoria said that all the deaths referred to by Dr Duflou were the subject of inquest proceedings and courts would have to make findings on the deaths.

"In a riot situation it is easy for people to sustain wounds in the back as more than one person may be firing at one time and if a person turns to run, although one policeman may stop firing the second may not. To be shot in the back in such a situation is not unusual," he said.

Parents questioned after Paarl funeral

Staff Reporter

POLICE are investigating alleged contraventions of restrictions placed on the funeral of Mr Samuel Mjobo in Mbekweni last week.

Mr Mjobo's parents, Mr John Mjobo and Mrs Edith Mjobo, were questioned separately at Paarl police station on Tuesday.

Police picked up Mr Mjobo at work and his wife at home.

Mrs Mjobo said: "We were unaware that we were being questioned at the same time. It was only when we walked out of the police station that we saw each other."

Police had shown her a video-recording of her son's funeral.

Her husband was shown a similar film, she said.

"Police wanted me to identify some of the people at the funeral and to name the people who had carried flags. I refused."

● Major Frank Alton, police liaison officer for the Boland, confirmed that police were investigating the alleged contravention of restrictions placed on the funeral by Mr J T P Swart, chief magistrate of Paarl.

Refuse piling up in streets

Tygerberg Bureau

REEKING refuse is piling up in the streets of Mbekweni near Paarl.

A community leader said the Western Cape Administration Board had stopped twice-weekly refuse collections and had not emptied night-soil buckets for two weeks.

A board spokesman said the services had been suspended because sanitation workers had been threatened and stoned.

A youth group had started removing refuse but there was little they could do about the night soil.



Mr Peter Mhobo, middle, chairman of the Nkqubela Civic Asociation, speaks to Black Sash worker Mr Phillip van Ryneveld. Next to Mr Mhobo is Mrs Sarah Mokweni, her right eye closed and swollen after she was allegedly beaten with a pick-handle.

Police 'beat us with pick-handles'

By ROBERT HOUWING
Staff Reporter

RESIDENTS of Nkqubela township near Robertson allege they were beaten with "pick-handles" during a security force crime prevention operation.

Reporters from two Cape Town newspapers accompanied Black Sash worker Mr Phillip van Ryneveld to Nkqubela where he investigated claims and took statements from alleged victims.

The police directorate of public relations in Pretoria confirmed Saturday's operation and described it as a "security forces crime prevention action".

It was launched because "criminal elements have been exploiting the sporadic unrest in the township".

According to the directorate, five men were arrested on charges of public violence.

Residents said the operation came "out of the blue" during a period of relative tranquillity.

Chairman of the Nkqubela Civic Asociation and former community councillor Mr Peter Mhobo said residents woke up to find about 30 Casspirs, Buffels and police vehicles in the township.

He said doors were broken down, people assaulted and tearsmoke fired.

Mrs Sarah Mokweni, 34, said she was at home when she heard a loudhailer telling people to get inside their houses.

"I closed the door quickly but it was kicked open by about seven policemen."

Mrs Mokweni, her right eye closed and the area around it red and swollen, said one of them hit her in the face with a "pick-handle" for "no reason" before they left.

She said she made a sworn statement at Robertson police station and visited a doctor recommended by the police.

"He told me I was a stone-thrower and all he could do was give me pain-killers."

Robertson municipal worker Mr Hoffman Ntsulela, 22, walking with a stick and his right arm in a sling, said he was washing meat outside his house when a policeman beckoned him.

"I went to him and he was joined by four other policemen. They said I had been involved in setting a car alight. I replied I knew nothing about it.

"I was taken to a hostel toilet and beaten and kicked. Two more police arrived and beat me with pick handles on the shoulders, arms and legs."

● The police directorate of public relations confirmed that Mrs Mokweni had made a complaint.

Court told of shots in the back

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Two youths allegedly killed by police last year had been shot in the back, the Grahamstown Magistrate's Court heard yesterday.

An inquest into the deaths of Alliston Kohl, 17, and Hombakazi Matiwana, 15, heard that the two youths were allegedly part of a group of about 300 people who attacked the houses of a community councillor and a security policeman in Joza township on May 12 last year.

Dr Kenneth Gough told the court the two youths had been shot in the back.

He said that it was possible that Alliston could have run a fair distance after he had been shot. He said he had known of people who had been shot through the heart run a distance of between 100 and 200 metres.

Mr Edmund Burgess testified that he attended a funeral on the day in question and had been in the company of Alliston Kohl, among others.

He said they had been walking towards the back of a group of about 500 people when they heard shots. He did not know why the shots were fired and could not see if anything had happened at the front of the group.

Mr Burgess said he and others in the crowd turned around and fled back in the direction they had come from.

Alliston and another man, Mr Tyrone Austin, had run past him. He had followed them into the backyard of a house where he had noticed blood on Alliston's neck.

Mr Burgess said Alliston died before they could get medical help.

The inquest was adjourned to June 24.

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13 held in raid on Oudtshoorn township

By YAZEED FAKIER

ABOUT 400 residents of the Oudtshoorn township of Bhongulethu were held for questioning after police — backed by troops who surrounded the area — conducted house-to-house searches from 5am yesterday.

Residents said more than 200 men took part in the operation. Police yesterday confirmed that 13 people had been arrested and would appear in the Oudtshoorn Magistrate's Court on Monday on various charges.

The remainder had been released, the liaison for the South Western Districts, Colonel Eddie Snyman, said.

Residents also reported that a youth from the area had been injured by birdshot after police opened fire on a group of people who pelted them with bricks and stones.

Col Snyman said a Casspir had been stoned about noon by a group of black youths, who were dispersed by birdshot. There were no reports of any casualties, he said.

Denied residents' reports

He denied reports from residents that soldiers had assisted police in their door-to-door searches, and said police had been on a "crime prevention operation".

He said 13 men had been arrested — one in connection with possession of explosives; three in connection with dealing in dagga; four in connection with furthering the aims of the ANC or the SA Communist Party; one in connection with public violence; three in connection with arson and one in connection with malicious damage to property.

Police had taken possession of explosives, 12 bags of dagga weighing 160kg and a BMX bicycle. Col Snyman added that the search had lasted till about midday.

A resident, who preferred not to be named, said that a "massive security force contingent" had surrounded the township.

"The soldiers were positioned five metres apart and sealed off the place.

"There was a helicopter, about 10 Hippos and Casspirs, more than 15 army jeeps and army personnel trucks, two armoured vehicles — which looked like Hippos but had machine guns on them — about 20 army motorbikes with armed soldiers, and many police vans and police dogs," he said.

Bus boycott

He said the black township had been boycotting buses since May 1, citing the lack of shelters, high fares and the fact that buses do not enter the township, as grievances.

"It is supported 100 percent. The police are probably trying to break the boycott," he said.

Col Snyman said that at the Bridgeton coloured residential area in Oudtshoorn, about 150 youths had stoned a military vehicle about 11.30am and were dispersed with teargas. There were no casualties.

Police sjambok pupils at school

By YAZEED FAKIER
Education Reporter

POLICE yesterday broke up a rally at Rocklands Senior Secondary School in Mitchells Plain and sjambokked a number of pupils who had gone to listen to community leader Mr Johnny Issel speak on the recent police whipping of Arcadia high school pupils.

Mitchells Plain teachers and pupils said a contingent of police in about seven vans entered Rocklands high school at the start of the rally yesterday morning.

"One of four policemen who came into the rally told us we had 15 minutes to disperse. He said: 'If you don't, we will do the same to you as we did at Arcadia — then you can run to the

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newspapers again'," a Rocklands pupil said.

"The 15 minutes was not yet over when they drove right through the locked gates and rushed onto the schoolgrounds. Children panicked and screamed as the vans drove into the mass of students and circled pupils on the rugby field.

"One police van knocked over a girl and when she tried to get up she was beaten and kicked. The police had shotguns and sjamboks and started beating pupils indiscriminately."

The Cape Times interviewed a Tafelsig High School pupil who walked with difficulty, had a swollen jaw, marks all over his body and the two middle fingers of his left hand were bandaged. He said he was at the meeting and fainted while being whipped by about eight policemen.

Another pupil said police entered the school's sick bay and took away one of three pupils who had been injured. "They also kicked down the doors of the toilets and some classrooms and beat pupils. The teachers tried to help us but they couldn't really do anything," he said.

A police liaison officer for the Western Province, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said pupils had stoned police arriving at the Rocklands High School at 9.50am. Pupils had shouted slogans and insults and at 10am police had warned the pupils to disperse.

He said a crowd of 300 pupils had been at the school, but pupils said the number was "closer to 900".

Lieut Laubscher said that about 10.30am police had driven on to the school grounds where they had used quirts to break up the "illegal gathering" and two men, both over 18, had been detained for questioning.

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Yellow Pages burned

Education Reporter

POLICE fired teargas in Manenberg after pupils gathered at a school and set fire to mounds of Yellow Pages directories in protest against the New Zealand Cavaliers rugby tour.

About 700 pupils, including pupils from schools in Athlone and Bonteheuwel, gathered at the Manenberg No 1 Senior Secondary, tore up hundreds of the directories and set them alight in the schoolgrounds about 11.30am.

They waved banners reading "All Blacks Mercenaries versus Oppressors 15" and "All Blacks play for blood money".

Several busloads of Alexander Sinton, Belgravia and Rylands high school pupils who had arrived at the school were turned away by police. They then gathered at Rylands High School and also burned stacks of Yellow Pages directories.

When police Casspirs and vans, including a police video unit, arrived, the pupils dispersed.

Later, police fired teargas to disperse a large crowd which gathered at the intersection in The Downs Road, Manenberg, and stoned and looted commercial vehicles.

Youths built barricades out of concrete rubble in The Downs Road, and hundreds of people gathered in the road as police patrolled in Casspirs and vans.

● A Timber City truck torched in Fifth Avenue, Heideveld.

Kinikini parlour

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events recalled

By DEBBIE BOOYSEN

A POLICEWOMAN who accompanied one of the accused in the Kinikini murder trial on a "pointing out session" said in the Supreme Court at Uitenhage today that he had been "completely at ease" and had related to her, step by step, events at the Kinikini funeral parlour on March 23.

Lieutenant D F Rauch was testifying at a trial within a trial to test the admissibility of statements made by Mr Mlamli Wellington Mielies.

She said she was requested to take Mr Mielies on a "pointing out session" on May 7 last year. He directed her and other policemen to a burnt-out building in Kwanobuhle, which she later learnt was the Kinikini funeral parlour.

Mr Mielies twice related everything that had taken place there, and was completely at ease while pointing out "various things".

Lt Rauch, who had recorded in a statement what Mr Mielies had said during the session, said she had warned him several times of the seriousness of the matter and that he should be careful about what he said and pointed out it would be taken down in writing and could be used as evidence against him.

Mr Mielies, who was handcuffed, had participated fully, had walked without hesitation and had made no complaints about treatment. No pressure was brought to bear on him and no promises were made to him, she said.

Mr Mielies, 22, is charged with Mr Mnyanda Jantjies, 21, Mr Lungile Bobby, 22, Mr Thobile Mahlahla, 19, Mr Ngqondo Vena, 26, Mr Zandisile Ndwanya, 18, a 17-year-old youth, two of 16 and one of 15.

They have all pleaded not guilty to six counts of murder and one of public violence.

The case arose from the Kinikini murders in Kwanobuhle on March 23, last year.

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Mr Justice Mullins was on the Bench. Mr B P Loots and Mr E A Logie sat as assessors. Mr Chris Nel appeared for the State. Mr Justice Poswa and Mr H K Naidu (instructed by Thole Majodina and company) appeared for the defence.

16 Crossroads residents flee anti-UDF purge

By MOIRA LEVY

AT least 16 residents of the Crossroads squatter camp have fled into hiding, and many more are living in fear of their lives, as the local committee under chairman J Ngxobongwana, continues to purge the area of all progressive opposition.

No UDF-affiliated organisations are allowed to function in the area, and several members claim to have received death threats.

According to Mxolisis Tolbat, the chairman of the Crossroads branch of the Cape Youth Congress (Cayco), Ngxobongwana has established his own "police force" in the area and has links with the SA Police and community councillors from the Langa-Guguletu complex.

Interviewed in hiding, he claimed the committee functioned "in effect like a community council. It exploits our parents. It tried to exploit us."

Tolbat alleged money raised by the committee was going missing. But, he said: "We are not fighting any of the individuals in the committee. We are fighting the autocratic system.

"There is disorder in Crossroads. Since 1978 when Dr Piet Koornhof came with his promises (of land for some squatters) the people don't know any more who their enemies are."

The ongoing conflict between the "comrades" and the old guard intensified in February when Ngxobongwana called elections for a new community committee.

Several members of the old committee refused to stand for re-election, claiming the elections were undemocratic. They strongly condemned Ngxobongwana's order that residents pay a R15 fee in order to vote — or face being expelled from the community.

A memorandum released by Ngxobongwana records that 5 683 people voted out of a total population of 47 000.

"We never saw the voters' roll. There was no independent monitoring of the voting. Ngxobongwana counted the votes himself," Langa said.

Organisations invited to oversee the elections, including the Urban Foundation, the Black Sash, the UDF, and the Western Province Council of Churches, all refused to participate on the grounds that the election was sowing divisions within the Crossroads community.

Ngxobongwana's opponents are also angry about a letter sent by him shortly after the elections to the Minister of Constitutional Development, Chris Heunis, asking for assistance for upgrading Crossroads.

A member of the original committee, A Nkpande, who refused to stand for re-election, also now in hiding, said Ngxobongwana had held a meeting with community councillors from his surrounding townships where plans were made to appoint him chief president of all the community councils in the Western Cape.

"We reject that. All these years we have refused to take part in the community councils."

The focus of much of the conflict has been Empilisweni Clinic, situated in the heart of the squatter settlement, which was closed for three days last week after members of the committee seized the keys and ordered all staff and patients to leave.

While negotiations are continuing between the committee and the community-based clinic committee, three clinic staff members are refusing to return to work because they believe they would be in danger if they entered the area.

The clinic, in a list of demands put to the committee, has called for an end to the victimisation of staff who belong to community organisations and has said it will hold the committee responsible "if anything happens to any member of staff".

Leslie Liddle of the Western Province Council of Churches said: "The clinic is seen by the committee as a highly politicised core of the community.

"Ngxobongwawa is conducting a concerted campaign against all political organisations in the area, and the former committee members who resigned or who refused to stand for re-election are seen to be in that camp. They are all politically progressive people, and Ngxobongwana sees them as a threat to his power," Liddle said.

9 die in E Cape unrest

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Nine people died in unrest in the Eastern Cape at the weekend while two others narrowly escaped being burnt to death when police intervened.

Substantial damage was also caused to private property which had been petrol-bombed, the police public relations division in Pretoria announced in its weekend unrest bulletins.

At Joza, near Grahamstown, a man was stabbed to death and his body burnt.

Four people died and a fifth was wounded at Senterton, near Hankey.

Police said the four died when a mob was dispersed with shotgun, pistol and rifle fire when they hurled a number of petrol bombs at a community councillor's home.

At Alexandria, three men were killed when a private home was petrol-bombed. The attackers were dispersed with pistol fire.

"At Kwanobhule, near Uitenhage, police fired shotguns to disperse a mob attempting to burn a man. In the same area the body of a black man was found. He had been hacked to death and his body set alight," the police report said.

Police also reported that a shop in Duncan Village here was damaged by arsonists.

In other weekend incidents of unrest reported by police:

- The bodies of five men were found in Kwa-Mashu, near Durban.
- A man was burned to death in Nyanga, near Cape Town.
- In Soweto, on the Witwatersrand, the burned body of a man was found.

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'Pickhandle' batons were issued to Robertson police

Crime Reporter

POLICE are investigating allegations that members of the force assaulted residents of Nkqubela near Robertson with wooden batons similar to pickhandles.

Police say pickhandle-like batons were issued to members involved in last Saturday's "crime-prevention" operation at Nkqubela to defend themselves against dogs.

The Argus was today refused permission to photograph the baton.

In a series of telexed questions the police directorate of public relations in Pretoria was asked whether pickhandles, or items similar to pickhandles, had been issued to police in Robertson.

"Less lethal"

The directorate replied that police performing crime-prevention duties had in the past been issued with a wooden type of baton as it was a "far less lethal weapon than most".

Questioned about the baton's size, the directorate said: "The police make use of a wooden baton which resembles a pickhandle. Some members were issued with these during the action in Robertson and had been used (sic) on occasion in the past."

Clarifying this reply, a police spokesman today said the batons were issued to police to defend themselves against dogs in townships. He said it was purely a "defensive weapon".

Assaulted

Police said that as far as they were aware the only baton used against people was a 35cm truncheon.

Police confirmed that a complaint had been lodged by Miss Sarah Mokweni, a Nkqubela resident.

She told reporters she was assaulted with what she thought was a pickhandle.

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Foot-fault!

MANILA. — Italian pizza cook Mr Gabriele Bruni walked into trouble when he tried to leave the Philippines with size 12 running shoes on his size eight feet.

Airport security became suspicious "because he waddled in a curious way" through the X-ray machine, "and his feet were out of proportion to his size," said Sergeant Felix Botardo.

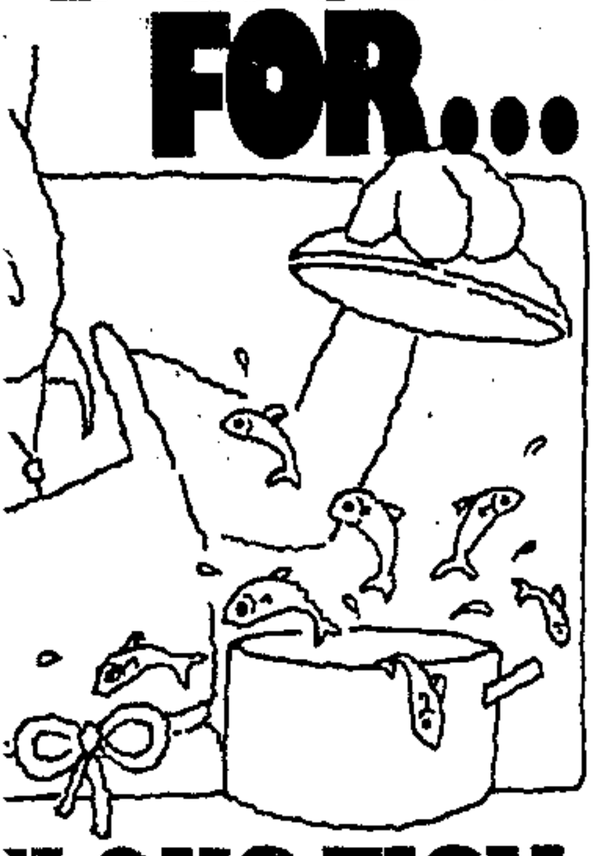
Mr Bruni, 22, took off his running shoes and police found nearly a kilogram of dried dagga tucked into the lining and the toe caps.

Mr Bruni, on his way home to Siena after working for eight months on a resort island, was turned over to police. — Sapa-Reuter.





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Shop, meat lorry looted in Manenberg

Staff Reporter

A SHOP in Manenberg was looted and several delivery vehicles were stoned in unrest in the Peninsula.

A man was injured and a youth was arrested.

In Manenberg, burning roadblocks were set up.

DRIVER INJURED

Police said that about 1.50pm yesterday a delivery vehicle was stoned at the intersection of Spine and Eisleben roads in Mitchell's Plain. The driver was injured above the eye.

A meat delivery vehicle was stopped in Duinefontein Road, Manenberg, by a group throwing stones. They stole meat and cash.

A delivery vehicle was damaged when it was stoned in Welcome Estate and a delivery vehicle was petrol-bombed in Heideveld.

YOUTH ARRESTED

Another delivery vehicle was stoned in Duinefontein Road opposite the Nyanga station and a youth was arrested.

At the intersection of Manenberg Avenue and Downs Road, a delivery vehicle was slightly damaged when it was stoned.

Police said a group of people attacked a store in Manenberg Avenue. They broke the shop's windows and looted it.

An intricate web of groupings

Important changes have occured in student organisation in the Western Cape. ESTELLE RANDALL looks at the complex web of organisations that are dealing with the rising tension in local schools.

ORGANISATION at Western Cape schools presently occurs largely through Student Action Committees (Sacs).

The significant role of the Western Cape Students' Action committee (Wecsac), formed in late July 1985 to co-ordinate the schools' boycott in the Western Cape, was taken over by the locally-based Sacs early on.

Initially representing about 40 schools, Wecsac experienced problems maintaining student loyalty and cohesion from the start.

While drawing together student organisations representing different tendencies, it was unable to give united action priority above sectarian power struggles. Differences also arose over the aim and duration of the boycott and militant students felt that Wecsac too often pressurised them into considering a suspension of the boycott.

In addition the joint Student Representative Councils, representing the DET schools, did not participate in Wecsac.

Consequently students began to look to their local structures for leadership. The Sacs tended to overcome the problem of uneven strength and experience of school based organisation by joint planning, conducting joint education programmes, arranging area-based rallies and providing a focus for identification and loyalty.

At present there are Sacs in most areas — for example Bisco (Bonteheuwel) Ersac (Elsies River) Belsac (Belhar) — and most have affiliated to the UDF-linked Western Cape Students Congress (Wecsco).

The joint SRC's and the Athlone Students Action Committee (Asac) have remained non-aligned although there is a working relationship between them and Wecsco.

In Bonteheuwel the three high schools there formed the Bonteheuwel Interschools Congress (Bisco). Bisco is affiliated to Wecsco and works closely with the UDF area committee and the Cape Youth Congress (Cayco).

Organisation and mobilisation of parents is seen as the priority at present, said a Bisco executive member. The meeting with parents last Wednesday where rents boycott was decided on has been followed up by house visits to win further support.

But the importance of winning parents to their side is also seen as important by students in those areas where things have been relatively quiet so far.

With June 16 just weeks away, these are the sort of scenes that may explode ... yet again

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Students and children run riot after a student funera

Despite general agreement among students to return to school, black education seems in danger of sliding once more into a state of turmoil and stalemate. ESTELLE RANDALL reports from Cape Town

WITH the emotion-charged June 16 commemoration only about a month away, the Western Cape stage seems set for a repetition of last year's confrontation between students and authorities.

Despite students' general agreement with the National Education Crisis Committee (NECC) conference's decisions, in particular the call for a return to school, events since the Easter Durban meeting are making a return to "normal" schooling increasingly unlikely at some Department of Education and Culture schools.

Chief among the factors which could propel the region into another wave of mass militancy and school boycotts is the ongoing harassment, detention and arrest of students and teachers.

On April 14, police used teargas and sjamboks to disperse about 1 000 Kasselsvlei Senior Secondary students holding a placard demonstration on the school grounds.

A placard demonstration on April 28 at the Silverstream Senior Secondary school in Manenberg left about 20 students injured — one with an eye injury which required specialist treatment — when police intervened, wielding sjamboks.

But the police intervention which has so far evoked the most widespread condemnation occurred at Arcadia Senior Secondary In Bonteheuwel on Monday last week when about 40 students were injured when police dispersed a demonstration.

All three demonstrations were held to protest against the detention of students or teachers. And in all cases teachers who were present have maintained that the demonstrations were peaceful and the police not provoked.

The police, however, have denied that they acted without provocation.

The Arcadia incident, where teachers alleged that students were taken out of their classrooms and beaten by police, has now rippled out into sympathy protests.

On May 6, the day after the Arcadia demonstration, students at several high schools in the Athlone area walked out of their classes in a show of solidarity.

At a meeting of about 1 000 people in Bonteheuwel last Wednesday, a decision was taken to embark on a rent boycott to protest police and army intervention in the area.

And this Monday, students at Glendale Senior Seconday in Mitchells Plain began a boycott of normal classes in support of Arcadia students and to protest the detention of two teachers.

An attempt by Mitchells Plain students to have a meeting last Friday to discuss the Arcadia incident and the detention of teachers was allegedly thwarted when police arrived and dispersed the crowd.

Whether or not students will take further action remains to be seen. Bonteheuwel schools have, however, seen almost daily disruption of classes since the start of the new term.

Besides police intervention at schools, the decision to press ahead with charges related to alleged misconduct against 72 Department of Education and Culture teachers is likely to stoke the fires of anger.

The teachers who face disciplinary hearings at the department's Roeland Street offices in Cape Town in June include some of the oldest and most respected educationists in the region.

The hearing will not be heard in public and teachers found guilty could face fines of up to R400, transfer or dismissal, among others.

The Western Cape Teachers Union (Wectu), representing the teachers, has called for the immediate and unconditional dropping of charges against them and for an end to alleged victimisation of teachers and students.

A further issue is the implementation of new security measures at schools.

High fences are to be erected around school grounds and security guards, employed by the Department of Education and Culture, are to monitor activities.

At several schools security guard huts have already been destroyed. Huts were set alight at three Bellville schools last week and earlier students at the Livingstone High School in Claremont uprooted a hut and threw it into a main road bordering the school.

Slating the new security measures as attempts to turn schools into prisons, the Western Cape Students' congress (Wesco), which commands wide support among students, warned that they would not allow anyone to jail them "like criminals" in their own schools.

With most of the demands listed by students during last year's boycotts not met and continuous intransigence by the Education Department regarding these, the ghost of Hector Petersen may not yet be laid to rest.

3-day boycott

THE Transvaal region of the National Education Crisis Committee (NECC) has resolved to declare a three-day stayaway to mark the tenth anniversary of the Soweto uprising.

At its meeting in Nelspruit at the weekend, the NECC said countrywide rallies will be held on June 16, and resistance campaigns on the following day.

"The nature of the campaigns will only be made known after discussions with trade unions," a representative said.

There will be a massive grave-cleaning campaign on June 18.

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nd how scholars voice their protests — a demonstration on the march to the local school inspector's offices

School left in 'shambles' after raid

Members of the South African Defence Force (SADF) and the police this week raided Immaculata High School in Diepkloof, allegedly breaking their way through locked security gates and ransacking the principal's office and classrooms.

A spokesman for the SADF the allegations were being investigated.

The incident occurred on Wednesday night. Yesterday morning, members of the SADF allegedly fired teargas into the school yard for no apparent reason.

On Wednesday night, after breaking into the office of the principal, Sister Theresa, they searched cupboards and took her personal files.

Sister Theresa said they forced their way into classrooms, tore pupils' books, took six intercoms and posters, broke 12 windows and emptied all the cupboards on to the floor, leaving the place in a shambles.

"In the morning we found that the men had left behind a balaclava with numbers and a name on it, and a book of personal details," Sister Theresa said.

A teacher, who lives in the school cottage, Miss Lindiwe Nkolombe, yesterday said, "I was in the house at about 11 when I heard the sound of trucks outside.

She said four uniformed policemen searched her house before moving to the school building, where they "went from one department to the other".

She said after more than two hours, she heard the men leave the school premises in their more than 20 trucks and police vans.

Members of the Students' Representative Council said that among documents taken was a list of the SRC members.



Growing up tough ... a group of PE teenagers, nicknamed the Amabutho, brandish imitation weapons

Picture: MIKE LOEWE

The dance the police don't want repeated

By MIKE LOEWE, Port Elizabeth

FOR the first time in months, funerals for unrest victims in the Eastern Cape went ahead without further loss of life after an accord reached last week between police and UDF leaders.

But regional police chief Brigadier Ernest Schnetler took strong exception to a Toyi Toyi dance performed at a Port Elizabeth funeral and indicated he would not allow it in future.

The Toyi Toyi is a militant jig danced during protest events to the background of freedom songs.

Schnetler, who watched the dance from a helicopter, said the dance was warlike and responsible for inciting township crowds.

The dance was one of the items discussed by Schnetler and political leaders during negotiations that led to the accord. Schnetler agreed to assume personal command of the force monitoring the Port Elizabeth funeral. According to a representative of the white monitoring committee which attended the funeral, Schnetler had told them "legal provisions" restricting the number of mourners at the graveside would be relaxed, but in return "communist banners" and Toyi Toyi dancing would be banned.

Local boycott committee leader Mkuseli Jack told WM the dance, which he described as a means of expression arising out of massive anger against repression and apartheid, was a "non-negotiable issue.

"It's our way of letting off steam," he said.

"Brigadier Schnetler mentioned in passing that he did not like the Toyi Toyi. No undertaking was given to stop it."

Schnetler accused the UDF of failing to honour its promises by performing the dance. "What I saw was far from a dignified occasion," he said. He also claimed communist placards and Soviet flags had been brandished at the funeral.

The latter claim was refuted by the white monitoring committee, which included city businessmen, church leaders, professionals and local politicians.

In a statement, the committee noted "with relief" that a cycle of confrontation between Security Forces and funeral-goers seemed to have been broken. They attributed this breakthrough to the initiative of township leaders in suggesting the talks and to Schnetler's willingness to participate.

Policeman took shelter as shots fired, court told

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By CHRIS RENNIE

A POLICEMAN told the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court today he took shelter behind concrete blocks when a colleague opened fire at children running in his direction.

Constable M Zwane, of Pinetown, was testifying at the trial of WO Stanford Mene, Sergeant Butler Tungata and Constable Vakile Qayiso, on two charges of murder and four counts of attempted murder arising out of a shooting incident at the Phakamisa School, Zwide on July 23 last year.

Const Zwane, who was seconded to a special riot unit in PE last July, was patrolling with the accused and a Sgt Gumede in a van on July 23.

Near the school, WO Mene said the children were holding a meeting in the classrooms and Sgt Tungata suggested they should "go to the children".

WO Mene and Const Qayiso got out of the van, followed by Sgt Tungata and the witness.

When they were told the children had the key to the locked gate, WO Mene and Cons Qayiso climbed over the fence.

As they were climbing, Const Zwane said he saw children running out of the classes.

He ran around the school fence towards the back of the school to where he thought the children were running.

He was about to turn back when he saw children running in his direction.

Const Qayiso was chasing them and he saw Const Qayiso lift his gun and fire in their direction.

As he was in the line of fire, he sheltered behind concrete blocks.

Two shots were fired, and Const Qayiso turned back towards the school. He reappeared chasing another group of children. Const Qayiso again fired.

Const Zwane said he did not see any one being hit by the shots fired by Constable Qayiso.

He also heard shots from the front of the school which was out of his sight.

As he returned to the van he saw children running from inside the school. They jumped over the fence and he noticed among them a boy in a white, blood-stained shirt.

He said there was no reason for Const Qayiso to have fired in the direction of the children he was chasing.

(Proceeding)

Cattle stolen

Weekend Post Correspondent

CRADOCK — Mr S Vorster, of Elliot, had four beasts stolen from his lorry outside the town.

His lorry had a puncture at the Tarkastad-Port Elizabeth national road intersection about a kilometre from town. Leaving an employee with the cattle, he walked to a garage.

While he was away the employee was attacked by stone-throwing men who removed the four animals and drove them into the township of Ilingelihle.

The police have found no trace of them.

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Strokes for Paarl boys

PAARL — Three teenage boys were each sentenced to seven strokes by Mr A J F Louw in the Magistrate's Court here yesterday after being found guilty of stoning a police Casspir in Mbekweni township on May 1.

The crew of the Casspir told the court that the boys had stoned them. The boys were arrested soon after the stoning. — Sapa

Police probe claims of 'pickhandle' assaults

Own Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Police are investigating allegations that members of the force assaulted residents of Nkqubela, near Robertson in the Boland, with wooden batons similar to pickhandles.

Police say pickhandle-like batons were issued to members involved in last Saturday's crime prevention operation at Nkqubela to defend themselves against dogs.

The Argus newspaper was refused permission yesterday to photograph the baton.

In a series of telexed questions, the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria was asked whether pickhandles, or instruments similar to pickhandles, were issued to police in Robertson.

'LESS LETHAL'

The directorate replied that police performing crime prevention duties had in the past been issued with a wooden type of baton, because it was a far less lethal weapon than most.

Asked for further details, and questioned about the size of the baton, the directorate said:

"The police make use of a wooden baton which resembles a pickhandle. Some members were issued with these during the action in Robertson, and had been used on occasion in the past."

DEFENSIVE

Clarifying this reply, a police spokesman said yesterday that the batons were issued to police to defend themselves against dogs in townships. It was a purely a defensive weapon and this was why they had been issued to policemen in Robertson.

Police said that as far as they were aware, the only baton used against people was a 35 cm truncheon.

Police confirmed that a complaint had been lodged by Miss Sarah Mokweni. She told reporters she was assaulted with what she thought was a pickhandle.

When the investigation is completed the docket will be sent to the Attorney-General for a decision.

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Grahamstown house stoned

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Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — A group of about 100 people stoned a house in a white residential area of Grahamstown near the Fingo township on Thursday night.

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, said the owner of the house fired a shot when the group attacked.

Colonel Van Rooyen said no damage was caused and no injuries were reported.

The following incidents of unrest have been reported since 8 am yesterday:

In Soweto (Witwatersrand), a mob of arsonists set fire to a private delivery vehicle, and in the same area, a private vehicle was extensively damaged by arsonists. In another incident, a mob stoned a police patrol causing damage. They were dispersed with tear smoke.

At Mannenburg, in the Western Province, a mob stoned a private vehicle. A man sustained slight injuries.

At Murraysburg in the Karoo, a mob gathered illegally in the township. They were dispersed by the police using tear smoke. Three men were arrested.

At Claremont, Natal, a private house was extensively damaged by arsonists.

At Dhavobobologano in the Western Transvaal, a mob gathered illegally in the area. They were dispersed by the police using tear smoke.

At Shoshanguve near Pretoria, a mob stoned a bus in the area causing damage. Two passengers were injured in this incident.

At Kagiso near Krugersdorp, a private delivery vehicle was extensively damaged.

● At Sekhukhune, Lebowa, murder and arson charges have been laid against more than 200 villagers in the area, where more than 30 bodies were found by Lebowa police recently. - Sapa

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Armed group terrorizes town

PORT ELIZABETH. — Somerset East residents yesterday called for an "urgent intervention" by Mr Errol Moorcroft (PFP MPC for Albany) and the Black Sash following night patrols by an armed group said to be carrying out "a reign of terror".

The alleged attacks on residents by the unknown group, thought to be known as "comrades", have resulted in a number of casualties. No deaths have been reported so far, according to Mr Sicelo Gqobana, a local schoolteacher.

He said last night that two elderly women, members of the Dutch Reformed Church, had to be treated in a local hospital on Thursday after being assaulted by the men.

He said the group, dressed in overalls and balaclavas, was randomly beating people with sjamboks. — Sapa

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Police visit Rocklands school to see 'damage'

By YAZEED FAKIER
Education Reporter

PUPILS at several Mitchells Plain high schools yesterday held placard demonstrations and protest meetings against Thursday's police sjambokking of pupils at a rally at Rocklands Senior Secondary School.

Police yesterday visited the school and took photographs of the school gate.

Captain Jan Calitz, a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, last night said that the principal of the school had accompanied police to "various places" on the school grounds where the Cape Times alleged that police knocked down classroom and toilet doors and drove through the school gates.

"No signs could be found of damage to any of these," Captain Calitz said. He confirmed that photographs had been taken.

Members of the Concerned Parents Ad Hoc Committee also visited the school to discuss Thursday's police action and offered help "in any way the school feels appropriate".

Captain Calitz denied claims that the pupils had been given 15 minutes to disperse on Thursday. He said police unsuccessfully attempted to trace witnesses to the schoolgirl who was allegedly knocked over by a police van and subsequently "beaten".

Denied claims

He also denied claims by a Tafelsig High School pupil that he was beaten by eight policemen. "Only 12 policemen entered the school grounds. How could eight of them have hit one person?" he asked.

Captain Calitz confirmed, however, that pupils were dispersed by police using whips.

At Alexander Sinton High School in Athlone yesterday, about 600 pupils from three schools in the area attended a rally following the death on Saturday of pupil Phila Adam, who was shot in Crossroads on Saturday.

Placards

The circumstances surrounding his death are unclear. Many pupils wore black armbands at the rally which was attended by pupils from Rylands and Belgravia high schools.

At Aloe Senior Secondary, pupils staged a placard demonstration in the schoolgrounds in protest against the detention of Bonteheuwel teacher Mr Neville van der Rheede, Manenberg teacher Mr Quinton Michaels, community worker Mr Cecil Esau and activist Mr Achmad Cassiem.

Glendale Senior Secondary School pupils have been boycotting classes all week in protest at the dismissal of teacher Mr Dennis Pillay.

While teachers and pupils said most Mitchells Plain high schools were closed early, the Department of Education and Culture spokesman, Mr Abel Jordaan, said that only three closed early because pupils wished to attend rallies.

Alleged

Meanwhile, the Mitchells Plain region of the UDF and the Mitchells Plain Co-ordinating Committee have condemned Thursday's alleged police brutality.

The Cape Youth Congress (Cayco) also condemned the alleged police brutality in a statement yesterday, and demanded "an immediate end to the police harassment and intimidation of our members".

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Crossroads squatters flee as committee 'crushes all opposition'

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CP Correspondent

PROGRESSIVE residents of the Cape Flats' Crossroads squatter camp are fleeing their shacks – to escape the wrath of Crossroads Committee leader J Nxgobongwana.

A number of people have gone into hiding for fear of their life.

Members of progressive community organisations say Ngxobongwana wants to crush all opposition to him.

He won't allow any UDF-affiliated organisations to operate in Crossroads, and allegedly threatened several former committee members who resigned because the committee was "undemocratic".

Cape Youth Congress Crossroads branch chairman Mxolisi Tolbat says Ngxobongwana has established his own "police force" in the area, and has links with the SAP.

Tolbat said the committee functions like a community council. "It exploits our parents, and tries to exploit us."

He alleged money raised by the committee was being appropriated by members "for their private use.

Tolbat said at a community meeting this month that the committee endorsed the presence in Crossroads of the Azanian People's Organisation – "but no UDF affiliates are allowed".

Among those "lying low in safe houses" are former Crossroads Committee members S Langa and E Ngwenze.

They fled after their shacks were destroyed this week – on the committee's orders.

"I decided I could not work with that committee because it was inciting violence and causing divisions within the community. It makes me sick to see black people killing other black people," said Langa.

The ongoing conflict between the "comrades" and the old guard intensified in February when Nxgobongwana called elections for a new community committee.

Several members of the old committee refused to stand, claiming the elections were undemocratic. They condemned Ngxobongwana's order that residents pay a R15 fee to vote – or be expelled from the community.

A memorandum released by Ngxobongwana records that 5 683 out of the population of 47 000 voted.

"We never saw the voters' roll. There was no independant monitoring of the voting. Ngxobongwana counted the votes himself," Langa said.

Organisations invited to oversee the elections, including the Urban Foundation, the Black Sash, the UDF and the Western Province Council of Churches, all refused, saying the election was sowing divisions.

A member of the original committee who refused to stand for re-election, a Nkapande, also now in hiding, said Ngxobongwana had held a meeting with community councillors from the surrounding townships where plans were made to appoint him chief president of all Western Cape community councils.

"We reject that. All these years we have refused to take part in the community councils," said Nkapande.

The focus of much of the conflict has been the Empilisweni Clinic, in the heart of the settlement, which was closed for three days last week after committee members seized the keys and ordered staff and patients out.

While negotiations continue between the committee and the community-based clinic committee, three clinic staff members refuse to return to work – they believe they would be in danger.

The clinic staff have called for an end to the victimation of staff who belong to community organisations.

● **Ngxobongwana could not be contacted for comment.**

Ambulancemen praised

Staff Reporter

PROVINCIAL COUNCIL. — The Cape's ambulance services were not significantly hampered by "unrest" and were praised here yesterday by the MEC for Hospitals, Mr Koos Theron, and Dr John Sonnenberg (PFP Sea Point).

Speaking during the Hospitals vote, Mr Theron said the unrest had posed "new challenges" for the Department of Health.

"Despite about 21 ambulances having sustained slight damage as a result of stone-throwing, it was possible to maintain a normal service, even within unrest areas," he said.

While there were a few delays in the removal of patients, the service was not hampered in any significant way.

"The staff of especially the day hospitals and the ambulance services deserve the highest praise for the way in which they performed their duties — sometimes under dangerous circumstances," Mr Theron said.

Dr Sonnenberg said the devotion to duty and humanitarian manner of members of the ambulance services had not gone unnoticed and had "enhanced their stature and reputation amongst all segments of the community".

"To the men who man the ambulances who have risked life and limb on numerous occasions, nothing by the highest praise is due. They are a credit to their service," he said.

'Stop the killings' — union campaign after two deaths

By DICK USHER
Labour Reporter

THE death of two members in a petrol-bomb attack has spurred the Electrical and Allied Workers' Trade Union (Eatwu) into launching a "stop the killings" campaign in the Western Cape.

The campaign will be announced at a memorial service on Thursday night for Mr Rashid Abrahams and Mr David Ndude, who died after their vehicle was stoned and petrol-bombed near Crossroads last month.

Mr Abrahams died immediately and Mr Ndude died six days later.

Mr Brian Williams, regional seretary of the union, said many community, political, student and teacher organisations and other unions had been sounded out and supported the idea.

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"Their death really shocked us and we realised that someone needed to take a lead to halt the killings. Our union, which is independent but has many connections in the community, is in a good position for this.

"Once we found strong support for the idea, we wrote to many progressive organisations calling for a joint meeting soon at which we will discuss concrete measures to stop the violence.

"There is a strong determination by the union to get this going.

"We feel the death of Rashid and David, which happened in only one of many such tragic events, must be a launching pad for a concerted movement to end these counter-productive actions," he said.

Eatwu, an independent trade union, was formed recently from the Electrical and Allied Workers' Union and the Electrical and Allied Trades Union. It has about 20 000 members nationally, skilled and unskilled.

The memorial service will be at St John the Evangelist Church, Belgravia Road, Athlone at 7.30pm on Thursday.

Mr Williams appealed to all relevant organisations to support the campaign. He said the union's national executive in Johannesburg would decide whether to make it a country-wide campaign.

Crossroads battle: 5 dead, homes burnt

Staff Reporters MG&S 19/5/86

AT least five people are believed to have died and more than 200 shacks have been destroyed in fighting at Crossroads, Nyanga Bush and Portlands Cement squatter camps.

The fighting, which broke out when conservative elements attacked radical "comrades", continued for most of yesterday and into the night. The attack on the "comrades" allegedly followed the burning of the shack of a conservative member of the community.

Residents reported hearing gunfire and police said patrols were fired at three times during the day.

The names of the dead and the cause of their death have not yet been released. At least one is believed to have died of bullet wounds. Thousands of people are believed to be homeless.

Mr Roseberry Sonto, president of the Cape Youth Congress, said the "fathers", the conservative elements in Crossroads, attacked comrades and drove them out of the camp before turning on squatters at Nyanga Bush.

He visited the area last night and claimed that most of the camp was destroyed. Many squatters had fled the camp.

"It was a sad thing to see. Shacks were burning. It looked as if a veldfire was sweeping through the area. People were fleeing with all their possessions. Some went to KTC and others to New Crossroads," he said.

"When I left, the whole camp was ablaze. Only one section was left."

Mr Sonto said the fathers believed that the Nyanga Bush squatters were helping the comrades.

Meanwhile, moves are afoot to organise peace talks between the warring factions.

MAJOR LEADERS

Mr Johnson Mpukumpa, publicity secretary for the Western Cape Hostel-Dwellers' Association, said leaders of several groups wanted a conference at which differences could be resolved.

"We have spoken to all the major leaders except those in Crossroads who we will see today," he said.

Police said trouble yesterday started about 10.45am when about 15 people set five shacks alight in Crossroads after dousing them with paraffin.

A spokesman said police believed the attacks followed a meeting the night before where members of two factions supporting the "comrades" decided to burn down the home of a Mr Zackile, a supporter of a conservative faction.

About 2pm a police Casspir in Lansdowne Road was shot at, about 4.20pm a Defence Force Buffel was fired on and about 4.35pm a Buffel was shot at from a lorry.

At 4.50pm, when occupants of the shacks burnt earlier in the day started to move their possessions, they were attacked by about 200 people with "bottles, stones and other objects".

The mob tried to set the possessions alight and security forces moved in, firing teargas.

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Monitoring group meets Schnetler

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Post Reporter

A MEMBER of the white monitoring group which attended a recent funeral in Port Elizabeth's black townships, met the Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Eastern Cape, Brigadier Ernest Schnetler, again last week.

Confirming that he had reported back to Brigadier Schnetler on last Saturday's funeral, which was marked by a low police profile, Mr Rory Riordon said among other things they had a lengthy discussion on the role of the *toyi-toyi* dance.

Township residents are dissatisfied that what they consider a traditional dance has been barred at funerals, because of an apparent State perception that it is a war dance.

Before holding the funeral for 13 "victims of apartheid" last Saturday, a delegation of leaders of township organisations, including the vice-president of the UDF in the Eastern Cape, Mr Henry Fazzie, met Brigadier Schnetler to discuss the police keeping a low profile.

The brigadier personally monitored the funeral, at which *toyi-toyi* dancing still occurred in apparent defiance of restrictions.

Mr Riordon said before any future political event or unrest funeral in the townships, he would hope to meet the brigadier to discuss sensitive points which could lead to friction between township residents and the police.

He would keep himself informed of what these might be through contact with township organisations, the Inter-denominational Ministers Association of South Africa and the police.

Township residents to continue rent boycott

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Staff Reporter

A DECISION to continue to refuse to pay rent until the Government meets residents' demands was taken at a meeting of about 400 people in Guguletu.

It was also decided that the Rent Action Committee, elected by residents of Guguletu, Nyanga, Langa, Khayelitsha, Crossroads and New Crossroads at a meeting in March, should take the residents' demands to "higher authority".

The meeting, in Guguletu Civic Centre yesterday, heard that efforts to discuss residents' grievances with black affairs official Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud had been fruitless.

It was decided that because Mr Bezuidenhoud did not appear to have the authority to meet the demands he should be asked to name someone who did.

Other decisions adopted at the end of the meeting included:

- The committee should find out from the Western Cape Development Board how many residents were paying rent. Those who were should stop.
- Community councils should be dissolved because they had not been elected by the majority of residents and were not truly representative.
- Sport and church bodies and trade unions should join the Township Co-ordinating Forum.

Youth acquitted in Kinikini trial

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By DEBBIE BOOYSEN, Court Reporter

ONE of the 10 accused in the Kinikini murder trial was found not guilty and was discharged by the Supreme Court sitting in Uitenhage today.

The judgment followed after Mr Chris Nel, for the State, told the court he wished to close the State's case against the 16-year-old youth.

He said the investigating officer in the case indicated that the only potential witness against the youth could not be traced.

The case now continues against the remaining nine accused, Mr Mnyanda Jantjies, 21, Mr Mlamli Mielies, 22, Mr Lungile Bobby, 22, Mr Thobile Mahlahla, 19, Mr Ngqondo Vena, 26, Mr Zandisile Ndwanya, 18, and three youths, aged 17, 16 and 15.

They have all pleaded not guilty to six counts of murder and one of public violence.

The case arose from incidents in Kwanobuhle on March 23, when the undertaking complex of Mr Benjamin Kinikini, 57, was attacked, extensively damaged and set alight. Mr Kinikini, his 13-year-old son, Stanley, Mr Silumko Kinikini, 20, Mr Eric Kinikini, 25, Mr Qondile Kinikini, 18, and Mr Zolisile Pram, 20, were murdered by a crowd.

Mr Justice Mullins was on the Bench. Mr B P Loots and Mr E A Logie sat as assessors. Mr Chris Nel appeared for the State. Mr Justice Poswa, together with Mr H K Naidu (instructed by Thole Majodina and company), appeared for the defence.

'Shots didn't stop stoning'

By CHRIS RENNIE
Court Reporter

A SECURITY policeman told the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court today that schoolchildren had persisted in stoning him and another policeman despite repeated rounds of buckshot fired at them.

WO Stanford Mene, 33, was testifying at the trial in which he, Sgt Butler Tungata, 32, and Constable Mbele Qayiso, 26, are charged with two counts of murder, four counts of attempted murder, assault and attempting to defeat the ends of justice.

WO Mene said he had 12 years' service, six with the security police. On July 22 last year, he and Sgt Tungata were seconded to a special unrest unit under Brigadier J van Wyk.

On July 23 he was given a list of people suspected of being involved in the unrest and with Sgt Tungata, Const Qayiso, Sgt Gumede and Const Zwane, was sent out to arrest them.

Travelling through Soweto and Zwide their van was stoned twice and they made several arrests, he said.

He stopped at the north-eastern corner of the Phakamisa School and he, Sgt Tungata, Const Qayiso and Const Zwane got out. They all carried shotguns.

WO Mene saw Const Qayiso inside the grounds.

He also saw a group of children running towards the school buildings and heard a shot from where Const Qayiso had been.

As he approached, stones rained on him. He fired two warning shots in the air, but still they came. He then fired two shots at the children.

Const Qayiso joined him and also fired two shots at the children.

He did not see Sgt Tungata in the school grounds at all, he said.

(Proceeding)

Mr Justice Solomon was on the Bench with Mr A F Nel and J de Villiers as assessors.

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Children teargassed — panic in classrooms

Education Reporter

HYSTERICAL schoolchildren were overcome by teargas fired into classrooms at Uitzig Senior Secondary School when police dispersed pupils standing outside.

Teachers said yesterday that police fired teargas "without provocation".

Canisters landed inside the school building, causing children to panic, and several were overcome by fumes, they said.

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They said police did not consult the principal and said a full report had been submitted to education authorities.

Mr Abel Jordaan, spokesman for the Department of Education and Culture in the House of Representatives, said: "According to my information, the principal felt he could deal with the situation but the police saw fit to act."

A police liaison officer, Captain Jan Calitz, denied that police acted without provocation.

"About 12.20pm yesterday there was stone-throwing in Jakaranda Avenue opposite the school. A number of children threw stones at private vehicles. They were warned to disperse and when they did not, teargas was fired," he said.

A teacher said the group of pupils earlier refused to go to class.

"On Thursday some pupils stoned a bus. On Friday police entered the school grounds and chased pupils.

"The pupils wanted to know who allowed the police into the grounds and what the teachers were going to do about it."

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(5) Yes.

(a) R14,35.

(b) To serve as evidence should prosecution be instituted.

(6) No.

Mr A B WIDMAN: Mr Chairman, arising out of the hon the Minister's reply, is he aware that the address with which I furnished him is a place for aged people provided by the City Council of Johannesburg for people who cannot afford their own accommodation, and that bingo is a recognised game to help them pass the time in their weary years? Furthermore, does the hon the Minister not think that the Police have better things to do than to prosecute a lot of old ladies for playing bingo? [Interjections.]

†The MINISTER: Mr Chairman, the hon member waited in a calculated way until just after the reply to make his emotional little speech. Tomorrow he will receive all the publicity he wants. He is welcome to it. It is an unfortunate incident, but the fact of the matter is that a justified complaint was made to the police. They were obliged to investigate the matter, but as hon members can also see from the reply, they acted with great sympathy. [Interjections.]

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Resettlement

*22. Mr E K MOORCROFT asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether any residents of Duncan Village near East London are to be resettled on land near the Ciskei border with South Africa; if so, (a) how many, (b) when, (c) on what specified land and (d) why;

(2) whether these residents have been consulted on their resettlement; if not, why not; if so, (a) when, (b) in what manner and (c) what was their response;

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

†The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

(1) No. Duncan Village is to remain but some of the residents may have to be accommodated elsewhere due to overpopulation in the area. The replanning of Duncan Village is receiving attention and no decision has been taken about persons who may have to be accommodated elsewhere. Further no new site for the accommodation of these persons has been identified.

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(2) No. The replanning of Duncan Village has not as yet been completed.

(a), (b) and (c) Fall away.

(3) No.

*23. Mr E K MOORCROFT—Constitutional Development and Planning. [Reply standing over.]

Nahoon Dam: farm

*24. Mr E K MOORCROFT asked the Minister of Education and Development Aid:

Whether (a) his Department or (b) any other Government Department has bought or acquired or intends to buy or acquire (i) a farm situated opposite Mtsotso Station near the Nahoon Dam in East London and owned by a certain person, whose name has been furnished to the Minister's Department for the purpose of his reply, and (ii) any other White-owned farms situated near the South African border with Ciskei; if so, (aa) when, (bb) for what purpose and (cc) what is the total area of land involved?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT AND OF LAND AFFAIRS (for the Minister of Education and Development Aid):

(a) The South African Development Trust bought the farm to which the hon member refers from a private company.

(b) No.

(i) Portion 31, 30 and the Remaining Extent of the farm 640 have been purchased. Only Portion 31 is situated within the consolidation area and the other two portions, purchased as a unit with Portion 31, will be transferred to the State.

(ii) Yes. Farms situated in Released Areas 83, 84 and 85, promulgated by Proclamation No 172/85 in *Government Gazette* No 9942 dated 27 September 1985, are earmarked for acquisition by the South African Development Trust.

(aa) During the 1986-87 financial year.

(bb) For incorporation with Ciskei.

(cc) Approximately 1 600 hectares.

*25. Mr G B D McINTOSH—Manpower: [Reply standing over.]

Q ESL 1781
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Crossroads

*26. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether the South African Police have taken any steps to erect (a) road blocks at or (b) barriers restricting access by road to Crossroads Township near Cape Town; if so, (i) when, (ii) why, (iii) during what hours of the day or night are such road blocks or barriers in operation and (iv) who took the decision in this regard;

(2) whether any persons have been arrested at these road blocks or barriers; if so, (a) how many and (b) for what offences in each case;

(3) whether these road blocks or barriers are to remain in operation permanently; if so, why; if not, when will they be removed;

(4) whether any services to this area have been affected as a result; if so, (a) what services, (b) to what extent and (c) why;

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

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) (c) No.

(b) Yes.

(i) From 16 April 1986.

(ii) To put an end to incidents of violence, which during the past few months have occurred regularly in the area.

(iii) From 06h00 until 19h00 during Mondays to Fridays.

(iv) The Divisional Commissioner of the South African Police, in the Western Province.

(2) No. (a) and (b) Fall away.

(3) No, as soon as the security situation allows it.

(4) No. (a) to (c) Fall away.

(5) No.

Mr P G SOAL: Mr Chairman, arising out of the reply given by the hon the Minister, is he aware that until a few minutes ago there were hordes of women together with their children from Crossroads and Nyanga Bush, in the streets outside Parliament? Can he tell us what is going on there?

†The MINISTER: Mr Chairman, I really cannot understand what this has to do with the question before the House.

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Two die, 11 wounded in Mbekweni violence

By PETER DENNEHY and RENEE MOODIE

TWO MEN have died and at least 11, including a policeman, received gunshot wounds in unrest in Mbekweni township near Paarl in the past 48 hours.

A Cape Times team was warned to leave Mbekweni "for your own good" as soon as they entered it yesterday, and later the team was ordered out under Section 9 of the Blacks (Urban Areas) Consolidation Act 25 of 1945.

Police confirmed they shot dead Mr Madiks Mbekwa of Mbekweni and an unidentifed man from the Concor camp.

A policeman was shot in the left thigh. His name has not been released either, but Major Frank Alton, police spokesman for the Boland, said the constable had been taken to Paarl Hospital.

The violence erupted on Sunday night after a meeting of hundreds of residents on the lack of refuse and night-soil removals in the township.

An office-bearer of Paarl Civic Association, who declined to be named, said the administration board had ceased to collect Mbekweni's refuse "about two weeks ago". Night-soil bucket collections from Silvertown had also ceased.

He said that as UDF members people left the meeting about 7pm, Azapo followers in Q-block beside the mobile police station began stoning them and fights broke out. Police then fired teargas. Firing continued "throughout the night", residents said.

It was also alleged that Azapo people caught and stabbed a 15-year-old boy, Thembelani Manyefane. Major Alton said he had heard of the incident, though it had not been reported.

Hundreds of Mbekweni residents stayed away from work and school yesterday as police and the army maintained a heavy presence in Mbekweni throughout the day.

Nine township homes were firebombed and police arrested four people in connection with possession of petrol bombs, eight for public violence and one for attempted murder.

A Paarl doctor said he had seen eight people wounded with birdshot and in some cases buckshot, but none had been seriously hurt. A Paarl East Hospital spokesman said three wounded people were sent there on Sunday night, one of whom was sent on to Tygerberg and later died.

A hearsay account of the Concor camp death differed from the police account but the Cape Times was unable to speak to eyewitnesses.

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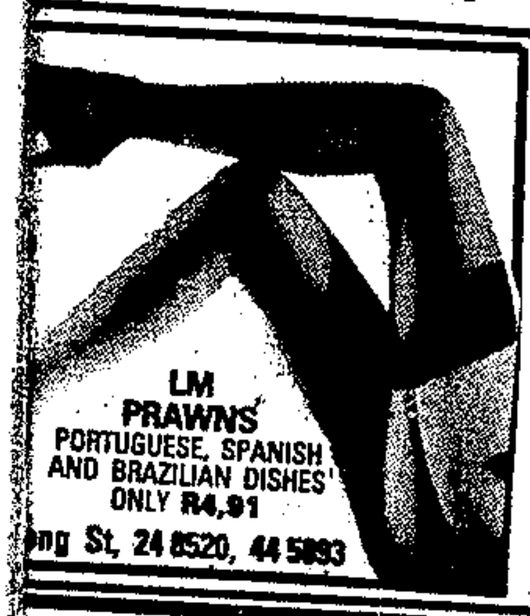
Ms Beverley Roos, chairwoman of the PFP in Groote Schuur and a member of the PFP Unrest Monitoring Committee, said last night that Paarl Civic Association had contacted the PFP to express their dismay at the way in which the police had reacted to the unrest situation in Mbekweni.

She said the PFP had been unable to find out how the unrest began.

Ms Roos added that the PFP intended to follow up the matter and would visit Mbekweni to investigate.

Mr Sampie Steenkamp, the liaison officer for the Western Cape Development Board, said there had been a stayaway from work in Paarl, as people were not able to get to work because of the violence.

He said figures were difficult to ascertain but it had not been a 100 percent stayaway.



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Disputes arise in PE school shooting trial

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By CHRIS RENNIE

DISPUTES have arisen between the three policemen being tried in the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court on charges of murder and attempted murder following a shooting incident at the Phakamisa School last July.

The three men facing two murder charges and four attempted murder charges are WO Stanford Mene, 33, Sgt Butker Tungata, 33, and Constable Vakele Qayiso, 26.

In his evidence WO Mene said he entered the school grounds only to extricate Const Qayiso from trouble with a group of pupils.

As he approached he heard a shot fired from Const Qayiso's direction. When he reached him they were both met with a barrage of stones from the pupils.

He fired two warning shots and then four more at the stone throwers when the barrage persisted.

Const Qaysio also fired two shots.

In cross-examination today it was put to him by Mr G Lotz, for Const Qayiso, that he and not Const Qayiso had fired the first shot.

It was also put that Const Qayiso had only fired in the air — and that from an entirely different part of the school grounds. It was placed in dispute that there was any stoning when WO Mene fired.

WO Mene denied these allegations.

He also denied he had gone to the school to break up an illegal meeting or had fired at the teachers and pupils to frighten them.

In answer to a question by the judge he said the two deceased had most of their injuries on their backs because those in front of the group had turned back

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Support for 'stop killing' campaign

Labour Reporter

PROGRESSIVE organizations throughout the Western Cape have given their support in principle to a "stop the killings" campaign initiated by the Electrical and Allied Workers Trade Union (Eawtu), according to Eawtu's Southern Areas secretary, Mr Brian Williams.

The union decided to organize the campaign after two of its members, Mr Rashid Abrahams and Mr David Ndude, were killed when their vehicle was stoned and petrol-bombed near Crossroads last month.

The campaign will be officially announced at a memorial service for the two men on Thursday at 7.30pm at St John the Evangelist Church, Belgravia Road, Athlone.

All the progressive community, education, sport, church and labour organizations contacted had expressed enthusiasm for the campaign which will seek ways to overcome the political and social conditions responsible for indiscriminate violence.

The union has blamed the two deaths on "the State's dehumanization of our people through its oppressive and exploitative system".

Mr Williams said the campaign would examine both State and community violence and try to encourage discipline in an effort to end "counter-productive actions".

The union hopes to organize a meeting of all interested organizations next week to plan a course of action.

Eawtu's national executive in Johannesburg would decide whether to extend the campaign to the rest of the country, he said.

13 dead, 20 000 homeless as battles rage on

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Staff Reporters

FIGHTING between conservative and radical factions in Crossroads continued last night, leaving at least 13 people dead, 75 injured and over 20 000 homeless.

An estimated 2 000 homes were destroyed by fire.

As battles raged between vigilantes supporting Crossroads leaders, Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana and Mr Sam Ndima, and supporters of Nyanga Bush and Portland Cement Works camp leaders, Mr Melford Yamile and Mr Christopher Toise, families were separated and scores of people were missing. Motorists have been warned to stay away from Lower Lansdowne Road.

Transported

First-aid posts, tents and soup kitchens have been set up for refugees and the Red Cross Society and Western Province Council of Churches are appealing for public aid.

Last night the Western Cape Development Board transported about 2 000 of the homeless to sites in Khayelitsha.

Late last night residents reported the flames were dying down but gun battles were continuing.

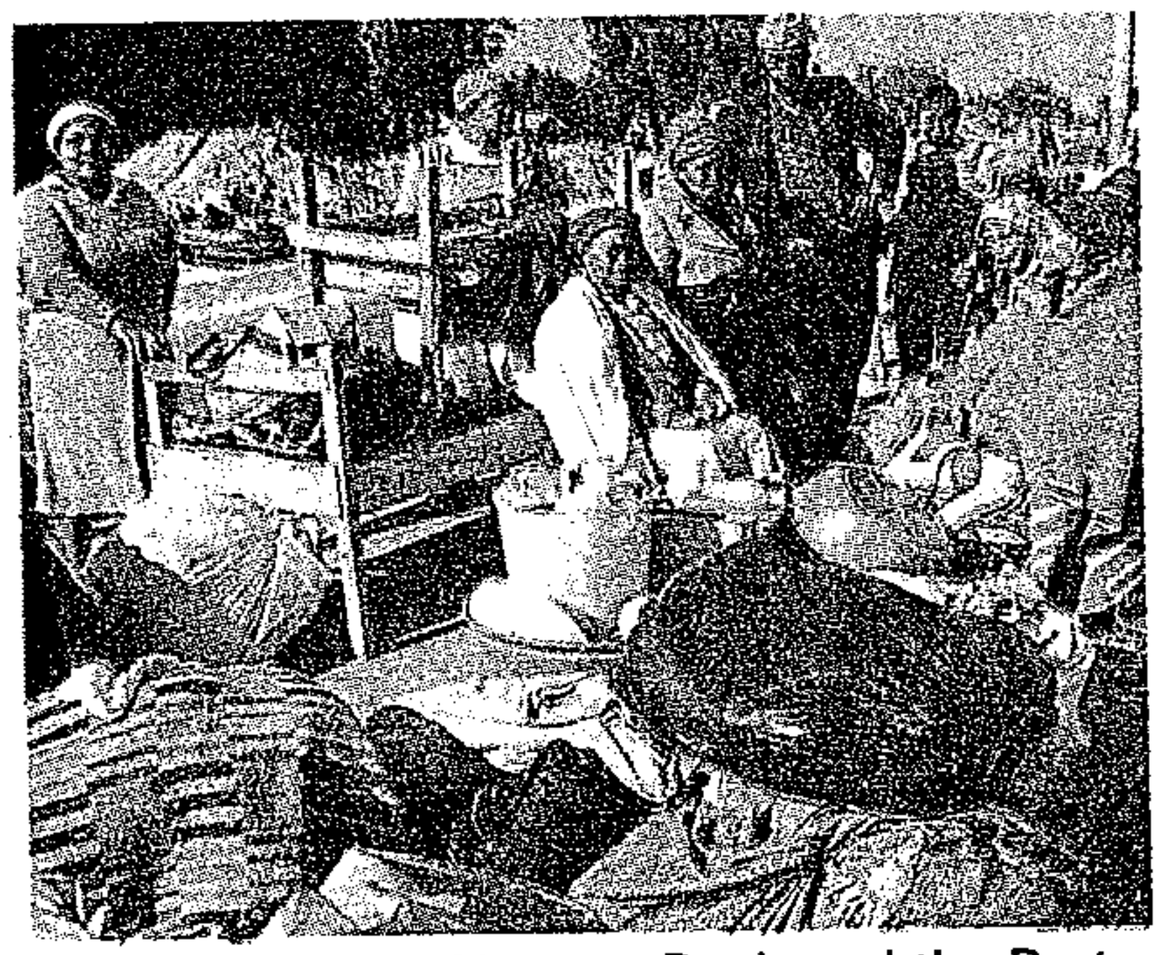
The area opposite the board offices in Mahobe Drive, Nyanga Bush, was the main scene of running battles between refugees and vigilantes, with groups attacking each other with petrol bombs, stones, axes, knives and kieries.

Gun battles throughout the day seemed to be concentrated inside the settlement as "comrades" carrying mainly AK-47s and handguns ambushed vigilantes.

In the Nyanga Bush area, reporters saw youths running with AK-47s, Makharov pistols and other handguns. Vigilantes fired back with lighter-calibre rifles and handguns. The heavy distinctive rattle of AK-47s being fired on automatic was heard repeatedly.

Mr Jan van Eck, MPC for Groote Schuur and a member of the Progressive Federal Party's unrest monitoring committee, said the area resembled "a war zone".

"Judging by the evidence collected today and accounts from numerous eyewitnesses, I can only come to one conclusion — that there are elements within the security forces that are actively supporting the conservative vigilantes in the present power struggle in the squatter communities."



Refugees from Nyanga Bush and the Portland Cement Works sit huddled in Eisleben Road among piles of salvaged possessions after their shacks were razed during two days of attacks on the two camps.
Picture: Tony Weaver

Small aircraft were banned from flying over the area.

Two Cape Times reporters saw battles yesterday afternoon on an open field near the WCDB offices, in full view of police and soldiers parked nearby. The security forces at that stage did not intervene, but watched the fighting.

About 3.45pm, when the refugees repelled an attack by the vigilantes and started to drive them deeper into the camp, a policeman emerged from the cluster of parked security vehicles and fired three rounds of birdshot at the advancing refugees, who fled in panic.

Throughout the day, the reporters saw vigilantes taking cover behind Casspirs and Buffels as refugee groups attacked them, and on several occasions when refugees appeared to be getting the upper hand, police fired teargas and shotgun rounds at them.

Responding to allegations of police collaboration with the vigilantes, Captain Jan Calitz, a police liaison officer, said: "Police are continually trying to keep both groups apart by firing teargas. We fire teargas into both groups and do everything possible to keep the two groups apart. We categorically deny we are taking sides."

He also confirmed that the security forces were fired at on three occasions, but no one was injured.

The Peninsula CID chief, Brigadier Ronnie van der Westhuisen, and a team of police investigators yesterday toured the area and police said Casspirs went as far as was "practically possible" into the camp to try to break up the fighting.

Police also assisted in transportation of the injured and the dead and, in co-operation with emergency organizations, were arranging food and temporary accommodation.

Mr Peter Harris, chief of the Divisional Council fire brigade, said: "We've been trying to get in to assist for hours. But there is so much fighting going on that we can't get anywhere near the burning shacks."

Police believe the violence started with a meeting in Crossroads on Saturday night between two black leaders, one of them Mr Melford Yamile, who supported left-wing comrades.

'Blowtorch'

According to police, it was decided by comrades to burn down the home of a Mr Zachile, who supported the right-wing group of Mr Sam Ndima. Police said that Mr Ndima and his group decided to fight back and burnt down several homes, including that of Mr Yamile.

Cape Times reporters were told repeatedly by refugees from different areas that "the police and white men in balaclavas are moving with Ngxobongwana's men and they are using a

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machine that shoots flames to burn the shacks".

Two people described the machine as being "like a big blowtorch or a welding machine".

Captain Calitz said in reply to the allegation: "Police are not at all sure what is used by either group to set the shacks alight."

The full extent of the damage and disruption to family life emerged yesterday as people related their tales of terror, fear and despair.

A spokesman for the Sacla Clinic said that 75 people were treated at the clinic and first-aid post at the Zolani Centre yesterday.

At Zolani Community Centre and the Assemblies of God church in Nyanga, homeless mothers sat with their babies among whatever belongings they could salvage. The Guguletu Day Hospital was stretched to capacity as the injured streamed in.

Mrs Victoria Sibhozo told the PFP unrest committee that she and her two-year-old baby were at home on Sunday when men she recognized as being supporters of Mr Ngxobongwana poured petrol inside her shack and set it alight.

Caught fire

"The police were with them, but they did nothing," she said.

She said that as she fled with her baby, her clothes had caught fire.

"Some men told the police they should call the fire brigade, but they said they could not do that," she said.

At Zolani Centre Mr Jackie Mattys, a father of three, said: "About 9pm on Sunday, shots were fired into my house. My wife, Dora, and our children lay flat on the ground, too scared to move. When shooting subsided, Dora started putting our belongings in cases and we dragged it into the street.

"The rest of our things were destroyed when the house was burned. Then Ngxobongwana's men went into the street and burned our cases too. There was R120 in the case. We have nothing now except what we wear."

Ms Buyiswa Mfaku, 23, who lived at Nyanga Bush, said that about 1am yesterday vigilantes had arrived at her shack and told her to leave.

"I took my baby, Temperance, who is five months old and left because they would have killed me," she said, tending to her child.

She had returned to her shack in the hope of finding some belongings intact, but everything had been reduced to ashes.

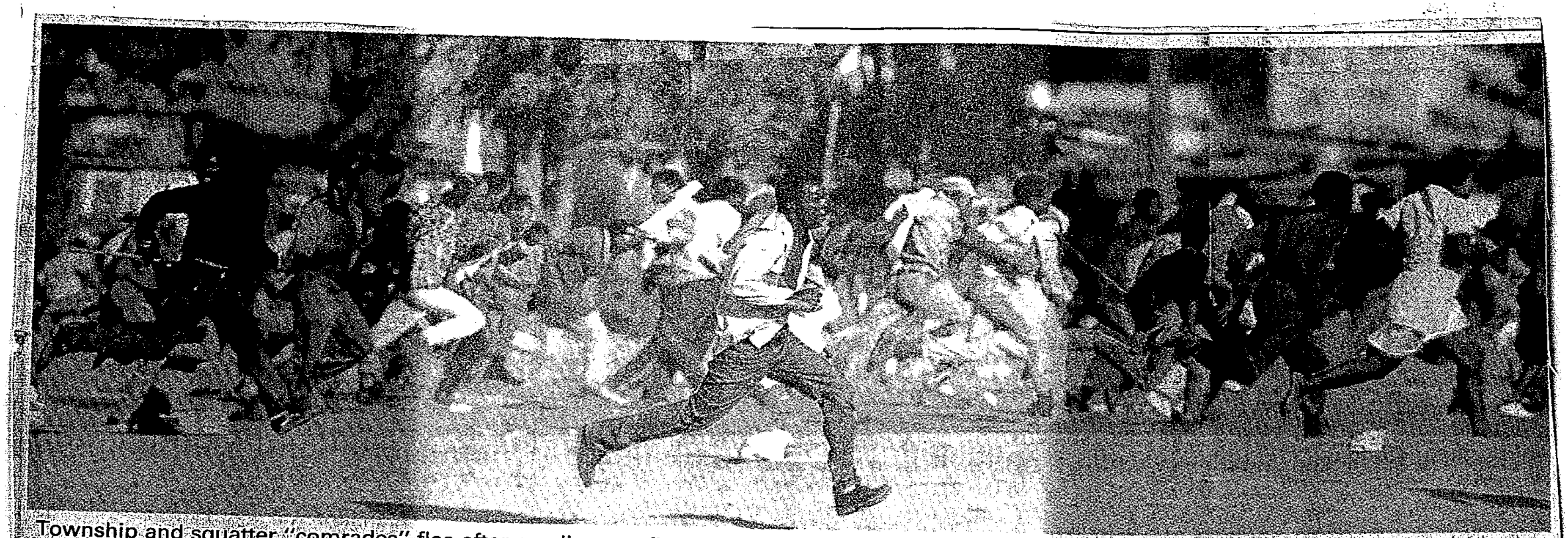
In the Nyanga Bush camp, the local clinic for the Animal Anti-Cruelty League was gutted and 14 dogs burnt to death. A sobbing AACL worker said she could save only five dogs.

Mr Christopher Toise, leader of the Portland Cement squatter group, said he has not slept at home since April 29 when his house was shot at and partly burnt.

He had been in Mahobe Drive yesterday morning and had spoken to some of the fleeing people. They had told him that they had been shot at and that the police were seen with the vigilantes, Mr Toise said.

● Donations, marked "For Crossroads relief", can be sent to the South African Red Cross Society (Cape Region), PO Box 18032, Wynberg 7824, or to the WP Council of Churches, 126 Chapel Street, Cape Town 8001.

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Township and squatter "comrades" flee after a policeman fired birdshot while they were engaged in a battle with vigilantes in an open piece of ground outside the Western Cape Development Board offices in Crossroads. Cape Times Newscolour: Richard Bell

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"Witdoek" vigilantes attack refugees from Nyanga Bush opposite the WCDB offices. Picture: John Rubython

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In the devastated ruins of the Portland Cement Works squatter camp, a refugee woman salvages what she can from the burnt-out hulk of a shack torched by vigilantes from Crossroads. **Picture: Alan Taylor**

'It's chaos out there, it's war...'

Staff Reporter

A HUGE relief operation has swung into action to aid Crossroads residents caught in violence described as the "worst".

Welfare organisations appealed for help today.

Shawco warden Mr Derek Livesey said two mobile units had gone to the area — a medical unit manned by doctors and an emergency relief vehicle loaded with bread, blankets and clothing.

He said: "We are desperate for basic foods such as mealie meal, samp, tea, sugar and long-life milk, as well as blankets and children's clothing.

"Thousands of families have lost everything they owned."

Contributors can telephone Shawco at 59 32170 or 59 32170.

The Western Cape Development Board has appealed for tents.

Spokesman Mr Sample Steenkamp said 100 army tents had been sent by plane from the Transvaal.

So far the board had housed 79 families — about 396 people — on the eastern side of Khayelitsha but shelter had to be found for another 2 000.

He said the conflict in Crossroads was the "worst".

"We are ordering more tents but we are going to have problems finding enough to house everybody," he said.

Anyone with tents to contribute should contact him at ☎ 591 2136.

Red Cross public relations officer Ms Ros Morris said they were waiting for staff to report back today.

"It's impossible to work out how many people need help — it's chaos out there, it's a war."

Two first-aid posts were being manned on the corner of Lansdowne Road and Mahobe Drive and next to the Table Top factory. Soup kitchens were operating at the first-aid posts and in Khayelitsha.

Ms Morris said: "No one can get into the middle of Crossroads — there are shacks burning, people are milling about, petrol bombs are being thrown and there's the danger of being caught in crossfire."

She said the badly injured were being ferried to the Guguletu day hospital, where Metro workers were helping staff.

St John Ambulance Association promotions officer Mrs Ann Botha said the violence had exacerbated what was already a "crisis".

Appealing for contributions of food, blankets and clothing, she said even before the violence flared health workers reported Crossroads children with severe malnutrition.

"There was already a crisis and now it's worse. The food situation is critical," she said.

"We especially need supplies for the many babies and young children — nappies, bottles, milk powder — as well as ordinary food and blankets."

These could be delivered to the St John offices at 54 Keerom Street, Cape Town.

The association is helping to run two soup kitchens in Crossroads with the Red Cross and another at the Zolani Centre in Nyanga East.

● Crossroads was quiet and tense today as heavily armed groups prepared to defend themselves.

A doctor at the Sacla clinic, which was being guarded by residents, said 28 people were treated for injuries last night and two men were brought in with gunshot wounds this morning.

A tent town has sprung up in Khayelitsa and people were streaming into the new camp this morning.

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EPG SHOCK OVER RAIDS BY SA

AMID mounting pressures for economic sanctions against South Africa, the co-chairmen of the Commonwealth's Eminent Persons Group today issued a statement "utterly" condemning the South African raids on the capitals of three frontline states.

In a message to leaders of Botswana, Zimbabwe and Zambia released by the Commonwealth Secretariat in London, former Australian Prime Minister Mr Malcolm Fraser and former Nigerian head of state General Olusegun Obasanjo, said: "We have been shocked to learn on the morning of our important meeting with Ministers of the South African Government that your capitals, Gaborone, Harare and Lusaka, have been raided by South African defence forces.

"We utterly condemn this escalation of an already explosive situation. We wish to express to your governments the profound concern and sympathy of our



Picture: WILLIE DE KLERK, The Argus

Crossroads ablaze ... 13 people have died and 860 shacks have been destroyed in the violence. ● More pictures, Page 3.

Crossroads: Death toll rises to 16

Staff Reporters

THE official death toll in the violence at Crossroads rose to 16 today.

The body of a woman killed in the fighting was found about 10.10am in the remains of a shack about 500m from Lansdowne Road.

After a night which police thought had been relatively quiet, the body of a man who may have been "necklaced" was found in Mahobe Drive.

About 10am, the body of a man aged about 23 was found about 20m from Mahobe Drive. He had head injuries, was missing an ear and had been burnt.

DESTROYED

Police said the ages of the victims varied from 20 to 60.

About 860 shacks have been destroyed by fire.

The death toll may rise further as police continue to investigate the fighting of the past two days. The toll may also rise as a result of police action yesterday.

Police repeatedly moved between the warring groups in an attempt to separate them and used shotgun fire several times to disperse heavily armed crowds.

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Volunteers of the South African Red Cross Society were feeding them with soup and brown bread. Babies received milk and food.

Reporters visiting the camp saw a steady stream of people going to the Red Cross tent for food.

Most had left behind whatever possessions they had salvaged from the fires which have destroyed hundreds of shacks.

Mr Teddy Benzie said people wanted to return to Nyanga Bush to collect their belongings. "But we want protection," he said.

In lower Lansdowne Road hundreds of squatters crowded around a Red Cross tent where they hoped to get blankets.

At Crossroads a squatter, who did not wish to be identified, said all men were instructed not to go to work this morning and vigilantes had turned workers back.

"We were told that we should stay at home and defend the camp," he said.

Armed vigilantes, wearing white rags around their arms, patrolled Old Klipfontein and a section of Lansdowne roads and cars were stopped.

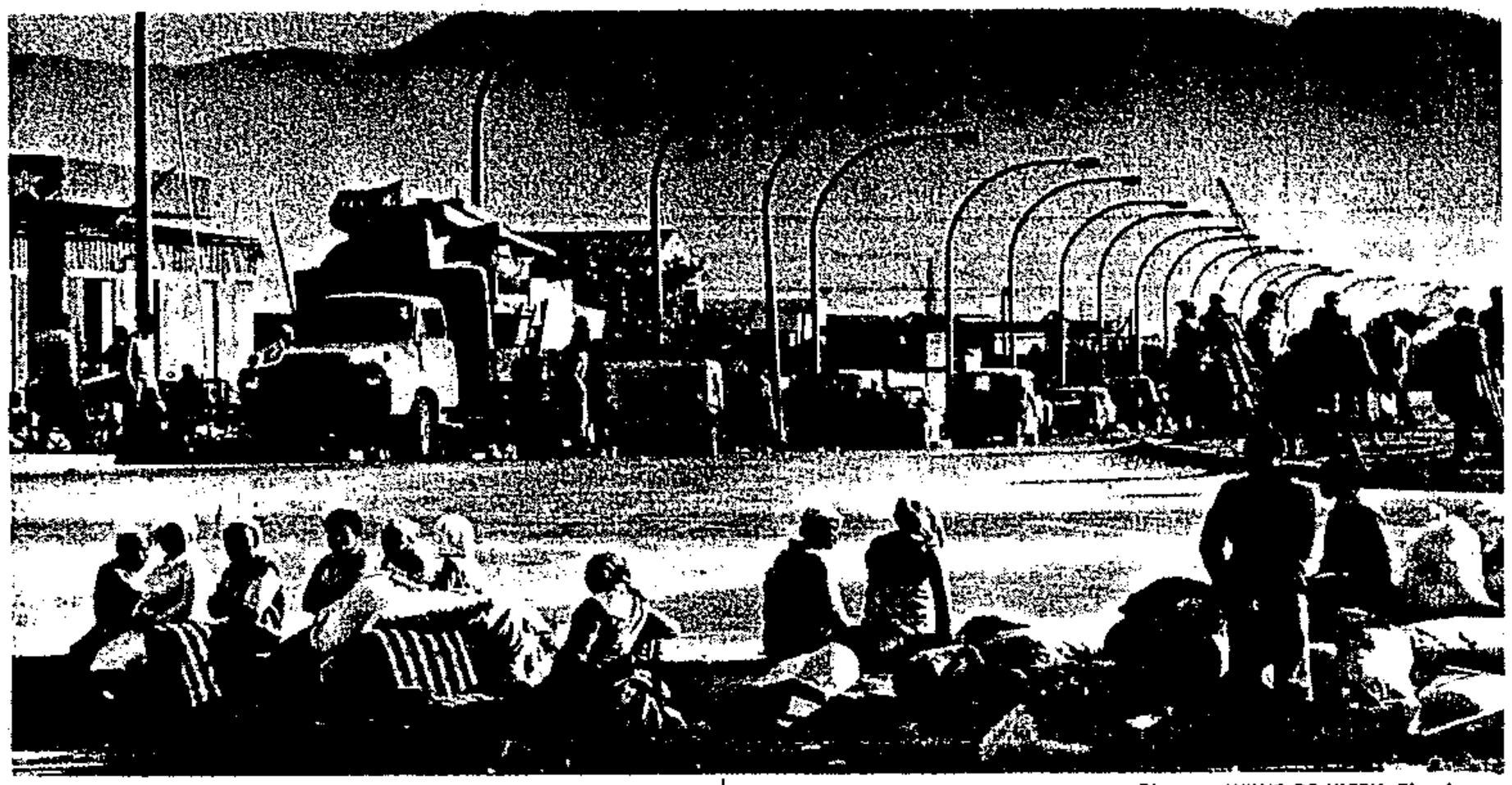
Vigilantes appeared to be meeting in Lansdowne Road while a Buffel troop carrier was parked opposite them.

A man who declined to give his name addressed the gathering through a loudhailer and asked an Argus photographer not to take pictures of the group.

Buses, taxis and delivery vans did not enter Crossroads early this morning and dropped off commuters and goods at the N2 turn-off.

Battlefield Crossroads

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The aftermath of battle . . . groups of homeless residents — mostly women — with their belongings on Lansdowne Road, next to the embattled township.



A war is raging in Crossroads. All the grim features of a conventional battle zone are there — teargas, gunfire, military and police vehicles, a Red Cross flag, and helpless refugees clinging to salvaged possessions.

The clashes between "witdoeke", or "fathers", and youths drove many from their homes. Some lost all their possessions as their huts went up in flames. Others salvaged a few goods.

Above: The refugees . . . two Crossroads residents carry their possessions to safety.

Top right: Two men fleeing the fighting push a cart stacked with their belongings.

Bottom right: Crossroads youths run off after shots were fired.



Pictures: DOUG PITHEY, The Argus



The day they blotted out the sun

By ROBERT HOUWING
Staff Reporter

THE ominous pall of smoke blotting out the sun stained the sky to the Gordon's Bay coast.

Flames leapt as new fires broke out in huts deep in the camp. Jets landing at nearby D F Malan Airport were barely visible through the smoke.

A war was raging in Crossroads.

There were all the grim features of a conventional battle zone — teargas, gunfire, military and police vehicles, a Red Cross flag and helpless refugees clinging to salvaged possessions.

Entering from one of the entrances off Lansdowne Road, we were beckoned by about 70 men wielding long sticks and kerries.

They appeared to be controlling the flow of traffic into the camp and most wore white rags around one arm — the mark of the "witdoeke", conservative township elders.

They were terse, almost hostile. "No pictures", one of them told photographer Willie de Klerk, sternly pointing a finger at him. "No pictures of us." They would not answer questions.

Farther along Lansdowne Road at least 1 000 women and children, driven in terror from their homes during the fighting, sat in groups at the roadside, surrounded by mattresses, blankets, buckets and furniture.

Most wore forlorn faces, stained with strain and anxiety.

A Red Cross Society van parked on the verge distributed soup to hungry refugees.

Through the smoke came the sounds of a chanting, approaching crowd and announcements through a loudhailer.

A white police van appeared in Lansdowne Road, broadcasting messages: "Make love, people, not war".

Several Casspirs and Buffels parked about 400 metres away, opposite New Crossroads, made occasional forays along the rubble-strewn road.

A few minutes later about 300 youths wielding sticks burst out of the squatter camp into Lansdowne Road. Some were no older than nine or 10.

They headed towards an advancing group of elders. We watched the first exchanges of volleys of stones.

Then . . . terror. From the elders' ranks several shots were fired and the youths sprinted frantically away.

Screaming women abandoned their possessions. Red Cross staff jumped into their van and raced off as the youths hurtled by.

Amid the chaos came a bizarre addition. A convoy of about 10 military police motorcyclists, sirens wailing, escorted an SADF car carrying several officers through the battle zone.

Meanwhile, several youths had stopped their retreat and stood their ground, ducking and weaving as half-bricks whizzed about their heads from both sides — some thrown by elders at a range of 20 metres.

In a series of brief, vicious kerrie confrontations the "witdoeke" were forced back.

As they retreated Casspirs and police vans moved up.

A yellow van stopped near the hastily regrouping youths. They started throwing rocks at the van. Policemen with shotguns jumped out and the youths fled.

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Paarl unrest: Two dead named by civic leaders

Staff Reporter

THE Paarl Civic Association has named two people believed to have been killed in unrest at Mbekweni township.

They were Mr Madix Mbekwa, 25, who worked for Concor-Hochtief on the Dutoitskloof tunnel project, and Mr Alfred Tembile Malusi, 46, of the Mbekweni worker's compound.

Reporters visited the troubled area yesterday after reports of clashes between supporters of the United Democratic Front and Azanian People's Organisation.

Casspirs and Buffel troop-carriers were standing by and police vans patrolled the streets. Several had burnt debris from barricades strewn across them.

A truck lay gutted on the Newtown side of the township.

A spokesman for the civic association said the two men were shot in separate incidents between Sunday night and yesterday morning.

The entire workforce of Concor-Hochtief stayed away from work yesterday following Mr Mbekwa's death.

Killed

A spokesman for the company said about 900 workers did not report for duty.

He said: "The workers' committee informed us that one of our employees was killed in the compound but we don't yet know what the circumstances were."

According to the civic association spokesman, violence flared after UDF supporters marched into the township's Q block — an area inhabited by Azapo sympathisers — about 6pm on Sunday.

The spokesman said almost all of the township's Azapo supporters fled their homes early yesterday after several houses were set alight.

A long-serving community councillor, Mr Benjamin Nobula, was shot in the knee and the roof of his house was set alight on Sunday.

The spokesman said the attack followed the resignation from the association of two other community councillors and about 12 members of their regional committees.

A Paarl doctor said he treated eight Mbekweni residents, mainly youths, for birdshot wounds yesterday.

Fear of arrest

Most had wounds in their limbs, torsos, scalps and faces, he said.

People were afraid of going to hospitals for fear of being arrested. There was a heavy police presence in the township and people had difficulty getting to his surgery, he said.

Progressive Federal Party MP Mr Tian van der Merwe appealed to police and residents to exercise restraint.

He said distressed Mbekweni residents telephoned PFP members on Sunday night appealing to them to intervene.

Police said arrangements had been made to house about 240 homelss people in tents.

A spokesman said that four houses had been gutted and others damaged.

Pupils outside court dispersed with quirts

Staff Reporter

POLICE used quirts to disperse about 150 pupils at Goodwood Magistrate's Court yesterday.

A police spokesman said about 80 pupils gathered at 10.30am in a show of solidarity with a Belhar pupil, Mr Neville Naidoo, who was due to appear.

The crowd grew to between 120 and 150 strong and police warned the pupils to disperse. The spokesman said police used quirts to disperse the pupils when they ignored the order.

Belhar pupils condemned the police action.

One pupil said pupils were told the court was already too full and they had then waited outside, but that their presence was not "provocative".

"However, a Casspir arrived and police starting whipping the students without any warning. They scattered in all directions," he said.

The pupils did not need medical treatment.

The police spokesman confirmed that two men aged 41 and 42 were arrested for questioning.

According to Belhar pupils, the men arrested by police were Dr Richard Stevens, Head of Bible Studies at the University of the Western Cape, and an accountancy teacher, Mr Steve Louw.

Hut burnt: Pupil in court

Court Reporter

A PUPIL at Belhar Senior Secondary School appeared in the Goodwood Magistrate's Court yesterday in connection with the burning of a security guard hut at the school.

Mr Neville Naidoo, 19, matric pupil at the school, was not asked to plead and no charges were put to him.

He was granted bail of R100 and the hearing was adjourned to June 4.

Mr D H Cronje was the magistrate. Mr S Laubscher appeared for the State. Mr Naidoo was not represented.

Six 'Amabutho' men killed

SIX men — believed to be members of Amabutho, a vigilante-type group opposed to pupil boycotts and demonstrations — have been killed in Kwamashu in Natal.

The bodies of three, beaten to death, were found on a school sports' ground and the three others — one stabbed and two apparently necklaced — were found behind a shop. It is believed that Amabutho members clashed with pupils earlier.

Business Day Reporter

Meanwhile the death toll in the Crossroads violence rose to at least 16 yesterday with the discovery in Mahobe Drive of a body of a man who police believed was necklaced. Nearly 1 000 shacks have been destroyed by fire.

Police said Monday night appeared to have been quiet but they confirmed the discovery of the latest body about 9.45am yesterday.

The death toll may rise as police continue to investigate the fighting of the past two days.

At Old Crossroads near Cape Town, the police dispersed crowds with tearsmoke and shotgun fire.

□ At Zamdela, near Sasolburg, a man was shot dead by police on Monday night.

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Support for campaign to stop killings

Labour Reporter

THE campaign to stop the killings, started in the Western Cape, is gathering momentum.

Mr Brian Williams, southern areas secretary of the Electrical and Allied Workers' Trades Union (Eawtusa), said many organisations had responded positively to the union's initiative.

The campaign will be launched at a memorial service tomorrow for union members Mr Rashid Abrahams and Mr David Ndude who died in a petrol bomb attack.

Mr Williams said the campaign had been spurred by shock at the deaths of members, including Mr Manuel Hermanus who died on May 1, and Mr Moses Landani.

Messages of support for the campaign had been received from the Congress of South African Trade Unions, the Azanian Confederation of Trade Unions, the Council of Unions of South Africa, the United Democratic Front, National Forum, New Unity Movement, the Azanian Peoples' Organisation, the South African Council on Sport and others.

Some money had been received and the union would set up a trust fund for Mr Ndude's family.

Eawtusa was also discussing with another union building a home for Mrs Ndude.

Spokesmen for many organisations welcomed the campaign.

They pointed out that the violence affecting large areas of South Africa was counter-productive and switched the focus of the struggle from the system against which the violence was directed to black on black killings.

The memorial service will be at St John the Evangelist Church, Belgravia Road, Athlone at 7.30pm tomorrow.

Mr Williams said measures to end the violence would be discussed at a meeting next week.

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HELP THEM!

ONCE again those who have made their humble homes in Crossroads have been struck by appalling tragedy.

A score or more are dead, butchered in a fiery factional feud. Thousands of shack homes have been razed. Tens of thousands are homeless, many are huddled in the open with whatever belongings they could salvage. Others have found refuge in churches and in a makeshift tent village.

All these people desperately need help.

If ever there was a time for immediate public compassion from the people of the Western Cape, it is now. Race, colour, creed or political preference matter not when families in such numbers — including the very young and the very old — are thrust into the cold at the onset of winter.

These people are your neighbours, wherever you live.

Mercifully, welfare organisations such as Shawco, the Red Cross, St John Ambulance and the Western Province Council of Churches have swung into action to help alleviate the plight of those left so pitifully vulnerable.

The immediate need is for cash, food, blankets, clothing and shelter such as tents. Nutritious food is essential, more so for the babies and young children. Nappies, bottles, milk ...

The appeals of these organisations for emergency aid deserve the generous, urgent and widespread support that becomes a caring community.

Conditions in this, the most underprivileged of areas in the Peninsula, are bad enough at the best of times. Under present conditions they are nothing short of wretched.

Elsewhere on this page we provide details of emergency relief agencies, collection points, telephone numbers and postal addresses.

The Argus today pledges R1 000 for Crossroads relief aid.

Out there are fellow citizens who need your help, NOW!



Picture: WILLIE de KLERK, The Argus.

Students march down Jameson steps before the demonstration.

Three UCT demo students held

Staff Reporter

THREE students were arrested during a placard demonstration at the University of Cape Town in which police used tearsmoke, sjamboks and the purple-dye cannon to disperse hundreds of chanting students.

The Students' Representative Council said those arrested were Mr Nigel Collard, Mr Ross Suter and Mr Gustav Scholtz.

An SRC spokeswoman, Miss Carla Sutherland, said lawyers had told them the students would appear in court on Thursday.

Yesterday's demonstration below the campus sports centre followed a lunchtime meeting in Jameson Hall addressed by SRC president Mr Glenn Goosen and speakers from the End Conscription Campaign and the Azanian Students Organisation.

The meeting and picket were organised to protest against South African raids into neighbouring states.

The acting vice-chancellor of UCT, Professor A D Carr, said: "The students felt strongly about the issues.

"The police, on the other hand, were adamant the gathering was unlawful in terms of current legislation."

He said he spoke to the divisional commissioner of police for the Western Cape, Brigadier Christoffel Swart, earlier in the day to request that police not stop the placard demonstration.

rossroads in crisis

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Shacks razed, as men go on the rampage

SCORES of shacks bordering Lansdowne Road were razed and a car gutted as one Crossroads squatter group attacked a rival leader's territory.

The area housed followers of Mr Christopher Toise, leader of the Portland Cement squatter group (named after a nearby factory).

An Argus team watched from a building as the men — among a group of about 150 spread along a section of the road — smashed in doors and windows of shacks, in some cases looting before setting them alight.

All the men were armed in some way — with kieries, sticks, iron bars, golf clubs, an axe and a wheel spanner — and all wore strips of white material tied to a wrist or arm, from which they get their name, "witdoeke".

CASSPIRS and Buffels carrying troops and police made sorties down the road past makeshift barricades (the only vehicles seen to do so) but no action was taken until about an hour later.

Whistling and shouting to one another as they milled about, and shacks blazed, the men appeared in control of the area, acting without haste or panic, not heeding security force vehicles rumbling past.

By noon, at least 40 shacks were ablaze, twisting reflections through pools of stagnant water and sending skywards a thick pall of smoke to mingle with smoke from shacks torched some distance away in Nyanga Bush.

The air was rent with the sound of gas-cylinders exploding and the crashing roar of gutted corrugated iron homes collapsing.

SOME of the men carried mattresses, blankets and furniture away as shacks started to burn. Some dragged out chairs which they positioned along the road for an armchair view of the conflagration.

Crossroads residents claim the police are aiding the "witdoeke", but police have repeatedly denied this.

The area was almost deserted. Apart from "witdoeke", the only living things to emerge from the blazing sprawl were rangy dogs, dizzy from the smoke.

About an hour later a Buffel stopped and teargas was fired among the blazing shacks. But the men had moved away some minutes before.



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An observer of the Swiss-based



Crossroads in crisi

THE body lay on its back at the side of the road, charred beyond recognition — a victim of the Crossroads strife which briefly overflowed into Nyanga.

Nearby, outside the Development Board offices, scores of women waited with their few belongings for the apparently never-ending stream of lorries taking them to a "neutral" site at Khayelitsha.

In the yard, police vehicles stopped to allow policemen a brief respite.

It looked like a war zone with Casspirs and police vans crowding the parking area while policemen lined up in ranks.

Along Mahobe Drive crowds waited with beds, clothes and virtually everything they could lay their hands on.

In front of them shacks continued to blaze.

BETWEEN the flames and the road, men frantically tried to rip their structures to pieces before the flames reached them.

This was the view of Crossroads which greeted journalists taken into the area yesterday afternoon by police after two-and-a-half days of bloodthirsty battles which have left at least 18 people dead.

The scene in Crossroads itself was described by Mr Graham Lawrence, director of housing for the Western Cape Development Board, who had just been into the area, as like "the aftermath of a nuclear explosion".

"It is quite incredible the extent of the damage," he said.

Many homeless, he said, had sought refuge on Monday night and an operation had been mounted to move the refugees to a "neutral site" at Khayelitsha, where tents and rudimentary services were set up.

HOWEVER some, seeing the violence abate yesterday morning had moved back into the squatter camp to start rebuilding their lives.

Mr Lawrence estimated that more than 2 000 shacks had been destroyed and from the police Casspir, this figure was quite believable.

The gutted remains in some areas looked like a ghost city. But elsewhere, men moved about armed, removing building material.

All the while, there was the smell of burning, everywhere there were signs of the battles.



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Harsh words in a wan winter sun

A WAN winter sun lights the faces of Nyanga Bush squatters — some homeless, all frightened — and of a small group of clergymen, pained by teargas and strained by helplessness.

The crowd mills round police vehicles.

The police are armed with sjamboks and powerful firearms; some are in plain clothes, but recognisable by their weapons and bullet belts. They warn the crowd to stand away from the vehicles.

Harsh words and bitter imprecations pass between the police and the crowd.

"You know what's happening in there — that's why you talk like that," screams one woman, an arm pointing to the maze of shacks under a pall of black smoke.

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Periodically, a new fire starts among the shacks as the vigilantes go about their task of devastation apparently unhindered.

They set fire to a home near Lansdowne Road.

A crowd of squatters rushes to the place, hurling stones and broken paving slabs.

BUT they are followed hard on by rumbling Buffels and jeeps. The dull "blutt-blutt" of shots dominate the screams and shouting as police move to disperse the crowd.

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An observer of the Swiss-based International Committee of the Red Cross stands some distance away with his hands thrust deep in his pockets.

As night falls the hapless and homeless gather round the comforting presence of the Red Cross tent, their futures little more than the wisps of the fires.

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US gives R70 000 for relief

Staff Reporters

THE United States Government yesterday raised its aid for Crossroads victims to R70 000, giving a desperately-needed boost to the biggest relief operation in Western Cape history.

Welfare organizations are battling round the clock to give food, clothing, shelter and medical attention to the estimated 20 000 people made destitute by fighting in the area.

And, they say, Capetonians are responding well to the crisis.

Announcing an additional grant of R50 000, US Ambassador Mr Herman Nickel said "the American people and government want to reach out with practical help".

Soup kitchens and crisis centres set up by welfare organizations are helping at least 5 000 people, with 2 000 being fed and sheltered at the Zolani Centre by St John Ambulance.

Yesterday the Zolani Centre was a hive of activity with volunteers and nursing sisters dealing with incoming food supplies, attending to the sick and injured and feeding the children.

The director of housing for the Western Cape Development Board, Mr Graham Lawrence, said at least 1 000 people had been rehoused in tents at Khayelitsha. The SADF had donated 200 tents.

A spokeswoman for the Western Province Council of Churches appealed for building materials such as wood, zinc and nails.

A Red Cross centre, with a clinic, has been operating since the erection of the tent camp on Monday.

Yesterday the Red Cross sister in charge, who declined to give her name, said bread, soup and clothing donated by organizations over the past three days had been used to feed and clothe the refugees, which include about 50 babies.

Another big donation reported yesterday was R10 000 from the Community Chest to the Child Welfare Society for use in a crisis centre at Nyanga's A M E Church for children separated from their parents in the fighting.

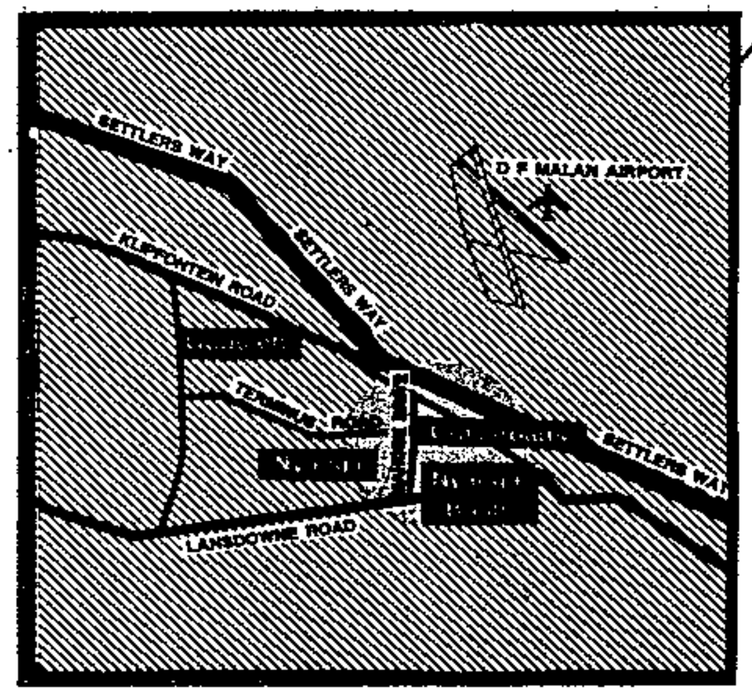
By late yesterday donations had been received from, among others, the City Council, the Urban Foundation, Jews for Justice, Pick 'n Pay, the Roman Catholic Church and Shawco.

The Mayor of Cape Town, Mr Leon Markovitz, yesterday said the City was "deeply concerned" but added that the area did not fall under the council's jurisdiction.

A spokesman for the Divisional Council, which provides some services there for the WCDB, said it was exploring ways of distributing food.

● Mr Norman Osburn, Cape area commissioner of the Boy Scouts Association, last night appealed to all scouts and cubs attending meetings in the next few days to take with them to their meetings a blanket or item of warm clothing for Crossroads victims.

He added that Scout headquarters at 86 Bree Street, Cape Town, and the Athlone Scouts centre were being made available as public collection points.



Call for inquiry

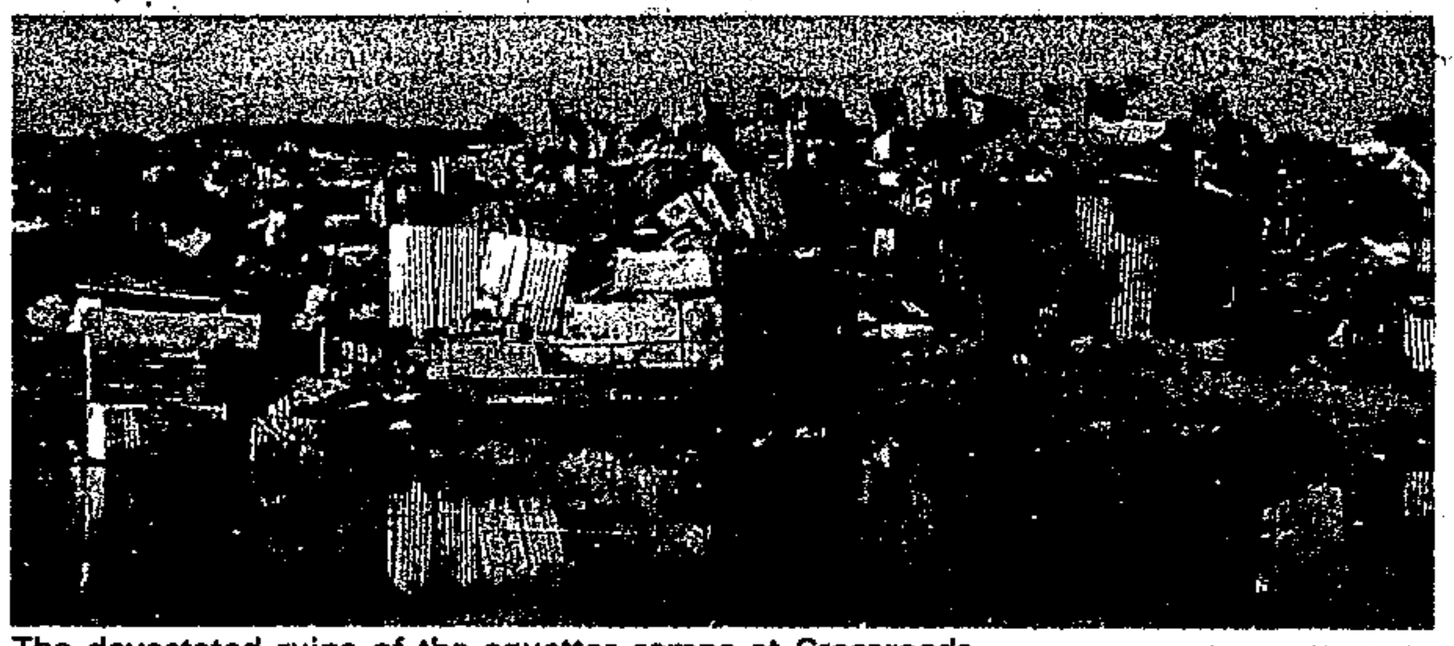
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The devastated ruins of the squatter camps at Crossroads. Picture: Alan Taylor



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Unsuccessful

Very few shacks of the estimated original 4 800 are left, and late yesterday vigilantes began torching the remaining few shacks in Nyanga Extension.

A bid by an ecumenical group of churchmen to bring the warring groups together was unsuccesful yesterday when the three leaders of the refugees could not be traced.

Attempts are continuing to find Mr Melford Yamile (Nyanga Bush), Mr Christopher Toise (Portland Cement Works) and Mr Alfred Sipika (Nyanga Extension).

Yesterday, a group of clergymen which included Jews for Justice member Rabbi Selwyn Franklin of Sea Point, and the Rev Syd Luckett of the Anglican Board of Social Responsibility, again met vigilante leaders.

'Talk peace'

"But while we were meeting with them, some youths axed an old man and after that the vigilantes said they wanted to finish the whole thing off," Rabbi Franklin said.

Mr Enoch Mudywabe, an executive member of the Nyanga Bush committee, told the Cape Times yesterday that "if the leaders of Crossroads under Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana will come to us and tell us the reason why they are making war and burning our shacks, we may be prepared to talk peace — in a neutral place".

He alleged that "the government said the police are coming in to stop the fighting, but what we see all the time is that they are there and shooting teargas and shotguns at the people of Nyanga Bush who are trying to save their shacks".

Police have consistently denied taking sides in the conflict and said their role is to keep the warring sides apart.

At a "roadblock" in Old Klipfontein Road, a vigilante leader, Mr Kobus Mahonxa, 45, said the "witdoeke" were in control of the squatter camp and the comrades were "lying low".

Asked about alleged police support to the vigilantes, he replied: "Of course the police help us." He said police assistance had taken the form of "advice" about which areas were "dangerous and full of comrades" and "... they chased the comrades away from us by firing teargas at them".



The devastated ruins of the squatter camps at Crossroads. Picture: Alan Taylor



Inspecting the Red Cross refugee camp in Lansdowne Road yesterday are (from left) Brigadier Chris Swart, Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Western Cape, an unidentified police officer, General Johann Coetzee, Commissioner of Police, and Brigadier Sarel Strydom, chief of the security police. Picture: John Rubython

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Late yesterday afternoon, Mr Ken Andrew and Mrs Val Christie of the PFP's unrest monitoring committee went to the Zolani Centre and then to Mahobe Drive, the road which divides the warring forces.

Speaking against a backdrop of burning shacks, police Casspirs and a truck which had been torched, Mr Andrew said: "It is incomprehensible to me that the police are unable to prevent or contain the burning of the shacks, or to assist people to reach their houses and salvage their belongings.

"In these circumstances it is hardly surprising that the police are suspected and accused of siding with the vigilantes."

He said: "The Minister of Law and Order should come and see for himself what is going on and the State President should appoint a judicial commission of inquiry into bribery, corruption, extortion and the role of the police in the Crossroads area."

At the Red Cross emergency camp on Lansdowne Road and at the Shawco clinic at the Zolani Centre in Terminus Road, relief workers continued to help hundreds of bewildered refugees. The Shawco clinic treated 150 people yesterday and 120 on Tuesday. The Cape Times saw four badly wounded men brought into the two clinics.

At 11.18am the Cape Times saw the bodies of two young "comrades", with gaping head-wounds, in Old Crossroads.

Two more bodies, one burnt, one necklaced, were found near Lansdowne Road.

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- The Western Cape Traders Association collection points are at Constanz Butchery, Symphony Avenue, Steenberg; Protea Toyota, Kasselsvlei Road, Bellville South; Aden Service Station, Aden Avenue, Athlone; Jaffers Motors, Broad Road, Wynberg; Princess Wholesalers, Retreat Road, Retreat; Arcadia Motors, Halt Road, Elsie's River; Kewtown Shopping Centre; Roomaneys Paint and Hardware, 106 5th Avenue, Grassy Park.
- The South African Jewish Board of Deputies collection points, between 10am and 2pm today and tomorrow, are outside Woolworths at Cavendish Square in Claremont; outside Checkers at the Galleria in Sea Point; at Stonehaven, 7 Albany Road, Sea Point; and, the Albow Centre, 84 Hatfield Street, Sea Point.
- Call of Islam collection points are at mosques.
- Save the Children Fund at "Highlands", De Villiers Rd, Wynberg, or 4 Mariendahl Avenue, Newlands, weekdays between 10am and 5pm and open over weekends. Inquiries: ☎ 71-6954.

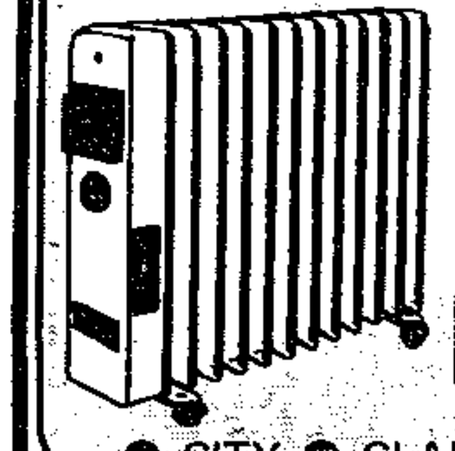
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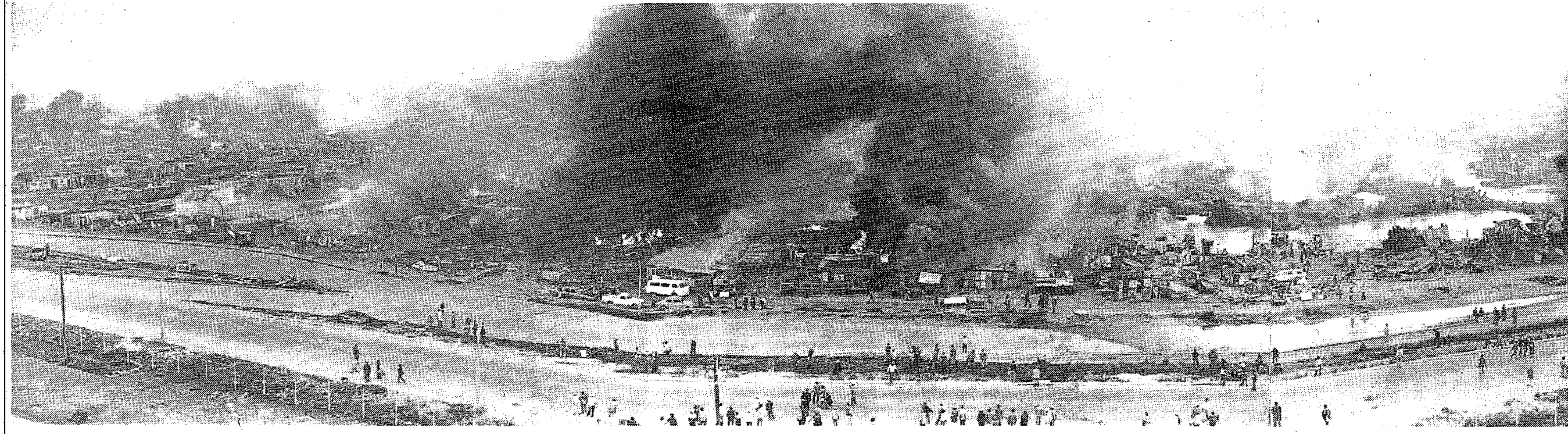
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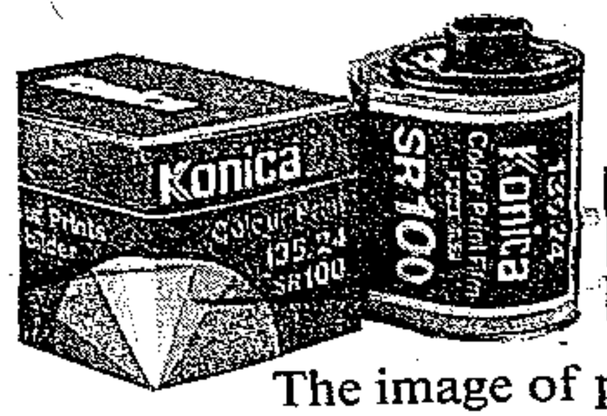
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Palls of smoke rise from Crossroads squatter camp. More than 2 000 shacks have been gutted in three days of fighting. A housing official likened the scene to the aftermath of a nuclear explosion.

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Peace bid

Churchmen try to bring faction leaders together

By LESTER VENTER and STEPHEN WROTTESLEY
Staff Reporters

CLERGYMEN today set out to bring peace to the battle-torn squatter settlements of Nyanga Bush and Crossroads, where more than 2 000 shanty homes have been razed and at least 18 people have been killed.

A group of churchmen planned arrange talks between warring groups and to intercede between security forces and residents who want to salvage possessions from the smouldering shantytown.

The Rev Sid Luckett, director of the Anglican Church's bureau for social responsibility, said police yesterday used teargas and other methods to disperse residents who attempted to form groups to enter Nyanga Bush.

He said he would contact leaders of the opposing factions to bring them to peace talks.

Yesterday Mr Luckett and two other churchmen reached vigilante leaders burning homes in the township and won from them an undertaking to talk.

Mr Luckett walked unprotected into burning Nyanga Bush with the Rev John Freeth, rector of St John's in Wynberg, and Mr Joe Seremane of the South African Council of Churches.

Mr Freeth said: "The leaders said they would like to meet the others."

Mr Luckett said: "The tragedy is that they are just ordinary people who have been manipulated."

The clergymen's decision to intervene was taken at a lunchtime meeting in Cape Town held by the Crossroads support forum.



Picture: HANNES THIART, The Argus

Flames rage behind the charred remains of gutted shanties as Nyanga Bush residents, including the vigilante "witdoeke", wearing white armbands, clash in Lansdowne Road.



Picture: DOUG PITHEY, T

The Rev John Freeth, left, and the Rev Sid Luckett down Mahobe Drive on the outskirts of Nyanga after yesterday's peacemaking attempt was th when police used teargas and dispersed the cr

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Picture: WILLIE DE KLERK, The Argus

Five-year-old Vatiswa Nvigelwa gratefully accepts a mug of hot soup from a Red Cross worker at Crossroads.

Desperate need for assistance, say workers

Staff Reporters

WELFARE personnel are working round the clock manning soup kitchens and first-aid posts and distributing blankets to squatter refugees from Crossroads.

Red Cross public relations officer Ms Ros Morris said the organisation was running soup kitchens in Khayelitsha and Mahobe Drive and would distribute parcels of basic rations to refugees in Khayelitsha today.

Ms Morris said constributions of tents, blankets and cash would be welcomed at Red Cross House, Broad Street, Wynberg (☎ 71 7170).

The organisation was providing primary relief and could not handle clothing and food, she said.

Shawco's mobile medical unit treated more than 300 people yesterday, said warden Mr Derek Livesey.

"Our supplies are severely depleted and we desperately need contributions," he said.

"We have packed food parcels with mealie meal or samp, tea, sugar and other staples, just to see families through a day or two. But these are expensive."

Mr Livesey said Shawco would hold a special clinic at its centre in Khayelitsha this evening from 6.30pm.

Most urgently needed are tents, blankets and warm cloth-

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Crossroads was tense today after what police described as a quiet night.

The official death toll rose to 18 yesterday with the discovery of the bodies of a man who was "necklaced" in Nyanga and a man near Lansdowne Road. The number of people injured is not known.

Petrol bomb

Police say the toll could be higher than official figures because bodies could be under debris and the police were not told of all deaths.

The last reported incident was about 5.15pm when a man was arrested in Mahobe Drive for possessing a petrol bomb.

The spokesman said pitched battles were fought through most of yesterday and between 11.40am and 3.45pm police used teargas to times to break up rival groups.

Sometimes the violence spilled over to Terminus Road in Nyanga and police acted there too.

A number of people were arrested and shotgun fire was used to disperse crowds in Mahobe Drive and Lansdowne Road.

Mr Ken Andrew, chairman of the Progressive Federal Party federal executive, said Crossroads was threatening to become ungovernable because the police were seen as one-sided and an enemy.

He and two colleagues met the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, yesterday to convey their concern.

Mr Andrew said it was critical that the police were seen to be acting even-handedly.

They had to step up patrols, although this was difficult because in the past the presence

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Clergymen in peace bid

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of police vehicles had been resented by the community.

He said that from discussions with people at Crossroads it would appear that, at best, the police were acting inadequately to contain the violence and, at worst, taking sides.

Police liaison officer Lieutenant Attie Laubscher denied allegations of police inaction and partiality and said: "I am satisfied that the police have not taken sides."

Today, his colleague, Captain Jan Calitz, said the police experienced great difficulty combating the violence in the squatter camp and the police presence in the area was stepped up dramatically yesterday afternoon to try to restore order.

The Argus asked him to arrange an interview with the divisional commissioner of police, Brigadier Chris Swart, to discuss allegations against the police.

Captain Calitz said: "Our presence there can prevent people from setting shacks alight. However, in the initial stages foot patrols into the area were difficult because we were being shot at.

"Vehicles could not move deep into Crossroads and some areas were also inaccessible to the fire brigade and ambulances."

He said many foot patrols spent much of their time bringing out the dead and injured.

Asked about the suggestion that shacks were set alight close to policemen and that no action was taken, Captain Calitz said combating arson in the area was difficult.

"A shack can be set alight 50m from you but to catch the person responsible is impossible. He's like Speedy Gonzales."

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Pupils get six cuts for intimidation

Staff Reporter

TWO pupils have been sentenced to six cuts each for intimidation.

Matric pupil Joshua Jackson, 18, and a 17-year-old youth, both of Elsies River, were found guilty in Goodwood Magistrate's Court yesterday of intimidation at a supermarket in Voortrekker Road on August 23 last year.

Six others were acquitted.

● Between 60 and 70 people gathered outside the court to hear the outcome.

Police warned them to disperse and the group chanted and moved to the driveway of the fire station next door.

CHARGED WITH QUIRTS

A policeman with a video-camera filmed the event and some people covered their faces with scarves.

Policemen with quirts charged and chased the crowd to Voortrekker Road and across the nearby railway line.

Earlier teargas was fired at 200 students from the University of the Western Cape and pupils from the Elsies River area as they waited outside St Monica's Catholic Church in Halt Road, Elsies River.

They had earlier been ordered to leave the precincts of the court.

Commission of inquiry demanded into police actions at funeral

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By David Braun,
Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Events surrounding police action at St Peter's Church in Vergenoeg, Kimberley, last Monday are the subject of a triple call on the Government to appoint a commission of inquiry.

The move follows a series of allegations against the police for taking actions which, it is argued, aggravate rather than quell civil unrest.

They have been brought to the attention of the highest level of government and the national media by the Progressive Federal Party and the Anglican and Catholic churches.

The Star has also submitted a statement on the incident, drawn up by Mrs Judy Stockill, a member of the PFP's monitoring organisation in the area, to the Minister of Law and Order for comment.

FUNERAL

The events are connected with the funeral of Khumoetsile Anthony Segolodi who was shot on April 29 in an unrest incident in Galeshewe, a black township at Kimberley.

The police were enforcing restrictions placed on the funeral.

In the process, it is claimed, without warning they fired birdshot and teargas on mourners trying to comply with the restrictions.

Three people who had nothing to do with the funeral were allegedly shot in the back.

Family and friends eating a meal at the home of the deceased were evidently given five minutes to disperse after which teargas was fired into the home.

A Galeshewe Town Council policeman was said to have been seen firing from his home at people in the street.

The allegations are made by Mrs Stockill in a lengthy statement based on eye witness accounts from people present at the funeral.

The witnesses included victims of birdshot, priests, community leaders, members of the PFP, officials of the SA Council of Churches and of the United Democratic Front.

Names and addresses of witnesses are being withheld by the PFP but Mrs Stockill says they will be given to an independent judicial inquiry.

In the meantime, she has forwarded the statement to the PFP in Parliament where it will be handed to the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange.

Questions will also be asked in Parliament, says Mr Peter Soal, secretary of the PFP's law and order group.

Mrs Stockill told *The Star* that the local police claimed that there was an arson attempt and stone-throwing at the time of last Monday's events. But there was no evidence of any of this, she said.

The PFP and the Catholic and Anglican churches believe there should be an official independent inquiry.

Here are extracts from Mrs Stockill's statement on the events:

● While the service in the church was in progress:

Vehicles of the SAP were on the playing field and in the immediate vicinity of the church.

Three students wearing UDF T-shirts (not Mandela type) were arrested. Ministers of religion approached Captain van Dyk, in the uniform of riot police Unit 15, and Captain Otto, in plainclothes, to negotiate their release.

They were released on condition that they and all other mourners wearing T-shirts with slogans remove them or face arrest. Most people complied by either removing their shirts or covering them with outer garments.

The ministers were warned that the coffin was not to be conveyed to the cemetery by hand. "If the coffin is carried to the cemetery we will shoot."

TYRES DEFLATED

The tyres of the hearse had been mysteriously deflated and it was decided to convey the coffin in a bakkie parked behind the church.

Captain van Dyk did not heed an appeal to withdraw his men to a reasonable distance from the church.

● Immediately after the church service at about 1.10 pm:

The coffin was carried from the church, with priest and altar servers in the lead, past the hearse with its flat tyres, around the corner towards the bakkie parked at the back.

The vehicles on the field appeared to be forming up to face the church. A Hippo left the field and bore down on the pallbearers, firing teargas and birdshot.

Captain Otto was seen on the vehicle firing with a birdshot rifle.

No warning of intention to fire was given. At no stage did the police make use of a loud hailer or a public address system.

COFFIN DROPPED

The coffin was dropped and the crowd scattered in panic. A number of people were injured by birdshot or trampled in the rush to escape.

The coffin was surrounded by teargas canisters making it impossible to approach.

Ministers and community leaders assembled at the gate.

Some spoke to two uniformed policemen in the nearest Hippo who claimed to have been stoned. There is no evidence of this.

Police vehicles moved off when approached to explain that the coffin was being carried only to the bakkie.

After some delay and consultation among the ministers, leaders and pallbearers the coffin was approached and lifted on to the bakkie without incident.

Policemen were observed to be laughing and joking. "Kyk hoe lê die skoene rond" (Look at how the shoes are lying around).

● The procession to the cemetery - about 2 pm:

At one point, police aimed at the coffin and bearers but there was no shooting. The police kept a reasonable distance at the cemetery.

● After the funeral:

As the crowd was leaving peacefully, the police, who had regrouped at the gate, fired teargas and birdshot which injured several people.

A young girl passing one of their vehicles had purportedly been told the crowd had five minutes to disperse. No announcement was made, nor were any of the leaders informed.

Nothing happened that could be construed as provocative.

There were incidents of unprovoked shooting in Gwele Street at about 3.30 pm.

A 13-year-old girl was peppered with birdshot in her back while standing in the yard of her home. She had not attended the funeral. She did not seek medical treatment at the hospital.

Two 13-year-old girls on their way to the shops were shot from behind with birdshot. They were taken to hospital where they were not treated until the police came.

The police stripped them of their blood-soaked clothing which they removed. The girls were arrested and left at the hospital for treatment.

Neither of them attended the funeral.

A man was seen being chased across an open piece of ground by two Hippos whose occupants appeared to be laughing and joking as they fired into the air. The man took refuge in a house and was unhurt.

At the home of the deceased, where family and friends were eating a meal, mourners were given five minutes to disperse after which teargas was fired into the home at about 3.30 pm.

Immediately before this incident, a Galeshewe Town Council policeman was seen firing at the people in the street from his home in Maputa Street which is just around the corner from the home of the deceased.

In conclusion, Mrs Stockill said: "From all accounts it is evident that every effort was made to comply with the restrictions imposed on the funeral.

"The behaviour of the mourners was restrained and unprovocative and, without the precipitate action of the police, there would not have been an incident.

INEXPLICABLE

"The actions of the police in Gwele Street and vicinity after the funeral was over are inexplicable. This is one of the streets leading from the cemetery and although there were a lot of mourners passing along that way at the time there is no way they could be described as a mob.

"The fact that all three victims mentioned were shot in the back shows that the police were not being threatened by a mob. None of these three victims attended the funeral."

Conflicting accounts make probe essential, says PFP

By David Braun,
Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Conflicting versions as to how the police acted at a black unrest victim's funeral in Kimberley last week made it essential that an independent inquiry be appointed, the Progressive Federal Party said this week.

The PFP's local organisation and the Catholic and Anglican churches have already called for an inquiry.

According to the local Progressive Federal Party monitoring organisation in the area, police fired birdshot and teargas without warning at the funeral of Mr Khumoetsile Segolodi on April 29.

Nothing that could have been construed as provocative happened at the funeral, the PFP said.

The police have denied the allegations made by "unnamed persons" and found it "strange" none of the accusers had lodged affidavits for an official investigation.

When some mourners stoned a police vehicle, tearsmoke was fired to disperse them.

Birdshot was fired at a youth allegedly armed with a petrol bomb.

APPEAL

Mr Peter Soal, secretary of the PFP's law and order group, said that the conflicting versions made it even more important that an independent inquiry be held.

"The Minister of Law and Order should have heeded my appeal of six months ago when I asked for a permanent commission of inquiry to be appointed to investigate all claims against the police," he said.

Police reply to 'birdshot and teargas' allegations

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By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

Police have replied to allegations that they fired birdshot and teargas without warning at the funeral unrest victim Mr Khumoetsile Segolodi in Kimberley last Monday.

The allegations — based on eyewitness accounts — were made by Mrs Judy Stockhill, a member of the PFP's area monitoring organisation.

Names and addresses are being withheld by the PFP, but Mrs Stockhill said they would be given to an independent judicial inquiry.

FOUND IT STRANGE

Police said they denied allegations made by "unnamed persons" and found it "strange" that none of the accusers had lodged affidavits for an official investigation.

The accusers, said the statement, had instead chosen to make unsubstantiated allegations to the media.

"The funeral did not take place as peacefully as alleged and after the church service the procession refused to comply with restrictions placed by a local magistrate." it read.

Restrictions disobeyed by mourners, said police, were orders that they travel in mechanical transport and that the coffin not be carried through the streets of the township.

"Police refused to allow the procession to proceed on foot when it was discovered the hearse tyres had been slashed.

"When some mourners stoned a police vehicle, tearsmoke was fired to disperse them.

'Birdshot was fired at a youth allegedly armed with a petrol bomb."

Coffinbearers then dropped the coffin, the statement added.

No mention was made of anybody being shot in the back as alleged in Mrs Stockhill's eyewitness accounts.

The funeral was completed in a "quiet manner" after a private delivery vehicle was used to transport the coffin, the statement said.

"From the hearses' slashed tyres the unlawful intentions of some of the unruly element present can be clearly observed.

"The SAP would have failed in their duty had they disregarded the flagrant disrespect shown to legal instructions," the statement concluded.

Report expected on PE troubles

Post Reporter

AN important report from Port Elizabeth's Town Clerk, Mr Paul Botha, on the unrest and boycott situation in the city is expected to be made at today's Policy and Resources Committee meeting.

Yesterday, Mr Botha and the chairman of the committee, Mr H van Zyl Cillié, held information meetings with representatives of the PE Chamber of Commerce, the Midland Chamber of Industry and the Afrikaanse Sakekamer.

Later they met members of the South African Police and security police.

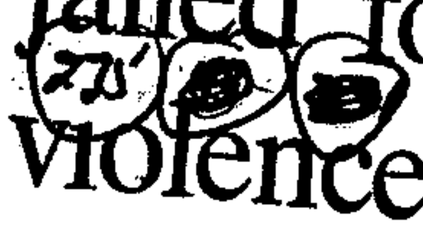
The meetings were reportedly criticised by the spokesman for the PE Consumer Boycott Committee, Mr Mkhuseli Jack, for "ignoring the bulk of the community".

However, the director of the chamber, Mr Tony Gilson, said today that there was "nothing sinister" in the information meetings, which arose from a motion to a Policy and Resources Committee meeting on April 15 by a city councillor, Mr Harold Davidson.

His call to negotiate with boycott leaders was defeated.

According to the agenda for today's meeting, the Town Clerk, Mr Botha, will make a verbal report on the matter. Mr Cillié is also expected to make a statement.

Pupils jailed for public violence



Court Reporter

NINE high school pupils were this week convicted in Wynberg Regional Court of public violence.

One was jailed for three years, seven were jailed for one year.

Wayne Jordan, Venetia de Klerk, Dee Dicks, all 18, and six other students aged between 14 and 17, all pupils or former pupils at Wynberg, South Peninsula, Livingstone and Alexander Sinton senior secondary schools, were arrested in a house in Batts Road, Wynberg, on October 15, after apparently fleeing from the police.

Jordan was sentenced to five years' imprisonment of which two years were suspended for five years. Seven of the students were sentenced to three years of which two years were suspended for five years while sentence on a minor girl was postponed for five years.

All were acquitted on a charge of possessing explosives.

Jordan was granted bail of R300 and the others R150 each pending an appeal.

Mr P M A Louw was the magistrate. Mr S Duffett prosecuted. Mr S A Majiedt, instructed by Nacerodien and Karriem, appeared for the nine.



Crossroads in crisis

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THE body lay on its back at the side of the road, charred beyond recognition — a victim of the Crossroads strife which briefly overflowed into Nyanga.

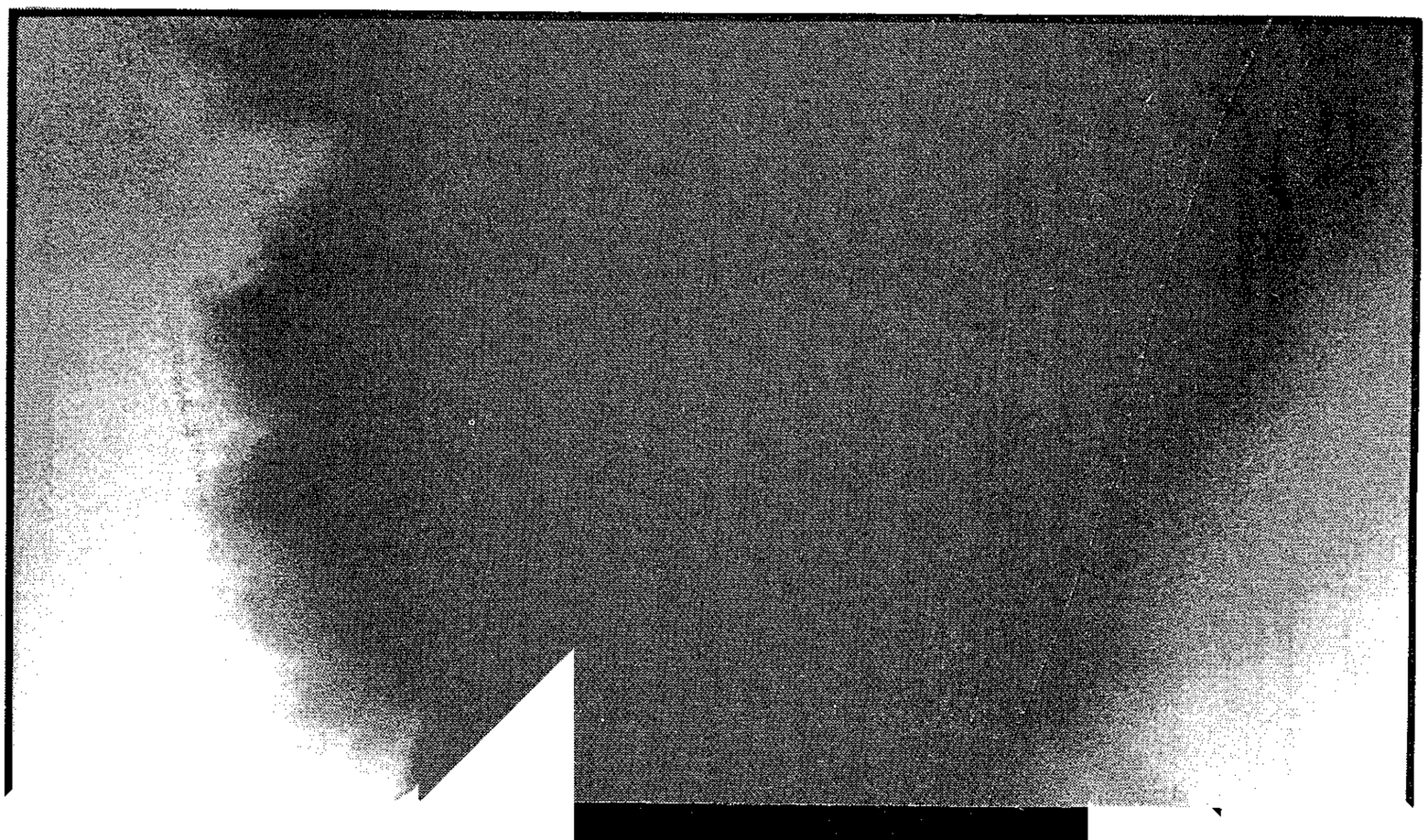
Nearby, outside the Development Board offices, scores of women waited with their few belongings for the apparently never-ending stream of lorries taking them to a "neutral" site at Khayelitsha.

In the yard, police vehicles stopped to allow policemen a brief respite.

It looked like a war zone with Casspirs and police vans crowding the parking area while policemen lined up in ranks.

Along Mahobe Drive crowds waited with beds, clothes and virtually everything they could lay their hands on.

In front of them shacks continued to blaze.



Shacks razed as men go on the rampa

SCORES of shacks bordering Lansdowne Road were razed and a car gutted as one Crossroads squatter group attacked a rival leader's territory.

The area housed followers of Mr Christopher Toise, leader of the Portland Cement squatter group (named after a nearby factory).

An Argus team watched from a building as the men — among a group of about 150 spread along a section of the road — smashed in doors and windows of shacks, in some cases looting before setting them

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BETWEEN the flames and the road, men frantically tried to rip their structures to pieces before the flames reached them.

This was the view of Crossroads which greeted journalists taken into the area yesterday afternoon by police after two-and-a-half days of bloodthirsty battles which have left at least 18 people dead.

The scene in Crossroads itself was described by Mr Graham Lawrence, director of housing for the Western Cape Development Board, who had just been into the area, as like "the aftermath of a nuclear explosion".

"It is quite incredible the extent of the damage," he said.

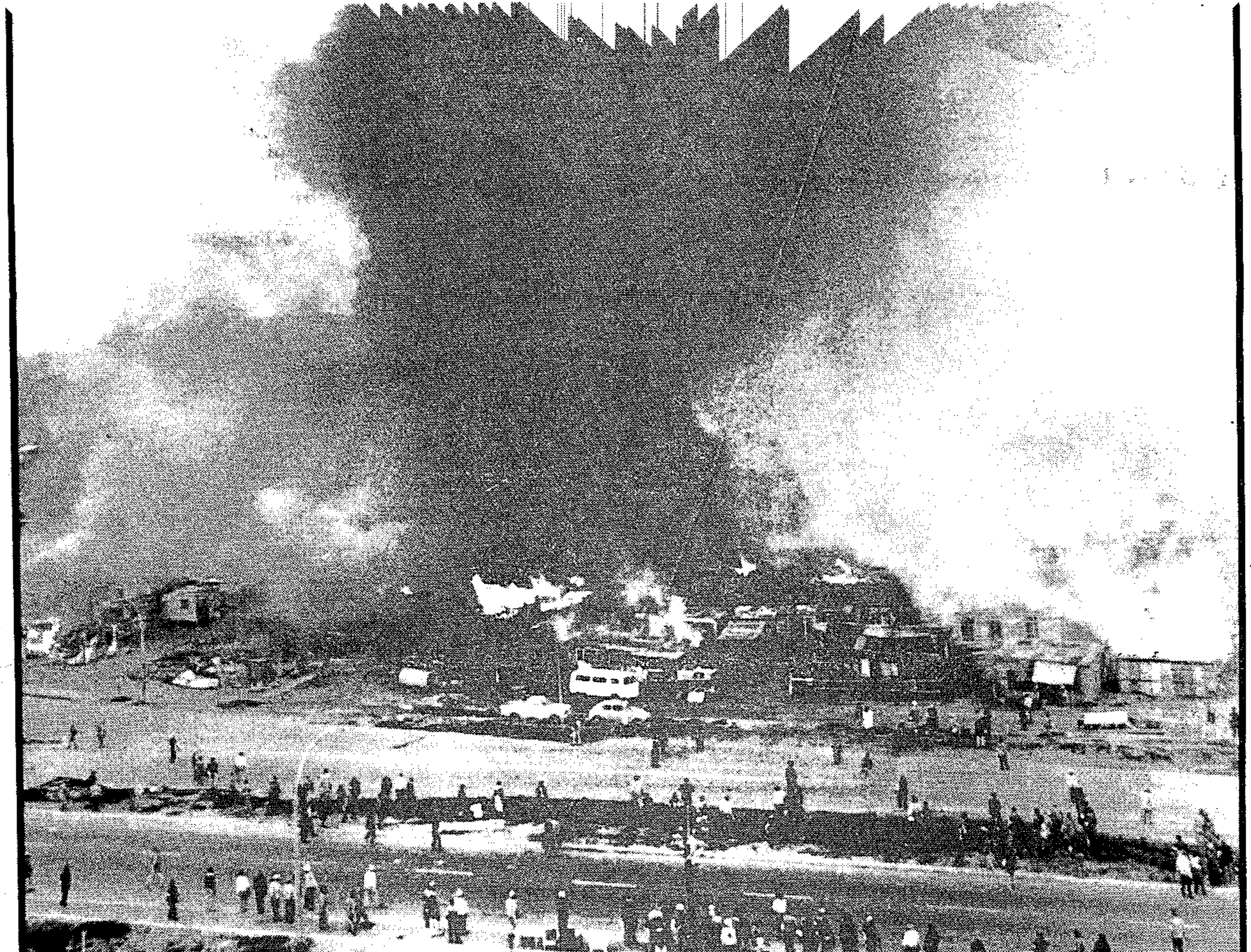
Many homeless, he said, had sought refuge on Monday night and an operation had been mounted to move the refugees to a "neutral site" at Khayelitsha, where tents and rudimentary services were set up.

HOWEVER some, seeing the violence abate yesterday morning had moved back into the squatter camp to start rebuilding their lives.

Mr Lawrence estimated that more than 2 000 shacks had been destroyed and from the police Casspir, this figure was quite believable.

The gutted remains in some areas looked like a ghost city. But elsewhere, men moved about armed, removing building material.

All the while, there was the smell of burning; everywhere there were signs of the battles.



A black smoke pall over the Peninsula signals the bleak tragedy of Crossroads.

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All the men were armed in some way — with kieries, sticks, iron bars, golf clubs, an axe and a wheel spanner — and all wore strips of white material tied to a wrist or arm, from which they get their name, "witdoeke".

CASSPIRS and Buffels carrying troops and police made sorties down the road past makeshift barricades (the only vehicles seen to do so) but no action was taken until about an hour later.

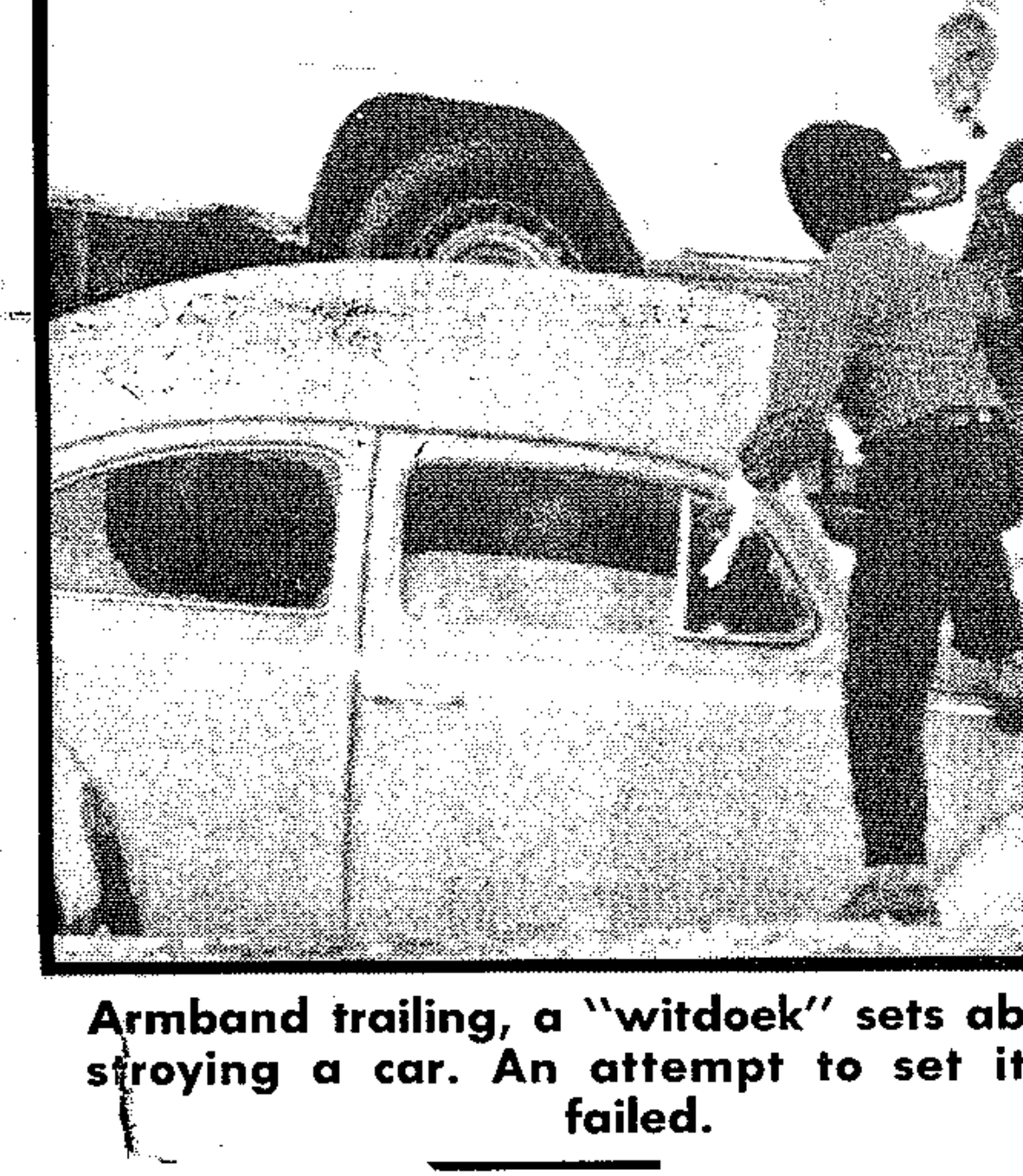
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Harsh words in a wan winter sun

A WAN winter sun lights the faces of Nyanga Bush squatters — some homeless, all frightened — and of a small group of clergymen, pained by teargas and strained by helplessness.

The crowd mills round police vehicles.

The police are armed with sjamboks and powerful firearms; some are in plain clothes, but recognisable by their weapons and bullet belts. They warn the crowd to stand away from the vehicles.

Harsh words and bitter imprecations pass between the police and the crowd.

"You know what's happening in there — that's why you talk like that," screams one woman, an arm pointing to the maze of shacks under a pall of black smoke.

THE collective pulse of the crowd quickens as another group of wailing, terrified people, mainly women, charges out of the warren of tin homes.

Fleeting fear ripples through all before stabilising to an uneasy tension.

Periodically, a new fire starts among the shacks as the vigilantes go about their task of devastation apparently unhindered.

They set fire to a home near Lansdowne Road.

A crowd of squatters rushes to the place, hurling stones and broken paving slabs.

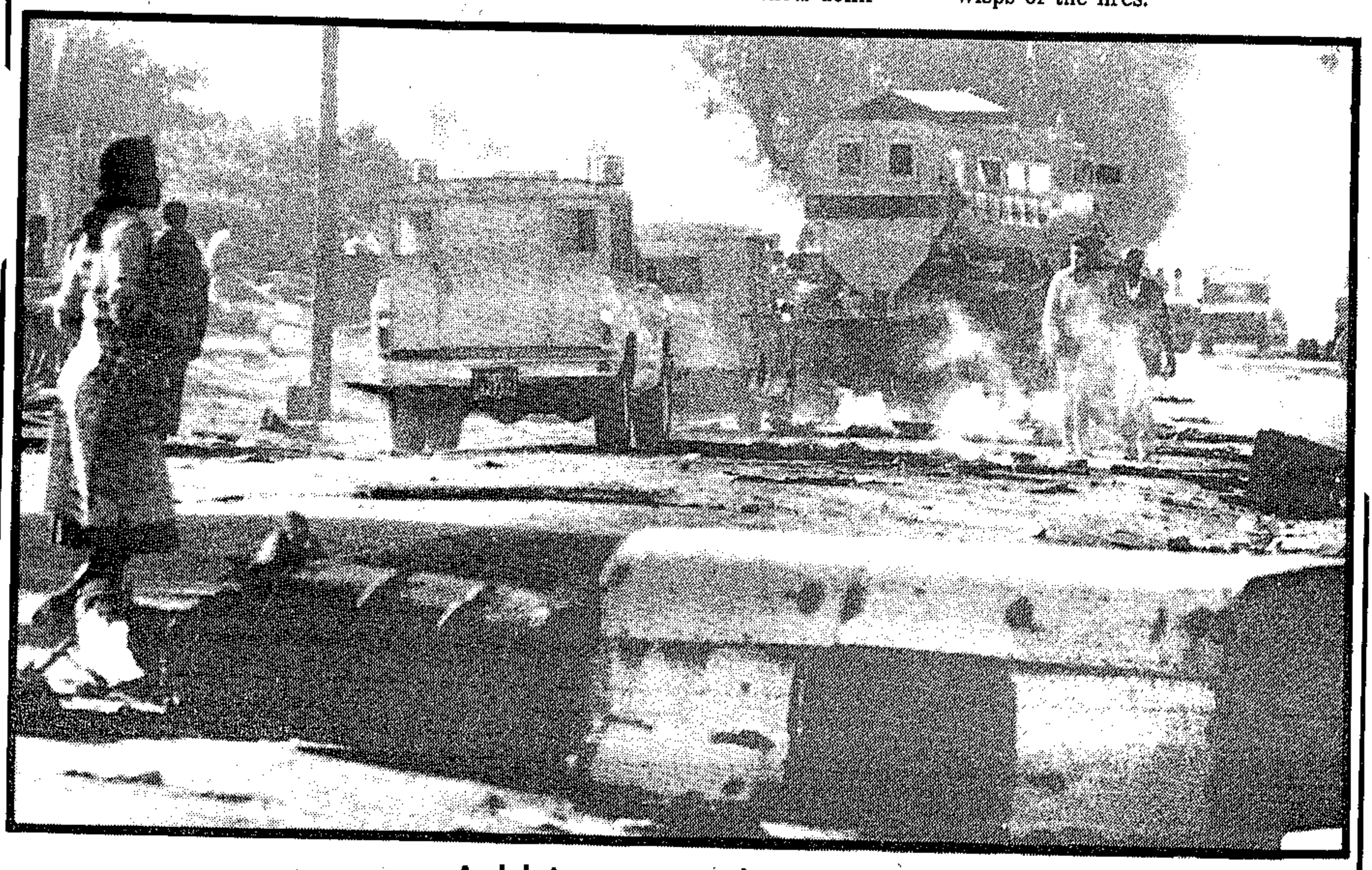
BUT they are followed hard on by rumbling Buffels and jeeps. The dull "blutt-blutt" of shots dominate the screams and shouting as police move to disperse the crowd.

A distraught woman runs up to a journalist. "You see what they do? You see what they do?" she cries. "They're shooting at us while the witdoekies are burning our houses."

Through a truck-mounted loudhailer police warn photographers to leave the area or be arrested.

An observer of the Swiss-based International Committee of the Red Cross stands some distance away with his hands thrust deep in his pockets.

As night falls the hapless and homeless gather round the comforting presence of the Red Cross tent, their futures little more than the wisps of the fires.



A debris-strewn road in Crossroads.

'Necklace' murder victim found

Crime Reporter

THE first "necklace" murder has taken place in Humansdorp.

Yesterday police received a report that there was a body in a vlei near the black township.

They found the body of a middle-aged man with his hands and arms bound. He had four car tyres placed around his body.

The body was badly charred. It was identified as Mr Paul Mtimkulu, who works for the East Cape Administration Board.

● In Durban riot police yesterday fired shotguns to disperse a group of schoolchildren who stoned vehicles and looted caravans at Kings Park rugby stadium during a sports event.

The daily unrest report issued by SAP headquarters in Pretoria said a woman bystander, a nursing sister, was treated for a broken nose and injuries to her face after she fell down a flight of steps while fleeing from scattering children.

Two people, a man and woman, were wounded in Guguletu, Cape Town, when shots were fired at a group of civilians from a passing vehicle.

In another incident reported overnight a man was arrested at Nyanga, Cape Town, after shots were fired at a police patrol from a passing microbus.

At Joza, Grahamstown, a municipal policeman was stoned. He dispersed his attackers with a pistol and arrested a man.

At Kwazakele, Port Elizabeth, a private vehicle was extensively damaged when it was set alight.

Driver injured as mob attacks van

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — A bakery employee was injured and two delivery vehicles were extensively damaged in attacks by mobs in separate incidents in Mdantsane on Tuesday.

The manager of Star Bakery, Mr Johan le Roux, said yesterday that one van was doused with petrol and set alight and the second was stoned.

In the first attack early on Tuesday morning, a mob doused the cabin and back of the vehicle with petrol while bread was being delivered to a shop in NU 8. The driver was inside the shop at the time.

On returning to the vehicle the driver found it burning fiercly, Mr Le Roux said.

Several loaves of bread were in the van at the time.

The vehicle was destroyed by the fire, causing damage estimated at a total of R10 000, he said.

A further R500 to R600 damage was caused to a second vehicle in NU 7 when a mob attacked the vehicle with stones.

"The van was moving slowly at the time as it was moving up a steep hill and they managed to break all the windows."

Mr Le Roux said the van assistant was badly injured.

He said the bakery would not be able to withdraw its vehicles from the area as the jobs of four drivers and eight assistants depended on the daily deliveries there.

Ciskei police could not be reached for comment yesterday.

● A group of about 17 youths petrol-bombed a vehicle belonging to the Rini Town Council in Fingo Village, Grahamstown, yesterday morning and threatened council workmen with their lives.

A statement released by the office of the town clerk of Rini said the youths, some wearing school uniforms, approached workmen installing a new water reticulation system and ordered them to leave the site, threatening their lives. They also stopped a vehicle belonging to the council and petrol-bombed it.

The incident, the statement said, had resulted in the withdrawal of teams busy with house repairs and water reticulation projects.

Thirty-five workers will be retrenched because of the withdrawal and the project has been delayed indefinitely.

The Mayor of Rini, Mr E. N. Botha, said: "The people of Fingo Village have been crying out about the poor state of their water supply for years and thanks to the government's job creation programme their wishes have been fulfilled.

"The Rini Town Council had secured funds for water reticulation, guttering and storm water drainage in Makana's Kop extensions 2, 3 and 4. The scheme offered jobs to about 500 people."



An East London bakery van which was set alight in Mdantsane.

Crossroads death toll rises to 23

Own Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Shots were fired when a vehicle was attacked near Crossroads early today as sporadic incidents of violence continued.

Police said that the death toll had risen to 23 in the four days of violence which has left thousands homeless and an undisclosed number of people injured.

The violence seemed to spread last night to near the KTC squatter camp and Guguletu and police used tearsmoke to disperse crowds in both areas.

A police spokesman said that soon after midnight a vehicle in Old Klipfontein Road was brought to a standstill by a stone-throwing group and by gunfire.

The driver and passenger fled. Police believe the vehicle was then stolen.

VEHICLE SET ALIGHT

A vehicle was set alight in Mahobe Drive near Crossroads at about 5.10 pm yesterday and a delivery vehicle was attacked and stoned in Lansdowne Road last night.

At 10.40 pm, security force vehicles were stoned in Terminus Road near the KTC squatter camp and tearsmoke was used to disperse the crowd.

Stones were also thrown and barricades were set up in NY5, Guguletu last night. When the security forces moved in, they were attacked and tearsmoke was used to disperse the crowd.

Police said that as far as they were aware, no one was injured in police action.

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Uncertain future for family

By ANDREW DONALDSON

WHEN Ms Joyce Mbenxi reported for domestic work yesterday morning at a communal home in Gardens, she had no idea what she may be returning home to last night.

On Sunday at 11.30pm, while she and her two-year-old daughter Octavia lay sleeping in her squatter shack, a vigilante crashed down the door, doused the contents of her home and set a match to it.

She was lucky. She saved her daughter and most of her possessions from the fire without injuring herself.

She never slept on Sunday night. On Monday evening, she slept — in between checking to see if her possessions were still safe in the street — on the floor of a nearby church with hundreds of other homeless people.

Last night, she and her daughter were going to a relative's home — provided it was safe.

During the day, while she worked, her furniture and possessions lay in the street, guarded by a man friend.

Ms Mbenxi's employers offered her temporary accommodation, but she turned the offer down.

"No, I'm just going to have to put my trust in God. I'm going to start again. Build up my home by myself again when it's safe and try and look after my daughter's future."

With the violence, there seemed little chance that she will be able to start reorganizing her life. She's even considering moving to Site C — a move that she's resisted up to now.

"Would you like to live in Crossroads now?" she asked.

You're alive — that's the main thing, I assured her.

"That can change. Easy," she replied.



Cape Times photographer Obed Zilwa outside the Guguletu police station yesterday morning after he was released from the cells where he had been held overnight. Mr Zilwa was arrested by police while covering Crossroads fighting on Tuesday. He was not charged.

Photographer tells of arrest

Staff Reporter

CAPE TIMES photographer Mr Obed Zilwa, who was arrested in Nyanga East, was released yesterday morning after spending a night in the Guguletu police cells.

Mr Zilwa, 18, was released without any charges being brought against him.

Asked by the Cape Times yesterday why Mr Zilwa had been arrested and held for more than 14 hours, a police liaison officer for the Western Province, Captain Jan Calitz, said that shortly before 4pm a group of about 40 people of mixed race were dispersed by police after an illegal gathering in Mahobe Drive.

A barricade was being constructed and, after police fired teargas, "an arrest was made" as people scattered. Mr Zilwa was held for questioning in connection with a public violence investigation at that particular site and released the next morning, he said.

Mr Zilwa was traced to Guguletu police station late on Tuesday night — hours after his disappearance was reported.

The News Editor of the Cape Times, Miss Jane Arbous, went at midnight to the station to attempt to secure his release.

"When we realized he was missing from the area, we were desperately worried. Anything could have happened in such dangerous conditions.

"Unfortunately, attempts to get him out of the cells failed."

A "shaken, but relieved" Mr Zilwa said yesterday he had been arrested in Zwelitsha Drive soon after photographing a teargassing incident.

"I was running to a house to get water because my eyes were streaming from the teargas. A police lieutenant, who emerged from police vans parked nearby, called me while a policeman pointed a shotgun at me.

"I was placed in the back of a van where I was asked to identify myself and explain what I was doing in the area. When I said I was employed by the Cape Times, a policeman said 'Sies'.

Petrol bombs

"The police then drove to Nyanga Bush where they picked up four five-litre cans and four petrol bombs. The police video unit arrived and filmed the petrol bombs and, later, me.

"I was taken to the Guguletu police station where I was asked about the petrol bombs by a lieutenant who opened a docket.

"He told me to listen to their statement and to be careful of what I said because I would have to repeat it in court.

"He asked me if I had seen any barricades or fires in Mahobe Drive, or if I had encouraged people to commit acts of violence. When I said I had not, he said: 'I am telling you that you were among those people in the street.' I denied this," said Zilwa.

"The policeman then closed the docket and asked me to sign the statement before they locked me up.

"When I asked the lieutenant if I could telephone my parents or the Cape Times, he said I would not be allowed to contact anybody until the investigating officer arrived.

"When I asked what I was being charged with the lieutenant said he had been telling me all along," said Zilwa.

Commenting on Mr Zilwa's account of the arrest, Captain Calitz said he could not comment as the matter was still under investigation as *sub judice*.

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Heunis pledges peace

Political Staff

THE government would do everything in its power to bring peace to Crossroads, the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, said last night after visiting the conflict area.

He also appealed to employers to be patient with employees innocently caught up in the situation.

In a statement, Mr Heunis said: "The security forces at present are serving as a buffer between warring factions.

"Residents who were forced to flee are being provided for and, in addition to the humanitarian assistance the State is providing, I am also very thankful for the magnanimous effort of the private sector to relieve the plight of those in need.

"A thousand people have already been accommodated in Khayelitsha.

"The damaged and evacuated area will remain temporarily inaccessible in order to prepare it with a view to upgrading it to the benefit of the community."

● Speaking in the House of Representatives yesterday, Mr Heunis said the ANC had chosen black local authorities as the battlefield on which it would try to bring about a "Moscow-controlled dictatorship".

Sapa reports that while replying to debate on the Black Local Authorities Amendment Bill, he said unless something was done to "restore the balance", the ANC would succeed in making parts of the country ungovernable.

Events in Crossroads showed what could happen if "diabolical forces" had their way.

Some Crossroads people were fighting against "forces of violence and chaos".

He said there were also forces at work trying to prevent reform and co-operation.

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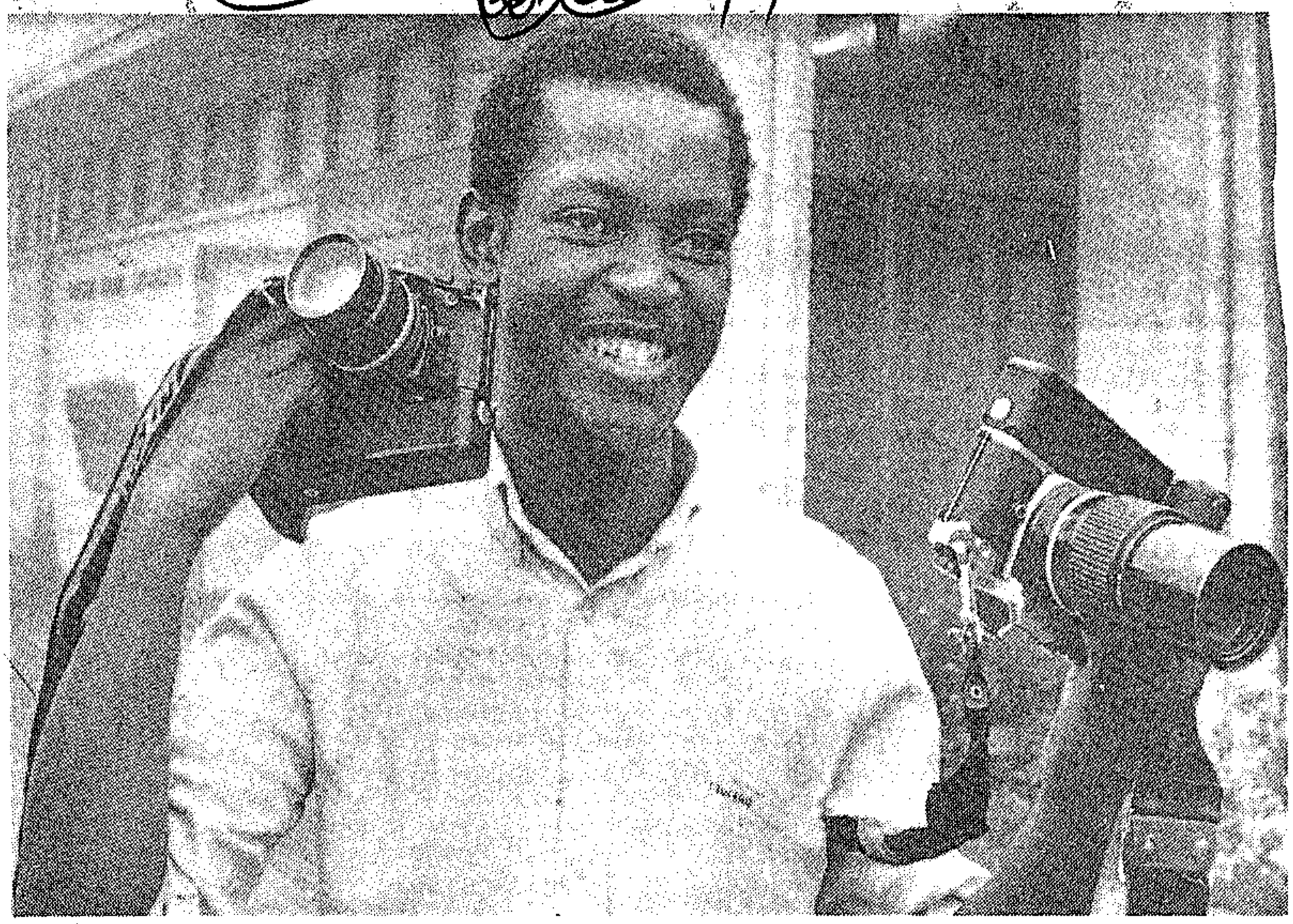
"No, I'm just going to have to put my trust in God. I'm going to start again. Build up my home by myself again when it's safe and try and look after my daughter's future."

With the violence, there seemed little chance that she will be able to start reorganizing her life. She's even considering moving to Site C — a move that she's resisted up to now.

"Would you like to live in Crossroads now?" she asked.

You're alive — that's the main thing, I assured her.

"That can change. Easy," she replied.



Cape Times photographer Obed Zilwa outside the Guguletu police station yesterday morning after he was released from the cells where he had been held overnight. Mr Zilwa was arrested by police while covering Crossroads fighting on Tuesday. He was not charged.

Photographer tells of arrest

Staff Reporter

CAPE TIMES photographer Mr Obed Zilwa, who was arrested in Nyanga East, was released yesterday morning after spending a night in the Guguletu police cells.

Mr Zilwa, 18, was released without any charges being brought against him.

Asked by the Cape Times yesterday why Mr Zilwa had been arrested and held for more than 14 hours, a police liaison officer for the Western Province, Captain Jan Calitz, said that shortly before 4pm a group of about 40 people of mixed race were dispersed by police after an illegal gathering in Mahobe Drive.

A barricade was being constructed and, after police fired teargas, "an arrest was made" as people scattered. Mr Zilwa was held for questioning in connection with a public violence investigation at that particular site and released the next morning, he said.

Mr Zilwa was traced to Guguletu police station late on Tuesday night — hours after his disappearance was reported.

The News Editor of the Cape Times, Miss Jane Arbous, went at midnight to the station to attempt to secure his release.

"When we realized he was missing from the area, we were desperately worried. Anything could have happened in such dangerous conditions.

"Unfortunately, attempts to get him out of the cells failed."

A "shaken, but relieved" Mr Zilwa said yesterday he had been arrested in Zwelitsha Drive soon after photographing a teargassing incident.

"I was running to a house to get water because my eyes were streaming from the teargas. A police lieutenant, who emerged from police vans parked nearby, called me while a policeman pointed a shotgun at me.

"I was placed in the back of a van where I was asked to identify myself and explain what I was doing in the area. When I said I was employed by the Cape Times, a policeman said 'Sies'.

Petrol bombs

"The police then drove to Nyanga Bush where they picked up four five-litre cans and four petrol bombs. The police video unit arrived and filmed the petrol bombs and, later, me.

"I was taken to the Guguletu police station where I was asked about the petrol bombs by a lieutenant who opened a docket.

"He told me to listen to their statement and to be careful of what I said because I would have to repeat it in court.

"He asked me if I had seen any barricades or fires in Mahobe Drive, or if I had encouraged people to commit acts of violence. When I said I had not, he said: 'I am telling you that you were among those people in the street.' I denied this," said Zilwa.

"The policeman then closed the docket and asked me to sign the statement before they locked me up.

"When I asked the lieutenant if I could telephone my parents or the Cape Times, he said I would not be allowed to contact anybody until the investigating officer arrived.

"When I asked what I was being charged with, the lieutenant said he had been telling me all along," said Zilwa.

Commenting on Mr Zilwa's account of the arrest, Captain Calitz said he could not comment as the matter was still under investigation and *sub judice*.

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Teargas: Prayers for church

Staff Reporter

THE Roman Catholic Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev Stephen Naidoo, will rededicate the Elsie's River church which was "desecrated" when teargas was fired into it by police on Tuesday.

Archbishop Naidoo said in a statement yesterday that "prayers in reparation for the desecration of St Clare's by the unprovoked action of police would be offered in all Catholic churches in the archdiocese of Cape Town this Sunday".

Describing the desecration as "a very serious offence", Archbishop Naidoo said "the church will be rededicated at 8am, before worship recommences in it".

According to eyewitnesses, police fired two canisters into St Clare's Church when University of the Western Cape students fled inside to take cover.

The canisters found in the church were still lying there yesterday.

A police spokesman confirmed that teargas was fired, "and it is possible that tearsmoke could have wafted into the church".

According to accounts, the students had moved to the church grounds at 11am on Tuesday after a hearing at Goodwood Magistate's Court was adjourned until 2pm.

While they danced in the parking lot, a Casspir pulled up and when police told them to disperse they moved into the church.

A church spokeswoman said the archbishop had taken the matter up with police but "nobody had yet been to investigate by yesterday afternoon".

Yesterday a police spokesman confirmed that a complaint had been lodged at Bellville police station and police were investigating the matter.

Luckett claims police 'mixing with witdoeke'

By CLARE HARPER

THE director of the Anglican Board of Social Responsibility, the Rev Syd Luckett, yesterday alleged that armed police in plainclothes were "mixing with witdoeke from Crossroads".

Mr Luckett, who has been involved in negotiations to restore peace at Crossroads, was speaking at a lunchtime protest meeting at the University of Cape Town, attended by about 900 students.

Responding to the allegations yesterday, the police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Captain Jan Calitz, said he "categorically denied that police were taking sides" in the Crossroads conflict.

Roadblocks

Mr Luckett said that two days ago he had passed two roadblocks in Crossroads manned by vigilantes "while the police stood by".

He said: "When I came out of Crossroads from the Sacla clinic, I came across a group of witdoeke. Three heavily-armed white men were with them.

"On Tuesday, I again encountered the three white men and, when I asked them what they were doing there, they produced their police identification cards."

Mr Luckett told the Cape Times he was willing to file an affidavit backing his allegations.

He alleged, also, that "whenever the police intervened in the conflict in Crossroads it was on the side of the witdoeke versus the youth".

Mr Luckett told students that "very subtle" intervention by the authorities in Crossroads in the past had become quite blatant.

Strategy

He said the conflict "fitted in well with the government strategy to demolish Crossroads".

Outlining the history of the squatter camp, he said that in 1981 new squatter settlements, such as Nganga Bush and, recently, the Portland Cement community, had started on the edge of Crossroads.

At the end of 1984, the government announced that people would no longer be forced out of Crossroads, but the satellite camps must go to Site C in Khayelitsha.

"The area became a no-go area for police and army," he said.

Resistance

"They resisted any attempt to move and, in line with government policy, they (the squatters) should never have been there."

He said there were "some indications that the development board would not allow people to go back to Crossroads and would only allow them to move to Khayelitsha".

Constable denies he caused trouble

EVE POST 22/5/86

By RAYMOND HILL

A POLICEMAN, Detective Constable Vakele Shadrack Qayiso, charged with two counts of murder and four of attempted murder, today denied in the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court that he was the cause of the trouble at the Phakamisa Junior Secondary School, Zwide, on June 23 last year.

Under cross-examination by Mr C Jansen, SC, for the defence Const Qayiso denied that the trouble occurred at the school after he had allegedly struck a teacher, Mr T Sapuka.

Const Quyiso, Det W O Stanford Mene and Det Sgt Butler Tungata are charged with two counts of murder arising out of the deaths of two pupils, Thozamile Manja and Mthobelo Mancam and with attempting to murder two teachers, Mr Livingstone Tulela and Mr De Villiers Miza.

W O Mene and Sgt Tungata are also charged with attempting to defeat the ends of justice.

The three policemen pleaded not guilty on all counts.

Const Qayiso said Sgt Tungata wore a UDF emblem on his chest on the day in question.

At the school he saw children in classrooms and it appeared that somebody was talking to them. He told the court he thought the children were holding a meeting and knew that meetings were banned.

At the suggestion of W O Mene, he climbed over the gate and later discovered the classrooms were full of children.

Const Qayiso denied he entered the premises to cause trouble with Mr Sapuka.

"I wanted to know from him if the children really held a meeting or not."

Const Qayiso said he heard a shot, and he saw W O Mene walking past the teachers. Children then came out of the laboratory.

He said the children were running so he fired a shot in the air in the hope that they would stop.

He and W O Mene then pursued them.

Const Qayiso said W O Mene afterwards admitted having shot two children dead.

He said no stones were thrown at the school.

Sgt Tungata also admitted shooting the teacher, he said.

Const Qayiso said W O Mene told him to say in his statement that they had been stoned.

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Body of 'necklaced' woman found in Paarl

Staff Reporter

THE body of a woman wh was "necklaced" has bee found in Mbekweni, Paarl.

Police said the body wa found in a street at 7.55pm yesterday but it had not yet been established when the woman was killed.

She had not been identified and no motive for the killing had yet been established, a spokesman said.

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'Security forces helped vigilantes destroy shacks'

Provincial Staff

MANY witnesses had testified that security forces helped vigilantes destroy shacks in Nyanga Bush, Mr Jan van Eck (PFP Groote Schuur) told the Provincial Council.

During a debate on a private member's motion introduced by Mr P G Poggenpoel (NP Kuruman), Mr van Eck said Mrs Victoria Siboza's shack was set alight on Sunday by men accompanied by three policemen.

He said that after a peaceful group of people were teargassed a policeman told him teargas was used because they formed an illegal gathering.

Mr van Eck said policemen should wear names or numbers.

Mr Poggenpoel expressed appreciation of the work of security forces.

The international media discredited security forces and taught South Africans to "accept lies as the truth and truth as lies", he said.

Mrs M Kemp (NP East London City) said there had been 337 incidents of violence against black policemen between January 1 and April 29 this year.



Mr Jan van Eck

Mr Herbert Hirsch (PFP Sea Point) expressed gratitude for what the security forces did in the execution of their normal duties, but condemned "abuse".

● The Government had told the African National Congress they had to "play the game of political rugby with your hands tied behind your back", Mr Geoff Everingham (PFP Pinelands) said.

He was speaking during debate on a private member's motion introduced by Mr van Eck calling on the Government to negotiate with representative leaders, unban organisations and release political prisoners.

Mr Everingham said the ANC was historically a non-violent organisation.

Mr Frik van Deventer (NP Maitland) said ANC leader Nelson Mandela was involved in violence long before the Government gained power.

School shooting judgment to be given next week

Court Reporter

JUDGMENT in the trial in which three policeman are charged with two counts of murder and four counts of attempted murder, will be given in the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court on Wednesday.

Det Const Vakele Shadrack Qayiso, Det W/O Stanford Mene and Det Sergt Butler Tungata are charged with two counts of murder arising from the deaths of two pupils at the Phakamisa Junior Secondary School in Zwide, Mr Thozamile Manja and Mr Nthobelo Mancam, and with attempting to murder Mr Livingstone Tulela and Mr De Villiers Miza, both teachers, and two pupils, on June 23 last year.

W/O Mene and Sgt Tungata are also charged with attempting to defeat the ends of justice.

The prosecutor, Mr W Kingsley, asked the court to find there was common purpose between the policemen in causing the deaths of Mr Manja and Mr Mancam.

He said the men got into the police vehicle with the same purpose and were "tacitly in agreement". They had fired shots on the school property and had returned to the vehicle at more or less the same time.

If the court was unable to find common purpose, the accused must be given the benefit of the doubt and be discharged on the two murder counts.

Mr C Jansen, SC, (for W/O Mene and Sgt Tungata) said there were different versions of what happened.

Const Qayiso was a weak witness and it was clear he wanted to put Sgt Tungata in a bad light when he told the court Sgt Tungata had worn the UDF emblem on the day of the shooting.

Mr Jansen said W/O Mene should be convicted of culpable homicide if the court found he had been negligent in doing the shooting.

Mr Justice Solomon was on the Bench. Mr JAF Nel and Mr J de Villiers sat as assessors, and Mr G Lotz and Mr J Wessels appeared for Const Qayiso.

Police sjambok Wynberg pupils

Crime Reporter

POLICE used sjamboks to disperse about 500 pupils at a rally at the Wynberg Senior Secondary School.

A police liaison officer said police were told yesterday that the school had been closed by the principal after he had heard that a mass meeting was to be held in sympathy with two pupils arrested earlier.

Shortly after, 500 people gathered on the school grounds and started chanting, singing and saluting. They were warned to disperse and when they failed to comply police used sjamboks.



While police watch from a Casspir — but stay out of the conflict — a group of sjambok-wielding 'witdoeke' chase stone-throwing 'comrades' through Crossroads

Picture: DAVE HARTMAN, Afrapix

Tension high in war-zone Crossroads

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By SHAUN JOHNSON

THE bloody battle of Crossroads is far from over.

Sporadic violence erupted again yesterday following a brief respite in the five-day carnage. Shots were fired, cars set alight, and a security force vehicle stoned. Fears have been expressed that the violence will spread to the nearby KTC squatter camp and Guguletu township.

An atmosphere of shocked calm has now settled over most of the area, but observers believe the battles between the *"witdoek"* vigilantes loyal to Johnson Ngxobongwana and the "comrades", many of them members of the UDF-affiliated Cape Youth Congress (Cayco), are not yet spent.

The clashes — already the worst ever seen in the Western Cape — seem likely to flare up again as youth leaders vow to fight on and vigilantes speak of "finishing off" the comrades.

Allegations of police assistance to the *"witdoeke"* have come from a wide range of sources, including residents, journalists and parliamentarians. The police vigorously deny taking sides, claiming their presence is intended to separate the warring sides.

As reporters surveyed the devastation, massive relief operations swung into action, the PFP and the Urban Foundation called for a judicial inquiry, and a group of churchmen intensified their efforts to bring the leaders of the vigilantes and the "comrades" together.

Contributions to relief funds have topped R200 000, with half the total from the Urban Foundation and a major donation from the US Embassy. The embassies of Britain, West Germany and Canada have also promised funds. The Community Chest has provided R10 000 to set up a relief centre for children separated from their parents in the fighting.The

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Tension high after brief lull

Red Cross is establishing a central depot at DF Malan airport for the collection and distribution of gifts of food and clothing.

There is still uncertainty about the location of all the refugees. Sapa reports that about 1 000 have reached Khayelitsha, while thousands more are being housed temporarily in churches in the area.

At least 20 people have died in the violence — and some estimates go as high as 50. Scores of people have been injured, some seriously. But the overarching image of shell-shocked Crossroads is of thousands of bewildered refugees clinging to the

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few possessions they have salvaged.

The squatter camps at Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland Cement Works were estimated to have contained 4 800 shacks. Very few are left. It is thought that well over 30 000 people have been made homeless by the systematic destruction of the shanties.

Appalled journalists yesterday moved through the once densely-populated and bustling shanty area. It is a human tragedy of immense proportions, and a truly pathetic sight. Smoke still wafts in the dirt streets, and charred possessions litter the narrow walkways. The corpses of several dogs and cats lie grotesquely in the burnt-out shanties.

The whereabouts of the community leaders of the devastated Nyanga Bush and Portland Cement Works squatter areas — the focus of the vigilante attacks — are not known. But youth leaders told the Weekly Mail that Nyanga's Mellford Yamile and Portland's Christopher Toise were "safe", although their homes had been completely destroyed, and it was impossible for them to hold open meetings with their people.

Crossroads war not a faction fight, say residents

By SHAUN JOHNSON

THE violent struggle in the Crossroads area is not a "faction fight" or another manifestation of "black on black" violence, says the president of the powerful Cape Youth Congress, Cayco.

According to Roseberry Sonto, it is an ideological battle between "progressive community organisations" and the "corrupt vigilantes" of Johnson Ngxobongwana, "acting in concert with the police".

Police strenuously and categorically deny aiding the vigilantes, but the allegations persist.

Cayco members from Crossroads are centrally involved in the ongoing efforts to halt the advance of the vigilantes, who are set on driving the "progressives" from the area.

Sonto alleges that victory for the vigilantes — known as "*witdoeke*" because of the white cloths they tie around an arm as identification — serves the interests of both the vigilante leader and the government.

"The government has found that the only way to destroy Crossroads and force people to move to Khayelitsha is by organising those corrupt leaders like Ngxobongwana and his followers against the popular community organisations.

"The vigilantes are money-mongers, sucking money from the squatters," he says. "And they have been terribly threatened by the growth of groups like Cayco. So to destroy us suits them and suits the government."

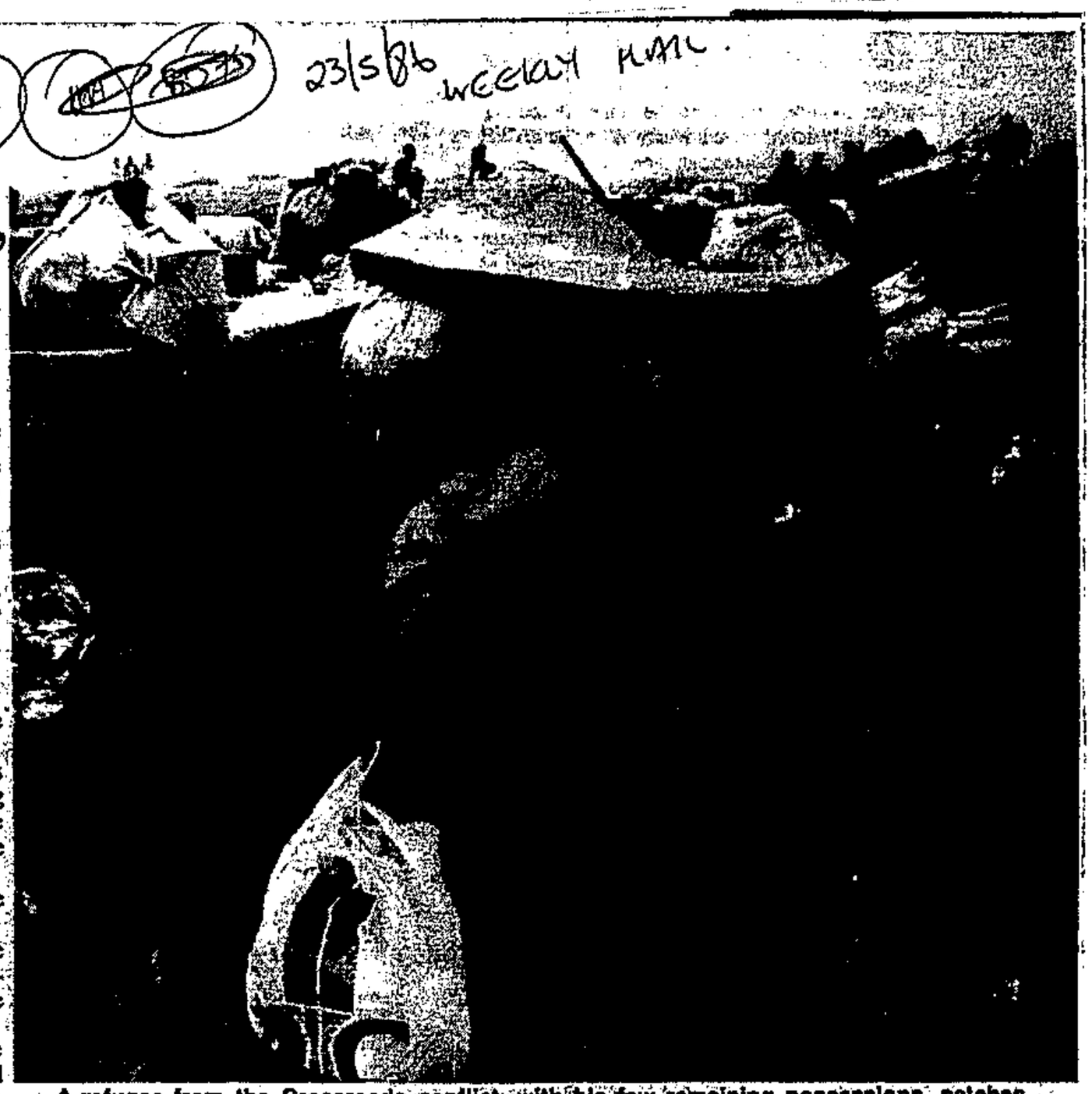
Ngxobongwana, leader of the anti-activist campaign, heads the "Old Crossroads Committee", which recently purged the area of youth, community and women's groups.

Ngxobongwana has consistently been accused of dictatorial methods of leadership, and is alleged to earn between R5 000 and R40 000 each month from rentals in his area of the squatter settlement. Residents believe he hopes to bring the Nyanga Bush and Portland Cement Works areas under his landlordship.

Sonto claims that the vigilantes have only been able to succeed in driving "progressives" out because of the "support of the police". "They would have had no chance against the comrades on their own," he says.

"In the end there is no way that the vigilantes are going to win control of Crossroads, although our people are suffering now. The people of the township know that the vigilantes are being used by the system, and when the fighting stops those vigilantes will never be able to live in Crossroads.

"I don't know where they think they will go. They think the *boere* will be there on a daily basis, helping them and guarding them. We know that won't happen."



A refugee from the Crossroads conflict, with his few remaining possessions, catches some sleep on a makeshift bed. Some 30 000 people were left homeless.
Picture: DAVE HARTMAN, Afrapix

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The death toll in inter-faction fighting at the sprawling squatter settlements near Cape Town was expected to rise above 20 as the *FM* went to press.

More than 100 people have been injured and an estimated 20 000 left homeless after more than 2 000 shacks were burnt down in Crossroads.

The clashes, between conservative "fathers" and radical "comrades," began at the weekend.

Four factions are involved. There are two "fathers" groups, led by Johnson Ngxobongwana and Sam Ndima; and two "comrades" factions, led by Melford Yamile and Christopher Toise.

Broadly speaking, the "comrades" are United Democratic Front-orientated. The "fathers" appear to support the status quo.

There are an estimated 300 000 people living in Crossroads and surrounding settlements. Police have denied allegations that they have been covertly supporting the "fathers."



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Refugees: Top men appointed

Staff Reporters

THE Department of Constitutional Development and Planning has appointed a committee of top officials to deal with the rehabilitation of Crossroads and the resettlement of refugees.

Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud, Western Cape regional director of the department, has been taken off other duties to concentrate on the project.

Other members of the committee, who met for the first time yesterday, are Dr C F Scheepers, chief executive director of the department, and two assistant directors-general, Mr Noel Viljoen and Dr Henk Fourie.

Dr Fourie said that people from Nyanga Bush would have to go to Khayelitsha. As far as possible they would be resettled there in groups as they had lived previously. Tents and emergency food would be provided.

Arrangements would be made for them to collect their possessions from the devastated areas. An agreement had been made with the "witdoeke" that they would not attack these people.

The Minister, Mr Chris Heunis, said last night that when Crossroads was rehabilitated the population would have to be reduced. Attempts would be made to provide proper services. Then people would be moved there.

As relief organisations continued the largest aid operation mounted in the Western Cape, clergy of the Langa, Guguletu, Nyanga and New Crossroads ministers' fraternal met Crossroads leaders today to try to negotiate peace.

While the Government has made it clear that homeless squatters have only one option — to move to Khayelitsha — many refugees have said they will not go.

DEATH TOLL

In the no-man's land between the two opposing camps is the relief operation. By today more than R200 000 had been contributed in cash alone.

The death toll from the violence that left more than 20 000 homeless is 26.

There was isolated unrest until late yesterday and police used sjamboks in Mahobe Drive to disperse about 100 people as government workers continued to fence off the devastated Nyanga Bush, Portland Cement and Nyanga Extension shanty towns.

Mr Heunis said this was to allow former residents to retrieve their belongings. He said the area would be upgraded as a priority — but those who had lost their homes would not be allowed to rebuild at Crossroads.

However, squatters claim that they are entitled to occupy the land, that they fear further vigilante action in Khayelitsha and are resisting being moved farther from facilities and transport.

The Cape Town City Council would make resources available for the relief of Crossroads, the executive committee chairman, Mr John Muir, announced yesterday.

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev Stephen Naidoo has appealed to the people of Cape Town to give generously and called for an independent inquiry into the violence, the role of the police and the parties involved.

The Labour Party decided at a parliamentray caucus meeting to give R5 000 to the relief effort and the OK Bazaars today delivered blankets worth R2 500 and baby food worth R2 500 to Shawco.

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Four shops destroyed by blaze in E Cape town

WIE Post 24/5/86 (25)

By ANTON KOTZE

DAMAGE estimated at about R400 000 was caused when a medical centre in Fort Beaufort was destroyed by fire during the early hours of the morning.

Four shops were completely destroyed and three partially damaged.

It is believed that the fire could have been started by a petrol bomb, but this has not been confirmed.

Firemen from the local municipality and an emergency fire unit from Fort Hare University fought the blaze for two hours.

A doctor's surgery at the back of the building was not damaged.

The complex, which was built about five years ago, consisted of eight shops.

One of the owners of the complex, Dr P E K Botha, said damage was estimated at between R300 000 and R400 000.

"About two-thirds of the complex was destroyed. We will have to rebuild," he said.

He said he received a call shortly after midnight telling him that the building was on fire.

"I rushed there to find the whole building one massive blazing inferno," Dr Botha said.

"The fire had started in the premises facing the street and was spreading rapidly from one shop to another.

"Firemen and shop owners fought for more than two hours before the flames were brought under control.

"By then four shops had been gutted and three more severely damaged by smoke and water.

"My surgery is at the back of the building. Fortunately the flames were stopped in time."

The shops destroyed were Aloe Sales and Manufacturing Jewellers, Geoff's Sports Shop, The Charisma Boutique and The Music Box.

Major Eddie Everson, police duty officer for the Eastern Cape, said police had not yet been able to establish the cause of the fire. An arson docket had, however, been opened.

Seven shot dead in East Cape

Weekend Post Reporter

SEVEN men died in unrest at Hankey and Alexandria in the Eastern Cape last night.

According to the police overnight unrest report a South African Defence Force foot patrol was stoned at Senterton, near Hankey.

The mob was dispersed with rifle fire. A man was wounded and arrested.

In the same area several petrol bombs were hurled at a councillor's home. The attackers were dispersed with shotgun, pistol and rifle fire. Four men were killed.

At Alexandria a private home was petrol-bombed and extensively damaged. The attackers were dispersed with pistol fire during which three men were killed.

There were no reports of deaths elsewhere in the country but several reports of stonethrowing and arson, mostly in the Transvaal.

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Ciskei students treated

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON -Twenty students from the Lennox Sebe Training College in Zwelitsha were treated for severe back lacerations at Grey Hospital in King William's Town last night.

The hospital's acting medical superintendent, Dr Shelly Stansfield, said 16 women and four men between the ages of 23 and 26 were treated in the casualty section. Some students had suspected arm fractures.

She said some had at least 200 lacerations on their backs and in certain cases stitches were necessary. The lacerations appeared to have been caused by sjamboks, she said.

Reports that the students had been sjambokked by Ciskei police after the hall at the college had been flooded could not be confirmed last night.

The hall was to have been the venue for the 100-voice Welsh Choir touring South Africa.

A Ciskei police spokesman confirmed that the venue had been changed at the last minute to the Police Training College in Bisho but was unable to confirm or deny that police had intervened at the hall.

INSIDE

Cavaliers finally

Crossroads relief workers hope for sun

By RENEE MOODIE

THE Crossroads relief operation was yesterday threatened by the added complication of rain, but the weather cleared and is expected to remain sunny for the weekend, according to the weather office.

An estimated 38 000 people are believed to be homeless.

For the 2 500 refugees being fed and sheltered by St John Ambulance at the Zolani Centre, the 1 500 people housed in church halls and the 1 200 who have moved to tents in Khayelitsha, the rain would not be as much of a problem as for the estimated 3 500 hiding in the bush.

Dr Len Tibbit, Divisional Council Medical Officer of Health, said he hoped that the rain would hold off as it could cause a lot more problems with respiratory illnesses, especially among children.

Mr Dere Livesey, Shawco's warden, said that up to Thursday 1 400 patients had been treated by Shawco.

Of the 337 people seen on Thursday 80 percent had been women and children with complaints such as diarrhoea, respiratory infections, urinary infections, skin rashes, worm infestations, backaches and headaches. Five percent had been referred to hospital for pneumonia.

Mrs Ann Botha of St John Ambulance appealed for doctors to help man the St John clinic situated in the Nyanga clinic. "We are alright for the weekend, but by Monday we might need more doctors," she said. Volunteers should call ☎ 23-3140 during office hours.

Mrs Ros Morris, public relations officer for the Red Cross Society, thanked the public for the donation of clothing but asked that they hold back on such donations until further notice. There was still a need for baby clothes.

The Animal Welfare Society is operating a van for sick and abandoned animals in the mornings near the Western Cape Development Board offices.

Donations to the Crossroads relief effort yesterday included:

- R10 000 from Clicks stores to the Red Cross.
- R5 000 worth of blankets and baby food to Shawco from OK Bazaars.
- R5 000 to the Red Cross from the Labour Party. MP Mr Les Abrahams said the party had viewed with concern the spiralling cycle of violence in Crossroads and its devastating effect on the lives of its residents.

He said that LP MPs had already accompanied a delegation of Crossroads residents to see the Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Chris Heunis.

- A donation of 1 000 blankets, through the Western Province Council of Churches, by three diplomats of the British Embassy in Cape Town.

The three visited Crossroads yesterday and a spokeswoman described what she had seen in the shanty town as a "scene of desolation and a human tragedy."



Left: Hundreds of refugees from Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland Cement Works queue outside the Zolani Centre in Nyanga East as they wait to receive donated clothes. **Right:** Homeless squatters at a soup kitchen set up by the Islamic Medical Association and the Muslim Youth Movement. The soup kitchen and a first aid post are in Lansdowne Road.

UDF to hold support rally

Staff Reporter

THE United Democratic Front is holding a rally in Mitchells Plain tomorrow when it will announce forms of support for the people of Crossroads.

In a statement on the Crossroads fighting, Mr Trevor Manuel, secretary of the UDF in the Western Cape, said it was a "military operation" mounted by armed forces against UDF affiliates and activists.

"In this, the armed forces were shielded by conservative vigilantes who were spurred on by the incentive of an upgraded Crossroads. Such collusion between armed forces and vigilantes has become commonplace in struggles across the country.

"Secondly, the tragedy sets the scene for the 'forced' removals to Khayelitsha in a manner prescribed for in the White Paper on Urbanization ...

"There have been suggestions that the UDF and militant churchmen have been noticably absent. This is grossly incorrect."

He said a press conference had been organized on Monday where people from the affected areas were present. The UDF had also been rendering direct support through its affiliates and stayed in constant contact with its patrons, Bishop Desmond Tutu and Dr Allan Boesak. The Rev Syd Luckett, who has attempted to restore peace, is an executive member of the UDF.

"To give maximum effect to our efforts, a mass rally will be held at the Westridge Civic Centre on Sunday afternoon ..."

Responding to the UDF statement on events in Crossroads, a police liaison officer, Captain Jan Calitz, said: "I honestly do not deem it worthwhile to comment on such absurd allegations."

Refugees 'disappear', refuse to go to Khayelitsha

Crossroads still simmers



By LESTER VENTER
Weekend Argus Reporter

AS THE fires of Crossroads died the root question of what is to happen to the 20 000 to 30 000 people who have been left homeless remained hopelessly unresolved.

A showdown between the Goverment and the squatters now looms.

The Government has made it clear that it holds out only one option for the refugees: move to Khayelitsha.

This has been the official policy since Khayelitsha was established nearly two years ago. But pressure at home and from abroad has prevented the Government from executing the policy through forced removals.

Almost all the refugees appear adamant in their refusal to move there, although about 1 500 have already done so.

Their objections to Khayelitsha are that it is about 40 km from Cape Town, it is far from the main transport routes, shops and other facilites, and site rents, at R20 a month, are R14 higher than at Crossroads.

The refugees from the razed Crossroads communities of Nyanga Bush, Portland Cement and Nyanga Extension now also claim that Khayelitsha is dominated by the same vigilante elements that unleashed the week's destruction and that they would remain in fear for their lives and property there.

A group which met Mr Chris Heunis, the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, at Parliament this week said their demands were that they should be allowed to return to rebuild their homes at Crossroads.

They also demanded that the police and army who, they say, sided with the vigilantes, be withdrawn.

They claimed police actually prevented groups from forming to protect their shanty homes while the vigilante "witdoeke" set fire to them unhindered.

The police have formally denied they took sides.

Two further factors emerged which will exacerbate the stand-off between squatters and officialdom.

More than 10 000 of the homeless were unaccounted for.

"We don't know where they are. They don't come to us," a Western Cape Development Board official said.

Apart from the 1 500 who moved to Khayelitsha, relief workers were dealing with an estimated 7 000 people at various aid points on the Cape Flats. The remainder are thought to have found temporary refuge with other township dwellers. But they are almost certain to emerge once the "heat is off" to re-establish themselves and this could start the cycle of conflict again.

The second potential thorn in the bureaucratic side concerns the largest single aid contribution — R100 000 from the Urban Foundation, which is earmarked for providing shelter for homeless people.

A foundation source said the shelter would be provided after consultation with the refugees on where it should be provided.

Although the Government has announced urgent measures to upgrade the "Old Crossroads", it has made it clear that this excludes the re-establishment of the vanquished satellites of Nyanga Bush, Portland Cement and Nyanga Extension, destroyed this week by the "witdoeke" and now encircled by the Government's barbed wire.

The aid is being used to treat the injured, fill empty stomachs and provide blankets and shelter.

But against the scale of the need the aid is limited and not even a medium-term solution is in sight.

Left: Many clergymen were helpless witnesses to the tragedy of a shanty town in flames, seen here from Mahobe Drive.
Picture: WILLIE DE KLERK, Weekend Argus



"Witdoeke" manned roadblocks at some entrances to Crossroads this week and their leaders cruised with instructions to the vigilante cadres.

at Simon's Town.

Security policeman guilty of 2 murders

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — A security policeman, Warrant-Officer Standford Mene, 33, who murdered two youths, was sentenced to 21 years by the Supreme Court here yesterday.

A colleague, Sergeant Butler Tungata, 33, who was convicted of assault with intent to do grievious bodily harm and of attempting to defeat the ends of justice, was sentenced to seven years.

Both were granted bail pending an appeal. Constable Vakele Shadrack Qayiso, 26, who appeared with them, was acquitted.

Mene was also convicted of attempting to defeat the ends of justice.

Both men had pleaded not guilty to all charges.

Packed courtroom

The trial followed an incident at Phakamisa Junior Secondary School in July 1985 when two youths — Thozimile Manga, 14, and Mtobeli Mancam, 16 — were shot dead and two teachers — Mr Sonwabile Tulela and Mr De Villiers Miza — were injured by birdshot when confronted by the three policemen.

The packed courtroom heard that Mene, a policeman for 13 years, had deliberately opened fire on a group of fleeing youths in the school with his shotgun and had not, as he claimed, acted in self-defence.

Evidence was that after the incident Mene and Tungata had, apart from opening a docket of public violence in order to protect themselves, tried to exculpate themselves at the expense of others.

Passing sentence Mr Justice Solomons called Mene "a blatant liar" who had persisted in making the court believe he had acted in self-defence.

Mr Justice Solomons found that no stones had been thrown at any time during the incident and that nothing had occurred to justify Mene's action.

'Failing in my duty'

Tungata was found guilty of having injured two teachers by shooting them. He was sentenced to three years on both counts and three years, two of which were to run concurrently, for attempting to defeat the ends of justice.

With reference to a statement that Mene and Tungata would certainly both be murdered by inmates if sent to prison, Mr Justice Solomons said he was not in a position to take this factor into consideration.

"I would be failing in my duty to the public if I did not punish you severely for what you have done," he said.

'Persistent lies'

He added that Tungata's and Mene's position had been aggravated because they were policeman and because of their persistent lies.

Mene was sentenced to 10 years for each murder and to three years for attempting to defeat the aims of justice, two of which to are to run concurrently.

Leave to appeal was granted because of the complexity of factual issues and because another court could possibly come to another conclusion.

Activist calls for end to violence

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Staff Reporter

FOLLOWING the outbreak of violence in Paarl's Mbekweni township last Sunday, a woman whose home was attacked this week has said she intends seeking help outside the township to stop the fighting.

Police said yesterday the fighting that left two dead and eleven injured on Sunday and Monday this week had abated. But according to Mrs Lydia Kafi, whose home was petrol-bombed this week, the township is simmering.

The rival groups engaged in the power struggle are the Azanian National Youth Unity (Azanyu) and the United Democratic Front, she said. Clashes between the two factions have left scores dead and homeless.

This week the homes of the parents of Azanyu members in Mbekweni were fire-bombed and 10 houses razed. On Thursday, a woman who lived here was burned to death after she was seized from the surgery where she worked.

A former activist of the United Women's Front — which has merged with the United Women's Congress — Mrs Kafi said had "no idea" why her home was singled out for petrol-bombing.

She said she had been accused of being a police informer at the funeral of Mr Ntemi Phike in December last year, but when she had explained that she was not, her captors had released her and apologized to her.

"The accusation was absurd — he was a blood relative," she said.

She said that the petrol-bombing and assaults in Mbekweni were tarnishing the name of the UDF and Azanyu, and peace-makers were urgently needed.

She said she would go from organization to organization until she found the help.

"I am not involved on either side. I am trying to help my community," she said.

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Five hacked to death at Crossroads

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ANTHONY DOMAN
Weekend Argus Reporter

FIVE occupants of a minibus were shot at, forced out of their vehicle and hacked to death in Lansdowne Road near Crossroads.

One of the men has been identified as Mr Cecil Stevens, 20, of Bonteheuwel.

Police spokesman Lieutenant Attie Laubscher said the men were travelling in the minibus when they were shot at from the direction of Crossroads.

They were fired at again and one of the minibus occupants — a man aged about 45 — was hit in the left hand.

They tried to keep the bus moving but a crowd of people blocked their way. The five were bundled out of the minibus and hacked to death.

Police have arrested a 20-year-old man.

● A man aged about 23 years is under police guard in Groote Schuur Hospital after a suspected break-in this morning at Crown Jewellers in Albert Road, Salt River.

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Passenger dies after stoning

Staff Reporter

A 30-YEAR-OLD Manenberg man died yesterday from injuries sustained when he was hit by a stone while travelling on the back of a heavy-duty vehicle in Manenberg on Thursday.

A police spokesman yesterday said Mr Sydney Rosseau, of Pelikan Road, Bridgetown, Manenberg, had been injured near the Phoenix High School in Duinefontein Road.

Pupils allegedly stoned the vehicle on which Mr Rosseau was travelling and a stone hit his head.

He was taken to Victoria Hospital where he died yesterday.

Police have opened a murder docket.



Part of the army and police contingent which moved into Mahobe Drive yesterday to continue setting up a barbed-wire "buffer" between Nyanga East and the Nyanga Bush area. Picture: Tony Weaver

Re-think on Crossroads

By TONY WEAVER, PETER DENNEHY and CHRIS STEYN

THE Urban Foundation is reconsidering its involvement in Crossroads in the aftermath of six days of fighting which has left 32 people confirmed dead.

The Foundation is unhappy that the advantages of the R45-million upgrading project will go only to the residents of Old Crossroads who have won the upper hand in "a military victory instead of community consensus".

A strong army and police contingent moved into Mahobe Drive, Nyanga East yesterday, the frontline in six days of fighting between refugees and Crossroads vigilantes, patrolling the area and laying down a barbed wire "buffer fence" as refugees salvaged what they could from the devastated squatter camps.

Five more bodies were found by police while relief workers reported a huge upsurge in the number of refugees as bewildered squatters began to emerge from hiding.

At the Red Cross emergency post in Lansdowne Road, refugees began rebuilding shacks on the ground between the road and Nyanga East.

There appeared to be no fighting at all in the area yesterday.

Pandemonium erupted at the Red Cross emergency centre on Lansdowne Road around 2pm when the Railways Police Task Force arrested a man.

The arrest was confirmed by a police liaison officer, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, who said after receiving information, "a 24-year-old man was arrested when a pistol was found tucked inside his trousers. He was taken away for questioning".

Law students from the universities of the Western Cape and Cape Town have set up an emergency legal aid service for the refugees and they immediately began investigating the arrest.

'Key decision'

With Tuesday's deadline for the refugees to move to Khayelitsha approaching — government officials will begin clearing the 25ha wasteland then for the "upgrading" of Crossroads — the Urban Foundation yesterday expressed reservations about involv-

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Bloody clashes and fierce fighting between fathers and comrades leave trail of destruction

The Witdoek War

CP Correspondent

THE OFFICIAL death toll in the clashes between the conservative fathers and comrades in Crossroads stood at 19 on Wednesday. But informed sources say the figure could be higher.

What really happened in Cape Town this week? *City Press'* Cape Town correspondent reports:

The trouble can be traced back to attempts by the Crossroads executive to drive progressive organisations like the Cape Youth Congress out of Crossroads, and by moves to close down the Sacla Clinic – the only clinic cum hospital in the area.

Trouble between the groups first flared up last December, but a tenuous peace was negotiated. It lasted until Sunday – when the worst violence ever seen in the Western Cape flared up.

I was the first reporter to arrive in Nyanga Bush, where fierce fighting raged between the groups on Sunday and Monday.

The scene shocked me. I had entered a war zone. The atmosphere was charged with tension, anger, hatred and vengeance.

Grim-faced, unsmiling men, tired after guarding their possessions through the night, walked around armed with a wide assortment of weapons, including sharp axes, pangas, knobkieries and petrol bombs.

It was frightening to see several young boys among them.

Hundreds of women and children shivering from the cold, sat on the pavement behind this group. Their faces were a picture of misery, helplessness and fear.

Opposite the comrades, young activists, were engaged in several running battles with the fathers – a group of vigilantes operating from Crossroads.

I accompanied a party of comrades on an expedition against the fathers.

Several gunshots warned us that it would be better to beat a hasty retreat.

Pressed on by duty, I wanted to return to the shack again. But a leader of the comrades warned me that I would be on my own. My courage deserted me and I decided that no story was worth dying for.

Huge clouds of smoke hung over the camp. The fathers had struck at dawn and torched hundreds of shacks, leaving thousands of people homeless.

About 100m away we saw a Casspir. Near it, I saw a group of fathers.

Within minutes, the shacks close to this group were burning.

Later in the morning I saw the badly-mutilated body of a man who had been hacked to death during a skirmish. He wore a white rag on one of his arms.

Squatters said the rag identified him as one of the fathers.

A youth running past the body swung a kick at it.

I left the camp at midday and returned the next day.

Vigilantes were manning roadblocks, and stopping all the cars. They also guarded the Sacla Clinic, following me around and listening in on conversations I had with doctors.

I was ordered not to take any pictures of the vigilantes, not to ask for an interview and to get out of the area.

The vigilantes told me not use Lansdowne Road because the comrades were stoning cars. I chanced my luck and was not stoned. Instead I saw hundreds of people queueing at a Red Cross tent for blankets.

In Khayelitsha I visited an emergency tent where several refugees had been housed. Hungry children and their parents were lining up for mugs of soup.

Squatters have always resisted attempts to move to Khayelithsa but the vigilante action has left them with little option and it appears a forgone conclusion that many of them will be moved to the area.

Violence has escaped the light of the Western Cape Development Board.

Violence continued on Tuesday night and the area appeared to be calm but tense when I returned on Wednesday.

Leaders of the Nyanga Bush and Portlands Cement Works squatters Melusi Mapaile and Christopher Nkosi have escaped unhurt after attacks on



Residents gathering their belongings together before their long trek to Khayelitsha.



Overcome by teargas: Some Crossroads women after a protest outside Parliament against the presence of police in the area.



Armed with an assortment of weapons: Conservative fathers who waged a war against the comrades.

The reasons behind the violence in Crossroads this week

CEMENT MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY, R.S.A.

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AREA B In all other areas.

Big armed gang raided homes, says UDF man

EXECUTIVE members of Uitenhage organisations affiliated to the UDF claim that 14 armed men raided their homes in Kwanobuhle and Langa townships at 2am today.

Mr Wonga Nkala, president of the Uitenhage Youth Congress, said the men had hijacked a minibus taxi in Kwanobuhle after identifying themselves to the driver as members of the Azanian National Youth Unity (Azanyu).

"The driver said the men told him they wanted his taxi because they were on a mission to murder leaders of organisations in Uitenhage affiliated to the UDF."

Mr Nkala said the men called at his home and ransacked it and, when they could not find him, "threatened to burn his aged mother.

"Fortunately, none of the leaders was at home when the men made their raid, but we are disturbed that, when they returned the minibus to the owner, there was a large bloodstain on the door.

Mr Nkala said his organisation was suspicious about who was behind the 14 men because of the timing of the raid.

"If they think by intimidating us with raids and threats to kill, we will never be shaken from our democratic principles and from what the UDF stands for."

He said organisations were not interested in confrontation with people opposed to their ideals.

The organisations had decided against reporting the matter to the police.

Officials of Azanyu were, not available for comment.

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Police under fire near KTC

Staff Reporter

POLICE came under repeated gunfire attack late last night and early today as violence erupted near KTC squatter camp.

Earlier yesterday, police used teargas to disperse crowds of "fathers" and "comrades" as they gathered in Mahobe Drive apparently in preparation for a continuation of the Crossroads violence.

A police spokesman said teargas was used to disperse a crowd of youths in Terminus Road, Nyanga, at 2.45pm yesterday.

Another crowd gathered at 4.35pm and teargas was used. When it looked as though two groups were about to clash in Mahobe Drive about 10 minutes later, police again intervened.

Barricades were set up in Terminus Road and when police started patrolling the area they were shot at and stoned.

The incidents started about 10.50pm and about 11.15pm. The shots were fired at police vehicles.

Soon after midnight a shot was again fired at police. The last incident in Terminus road was about 12.30am when shots were fired from the KTC camp at a Casspir.

14 hurt, 108 held at Ashton

Staff Reporter

AT least 14 people have been injured and 108 people have been detained after unrest at Zolani, near Ashton.

A police spokesman said violence broke out after a funeral at the weekend. Three houses were damaged by fire and a vehicle destroyed.

The home guard unit drove off the crowds with gunfire. Eight people were treated for gunshot wounds and six for assault injuries.

The spokesman said 108 people had been held on violence charges.

Police warning to PE truck drivers

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Crime Reporter

POLICE today appealed to employers to warn their drivers not to stop their vehicles if flagged down by unknown people in the street.

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, said there had been several incidents in the past few weeks in which drivers of trucks had been stopped in Deal Party and Struanway.

The drivers had been ordered out of their trucks which had been driven away and later set alight in the townships.

In some cases the bandits had been armed with petrol bombs.

Ciskei college shut after student dies

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Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — A student has died and the Lennox Sebe College of Education in Zwelitsha has been closed after a student protest there ended in violence on Friday night.

Students claimed that police sjambokked and kicked them after the college hall, in which the visiting Joneses Welsh choir was to have given a performance, was flooded by students opposed to the hall being used for this purpose.

The Ciskei Government has confirmed that police took action against the students but said they had done so after being provoked and in order to prevent further damage to property.

The dead student is Miss Nokuzola Nduna, 22. She died in Cecilia Makiwane Hospital, Mdantsane, from injuries allegedly sustained when she jumped from a dormitory window.

Three students — Miss Nontozamo Notshe, 20, Miss Glenda Nododile, 21, and Miss Thembela Nokhele, 20 — were admitted to Mount Coke Hospital with broken legs and at least 20 students were treated at Grey Hospital, King William's Town, for lacerations.

Miss Notshe said yesterday she had broken her leg while jumping from her third floor dormitory window when police entered the room and sjambokked other students.

Miss Nododile and Miss Nokhele also said they had broken their legs jumping from a window in an attempt to flee the police.

Miss Confidence Kohlokoane, 23, who was admitted to the Mount Coke Hospital with facial lacerations and bruises, said police kicked and sjambokked her while dragging her downstairs from her dormitory.

An open letter addressed to the Welsh choir, in which the students explained why they were opposed to the choir's visit to South Africa, was distributed at the college. The letter said that because South Africa was internationally isolated as far as sporting and cultural activities were concerned, the students expected every "progressive" country to participate in this isolation and totally rejected the presence of the choir.

Ciskei's Director-General of Communications, Mr Headman Somtunzi, said last night the students had been notified of the government's decision on using the hall and were acting beyond their limits in rejecting the choir's visit.

"It was a government-approved concert on government property," Mr Somtunzi said.

The police had kept a low profile while keeping watch to prevent damage to the college premises, he said.

"But the students provoked the police and flooded the college hall. The police then moved in to prevent further damage."

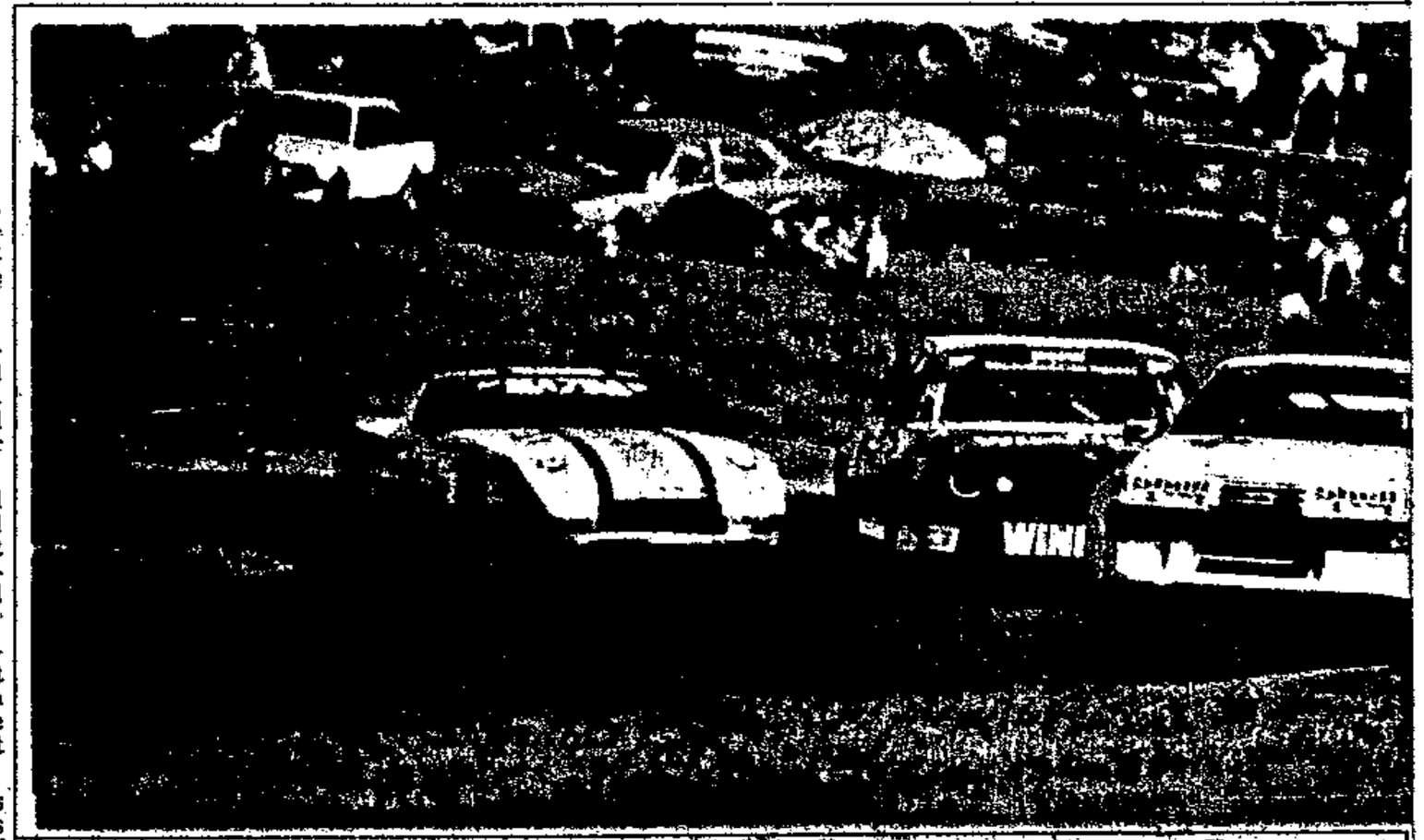
Mr Somtunzi added that if the SRC had had the students' welfare at heart it would have stopped the students and prevented the incident.

"The Ciskei Government has been patient with the students for a long time now and more of this nonsense cannot be tolerated.

"The government is not against the students talking politics but if there is a lack of direction this is what happens," he said.

Students were not forced to attend the concert and if they chose to show their rejection of it they should have done so by staying away.

Mr Somtunzi said the college would remain closed until the government had compiled a document which would have to be signed by each student reapplying for enrolment. The document would spell out the rules the students would have to follow.



SADF raids: pressure for action against SA

Dispatch Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Pressures on South Africa's Western allies to take stronger punitive steps against the Republic are continuing after last week's SADF raid on three neighbouring countries.

The United States has already ordered South Africa's military attache in Washington, Brigadier Alex Potgieter, to return home by this week and has recalled

The US has also indicated that it is considering recalling its Ambassador to South Africa, Mr Herman Nickel. However, no decision on Mr Nickel had apparently been taken by yesterday.

Mr Nickel was recalled to Washington for several months last year following an SADF raid on Botswana.

The Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz,

clear to the South African Government that the United States cannot tolerate disregard of the sovereignty of South Africa's neighbours."

The raids have given new impetus to US congressmen fighting for approval of a tough sanctions package later this year.

In Britain, a reportedly "irate" Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has approved a ban on

Harare raid: 2 Britons arrested

HARARE — Two British electrical engineers working for the Zimbabwean power system have been detained for questioning in connection with last Monday's South African attack on African National Congress targets in the country, Western diplomatic sources said yesterday.

They said the two

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Nine die in unrest

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PORT ELIZABETH — Nine people have been killed in the Eastern Cape.

At Senterton four men were killed when a crowd attacking a house was driven off by rifle, pistol and shotgun fire, and at Alexandria three men died when a man defended his home with a shotgun.

The burnt bodies of two men were found at Kwanobuhle and Joza.

Clash over Robertson electricity

Staff Reporter

THE chairman of the Nqkubela Civic Association, Mr Peter Nhobo, yesterday still claimed that the electricity supply to the township at Robertson had been cut off, while both the Robertson Municipality and the Western Cape Development Board have adamantly denied this.

Evening church services in the township at the weekend were conducted by candlelight and power to the few homes that have been supplied with electricity was still off, Mr Nhobo said.

A spokesman for the Robertson Municipality denied last week that the township's power supply had been cut, as residents have alleged.

He said the municipality had started supplying electricity to the township earlier this month, but the project was halted after the first morning's work when 14 freshly-sunk poles to support power lines had been sawn off during the lunch break, leaving only the stumps in the ground.

His claims were supported by a senior spokesman for the WCDB, Mr Sampie Steenkamp.

Mr Nhobo said it was not known who was responsible for removing them.



Picture: DANA le ROUX, The Argus.

Preparing for a cold night at a refugee camp in Lansdowne Road is Mrs Patricia Cebani, 23, one of thousands who lost their homes and possessions in last week's fighting in Crossroads.

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Crossroads aid 'strained': More bodies found

By SUE LUPTON and LESTER VENTER

THE bodies of two people who were apparently "necklaced" were found near Crossroads today.

Investigations are under way to establish whether there is a connection between the deaths and violence in the area.

Police say that 33 deaths can be attributed directly to the violence which broke out more than a week ago.

Relief organisations in the Crossroads aid effort today reviewed resources amid fears that cash and supplied could be exhausted before a solution is found to the future of the estimated 20 000 to 30 000 refugees.

The warden of Shawco, Mr Derek Livesey, said: "This could go on indefinitely."

STALEMATE

A stalemate has arisen over the authorities' insistence that the homeless move to Khayelitsha 40km from Cape Town. Many refugees are adamant that they will resist the move.

In the meantime the voluntary aid effort is keeping the refugees fed and clothed.

Mr Livesay said the stalemate was "putting one heck of a strain" on the aid effort.

At the weekend the largest contribution — R100 000 from the Urban Foundation earmarked for temporary housing — was in jeopardy because of the impasse between squatters and authorities.

The foundation today reported no developments on the issue, which is due to be examined at a board meeting on Wednesday.

Relief organisations, including Shawco and the Red Cross, met this morning to assess their resources.

ENORMOUS

Red Cross spokesman Mrs Ros Morris said the "enormous" contributions of food and cash would enable the effort to continue "for a while".

"The authorities should be rapidly taking over, as in any disaster situation," said Mr Livesey.

Mr Livesey said that Shawco's three emergency clinics would continue "no matter what happened".

Volunteer medical personnel were needed to bolster existing shifts.

Volunteers could report to Shawco headquarters in 12th Avenue, Kensington at 8.30am and lunchtime daily, he said.

Volunteers were also needed to pack and move clothing. They should be able to do strenuous physical work.

Upgrading of the devastated area of Crossroads would begin on Wednesday and take three to five months, Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud, regional dirctor of Constitutional Development and Planning, said today.

It was unlikely that the original residents of the Nyanga

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Upgrading to 25 begin this week

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Bush, Portland Cement and Nyanga Extension would be allowed to return because this would "cause a war all over again", he said.

Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, had "stated categorically that they will not be allowed back".

Mr Bezuidenhoud denied that this was an attempt to force squatters to move to Khayelitsha. He said: "We just want to give people a safe place to live."

Refugees have until tomorrow afternoon to salvage building materials and possessions from Nyanga Bush, Portland Cement and Nyanga Extension before workers began clearing the area.

Western Cape Development Board officials and consultants were planning the future of the 20 to 25ha area, Mr Bezuidenhoud said.

Asked if squatter leaders had a say in planning, he said: "Yes; I will be in touch with leaders of the communities."

He said the first priority was drainage.

● Any move to force Crossroads refugees away from the area against their wishes could lead to "serious conflict and bloodshed", the South African Institute of Race Relations warned today.

The institute added its voice to mounting calls for a judicial inquiry into the conflict.

It also urged the Government to make a "statement of intent" that will allow the refugees to return to Crossroads if they want to.

Student dies in Ciskei

ZWELITSHA — A female student at Ciskei's Lennox Sebe College of Education died at the weekend after police invaded the campus on Friday night and allegedly assaulted students.

Miss Nokuzola Nduna, a second-year student, died after allegedly jumping through a window in her third-floor residence while running away from the police.

The incident happened after the announcement that a Welsh male voice choir, on tour in Ciskei, would hold a concert at the university.

Students protested in an open letter to the choir, which said: "We as the students of this college wish to express our opposition to your presence in our campus, and in South Africa, under the following reasons: As South Africa is internationally isolated as far as sporting and cultural activities are concerned, we expect every progressive country to take part in this isolation."

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'My brother was not an informer'

By DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Staff Reporter

A young father was murdered by a mob of about 50 people who chased him about 2 km through the streets of Mitchell's Plain and into a private home where he sought refuge.

Mr Moegsien Abrahams, a former Cape Corps soldier and the father of a 14-month-old son, was beaten and stabbed to death after being pointed out as a police informer at a United Democratic Front rally yesterday.

DENIED

His sister, Mrs Shereen Mentor, denied that he was a police spy and Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, a police liaison officer, also rejected the allegations.

Mrs Mentor said her brother joined the Cape Corps three years ago "because he could not find a job".

"Moegsien was definitely not a police informer. Everyone in the neighbourhood liked him. He was at the meeting in support of the democratic movement," she said.

UNWELCOME

Chaos erupted at the meeting, attended by more then 1 000 people, when chairman Mr Joe Adam said "two unwelcome guests at the back of the hall must please leave".

A section of the audience moved to the back of the hall.

Mr Abrahams fled and was pursued by them.

He was brought back into the hall and made to sit on the stage where UDF vice-president, Mr Christmas Tinto, Ms Cheryl Carolus, Mr Adams and UDF marshalls tried to protect him from the audience.

After the meeting UDF executive member Mr Joseph Marks and marshalls escorted Mr Abrahams from the meeting.

A group of youths broke through the human shield around Mr Abrahams and chased him toards Westridge.

During the chase he lost his shirt.

A group of youths caught up with him on the corner of De Duine and Shepherd Roads and beat him with sticks and other objects.

Mr Abrahams escaped his attackers, jumped over a fence in Shepherd Road and went crashing through the front door of Mr Allan Bergstedt's house.

"He was chased by a group of about 50 youths when he ran into my house," Mr Bergstedt said.

The youths followed Mr Abrahams into the house. He ran into the backyard, tried to scale a fence, but was hit by a brick and collapsed, bleeding profusely. His trousers and shoes were coated in blood.

Bricks were thrown at him while he lay on the ground. He was also hit with an iron bar.

An ambulance arrived at about 6 pm and ambulance men declared him dead.

● The Mitchell's Plain region of the UDF said last night it would issue a statement on the incident later.

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Squatters will not move to Khayelitsha, UDF rally told

Staff Reporter

SQUATTERS left homeless by the Crossroads violence will not move to Khayelitsha, Mr Christmas Tinto, vice-president of the United Democratic Front, has said.

Mr Tinto told a UDF meeting at Westridge Civic Centre yesterday that the squatters had been driven from the Portland Cement and Nyanga Bush camps because they were UDF strongholds.

"But our people are saying that they will go back. They will not move to Khayelitsha," Mr Tinto said.

"NOT EASY"

"They shot a lot of our comrades. In the next few weeks we will bury a lot of people. The struggle is not easy. But it will continue."

Mr Harald Winkler, a member of the End Conscription Campaign, was loudly applauded when he said he would rather go to jail for six years than serve in the Defence Force — "an essential pillar of apartheid".

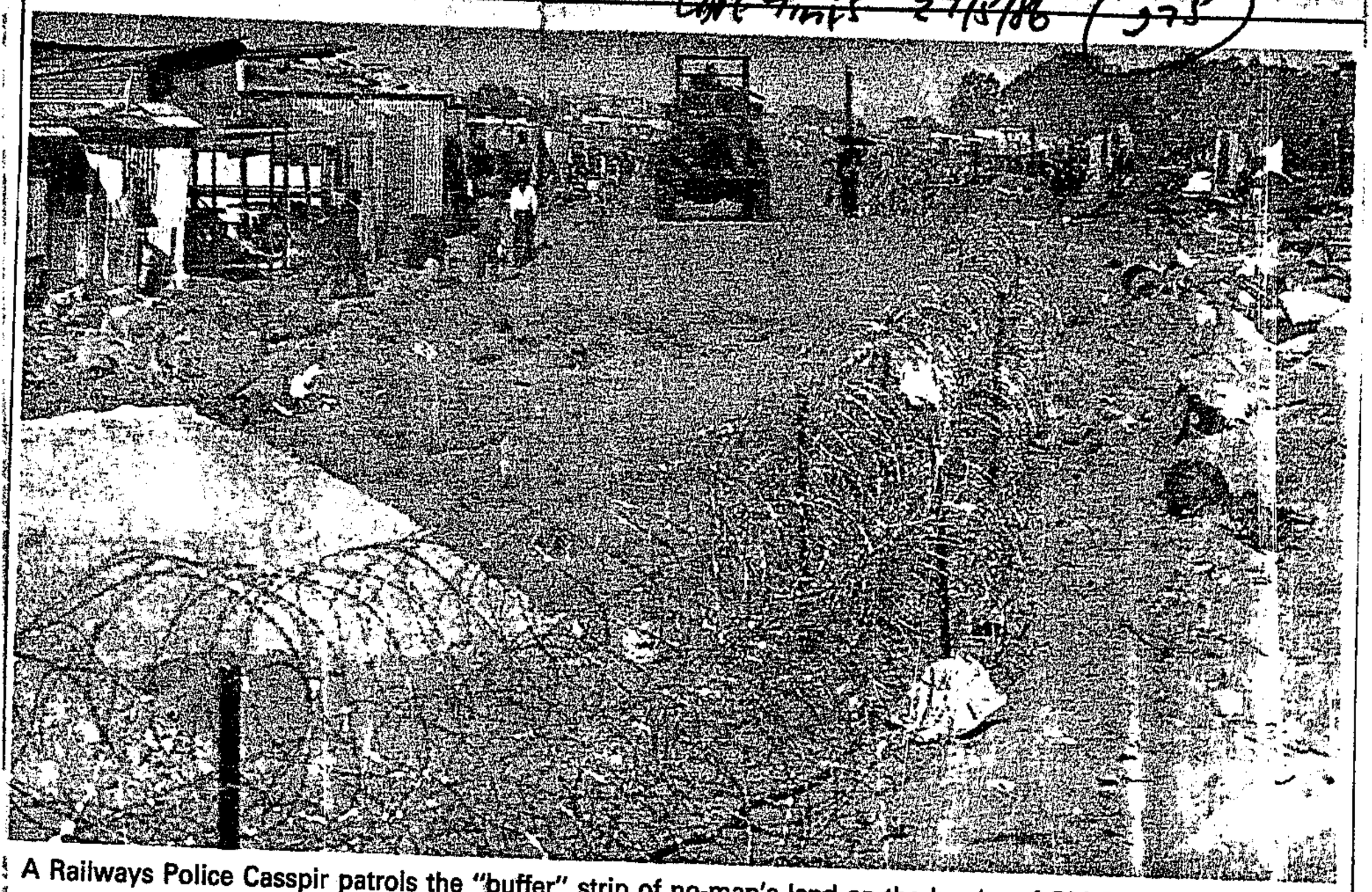
He said the Government would introduce compulsory military service for coloured and Indians because it was "scared at the growing resistance".

Mr Joe Adam, chairman of the meeting, read a message of support and condolence for the victims of the violence in Crossroads from the African National Congress.

The message said the Government was engaged in desperate attempts to "stem the tide of revolutionary onslaught sweeping through the country".

A South African Communist Party flag and a huge Congress of South African Students banner were hoisted during the meeting.

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A Railways Police Casspir patrols the "buffer" strip of no-man's land on the border of Old Crossroads and the burnt-out fields of Nyanga Bush. ● **Reports, pages 2 and 7**

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200 mourn man killed after UDF rally



Mr Moegsien Abrahams with his wife Gadija on their wedding day two years ago.



Mrs Amiena Abrahams, mother of the dead man with his son Mogamat Zahied.

Staff Reporter

MR Moegsien Abrahams, who was beaten repeatedly and stabbed to death in Westridge, Mitchells Plain, after attending a UDF rally on Sunday afternoon was buried yesterday afternoon.

About 200 relatives and friends met at his parents' house in Philippine Road, Portlands, Mitchells Plain for the burial.

Mr Abrahams's sister, Mrs Shereen Mentor, said she had not seen her brother's body yesterday but had been called to confirm his identity from his employment identity card.

He was employed at Barlows in Epping, was off-duty on Sunday and had planned to have supper at their mother's home, Mrs Mentor said.

Mr Abrahams, 22, a married man and the father of a 19-month-old son, was first seen inside the hall by UDF marshals. Pandemonium broke out when the chairman, Mr Joe Adam announced that "two unwelcome guests at the back of the hall must please leave".

When the meeting ended and the audience rose to sing Nkosi Sikele i'Afrika, a UDF executive member and marshals escorted Mr Abrahams to a door at the back of the stage and let him out.

A large number of youths broke through a cordon of marshals and charged after Mr Abrahams who was running in the direction of houses in Westridge. Some youths caught up with him and beat him with sticks and other objects.

Mr Abrahams managed to slip his pursuers and ran into the house of Mr Allan Burgstedt where he tried to hide in a bedroom but was followed by youths. He collapsed, bleeding profusely, after a half brick was thrown at him, and he was hit with an iron bar.

● The Progressive Federal Party yesterday condemned the killing.

Mrs Helen Suzman, the party's spokesman on Law and Order said in a statement that the PFP strongly condemned the brutal killing of a person suspected of being a government supporter. "There can be no acceptable excuse for such uncivilized and barbaric behaviour.

"I feel it was extremely unwise of the chairman of the meeting to have identified persons who were present at the meeting in such a way as to endanger their lives, although no doubt this was not what he intended," Mrs Suzman said.

● A UDF spokesman said the executive would issue a statement after a meeting which will be held soon to discuss the issue.

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Settlement in the sand



Kangalane Msibi, one year and three months old, needed medical treatment for the burn on his forehead. He was on his mother's back when she fell, running away from her burning house.

LORRIES loaded with beds, mattresses, and corrugated iron ply the road between Nyanga East and Khayelitsha.

Those who need a lorry to move belongings to the settlement in the sand are lucky. Some arrive from Crossroads with just the clothes they are wearing.

Miss Dora Koffie fled the Nyanga Bush camp with her week-old son Phindele.

"The men came and said we had to go. They said we couldn't take our clothes or anything. I took Phindele in my arms and I ran.

"When we went back it was all burnt."

Miss Koffie went to her cousin's tent at Khayelitsha's Site B. Now four adults and four children sleep in the two green canvas tents assigned to Constance Mangoe after her home in Crossroads was burnt last November.

NEXT to one of the tents is the beginning of what will be Mrs Mangoe's house. Woven wattle screens have been fixed to uprights. There is a toilet cubicle and a tap.

"I fetched the wood from the forest. Now I have to hurry up and build because I have so many family here," she said.

Mrs Nongqokotho Gajini left Crossroads on Friday with nothing.

"The people here give me food. But I have no clothes — just my bed.

"On Friday I heard shooting and I went to look. I saw people taking clothes from their houses. So I took my bed away, but when I went back to my house to fetch my other things I saw the house burning. So I ran away. I slept on Friday night with the people next to the Lansdowne Road, and the next day I came here.

"Now I am very hungry. I also want to build a new house, but I have no material."

THERE is little but sand in this part of Khayelitsha. There are shanties on some sites, tents on others and some are empty.

People without tents stretch sheets of black plastic across poles. There is water, but no shops — and no money.

A child is seen chewing at a wattle twig.

Most of the Crossroads dispossessed have refused to go anywhere near Khayelitsha. Many have sought help from relief groups like the Muslim community operation in Nyanga East.

People camping out around the large marquee are fed four times daily and queue to receive clothing and shoes.

Some, like Lena Fane, have been wearing the same clothes for more than a week. "We have nothing," she says. "We're just stranded here."

Mrs Josephina Msibi's toddler son Kangalane needed first aid for the burn on his head.

"I was in Nyanga Bush on Monday. The people came to burn our houses and I ran away. But I fell. The child was on my back and his head hit against a burning house.

"My house was burning and all my things were burnt."

Mr Edison Pasiya, his wife and son are staying with relatives in KTC.

He was hit by a stone during the violence.

"The men came, and there were many. They were shooting and they said we must move away from our houses. I saved some blankets and took my table and chairs, but everything else was burnt."

Mr Pasiya said he was jailed for five years for violence in the 1976 riots. Now he doesn't believe in fighting.

"If we fight each other we are just killing our nation. We must sit down and speak to each other. Some want to fight. I say no, to fight is not a solution.

"Yes, I was angry last week, but if I use my anger it won't help. We must learn to talk."

By VIVIEN HORLER,
Staff Reporter

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A toddler in Khayelitsha chews on a wattle twig.

Faces at Khayelitsha — from left: A woman bystander watches events around her.

Mrs Nongqokotho Gajini, 50, a Khayelitsha settler from Crossroads. She saved just her bed when her house was burnt and has no food, clothes or money.

Mrs Josephina Msibi and her son Kangalane in the Muslim relief aid tent in Nyanga East. Kangalane's forehead was burnt when his mother fell while running away from her burning house.

Mr Isaac Gweliza, leader of a group of Crossroads settlers in Khayelitsha ... "I am trying to save these people, but we have no food and no material to build houses. We are afraid of the "witdoeke" and we don't trust the police. I am very angry. I don't want to fight. We just want to build and to live our own lives."

'Witdoek leader said he had 200 guns'

Supreme Court Reporter

AMONG the 45 affidavits handed in to the Supreme Court in an action brought by squatter leaders yesterday is one from Mr Alfred Siphika, 47, elected leader of what used to be the Nyanga Extension camp before it went up in smoke.

Mr Siphika is now living at KTC with about 100 members from his homeless community. The others are "scattered throughout the various refugee centres".

His affidavit alleges that he, together with members of committees headed by Mr Melford Yamile and Mr Christopher Tolse — leaders respectively of the late Nyanga Bush and Portland Cement camps — was warned by Mr Sam Ndima at a meeting at Khayelitsha on April 29 that their camps would be destroyed.

"Mr Ndima said he wanted to flatten our camps and if we did not move out of the area he would destroy our camps by force. He said he had been given 200 guns by the police for this purpose.

"I firmly believe that an attack on the KTC camp, similar to the attack on 17/18 May which flattened our camps, is imminent ... I firmly believe that this violence will be perpetrated by the South African Police/Army and followers of Mr Ndima commonly known as 'witdoeke'.

"At the meeting on April 29, Mr Ndima specifically stated that the KTC camp would be destroyed after the other squatter camps existed no more. I submit that this is no hollow promise as is evident by the fact that he carried out his threats to destroy the other squatter camps."

Mr Siphika's affidavit went on to describe events early on Saturday, May 24, that made him believe the attack on KTC was imminent.

"At about 1am we were awoken from our sleep by gunshots. We went outside and saw two Casspirs shooting teargas into the squatter camp, totally unprovoked."

At 3am they were woken again by teargas seeping into their shack. "We rushed outside and saw ten Casspirs around KTC shooting teargas at the people. This continued until 5am."

"I personally witnessed policemen in Casspirs and on foot firing teargas on my community and the other squatter communities when they were being attacked by the 'witdoeke'. I also personally saw the police stand by and do nothing to prevent the 'witdoeke' from attacking us."

A further affidavit from Mr Siphika dealt with events on Sunday, May 18.

On that morning Mr Siphika "heard Mr Ndima announcing through a loudhailer that all his men should gather together".

"Soon thereafter we heard gunshots and fighting break out again at Portland Cement camp. New houses were set alight together with those still burning from the night before.

"We saw that the fighting had extended to Nyanga Bush which was between us and Portland Cement camp ... At Nyanga Bush I saw two Casspirs encircling the camp. People were fleeing, trying to gather together their belongings, and the police instead of assisting them were shooting at them."

An affidavit from Mr Yamile supports the allegations made by Mr Siphika.

Court told of threats

Supreme Court Reporter

A TOTAL of 45 affidavits supporting an urgent application for an interdict to restrain security forces and "witdoeke" from unlawful attacks at KTC squatter camp were handed in to the Supreme Court yesterday.

The majority are from residents of KTC and the three camps — Nyanga Extension, Nyanga Bush and Portland Cement — which were destroyed over the weekend of the 17th to 18th May.

Nine separate affidavits allege that members of the police and Defence Force threatened on three separate occasions that houses in KTC would be burnt last night if residents did not move to Khayelitsha by evening.

'Large force of policemen'

According to these affidavits, a large force of policemen and soldiers arrived at KTC about 8am on Friday, May 23, in many armoured vehicles. Some patrolled in vehicles, some moved through the camp on foot, searching many shacks.

● A 17-year-old KTC girl alleges that on that morning "a white man dressed in a brown uniform (a soldier)", who had a moustache and spoke Afrikaans, spoke to a group of which she was part in terms "substantially similar to these": "If you people are still here on Monday we will come on Monday night and we will burn down your houses. You must all move to Khayelitsha."

This incident is referred to by three other affidavits.

'The army will return'

● Ms Patricia Mabuda, 24, of KTC, alleges that on the same day, a soldier accompanied by ten to 15 others armed with rifles told her at her shack that the army would return on Monday (yesterday) to burn down the whole camp if the residents did not move to Khayelitsha. The other soldiers "repeated what he had said".

This incident is referred to by three other affidavits.

● Mr Mlamleli Nkundla of KTC alleges that "approximately 20 white policemen dressed in blue" accompanied by a black policeman also in blue told a 16-year-old boy at a house near his that he must tell his mother "to pack all her belongings and move out of KTC to Khayelitsha by Monday because the whole of KTC was to be burnt down on Monday".

Affidavits show recent history of Crossroads

Supreme Court Reporter

SURPLUS People Project field-worker Ms Josette Cole, who was recently awarded 80 percent for a thesis on the history of Crossroads, was among those who handed in affidavits to the Supreme Court yesterday.

Apart from sketching the history of Crossroads "in order to give this court the background of the recent tragic events", her affidavit summarizes some of the affidavits filed by others and read by her.

Among the allegations Ms Cole has extracted from other affidavits are the following:

● Mr Albert Naphakada alleges that "Development Board officials gave a Mr Ben five .303 rifles through the agency of Mr Sam Ndima and promised more rifles and guns. The board gave them permission to use these firearms".

● Mr Simon Mngakane alleges that Mr Sam Ndima told a meeting at Noxolo School on April 13 that he had been given firearms by the SAP station commander at Athlone. "These weapons would be used against their old committee members and against the 'comrades', who were a bad influence in Crossroads." He said he questioned this decision and as a result his house was burned down on May 8.

● Mr Elliot Dyakopu attended a meeting on May 18 where Mr Ndima allegedly said he "had been in touch with a police commandant who promises 200 guns for Sam Ndima, 200 for Mr Hoza of Site C and 200 for Mr Nishangani, a squatter leader near the Development Board offices".

● Ms Violet Voyiya alleges that on Sunday, May 18, Mr Ndima stood on a hill in section 4 of Old Crossroads calling all Crossroads men to bring weapons to Noxolo School. "This was the beginning of the attack on Portland Cement camp."

'Actively'

Stating that she believes police and Defence Force members "actively participated in the actual burning of houses", Ms Cole lists the following allegations made in affidavits filed yesterday:

● Ms Violet Mngqatsha alleges that on May 18 at 4pm in Nyanga Bush she "saw a man from inside a dark-green armoured vehicle shoot something into Nyanga Bush camp and one of the shacks immediately burst into flames". This was repeated on at least five occasions. "It is clear that the weapon throws canisters of inflammable material which ignite on contact."

● Ms Violet Voyiya "states that she saw police burning houses and saw (them) shooting something like a spray into houses which then started burning".

White man

● Ms Joyce Temba alleges that on May 18 she saw "a white man in plain clothes firing something like a gun into houses which then started to burn".

● Mr Simon Mngakane alleges that that on May 18 at Nyanga Bush he saw SADF members and police "firing projectiles at shacks which burst into flame".

● Ms Victoria Sibozo alleges that she saw policemen and a soldier setting fire to several houses near hers in the Portland Cement camp on May 18.

Ms Cole adds that "there is a large amount of evidence that the 'witdoeke' were setting fire to houses using guns which threw canisters which exploded on impact".

"As no shop sells these weapons, the only inference is that they were obtained from the army or police."

Ms Cole's affidavit also alleges that the SADF and police were "clearly partisan and actively supported the 'witdoeke' by escorting them and when residents of the squatter camps offered resistance or sought to rescue their belongings, the SADF and police teargassed them and/or fired upon them".

She also alleges that the SADF and police, acting in concert with Mr Nxobongwana and Mr Ndima and 'witdoeke', planned and executed the attacks on the squatter communities of Portland Cement, Nyanga Bush and Nyanga Extension".

'Long-cherished'

Ms Cole lists numerous affidavits in support of these allegations.

Finally, she submits that it is justifiable to conclude from these affidavits and the tragic events of the past week that "the removal of the people has fulfilled a long-cherished ideal of the government to clear the satellite communities of Portland Cement, Nyanga Bush and Nyanga Extension".

"This conclusion is borne out by the reaction of Minister Heunis to the delegation of women on Thursday, May 22, when he said the squatters would not be permitted to return to their land and should go to Khayelitsha."

'White powder' to burn shacks

Supreme Court Reporter

ALLEGATIONS that soldiers gave a "white powder", which made houses burn more quickly, to "witdoek" vigilantes are contained in an affidavit made by a former Nyanga Bush resident.

Mr Mpumelelo Benge, 20, who now lives in New Crossroads, alleges that on the morning of Monday, May 19, in the Nyanga Bush camp area, he saw "soldiers handing 'witdoeke' a white powder in white boxes".

"This powder was placed on houses by the vigilantes and the houses would burn far quicker and more easily. There were hundreds of houses burning in the period while I was there.

"At 11am I crossed Zwelitsha Drive to the Nyanga Bush side of the road. I saw Warrant-Officer Barnard, whom I know by sight as he is a well-known personality in the townships, with a lifted rifle with a telescopic sight pointing directly at me.

"I felt burning pains in my chest and arm and I managed to stagger towards Nyanga East where I was transported in a kombi to Zolani Centre. I was then taken to hospital, where the bullets were removed."

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'Operation Noah' to rescue animals

By CHRIS STEYN

OPERATION Noah — a bid to rescue the animals of Crossroads caught up in the fighting — began yesterday, and the Animal Welfare Society appealed to the public for assistance.

Inspectors of the organization and concerned citizens are searching the burnt-out shacks in the squatter camp for animals who survived the fighting between conservative and radical factions.

Many did not survive. When the fighting started, the local Animal Anti-Cruelty League clinic at Nyanga Bush was gutted and 14 dogs burnt to death. A sobbing league worker told the Cape Times that she only managed to save five dogs.

The secretary of the Animal Welfare Society, Mr Ulrich Schafer, who headed the three-hour operation yesterday, said: "We picked up many sick, injured and burnt animals in the debris."

Several dogs, including a puppy, and cats were so badly injured that they were put down.

Mr Schafer told of one incident where they cornered two starving dogs with ropes. A cat "came out of nowhere" and the dogs went for it, "tearing it apart and eating it".

He appealed to the public for donations and said an old bakkie was also urgently needed to transport the animals from Crossroads to the Animal Welfare Society's first aid post at the Development Board office on the fringes of the squatter camp.

Volunteer workers are needed to assist the organization in Operation Noah which will continue until after peace has been restored in Crossroads.

Mr Schafer said many animals who had been frightened away were expected to return to shacks that did not exist anymore — once peace had been restored.

"And we want to be there when that happens.

"We are determined to clean up the area and save as many abandoned, starving and injured animals as we possibly can," he said.

If you want to assist in Operation Noah, contact Mr Schafer at ☎ 24-6726 or ☎ 24-8510 (during office hours) or at home at ☎ 92-1755.



The Animal Welfare Society chief inspector, Mr Nick Williams, holds a blind cat



A local lawyer, Mr Jan Newman (left) and the secretary of the Animal Welfare Society, Mr Ulrich Schafer, tend to a starving dog.

Pictures: Alan Taylor

'They smashed their heads in'

By TONY WEAVER

A NEW Crossroads man on Sunday described the horror of going to look for his nephew in Crossroads, and being told he and four others had been hacked to death with pangas by vigilantes.

Mr Fikile Bawuti, a 42-year-old taxi operator from New Crossroads, said that on Friday afternoon he went to look for his nephew, 23-year-old Mr Cecil Stephens. Mr Stephens, who drives one of Mr Bawuti's taxis, and came from Mitchells Plain, had been missing since earlier in the day.

Mr Bawuti went into Old Crossroads, where he spoke to a man he knew. "This man told me that they had killed five young people. Then we saw my kombi there and I knew my nephew was dead.

"I realized I was in danger too, and did not tell them it was my taxi or why I was in Crossroads."

He said: "The man said they burnt the kombi and then killed my nephew and the others with pangas, they smashed their heads in."

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, confirmed the death of Mr Stephens and the four other men, and said police had arrested a 20-year-old man in connection with the incident.

According to the police account, the minibus was travelling down Lansdowne Road towards Crossroads when shots were fired at it twice. A crowd forced the vehicle to stop, the occupants were hauled out and hacked to death.

Door was 'forced'

Staff Reporter

A NEW Crossroads family alleged on Sunday that police forced the side door of their home with rifle butts, blew out the lock of another door with a bullet and kicked in two other bedroom doors while searching for their lodger.

Mrs Nobangile Nobathana, of number 1173, New Crossroads, said police arrived at their home in a yellow Casspir about 3am on Sunday.

"They were looking for Dan Nokhatywa, who lodges here."

She showed the Cape Times the side door which was splintered around the lock and which she said was forced open as the police hammered it with rifle butts.

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, yesterday said police had contacted Mrs Nobathana who had declined to lay charges.

No place to store Crossroads food

Staff Reporter

THE South African Red Cross Society has been "swamped" with donations of food and clothes for the homeless people of Crossroads and have called for cash donations instead because of storage problems.

Red Cross public relations officer Mrs Ros Morris said yesterday the public response to appeals for food donations and clothes had been wonderful.

However the Red Cross was beginning to develop storage problems and had difficulty in transporting fresh food to the refugees. The greatest need was staple foods.

The Red Cross was assessing the needs of the refugees and members of the public are requested not to deliver fresh food and clothes until further notice, Mrs Morris said.

Meanwhile St John Ambulance, which runs a medical unit in the Nyanga clinic has appealed for doctors to assist during mornings. Doctors who are prepared to help are asked to telephone Mrs Ann Botha at ☎ 23-3140.

● Mr Colin Appleton, Western Cape Regional Director of the Urban Foundation, said no decision had yet been taken on participation in the upgrading of Crossroads.

It was a key policy decision which could not be taken by the management and had to be ratified by the the board which would meet tomorrow.

● The West German Government has granted R50 000 to the people of Crossroads. The money will be made available to various welfare and relief organizations, the embassy announced yesterday.

Whites shot at near PE township

Post Reporter

TWO white men were shot at, without warning, while they were working at a sub-station near New Brighton at 2.40pm yesterday, a police spokesman said in Port Elizabeth today.

A black man fled from the scene. The two men, whose names are not known, were not injured.

An 18-year-old man narrowly escaped being burnt to death with a "necklace" in New Brighton last night, Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen said.

At 3.30am a police patrol came across about 20 people assaulting the man and intending to necklace him, Col Van Rooyen, the police Press liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said.

"They had everything ready. The man has knife wounds and bruises. The police took him to hospital.

"The man said he had been detained recently by police and that 'comrades' accused him of giving information to the police, saying that that was why he had been released so soon."

Col van Rooyen said two people died necklace deaths near Port Elizabeth last night.

A 16-year-old Uitenhage boy was found burnt to death yesterday. His feet were bound with wire.

At 1am today police found an 18-year-old woman in New Brighton killed by the same method.

In another incident a constable was wounded in his left thigh.

He was walking to a shop near New Brighton when he was approached by men who demanded that he hand over his pistol. One of the men produced a firearm, shot the constable and fled.

At Kwanobuhle, near Uitenhage, five dwellings were set alight during a faction fight between Azapo (Azanian People's Organisation) and UDF (United Democratic Front) members.

At Linghelihle, near Cradock, the SAP dispersed a mob with birdshot and tearsmoke when their vehicle was stoned.

At Fingo village, near Grahamstown, a delivery van was extensively damaged by arsonists.

In the black residential area near Queenstown, a private vehicle was set alight and extensively damaged.

The daily unrest report issued at police headquarters in Pretoria says the Durban township of Kwa-Mashu was quiet but tense yesterday as thousands of pupils were kept out of school following bloodly clashes with impis which have left 14 people dead in a week.

Of these deaths, six were reported to police at the weekend.

Ten men were arrested in the process of making petrol-bombs in the township.

At Chesterville, near Durban, a man was fatally wounded when the SAP and SADF used shotgun and rifle fire to disperse a mob of arsonists.

Pupils going back to school

Staff Reporter

CHILDREN attended school in New Crossroads yesterday for the first time since violence erupted in the area last week, the Department of Education and Training confirmed yesterday.

But numbers were low with only 225 pupils reporting for lessons, according to DET statistics.

The primary school in Old Crossroads was still empty, the circuit inspector for the Western Cape, Mr Pieter Scheepers, said yesterday.

Poor attendance in Nyanga schools in the past week also improved yesterday with 500 out of 800 pupils reporting to the senior secondary school.

Attendance at schools in Langa and Guguletu has not been affected by the Crossroads conflict.

The attendance at schools in the Boland was 50 percent yesterday.

Crossroads to be debated

Staff Reporters

THE role played by the authorities in eight days' fighting in the Crossroads complex will be raised in Parliament today.

The Progressive Federal Party has called for the snap debate, and the party's Western Cape spokesman on black affairs, Mr Ken Andrew, yesterday gave notice of his motion, which calls for a debate on "the situation and the role played by the authorities at Crossroads".

Today's debate comes after a day of relative quiet in the area with isolated skirmishes, and as police confirmed they have now found 44 bodies — one of them a suicide, and 11 "crime- and not unrest-related".

In the Supreme Court yesterday, Mr Justice Howie granted a temporary interdict restraining police, conservative "witdoek" vigilantes and soldiers from attacking the KTC squatter camp, between Nyanga East and Nyanga West.

Affidavits handed to the court claimed KTC was to be the next victim of the vigilantes following alleged threats of demolition made by security forces and vigilante leaders.

Fighting broke out between residents of KTC and police on Sunday night and continued until the early hours of yesterday morning. Residents said gunfire was heard at regular intervals between 11pm on Sunday and about 3am yesterday.

Police said shots were fired at police vehicles on three separate occasions and a Casspir was stoned once in the area during the night.

Yesterday the regional representative of the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud — who has been relieved of all other duties by the government and appointed "peacemaker" for the area — said tomorrow's deadline for the clearance of the devastated areas was flexible.

"I want to give people as much time as possible to move possessions and materials and if I have to go over the deadline, then there will be no problems — I do not want a deadline, we will move when the time is right."

He said there was "no point in trying to make peace at the moment, everybody is too emotional. The thing is that the refugees simply cannot go back in there, I don't want more people being killed.

"Right now all I want to do, what everybody should be trying to do, is getting roofs over the heads of the homeless people. Let's make use of this opportunity to make peace and get people safe."

Western Cape Development Board workers, guarded by troops, yesterday continued pushing a road, lined with rolls of barbed wire, along the border of Old Crossroads. The road will eventually stretch from the Lansdowne Road end of Crossroads to the Mahobe Drive exit.

Detained

Meanwhile, police confirmed that a 27-year-old Red Cross worker had been detained by police and is being held for questioning.

A police spokesman said the man was being held in terms of the Criminal Procedures Act and was arrested at his township home on Sunday morning.

A Red Cross spokesman declined to comment.

As relief workers continued to help thousands of refugees, the water at the Zolani Centre in Nyanga East, which was not running on Sunday, began to trickle through again yesterday.

University of Cape Town students working for Shawco called in plumbers to clear blocked drains and lavatories and the plumbers told them the situation was "hopeless" because there were too many people using too few lavatories.

Water tankers

Shawco is now trying to truck water in in water tankers, and today relief workers will attempt to clean up the lavatories with disinfectant.

Doctors and health workers confirmed that the most common problem they are facing is that of diarrhoea.

Police yesterday called for the help of the people of the greater Crossroads area in identifying the dead, most of whom have been severely charred and mutilated.

The bodies of two men who had been necklaced were found in Crossroads yesterday morning, but police said the deaths were "not unrest related", pointing out that "necklaces" are not only used in unrest.

Witness tells of Pram's killing

By CHRIS RENNIE

AN eye-witness account of a "peoples' court" trial and subsequent "necklace execution" was given to the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court today.

Before the court are Mr Amos Belesi, 25, Mr Patapata Kelo, 20, Mr Kenny Kona, 26, Mr Mumzi Mayanja, 20, and Mr Sebenzile Kinikini, 35, — charged with the murder of 23-year-old Mr Willie Pram at Langa on April 6 last year.

They pleaded not guilty.

Witness A, whose identity may not be revealed outside the court, told how a group of people ran dragging another man that Sunday morning.

The witness followed them to the Apostolic Church in Langa where a meeting was to be held. More than 100 people were present in the church when Mr Pram was placed in the front pew and Mr Belesi went to the pulpit.

Mr Belesi told Mr Pram he would be questioned and if did not tell the truth he would be burnt.

Mr Pram was asked if he knew where Mr Jimmy Claasen — a former prominent Langa businessman — was.

When Mr Pram, who was being held by Mr Kelo, said he did not know where Mr Claasen was, Mr Kona suggested they should not waste any more time.

Mr Pram was banged against a door, and when a wound was opened on his head and he fell, he was dragged out. The group started the *toyi-toyi*, singing and jogging as they took him to the veld.

On the way, Mr Pram was ducked in a ditch of foul water by Mr Kona.

When they reached the veld Mr Pram was attacked with knives and a spade and then stoned until he fell.

The witness described how some of the attackers somersaulted over Mr Pram, leaving their knives stuck in him and then returned to retrieve them.

Somebody said he should not be killed too soon but burnt alive. Mr Kelo placed a tyre on Mr Pram's chest, poured petrol over it and set him alight.

Somebody complained he was not burning properly so Mr Balesi stopped a pirate taxi and got its spare tyre and more petrol. Mr Kinikini, who said they did not know how to roast a man properly, rolled Mr Pram over and set fire to the second tyre on his back.

A group of girls fed the flames with cardboard until Mr Pram was just about reduced to bones.

The witness said about 10 people were involved but only knew the five named.

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Mr Justice Jones was on the Bench with Mr C E A van Rhyn and Mr N C Gey van Pittius as assessors. Mr D Charteris appeared for the State. Mr D Chetty, instructed by Miss Vanessa Brereton, appeared for the defence.

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Police respond to Zolani allegations

Staff Reporters

POLICE have responded to allegations from residents of Ashton's troubled Zolani township about police and "vigilante" actions at the weekend.

These allegations include assaults, mass arrests and "interrogations" by vigilantes in the presence of police.

According to the SAP Public Relations Division in Pretoria, "the police, with the assistance of legally-appointed home guards (appointed by the Western Cape Development Board) arrested 120 people in this residential area" on Saturday and Sunday in the wake of several incidents of unrest.

Of those arrested, 115 appeared in the Montagu Magistrate's Court yesterday. Their cases were postponed to June 6 and, according to one resident, no bail was extended. No confirmation of this could be obtained last night.

"We confirm that eight people sustained gunshot wounds during incidents of unrest. Three were treated in hospital and discharged, after which they were arrested.

"The five others are still in hospital, one in a serious condition," the statement said.

On Sunday the Cape Times supplied police with 10 names and details of injuries of those allegedly wounded by gunshot fire in Zolani at the weekend.

"The persons referred to as 'vigilantes' in your telexes may be identical to the home guards mentioned above.

"We deny that any of the policeman involved assaulted anybody during police action.

"Should anybody, however, be of the opinion that there is legal cause for complaint against any member of the SAP, or against any of the home guards, affidavits can be made available to the police through any of the existing channels." Investigations would follow.

● The liaison officer for the WCDB, Mr Sampie Steenkamp, said yesterday's Cape Times story relating residents' versions of what had happened in the township over the weekend was "misleading".

"I confirm that we have armed and trained home guard members and community councillors, but only for their own protection. We have never armed so-called 'vigilantes' as alleged in the story."

"If the Cape Times wishes to connect the councillors with the 'vigilantes', that is your business," he said.

Zolani residents have repeatedly alleged to the Cape Times that 'vigilantes' and some community councillors have worked in close collaboration.

Evidence to this effect was heard by the Cape Town Supreme Court when, in February, an interdict was granted against certain people who, among other things, had set up their own curfew in Zolani.

KTC men get order on police

By SHAUNA WESTCOTT
Supreme Court Reporter

A TEMPORARY interdict restraining police, soldiers and "witdoeke" from participating in or permitting unlawful attacks on people or property in the KTC squatter camp was granted by the Supreme Court yesterday.

The application was brought by six squatter leaders, three of whom are members of the committee formed to resist removal from KTC.

The other three — Mr Alfred Siphika, Mr Melford Yamile and Mr Christopher Toise — now live in KTC but used to live in Nyanga Extension, Nyanga Bush and Portland Cement camps which were destroyed over the weekend of the 17th to 18th May.

The urgent application sought an order against the Minister of Law and Order, the Minister of Defence, the officer commanding the Western Province Command of the Defence Force, the Commissioner of Police, the Divisional Commissioner of Police, the Athlone District Police Commandant, the Guguletu Police Station Commander, one Warrant-Officer Barnard, Mr Sam Ndima and Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana.

'Systematic plan'

The six squatter leaders, who were given a mandate for their suit by the people of KTC on Sunday, allege in papers before court that "witdoeke", the "persons most prominent in the destruction of the camps", were residents of Old Crossroads and owed allegiance to Mr Ngxobongwana and his lieutenant Mr Ndima.

They claim that the application was brought because they had reason to fear that "the destruction of homes has been part of a systematic plan and that KTC is the next township that will be attacked".

The papers said it had been threatened that if KTC was not cleared by yesterday evening, the houses would be burnt during the night. "These threats were made on three separate occasions and involve members of both the SADF and police, and are testified to by nine different deponents."

The papers said there was evidence that police had supplied "witdoeke" with arms and ammunition, including grenade-throwers, and participated actively in the burning of houses.

There was also evidence that police and SADF members had used teargas on or fired on residents of squatter camps who resisted "witdoeke" or attempted to rescue their belongings.

"There is also evidence that a significant and co-ordinating role was played by a warrant-officer in the police force, namely Warrant-Officer Barnard.

"The affidavits also disclose a reason why the SAP and the SADF should have been involved. It appears that it was government policy that the areas should be cleared with a view ultimately to upgrading them and making them available to the residents of Old Crossroads," the papers said.

A sworn statement by Colonel M G Mans of the Western Province division of the police, handed in by Mr G D Griessel SC on behalf of most of the respondents, said an interdict could only "limit and seriously hamper the activities of the security forces".

"It could lead to the necessary withdrawal of all security forces from the area which will result in the collapse of law and order and a

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crack of dawn



"Crossing the Limpopo has the same effect on the rand as crossing the Rubicon."



Members of the legal team which brought the application in the Supreme Court to restrain police, soldiers and "witdoeke" from participating in or permitting unlawful attacks on people or property in KTC, are (from left) Mr Lee Bozalek, Ms Shehnaz Meer and Mr Mathew Walton — all of the Legal Resources Centre.

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bloodbath between rival factions."

Mr Justice C T Howie rejected this argument, saying the acts feared by the applicants "could hardly be said to be ambiguous in their scope and intent", and he did not see that a court order would in any way inhibit the security forces in the execution of their duties.

Citing the Police Act and the Defence Act, Mr Justice Howie said "it could hardly be an inconvenience or difficulty to be required to refrain from what is unlawful".

A temporary interdict was accordingly granted, restraining the respondents from participating in or permitting unlawful attacks and directing those who are members of the police and SADF to "take all reasonably necessary steps" to prevent such attacks.

The court ordered further that the Divisional Commissioner of Police assist the deputy sheriff to serve the order on Mr Ngxobongwana and Mr Ndima.

The return date is June 13.

Mr Justice C T Howie presided. Mr S Aaron, SC, assisted by Mr C R Nicholson and instructed by the Legal Resources Centre, appeared for the applicants. Mr G D Griessel SC, assisted by Mr C Y Louw and instructed by the State Attorney's Office, appeared for the respondents.

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UDF supporters condemn violence

VIOLENCE at meetings could make people think twice about supporting the UDF, callers said.

Mr V Clarke, Athlone: "I have been a regular supporter at UDF meetings, and respect the organization for its democratic views and stand against apartheid. But the violence at the Westridge meeting makes one scared to even think of attending, wondering who might be the next victim wrongly pointed out as a sell-out or collaborator."

Mr Stephen Cornell, Observatory: "As a supporter of the UDF, I hope the organization publicly condemns Mr Adams' action in pointing out the young man who was subsequently killed at the Westridge meeting."



Mr R Fisher, Claremont: "Even if the chairman of the UDF meeting did not intend to cause Mr Abrahams's death, he must have known, from previous experience, that sooner or later he would be at risk after being pointed out. This is proof of the intimidating tactics the UDF is obliged to use to maintain support since the government started its reform programme."

Miss Jessica Wellington, Sea Point: "As a domestic worker and the sole supporter of five people, I was very concerned to read about the woman whose hand was mangled in a mincer. What happens to a domestic worker in this situation? We have no union or pension scheme, nor any representation in Parliament."

Mr Vincent Mcinyana, Khayelitsha: "We residents of Khayelitsha have had a big problem since the Crossroads people were moved here. If we travel near Crossroads we are mistaken for the Crossroads refugees and attacked. The vigilantes don't believe that we are Khayelitsha people. There is going to be big fighting because we can't tolerate this. Mr Heunis must move the Crossroads people out of Khayelitsha."

Dr Margaret Nash, Kenilworth: "Philipstown, in the Northern Cape, seems remote and unimportant when compared with the Crossroads/Nyanga Bush disaster. But the report of alleged police and administration board misconduct there is distressingly familiar and deserves attention."

● If you would like to comment on these or any other issues, contact Teleletters ☎ 24-2233 between 9am and noon.

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R1 000 relief grants

Staff Reporters

DONATIONS continued to pour in to the Crossroads relief effort yesterday and a monthly meeting of the Divisional Council unanimously approved R1 000 grants to the Red Cross, Shawco and St John Ambulance as a "small gesture of support" to the people of Crossroads.

The Divco proposal came from Mr Neil Ross, who also suggested that Mr Loutjie Rothman, the chairman, should be authorized to increase the grants to up to R5 000 for each organization.

Mrs Ros Morris, public relations officer for the Red Cross, yesterday thanked Capetonians for their extreme generosity, but said they had received enough clothing.

Mrs Ann Botha of St John Ambulance said they were still feeding and sheltering 2 500 people at the Zolani Centre in Nyanga. "If it rains there will probably be many more," she said.

Doctors, nurses

She appealed for doctors to help man the St John medical station in the mornings and also for trained nursing staff to help the existing St John staff. Volunteers should telephone ☎ 23-3140. Zolani Centre also specifically needs plastic plates, cups and cutlery.

A spokeswoman for the Western Province Council of Churches said the Dutch and German governments had donated R10 000 each to the council. She appealed for donations of wood, fuel and three-legged cooking pots.

Mr Derek Livesey, Shawco's warden, said yesterday that the biggest problems in the relief areas were hygiene, sanitation and water supplies. Relief organizations were having to dig holes to bury refuse as there were no refuse collections.

He said Shawco had set up relief aid tables at Khayelitsha where food was handed out.

Dr F Calabresi, the Italian consul, said yesterday his was the first country to organize collection points (at Italian clubs in Rugby and Paarl) for Crossroads and said the consulate would be distributing donations directly to refugees.

Police identify violence victims

Staff Reporter

POLICE yesterday released the names of 11 people whose bodies have been positively identified after a week of violence and unrest at Crossroads.

At least 44 bodies have been found in the squatter camp in the last 10 days. Police have said that 33 of these deaths were "unrest-related".

The victims so far identified are: **Mr Sabalele Jack**, 46, of Block 2299 Crossroads; **Mr Sipho Shoba**, 28, of J500 Nyanga East; **Mr Donald Magadi**, 53, of Old Crossroads; **Mr Peter Poponi**, 28, of Old Crossroads; **Mr Elliot Phillip**, 22, of Old Crossroads; **Mr Sibinzile Ngankase**, 26, of Mfoleni Township B21, Blackheath; **Mr Marhosi Somdaka**, 18, of New Crossroads; **Mr William Mbha**, 26, of KTC Nyanga; **Mr Mbilelo Beja**, 28, NY 77 No10 Guguletu; **Mr Vivane Dyabuza**, 19, of NY 101 No 14 Guguletu, and **Mr Likhanyiso Finye**, 19, of NY3A No 56 Guguletu.

The body of **Mr Cecil Stephens**, who was killed together with four other men riding in his minibus taxi on Friday, was identified earlier this week.

A police liaison officer for the Western Province, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said two children had burnt to death, but their deaths "were not unrest-related". They were 10-year-old **Msasazi Nyiti** and his three-year-old brother, **Viyo**, both from 2017 Old Crossroads.

Lieutenant Laubscher said it was almost impossible to identify some of the burned victims but police hoped that relatives would do so as soon as they became aware that someone was missing.

He said the bodies were at the Salt River State Mortuary.

Divco to review its policy on squatting

Municipal Reporter

SQUATTER policy in the Divisional Council area is to be the subject of a special housing committee investigation after Councillor Neil Ross objected strongly to the "immoral" present policy.

"I believe we need site-and-service accommodation. We already have close to 12 000 people on our housing waiting list, and these have first preference in terms of housing.

"But unless we provide squatters with an alternative site, we have no moral right to demolish dwellings," Mr Ross said.

He was responding to a report from the Director of Housing on the demolision of dwellings in Hout Bay. It disclosed that 158 shacks, including 29 in Hout Bay, had been demolished in the first three months of this year.

During the budget debate, Mr Ross proposed that the R479 201 earmarked for "squatter control" in the forthcoming year should be deleted, but he was narrowly outvoted.

Mr Jasper Walsh said squatting was not a problem which the Divisional Council could solve on its own as a regional strategy was needed.

The council voted unanimously that the housing committee should review squatter policy.

Support pours in for 'Noah'

Environment Reporter

SUPPORT poured into the Animal Welfare Society's offices yesterday for Operation Noah, an appeal for the rescue of animals of the strife-torn Crossroads community.

The secretary of the society, Mr Ulrich Schafer, said hundreds of Cape Town animal lovers had "opened their hearts and their pockets" after reading in the Cape Times about the horribly injured and dying animals.

He said the rescue operation was likely to last all week.

A van, needed to transport the animals to the society's first aid post at the Development Board office on the fringe of the squatter camp, has been donated for the duration of Operation Noah.

And a man walked into the society's offices yesterday and placed R1 000 on a counter.

If you want to assist in the operation, contact Mr Schafer at ☎ 24-6726 or ☎ 24-8510 (office hours) or at his home,

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STATEMENTS

Sharp clashes over Crossroads

By PETER FABRICIUS
Political Staff

THE Opposition has called for a judicial inquiry into the authorities' role in the Crossroads warfare and a negotiated settlement of who should occupy the upgraded area.

The Government and the Opposition clashed sharply over Crossroads, in spite of a snap parliamentary debate on the subject having been cancelled.

The Speaker of Parliament, Mr Johan Greef, ruled yesterday the matter was sub judice because the Cape Town Supreme Court had granted a temporary order restraining the security forces and squatter leaders from attacking the KTC camp in Crossroads.

But in a statement in which he "deeply regretted" the cancellation of the debate, Mr Ken Andrew, the MP for Gardens and PFP spokesman on black affairs, called for a judicial commission of inquiry into the Crossroads fighting.

The role of the authorities had been "dubious to say the least," Mr Andrew said.

Many allegations were made that the police were sometimes "active combatants involved in shack-burning and worse."

Mr Andrew also criticised the Government's refusual to allow refugees to return to Crossroads.

"It is unacceptable that the basis of deciding who is to live in an upgraded squatter area should be who won the war," he said.

Instigation

In a counter statement, the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, condemned "irresponsible allegations of the role of Government institutions" in the violence.

"The Government has been accused of instigating the one party, assisting them and even possibly reconciling themselves with their actions to decrease the density of the population in the Crossroads area."

Government help given to the victims was being "portrayed as forced removal."

Mr Heunis said that last year he had begun negotiating the upgrading of Crossroads with the private sector.

Decreasing the density in the first phase of upgrading was not necessary and so it was untrue to accuse the Government of "manipulating events" for this reason.

"I have offered to accommodate the refugees as a group on a temporary basis at a site in Khayelitsha until permanent arrangements can be made.

"This offer is apparently not acceptable to certain groups and it would appear as if certain politicians are playing a role in this."

● In a statement to The Argus today Mr Andrew disagreed with Mr Heunis's interpretation of events at Crossroads.

He challenged Mr Heunis to request a judicial commission of inquiry, "to establish which allegations, if any, are correct. I have no doubt the views I have expressed would be vindicated by such an inquiry."

Barbaric tool in township reign of terror

By CHRIS ERASMUS

AN AVERAGE of a killing a day by necklacing takes place in South Africa — and the death rate is climbing.

Although no one is sure of how many people have been killed in the ritual executions by burning, police have at least 150 cases on record since last year — and they acknowledge that there must have been more.

Sources in the Eastern Cape, where this form of execution has been used often, claim that at least 207 people have died by the necklace in the region's townships.

Of this number, it is claimed that since May last year 94 people have died in the townships at Port Elizabeth.

Recently a group calling itself the United Christian Action claimed 544 black people had been necklaced in 20 months.

Police say the necklace is nothing more than a brutal and barbaric form of terror — a small number of township radicals terrorizing entire townships of tens of thousands of people by picking on anyone even remotely associated with "apartheid" and dealing out this form of death at public gatherings, such as funerals for unrest victims.

In this way, say the authorities, the message "Do as we say, or you too will go the same way" is communicated loud and clear.

The necklace has been described by psychologists as the South African 20th century equivalent to the guillotine — the vengeance of the people.

In little more than a year since the first reported cases in the Eastern Cape, its use has become widespread and far more common. Over the last few weeks the number of necklacings has risen to an average of about one a day, according a senior police spokesman.

Part of the terror of the necklace is that it is only an old tyre, such as is found discarded in backyards across the land — until the moment it is drenched in petrol when it becomes a pyre for its victim.

Usually the victim is still alive when necklaced, though semi-conscious from the severe beating before the execution.

Death takes from a few seconds to several minutes. The victim's arms are pinned against his body by the tyre while flames consume the head and neck.

The first recorded case of necklacing was that of a black policeman in March last year in Cradock. Cradock was the scene of some of the bitterest confrontations between police and township activists.

A few days afterwards the mayor of Uitenhage's township of Kwanobuhle, Mr Benjamin Kinikini, and his four sons and a friend were murdered, probably by those opposed to their "collaboration with the system", in a necklace execution.

Many necklace victims have been black people connected either directly or indirectly with the structures used to maintain civil order and government.

Policemen, local government officials and others sympathetic to the authorities, have been the most common necklace victims.

Two University of Cape Town psychologists (who cannot be named for professional reasons) said the necklace had rapidly become such a powerful political tool because it offered an element of group identity with formal structures opposed to the government and because it offered the opportunity to activists to exercise raw power — something which has been denied them by the society in which they live.

"Although brutal and violent, the coming together and passing of judgment on someone identified with the enemy does give people a sense of identity with each other and of power over their own lives — those are things that many black South Africans have been stripped of by the system which has dominated their lives," said one psychologist.

The necklace has quickly become more than a means of murdering "traitors". It has been used to effectively eliminate political rivals.

In a feud between the United Democratic Front and the Azanian National Youth Unity in the Port Elizabeth area, several have died by necklacing.

The boundary between political revenge and simple grudge killings is indistinct, and it is almost inevitable that a growing number of necklace victims have died in the settling of personal scores.

But even more than the guillotine in revolutionary France, the power of the necklace is dealt out, as often as not, with precipitous haste to those who fall foul of the revolutionaries.

In townships across the country the necklace has been used by a variety of political groups, some in competition with each other. Usually, it is the chosen death sentence of "people's courts", comprised of activists mostly in their teens and 20s calling themselves "comrades".

Other incidents are even less formal. As has happened on a number of highly publicized occasions, an alleged "informer" or "collaborator" has been singled out at a mass meeting or funeral. Within seconds, the crowd has turned on the accused, giving him or her a brutal beating before the necklace is produced and its victim dies in flames.

Some activists and organizations have distanced themselves from the violence, describing it "barbaric".

Cape Town's Anglican Archbishop-elect, Bishop Desmond Tutu, last year spoke out strongly against such killings, threatening to leave the country with his family if the killings continued.

But since then, the rate of necklacings has steadily, taking on the ominous proportions of a latter-day Reign of Terror.

Plea to Heunis

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Plea to Heunis not to move squatters

Staff Reporter

THE South African Institute of Race Relations has sent a telegram to Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, warning that an attempt to move Crossroads refugee squatters to Khayelitsha would result in "serious conflict and loss of blood".

It also urged the government to say that the people would be allowed to return to where they had been living.

The telegram by the executive committee of Western Cape region of the institute read: "Many who have suffered enormously through loss of their dwellings and possessions, through no fault of their own, are now suffering form indecision regarding their future.

"If they are forced to move elsewhere we foresee serious conflict and loss of blood."

□ Mr Somaroo Pachai, National Peoples Party (NPP) MP for Natal Midlands, this week told the House of Delegates that the houses at Khayelitsha were "concrete matchboxes". This had happened because of "heartless planning".

Mr Pachai said he had visited the area at the weekend.

"Those people who planned these houses, if they spent one night there they will realize the injustice they are imposing on these voteless people."

He said he had seen women and children sleeping on the floor of houses in which the roof did not protect the inhabitants from the elements.

□ Fourteen Capetonians have sent a letter to the State President, the Minister of Law and Order, the Leader of the Opposition and three daily newspapers in Cape Town regarding the Crossroads situation.

The signatories of the letter are all members of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) and said thousands of squatter homes had been deliberately burnt last week and as far as they knew not a single person had been arrested for arson. They wanted to know why no arrests had been made.

They said they found it hard to believe that the police were unaware of who was responsible because there had been numerous policemen on the scene during much of the burning.

They said victims claimed to know at least some of those responsible and were able to name them but no action had been taken against them.

"Is the situation that the police know who are responsible, but take no action against them? If this were the case, it would amount to condoning these criminal acts, which seems to us to fall within the general heading of terrorism that the state claims to be eager to combat.

"The police have a responsibility for maintaining law and order, and for bringing to justice those who bring disorder and chaos into our society. In this case, they have failed in the first aim.

"Are they able to succeed in the second? Will they bring to court those responsible for the present disaster, and prevent them from doing the same again?"

The letter was signed by: M and J Arney, P Atkinson, G and M Ellis, S Mackay, J Maree, A and S Morton, D Muir, M Ohland, G and S Stegmann and J Suberg.

More than 66 treated for bullet wounds

Staff Reporter

PROVINCIAL COUNCIL. — More than 66 patients were treated in Provincial Hospitals, mostly in Port Elizabeth, this year after being shot with ball, or hard-nosed, ammunition which probably included 7,62mm R1 bullets.

This information was contained in answers to questions by the Leader of the Opposition here, Mr Herbie Hirsch (Sea Point), concerning the numbers of patients treated at Provincial Hospitals for the effects of tear-gas, gunshot wounds and whipping from January 1 to May 15 this year.

The answers were tabled here yesterday by the MEC for Hospitals, Mr Koos Theron.

Fifty-five patients — nine of whom subsequently died — were treated for wounds "classified as unknown gunshot wounds" and 64 — two of whom died — were treated for birdshot wounds at Livingstone Hospital, PE.

According to Mr Theron's answers, no patients suffering from the wounds mentioned above were treated at three other Eastern Cape Provincial hospitals, the Dora Nginza, the Provincial (PE) and Uitenhage Hospital.

In 29 other cases it was not possible to answer Mr Hirsch's questions as requested — that is, a breakdown of wounds inflicted by birdshot, rubber bullets, buckshot, R1 bullets and whips — as hospitals did not keep detailed statistics of the various categories of wounds, Mr Theron said.

From his answers it would appear that no patients in the Cape were treated for wounds from rubber bullets.

Four patients — including a fatality, all at George Hospital, were treated for buckshot wounds.

In the Western Cape, it was not possible to obtain information from Wynberg's Victoria Hospital as its patient procedures system "does not provide for the required information to be readily obtainable", Mr Theron said.

"In order to obtain the information, up to 20 000 patient files would have to be drawn and perused."

Information from the following hospitals was obtained: Groote Schuur, Tygerberg, Red Cross Memorial, Somerset (Green Point), Paarl East, Eben Dönges (Worcester), Livingstone, Frere, Kimberly, Oudsthoorn and George.

With regard to the patients treated for these wounds, police were notified by the hospital authorities of expected dates and times on which these patients were to be discharged, Mr Theron said.

'UDF regrets man's death'

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"In the light of this, the UDF cannot and will not take responsibility , whether directly or indirectly, for his death.

"The blame rests four-square on the shoulders of those responsible for the breeding of [illegible]red and anger by their maintenance of apartheid against the will of the people.

"Our struggle for an end to apartheid is a struggle for an end to the very brutality which led to the death of Moegsien Abrahams and so many others."

UDF: See death 'in context'

Cape Times 28/5/86

Staff Reporter

THE United Democratic Front yesterday expressed regret at the death of Mr Moegsien Abrahams, who was beaten repeatedly and stabbed after a UDF rally in Westridge, Mitchells Plain, on Sunday.

Mr Abrahams, 22, who was married and the father of a 19-month-old baby, was killed shortly after he was allowed to leave the Westridge Civic Centre through a back door.

A group of youths burst through a cordon of UDF officials and chased Mr Abrahams who fled in the direction of houses in Westridge where he was cornered and beaten.

Buried

He later emerged from a house bleeding, collapsed at the foot of a wall he was trying to scale and died. He was buried on Monday afternoon.

In a statement released yesterday evening, the regional secretary of the UDF, Mr Trevor Manuel said:

"The UDF executive views the turn of events after the meeting in Mitchells Plain in a very serious light. For this reason, we decided to fully investigate the matter before issuing a statement.

"The UDF regrets the loss of life of Moegsien Abrahams. However, it is important that we understand his untimely death in context. The context is provided by the growing polarization and concomitant anger which flows from the apartheid ordering our society.

"His death occurred in a manner which the UDF cannot be held responsible for. Two persons alleged to be police informers were generating extreme hostility in the meeting, to the point that the prospect of being brutalized in the packed hall was real.

"After numerous requests by marshalls to leave the meeting, the chairperson, Mr Adam, was asked to request their departure. At this point, two persons fled from the hall.

"Mr Abrahams was brought back and was offered maximum protection by UDF officials and marshalls. The attempts to release him via the back door whilst Nkosi Sikelela was being being sung is out of keeping with our tradition of utmost respect for our anthem. This demonstrates the seriousness with which the executive viewed protecting Mr Abrahams.

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"In the light of this, the UDF cannot and will not take responsibilty, whether directly or indirectly, for his death. The blame rests four square on the shoulders of those responsible for the breeding of hatred and anger by their maintenance of apartheid, against the will of the people.

"Our struggle for an end to apartheid is a struggle for an end to the very brutality which led to the death of Moegsien Abrahams and so many others," Mr Manuel said.

Gunshot, whip and gas victims

Provincial Reporter

MORE than 200 people — 19 of whom died — have been treated for gunshot wounds at 11 provincial hospitals in the Cape since January.

In reply to a question from Mr Herbert Hirsch, Leader of the Opposition in the Provincial Council, the MEC for hospitals, Mr Koos Theron, said 218 patients with birdshot, rubber-bullet, buckshot or R-1 bullet wounds were admitted to Groote Schuur, Tygerberg, Red Cross, Somerset, Paarl East, Eben Dönges, Livingstone, Frere, Kimberley, Oudtshoorn and George hospitals between January and May 15.

The highest number — 120 — were admitted to Livingstone Hospital in Port Elizabeth. Eleven of them died.

Eleven people affected by teargas and 43 with whip injuries were admitted to hospitals.

Heunis, PFP clash over Crossroads

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By ANTHONY JOHNSON
Political Correspondent

THE razing of squatter shacks in the Crossroads area in the past week was a "1986-style forced removal", the Progressive Federal Party alleged last night.

The only difference this time around was that the conservative vigilante "witdoeke" were doing the government's dirty work — "taking the place of the government's front-end loaders of the past" — the PFP's spokesman on black affairs in the Western Cape, Mr Ken Andrew, said.

The Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Chris Heunis, hit back at what he called "irresponsible allegations" regarding the role of government institutions in the "unfortunate events" in Crossroads which were "being portrayed as a forced removal".

Interdict

Meanwhile, a parliamentary snap debate on Crossroads was called off by the Speaker yesterday after the Supreme Court granted a temporary interdict restraining the security forces from acting against residents of the squatter community.

The Speaker, Mr Johann Greeff, told the House of Assembly that the motion for the half-hour debate could not be introduced as it dealt with a matter that was sub-judice.

The Speaker said he had examined the affidavits presented to the court and had found continual reference to conditions in Crossroads and steps taken by the SAP and the SADF in the squatter camp.

Mr Greeff decided that the official Opposition's motion could not be introduced as it dealt with the conditions in the camp and security force action.

Mr Andrew said in a statement yesterday that he deeply regretted the cancellation of the debate since what had happened in the area in the past week was "a disaster of major proportions and a case study of how not to handle the process of urbanization".

"The desperate and noble attempts of people to improve their lot in life, to seek work and to live together as families were met with ruthless harassment by the authorities," he said.

Mr Andrew said the role of the authorities, "following a prolonged and ferocious battle", in forcing out the groups living adjacent to the Old Crossroads community was "dubious to say the least".

Homeless

In recording that more than 30 people had been killed and some 30 000 had been left homeless, Mr Andrew noted that "numerous allegations had been made that the police were not even-handed in their approach, were sometimes active combatants rather then keepers of the peace, were involved in shack-burning and worse".

It was imperative that a judicial commission of inquiry be appointed immediately. If half of the allegations were found to be true, heads should roll, including that of the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, Mr Andrew said.

Mr Andrew said that special attention should be given to the role of one Warrant Officer Barnard, who had frequently been cited by refugees in their allegations of police misbehaviour.

"It is unfair on the police to be accused of wrong doing if they have behaved correctly," Mr Andrew said.

"It will be disasterous for South Africa if the police feel entitled to do what they like without their behaviour being inquired into by an appropriate independent authority."

Mr Andrew emphasized that unless an agreement was reached between the authorities and various squatter groups there would be

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no peace in Crossroads.

"Thirty thousand people are not going to accept being driven permanently out of their homes and let bygones be bygones," he said.

He said the government's insistence that refugees had no option but to go to Khayelitsha was "no answer" and was bound to lead to "further confrontation with the authorities, demolitions, individual suffering, embitterment and widespread adverse publicity".

Mr Heunis last night dismissed as "irresponsible" accusations that the government had been "instigating the one party assisting them and even possibly reconciling themselves with their actions in order to decrease the density of the population in the Crossroads area".

"Furthermore, the government assistance to those disrupted by the events is being portrayed as a forced removal," he added.

Mr Heunis said that the private sector last year agreed unanimously that a "process of decreasing the density of the population would eventually have to take place in the area if meaningful upgrading was to be initiated."

"It was, however, by no means necessary in the initial process of upgrading to decrease the density. Therefore, at this stage to accuse the government of manipulating the events for this reason is devoid of all truth," Mr Heunis said.

"Persons and institutions who advocate that the refugees be allowed to return to Crossroads, do unfortunately not take into account that for the safety of those involved this should not happen.

"The government cannot allow conditions to re-develop into what in all probability will result in a revival of the recently-experienced violence. It affects the stability of the whole of the Cape Peninsula," Mr Heunis said.

Khayelitsha

"I have offered to accommodate the refugees as a group on a temporary basis at a site in Khayelitsha until permanent arrangements can be made.

"This offer is apparently not acceptable to certain groups and it would appear as if certain politicians are playing a role in this," Mr Heunis said.

"I would like to make an appeal to all concerned to withhold themselves from exploiting these tragic events."



Bulldozers and front-end loaders moved into the devastated fields of Nyanga Bush and Nyanga Extension yesterday and cleared at least four of the 25 hectares of wasteland as refugees darted in front of bulldozer blades to salvage what they could from the wreckage.
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Bulldozers move in after battles

Staff Reporters.

BULLDOZERS and front-end loaders moved into the devastated Nyanga Bush and Nyanga Extension squatter camps yesterday, clearing at least four of the 25ha torched in a week of fighting in the area.

Yesterday afternoon Nyanga Extension squatter leader, Mr Alfred Siphika, was arrested in the Guguletu police station immediately after lawyers had completed a search for equipment alleged to have been used in the torture of detainees, including Mr Siphika.

He was arrested in the presence of his legal team and officials of the Supreme Court. A police spokesman confirmed last night that he could be charged with attempted murder.

In the past few days Red Cross field workers have launched a massive drive to trace at least 1 000 people reported missing in the fighting.

Typhoid

Attempts are being made to trace them through hospitals and the mortuary, and the possibility is being considered that they may have been arrested.



These children, living at the Holy Cross Anglican Church in New Crossroads, are among the thousands of refugees who face an uncertain future.

Many children were separated from their parents during the confusion.

Anyone who needs assistance can contact the Red Cross at ☎ 71-7170.

Meanwhile, the first case of typhoid among the thousands of refugees was reported on Monday to the Cape Divisional Council's Medical Officer of Health, Dr L R Tibbit.

The typhoid victim is a seven-month-old boy now in an isolation ward at the City Hospital for Infectious Diseases. The child was yesterday described as being "fairly ill".

In another development yesterday the Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev Phillip Russell, endorsed the call for an official inquiry into the fighting, which has claimed at least 44 lives and left over 35 000 people homeless.

He said such a commission should look at the underlying cause of the situation, the role of the police and of the various parties involved.

In the burnt-out fields of Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland

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Project

The regional director for the Department of Development, Mr Tiimo Beznid Plamdenbond, began clearing areas for the new constitutional buildings yesterday morning.

He said he still wanted to give people the opportunity to go into the area and make arrangements with the police. They had at least another week to protect their possessions.

He said nobody would be forced to move but that Khayellisha could be developed to the benefit of everyone.

The Society of Cape Town Architects, not to be confused with the Society of Architectural Historians, was invited to comment on all plans for re-planning and building of Crossroads and Khayellisha but declined.

Mr Bezuidenhout said he was disappointed that the people of Crossroads had not been consulted before the bulldozers moved in.

"We have been trying to get in touch with the Crossroads Development Board for a long time but we have had no response from them," he said.

Mr Bezuidenhout said the Old Crossroads Development Board had been disbanded because it had failed to develop the area.

"We have had no choice but to move in and start the development

UDF regrets man's death but 'not to blame'

Staff Reporter

THE United Democratic Front (UDF) has expressed regret at the death of Mr Moegsien Abrahams, 22, after a meeting in Mitchell's Plain but says it cannot be held responsible for his death.

In a statement it said that the blame for his death rested on the shoulders of those responsible for "the breeding of hatred and anger by their maintenance of apartheid against the will of the people".

Mr Abrahams, a former member of the Cape Corps, was beaten and stabbed to death after a UDF meeting at Westridge Civic Centre.

"The UDF regrets the loss of life of Moegsien Abrahams.

"However, it is important we understand his untimely death in context. The context is provided by the growing polarisation and concomitant anger which flows from the apartheid ordering our society.

"INFORMERS"

"His death occurred in a manner which the UDF cannot be held responsible for.

"Two persons alleged to be police informers were generating extreme hostility in the meeting, to the point the prospect of being brutalised in the packed hall was real.

"After numerous requests by marshals to leave the meeting, the chairman, Mr Adams, was asked to request their departure.

"At this point two persons fled from the hall. Mr Abrahams was brought back and was offered maximum protection by UDF officials and marshals.

"The attempt to release him via the back door whilst *Nkosi*

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Electricity poles pulled down

Staff Reporter

RESIDENTS of Zwelethemba township in Worcester were still without street lights yesterday and shops without electricity — a week after the first of several electricity poles were pulled down.

The Worcester municipality said it was fighting a losing battle in the township as every time the municipality attempted to repair the electricity poles the workmen were stoned.

The liaison officer of the Western Cape Development Board, Mr Sampie Steenkamp, said lighting of houses was not affected, although there were no street lights and some shops were without electricity.

Mr Steenkamp said that the problem started on Monday last week when an electricity pole was pulled out of the ground by people using ropes tied to a vehicle.

Municipal workmen arrived to fix it the next day but were stoned and had to withdraw.

They eventually put the pole up again under police protection.

That same night another pole was pulled down in the same manner and workmen called in to fix it, were stoned.

Because of the danger of exposed wires, the municipality had cut off the power.

A municipal spokesman said that it was "useless repairing the lights when they would be broken again the following day".

He could not say when another attempt would be made to restore the power, "as there was already a heavy workload".

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Where to go to complain about SADF misconduct



NOW that people are catching their breath after the Crossroads outburst, it is timely to remind them that the South African Defence Force would like to hear from anyone who has a complaint about alleged misconduct on the part of any servicemen who were present.

It must be emphasized that this does not include the South African Police, which has its own channels for complaints. For those who do not know, South African soldiers in the townships wear medium-brown uniforms and usually travel in open-topped Buffel armoured vehicles painted olive-brown drab.

A complaint may be lodged directly or on behalf of a complainant, and the SADF gives the assurance it will be speedily and thoroughly investigated so that steps may be taken if there is substance in the complaint.

The SADF's attitude to township duty is that its servicemen will not be allowed to use any indemnifying provisions as an excuse for misconduct, and that transgressions will be "mercilessly" cracked down on.

Several servicemen have already been punished up-country, but locally there have been few complaints, and none that have contained any substance.

However, the SADF complaints offices set up in September last year are still operational. They are located in the Nyanga Labour Bureau building and the Markhams building in Mitchells Plain, and are open on Sunday afternoons.

The Law Society of the Cape has also set up a complaints machine, staffed by three attorneys. This venture has been welcomed by the SADF as an additional channel for complaints, and can be contacted by telephoning 24-8060.

Wasted opportunity?

I AM not, as is well-known, a supporter of deploying troops in the townships in the present situation, but I have no quarrel with the internationally recognized principle of mobilizing the military in aid of the civil power *in cases of dire emergency.*

To my mind the Crossroads outburst is the sort of situation in which troops can and should be used to restore the peace.

This being so, I cannot help getting the feeling that the government might have missed an opportunity by not using the military to restore the peace during the Crossroads outburst.

A battalion of infantry, sent in at an early stage, could have separated the combatants and generally cooled things down with the minimum damage to life, limb and property.

Weakness or not?

ARE the latest African National Congress landmine incidents a sign of weakness or strength? That is the crucial question following the deaths of two more people and the wounding of eight others.

Leaving out the inevitable knee-jerk responses from right and left, I would make the following points:

- South Africa is a heavily urbanized country, and will become ever more so following the abolition of influx control. This being so, the insurgency should logically be mainly urban and not rural, except in special cases..
- The latest mining in the platteland represents a regression in the classic insurgency escalation pattern. According to the books, an insurgency starts with political activation, followed by sporadic incidents, followed by systematic attacks and so on.

A couple of years ago it appeared as if the ANC was moving into the third stage. Now it seems to be back to the activation-random attack stages.

Deliberate policy, a sign of exhaustion — and/or an indication of bad control over field operatives? Take your pick.

What I will say is this: from the ANC's point of view, incidents like the above can prove to be counter-productive. A local population exposed to random mining and activated mainly by fear cannot be relied on — as Swapo has found in SWA/Namibia. They will back you only while you hold a gun on them.

Wingfield wingding

IT'S going to be a heavy weekend for SAS Wingfield, the South African Navy's "stone frigate" which has been moored alongside Voortrekker Road, Goodwood, for the past three decades.

On Sunday Wingfield's SAN Technical School will be precisely 30 years old, and by way of celebrating it a commemorative cover has been produced — the 10th in the Navy's series of such publications.

Meanwhile, on Saturday morning Wingfield will be granted freedom of entry into Goodwood at a ceremony attended by various civic and military dignitaries, including the Chief of the Navy, Vice-Admiral Glen Syndercombe.

The guests will then attend a luncheon at the Goodwood Civic Centre, and this will be followed by "an afternoon of fun and entertainment" at the base. The final birthday event will be a cocktail party at buffet dinner for invited guests in the Wingfield wardroom.

Any further inquiries may be directed to Sub-Lieutenant P J Claassen at 519-2111, extension 162.

Nyanga squatter leader arrested

By CHRIS ERASMUS

THE leader of the Nyanga Extension squatter community at Crossroads, Mr Alfred Siphika, was arrested in Guguletu police station yesterday immediately after the police station had been searched for equipment that may have been used to torture detainees in police custody.

Mr Siphika was told he was to be charged with the attempted murder of one of the leaders of the "witdoeke", Mr Alton Nijangani.

He was arrested while in the presence of his attorneys and other officials of the Cape Supreme Court who were on hand to conduct the search.

Mr S D Raubenheimer, Mr Siphika's attorney, said he and the legal representatives of Mr Siphika's four co-applicants were not at liberty to disclose any details about the search in terms of the same court order that granted it.

Mr J Murphy, legal representative of other of the applicants, confirmed that he could not reveal details of the search in terms of the court order.

However, it is believed that the court handed down the decision on Tuesday last week, allowing the search of two Peninsula police stations for certain equipment that may have a bearing on allegations by Mr Siphika and his co-applicants that they were tortured while in police custody earlier this year.

Mr Siphika was held at Guguletu police station during April where, it is alleged, he was tortured — including being shocked with electrical equipment.

Mr Siphika's attorneys declined to confirm or deny any aspect of yesterday's events, with the exception of confirming his arrest.

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, confirmed last night that Mr Siphika was being held in Manenberg police station cells and could be charged with attempted murder.

Crossroads: Urban Foundation pulls out

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By LESTER VENTER, Staff Reporter

THE Urban Foundation today withdrew its stewardship of the operation to upgrade Crossroads, claiming that Government policy on the squatter town "legitimises violence as a method of achieving community objectives".

The foundation said the Government had set a "dangerous precedent" in not allowing the more than 30 000 refugees from last week's violence to return to the original sites of their homes.

Many of the refugees would not accept the Government's sole option of moving to Khayelitsha, 40km from Cape Town.

This raised "the strong possibility of forced removals and the further spreading of violence rather than containing it", the foundation's regional director, Mr Colin Appleton, said.

R100 000 pledge

The action does not affect the foundation's R100 000 pledge for interim shelter for refugees, but it does leave the future of the proposed R25-million operation to upgrade Crossroads in serious doubt.

Of this sum, R23-million was to be provided by the Government for major services and R2-million was to come from the private sector.

The foundation had a full-time staff of nine working on the project and preliminary planning was "well advanced", Mr Appleton said.

A stormwater outfall pipe, the first phase, was being installed and R2-million had been mobilised from the foundation's employment creation fund for the internal stormwater reticulation, he said.

Create jobs

Installation was to take place on a labour-intensive basis to create as much employment as possible.

The foundation had been asked by various Crossroads groups and the Government to act as a co-ordinating agency in the upgrading operation.

The foundation regarded the right of residents to remain in Crossroads a founding principle in the project.

The Government announced after last week's violence that refugees from the razed Crossroads communities of Nyanga Bush, Portland Cement and Nyanga Extension would not be allowed to go back to Crossroads, demanding that they move to Khayelitsha.



A concerted effort by welfare organisations is gaining ground as they help Crossroads residents rebuild their lives. Red Cross personnel, members of Shawco and Save The Children Fund prepare to distribute food to refugees living in tents at Khayelitsha.

Sanitation exhausted: Refugees in danger

Staff Reporter

CROSSROADS relief workers have warned that a grave health risk would arise in refugee centres unless sanitation was improved immediately.

A committee of representatives of 11 organisations called on the Divisional Council and the Western Cape Development Board to supplement water supplies with tankers, provide mobile toilets, make available all the existing toilet facilities in the area and collect refuse.

The committee said in a statement today that sanitation problems had been pointed out on Monday to representatives of the council and the board, who promised that the matter would receive immediate attention. By yesterday there had been no response.

"HUMANLY POSSIBLE"

Cape Mental Health, the Nyanga Welfare Centre, the Sacla Clinic, the Islamic Relief Association, the Islamic Medical Association, the Muslim Youth Movement, World Vision, Shawco, the Catholic Welfare Bureau, Jews for Justice and Grassroots Educational Trust are represented on the committee.

The MEC for Hospitals, Mr Koos Theron, told the Provincial Council yesterday that the water shortage at the Zolani Centre at Crossroads was "under control".

He said the Department of Health and the Divisional Council had given an assurance that primary health care needs such as adequate clean water would be provided "as far as is humanly possible".

St John Ambulance workers are running short of supplies and cash.

Its public relations officer, Mrs Anne Botha, said the response last week had been "fantastic" but had dwindled considerably in the past few days. She appealed for more contributions.

"The situation out there hasn't changed but contributions have all but stopped."

Basic foods, blankets, clothing and cash can be delivered to St John Ambulance headquarters at 54 Keerom Street, Cape Town.

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UDF meeting pledges support for refugees

Staff Reporter

MORE than 500 people at a United Democratic Front meeting in Hanover Park pledged their support for moves by Crossroads people to rebuild their devastated camps and their refusal to move to Khayelitsha.

It condemned the Government's bid to force the refugees to move to Khayelithsa, all forced removals and "attempts to smash the democratic organisations of the people".

Mr Dullah Omar said the State was using vigilantes to fight the organisations.

"Vigilantes are the hired tools of the State. In a number of areas the vigilantes have gone out to hunt members of progressive organisations."

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Meeting on security

Dispatch Correspondent

CRADOCK — A meeting to discuss the security position here was attended by the Minister of Health and Welfare and MP for the constituency, Dr G. de V. Morrison, and the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange.

In an interview after the meeting, Dr Morrison said he had come after representations from people who were concerned about the security position in Cradock.

He had personally invited Mr Le Grange as he felt the concern was valid and the minister was sympathetic towards the position. It was better for everyone to have firsthand knowledge of what was being done in an effort to normalise the situation, he said.

The position was discussed in depth by representatives of various groups.

Dr Morrison said it was not possible to go into detail of what was decided but that certain decisions and suggestions were made which would be followed up. When these were evaluated certain measures would become evident.

The main message of the meeting was that there was a lot of goodwill and a desire by the white community to accept the reasonable grievances of blacks and to endeavour to solve these.

Dr Morrison said the will to co-operate must, however, come from both sides.

He said he had gained the impression that whites in Cradock had a lot of sympathy for blacks and wanted peaceful co-existence.

Blacks had a major contribution to make and he trusted that they would realise this and give expression to their needs.

Dr Morrison urged moderate black thinkers to stand up and be counted and to accept the hand of goodwill extended by the white population.

He said responsible attitudes and conduct by blacks and whites were needed as confrontation could not be allowed to continue.

It was obvious the white community was "sick and tired" of the violence prevailing in Lingelihle.

Mr Le Grange said it had to be realised that no unlawful activity by groups on either side would be tolerated.

"We trust that we can rely on the co-operation of everyone concerned."

Mdasco calls for an extended exam date

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The Mdantsane Students' Council (Mdasco) yesterday called on the Ciskei Department of Education to extend the registration date for candidates who will be writing external examination this year.

In a statement signed by Mdasco's publicity secretary, Mr M. Maxegwana, Mdasco also called on the education authorities to allow candidates to use the exam fees they paid last year for this year's exams as they had not written exams last year.

The closing date for registration was May 16.

Students doing standards VIII and X in Ciskei write external exams.

The students said the authorities should grant their request because of the time lost this year and because they had not been supplied with books by the government.

The Ciskei Director-General of Information, Mr Headman Somtunzi, said an academic year was programmed in advance and a timeable for each activity was allocated.

The students had themselves to blame for not meeting the registration deadline as they had been boycotting classes since the beginning of the year, he said.

Mr Somtunzi said examinations entailed costs and it was illogical of the students to think that, because they did not write last year, the fees they had paid could be held over for this year.

The money was used for stationery and other examination requirements and to pay examiners and those who marked the papers.

On the supply of books, Mr Somtunzi said it would be counterproductive if books were supplied while students were boycotting classes.

The students should have attended classes before the books arrived so that teachers could improvise on what was available while waiting for books. The books could not be supplied until normality had returned to the schools, he said.

Mdasco also condemned what it called the "brutal" treatment meted out to Lennox Sebe College of Education students last week.

A woman student died and others were injured during a protest against the holding of a Welsh choir performance at the college hall.

Mdasco said the students should have been consulted before the Welsh choir was called in to give a performance.

Mr Somtunzi said the choir had government approval to perform at the college and the only person who had to be consulted was the head of the college as the college was government property.

He said the government had been tolerant with students at the college for a "long time" and had expected the students to act respectfully if they wanted the government to act accordingly towards them.

The government had a duty to maintain law and order in the country and it would not stand idle when its property was deliberately damaged. The college had been built by the government at "huge" cost and most of the students' demands had been met before the incident, he added.

Mdasco accused the government of lacking "parental feeling".

Mr Somtunzi said had the students acted responsibly, the whole incident would not have happened.

He said members of the government were also parents and had feelings for all children.

Guguletu shack fired; barricades burn in city

Staff Reporter

AN NY21 shack in Guguletu was set alight about 5am today. The occupants were not home and damage was minor.

Last night burning barricades were set up in Coronation Road, Woodstock, near the Holiday Inn. Police said the fires were put out about 11.20pm by the fire brigade.

Police used teargas to disperse about 200 people who stoned two police vehicles in Bluegum Road, Bonteheuwel, about 9pm. There were no injuries and a man was arrested.

PFP, US criticize UDF over rally death

Political Correspondent
and Political Reporter

THE Progressive Federal Party yesterday questioned the failure of the UDF to "unequivocally condemn" the "brutal killing" of Mr Moegsien Abrahams after a rally in Mitchells Plain last Sunday.

And the United States Embassy has condemned the killing in a statement which urged "all parties to examine their statements and actions".

Commenting on recent land-mine deaths in the Eastern Transvaal, the US statement said: "The injustices of apartheid must end, but we unreservedly condemn terrorism as a valid political tactic ....

"In like manner, we find appalling that an official at a UDF meeting in the Cape accused a young man, then senior UDF officials failed to protect him effectively from a mob which killed him.

"Without in any way minimizing the government's obligation to create a climate conducive to dialogue, we urge all parties to examine their statements and actions with a view to ending what appears to be a widening spiral of violence."

'Breeding of hatred'

The UDF has stated while it regretted the death, the organization "cannot and will not take responsibility, whether directly or indirectly for the death".

The UDF statement released on Tuesday submitted that blame for the death rested "on the shoulders of those responsible for the breeding of hatred and anger by their maintenance of apartheid against the will of the people".

Mr Tian van der Merwe, a PFP spokesman on law and order, said in a statement last night that the UDF response to the killing was disappointing — particularly coming after two days of consideration.

"One would have hoped that such savagery would have been unequivocally condemned by an organization committed to peaceful change," he said.

"The public announcement of the presence of Mr Abrahams as being 'unwelcome' turned out to be an indictment, trial and condemnation to death in a matter of one sentence.

'Murderous act'

"While no-one will suggest that this was intended; the chairman may have learnt a lesson from a similar event recently where only the personal physical intervention of Dr Allan Boesak prevented a similarly identified 'unwelcome' guest from being killed," Mr Van der Merwe said.

● In the House of Representatives the leader of the Democratic Workers' Party (DWP), Mr Denis de la Cruz, yesterday described the killing as a "callous and murderous act".

"We totally reject the delayed statement that it was 'apartheid' which caused this tragedy," he said.

The Rev Andrew Julies, Minister of the Budget in the House, said the Labour Party associated itself with the sentiments expressed by Mr De la Cruz.

Boy, 11, hacked to death

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PORT ELIZABETH. — The 11-year-old son of a Grahamstown community councillor has been hacked to death by five men with axes.

A police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Major E Everson, said Andile Qangula attempted to flee when the men approached him, but he was caught and hacked to death.

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US 'appalled' at Plain death

Staff Reporter

THE United States Embassy says it is appalled at the death of a young man after a United Democratic Front meeting in Mitchell's Plain on Sunday.

Mr Moegsien Abrahams was beaten and stabbed to death after fleeing from a meeting at Westridge Civic Centre. He had allegedly been identified as an informer.

In a statement the embassy said it found it "appalling" that an official at a UDF meeting "accused a young man, then senior UDF officials failed to protect him effectively from a mob which killed him".

"Without minimising in any way the Government's obligation to create a climate conducive to dialogue, we urge all parties to examine their statements and actions with a view to ending what appears to be a widening spiral of violence," the stament said.

The murder and the UDF's response to it has also been criticised by members of the Assembly and the House of Representatives.

Mr Tian van der Merwe, PFP MP for Green Point, said the UDF response was disappointing, particularly as it came after two days of consideration.

"One would have hoped that such savagery would have been unequivocally condemned by an organisation committed to peaceful change," he said.

In the House of Representatives, Opposition leader Mr Dennis de la Cruz of the Democratic Workers' Party rejected the UDF statement that apartheid was the cause of Mr Abrahams's death.

The Rev Andrew Julies, Minister of the Budget, said the Labour Party completely associated itself with Mr de la Cruz's statement.

In a statement the UDF expressed regret for his death but refused to accept responsibility.

Who gave Witdoeke guns? — monitor group

Staff Reporter

THE Repression Monitoring Group says it is "strange" that more than 30 people were killed in Crossroads fighting without any witdoeke (conservative township elders) being arrested.

The group's weekly fact sheet claims that witdoek commander Mr Sam Ndima, in a meeting with the Rev David Russell, admitted that the police could remove all the witdoeke in 30 minutes.

The fact sheet says: "Leaders of the uprooted squatter communities said the witdoeke were using flame-throwers and R-1 rifles. One doesn't buy these in the shops — who supplied these weapons?

"A clear trend has emerged over the past year in the use of vigilantes to bring about that which the Government is unable to achieve through the vast array of 'legal' repressive measures at its disposal."

Petition for pupil

Staff Reporter

THE "Save Bradley from Prison Committee", formed to focus on harsh sentences imposed on pupils convicted of public violence, was launched by a group of concerned parents, teachers and students at St George's Cathedral yesterday.

The chairman of the committee, Mr Thaabit Albertus, said the committee aimed to gain public support for Bradley van Niekerk, 18, a pupil at South Peninsula High School, who was sentenced to a year in jail for public violence after throwing a stone at a policeman in October last year.

The committee has drawn up a petition for the public to sign in support of Van Niekerk.

People convicted of public violence face sentences ranging from lashes to five years' imprisonment.

The committee fears that Van Niekerk's sentence could set a precedent for students facing similar charges which would "exacerbate the problems related to education and have serious repercussions".

An appeal to the Supreme Court against his conviction was dismissed and a subsequent application for leave to appeal to the Appellate Division was refused, but his attorneys also intend petitioning the Chief Justice for leave to appeal.

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If this petition fails, Van Niekerk will be imprisoned as a common criminal which would "blemish the character of a young man who has yet to embark on a career", Mr Albertus said.

"Bradley, a standard nine pupil, has never been convicted of a previous offence, is active in his church and was elected sportsman of the year by his baseball club," Mr Albertus said.

He said the committee was focusing on Van Niekerk's case because "it is the first of its kind to reach this advanced stage".

Policemen could be killed, court hears

Mene sentenced to effective 11 years, Tungata to 4 years

By CHRIS RENNIE

THE Port Elizabeth Supreme Court, despite defence appeals that two convicted security policemen would be murdered if they were sent to jail, sentenced the two to long terms yesterday.

Warrant Officer Standford Mene, 33, was sentenced to 21 years, of which he will serve an effective 11, for two counts of murder and one count of attempting to defeat the ends of justice.

Sergeant Butler Tungata was sentenced to seven years, of which he will serve an effective four, on two counts of assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm and one count of attempting to defeat the ends of justice.

The charges all arose out of a shooting incident at the Phakamisa School, Zwide, Port Elizabeth, on July 23 last year.

The court found that Mene had killed 14-year-old Thozamile Manga and 16-year-old Mtobeli Mancam, and Tungata had injured two teachers, Mr Sonwabile Tulela and Mr De Villiers Miza.

A third policeman, Constable Vakele Qayiso, who was charged with them, was acquitted on all counts except one of common assault on a teacher, for which he was cautioned and discharged.

Before sentence was passed, two senior police officers, Major H B du Plessis and Major C J Roelofse, told the court that there was confirmed evidence that the African National Congress had ordered the assassination of Mene and Tungata "at any cost".

Major Du Plessis said there was not a jail in South Africa where the two men would be beyond the reach of the radicals. Mene's house and cars had been burnt repeatedly and Tungata's house had been attacked at least 20 times.

There had also been repeated attacks on their lives.

The reason for this was that both men were dedicated members of a small special unit investigating treason and terrorist activities, he said.

Passing sentence, Mr Justice Solomon said the danger to the men in jail was something that he was not in a position to assess, nor was it a factor that he was entitled to take into consideration.

"Nobody knows better than I the difficulties and provocation the police have to endure under present circumstances," said the judge.

But it was clear that the two men had attempted to defeat the ends of justice in order to protect themselves against what they clearly appreciated was punishment for their illegal acts. This was an serious offence at all times, but even more serious in the case of policemen.

On the shooting charges he said no man was entitled to take the life of another unlawfully. The position was aggravated when the person concerned was entrusted with upholding law and order.

He said he had heard a great deal of evidence in extenuation and mitigation.

"But I have not heard a single word about the two young men whose lives you took, or the two teachers you injured."

He said if there had been any truth in the story that they had been attacked at the school, the position would have been different.

But whatever faults the children might have had and whatever misdemeanours they might have committed under the emergency regulations at the time, they had done nothing to warrant being shot.

After being addressed by Mr C Jansen, SC, Mr Justice Solomon granted an application for both Mene and Tungata to appeal against both conviction and sentence.

Mr J de Villiers and Mr J A F Nel sat as assessors. Mr W Kingsley appeared for the State. Mr Jansen, who appeared for Mene and Tangata, was assisted by Mr H J Liebenberg and instructed by P van Staden, Venter and Co. Mr G Lotz and Mr J Wessels, instructed by Arderne, Lifson and Hanekon, appeared for Qayiso.

Cold, rain hit refugees

Staff Reporters

RELIEF organizations announced they would set up a consolidated refugee camp for the 35 000 homeless as a cold front moved over the Peninsula yesterday, bringing rain, low temperatures and misery to the Crossroads refugees.

By late yesterday, bulldozers and front-end loaders had cleared over half the 25 hectares of gutted shacks and twisted metal which is all that remains of the squatter community.

As the race to salvage materials and possessions before the bulldozers moved in continued, refugees were lashed by a gale-force north-westerly wind and had at times to dodge jagged sheets of corrugated iron flung about by the storm.

Diseases

Cape Town's Medical Officer of Health, Dr Reg Coogan, said that with so many refugees exposed to the cold there was a likelihood of an increase of infectious diseases such as tuberculosis, measles, gastro-enteritis, bronchitis and pneumonia.

Early yesterday, United Democratic Front patron and president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, Dr Allan Boesak, toured the ruins.

After visiting Nyanga Extension, Zolani Centre the Holy Cross Church and KTC, Dr Boesak said he "had no doubt that what we have here is the deliberate outcome of a clear government decision to have Crossroads cleared".

He said it was clear KTC was the next target.

Dr Boesak's tour followed his meeting with the 21 squatter leaders on Tuesday who asked him to visit the area and intervene to prevent the same destruction happening at KTC.

'Controllable'

Dr Boesak said he "saw no point in making representations to the authorities, because they are responsible".

The government wanted "a small controllable Crossroads with a community council — the people who are now homeless refuse to participate in community councils", he said.

People were "far less afraid of the other faction than the police" and they believed they could not have been harmed by the witdoeke without the help of the police.

Police have denied

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taking sides in the conflict.

Dr Boesak said the squatter leaders believed the government planned to drive people out of Crossroads to Khayelitsha "but they say they will not go, and there is a greater determination on the part of the people to move back".

"When I said that their remaining in Crossroads could mean the police could come again, they said they would rather be killed than leave," Dr Boesak said.

New camp

Meanwhile, a new squatter community is rising alongside Lansdowne Road in Nyanga East, site of the first Red Cross emergency camp, and about 30 shacks have already been built.

Negotiations have started to set up a consolidated refugee camp, probably in the vicinity of the Zolani Centre in Nyanga East.

Mr Graham Lawrence, director of housing for the Western Cape Development Board, said the idea of the refugee camp had been proposed at a meeting with the Red Cross and the Urban Foundation and originated in a request from the Divisional Council for additional water and toilet facilities at Zolani.

'Majority'

"Since the majority of squatters are at Zolani and the basic toilet and water facilities have to be extended there, it was decided to try to extend the area of assistance and set up a refugee tent camp on the sport fields behind the Nyanga clinic," said Mr Lawrence.

He said he had been in touch with the lawyers of Mr Melford Yamile to assess squatter opinion on the issue.

Meanwhile, the short-term relief operation continues. Specific requests from welfare agencies yesterday included:

● A request from the Red Cross for the public to hold back on the donation of clothes. "The clothes have to be sorted as they arrive and have to be stored under cover and at the moment we don't have that storage space," said Mrs Ros Morris, public relations officer.

● Mrs Ann Botha of St John Ambulance requested at least 600 blankets and said trained nurses were still needed to replace St John staff who have been working day and night.

Donations announced yesterday included R2 000 from District 935 of Rotary International to the Red Cross for the provision of blankets, food and medical supplies. The Cape Town branch of the Society of St Vincent de Paul donated R4 500 worth of blankets and food.

The latest edition of the Ned Geref Kerk newspaper said about 400 homeless Crossroads residents were being cared for at the Nyanga Ned Geref Kerk in Afrika, which borders on the burnt-down squatter camp.

The "Kerkbode" said residents were helped through the Red Cross and asked parishes or members wanting to contribute to the relief effort to contact Ds Kobus Thom at ☎ 24-9160 or Ds Ndzotho at ☎ 31-0554.

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Witdoeke 'threatened to behead me'

Staff Reporter

A GUGULETU resident told the Progressive Federal Party unrest monitoring committee that he was abducted by Crossroads witdoeke, threatened with decapitation and held in a makeshift cell.

He told the committee this week that he and five friends — three of them women — were driving through Crossroads about 10pm on Saturday.

After being stoned by witdoeke the car was stopped at a roadblock in Lansdowne Road.

His group was confronted by at least 20 witdoeke who asked whether they were rival comrades. They denied that they were.

He said he jumped out of the car and escaped into the township but was stopped by another patrolling witdoek group.

"They told me they were going to take me to a dam and behead me."

He was slapped repeatedly and then locked in a cell in a converted school building with about 15 others.

He and the three women were released the following day after relatives paid "fines" of R25 each on their behalf.

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CROSSROADS

PFP backing for Urban Foundation

THE Progressive Federal Party today backed the Urban Foundation's withdrawal from the Crossroads upliftment programme.

The move should "highlight the enormity of the Government's mishandling of the situation", the PFP said.

Mr Roger Hulley, Cape provincial leader of the party, said the foundation's step was a devastating indictment of the Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Chris Heunis, and his department.

It lent credibility to the accusations that Mr Heunis's department was cynically exploiting the Crossroads tragedy to achieve the dubious and contentious policy of removing blacks from Crossroads to Khayelitsha.

Former homes

Mr Hulley said he agreed with the foundation that Mr Heunis's denial of the right of residents to return to their former homes should they wish was nothing less than a massive forced removal. It legitimised violence as a method of achieving community objectives.

The PFP's parliamentary caucus today also called for a judicial inquiry into recent events at Crossroads in the light of serious allegations. These concerned the role of the police and the removal of people to Khayelitsha.

The caucus called for concerted Government relief measures to aid thousands of people who had been made homeless.

Churchmen

● Forty clerics and church workers, including Dr Allan Boesak, claim that the destruction of shacks at Crossroads can be interpreted only as a form of eviction.

The 40 said they believed the Government was involved in the fighting last week. They issued hundreds of pamphlets yesterday explaining the "reality of Crossroads".

They rejected reports that the violence was caused by faction fighting.

Among those who signed the pamphlets were Dr Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, the Right Rev P Matolengwe of the Anglican Church, the Rev Wesley Mabusa of the Methodist Church, Ms Emma Huismans, co-ordinator of Crisis News and the Rev J Seremane of the South African Council of Churches. — Political Correspondent and Staff Reporter.

Italian Consul in appeal for Crossroads

Staff Reporter

THE Italian Consul, Dr F Calabresi today appealed to the Italian community for aid for Crossroads refugees.

He said the generosity of Italians was enough guarantee of the success of his initiative.

Collection points would be the Italian clubs in Donegal Street, Rugby, and Frater Street, Paarl.

The central depot for contributions to the relief effort, Mini Storage Nationwide near D F Malan Airport, will be closed tomorrow, Republic Day.

Gifts will be accepted from 9.30am on Monday.

BLANKETS

Routine services to Nyanga and Crossroads such as clinics and refuse collection were "almost back to normal", Shawco warden Mr Derek Livesey said today.

Shawco had two mobile clinics operating daily and was still distributing food, blankets and warm clothing.

The Medical Association of South Africa has asked members to help at Crossroads.

Volunteers, who will work at Shawco's clinics, should contact the dean's office at UCT medical school, ☎ 47 1250.

The Rooibos Tea Board has contributed a ton of rooibos tea.

General manager Mr Piet Saayman said the black community was a big consumer of rooibos tea and "we felt morally obliged to assist".

The Red Cross is coordinating the supply of food, clothing, blankets and other essentials from the central depot to agencies for distribution at relief centres.

"There has been a tremendous demand for blankets," said spokesman Mrs Ros Morris.

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School riots: outside influences blamed

Dispatch Reporter

BISHO — The quality of education in higher primary schools was generally good but the standard of tuition had declined in certain areas, the acting Minister of Education, Mr Ntandazo Pityi, said yesterday.

Delivering the department's policy speech in the National Assembly here, Mr Pityi said pupils in higher primary schools had been targets of disruptive elements who intimidated them not to attend classes.

The intimidation of pupils and disruption of classes occurred frequently in townships and in certain rural areas.

Mr Pityi said the unrest and riots were instigated and orchestrated from outside Ciskei by elements who believed that by abusing and denigrating governments of national states they were nearing the goal of their so-called liberation.

The department was paying serious attention to the training of teachers.

"Full credit must be given to last year's teacher trainees for resisting the pressure to stop them from writing their final examinations. Their resistance shows maturity and national responsibility."

THE CROSSROADS AFTERMATH: 30 000 PEOPLE ARE HOMELESS, BUT THEY STILL REFUSE TO BE RESETTLED ...

What the bulldozers never managed, the 'witdoeke' achieved



Left: The military intervene after the Crossroads fighting is over, erecting barriers to seal off the township
Picture: DAVE HARTMAN (Afrapix).

By MOIRA LEVY in Cape Town



On their knees before parliament: Crossroads women plead for their rights
Picture: GUY TILLIM (Afrapix)

"THE fastest and cheapest forced removal we have ever seen." That's how one commentator described last week's violence in the Crossroads squatter camp.

Johnson Ngxobongwana and his armed "witdoeke" vigilantes may have accomplished in two days last week what the Western Cape Development Board have tried for two years to achieve.

The three main satellite squatter settlements that have, over the years, been built up on the fringes of Crossroads have been completely wiped out.

And although leaders Melford Yamile, Christopher Toise and Alfred Sipeke have for years resisted all efforts to move the squatters to the resettlement township of Khayelitsha, the Cape Town authorities are adamant that they will not be allowed to return to their devastated Crossroads sites.

Representing about 30 000 people, the squatter leaders, now living as refugees in church halls or in sympathisers' homes, still vow they will not be moved. But aerial views of the site of last week's battles show not a single shack still standing in the area under their leadership.

"This has also been the cheapest (removal) for the government, both in political and economic costs," according to Laureen Platzky, a long-standing anti-removals campaigner.

"Politically, the government has kept its hands clean. And the disaster has been seen as an act of so-called black-on-black violence.

"In economic terms, Pick 'n Pay, the United States government, the people of Cape Town and all the others who have donated money and given support, have footed the bill for the devastation.

"The Western Cape Development Board and the SA Defence Force have maintained a benevolent image, supplying tents as though there had been a natural disaster," she said.

While some refugees moved into the tents hastily erected in Khayelitsha, many more are biding their time, sleeping along the roadside or in the nearby KTC camp, determined to return to their old sites when the dust settles.

But, according to Platzky, the conflict is likely to continue. "Some of the people went to Khayelitsha because they were terrified and desperate. But there is no way the core of the community will put up with this kind of treatment.

"All along they have refused to move, and they won't accept being forced out of the area this time either."

Resistance to removals in Crossroads has been going on for more than 10 years and, commentators say, the present conflict between the different factions in the squatter community must be understood against the background of that struggle.

Shortages of land are at the crux of the squatters' disputes, according to the Reverend Syd Luckett, who has played an important role in attempting to bring the warring factions together.

"As the communities grew there was a scarcity of land and tremendous competition for a place to erect a shack," he told a public meeting this week.

"Tension developed and the Administration Board, wittingly or unwittingly, contributed towards this by promising the same land to different groups."

Government promises to upgrade Crossroads worsened the conflict: only about 5 000 families, representing between 25 000 and 30 000 people, were to be accommodated in the new township. The remainder of the total squatter population of 200 000 would have to move.

To encourage people to leave the area, they were offered 18-month permits to live and work in the urban area of Cape Town and a stay on all evictions of illegal migrants out of the city — on condition they agreed to move to Khayelitsha.

"Most of the people who were issued with permits were part of Ngxbonogwana's group. Thousands of people were left out. That has been a point of conflict ever since," Platzky explained.

The squatters under the leadership of Yamile, Toise and Sipeke rejected the offer outright. "They demanded full urban rights before they would even negotiate moving to Khayelitsha. It is these three groupings who are now the victims and the targets of this devastation."

But they are not the only targets of the "witdoeke", so called because of their white bandannas and armbands.

The township youth, who during the State of Emergency often sought refuge in the satellite squatter camps where the lack of roads and street lighting made policing impossible, formed strong bonds with Yamile, Toise and Sipeke's communities.

According to Luckett, Yamile has refused police requests to hand over the youth. "It has become imperative to the police that the area be cleared. These areas have become havens for the youth. This the police cannot tolerate."

For Ngxbonogwana too, the youth pose a threat to his authority. A number of organisations, including the UDF-affiliated Cape Youth Congress (Cayco) and the United Womens Congress (UWC), have expressed opposition to what they allege is the corruption and authoritarianism of Ngxbonogwana's committee.

They are spearheading the growing resistance with the community to levies demanded by the committee, which they claim have been used by committee members for their private gain. "They are questioning how and why Ngxbonogwana has five cars," Platzky said.

Dubbed the "comrades", they have won the backing of many former members of the Crossroads Committee who resigned in protest against what they called the "undemocratic" committee elections in February in which only 5 000 people voted out of an adult population of 87 000.

"The elections had no credibility. People were told by Ngxbongwana that they had to pay R15 to vote. Organisations like the Black Sash, the Urban Foundation and the Western Province Council of Churches, who were asked to monitor the elections, refused because they did not believe it would be free and democratic," Platzky said.

Shortly after the elections, Ngxbonogwana's committee sent a memorandum to Minister of Constitutional Affairs and Develoment, Chris Heunis, offering to act as a link between the government and the squatter community, and requesting that plans for upgrading the area be set in motion.

Their demands included the building of tennis courts, four-roomed houses, police cells to ensure the maintenance of "law and order" and a clinic. Ngxbongwana has more than once tried to close down the existing clinic, claiming that it is staffed mainly by "comrades".

"If Ngxbongwana wants four-roomed houses, a lot of people will have to move to make space for development. This fits in well with the government's plans."

Part of the government's plan to upgrade Crossroads, first mooted by the then Minister of Cooperation and Development, Dr Piet Koornhof, involves incorporating an adjacent stretch of land where the KTC squatter camp has been established and where many of the squatter refugees are now in hiding.



Picking up the pieces: As a bulldozer clears the wreckage, a Crossroads woman salvages what she can to build a new home
Picture: GUY TILLIM (Afrapix)

This week there were fears in KTC of an imminent clash with the "witdoeke". Residents claim that members of the police and SADF swept through the area last Friday warning the community to move to Khayelitsha, or face the same fate as the other squatters.

The threats are being taken seriously. This week, six squatter leaders won a temporary interdict in the Cape Town Supreme Court restraining the police, army and "witdoeke" from participating in or permitting unlawful attacks on people or property in the KTC squatter camp.

The squatter leaders claim that the application was brought because they had reason to fear that "the destruction of homes has been part of a systematic plan and that KTC is the next township that will be attacked".

In 45 affidavits before the court, it was claimed that police had supplied the "witdoeke" with arms and ammunition and had actively participated in the burning of houses and attacks on squatters. KTC resident Zenzile Memani, stated: "I was amazed and shocked at the passivity of the South African Police and the soldiers in the face of continued attempts by the 'witdoeke' to attack and burn down the communities with impunity and without fear of police or army intervention against them.

"When I did see the SAP and the soldiers take any action it was invariably against members of the community who were being attacked and groupings of 'refugees' from the burning community and never against the 'witdoeke'.

"There was a strong presence of SAP and soldiers and I had no doubt that if they had wished to quell the fighting, they could have done so within a very short period of time and well before there was any substantial damage done to the three communities."

Another squatter, Stormong Madubela, claims in his affidavit that he saw two policemen, dressed in blue, walking among the shacks in one of the squatter settlements. "On two occasions I saw policemen fire what looked like teargas grenades at shacks whereupon flames shot up and fires started which burnt down these shacks."

Shots fired at police in Lingelihle township

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Shots were fired at a police vehicle in Lingelihle township, Cradock, on Wednesday night.

A spokesman for the police in Pretoria said a police vehicle was also stoned in another incident at about 8 pm on Wednesday. He said police used tearsmoke to disperse the mob.

In Joza township, Grahamstown, a private house was petrol-bombed at 9.50 pm on Wednesday and extensively damaged.

There were no injuries or arrests reported.

● According to last night's SAP unrest report a truck was was set alight in Duncan Village.

Police arrested two men after a delivery vehicle was looted in Soweto, Johannesburg. Another delivery vehicle was burned.

Police used tearsmoke and shotgun fire to disperse a mob in one of several stonethrowing incidents in Tembisa on the East Rand. One man was injured.

In Duduza, also East Rand, a post office was set alight.

Police used teargas and arrested three men when groups stoned police and private vehicles and erected street barricades in Tumahole, Parys.

A development board policeman there was stabbed to death and his house burned, a beer-hall slightly damaged by arsonists and a shop looted. Police arrested eight women after firing teargas at the looters.

At Daveyton, East Rand, a bottle store, a delivery vehicle and two private vehicles were set alight.

A woman was stabbed to death by a mob at Dambuza near Edendale in Natal.

At Mbekweni near Paarl, a private vehicle was set alight.

At Schweizer Reneke, a private vehicle and a shop were stoned.

Meanwhile a Daily Dispatch correspondent reports from Pietermaritzburg that a man died and two KwaZulu policemen were seriously injured when two groups forced an unofficial police vehicle off the road and attacked the occupants at Mpumalanga township near Hammarsdale this week.

A senior police spokesman said five police officers, from Ulundi, wearing plain clothes, and two passengers were driving through the township, in an unmarked kombi when they were forced off the road by two groups in a motor car and a kombi.

Sapa reports from Johannesburg that several pupils at Mabewana Higher Primary School, in Mapetla, Soweto, were injured when police in a riot control vehicle teargassed two schools yesterday.

A Major Kotze of the riot squad confirmed the incident and said police had to act when pupils at Seanamarema High School nearby, stoned a police vehicle.

Teachers at the schools condemned the police action, saying it was uncalled for and provocative.

Setback for Crossroads scheme

THE Urban Foundation is withdrawing from the R25m programme to upgrade Crossroads because government plans conflict with principles it sees as essential for success.

Colin Appleton, Western Cape regional director, said yesterday: "Following the violence of the past week, the foundation has been informed by government that it intends:

☐ Establishing a committee under the chairmanship of Mr T Bezuidenhout to manage the upgrading;

☐ Disallowing any persons evicted from Crossroads from returning;

☐ Re-settling those displaced in Khayelitsha;

☐ Negotiating with the groups remaining in Crossroads on upgrading proposals;

☐ Initially commencing the upgrading in the area now laid waste."

LINDA ENSOR

The foundation believed it essential for Crossroads residents to have the right to remain and for the community to participate in the planning and implementation of the scheme.

The refusal to allow residents to return "legitimises violence as a method of achieving community objectives and sets a dangerous precedent".

"In addition, many former residents will not wish to move to Khayelitsha, raising the strong possibility of forced removal and the further spreading, rather than containing, of violence."

The foundation was chosen by the Crossroads community and government to act as co-ordinator of the programme.

Crossroads: US concern

WASHINGTON. — The United States yesterday said it was concerned about widespread charges that the South African Police incited fighting among blacks that devastated much of the Crossroads squatter camp.

The US also criticized police attempts to move the camp's inhabitants.

The State Department spokesman, Mr Charles Redman, told reporters: "We have noted with concern reports of the widespead charges of police complicity in the destruction and killing that has occurred in places like Crossroads."

It added that it was not in a position to verify the charges.

The SAP and government deny allegations that security forces have aided pro-government vigilantes. — Sapa

UDF's 'final word' on death

Staff Reporter

THE United Democratic Front yesterday responded to criticisms levelled at the organization over its response to the death of Mr Moegsien Abrahams, who was beaten and stabbed after a UDF rally in Westridge last Sunday.

Criticism of the UDF from a number of sources, including the Progressive Federal Party, the United States Embassy and the House of Representatives, came after a UDF statement said that while the organization regretted the death, it "cannot and will not take responsibility, whether directly or indirectly for the death".

The UDF, in its "final word" on Mr Abrahams' death, released a statement by Mr Trevor Manuel, the UDF's Western Cape publicity secretary, yesterday. The statement said:

"In the light of the present criticism levelled against the UDF we wish to re-iterate the views expressed in our earlier statement on the death of Mr Moegsien Abrahams.

"These criticisms emanate from two sources. The one group consists of people who are genuinely concened whilst the other consists of people attempting to deride the UDF in order to boost their own embattled legitimacy," the statement said.

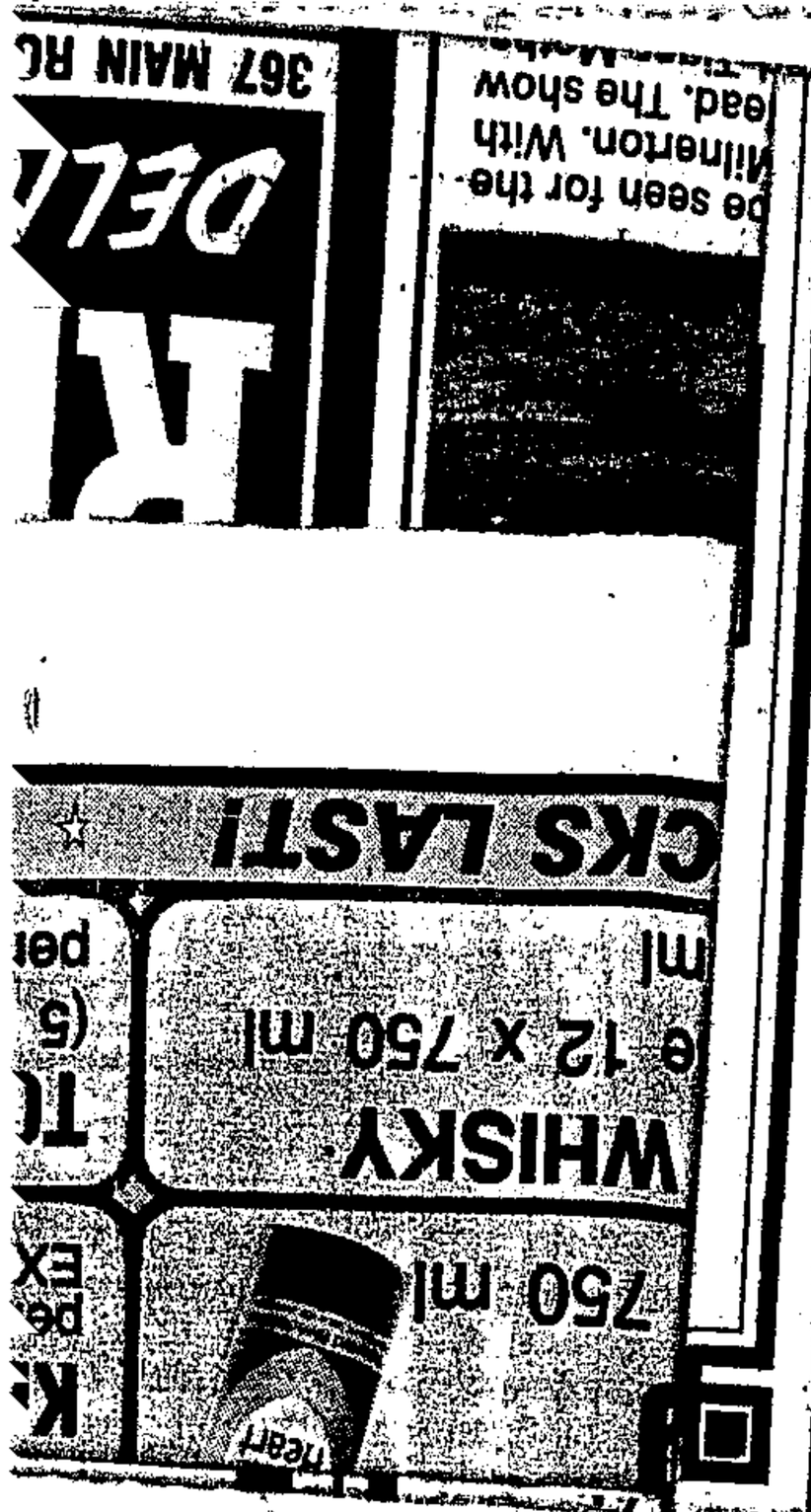
"The latter grouping, who have been most vociferous, have clearly not been present at the meeting.

"If they were they would know that at no stage did the chairperson Mr Adam point or single out any individual present as being persona non grata.

"He had merely requested that unwelcome guests should leave," the UDF statement said.

"The misrepresentation of his role is central to much of the adverse criticism levelled at the UDF.

"We must, however, point out that at no stage were the facts checked out with us. This is the UDF's final word on the matter."



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Siphika 'confused' by questions

Court Reporter

THE bail application of Nyanga Extension Squatter Camp leader, Mr Alfred Siphika, was interrupted in the Langa Magistrate's Court yesterday when he covered his face with his hands and complained that he had been finding it very difficult to answer the questions of the prosecutor as he was becoming confused with dates and places.

Mr Siphika, 41, of New Crossroads, is appearing in connection with a charge of attempted murder of a man who is alleged to be a "witdoek". He has not been asked to plead.

When the prosecutor, Mr N Erasmus, requested that the hearing be held in camera, Mr Siphika's representative, Mr S Raubenheimer, asked whether this could apply only to the policemen's evidence.

The magistrate, Mr D Visagie, said: "I've got a very busy roll today and I don't want this to turn into a political trial."

During the in-camera application, the proceedings were stopped, and Mr Siphika was referred to a district surgeon for an examination. He was also seen by his two private doctors.

The application was adjourned to Monday when a District Surgeon's report will be handed in to the court.

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Crossroads refugees pour into Khayelitsha

Staff Reporters

AT LEAST 2 500 Crossroads refugees have moved to the temporary relief site at Khayelitsha, and about 350 are living in hastily-erected shacks near the now-bulldozed 25ha site of their former homes.

One squatter camp in Nyanga East alongside Lansdowne Road had yesterday grown to about 50 shacks, while in nearby Zwelitsha 20 shacks have been erected since Thursday.

Soldiers and policemen in Buffels and Casspirs patrolled the perimeters of the 25ha enclosure.

Soldiers conducted foot patrols near Zwelitsha after shots were reportedly fired, witnesses said. Captain Jan Calitz, a police liaison officer, said police had no record of shots having been fired but it was entirely possible that foot patrols had been conducted.

The once-thriving 35 000-strong community of the devastated Portlands Cement, Nyanga Bush and Nyanga Extension squatter camps is being housed in tents and church and community halls.

The three camps were razed during last week's fighting which left at least 44 dead and stirred a storm of protest over allegations that police supported conservative "witdoeke".

At the Zolani Centre, St John Ambulance workers are treating about 98 small children a day. The children are suffering "mainly minor ailments" but workers appealed for nutritional milks and cereals, while volunteer cooks at refugee marquees appealed for cooking utensils.

"We've got plenty of food but people are getting very hungry because we can't cook it fast enough in these little pots and cookers," one refugee said.

Hard-pressed University of Cape Town student volunteers at the Shawco community services truck appealed for relief workers to "help out" once study-leave for exams begins next week. Volunteers should telephone the Shawco student office at ☎ 69-8531 ext 762.

One delivery truck is transporting water to the six relief stations. "We're simply not coping, each place needs at least 400 litres of water and we can't deliver enough in a day," one driver said.

Late yesterday it was still unclear who is to take over the Urban Foundation's role in upgrading Crossroads. Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud, Crossroads' appointed "peacemaker", declined to comment.

Mr Sampie Steenkamp, public relations officer for the Western Cape Development Board, said there were now 2 500 people at the temporary relief site at Khayelitsha and "people are still coming".

Refugees wishing to move to Khayelitsha should report to the WCDB offices in Nyanga.

● The Red Cross's central collection depot at Mini Storage Nationwide near D F Malan airport will be closed today.

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'Comrade' saves man from necklace

By BENITO PHILLIPS

A HANOVER Eastern Cape Development Board clerk is living "in exile" with his wife and three-month-old baby after he was nearly necklaced.

Stanley Sonamzi – who has since resigned as Hanover Residents' Association executive member – said he was attacked as he walked home last April 28.

He said his life was saved by a "comrade" – who stepped between him and his attackers as one was about to soak him with petrol while a tyre dangled around his neck.

This gave him the chance to escape.

He was taken to De Aar's Karoo Hospital with three serious knife wounds – one had pierced his lungs.

While he was in hospital, the HRA asked him to return – as they did not believe he was an informer.

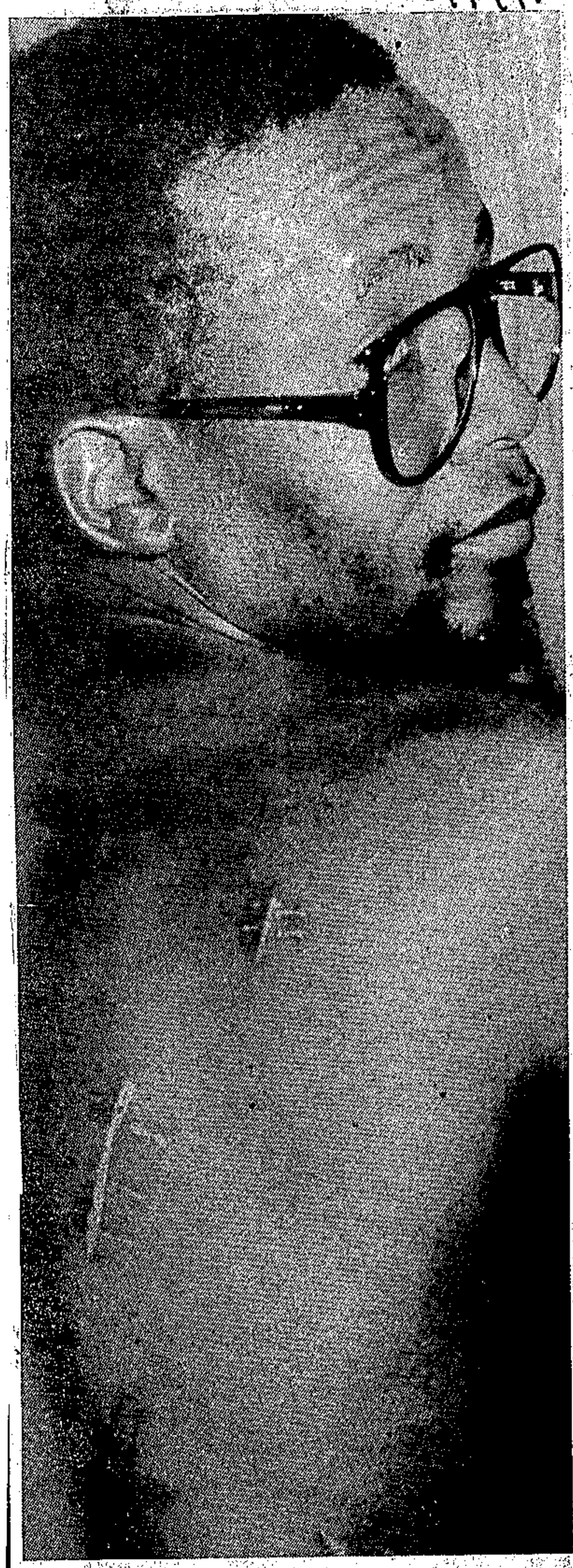
But he thought it unwise, as the car of an HRA executive member who had taken him to hospital had been burnt.

"After my discharge from hospital, I told my wife to bring my child and join me in exile from my community."

On May 4 he attended a Hanover meeting to discuss the attack on him.

Sonamzi said though his attackers were present at the meeting they did not defend their actions.

Sonamzi said he was not prepared to bring charges against his assailants because his life would be in danger.



Stanley Sonamzi shows where he was stabbed – one wound pierced his lungs.

Court stops cop assault

STUDENTS at Ciskei's Lennox Sebe College of Education – scene of clashes between police and students last week – were granted an interim order in the Supreme Court this week restraining cops from assaulting them.

The order – granted on the agreement of the students and Justice Minister David Takane, Police Commissioner Edwin Kutta and college rector C Hurter – follows the death of a student and the assault of several others.

Students also asked Judge B Pickard to order the homeland authorities to take immediate steps to reopen the college.

In affidavits before the court, the students said the police had been unprovoked. They also feared that the police would return and assault them again, they said.

In a statement – read by state counsel PJ de Bruyn – Education Minister Brown Bityi said:

"There has been continuous unrest at the college which culminated in the events of May 23. The authorities had no option but to close the college. It will re-open on July 15."

The return date for the application is August 1. – **Veritas News Agency.**

Crossroads refugees hit by misery

AS a massive cold front brought rain and freezing misery to Crossroads refugees yesterday, relief organisations announced they would set up a consolidated refugee camp at Zolani Centre for the 35 000 homeless.

Bulldozers and front-end loaders were clearing the gutted shacks and twisted metal – all that remains of the once-thriving community.

Cape Town medical health officer Dr Reg Coogan said that with so many refugees exposed to the cold, infectious diseases such as tuberculosis, measles, gastroenteritis, bronchitis and pneumonia could increase.

Early yesterday, United Democratic Front patron and World Alliance of Reformed Churches president Dr Allan Boesak toured the Crossroads ruins at the invitation of 21 squatter leaders – who urged him to prevent similar destruction at KTC.

After visiting Nyanga Extension, Zolani Centre, the Holy Cross Church and KTC, Boesak said he "had no doubt that what we have here is the deliberate outcome of a clear government decision to have Crossroads cleared."

He said it was clear KTC was the next target.

The government wanted "a small, controllable Crossroads with a community council – and the people who are now homeless refuse to participate in community councils", he said.

Boesak spoke to many residents who claimed police had helped the vigilantes.

A Western Cape police spokesman said he had nothing further to say on the allegations. Police have repeatedly denied taking sides in the conflict. – Sapa

"The stories I have heard are horrific," Boesak said.

Two shot in Fingo Village incidents

Dispatch Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH — A 21-year-old man and a youth have been seriously wounded in separate incidents in which two members of the South African Police were attacked in Fingo Village, Grahamstown, on Friday evening.

A 17-year-old youth is in a serious condition in Port Elizabeth's Livingstone Hospital after being wounded in the forehead and stomach while allegedly wrestling for possession of a policeman's shotgun.

According to the duty police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant Cecil Vermaak, the policeman and his teenage sister were walking in Fingo Village when they were accosted by a group of 15 youths, one of whom grabbed his weapon.

Three shots were fired during the struggle. The youth was admitted to the Settlers Hospital in Grahamstown and later transferred to the Livingstone Hospital.

In a separate incident in the same area, a 21-year-old man was wounded in the neck after a policeman guarding a Rini town councillor's house was threatened by a man wielding a firearm.

The policeman fired a shot from his shotgun, wounding the man who is under police guard in the Settlers Hospital.

● At Maclear a township house was stoned, according to last night's police unrest report. The owner fired eight rounds with his firearm and slightly wounded a man who was arrested by police.

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● An urgent application by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor of the University of the Witwatersrand, Mr Mervyn Shear, brought before the Rand Supreme Court on Saturday morning secured the release from custody of 43 students and five lecturers.

The commanding officer of the Hillbrow Police Station, Colonel P Olckers, and CID District Officer, W Blignaut, were ordered by Justice A Vermooten to release them immediately, pending their court appearance today.

● A contingent of riot police armed with shotguns, teargas and sjamboks, for the third day in succession entered the University of the Witwatersrand campus on Saturday afternoon to stop a mass meeting of the Education Charter Campaign Committee.

Rage as teargas forces mourners to drop coffins



Picture: PIERRE OOSTHUYSEN, The Argus.

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Religion Reporter

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The tragic life of Madodekhaya Gxenya, 15

From KEN VERNON, The Argus Correspondent, PORT ELIZABETH

A 15-year-old black boy, who at the age of 12, was already a convicted thief and murderer, has been stoned to death by township "comrades" after being suspected of complicity in the rape and murder of a 12-year-old girl.

The story of the short and tragic life of the boy, Madodekhaya Gxenya, has revealed a glimpse of the squalid and brutal life led by scores of township waifs, and illustrates the confusion some black parents face when political considerations have to be taken into account in the daily task of protecting their children.

It is a story that most white families, living in the safety and security of stable white suburbs will find difficult, perhaps impossible, to understand.

Madodekhaya Gxenya first made headlines in October 1983 when he was convicted by a Port Elizabeth court of culpable homicide after he had stabbed a 43-year-old man to death over a R2 gambling debt.

He was sentenced to five cuts, and within hours of the sentence being carried out, he was back on the streets, the only home he had known since his father deserted his mother and he went into the streets looking for the food his mother could not provide.

His quick mind and hands led him to become an "opener" for the township gambling game of "anchor and crown", holding the gambler's money and shaking the tin containing the dice that decided the winners and losers.

The street-wise 12-year-old began to run with an older and wilder group, sniffing glue, drinking and smoking and sleeping in whatever shelter presented itself at the end of the day.

AFTER his conviction and sudden noteriety, he was taken in by the Port Elizabeth Child Welfare Society, who sent him to school for the first time in his young life. But then, as now, there was no place where he could live and once back in his mother's foodless shanty, the imperative to earn his livelihood drew him away from school and back into the company of his vagrant friends, and inevitably back into the hands of the police.

Within six months, he had been arrested in the company of some friends in a stolen car, and that was the last heard of the boy until his lonely death on a saltpan area near Kleiskool township two weeks ago.

Ironically, Madodekhaya met his death not at the hands of rival criminals, but from the politically orientated "comrades", and his death has shed light on the anguished position of parents in the present politically divided townships in the Eastern Cape.

Madodekhaya was pointed out to the comrades by the family of a 12-year-girl, who had been abducted while selling meat in the township, and raped and stabbed to death.

However, instead of going straight to the police, as would have normally been the case not so long ago, the family first went to the so called "progressive community organisations" for guidance.

THE family were faced with a dilemma common to townships in the Eastern Cape, that the mere presence of police at their home might tag them with the lable of informers, meaning a possibly gruesome death without trial at the hands of the "comrades."

Just two weeks before the girl's death, another 13-year-old girl was also raped and the mother went to the police. Unfortunately, either some "comrades" or friends of comrades were somehow implicated in the rape of the girl and the mother was subsequently threatened with the "necklace" for informing.

So instead of Madodekhaya and two of his friends being pointed out to the police, and perhaps undergoing trial for the girl's murder, they were instead pointed out to the comrades.

They were led to an isolated spot, and in spite of their pleas of innocence, were stoned and stabbed to death, one youth survived by feigning death to tell the story.

The circle of violence was completed, the child killer being killed by other child killers.

In 1984 an editorial in a local Eastern Cape paper pointed out that Madodekhaya desperately needed help if he was going to be able to escape the forces that had already made him a killer at 12, otherwise it continued, he was "doomed for a future of imprisonment or even worse".

Police teargas mourners

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By CHRIS STEYN

MOURNERS were forced to abandon the coffins of four unrest victims when police fired teargas into a "peaceful" funeral procession near Guguletu's United Methodist Church at the weekend.

A spokesman for the PFP unrest monitoring and action committee, Mr Jan van Eck, said he had never been more "shocked" by police action than in this case of "sheer police provocation".

The coffins, which contained the bodies of Messrs Ayanda "Ace" Silika, 29, Lukanyiso Finye, 19, Elliot Sondzandsa Phillip, 22, and Douglas Dyabuza, 19, were dropped in front of oncoming Casspirs as the pallbearers fled the clouds of teargas.

Three of the victims were killed during the recent fighting at Crossroads and the fourth was shot by police while allegedly trying to escape after he had been arrested for the murder of 24-year-old Constable Patrick Legong.

A Roman Catholic priest who attended the service, Father J A Lorriman, told the Cape Times yesterday that he was approached by riot squad chief Major Dolf Odendaal and another policeman before the service on Saturday afternoon. They had told him: "No ANC flags."

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"But the police had already seen it, and — without warning — they started firing teargas. We were all choking and the coffins had to be dropped."

He said the crowd was again "harassed" by police after mourners had recovered sufficiently to pick up the coffins and proceed towards the cemetery.

Campaign of harassment

Mr Van Eck said the police action was an attempt by police to intimidate Crossroads refugees.

"It is part of a whole campaign of harassment of a community which is being forced to move. If this happened at a white funeral, there would have been a civil war," he said.

Police spokesman Captain Jan Calitz yesterday admitted that a "lot of teargas" was fired.

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Police had approached the crowd and ordered them to put away the ANC flags, but they had refused. Police had again asked the crowd to disperse. Once again, they had refused.

Police then fired "a lot of teargas" and the crowd dispersed. The mourners regrouped later and formed a peaceful procession, Captain Calitz said.

He said that the priest who conducted the service had been warned before the service that the police would not "tolerate" the display of ANC flags and other expressions of black power.

This warning had not been heeded.



Pallbearers abandon the coffins and scatter as they are overcome by teargas during the funeral procession in Guguletu on Saturday.



As a priest approaches the Casspirs, a teargas canister smoulders among the abandoned coffins of the four Crossroads victims.

Pictures: Ambrose Peters

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Crossroads: Call to support UF

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Staff Reporter

MORE than 100 City planners and architects have signed a statement urging their colleagues not to take part in any scheme to rebuild Crossroads without the full consent of the whole community that existed there.

The statement notes that the Urban Foundation withdrew its commitment to planning the upgrading of Crossroads because it would legitimate the violence directed against those people forced out of the area.

It also notes that a firm of professional planning consultants has reportedly agreed to prepare alternative upgrading plans.

Citing the need for ethical principles to guide the actions of people planning and designing the environment, it endorses a statement made by architectural students at the University of Cape Town, calling on all architects, planners and designers:

- Not to participate in any scheme for the replanning and rebuilding of Crossroads without the full knowledge and consent of the community that existed before the outbreak of recent violent events;
- To reject forced removals in any form and to add their voices to the demand for the abolition of the Group Areas Act and the rejection of any urbanization policy that does not allow for the free movement of all people.

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Peace bid in squatter camps

Staff Reporter

THE Hostel Dwellers' Association of the Western Cape has called for an end to the "massacre in Crossroads" and says it will try to bring together the warring factions.

A spokesman for the association said its representatives had organized meetings yesterday with community leaders at KTC, Khayelitsha and Nyanga.

It had been resolved to stop the killings in the townships of the Western Cape.

The next step was to get the the Old Crossroads Executive to speak to squatter leaders and community organizations, the spokesman said.

IN THE HOUSE

Crossroads: Smoke and smokescreens

IT is becoming impossible to believe police denials that they are involved on the side of the *Witdoeke* in Crossroads.

Too much evidence to the contrary is piling up.

There have been eye-witness reports in the local newspapers and statements from reputable relief workers, including clergymen.

A Cape Times team reported seeing "vigilantes crowded around one Casspir. The Casspirs advanced with the vigilantes behind them ..." The Rev John Freeth, rector of St Johns, Wynberg, said he had seen "*Witdoeke* come down the road with Casspirs. Casspir No 98 displayed white rags from its gunports. At 11,55am it signalled to the *Witdoeke* to advance ..."

We haven't seen it here on TV and we won't see it, but TV viewers overseas are seeing film of "white gunmen leading groups of *Witdoeke*" in which each armed and unidentified white man is picked out by a tiny white spotlight.

Yet the police repeat their denials, government has refused to appoint a commission of inquiry and parliament is powerless to debate the crisis in Crossroads.

This is because the Cape Supreme Court granted an interdict three weeks ago restraining the *Witdoeke*, the police and the army from attacking Crossroads residents.

The return date is Friday, June 13. Lawyers involved say they expect a postponement.

Meantime, the Speaker, whose word is law in parliament, has refused PFP requests for a snap debate on Crossroads and has also refused to allow answers to questions on Crossroads, on the grounds that the whole issue is *sub judice*.

Prog MPs, while not questioning the Speaker's ruling, are bitter. The interdict is being ignored, they say. PFP chief whip Brian Bamford described it as a "*brutem fulmen*" — a legal expression meaning something which in itself is incapable of fulfilment.

Helen Suzman (Houghton) described the situation as "out of control — it's like an avalanche sweeping over one".

Tiaan van der Merwe (PFP Green Point) told Weekly Mail it was "incredible" that the government, with all the power at its command, admitted it couldn't stop the fighting in Crossroads.

Vause Raw (NRP, Durban Point) wanted the army brought in to contain the fighting. The Cape Times defence correspondent explained, practically in words of one syllable, how "pacifying and saving Crossroads would be child's play" to the army and that it should be brought in on the grounds that Crossroads was no longer a civil disturbance. "It is a *de facto* war zone."

Another view is, however, gaining ground, and that is that the government regards the tough action it is taking against the "comrades" of Crossroads as the internal equivalent of the tough action it took against the African National Congress in raids on Zambia, Botswana and Zimbabwe.

The message is one of contempt for the outside world. The Eminent Persons Group has been sent about its business, the hatches are being battened down behind a smokescreen of reform. We have been warned, we're on our own, now.

JEAN LE MAY

Let's talk peace, Crossroads executive committee tells refugees

By DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Staff Reporter

THE Crossroads executive committee has invited the leaders of the Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland Cement squatter communities to join it in peace talks.

The leaders, Mr Melford Yamile, Mr Christopher Toise and Mr Alfred Siphika, have yet to reply to the overture.

However, the executive says it is not in favour of refugees returning and rebuilding their shacks.

Mr Edward Qhangana, a member of the executive, said: "We have fought for the right to stay in Crossroads. Many of our people have died here. We want the camp to be upgraded and cannot achieve that if Mr Yamile, Mr Toise, Mr Siphika and their followers return."

"They must ask the United Democratic Front and the Progressive Federal Party to find new camps for them — or go to Khayelitsha."

The executive was not interested in attempts by the Rev Syd Luckett, the director of the Anglican board of social reponsibility, to negotiate peace.

He said Mr Luckett, executive member of the Western Cape region of the United Democratic Front, could not be viewed as impartial in peace talks.

Mr Qhangana said Crossroads was established in 1972 and the satellite camps sprouted in 1982.

"We were here before them and have a right to stay here. We got our land from the South African Government."

He was prepared to help the refugees to find and build new camps.

Mr Prince Gobingca, another member of the executive, said his people had "lived like pigs" in Crossroads for 13 years.

Pointing at the mudpools, he said: "We can't live like this. We want better houses. We want Crossroads to be upgraded."

They denied that the Crossroads squatters started the "war" against the satellite communities.

They claimed that the fight started on May 17 when squatters with allegiance to Mr Toise and Mr Siphika attacked Mr Alton Ntshangana, a squatter leader loyal to Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana, chairman of the Crossroads executive.

Mr Qhangana said: "It was not our intention to burn down the satellite camps. But the youths we were fighting ran into these camps. We followed them.

"Many of them threw petrol bombs at us. We returned some of these petrol bombs. Unfortunately, some of the shacks were burnt in the process."

Asked why the fighting continued into the following week, Mr Qhangana said that the men of Crossroads wanted to protect their wives, children and homes and did not want the "comrades" to regroup and counter-attack.

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Picture: WILLIE de KLERK, The Argus.

Crossroads children seek shelter in the Nyanga East Methodist Church hall. About 1 600 Crossroads refugees are camping in the church complex.

Stoning suspects in Benge home

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Staff Reporter

POLICE admitted in a statement yesterday that they had gone into the home of a New Crossroads community leader.

They were responding to allegations that about 10 policemen shot down the door of the home of Mrs Sophie Benge after sjambokking people outside on Friday night.

Mrs Benge, who has played a prominent role in co-ordinating relief work for the Crossroads refugees, had to be treated for shock.

She also helped prepare affidavits for last week's Supreme Court action which saw the police, vigilantes and troops interdicted from attacking the KTC squatter camp.

The statement said police had gone into the home because they had a duty to act in trying to arrest suspects who had earlier stoned police.

"Some of the suspected offenders sought refuge in Mrs Benge's house and the police went in after them in an attempt to effect arrests.

"If anybody is of the opinion that there is legal cause for complaint, affidavits can be made available to the police so that the allegations can be investigated," the police statement said.

A witness, Mrs Cindi Tinto, told the Cape Times that two police Casspirs pulled up at the house and about 10 policemen chased and sjambokked some youths who were standing in front of the house.

When four boys ran into the house and locked the door, police "shot at the front door, then threw something against it, and kicked it".

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

Yes: 1 December 1985 until 30 April 1986.

(a) Alberton.

(i) 2.

(ii) 4.

(b) De Deur.

(i) 138.

(ii) 133.

(c) Germiston.

(i) —

(ii) 1.

(d) Heidelberg.

(i) 98.

(ii) 149.

(e) Klip River.

(i) 51.

(ii) 41.

(f) Meyerton.

(i) 6.

(ii) 24.

(g) Vereeniging.

(i) 10.

(ii) 19.

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Arcadia High School

15. Mr R M BURROWS asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 20 on 20 May 1986, the police deployed at Arcadia High School in Bontehewel on 5 May 1986 took any action in the school grounds; if so, (a) what action and (b) why;

(2) whether any policemen (a) entered the school buildings, (b) whipped or in any other specified way assaulted any pupils inside the school buildings and (c) removed any (i) pupils and/or (ii) items from classrooms or the school buildings; if so, (aa) how many policemen were involved, (bb) why did they take such action in each case and (cc) what specified items were removed from the school;

(3) whether any members of staff of this high school and/or the Department of Education and Culture attempted to (a) prevent the police from (i) entering the school buildings or grounds, (ii) whipping pupils and (iii) removing pupils from the school buildings and (b) enter into negotiations with the police on their refraining from taking any action or withdrawing from the area; if so, (aa) what were the circumstances surrounding these attempts and (bb) what was the response of the police thereto;

(4) whether any complaints or charges have been laid with the South African Police as a result of police action at this school; if so, (a) what complaints or charges, (b) when and (c) what actions has been taken as a result;

(5) whether an investigation has been held into this incident; if not, why not; if so, (a) what is the rank of the officer in charge of the investigation, (b) where is each of the police officers stationed who conducted the investigation and (c) what were the findings?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) and (b) I refer the hon member to paragraphs (1)(c) and (2)(b) of my answer to Question No 20 on 20 May 1986.

(2) (a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) (i) and (ii) Yes.

(aa) I refer the hon member to paragraph (1)(a) of my answer to Question No 20 on 20 May 1986.

(bb) To detain pupils on charges of Public Violence.

(cc) Stones which were found in a wastepaper basket and 47 placards.

(3) (a) No.

(i) to (iii) Fall away.

(b) No.

(aa) and (bb) Fall away.

(4) No.

(a) to (c) Fall away.

(5) No, since there has been no wrongful action on the side of the Police to necessitate an investigation and no charges have been laid with the Police.

(a) to (c) Fall away.

Mr R M BURROWS: Mr Chairman, arising out of the hon the Minister's reply do I understand correctly from his answer to paragraph (3) that neither the principal nor any member of staff nor the circuit inspector nor the chairman of the Parents' Advisory Committee attempted to prevent the Police from entering the school?

The MINISTER: Mr Chairman, I have already replied to the hon member on that particular point.

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HANSARD

*16. Mr R A F SWART asked the Minister of Defence:

(1) Whether any members of the Unita Resistance Movement were hospitalised in military hospitals at any time during the latest specified period of two years for which information is available; if so, (a) what are the names of each of the members so hospitalised, (b) at which hospitals or sick bays were they hospitalised and (c) what was the nature of the illness or injury in each case;

(2) whether these members were transported to such hospitals as casualties; if, by what means in each case;

(3) what was the total estimated cost to the State of medical and any other services rendered to such members?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE:

(1), (2) and (3) The hon member is referred to the reply to question number 2 of 11 February 1986.

Missile-testing range

HANSARD 3/6/86

*17. Mr D J N MALCOMESS asked the Minister of Public Works:

With reference to his reply to Question No 887 on 16 May 1984, (a) in respect of what total area of land have negotiations been finalised regarding the acquisition of land for the proposed missile-testing range in the Southern Cape, (b)(i) what total amount has been paid out in connection with this land and (ii) in respect of what date is this information furnished, (c) who were the owners of the land purchased, (d) what specified sites are included in the above-mentioned area and (e) when did each of the previous owners acquire the land before selling it to his Department?

The MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS (Reply laid upon the Table with leave of House):

ing taken on any property but agreements have been reached with property owners for right of access and to carry out investigations on relevant properties.

(i), (ii), (iii), (iv), aa and bb Fall away.

Immaculata High School

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

(1) Whether any members of the South African Police took any action at the Immaculata High School in Diepkloof, Soweto, on or about 14 May 1986; if so, (a) what action, (b) why and (c) who took the decision in this regard;

(2) whether the police removed any items from this school; if so, (a) what specified items and (b) why;

(3) whether any items were damaged as a result of this action; if so, (a) what items, (b) what was the nature of the damage and (c) why;

(4) whether any persons were detained on this occasion; if so, (a) how many and (b) why;

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

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) A crime prevention operation.

(b) To trace pupils who nightly occupy the school complex to hold meetings and plan to disrupt orderly school attendance.

(c) The Soweto Joint Operational Centre.

(2) Yes.

(a) Pamphlets, minutes of meetings of so-called "Student Representative Councils" and newspaper cuttings found on blackboards, walls and in cupboards.

(b) For investigation purposes.

(3) Yes.

(a) Two gate locks.

(b) The locks were cut open.

(c) To gain entrance to the premises, after two school caretakers could not provide keys to the locks.

(4) No.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(5) No.

SATS vehicle in townships

*20. Maj R SIVE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 22 on 25 March 1986, the Attorney-General has reached a decision regarding the use of a South African Transport Services vehicle by security forces for patrolling townships; if not, when is it anticipated that a decision will be reached; if so, (a) when and (b) what is the nature of that decision;

(2) whether any action is to be taken in this regard; if not, why not; if so, (a) what action and (b) when;

(3) whether there has been any delay in taking such action; if so, what is the reason for this delay?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) 17 April 1986.

(b) That inquests be held.

(2) Steps will be considered after completion of the inquest.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(3) No.

Films on Sundays

*21. Mr D J DALLING asked the Minister of Justice:

(1) Whether his Department has received any applications in the current year to open cinemas for regular business on Sundays; if so, (a) in respect of which cinemas and (b) when were they received;

(2) whether these applications were granted; if not, why not in each case;

(3) whether any representations have been received for any restrictions on the exhibition of films on Sundays to be repealed; if so, (a) from whom, (b) when and (c) what was the response thereto;

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

†The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

(1) Yes.

(a) A joint application was received from Ster-Kinekor and UIP-Warner in respect of certain Ster-Kinekor and Metro theatres situated in Johannesburg, Pretoria, Durban, Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, East London, Kimberley, Welkom, Witbank and Rustenburg.

(b) The application was received on 18 April 1986.

(2) The application is presently under consideration.

(3) Yes.

(a) The Federation of Film Societies of South Africa.

(b) 8 April 1986.

(c) The application is presently under consideration.

(4) No statement is called for.

†Mr H D K VAN DER MERWE: Mr Chairman, arising out of the hon the Minister's reply, I would like to ask him whether Sabbath-keeping is still the Government's firm objective?

†The MINISTER: Mr Chairman, the reply is "yes".

Western Cape: public violence

*22. Mr R M ANDREW asked the Minister of Law and Order:

Whether any persons under the age of 20 years were arrested on charges of public violence in the Western Cape during the period 1 July 1985 to 31 December 1985; if so, (a) how many and (b) how many of those arrested had been found guilty of public violence as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

Yes.

(a) 1 045.

(b) 167.

Mr K M ANDREW: Mr Chairman, arising from the hon the Minister's reply and given the small number of convictions, is he not disturbed by the fact that these children are being arrested when they have obviously not actually committed the crimes for which they are being arrested?

The MINISTER: Mr Chairman, my reply is no!

Mr K M ANDREW: Mr Chairman, fur-

Inquest told 'inciter' held

Court Reporter

A MAN described as an "inciter" was arrested near the scene where a 16-year-old girl died after allegedly being hit by a tearsmoke canister in Walmer Township.

This was said today before PE magistrate, Mr J S Knoetse, during the inquest into the death of Ntomdekaya Mavis Ngubasi, who died in Fountain Street on January 6.

Cross-examined by Mr R Pillay, for the girl's family, Constable R J Venter, of Pretoria, said a police captain named Jefferson ordered him to arrest a man near the scene of the shooting.

The man, an "inciter" was taken to the Walmer Police Station and charged.

Climbing out of their Casspir he and a colleague found Ntomdekaya lying on her stomach in the street.

They later saw her lying on her back elsewhere.

Const Ivan Brown, also of Pretoria, said he was at the scene. People were singing and shouting and a stone struck the Casspir he was in. He later heard three teargas cannisters being fired.

The group ran away and he saw a body. People didn't want ambulancemen to remove it.

(Proceeding).

Mr H B Pieters appeared for the State and Mr C Jansen, SC, for the Minister of Law and Order.

Wave of boycotts, unrest sweeps SA

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A new wave of boycotts and continuing violence is hitting South Africa.

Stonings, petrol bombings, police action, work stayaways and consumer boycotts are sweeping large parts of the country.

The latest upsurge of violence is in strife-torn Kwandebele in the wake of opposition to plans for the region to accept independence in December.

Since Sunday night scores of people are reported to have been injured and several are feared dead in clashes between security forces and youths.

A three-day work boycott started yesterday.

Consumer boycotts are hitting centres in the Transvaal, including Potchefstroom, Boksburg, Springs and Nigel.

The Soweto Civic Association (SCA) has called for a rent boycott until demands are met by Soweto councillors and the Government.

Among the demands are that all councillors should resign, pensioners should not pay rent, refuse should be collected, street lights installed and rents lowered. They also demanded that soldiers should leave the township.

The charred body of a man was found in Guguletu last night, police said.

Petrol bombings of vehicles were also reported in Langa and at New Brighton near Port Elizabeth.

At Matsulu near Nelspruit, a group of about 50 stoned a police vehicle. The police dispersed the mob with birdshot and a man was fatally wounded.

University of the North students started a class boycott yesterday, apparently in protest against the detention of a fellow student, Mr Archie Ramaboea, by Lebowa police on the campus at the weekend.

At Tweefontein in Kwandebele a police spokesman said one man was killed and two others wounded in a separate incident when a mob attacked a black policeman on Sunday afternoon.

At least nine Soweto bottle stores were looted yesterday and at the weekend.

In Naledi youths used a front-end loader to bring down the wall of a bottle store before looting it.

See me when I'm free — Mandela to Buthelezi

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Jailed ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela will not meet Inkatha president Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi until the imprisoned ANC leaders have been set free.

A conference between the two leaders, whose organisations are virtually at war, was recently proposed by Kwazulu's Minister of Education and Culture, Dr Oscar Dhlomo.

Dr Dhlomo said there was so much rhetoric in black politics that a meeting between the two influential men would "clear the air".

In a statement released yesterday Mr Ismael Ayob, the lawyer acting for Mr Mandela, said that while the leader "warmly appreciated" Chief Buthelezi's peace efforts, he considered it would be more appropriate to hold negotiations after his release.

FRUITLESS

Mr Ayob said Mr Mandela had suggested that Chief Buthelezi contact the ANC mission-in-exile with the view to further negotiations.

Chief Buthelezi said though he was heartened by Mr Mandela's positive response, all correspondence with the Lusaka-based ANC leadership had been fruitless in the past.

● The Progressive Federal Party today renewed its call for the release of Mr Mandela to help to stop the unrest.

METROPOLITAN

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Firebomb alleged to have been hurled 60m

Court Reporter

AN inspection in loco by Wynberg Regional Court showed that the point from where a petrol bomb was alleged to have been thrown was between 60m and 70m from where it landed.

Mr Nehemia Meyer, 22, of Wattle Road, Parkwood Estate, and Mr Maurice Fookwue, 18, of Pelican Park Way, Grassy Park, are charged with arson, alternatively malicious damage to property, following the petrol-bombing of MP Mr Dennis de la Cruz's home last September.

They also face charges under the Explosives Act of possessing a petrol bomb in circumstances which may cause damage to property or injury to people.

They have pleaded not guilty.

Mr Fookwue is alleged to have thrown a petrol bomb from his home — a distance of between 60 and 70 metres.

The court has heard that a fibreglass veranda roof on a flatlet attached to the garage was slightly scorched and Mr Meyer was shot in the leg while allegedly resisting arrest.

Yesterday a 16-year-old youth said he was walking up Mr Fookwue's driveway on the night of September 5 when a shot went off.

The youth said Mr Fookwue came to meet him from the garage where he was working on a car and suggested he go inside while he finished the job.

When Mr Fookwue came in he had oil and dirt on his hands and smelt of petrol.

Youth released

About 12.20am they decided to visit a relative nearby and while they were crossing the street they were "picked up" by police.

Constable Francois Witbooi said earlier that after Mr Meyer was shot he saw two young men crossing Acacia Street. There was a strong smell of petrol but he was not sure whether this came from one or both.

The youth was later released.

Detective-Constable Barry Chamberlain said only one of four soft-drink bottles containing traces of petrol bore fingerprints.

Mr P Marais, for the State, handed in a statement from a police fingerprint expert identifying the prints as those of Mr Meyer.

In answer to a question from his counsel, Mr Michael Donen, Mr Meyer said he touched two bottles that night. He filled them with water to put out a small fire outside a café near his home.

He said that twice on the night of September 5 he visited a neighbour.

When he called first she was too busy to see him.

The second time he left her house he crossed the street and was accosted by Constable Bester, one of two policemen guarding the De la Cruz home.

Constable Bester tried to handcuff him and when he resisted Constable Bester said he would shoot. Mr Meyer walked off and was shot in the leg.

The hearing was postponed to June 17.

PFP man supports complaint on police

Staff Reporter

MRS SOPHIE BENGE, women's leader at New Crossroads, has sent an affidavit about alleged police action at her home to the Divisional Commissioner of Police, Brigadier C Swart.

On Friday Mrs Benge's kitchen door was allegedly kicked open and four policemen carrying sjamboks and a shotgun entered.

In a letter accompanying the affidavits Mr Jan van Eck, Progressive Federal Party MPC for Groote Schuur and a member of party's unrest monitoring committee, urged Brigadier Swart to investigate the matter.

Mrs Benge said today she had not been approached by police since the incident.

In her affidavit, Mrs Benge said she was watching television when four children ran into the house.

"There was a loud bang against the kitchen door and the door opened. A section came loose and fell into the kitchen.

"Four policemen entered, three carrying black sjamboks and one a shotgun or rifle."

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Parliament and Politics

Le Grange contradicts statement on Arcadia

By BARRY STREEK
Political Staff

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. — The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, yesterday contradicted an official police statement that an investigation would be held into an incident at Arcadia High School in Bonteheuwel, Cape Town, on May 5 this year in which pupils were allegedly sjambokked.

Mr Le Grange said yesterday that "no" complaints or charges had been laid with the police as a result of their action at Arcadia High School.

He also said that "no" investigation had been held "since there has been no wrongful action on the side of the police to necessitate an investigation and no charges have been laid with the police".

But two days after the incident, a police spokesman, Captain Henry Beck, who was recently appointed Mr Le Grange's liaison officer, said an inquiry into the incident had already begun.

Captain Beck said then: "A complaint was received this morning and all the allegations will be thoroughly investigated."

Public violence charges

Yesterday Mr Le Grange, who was replying to a question tabled by Mr Roger Burrows (PFP Pinetown), said no pupils had been whipped or in any other way assaulted inside the school buildings.

The police had entered the school buildings "to detain pupils on charges of public violence".

The police had removed "stones which were found in a wastepaper basket and 47 placards".

He also said no members of staff at the school or the Department of Education and Culture had prevented the police from entering school buildings, whipping pupils or removing pupils from the school buildings.

After the incident, in which about 40 pupils were injured and ten were taken to hospital, calls for an immediate investigation were made by the Progressive Federal Party, the New Republic Party, the acting Principal of the University of Cape Town, Professor Donald Carr, and a number of youth and residents' groups.

The police denied in a statement at the time that they had acted against pupils engaged in a peaceful placard demonstration.

Police stoned near Cradock

PRETORIA — Police used tearsmoke and birdshot to disperse a crowd of about 1 000 who stoned police vehicles at Lingelihle township, near Cradock, yesterday.

The police unrest report last night said it was not certain whether anyone was injured. Twelve men, aged between 16 and 30, were arrested.

Police also fired birdshot and arrested six men who were throwing petrol bombs in a road in New Brighton, near PE. Two of the men were slightly injured, the report said.

● The National Council of Women of South Africa has passed an urgent resolution calling on the State President, Mr P. W. Botha, to investigate conditions faced by children in detention.

The resolution, unanimously passed by delegates at the NCWSA's 50th national conference in Durban yesterday, urged the formation of a central register so parents could establish where their children were being held.

Special reference was made to the need for access to these children by social workers and for the establishment of special places of safety to prevent children being detained in police cells.

● A daily average of 2,4 people died and 6,1 were injured during unrest in 1985, the Repression Monitoring Group's weekly fact sheet disclosed yesterday.

According to the RMG, who list the South African Institute of Race Relations and Parliament as primary sources, a total of 18 966 people were arrested in 1985, a daily average of 54.

Of these, 13 556 were under the age of 20.

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Squatter head at Valkenberg

Staff Reporter

MR Alfred Siphika, leader of the Nyanga Extension squatter group, has been referred to Valkenberg Hospital for observation.

Mr Siphika, 47, appeared in Langa Magistrate's Court on Monday in connection with an allegation of attempted murder.

He told the magistrate, Mr D Visagie, he was confused and was referred to Valkenberg for 30 days' observation.



Picture: WILLIE de KLERK, The Argus

Beauty Zweni and baby Tulani.

The night the 'witdoeke' came . . .

By VIVIEN HORLER
Staff Reporter

TULANI Zweni is just two months old, but has had enough tragedy to last a lifetime.

He spent his first six weeks in a shack at Nyanga Bush with his mother, Portia, and his two brothers and sister.

The night the "witdoeke" came the Zweni family was asleep.

TRAPPED

Woken by the disturbances, Miss Zweni, 35, gathered up Tulani and his four-year-old brother and ran with them to a nearby shack. She left them with her sister, Beauty.

Then she ran back to fetch her two older children, a girl who would have been seven this month, and a boy of five.

It is not clear what happened next. Some say Miss Zweni and the children were trapped in their burning shack. Others allege that the "witdoeke" pushed the family back into the flames.

The outcome was the same. Miss Zweni and her two older children died.

Beauty Zweni, who has a one-month-old son of her own and whose shack was also destroyed in the Crossroads violence, is caring for Tulani. Relatives in Khayelitsha are looking after his brother.

Yesterday Beauty Zweni, 22, who had been staying with the two babies at the waterlogged Muslim-sponsored relief camp at Zwelitsha in Nyanga East, became concerned at Tulani's health.

She took him to the Red Cross Children's Hospital where he was admitted with gastro-enteritis.

A hospital spokesman today said Tulani's condition was good.

Police 'indiscriminately' arrested schoolchildren

Political Correspondent

ONLY 167 of the 1 045 people under 20 who were arrested on charges of public violence in the Western Cape in the last six months of last year have been found guilty.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, gave these figures in the Assembly in answer to question from Mr K M Andrew (PFP Gardens).

Mr Andrew said the figures confirmed what had been suspected: that the police were indiscriminately arresting and jailing schoolchildren last year when they had no evidence.

There appeared to be an attempt to avoid the stigma of arresting children under detention-without-trial provisions by charging them with public violence.

In practice this often meant stone-throwing.

This became a convenient way of reducing the number of very young political detainees.

Mr Andrew said that the need for a judicial inquiry into police activities in relation to the unrest became more obvious and urgent by the day.

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Inquest on Langa victims

Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — The inquest on 21 people shot by police at Langa, near Uitenhage, on March 21 last year will begin here on June 16.

Benge complains to police

By CHRIS STEYN

AFFIDAVITS from a Crossroads community leader and the Progressive Federal Party were lodged with the Divisional Commissioner of Police yesterday, following an incident involving police at the home of Mrs Sophie Benge at the weekend.

Mr Jan van Eck of the PFP's unrest monitoring and action committee said in a letter delivered to Brigadier C A Swart yesterday afternoon that Mrs Benge suffered "considerable inconvenience" as a result of the attack.

He asked the brigadier to investigate the alleged police action at Mrs Benge's home.

A police spokesman yesterday said police had been investigating details of the alleged attack since Friday. "But it is not our policy to comment on private individuals who have lodged complaints with the police."

Mrs Benge has helped co-ordinate relief for the Crossroads refugees. She also helped prepare affidavits for recent Supreme Court action which saw the police, vigilantes and troops interdicted from attacking the KTC squatter camp.

She said in an affidavit that soon after 8pm on Friday there was a noise outside that sounded like shooting.

Four children came through the door, locked it and ran to the back bedroom door.

"We then heard a loud bang against the kitchen door on the outside and then the door went open with a section of the door coming loose and falling."

She said four policemen entered, three with black sjamboks and one with a shotgun/rifle.

"I want to lay charges against those police responsible for the damage to my home."

Mr Van Eck, who inspected Mrs Benge's home, said in his affidavit that the kitchen door had a clear boot mark on the outside.

"This could only have been made by someone kicking a closed door with full force."

Crossroads: Shawco call to govt

By CHRIS BATEMAN and RENEE MOODIE

SHAWCO yesterday called on the government to "lay its cards on the table" over official plans for Crossroads as relief organizations struggled into their third week supporting an estimated 12 000 refugees.

Mr Derek Livesey, Shawco's warden, said yesterday: "My staff are dead on their feet. It is not our responsibility to carry disaster work into routine everyday caring for people. The State has a basic responsibility to put together a plan of action.

"When we try to get something out of them, we come up against a stone wall," he said.

He felt the State should express its gratitude to volunteer workers and then take over because it had the resources to deal with the situation.

The regional representative of the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud, had no comment yesterday.

The Cape Times was referred to the department where a spokesman said that a statement would be issued "later this week".

St John Ambulance spokesperson Mrs Ann Botha described the cost of feeding and sheltering 2 500 people at the Zolani Centre as an "enormous burden" and appealed for cash donations, blankets and disposable nappies. St John workers at the centre care for about 90 infants daily.

A veteran Guguletu health worker, who declined to be named, yesterday attacked the official attitude to the health care of the estimated 30 000 refugees of the razed Portlands Cement, Nyanga Bush and Nyanga Extension squatter camps.

"The authorities have all these fantastic plans in case Koeberg blows up but they can't even deal with the Crossroads situation," he said.

Several leading New Crossroads community figures, including Mrs Sophie Benge, went into hiding on Monday night after being "reliably" informed that "witdoeke" planned an attack on their homes and on the Zolani Centre. The attack never took place.

At least 44 people died during violent clashes which devastated the three squatter camps.

A spokesperson for the Red Cross Society, Mrs Ros Morris, said the 12 000 people under charity care were being housed in church halls, community centres and tents in Greater Guguletu.

At the Khayelitsha temporary relief site 2 500 people are living in tents, according to the Western Cape Development Board. Most of these people come from Old Crossroads, township sources said yesterday.

The remainder of the estimated 30 000 refugees are living in private houses and hastily erected shacks in Greater Guguletu.

Mrs Morris said that in spite of the Red Cross having confirmed plans to begin moving 150 of the worst-affected refugees to the first tent of a centralized "tent-town" to be run by the International Red Cross, no site had been selected by last night.

"Until some sensible decisions are made we are not going to make any statement on this," she said.

● Late yesterday Shawco appealed urgently for more blankets while the Islamic Medical Association asked for bedframes, "so people don't have to sleep in the wet".

● Collection points, see page 9

CARS ON THE N2 STONED SHOTGUNS FIRED

Staff Reporter

POLICE used shotgun fire to disperse people throwing stones at vehicles passing Bonteheuwel on Settlers Way.

The incident happened about 9.35 last night.

Police said the stonings were the second on the route in a short space of time but that the incidents were "sporadic" and did not indicate that the situation on the N2 had seriously deteriorated.

He said local police received no reports of vehicles being hit by stones but added that because the incidents happened on the out-going lane, it was possible people reported the attacks to other police divisions.

Police also used shotgun fire in Vyeboom Street, Bonteheuwel, after vehicles were stoned about 9.30pm.

A police spokesman said about 80 people attacked private and police vehicles and gunfire was used to disperse them.

It was not known if anyone was injured but two people were arrested.

About 9.15pm a stationary tractor in Vanguard Drive next to Bonteheuwel was petrol-bombed.

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Govt to meet relief agencies over squatters

By CHRIS BATEMAN and RENEE MOODIE

MORE THAN 12 000 Crossroads refugees shivered in near-freezing temperatures for the third consecutive day yesterday as the government agreed to meet relief agencies struggling to co-ordinate an unprecedented local disaster operation.

The regional head of St John Ambulance, Mr Malcolm Jones, said a meeting with the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, on the refugees' future was set for tomorrow.

A spokesman for Mr Heunis's department confirmed that the meeting had been arranged and indicated that it could take place earlier.

This announcement follows a call from Shawco warden Mr Derek Livesey for the government to take the lead in the relief effort and announce its intentions after a prolonged official silence.

Interviewed at the Zolani Relief Centre yesterday, Mr Jones said an official of Mr Heunis's department, when confirming to him that the meeting would take place, had asked St John Ambulance to "ask the people to move to Khayelitsha in the meantime".

Mr Jones said St John Ambulance was not prepared to ask people to "either stay or move — that's not our function".

The St John Ambulance promotions manager, Mrs Ann Botha, said the relief effort by welfare organizations could not "go on forever". But with donations it could "carry on a bit longer".

The service is feeding and sheltering 2 500 people at the Zolani Centre in Nyanga, 500 of whom are babies and small children.

The Red Cross yesterday erected a much-needed fourth marquee which will house about 350 refugees near the Full Gospel Church tent in Nyanga East.

Red Cross 'tent-town'

An announcement on details of the proposed International Red Cross "tent-town" is expected after the meeting.

The acting deputy dean of UCT's Faculty of Medicine, Professor J Dommisse, said Shawco health services at the Nyanga Divisional Council clinic would now be co-ordinated by the Day Hospitals Organization, part of the provincial administration. Student volunteers start exams soon.

Shawco has treated 5 000 people at the clinic over the past two weeks.

Doctors who wish to volunteer should contact the Guguletu Day Hospital at ☎ 637-1280.

Divco's MOH, Dr Len Tibbit, said it yesterday finished laying the water pipeline to Nyanga.

Floodlights have been installed along Mahobe Drive, the fenced-off border of "witdoeke" and "comrade" territory where security force Buffels yesterday kept up constant patrols.

Anthony Johnson reports that the government is to reply in Parliament today to a series of urgent questions from the PFP on, among other things, what emergency relief measures the State intends taking to assist thousands of squatters.

● Relief agencies yesterday appealed for more clothing, baby foods and blankets.

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An army truck tows away one of several bulldozers which completed flattening the 25-ha site of the former Portlands Cement, Nyanga Bush and Nyanga Extension squatter camps yesterday.



Happy to be under cover with a bottle of warm milk, two-year-old Nyanga Bush refugee Thandeka Ntombela was one of scores of Crossroads children who were able to venture briefly outside during a break in the rain yesterday. **Picture: Chris Bateman**

UDF gets blame after rally murder

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THE United Democratic Front has been severely criticised for disclaiming responsibility for the killing of an ex-serviceman, Moegsien Abrahams, after a UDF rally in Mitchell's Plain on Sunday.

Abrahams was beaten to death after the meeting, having been chased by UDF youths for close on a kilometre.

His presence at the meeting was pointed out by the chairman, Joe Adam, who announced that "two unwelcome guests at the back of the hall must please leave".

A statement issued by the UDF on Tuesday night expressed regret at the death of Abrahams, but added: "His death occurred in a manner which the UDF cannot be held responsible for. The UDF cannot and will not take responsibility, whether directly or indirectly, for his death.

"The blame rests four-square on the shoulders of those responsible for the breeding of hatred and anger by their maintenance of apartheid against the will of the people.

"It is important that we understand his untimely death in that context."

Helen Suzman, PFP representative on Law and Order, commented: "The UDF's feeble excuses carry no weight with me. It was extremely unwise of the chairman of the meeting to have identified persons who were present in such a way as to endanger their lives, although no doubt this is not what he intended."

Referring to the killing, she added: "There can be no excuse for such uncivilised and barbaric behaviour."

The PFP's alternate representative on Law and Order, Tiaan van der Merwe, said on Wednesday the UDF's response was "disappointing".

"One would have hoped that such savagery would have been unequivocally condemned by an organisation committed to peaceful change."

By JEAN LE MAY, Cape Town

Cape Times reporter Ronnie Morris, who was at the meeting, wrote that after Adam had identified "unwelcome guests", "pandemonium broke out, as members of the audience surged towards the back of the hall" in pursuit of Abrahams, who had run outside.

He was brought back by UDF marshals and made to sit on the platform.

UDF vice-president Christmas Tinto and others tried to calm the audience. "Occasionally members of the audience tried to hit him, but were stopped by UDF marshals."

After the meeting, during the singing of Nkosi Sikelel' iAfrika, marshals escorted him to a stage door and let him out.

A large number of youths broke through the marshals and chased Abrahams. They caught up with him "on the corner of De Duin and Sheperd roads and beat him with sticks and other objects".

At about 5.40pm he ran into a house belonging to a Mr Burgstedt.

Burgstedt said he "crashed through a glass door and ran through the house where he tried to hide in the bedroom, but was followed by youths. He broke loose and ran through the house, where he attempted to climb a wall.

"A half-brick was thrown at him and he collapsed, bleeding profusely."

An ambulance attendant who arrived at 6pm said Abrahams had bled to death.

Abrahams's sister, Shireen Mentor, has denied emphatically that her brother was an informer. She said the only reason he spent two years in the army was that he had been unable to find a job. He had recently resigned as a security guard at Swartklip Producers.

He had actually been at the meeting because he supported the democratic movement, she said.

Lieutenant Attie Laubscher of the SA Police said police were investigating a charge of murder. No arrests had been made.

the same salary scales as social workers who are members of other race groups; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the salary scales applicable and (b) how many persons are on each post level;

(2) whether the administration subsidy paid to Black private welfare organisations for social work posts is in line with that paid to private welfare organisations for social work posts of other races; if not, why not; if so, (a) what is the applicable administration subsidy per month and (b) what total sum is paid out monthly in respect of this subsidy?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

(1) No. Apart from the fact that the elimination of salary disparities is dependant on the availability of funds for this purpose, an occupational maintenance investigation, during which attention is given to the possible elimination of disparities, could as yet not be done, due to higher priorities.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(2) No. The administration subsidy is determined on a percentage basis of the salary subsidy but since parity in respect of salaries of Black social workers in the commencing ranks has not yet been effected, it causes a difference in the administration subsidy which is currently paid out to other race groups.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

Annual reports

1081. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(a) How many annual reports were produced by his Department during the latest specified period of 12 months for which information is available, (b) in respect of what bodies were these reports produced,

(c) what was the cost of producing each such report and (d) who did the printing of each report?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

(a) One annual report for the period 1 January to 31 December 1985 with a print order of 2 000 copies.

(b) The Department of Constitutional Development and Planning.

(c) R22 300.

(d) Printed for the Government Printer by Cape and Transvaal Printers (Pty) Ltd, Cape Town.

Annual reports

1104. Mr P G SOAL asked the Deputy Minister of Information:

(a) How many annual reports were produced by the Bureau for Information during the latest specified period of 12 months for which information is available, (b) in respect of what bodies were these reports produced, (c) what was the cost of producing each such report and (d) who did the printing of each report?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF INFORMATION:

(a) None. The different Government departments are responsible for their own annual reports.

(b) to (d): Fall away.

THURSDAY, 5 JUNE 1986

†Indicates translated version.

For written reply:

General Affairs:

Question put without printed notice (with prior consent of Mr Speaker):

HANSARD 275
5/6/86

Crossroads

Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether any emergency relief measures have been taken by the State to assist persons who became homeless and/or destitute as a result of the recent unrest in the Crossroads area; if not, (a) why not and (b) what action is to be taken in this regard; if so, what steps have been taken in respect of (i) the provision of (aa) food, (bb) shelter, (cc) blankets, (dd) clothing and (ee) medical facilities and (ii) co-ordinating the relief and welfare work being done by voluntary organisations;

(2) whether the area concerned or parts thereof are to be declared a disaster area; if not, why not; if so, when;

(3) whether any organisation has made requests or representations in respect of establishing a centralised site to accommodate homeless persons; if so, (a) what organisation and (b) what was the (i) nature of the requests or representations and (ii) response of the authorities?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

(1) Yes.

(a) Falls away.

(b) Steps are continuously being taken to relieve and improve conditions existing in the troubled area.

(i) (aa), (bb), (cc), (dd) and (ee). At the outbreak of violence in the Crossroads area large tracts of land in Khayelitsha, large enough in fact to accommodate 30 000 to 40 000 people, were made available.

In addition, tents were immediately made available. To date 2 300 persons have been accommodated and cared for. My Department is providing food, blankets and clothing to supplement items of this nature already provided by the Red Cross and other relief and welfare organisations.

Officials of the Development Board are in daily contact with the Red Cross and other relief organisations in order to monitor the situation.

The Divisional Council is providing medical services continuously and this body is also constantly in direct contact with the relief workers.

In order to further improve the water supply situation, larger piping has been laid on. Generators for lighting and additional sanitary services have also been provided.

(ii) The co-ordinating of relief measures is presently being undertaken by the Red Cross. The Development Board has been requested to continue with welfare work and in this area much progress has been made.

(2) Since land (only 5 km away) and facilities have been provided at Khayelitsha where accommodation is available, it has not been necessary to declare the area or portions thereof a disaster area.

(3) Yes.

(a) The Red Cross Organisation.

(b) (i) The Red Cross have requested that a centrally situated site in the developed portion of the Nyanga township be made available.

(ii) There is not a large enough site in the developed area in Nyanga where so many strangers can be accommodated and cared for without disrupting the community. Facilities such as sanitation, water supply and lighting are simply totally inadequate.

According to the latest available information and situation is still tense and very emotional and it is no one's wish that further violence between the feuding factions should take place. It is, therefore, vitally necessary in order to defuse the situation and also for the safety of those concerned, that they not be accommodated in Nyanga. I can in no way guarantee their safety in their present situation. They are at present living in impossible conditions. In addition the situation is being aggravated by the unfavourable weather.

Khayelitsha is situated 5 km from Crossroads and Nyanga. Land, water, sanitary services, lighting, schools and medical services are already available there.

There is therefore no necessity for anybody to remain in the current squalid conditions. It is also not necessary for them to stay in overcrowded halls and churches.

Mr K M ANDREW: Mr Speaker, arising from the hon the Minister's reply, could he tell us—other than the question of shelter, which is also a sensitive matter from his point of view because he only wants it provided in Khayelitsha—whether, in terms of the other facilities, the State is now taking over? Would he not agree that voluntary organisations are running out of food and clothing and other required items?

†The MINISTER: Mr Speaker, I do not know the capacity of the organisations concerned. I will hold discussions with them tomorrow and with the churches on Monday.

Questions put with due printed notice:

5/6/86

Reference books/influx control

HANSARD 2148

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

How many (a) males and (b) females were arrested in 1985 for offences relating to reference books and influx control in each of the police station areas on the East Rand?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

	Reference books		Influx control	
	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)
Heidelberg	27	3	13	6
Greylingstad	6	—	—	—
Grootvlei	11	19	—	—
Balfour	—	—	—	—
Brakpan	33 (2)	6	351 (52)	—
Nigel	23 (1)	3	130	—

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	Reference books		Influx control	
	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)
Dunnotar	32	—	93 (29)	—
Devon	3	—	—	—
Kempton Park	220 (21)	393 (39)	1 434 (96)	261 (7)
Boksburg	491 (13)	344 (77)	757 (147)	526 (3)
Boksburg North	289 (4)	43 (12)	1 092 (109)	380 (11)
Olifantsfontein	48 (2)	11	268 (9)	194
Tembisa	91	23	88	91
Vosloorus	196	37	84	89
Springs	393 (18)	113 (7)	452 (14)	30 (1)
Delmas	162	66	20	—
Sundra	273	76	47	36
Kwa Thema	40	—	—	—
Benoni	79 (11)	47 (34)	69 (29)	— (2)
Actonville	33	16	—	—
Daveyton	—	—	—	—
Peti	173	29 (10)	51	76
Putfontein	113	36 (13)	98	20
Germiston	1 721 (45)	93 (27)	1 987 (119)	414 (12)
Alberton	391 (51)	68 (19)	380 (130)	190 (77)
Bedfordview	260 (23)	9 (31)	242 (53)	37 (14)
Edenvale	349 (16)	8 (20)	571 (132)	166 (15)
Primrose	413 (52)	11 (19)	509 (126)	134 (57)
Elsburg	287 (43)	11 (24)	365 (47)	243 (12)
Kathlehong	19	—	—	—
TOTAL	6 176 (302)	1 4652 (332)	9 101 (1 092)	2 893 (211)

Abovementioned statistics are with regard to arrests by the South African Police. The numbers between brackets represent arrests by other instances.

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Periodicals/publications prohibited

HANSARD 2229

751. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

Whether any periodicals or other publications had been prohibited in terms of section 5 of the Internal Security Act, No 74 of 1982, as at the latest specified date for which information is available; if so, what specified periodicals or other publications?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

No.

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Unlawful organisations

HANSARD 2229

752. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

Whether any organisations had been declared unlawful in terms of section 4(1) of the Internal Security Act, No 74 of 1982, as at the latest specified date for which information is available; if so, what organisations?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

Yes, the "Congress of South African Students" (COSAS).

HoA

Burnt PE man in serious condition

Post Reporter

A WALMER man who narrowly escaped death when a petrol bomb was flung through the window of his van on the outskirts of Port Elizabeth yesterday, is in a serious condition in the Provincial Hospital, with burns over 30% of his body.

Mr Pieter Breytenbach, 46, workshop manager for Port Elizabeth Plant Hire, turned into a human torch when the petrol bomb exploded in his van on the Red House-Kwamashaki road at 1.30pm.

He crawled through an open window and rolled in the dust to extinguish the fire.

The van, which had been stoned twice on the same stretch of road, was burnt out.

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Black Sash members join the mothers of Chesterville township, near Durban, in their nightly vigil for their children.

On guard, night after night: The women who must stay awake lest their children be murdered

Unarmed and wrapped in blankets against the chill, the women of Chesterville stand guard nightly over their strife-torn township. CARMEL RICKARD reports.

EVERY NIGHT women hold a vigil on the streets of Chesterville, watching over the township — and their children.

Wrapped in blankets, sitting in their "camp" on the tar outside the shops, they remain on guard until 4am.

It has been nine months since one of the watchers, Mrs N — she didn't want to be identified — last shared a meal with all her children, who sleep in the bushes or stay with friends.

That's how long Chesterville, just outside Durban, has been the scene of vicious fighting between residents and the "A-Team" vigilante group.

The vigil is a fairly recent phenomenon. In the beginning, women watched helplessly as strife fractured their community, leaving nearly 20 dead — including children. It has been children on both sides who have been most affected by the conflict.

As part of their children's day activities last week, Durban Black Sash members asked a group of Chesterville mothers to explain to a public meeting how their children were being hurt — physically and emotionally — by the violence.

Mrs N said trouble began last year with the murder of civil rights lawyer Victoria Mxenge. After a memorial service, police detained a number of students, including several from Chesterville.

Pupils from the township tried to get their local principal to take up the detention issue with the police. When this did not work, pupils began boycotts, which were stopped by vigilantes who disapproved of the pupils being involved in such activities.

The A-Team, said Mrs N, was made up of teachers in the township and a number of criminals recently released from jail for serious offences.

Mrs N repeated claims — which the police have denied — of security force assistance to the A-Team. Such allegations and complaints about the inability of police to stop the violence or solve crimes committed by the the A-Team led to a delegation by PFP MPs Peter Gastrow and Roger Burrows to three senior Durban police officers.

The police gave the assurance that all incidents would be investigated but said that witnesses and complainants had to make statements at a police station.

Since then the violence has continued and residents continue to complain about the A-Team "operating without restraint and harrassing, intimidating and terrorising the community", according to Mrs N.

Between August and December, children were "only" beaten by the vigilantes, Mrs N said. After that the killing started.

"As I speak to you now there are three bodies of our sons lying in the mortuary.

"One was abducted while walking up the street and was taken to the headquarters of the A-Team. His body was gashed with a panga. His eyes and genitals were removed. He does not have all his parts and his body was ... burnt.

"Soon afterwards two more young men were killed. Shot dead. The skull of one was opened and his brain matter taken out. We are now preparing for their funerals. It was in response to these kinds of events that we decided we had to find a community solution."

She said one night they were warned a combined raid by the A-Team and an impi from outside was about to take place. Her first reaction was to grab her children and run.

"Then I called myself a coward. I went down the street and decided to call the mothers out of their houses to keep a vigil that night to see what happened.

"We were not armed and did not mean to harm anyone. We just wanted to use our eyes and witness what would happen to our children."

A few women gathered in the street that night. It has now become a regular event. On one night last week, a Black Sash delegation joined the vigil.

All the schools in Chesterville have been closed, said Mrs N. Families — including hers — have abandoned their houses, either because of death threats or firebombs.

But "in spite of the bad conditions here we have nowhere else to go. The Israelites had Canaan, but where can we go?"

Another woman who keeps the nightly watch said Chesterville had become a refugee camp within its own borders, as families sheltered and hid others.

"If you want to come into the room in the morning, you have to wait while we move the mattresses so that the door can be opened," she said. "Often the refugee family is not able to pay anything for their upkeep as they are not working and the host family struggles to feed three times the normal mouths. Often there are no clothes as the family's house has been burned down."

Both women said they had been given new hope by white women who had heard of their problems and were helping them. Mrs N said that "many nights" she had taken children out of the township and hidden them with sympathetic friends, to keep them safe from the vigilantes.

Taste of a few hours terror

FOR Alison Boulle, joining the Chesterville mothers in a night vigil last week gave her some of the most terrifying few hours of her life.

Boulle was part of a Black Sash delegation which sang hymns, prayed and talked to the mothers, who spend every night sitting together in the township streets, keeping watch for vigilantes.

The Black Sash women arrived shortly after the women had been scattered with teargas; the group reformed and sang hymns. Police arrived, asked who was their leader (there wasn't one), and left.

Shortly afterwards, a house behind the women was firebombed.

"We later found out the burning bore no relation to our being there; it was a personal vendetta carried out at the wrong house. But someone died in the fire, and one of the women at the 'camp' had a rented room in the house and all her possessions went up in flames."

A second vigil is planned.

"What I learned chiefly was the level of fear and terror in (the women's) daily lives. We had only a few hours' taste, but they experience it all the time," she said.

Having the Sash there, said the mothers, "made them see a bit of light and lifted their spirits. They appreciated the solidarity. Now that we have made the initial contact the awkwardness between the two groups should disappear early on in a second visit and we can talk more freely to each other."



Teenage girl set alight after bus hijacking

The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — A teenage girl is in a critical condition in hospital after being set alight by youths.

She had been the only passenger on a bus hijacked by the youths and they kept her prisoner for a night.

Hilda Booysen, 14, of Missionvale near Port Elizabeth, has first degree burns over 60 percent of her body.

Police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape Major Eddie Everson said Hilda was on the bus when it was hijacked near the Windvogel terminus about 7pm on Wednesday. A group of youths forced the driver to drive to the Veeplaas squatter camp.

METHS POURED ON HER

Major Everson said the driver was then allowed to continue his journey.

About 11am yesterday Hilda was seen being dragged to the Veeplaas saltpans by workers who told the police.

When the police patrol arrived, Hilda had had metholated spirits poured over her and she had been set alight.

The police fired on her attackers, killing one youth and wounded two.

Locked church stops meeting

Cape Times 6/6/86 (2)

Staff Reporters

STONES were thrown at a bus and a police vehicle in Bonteheuwel yesterday afternoon after a meeting called to protest against the continued detention of two teachers failed to take place.

The meeting was not held as the doors of the Anglican Parish of Reconciliation in Manenberg, where the protest meeting was to have been held, were locked.

Mr Quinton Michaels, a teacher at Silverstream Senior Secondary in Manenberg, and Mr Neville van der Rheede of Arcadia Senior Secondary, have been detained under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act for several weeks.

About 150 pupils stood outside the church for about an hour before most left in two buses.

Police followed one of the buses to the Bonteheuwel Civic Centre where a stone was thrown at a policeman.

Soon after that a bus and a police vehicle were stoned. Police reinforcements arrived and the students dispersed. No police action was taken.

On Wednesday night police used tearsmoke and shotguns to disperse groups of stone-throwing youths in Bonteheuwel. A tractor was petrol-bombed and two people were arrested.

Giving details, a spokesman said police used tearsmoke after police and private vehicles were stoned on the N2 at Bonteheuwel at 9.30pm on Wednesday.

Five minutes later, police used shotgun fire to disperse a group of youths stoning vehicles on the N2.

About the same time a stationary tractor in Vanguard Drive was petrol-bombed and extensively damaged.

Police also fired shotguns at a group of about 80 youths stoning police and private vehicles in Vyeboom Street.

CROSSROADS

Bleak times once more

The Cape winter struck with a vengeance this week, adding to the misery of thousands of refugees from conflict-torn Crossroads (*Current affairs* May 30).

Although a massive relief effort has gone a long way to make the lives of an estimated 35 000 homeless squatters relatively more comfortable, their long-term prospects remain as bleak as the low, grey cloud hanging over the devastation.

Last week the Urban Foundation withdrew its backing for the planned upgrading of Crossroads. Specifically, the foundation wanted to dissociate itself from what was rapidly being perceived as a forced removal of the displaced squatters to Khayelitsha, 4 km away.

The foundation's regional director, Colin Appleton, says government's refusal to allow the squatters to resettle on the sites of their destroyed shacks could add to the violence, rather than contain it. Government's intentions did not conform with principles identified by the foundation "as being essential for the implementation of a successful upgrade programme," said Appleton (see *FM* cover story, May 16). The foundation had long ago been requested by various community groups, and by government, to act as a development agency in co-ordinating an upgrade programme for Crossroads.

Residents' rights

To be successful, says the foundation, it is essential that residents have the right to remain there; that all Crossroads inhabitants take part; and that the planned and implementation process be one of community participation. It has already devoted considerable resources to the project's planning, with a full-time staff of nine working on it.

The foundation's decision does not, however, affect its donation of R100 000 for short-term aid at Crossroads.

American Ambassador Herman Nickel recently announced that he would, under the US Foreign Assistance Act, make a disaster relief grant of $25 000 to "provide help for the victims of the civil strife in Crossroads." This is in addition to the US grant of $10 000 to the Red Cross in Cape Town, which Nickel announced in May. Said Nickel: "It is quite obvious that what is happening in Crossroads is a human disaster of major proportions, and the American people want to reach out with practical help to the thousands of innocent victims."

The Progressive Federal Party viewed the Urban Foundation's pull-out as a "devastating indictment" of government policy in the camp, says Cape leader Roger Hulley.

In response, Constitutional Development and Planning Minister Chris Heunis declined to add to his earlier statement on the situation in which he denied any State involvement in the conflict. "Persons and institutions who advocate that the refugees be allowed to return to Crossroads unfortunately do not take into account that, for the safety of those involved, this should not happen. The government cannot allow conditions to re-develop into what, in all probability, will result in a revival of the recently experienced violence. It affects the stability of the whole Cape Peninsula," he said.



Minister Heunis . . . State role in conflict denied

Heunis accused "certain politicians" of apparently playing a role in the decision by some squatters not to accept the State's offer of temporary accommodation at Khayelitsha.

Meanwhile, the worst of the conflict appeared to have ended this week and contractors were busy clearing the debris of about 4 000 razed squatter shacks from a 25 ha area. Nearby, some squatters were busy putting up new shacks in a buffer zone between Crossroads and neighbouring townships.

Threatened disease epidemics appeared this week to be held in check in the face of a concerted effort by relief organisations, including the Red Cross.

National Health Minister Willie van Niekerk says the co-ordination of relief measures is being handled by his department and the Cape Divisional Council. State health personnel are being assisted by the community health departments of Wits and the University of Stellenbosch. ■

INDUSTRIAL COURT

Solving insolvencies

The Industrial Court has ordered a company in liquidation — SA Cutlery Industries — to reinstate temporarily 39 members of the SA Boilermakers' Society who were dismissed in a dispute over union stop order facilities.

The *FM* understands that this is at least the second time that the court has made an order of this nature.

The background to the SA Cutlery dispute is that workers had repeatedly asked the company to arrange for union dues to be deducted from their weekly pay packets. The company, however, repeatedly delayed. On January 30 a confrontation occurred when workers demanded an explanation. The company responded by dismissing some of them.

In turn, the Boilermakers declared a dispute and lodged an application for reinstatement with the Industrial Court. In line with labour law, the dispute was also referred to the metal industrial council where the parties agreed to submit to mediation. However, at the second mediation meeting, the company announced that it has been placed in provisional liquidation.

Notwithstanding the company's financial position, the court found that the dismissals had been unfair and that the way the company's MD had handled the dispute was "appalling." It ordered that the workers be reinstated with effect from February 24, and also extended the order for 30 days from May 22.

The court rejected arguments put forward by the lawyer acting for the liquidators that it did not have the power to order the reinstatements. The kernel of the lawyer's argument was that Section 359 of the Companies Act states that when a company is in liquidation, all *civil* proceedings against it should be suspended. The lawyer also argued that, in terms of Section 38 of the Insolvency Act, workers' service contracts are automatically terminated when a company is sequestrated.

The court held that applications for temporary reinstatement cannot be regarded as *civil* proceedings. Before the Labour Relations Act (LRA) was amended in 1982, empowering the Industrial Court to grant reinstatements, this power was vested with the Minister of Manpower. "The transfer of this discretion . . . did not acquire a different

Police save girl, 14, set alight by youths

EVE POST 6/6/86

By CATHY SCHNELL

A 14-YEAR-OLD coloured girl, who had been doused in methylated spirits and set alight, was rescued by police after they opened fire on a group of 100 youths in Soweto, Port Elizabeth, yesterday.

The police then rolled the screaming schoolgirl on the ground to extinguish the flames.

One youth was killed when the police opened fire at the salt pans near Soweto. Two other youths were arrested.

Hilda Booysen, who lives in Missionvale, is in the Livingstone Hospital with 60% burns over the upper part of her body.

A spokesman for the hospital said Hilda was in a critical condition and had not yet regained consciousness.

Most of the burns are on her face, neck and chest.

The incident occurred after youths hijacked the bus in which she was travelling home on Wednesday night and forced the driver to drive to Veeplaas instead.

The police Press liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Major Eddie Everson, said some youths boarded the bus with Hilda at the Windvogel bus terminus at about 7pm on Wednesday.

They forced the girl to the back of the bus and told the driver to go to Veeplaas instead of Missionvale.

They forced Hilda off the bus at Veeplaas and told the driver he could continue to Missonvale.

On Thursday morning about 100 youths took her to the salt pans where they set her alight.

A worker at the salt pans became concerned about what was happening and telephoned the police.

By the time the police arrived, the girl was already on fire, Major Everson said.

'Toyi toyi' dance for inquest magistrate

Court Reporter

A WITNESS, who may not be identified, gave a demonstration of "toyi toyi" dancing during the inquest on Miss Ntomdekaya Mgubasi 16, who died during an incident in Walmer township.

The witness was asked by the magistrate, Mr J S Knoesen, to demonstrate the dance.

The witness said in a statement read by the prosecutor, Mr H B Pieters, that Miss Mgubasi did not go to the shop or return from the shop on the day in question.

The statement said: "I would have seen if she went to the shop."

According to the statement, people were dancing the "toyi toyi" and singing. The witness was then asked to demonstrate.

Thew witness did not know if Miss Mgubasi was part of the group in the street.

Questioned by Mr R Pillay, for Miss Mgubasi's family, the witness said: "I was looking at the 'toyi toyi'. My attention was not on the shop the whole time."

Mr Michael Ganya said in a statement read out by him in court that he heard some shots go off before seeing Miss Mgubasi lying on the ground.

According to him, there was "absolutely no provocation" from the crowd or Miss Mgubasi. He did not hear the police ask the crowd to disperse.

Miss Mgubasi was not and could not have been part of the crowd, he said.

When Mr Ganya went to where Miss Mgubasi was lying, he saw a wound on her head and thought she was dead.

Mr Zibongile Dyonasha has said he sent Miss Mgubase to a nearby shop to buy a cube of beef stock. He said she fell to the ground after a shot was aimed in her direction. He later saw an injury on her head.

(Proceeding)

Mr C Jansen, SC, appeared for the Minister of Law and Order.

Police find another burnt body near KTC

Staff Reporter

POLICE have found the partly burnt body of a man near KTC squatter camp.

He was the second man to be killed near the camp this week. A burnt body was found on Monday.

A police spokesman said he was Mr Lennox Dayonta, 30.

Violence flared in Langa yesterday when bread and milk delivery vehicles were looted.

Police said about 7am yesterday in Washington Avenue, a vehicle delivering bread was set alight and the bread stolen.

About 9.20am, a milk delivery vehicle was stoned and looted.

Stonings were reported later in Washington Avenue, Langa, and Bluegum Road and Vanguard Drive, Bonteheuwel.

Govt firm on refugee settlement

Cape Times 6/6/86

By ANTHONY JOHNSON
Political Correspondent

THE government yesterday reaffirmed that refugees driven from their homes in Crossroads in the recent clashes will not be allowed to resettle in the area but will have to move to Khayelitsha.

And the Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Chris Heunis, announced that the Crossroads area — where more than 30 000 have been left homeless — would not be declared a disaster area.

Mr Heunis also said that he could "in no way guarantee" the safety of refugees in the area given the "tense and very emotional" situation there.

The PFP responded that Mr Heunis's attitude was "callous, unwise and immoral", charging that "to take advantage of of people who have been rendered homeless and destitute by trying to force them out of the area is indefensible".

Disaster area

Mr Heunis told Parliament yesterday: "Since land and facilities have been provided at Khayelitsha where accommodation is available, it has not been necessary to declare the area or portions thereof a disaster area."

Replying to a series of urgent questions in the House of Assembly put by Mr Ken Andrew (PFP Gardens), Mr Heunis said tracts of land large enough to accommodate 30 000 to 40 000 people had been made available at Khayelitsha "at the outbreak of violence in the Crossroads area".

Mr Heunis said requests by the Red Cross that a centralized site to accommodate the homeless in Nyanga be made available could not be met.

"There is not a large enough site in the developed area in Nyanga where so many strangers can be accommodated and cared for without disrupting the community. Facilities such as sanitation, water supply and lighting are simply totally inadequate," he said.

Mr Heunis said that according to "the latest available information" the situation in the area was "still tense and very emotional" and "it is no one's wish that further violence between the feuding factions should take place".

"It is, therefore, vitally necessary, in order to defuse the situation and also for the safety of those concerned, that they not be accommodated in Nyanga," he said. "I can in no way guarantee their safety in their present situation."

The minister said emergency relief steps were "continuously" being taken by the State to relieve and improve the conditions of the homeless squatters in the troubled areas.

However, Crossroads and Nyanga were five kilometres from Khayelitsha, where land, water, sanitary services, lighting, schools and medical facilites were already available, he said.

Squalid conditions

"There is therefore no necessity for anybody to remain in the current squalid conditions. It is also not necessary for them to stay in overcrowded halls and churches."

Mr Andrew, the PFP's spokesman on black affairs in the Western Cape, said in a statement afterwards that Mr Heunis's message to people driven out of their homes in the Crossroads area was quite clear.

"You've lost the war. We've got you off the site and we're not letting you back. Unless you go to Khayelitsha, we will do next to nothing to help you in your awful plight."

He said Mr Heunis's actions would further alienate and embitter tens of thousands of black people in the Peninsula.

Applicant sent to Valkenberg

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CAPE TOWN squatter leader, Alfred Siphika, an applicant in the recent "Anton Piller" order, has been sent to Valkenberg for 30 days' observation after a court appearance this week.

Siphika, who is the leader of the Nyanga Extension squatter camp, which was devastated in the recent fighting at Crossroads, appeared in the Langa Court on Wednesday on a charge of attempted murder.

He was arrested minutes after he and his attorneys, accompanied by Supreme Court officials, had searched the Guguletu Police Station for alleged instruments of torture. Siphika and three other men were granted an order by the Cape Supreme Court about two weeks ago, allowing them to search the Guguletu and Bishop Lavis Police Stations without prior notice.

Siphika was arrested last week, immediately after the search had ended.

His attorney, Stephan Raubenheimer, said he was concerned about Siphika's welfare in the light of the squatter leader's previous allegations that he had been tortured by the police. An *in camera* bail application on May 30 was postponed after Siphika had collapsed in court, Raubenheimer said.

At a subsequent hearing on Monday this week, the magistrate D J Visagie ordered that Siphika be sent to Valkenberg for 30 days' observation. The hearing was postponed to June 27.

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Landers: UDF 'guilty of murder'

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. — The UDF had exceeded "all bounds of reasoning and sanity" and were guilty of the murder of Mr Moegsien Abrahams, the Deputy Minister for Population Development, Mr Luwellyn Landers, said yesterday.

Speaking in committee stage of the own-affairs budget, he said the House rejected the UDF's statement on the death of Mr Abrahams, who was beaten and stabbed to death after a UDF meeting in Mitchells Plain two weeks ago.

"The UDF are now saying that the end justifies the means and that mob rule was acceptable ...

"I submit that the UDF are guilty of the murder of Mr Abrahams and this guilt rests squarely on the shoulders of Trevor Manuel, Joe Adams and Allan Boesak."

He said UDF patron Dr Boesak was responsible because he condoned the UDF statements by his silence.

"In the light of this we must question the leadership role adopted by the UDF in the current situation in South Africa as well as their original declaration of striving for the destruction of apartheid by using peaceful means."

Dr Ismail Essop (LP Griqualand West) said Muslim leaders should not align themselves with the ANC and the UDF because violence was contrary to the principles of Islam.

The UDF was misusing a Muslim tradition by making people light candles to show solidarity with the organization. — Sapa

Squatter killed while preparing to move

Cape Times 7/6/86

Staff Reporter

THE partly burnt body of a 30-year-old KTC squatter, Mr Lennox Diyonta, was found in the bushes near Crossroads on Thursday afternoon after he had apparently been threatened earlier that day about moving to Khayelitsha.

According to a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Captain Jan Calitz, Mr Diyonta had been "intimidated" by a group of about five younger men while he was demolishing his hut, M2426 KTC, to move to Khayelitsha.

Mr Diyonta then went to the Guguletu police station and arranged a police guard to watch over his possessions — mainly furniture — while he went to arrange transport for the move.

"He never returned. After a while police at his hut were informed that he had been abducted," Captain Calitz said.

Mr Diyonta's body was found in nearby bushes about 4.50pm with slight burns at the back of his head and on his back, he said.

Police have not yet established the cause of his death, he said. No arrests have been made.

Cape Times 7/6/86

Girl set alight by 'comrade' bus-hijackers

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH — The girl who was set alight on Thursday morning near the Soweto salt pans had been abducted, assaulted and kept prisoner overnight by a group of youths claiming to be "comrades" of a community leader.

According to Major Eddie Everson, SA Police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, a police patrol vehicle arrived at the salt pans near Veeplaas in time to see a group of about 100 youths pour methylated spirits over the girl, Hilda Booysen, 14, of 529, Missionvale, and set her on fire.

One youth, aged about 20, was shot dead on the spot and two others were arrested when the group fled in all directions, leaving behind the girl screaming in agony.

He said policemen put out the flames and the girl, who received 60 percent burn wounds, was taken to Livingstone Hospital where she was in the intensive-care unit in a critical condition last night.

'Necklace' murders

A woman, who claims to know the Booysen family well but did not want to be named, said Hilda boarded a bus in Windvogel just after 7pm on Wednesday when she was confronted by a group of youths who started assaulting her.

The youths hijacked the bus and forced the driver to take them to Veeplaas, where Hilda was dragged into the bush by the side of the road.

"When they got off the bus with the girl, the youths announced to the remaining passengers that they were 'comrades' of a community leader whom they metioned by name," the woman said.

Major Everson said a large number of youths were seen congregating near the salt pans on the outskirts of Soweto — the scene of numerous "necklace" murders during the past year — by an employee at the salt pans on Thursday morning.

The police were called and arrived just in time to see Hilda being doused with methylated spirits and set alight.

The youths, numbering about 100, scattered when they saw the police approaching. Shots were fired, and a man was killed instantly. Two others were arrested at the scene.

The police extinguished the flames and Hilda was taken to hospital. Police are investigating.

25 000 sign petition

Cape Times 7/6/88

Staff Reporter

BETWEEN 25 000 and 30 000 signatures have been collected in support of Bradley van Niekerk, a Kensington High School pupil facing a 12-month jail term for public violence.

Although yesterday was the deadline for his attorneys to petition the Chief Justice for leave to appeal, delays in obtaining court records mean the petition will be lodged on Tuesday.

Van Niekerk was convicted of public violence after throwing stones at a policeman in October last year during school unrest.

An appeal to the Supreme Court against his conviction was dismissed and an application for leave to take the matter to the Appellate Division was refused.

The case of the 18-year-old offender sparked a campaign by the "Save Bradley from Prison Committee" and signatures in his support will be sent with the petition to the Chief Justice.

If his petition fails Van Niekerk will have to report to Pollsmoor Prison within 48 hours.

Witness was lucky to escape

AN alleged informer who escaped from a group of youths who were going to set him and a teacher alight, this week told a judge he escaped while the youths were "concentrating on butchering" the teacher in the street.

Another witness told the PE Supreme Court that he and the teacher were watching *Dallas* when youths stormed into his house and attacked the teacher.

Mzwandile Kakana and Alfred Mbunge were testifying at the trial of Themba Ndyamara, Mzimkhulu Simama, Butisi Damani Maledi, Boyce Goliath, Msindisi Mantewu, Phumelelo Kraya, Ndyebo Yunati, Mbulelo Menzi, and five youths and a girl between the ages of 15 and 17.

They are charged with the murder of teacher Anele Mnyalatyo from Bongweni township in Cookhouse, on the night of April 30 last year.

They all pleaded not guilty to the charge. – Sapa

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Crossroads has weekend of unrest

Staff Reporter

ABOUT 12 shots were fired at residents of Crossroads from a passing vehicle, police have reported.

It is not known if anyone was injured.

The incident, about 8.20pm yesterday, was one of several shootings at the weekend.

In a police report of unrest a spokesman said one man was injured, police and defence force personnel were shot at on three occasions, and police used birdshot twice and teargas twice.

Groups clash

The spokesman said that about 5.10am on Saturday shots were fired when two groups clashed in Mahobe Drive, Nyanga. A man was injured in the left shoulder.

At 1.10pm on Saturday, an illegal gathering occurred during a funeral in Guguletu. Police warned the group to disperse and a man carrying a flag was arrested.

At 2.47pm during another funeral, 300 people were dispersed with teargas after they allegedly formed an illegal gathering in Zwelitsha Road, Nyanga.

At 4.05pm, an alleged illegal gathering at the cemetry in NY 108 was dispersed with teargas.

Police said two shots were fired at a police Casspir in Terminus Road near the KTC squatter camp about 4.45pm. Police returned fire with birdshot.

Window cracked

Birdshot was again used shortly before 5pm after police were stoned near KTC. There was further stoning 10 minutes later but no action was taken.

Shortly after midnight yesterday, an SADF Buffel was fired on at the corner of Mahobe Drive and Lansdowne Road, Nyanga. One bullet cracked a window.

Ten minutes later, further shots were fired at another Buffel in the same area.

At the corner of Lansdowne Road and Stock Road about 8.20pm last night, about 12 shots were fired from a minibus into Crossroads.

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Funeral arrests: Man in court

Court Reporter

A MAN who was arrested on Saturday near a funeral in Nyanga appeared briefly in the Langa Court in connection with a charge of possessing ammunition.

Charges against a student from the United States who was also arrested at the funeral on Saturday were withdrawn in the Wynberg Magistrate's Court today.

Mr Lulama Gxoyiya, 22, of NY 65, Guguletu, was not asked to plead at the Langa hearing. The case was postponed to June 23 for further investigation.

A third man who was arrested for allegedly displaying an ANC flag has not yet appeared in court.

High water:

Today: 0404; 1629
Tomorrow: 0439; 1703

Low water

Today: 1013; 2231
Tomorrow: 1047; 2308

WATER TEMPERATURES:

Sea Point:
Sea ..... 14 deg C
Pool ..... 13,5 deg C

Muizenberg:
Sea ..... 14 deg C
Pool ..... 15 deg C

Newlands ..... Closed

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(The figure in brackets shows the average for the month)

Maximum temperature ..... 25,8 (18,0) deg C
Minimum temperature ..... 3,6 (7,7) deg C
Mean temperature ..... 14,7 (12,6) deg C
Maximum humidity ..... 93 (97) %
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Mean humidity ..... 63 (81) %
Mean atmospheric pressure 1018,3mb (1020,0)
Rainfall 8am — 8am 0,0mm
Progressive rainfall for the month 46,8mm (91,5mm)
Sunshine ..... 9,3 hours (5,8)
Prevailing wind direction ..... NNE (NNW)
Maximum hourly velocity ..... NNE 4,2 (N 17,5 metres a second)
Maximum gust ..... NNE 7,2 (N 29,5 metres a second)

8am TEMPERATURES

Johannesburg ..... 8 deg C
Cape Town (yesterday 2pm) ..... 25,7 deg C
Cape Town (today 9am) ..... 16 deg C

For the latest, up to the minute detailed weather information for today, phone 46 1261.

Cape unrest: 'Apartheid to blame'

Municipal Reporter

UNREST should be viewed against a backdrop of frustration at being excluded from the governing process, the Mayor of Cape Town, Mr Leon Markovitz, and the chairman of the executive committee, Mr John Muir, said in a report issued yesterday.

"Implementation of the system of apartheid over many years has bred deep resentment in persons of colour and was undoubtedly the greatest single factor leading up to the outbreak of unrest in the Cape," they said.

Their report arose out of the City Council's "Call to Dialogue" initiative of September last year which canvassed the views of community groups.

Township residents said "people of colour" had been forced by the apartheid system into "overcrowded and allegedly badly serviced" townships.

"To the average township occupant it appears that whilst there is a constant escalation in rates and rentals this is accompanied by very little improvement in the general standard of living," residents said, according to the report.

"Because they are compelled to travel substantial distances to their places of employment, transport costs are high."

Government handling of the march to Pollsmoor Prison in August last year "appeared to have actually triggered off the escalation of violence in the Cape Peninsula".

Declaration of a state of emergency had dampened unrest, but a "resurgence" began this year, mainly in black townships.

Council property had suffered damage of R278 375,15, mostly in smashed traffic lights and damaged electrical installations and equipment.

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Police teargas Nyanga funeral

CAPE TIMES 9/6/86 (275)

By TONY WEAVER and ANDREW DONALDSON

SIXTY policemen lined the Nyanga graveside of local unrest victim Mr Phumzile Dossie on Saturday in a day which saw mourners repeatedly teargassed, four people — including an American student — arrested and at least four men shot and wounded by police.

Mr Dossie, 30, was killed on May 19.

Health workers said yesterday they believed as many as eight people were wounded, but only four came to clinics for help. A fifth man was shot and wounded early on Saturday morning and treated at Groote Schuur Hospital.

Journalists, who were ordered out of the Nyanga cemetery earlier, watched as the policemen, led by Major Dolf Odendaal of the riot squad, marched in and stood less than three metres from a group of about 500 mourners.

Carrying shotguns, handguns, teargas-launchers and rifles, the policemen wandered among the graves and traded insults with mourners, who confronted the police contingent with chants and praise songs for the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe.

A Cape Times reporter present saw no ANC or Communist Party flags at the funeral.

Earlier, at 1.25pm, a 22-year-old Guguletu man was arrested by police for being in possession of a red flag depicting the hammer and sickle, said a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, yesterday.

Lieutenant Laubscher said that when police moved in to confiscate the flag, the man had drawn a knife and tried to stab one of them.

A man will appear in Athlone Magistrate's Court today on charges of furthering the aims of a banned organization, unlawful possession of ammunition, possession of a dangerous weapon and resisting arrest.

Mourners walking to the funeral service near the Zolani Centre were teargassed in Terminus Road about 1.20pm.

Mr Lars Waldorf, an American student at the University of Cape Town and who has been working at the Shawco mobile relief centre, was arrested on charges of crimen injuria and resisting arrest, said Lieutenant Laubscher.

As about 100 mourners stood over the coffin, 14 Casspirs and three police vans surrounded the mourners.

At 2.39pm, a police officer announced over a loud-hailer that the mourners had two minutes to get moving.

The mourners immediately shouldered the coffin and began walking to the cemetery. But, without any apparent provocation, police fired four rounds of teargas into the procession.

Mourners scattered in panic, but the bearers kept their grip on Mr Dossie's coffin.

With Casspirs driving metres behind them, the mourners walked to the cemetery where more Casspirs were lined up. At 3.00pm, reporters and television crews were ordered out of the cemetery.

At 3.10pm, Major Odendaal led his 60 men into the cemetery and at 3.25pm they were joined by two Casspirs and a van. They stood there until 3.45pm as the mourners sang freedom songs and hymns.

At 4.00pm, mourners crammed into a bus and taxis for the return journey to Nyanga. About 200 youths began walking back down NY 108.

Ten minutes later, police opened up with a sustained volley of teargas, launching at least 30 canisters at the crowd.

Casspirs and vans then sped through Nyanga and sections of Guguletu and KTC, firing teargas and chasing youths on the streets.

The Cape Times saw three young men who had been wounded by birdshot and who were treated at a local clinic.

Lieutenant Laubscher confirmed that teargas had been fired on several occasions throughout the day. The presence of foreign television crews had necessitated the police presence at the cemetery, he said.

He said the crowd at the funeral had been dancing with clenched fists "in front of these cameras and it was very clear that the presence of the cameras were part" of the events there.

Accordingly, police had asked journalists to move out of the area.

Police had later fired birdshot "in the direction of a person who shot at their vehicle" in Terminus Road, Nyanga, said Lieutenant Laubscher. It was not known if anyone was hurt in this action, he said.

At 4.15pm, in Guguletu, police had used tearsmoke to disperse a group of about 50 people who began stoning their vehicle, he said. Two people were arrested.

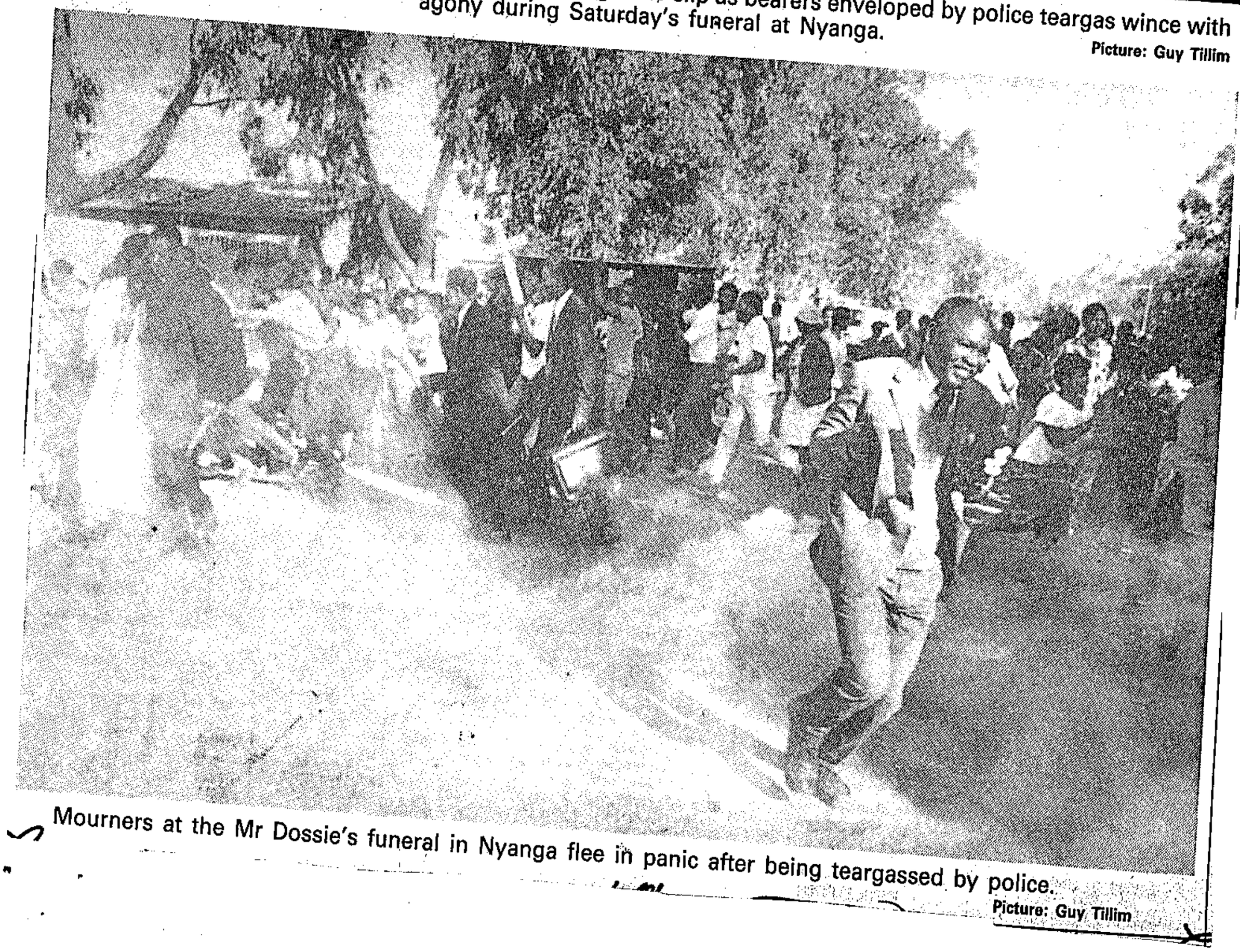
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The coffin of unrest victim Mr Phumazile Dossie begins to slip as bearers enveloped by police teargas wince with agony during Saturday's funeral at Nyanga.

Picture: Guy Tillim



Mourners at the Mr Dossie's funeral in Nyanga flee in panic after being teargassed by police.

Picture: Guy Tillim

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'Tension' in Nyanga East

Staff Reporter

RELIEF workers at Zolani Centre and Zwelitsha Drive yesterday reported continuing tension in Nyanga East where at least 12 000 refugees are being cared for.

A St John Ambulance worker said: "We hardly slept last night, what with delivering a five-month premature baby and then these rumours again that the witdoeke were going to attack."

The government is insisting that the 30 000 refugees from the devastated Portlands Cement, Nyanga Bush and Nyanga Extension camps move to Khayelitsha.

About 2 500 refugees have moved.

More than R500 000 has been spent on relief aid since the fighting ended three weeks ago. The fighting claimed 44 lives.

'Declare KTC a disaster area'



Picture: WILLIE DE KLERK, The Argus

These women were in a group of about 60 Crossroads refugees who gathered at the gates of Parliament yesterday imploring that the authorities stop the killing and burning. (Full report and more pictures, Page 11).

By TOS WENTZEL
Political Correspondent

OPPOSITION MPs today called for the devastated KTC squatter camp to be declared a disaster area and for a judicial commission of inquiry into police actions.

The New Republic Party today joined the Progressive Federal Party in its call for a judicial inquiry.

The two Ministers most closely concerned with the tense situation had no comment today. They are the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, and the Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Chris Heunis.

Four PFP MPs, Mrs Helen Suzman, Mr Tian van der Merwe, Mr Ken Andrew and Mr Errol Moorcroft, visited the area.

They were refused entry at two roadblocks but saw huge flames and palls of smoke which stretched for hundreds of metres. They visited the Manenberg police station and spoke to witnesses.

Vigilantes

Mr Andrew said today that all the evidence had pointed to a repeat performance of the Crossroads disaster three weeks ago.

Several PFP public representatives had received information at the weekend about the gathering of witdoek vigilantes. They had heard of fears that attacks on KTC and refugee centres were imminent. The police were told.

Mr van der Merwe confirmed this. He had received the first calls on Saturday.

Mr Andrew said the police, at least by not acting in good time, had effectively helped the vigilantes to commit arson on a grand scale. Tens of thousands more people were now likely to find themselves homeless and destitute.

Mrs Suzman said a judicial commission of inquiry was essential in order to restore the credibility of the police.

"Rewarded"

Mr van der Merwe said those who had started the burning at Crossroads were being virtually rewarded by being allowed to stay and to benefit from improvement of the area.

Mrs Suzman has called for the declaration of a disaster area. Steps could then be taken to provide people with at least the bare necessities.

Mr le Grange declined to comment today on criticism of the police or on the situation in KTC. He has in the past repeatedly declared criticism of the police to be untrue and has rejected it.

Mr le Grange also declined to react to demands for a judicial inquiry into police activities. Mr Heunis said he had no comment to make.

Mrs Suzman said: "If, as the Minister (Mr le Grange) constantly proclaims, the police are being unjustly accused, he should welcome such a com-

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Help stop Crossroad killings — plea

Labour Reporter

THE Stop the Killings Campaign has called on all people and organisations able to exercise any influence to get a ceasefire in Crossroads to do so immediately.

The campaign was launched last month by the Electrical and Allied Workers' Trades Union of South Africa (EAWTUSA) and a wide range of organisations.

Mr Brian Williams, a campaign spokesman, today called on all organisations which had not yet responded to the invitation to join the campaign to do so.

"This human tragedy must be stopped. However, this is only possible if progressive organisations combine their energies to demand an immediate ceasefire between the warring parties and then seek a solution.

"Many lives can be saved if progressive organisations can, as a matter of priority, go beyond the ideological barriers that may prevent them from assisting in this project.

"The chains of oppression and exploitation cannot be removed if the victims continue to kill each other.

"The oppressors are the only ones who can benefit from these killings."

Police report on squatter unrest

Cape Times 10/6/86 (304) 35

Staff Reporters

POLICE in Pretoria yesterday issued a special "unrest situation report" on the fighting in Nyanga East and KTC, while locally, police strongly denied allegations that they had taken sides.

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, commenting on allegations that police had sided with the "witdoeke", said that police had fired teargas at 11.20am after warning 300 vigilantes and "comrades" on NY5 and Zwelitsha Avenue to disperse.

He said half an hour later police warned about 350 vigilantes in Zwelitsha Avenue, Nyanga, to disperse and when they refused to do so, police had used birdshot and tearsmoke.

Fired upon

At 11.53am, about 500 vigilantes gathered at Mahobe Drive, Nyanga East, and police warned them to disperse. They used birdshot and tearsmoke when the crowd refused to move.

At 12.30pm police warned about 500 vigilantes and comrades clashing in Mahobe Drive to disperse and when the warring sides refused to, police used birdshot and tearsmoke to break up the fighting, he said.

Lieutenant Laubscher confirmed that six bodies had been found. He said one of the bodies had a bullet wound in the head while the other five had bad cuts and "chop marks".

He said police using an R1 rifle had shot dead

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News teams shot at in KTC, page 7

Women plead at Parliament, page 2

a man pointing a firearm at them at NY5, yesterday.

He said during the fighting police had been fired upon eight times from within crowds at different places in the area.

He said a .303 rifle had been found near the body of the dead man soon after the incident and that police had arrested five men and recovered a Russian Tokarev pistol.

Later police had also recovered an R1 rifle and 13 rounds of ammunition at NY5 in KTC.

He said anybody of the opinion that there was legal cause for complaint could make affidavits available to the police so that the allegations could be investigated.

Meanwhile, in a special interim report on the fighting, the Police Division of Public Relations said:

"At approximately 10am two large groups of blacks, allegedly the so-called "witdoeke" and the "comrades", congregated outside the administration board offices at Nyanga.

"The police warned the groups to disperse but they ignored the warning and started fighting, while moving in the direction of the KTC camp.

"At the KTC camp a number of structures were set alight and the fire, because of a strong wind blowing at the time, soon spread to adjoining structures.

"The community hall and three marquee tents at Zolani Centre were also destroyed in the blaze. Security forces are at present in control of the situation."

Relief work near collapse



The burning Zolani Centre.
Picture: Alan Taylor

By CHRIS BATEMAN and ANDREW DONALDSON

THE massive relief operation for the devastated Crossroads area has virtually collapsed with yesterday's renewed violence.

Shawco convener Mr Derek Livesey said: "The situation is totally chaotic."

After crisis meetings in the morning, relief agencies linked up in the afternoon and are now operating outside areas struck by the violence.

Mr Livesey said: "We will only be able to operate effectively when law and order is restored — and then maintained impartially.

"Only then will we be able to restore some sort of community health service in the area."

The refugee camps, housing victims of the violence which first started three weeks ago, appeared to be the main targets of yesterday's attacks by vigilantes or "witdoeke".

The relief post at the Zolani Centre in Nyanga East, which had housed some 2 500 refugees, was destroyed after it was set alight by vigilantes. Its occupants have all fled the area.

Three marquees, which had housed an estimated 1 200 refugees, were also destroyed by fire at the

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nearby Full Gospel Church in Guguletu.

Occupants of other refugee centres fled into nearby bushes and to St Gabriel's Church in Guguletu, or were taken in by township residents.

Evacuated centres include the Holy Cross Church in Nyanga East, the Islamic Medical Association marquee, about a dozen Red Cross tents in the Zwelitsha Drive area, the Nyanga East clinic, whose occupants were moved to the Guguletu Day Hospital, and the two new squatter camps, KwaMpetha and the New Lansdowne Road camps.

Relief workers from Shawco — together with their 40-ton mobile centre, St John Ambulance and the Red Cross were prevented by police from entering the area.

Most relief agencies, including St John, the Red Cross, Shawco and the Western Province Council of Churches, conducted emergency meetings yesterday morning following news of the violence.

A spokeswoman for St John Ambulance, Mrs Anne Botha, said the chief priority at the moment was to set up first-aid posts and establish some sort of "soup kitchen" feeding scheme.

Five St John nursing sisters narrowly escaped when they were trapped in Zolani Centre when it was set alight, she said.

They escaped through the back of the centre after breaking down a door.

An ambulance driver for St John had a narrow escape when he was shot at, Mrs Botha said.

The Red Cross's director of public relations and fund-raising, Mrs Ros Morris, said emergency first-aid posts were set up at two centres on the periphery of Nyanga — at St Gabriel's Church, NY5, and at the Full Gospel Church, in NY97, both in Guguletu.

The organization has appealed for urgent cash donations after tents and equipment were destroyed in a fire at Red Cross House, Wynberg, at the weekend.

● Meanwhile, the Jewish Board of Deputies (Cape Council) yesterday launched a fresh appeal to the Jewish community for cash or kind to help the homeless.

Donations should be handed or posted to the Union of Jewish Women, Stonehaven, Albany Rd, Sea Point.

● An additional R10 000 contribution for welfare organizations serving the Crossroads area will be shared between Shawco, Red Cross and the St John Ambulance, the chairman of BP Southern Africa, Mr Ian Sims, said yesterday.

Sat Times 11/6/86

Sabotage: Youths get bail

Supreme Court Reporter

A KNYSNA magistrate's refusal of bail to two youths accused of sabotage was overturned on appeal by the Supreme Court yesterday.

The two Knysna youths, aged 16 and 17, are accused of cutting two telephone cables carrying 50 lines between them outside Knysna on February 19. They were arrested on February 26 and 28 respectively and have since been in custody.

A bail application was heard in the Knysna Magistrate's Court on April 8, 9 and 10. The State opposed bail because the case was still being investigated, there was general unrest in the area and the accused might become involved in similar offences or endanger the public safety.

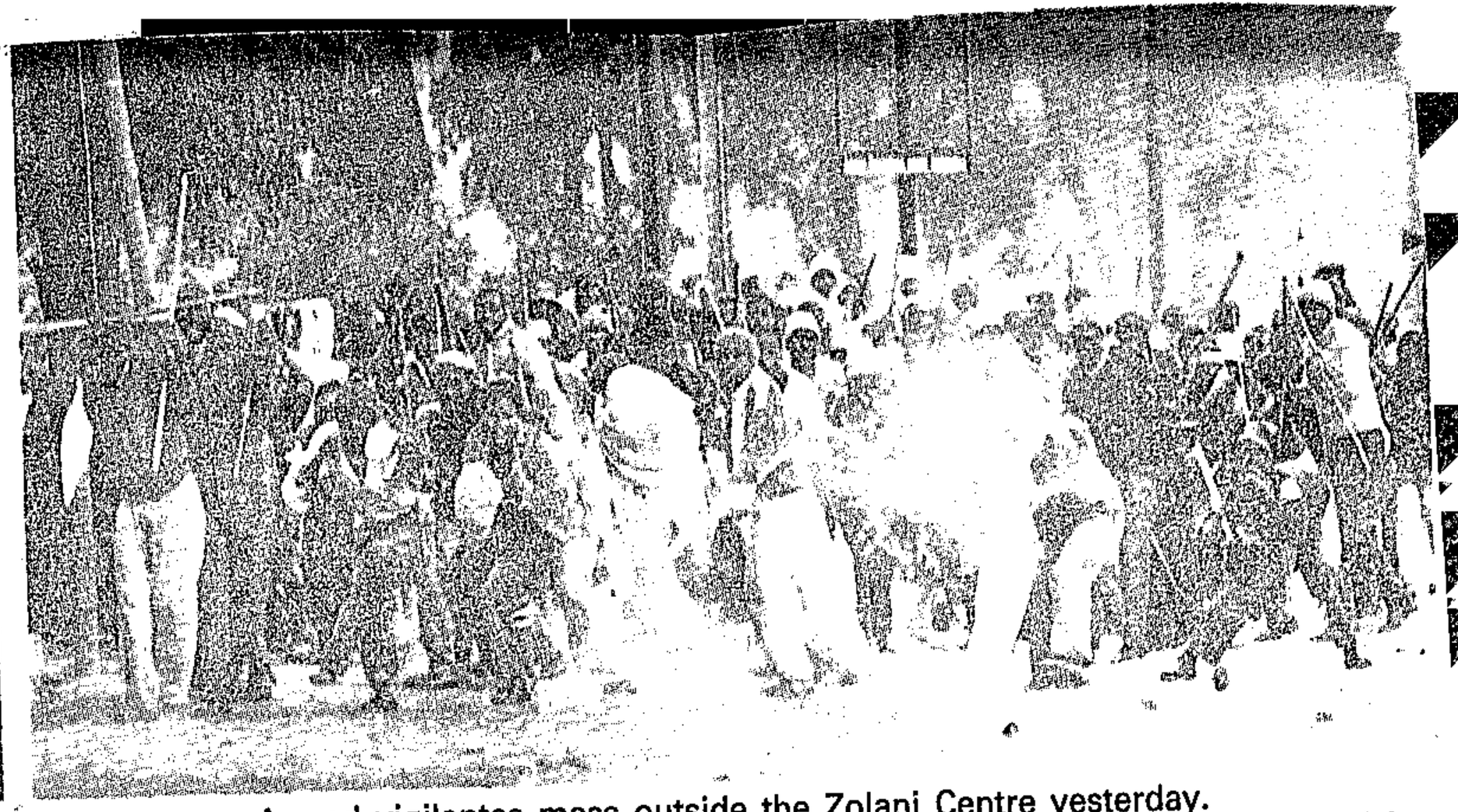
In the Supreme Court yesterday Miss Justice L van den Heever and Mr Justice P W E Baker said they had read the papers and were disposed to grant bail.

The State asked for a short recess for consultation with the Attorney-General's office and bail was subsequently fixed at R500 in chambers.

Mr John Whitehead, instructed by Y Ebrahim and Co appeared for the two youths. Mr A D R Stephen appeared for the State.



atrol NY5 as KTC begins to burn.
Picture: Alan Taylor



Armed vigilantes mass outside the Zolani Centre yesterday.
Picture: Anne Laing

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Battles rage

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KTC refugees loaded with possessions pour from their burning camp into Terminus Road.
Cape Times Newscolour: Anne Laing

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watched the Casspirs standing by while vigilantes burnt shacks, police fired three teargas canisters and what looked like a rubber bullet at our car. All four projectiles narrowly missed the vehicle.

Lieutenant Laubscher said teargas was used to keep the two fighting groups apart and not to hamper those wanting to salvage their belongings. He strongly denied police had taken sides in the fighting.

He said that police at no stage yesterday used rubber bullets and that the teargas was meant for a group "which formed an illegal gathering and was not meant for passengers of a car".

Doctors at the Guguletu Day Hospital said most of the 57 people treated had suffered gunshot wounds.

A doctor, who was at the Nyanga East clinic when fighting started at the neighbouring Zolani Centre, said he was prepared to swear under oath that he had seen a Casspir stop outside and a man on top in a blue uniform wave the vigilantes forward. The man then fired a shot at a crowd of "comrades" ahead.

Another doctor said he was prepared to swear to seeing a witdoek using a red flare to set shacks alight in KTC.

"We could see Casspirs patrolling with witdoeke. The Casspirs would leave and the witdoeke, about 800 of them, would move in."

He said police support of vigilantes was "so blatant it's ludicrous".

When reports that ambulances were being denied entry to war zones reached the Day Hospital, one angry doctor, with a nurse, jumped into his car and escorted an ambulance out.

Dozens of shots were fired as township ambulances (private vehicles) sped into war zones to retrieve fallen "comrades" before police could advance and make arrests.

Father Gerry Lorriman, MBE, a St Gabriels' Church (Guguletu) priest, said tracer bullets narrowly missed him and a colleague, Father Martin Gay, near Zolani Centre.

Shortly before 11am a police Casspir, with hundreds of "witdoeke" armed with knives and sticks around it, was seen parked outside the flaming Zolani Centre.

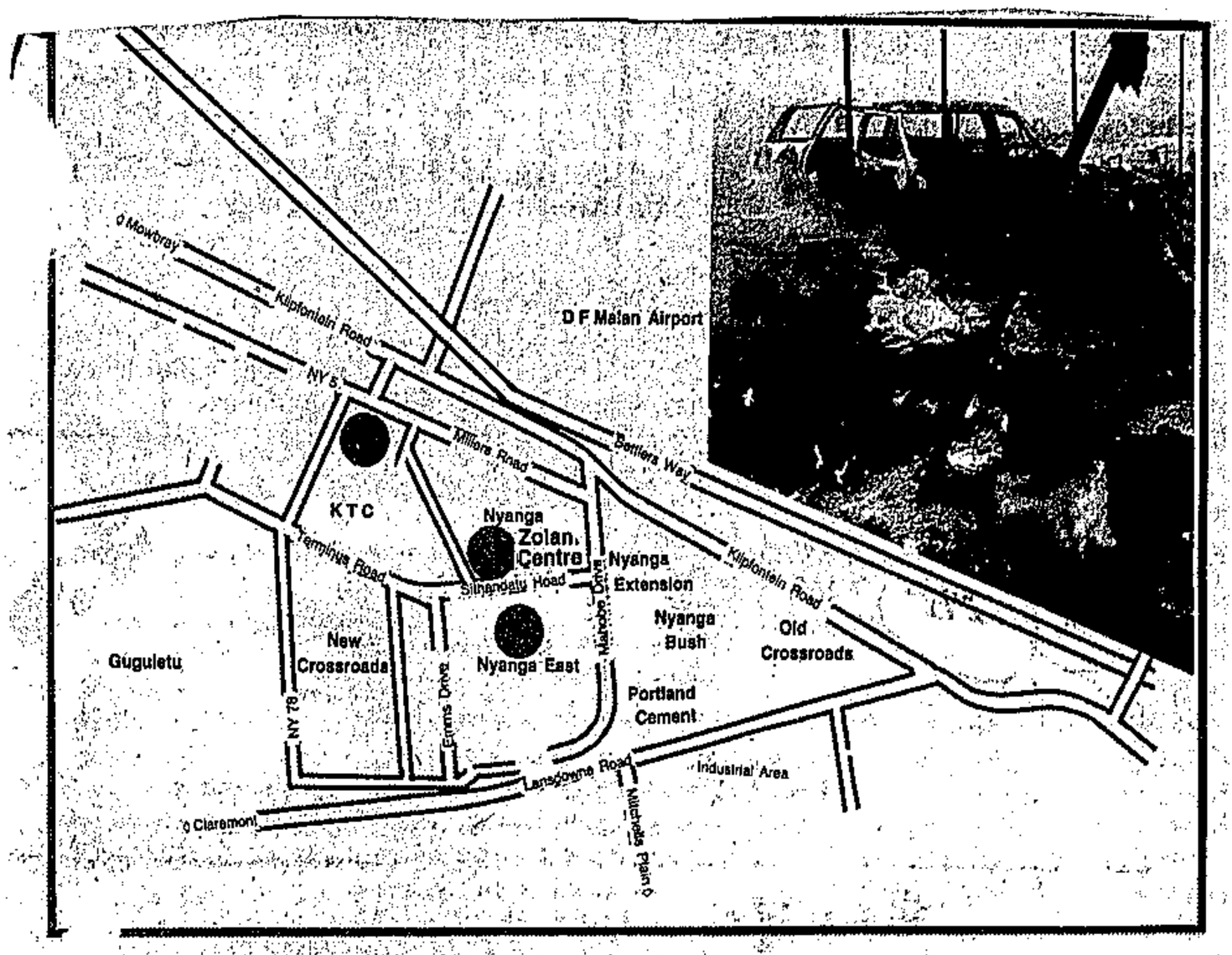
In Terminus Road thousands of KTC residents carrying their meagre possessions poured out of the shanty town, the luckier ones to be sheltered by New Crossroads residents.

Police ordered all media they could find from the area, saying they were acting under orders from the local liaison officer, Captain Jan Calitz, who was "waiting for you at the Manenberg police station".

A Worldwide Television News cameraman, Mr Craig Matthew, was arrested at midday. Police confirmed the arrest and said he "repeatedly refused on several occasions to leave the danger area".

"When confronted, he assaulted a policeman and was arrested," Lieutenant Laubscher alleged.

While being brought into the police station, Mr Matthew shouted to fellow newsmen that he had been assaulted by the arresting officer. Police declined to comment on this allegation.



KTC

Cape Times 10/6/86

VIGILANTES from Crossroads and Khayelitsha, allegedly openly assisted by police, yesterday wreaked a trail of death, terror and destruction by fire in KTC and Nyanga East.

Fighting raged into the night with six people confirmed dead and informed estimates putting the toll at 15.

More than 700 shacks in KTC have been destroyed and up to 20 000 more squatters have fled their homes, bringing to more than 55 000 the number of squatter refugees now homeless in Cape Town.

Tension

By 8.30 last night the fires appeared to have died down and residents were desperately demolishing unburnt houses.

And in another development tension has increased in Khayelitsha, where about 500 residents last night armed themselves in preparation for what they said was an imminent attack by vigilantes living at Site C in the camp.

Residents said three of their number were killed earlier in the day by "witdoeke", who had also pulled residents on their way to work out of taxis, forcing them to join the vigilantes.

At KTC and Nyanga East open warfare raged yesterday. Running gun battles were fought between vigilantes and residents of KTC, Nyanga East and New Crossroads and squatter refugees. Many of those fighting vigilantes were from the three camps burnt in the past three weeks' fighting.

Bullets ripped into vehicles belonging to the Cape Times and the Argus, and several journalists narrowly escaped injury from tracer bullets, teargas canisters and other projectiles.

Journalists saw four AK47s being carried during the day.

Reporters watched as

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TONY WEAVER, CHRIS BATEMAN, JOHN VAN DER LINDEN and CHRIS ERASMUS

the Zolani Centre, three marquees and two vehicles were torched and gutted about 10am by vigilantes. Police did not intervene.

This was denied by a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher.

Father Des Curran, of the Ministers' Fraternal, and the editor of Crisis News, Ms Emma Huismans, said: "About 11.40am we saw vigilantes getting into a Casspir and we saw them taking orders from the police."

They said that when the vigilantes first moved in from the Western Cape Development Board (WCDB) offices to attack the Zolani Centre about 10am, "there were two police vans and a Casspir with the number 109 escorting the vigilantes every step of the way".

Teargas

When these allegations were put to Lieutenant Laubscher, he replied that at 12.40pm about 200 blacks gathered around a SA Railways Police Casspir at NY 103, where five men had been detained for possession of an unlicensed firearm. Police used teargas to disperse the crowd, he said.

By mid-afternoon the entire Greater Guguletu area had been sealed off. Roadblocks were set up for a period on the N2 freeway to Somerset West and motorists were advised not to use it.

The Rev David Cooke said he and other clergy were on the edge of KTC when they saw a crowd of "witdoeke" coming towards them, throwing stones, looting and burning shacks.

"Right in front of us were three Casspirs. No attempt was made to stop the looting, burning and fighting. I personally saw a policeman shooting with a rifle into KTC at defenders to prevent them from defending their property."

The Rev John Frye said: "We saw police covering the witdoeke and firing on those defending shacks."

The Rev John Freeth said: "It was very clear that the witdoeke were operating under police protection."

The Rev Syd Luckett, director of the Anglican Board of Social Responsibility, said that about 9.45am he approached Major Dolf Odendaal, second in command of the riot squad, to ask him to disperse a group of 400 to 500 "witdoeke" near the bus terminus at the WCDB offices.

"Major Odendaal was telling a group of youths in NY5 to disperse. I said to him that if he wanted them to disperse he should go and fire teargas at the witdoeke who were clearly provoking the youths and making them angry.

"Major Odendaal refused and an altercation followed after which he got into his car telling me to 'f... off'."

Lieutenant Laubscher categorically denied the allegations by the clergymen and others that police had been helping vigilantes or simply standing by.

A Cape Times team on several occasions saw police fire teargas at KTC residents attempting to fight back, while vigilantes continued torching shacks metres from the Casspirs.

At 11.35am, as we

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Merge horror at 387 275 violence

Staff Reporter

MRS Daphne Wilson, co-chairman of the Merge civil rights group, expressed horror at yesterday's violence at the KTC squatter camp.

"We view with great alarm the failure to respect the work of neutral international welfare bodies such as the Red Cross and St John Ambulance.

"There can be no further delay in the abolition of the Group Areas Act which is at the root of unjust land allocation. Only by this means can order be restored to the chaos of victimised families without land, houses, or the amenities of decent living.

"We fully support Archbishop Desmond Tutu's repeated appeal to the low country to be engaged in the struggle to stop killing one another."



Police officers at Parliament organize a deputation of Crossroads women so that they can make statements at nearby Caledon Square police station after about 150 homeless women gathered yesterday to protest at the renewed outbreak of violence.

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Killings 'horrible' — Tutu

Religion Reporter

THE "kind of massacre" in Crossroads is "quite unacceptable", says Bishop Desmond Tutu — but he will not intervene unless asked by those involved.

"The people on the ground should be the ones involved. The other church leaders and the Council of Churches have been working in the area.

"If the people ask me to try, I would be willing. The initiative must come from them. I don't want it to seem that I am butting in," he said.

At the height of the fighting he had been asked to intervene, but on investigation it had appeared that "the warring parties were not yet ready for mediation".

"I am quite prepared to come, but only if my presence is required by the church leadership and the people.

"What is happening there is quite horrible and we must try anything. That kind of massacre is quite unacceptable," he said.

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in terms of what statutory provision were they arrested or detained and (d) where were they being held as at the latest specified date for which information is available;

(2) whether any representations have been received concerning these persons; if so, (a) when, (b) from whom and (c) what was the (i) nature of the representations and (ii) response thereto;

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

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes, in co-operation with the Ciskei Police.

(a) Xolani Ngamlane;
Nomathokazi Mini.

(b) Mdantsane Black township.

(c) (i) 04h30.

(ii) Suspects on a charge of murder.

(iii) In terms of section 50 of the Criminal Procedure Act, 1977 (Act 51 of 1977).

(d) East London Prison.

(2) Yes, with regard to one of the detainees.

(a) 30 April 1986.

(b) Nomathokazi Mini.

(c) (i) That she be released.

(ii) The representations were refused.

(3) No.

HANSARD 10/6/86

Moesien Abrahams

*16. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

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(1) Whether the South African Police are holding an investigation into the death of a certain person, whose name has been furnished to the South African Police for the purpose of the Minister's reply, after a political meeting held in Westridge, Mitchells Plain, on or about 25 May 1986; if so, (a) what (i) were the circumstances surrounding, and (ii) was the cause of, the death of this person and (b) what was his name;

(2) whether any persons have been arrested in connection with the death of this person; if so, how many;

(3) whether the investigation has been completed; if so, (a) when and (b) what were the findings?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) (i) While deceased attended a UDF meeting on 25 May 1986 in Westridge, Mitchells Plain, he was identified by those present as a police informer, after which he was assaulted and his clothes were torn. After this he was guided through a backdoor of the hall and fled to a house while he was pursued by persons. At the house he was stabbed with a knife and presumably chopped with bricks by these persons and he died.

(ii) The cause of the death is not know yet.

(b) Moesien Abrahams.

(2) No.

(3) No.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

Criminal Procedure Act

*17. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Justice:

Whether any persons have been sentenced to be whipped in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act of 1977 since the commencement of the Criminal Procedure Amendment Act, No 33 of 1986; if so, (a) how many persons over the age of 20 years have been so sentended and (b) in respect of what specified period is this information furnished?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

The information is not readily available because it can only be obtained by examining the court records of all courts country-wide, which is not economically feasible.

Cosmo City, Zandspruit

*18. Mr J C B SCHOEMAN asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:†

(1) Whether his Department is contemplating the development of a township called Cosmo City at Zandspruit in the district of Krugersdorp; if so, when will the development be commenced;

(2) for what population group is Zandspruit zoned at present;

(3) whether all population groups will be able to live in the proposed township; if not, what population groups will be excluded;

(4) whether the area concerned has already been declared an urban area; if so, (a) when and (b) who applied for this?

†The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

(1) No.

(2) The farm Zandspruit 191-IQ is situated in the area of jurisdiction of the Transvaal Board for the Development of Peri-urban Areas and is a controlled area in terms of the Group Areas Act, 1966.

(3) and (4) Fall away.

HoA

Knoppieslaagte

*19. Mr J C B SCHOEMAN asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:†

Whether his Department is considering changing the composition of the rural population of Knoppieslaagte, in the district of Pretoria; if so, (a) in what respects and (b) when?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

It has already been finalised—

(a) the Greater Pretoria Guide Plan has been amended to provide for agricultural holdings of 1 ha each; and

(b) by virtue of Notice No. 923 dated 16 May 1986.

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Ambassador in London

*20. Mr P J LE ROUX asked the Minister of Foreign Affairs:†

(1) Whether the Republic's ambassador in London recently participated in television discussion programmes in South Africa; if so,

(2) whether this participation took place with his (a) knowledge and/or (b) permission; if not, why not;

(3) whether he will make a statement on the statements made by the ambassador on the relevant occasions?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS:

(1) Yes.

what products do these exports comprise;

(3) whether his Department exercises any control over the export prices of such products; if so, what is the nature of such control; if not, why not?

†The MINISTER OF MINERAL AND ENERGY AFFAIRS:

(1) The export value of products to member countries of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development over the past two years amounted to well in excess of two milliard dollars.

(2) No. At this stage the identification of these commodities is not in the national interest.

(3) Prices are not controlled.

Code of conduct

*4. Mr L F STOFBERG asked the Minister of Trade and Industry:†

(1) Whether he has been informed that member countries of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development have prescribed a code of conduct for multinational undertakings; if so,

(2) whether he has the text of this code of conduct; if so, what is the purport of the main articles of the code of conduct;

(3) whether he will prescribe a similar code of conduct for multinational companies operating in the Republic; if not, why not;

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

The MINISTER OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY:

(1) No. The Republic of South Africa is not a member of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development and information on the Organisation's activities is not furnished by it to the South African Government.

(2) Falls away.

(3) No. Multinational companies which operate in South Africa are subject to laws, rules and regulations of the country.

(4) No.

HANSARD

Wynberg Senior Secondary School

*5. Mr R M BURROWS asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any members of the South African Police took any action in or in the vicinity of the Wynberg Senior Secondary School on 22 May 1986; if so, (a) how many such members were deployed, (b) what was the nature of the operation in which they were involved, (c) what was the rank of the person who was in charge of such members and (d) what specified equipment did the police have on this occasion;

(2) whether any members of the South African Police were at any stage involved in the alleged whipping of pupils at this high school (a) outside and (b) on school property; if so, (i) why, (ii) what is the rank of the person who gave the order in this regard, (iii) how many pupils were injured as a result and (iv) what was the nature of their injuries;

(3) whether the pupils concerned were given warning to disperse before members of the South African police took action; if not why not; if so, (a) what warning were they given, (b) how was the warning broadcast and (c) what was the response of the pupils to this warning;

(4) Whether any educational personnel attempted to intercede between the police and the pupils; if so, (a) in what manner, (b) what were the circumstances surrounding the intercession and (c) what was the reponse of the police to these attempts;

(5) whether any policemen (a) entered any houses near the school and (b) took any action against any persons present in these houses; if so, (i) what were the circumstances surrounding these incidents in each case, (ii) why, (iii) (aa) in terms of what statutory provision and (bb) on whose instructions did they enter these houses and (iv) (aa) what specified action did they take and (bb) with what result?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) 65 members.

(b) To maintain law and order.

(c) A Colonel of the South African Police.

(d) A variety of weapons which were adequate to meet the given situation.

(2) (a) No.

(i) to (iv) Fall away.

(b) Yes.

(i) To disperse pupils who were holding an illegal gathering and who acted riotously.

(ii) A Lieutenant of the South African Police.

(iii) and (iv) The South African Police is not aware of any injuries which the pupils sustained.

(3) Yes.

(a) To leave the schoolgrounds peacefully within 30 minutes, or else the police would act against them.

(b) Orally by the headmaster.

(c) As the police was at that stage not on the schoolgrounds, it is not known how the pupils reacted to the warning.

(4) Yes.

(a) The headmaster undertook to warn the pupils himself to disperse.

(b) I refer the hon member to my answer in pargraph (3)(c).

(c) The police left the schoolgrounds in order to give the headmaster the opportunity to warn the pupils himself.

(5) (a) and (b) No.

(i) to (iv) Fall away.

Mr R M BURROWS: Mr Speaker, arising from the hon the Minister's reply can he inform us as to whether the Police entered the school grounds at the request of the principal?

The MINISTER: Mr Speaker, I do not know; I do not have the information readily available.

HANSARD

Exports to Soviet Union

*6. Mr E K MOORCROFT asked the Minister of Agricultural Economics:

Whether any requests have been received for the export of any agricultural products from South Africa to the Soviet Union following the recent nuclear power plant disaster at Chernobyl; if so, (a) when, (b) from whom, (c) what products are involved and (d) what was the response thereto?

Letters

Letters to the Editor, The Argus,
PO Box 56, CAPE TOWN 8000

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We condemn this Crossroads action

WE the undersigned are horrified by recent events at Crossroads and the human suffering experienced by the squatter community.

We are concerned to place these events in proper perspective.

We believe that Crossroads has neither experienced a natural disaster nor unprovoked black on black violence. Affidavits submitted to the Supreme Court allege extreme collusion between the security forces and the witdoeke vigilantes who destroyed the Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland Cement camps.

Minister Heunis' statement that upgrading Crossroads necessitates a depopulation of the camp shows that the Crossroads events have dovetailed neatly with Government plans of forced removal to Khayelitsha. The people of Crossroads, who have defied apartheid's designs for over 10 years have been subjected to a new and invidious form of forced removal involving vigilantes, security forces and curtailed public services and amenities.

We condemn this action of the government.

We demand a judicial commission of inquiry into the role of the security forces in Crossroads in recent weeks.

We are committed to action if called by the refugees in defence of their right to reclaim their land and rebuilt their homes.

We call on all citizens of Cape Town to inform themselves and bear witness to the forced removal at Crossroads. Those who wish to be involved may contact any of our organizations.

National Council of Women of South Africa (Cape Town branch); Black Sash; UDF Claremont/Observatory; National Committee Against Removals; Catholic Justice and Peace Commission; Merge; World Vision of South Africa; Jews for Justice; National Union of South African Students; Surplus People Project, Western Cape; Civil Rights League; Edasa Mowbray.

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Nine arrested at UDF youth's funeral

Staff Reporter

NINE people were arrested at the funeral of a United Democratic Front member in Mbekweni, Paarl.

According to Boland police liaison officer Major Frank Alton the nine would appear in court soon charged with attending an illegal gathering.

More than 2 000 people attended the funeral yesterday for Mr Mampantu Stanley Manyemfana, 19, who died after being stabbed and stoned in a confrontation on June 2.

The funeral started at 10am at Mr Manyemfana's home.

Security forces watched as people dressed in African National Congress colours danced and sang freedom songs until the hearse arrived at about noon.

A large procession followed the hearse to the Anglican Church in Mbekweni.

Seven Buffels, three Casspirs and a number of police vans surrounded the church but there were no incidents.

Crisis plea to bosses

Labour Reporter

THE South African Chemical Workers' Union (SACWU) has appealed to employers not to penalize workers who fail to come to work during the current crisis in the townships.

A spokesperson for the union said bosses at factories organized by SACWU had responded "very positively" to calls to let workers from the Nyanga area go home early yesterday.

"We hope all employers will act reasonably towards workers."

He appealed to other trade unions and democratic organizations to negotiate with employers in an attempt to persuade them not to take disciplinary steps against such workers.

An organizer for the Chemical Workers' Industrial Union (CWIU) said management had been "sympathetic" towards union members who had difficulty coming to work.

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Police to use 'necklace'

WILLOWVALE — Transkei police would be instructed to necklace all those found necklacing others, Prime Minister Chief George Matanzima said here at the weekend.

Speaking at a school ceremony, Chief Matanzima referred to necklacing threats by students at the University of Transkei where a boycott of classes has entered its fourth week.

The deportation of five students had sparked the boycott.

Chief Matanzima said no one in Transkei would be necklaced, and whoever did that, would be necklaced and doused in petrol to die the same way as their victims. — Sapa

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Women plead at Parliament

By ANDREW DONALDSON

A GROUP of about 150 women gathered at Parliament at lunchtime yesterday to demand that police accompany them back to the Crossroads/KTC area to witness the actions of the "witdoeke" and the "boers".

Most had witnessed their homes and tents being burnt by vigilantes in the violence that swept the area in the morning.

One woman, Mrs Nolulamile Manqaba, said her 10-month-old son was almost certainly burnt to death when a Red Cross tent at the Full Gospel Church in Nyanga was torched.

"I was at the shops when they set it alight. He was in there. I don't know where he is now," she said.

Attempts to rescue her son from the blaze were thwarted by the vigilantes, she said.

"Nobody could go near the tents because the boers were just there shooting at us and the witdoeke were just there shooting."

This interview was interrupted when a senior police official ordered a Cape Times reporter to "finish his report and leave".

Police looked on as PFP MPs Mr Tian van der Merwe and Mr Ken Andrew spoke with the women, most of whom had their temporary homes in refugee centres burnt down yesterday.

The women, however, wanted to speak only to police officers. They alleged that police stationed at Guguletu had assisted the witdoeke in the destruction of their homes.

In particular, the women pleaded with senior officers to have a warrant officer removed from the area.

"Just get him out; that's all we ask," shouted one woman.

Members of the press heard senior police officers persuade the women to select a deputation to accompany them to Caledon Square police station to make statements.

"All the Red Cross tents — our houses — have been burnt down by the witdoeke," a woman, tears streaming down her face, screamed at the police.

"From early this morning they came — witdoeke with the Casspirs. Help us! Help us! Help us!"

"We will sleep here (outside Parliament) tonight. Just watch us," another said.

One woman, Mrs Florence Ngacu, told the Cape Times: "The police who are there just want to make trouble. If they wanted to solve the problem they could have done so already. The whole of the South African Defence Force is there."

Three women eventually accompanied police to Caledon Square to make statements.

This report was read to a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, whose only comment was confirmation that police had escorted some of the women to Caledon Square.

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Soal: Let Kaunda act as mediator

Ken Andrew: Police 'aided KTC arson'

JOHANNESBURG. — Zambia's President Kenneth Kaunda should be taken up on his offer to act as a mediator to solve South Africa's current crisis, Mr Peter Soal (PFP Johannesburg North) told the executive committee of his constituency in Parkhurst yesterday.

Mr Soal said President Kaunda made it clear during their talks in Lusaka last week that the EPG initiative had been torpedoed by the South African raids and it was up to South Africa to resuscitate the talks.

President Kaunda "also offered to act as a mediator in the South African situation.

"He is a man of strength and willing to become involved even at this late stage.

"It is not too late even though sanctions appear inevitable and the townships are burning." — Sapa

By ANTHONY JOHNSON

Political Correspondent

THE police had yesterday "effectively aided and abetted" Crossroads vigilantes to commit arson on a "grand scale" at the KTC squatter camp and nearby refugee centres, the Progressive Federal Party said last night.

And in another development, a PFP request for an urgent parliamentary debate on the KTC crisis was turned down last night by the Speaker, Mr Johann Greeff.

'Huge flames'

The allegation that police had aided the vigilantes was contained in a statement released last night by the PFP's spokesman on black affairs, Mr Ken Andrew, after he and three fellow MPs — Mrs Helen Suzman, Mr Tian van der Merwe and Mr Errol Moorcroft — went out to the area yesterday.

The party was refused entry into the KTC area but spoke to eyewitness and were able to see "huge flames and massive palls of smoke which stretched for hundreds of metres".

"All the evidence points to a repeat performance of the Crossroads disaster of three weeks ago," Mr Andrew said.

'Disaster'

"The police, at least by not acting in good time, have effectively aided and abetted the witdoek vigilantes to commit arson on a grand scale with the result that tens of thousands more people are likely to find themselves homeless and destitute."

Mr Andrew said the situation in Crossroads and neighbouring areas was a "national disaster". It should be recognized as such and government aid should be made available without delay.

"Ministers Heunis and Le Grange bear the responsibility for the suffering that is taking place.

"The authorities have failed in their duty and seem pleased that their forced-removal dirty work has been done for them," Mr Andrew said.

"There is an irrefutable case for a judicial inquiry into the murder, assault and arson that have taken place and the role of the authorities in the unrest.

"Until such an inquiry takes place neither Mr Heunis nor Mr Le Grange have any right to complain if they and various authorities, including the police, stand accused of wanting the truth to remain hidden."

● Mr Greeff ruled in Parliament yesterday that the sub-judice rule still applied to the KTC crisis following a recent Supreme Court interdict restraining police, soldiers and "witdoeke" from participating in or permitting unlawful attacks on people or property in KTC.

Mrs Suzman said last night with reference to yesterday's events in the embattled squatter community: "Parliament is fiddling while KTC is burning. Nobody appears to be taking the slightest notice of the interdict.

"It is ironic that when Parliament is considering one of the major reform bills this session — the abolition of pass laws — the Cape Flats are going up in flames," said Mrs Suzman.

community exerted in the interests of police".

Ammunition: Man appears

Court Reporter

A MAN who was arrested at a funeral in Nyanga on Saturday appeared in Langa Magistrate's Court yesterday in connection with a charge of possessing ammunition.

Mr Luliama Gxoyiya, appeared for the State.

Mr D Visagie was the magistrate. Mr N Erasmus had no formal charges put to him. He was not asked to plead.

The hearing was adjourned to June 23 for further investigation.

The police Old Crossroads 'reign of ter

wouldn't intervene

Supreme Court Reporter

VICE-CHAIRMAN of the Nyanga Bush committee Mr Seymour Menziwa, 35, tells in his affidavit of the witdoek attack on the Portland Cement and Nyanga Bush camps on Sunday, May 18, in the presence of police who "made no attempt to intervene".

"From where I was standing, which is about 200 to 300 metres away from the Portland Cement camp, I could see the fires beginning to burn, where the vigilantes were burning down the houses ...

"There was no question of anyone actually fighting with the vigilantes. The vigilantes had clearly attacked the Portland Cement camp.

"The vigilantes were at the camp from about 8am until 10am. The police (in four Casspirs) were also present for almost the entire time, a period of about two hours. At no stage did the police intervene to stop the vigilante attack ...

"At about 11am the same group of vigilantes returned to my camp. These vigilantes burnt three houses. While this took place the police who had not moved away did not intervene. In fact, when I and a group of over 200 men attempted to resist the attack of the vigilantes, the vigilantes ran and stood together with the police at the Casspirs.

"The police then fired approximately five shots upon which my group ran towards Nyanga Extension ...

"I then returned with a group of about 400 men, women and children to Nyanga Bush. My intention was to stop the vigilantes from burning our houses. When the vigilantes saw our large group approaching they ran towards the Casspirs again. They then waited with the police.

"We went towards the Casspirs upon which the vigilantes, who were armed with rifles, as well as the police, opened fire on us. They fired more than 20 shots at our group.

"We then ran away towrds Nyanga Extension. A large group of about 600 vigilantes then joined the existing group at Nyanga Bush. They proceeded to burn about 30 to 35 houses. The four Casspirs were joined by four more Casspirs. The vigilantes moved amongst the Casspirs. The police at no stage attempted to stop the vigilantes from burning our houses.

'Many shots were fired at us'

"This continued until about 7pm. The vigilantes had by this stage burnt about 200 houses. The eight Casspirs had stood by for the entire period without attempting to intervene and stop the destruction of these houses by the vigilantes ...

"I and all the residents of Nyanga Bush then returned to the camp to try and put out some of the fires. The police had not withdrawn and when we attempted to return to our houses they fired on us, even on the women.

"The vigilantes returned at around 10pm. Their numbers had swollen to around 1 000 men. The vigilantes were now firing on us and the police who had not left the scene also fired on us. Many shots were fired at us. I then left with my group to go to Nyanga East ...

"The following day, Monday, May 19, I went with the committee of Nyanga Bush to Guguletu police station. I tried to report what was happening to the police at Guguletu, but they said that they knew about it. The police did not indicate that they were going to do anything about the situation.

"I and my group then went to Manenberg police staion which is near the Guguletu police station to try and report the events. I spoke to a policeman in the charge office who told me that they knew about the situation. He did not indicate that the police would do anything to stop the vigilantes from burning our houses ...

"At about 9am on Tuesday morning the vigilantes left Nyanga Bush. After they had left I and a group of about eight men went into the camp. I saw three dead people.

"Our group then went to a police Casspir which was standing in Mahobe Drive to report the deaths. I told a policeman there to come and examine the bodies of the dead people.

"At that stage we could see the vigilantes taking the metal sheets of our houses away. Casspirs were positioned next to the vigilantes and could have easily intervened to stop them removing our metal sheeting, but did not.

"I then asked the police why did they let the people die like this. The policemen did not reply to this but said in Afrikaans, 'Ja, julle gaan kak'."

Supreme Court Reporter

AN AFFIDAVIT from 64-year-old Mr Elliot Dyakopu, of New Crossroads, tells of a "reign of terror" in Old Crossroads under Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana and his lieutenant, Mr Sam Ndima.

"I was a resident at Old Crossroads from 1975 until 1986 when I was forced to leave because of threats to my life by Mr Sam Ndima, a close associate of Mr Ngxobongwana. During my residence in Old Crossroads, I came to know both Mr Ngxobongwana and Mr Ndima extremely well and had personal knowledge of the reign of terror they perpetrated upon the residents.

"In 1979, I was elected onto the Ngxobongwana Executive Committee. Mr Ndima was not on the executive; his job was to call people to meetings with a loud-hailer. He was paid 50c per adult in Crossroads.

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AN affidavit made by 55-year-old widow Mrs Violet Voyiya, who lived at Nyanga Bush camp since 1981, starts with a witdoek call to arms and ends with a government shrug and injunction to "go to Khayelitsha".

"About 6am on Sunday, May 18, I heard Mr Sam Ndima, a Crossroads leader, addressing the residents of Old Crossroads through a loudspeaker. He was standing on a little hill at Section 4, Old Crossroads, which is not far from my home.

"He called upon all Crossroads men to bring anything that could be used as a weapon to Noxolo School. That afternoon while sitting outside, I heard a shrill whistle and looked towards Crossroads to see what was happening.

"I saw lots of the so-called witdoeke coming from Crossroads towards Nyanga Bush. To give an idea of where this was happening ... the Nyanga Bush creche is next door to my home. Lots of people gathered in front of my home to watch.

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"Later on May 1 Mr Ndima held a meeting at Noxolo School in Old Crossroads. Mr Ndima told the gathering that he was going to get guns from the police. He said that he had been in touch with a police officer (a commandant).

"Mr Ndima inquired how many Crossroads community police there were and said that they would all be given guns. He said that 200 guns would be made available for his group's use (Mr Ndima's), 200 for Mr Hoza of Site C, and 200 for Mr Ntshangani, a squatter leader of a group near the Development Board office.

"Within a few days of this meeting we saw followers of Mr Ndima openly carrying guns ...

"On May 8 I left Crossroads. I was tipped off by someone that I was going to be attacked. Both my wives and my nine children left later in the day. Since then I have not been back to Old Crossroads for fear of being killed. I have heard that both my houses in Crossroads have been destroyed.

"I believe that the police are working closely with Mr Ndima. Mr Ndima and the people who go around in Casspirs are often together. I have seen Casspirs parked next to Mr Ndima's house since the middle of last year. I have also seen a blue van known to be Warrant Officer Barnard's parked outside Mr Ndima's house ..."

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'Callous act' by police

Supreme Court Reporter

A POLICE armoured vehicle knocked down the wall of her shack in KTC, causing the roof to collapse, Miss Priscilla Tywala, 22, alleges in her affidavit.

"On Thursday, May 22, I was doing some washing outside my house. There is a road, which has no name, which runs through KTC camp and passes very close to my house.

"At approximately 4pm I saw a brown-and-green large armoured vehicle driving along the road in the direction of my house. It was manned by white men wearing light-blue shirts and blue trousers. I recognized the uniform as that worn by members of the South African Police.

"As the vehicle drew alongside my house I saw that it started to turn ... and in the course of turning collided with the one wall of my house, knocking the wall down and causing the roof to collapse.

"The policemen in the vehicle saw what they had done, as I saw them looking out of the vehicle's windows at me and my collapsed shack. The police did not stop or come to attempt to assist me. The vehicle merely drove off.

"There was nothing obstructing the driver's view of my shack and there appeared to be no reason at all why he could not have avoided colliding with my shack.

"From what I saw I can only believe the driver of the vehicle was reckless ... and perpetrated a callous and unnecessary act."

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News teams shot at in KTC

By ANDREW DONALDSON

NEWS teams from the Cape Times and the Argus covering the violence in KTC squatter camp yesterday morning were shot at by men armed with automatic rifles.

Cars from both newspapers were pierced by bullets, their occupants narrowly escaping injury.

A Cape Times photographer, Ms Anne Laing, was photographing "witdoeke" marching towards the relief camp at Zolani Centre in Nyanga when she inadvertently strayed into crossfire between the conservative faction and younger "comrades".

"There was constant intermittent firing of weapons from behind the witdoeke as they approached the centre," she said.



Cape Times driver Mr Martin Cloete points to the bullet hole near the petrol tank of the car.

Running

"I had moved some way from the car then. The witdoeke were getting too close for comfort and as I was running towards the car I noticed this flash of light from tracer fire come past me, missing me by about 20cm."

A group of comrades was gathered some distance away, placing the Cape Times car in between the two groups, she said.

Once she was in the car, the news team moved around a nearby corner to safety.

The car was later examined and it was found that a bullet had pierced the bodywork at an angle and had struck the petrol tank, denting it but not piercing it. A second mark was found on the driver's door, where a shot had apparently ricocheted away.

The driver, Mr Martin Cloete, only realized the car had been hit once he returned to the Cape Times offices in Burg Street.

An Argus reporter, Mr Lester Venter, said he had been on a bridge near KTC with a photographer observing events when they were shot at.

A swarm of "witdoeke" accompanied by white men in civilian clothes and armed with rifles and ammunition belts had been moving towards the squatter camp, Mr Venter said.

Ducked

"The men with rifles suddenly fell to the ground assuming firing positions and the shots started ringing out," he said.

"We ducked inside the car and shouted to our driver, Mr Harry Hainsworth, to put his foot down when bullets started striking the car."

About two or three bullets struck their car in the back.

These shots pierced the back seat of the vehicle, went through a camera bag, the front seat of the car and through Mr Venter's jacket pocket — destroying a container of film, he said.

No one was injured.

15 pupils' convictions set aside

Supreme Court Reporter

CONVICTIONS and sentences for public violence against 15 Riversdale school pupils were set aside by the Supreme Court yesterday in an action brought by the pupils against magistrate Mr G J Barnard and the Attorney-General.

The Gerrit du Plessis High School pupils, ranging in age from 13 to 21 but mostly under 18, were convicted of public violence by Mr Barnard in September last year.

Ten were sentenced to a year in jail, two to seven cuts with a light cane, two to four cuts with a light cane and one to a year in jail suspended for five years.

Details of the charge — that they allegedly threw stones at police and private vehicles and at windows, disrupted classes, sprayed fire-hoses into classrooms and damaged fire-extinguishers — were given only at 2.10pm on the day they appeared in court, September 12.

'Unable to consult accused'

The two City attorneys representing the pupils — originally 23 in number — applied for a postponement because they had been unable to consult with all the accused. They also applied for bail.

However, the Attorney-General, Mr D J Rossouw, instructed his representative to oppose the postponement and bail. He says in an affidavit that the reason for this was that experience in other centres showed that "swift processing of cases arising from unrest has an excellent deterrent value".

Bail and a postponement were duly refused and the attorneys then withdrew because they felt the pupils' case would be prejudiced since they had not had enough time to prepare.

The hearing went ahead, with the pupils refusing to plead or outline their defence without proper legal advice.

The pupils argued yesterday in their review application that the magistrate's refusal to postpone the hearing amounted to a miscarriage of justice. The magistrate had ignored the question of guilt and innocence and had regard only to what was convenient for the State.

Furthermore, the vagueness of the charge sheet inhibited the preparation of their defence by infringing their right to request further particulars.

Miss Justice L van den Heever and Mr Justice P W E Baker noted that the State had withdrawn its opposition to the pupils' application and duly granted an order setting aside convictions and sentences.

Mr M Donen, instructed by Buchanan Boyes, appeared for the applicants. Mr C T Viviers of the Attorney-General's office appeared for the respondents.

Cold, wet night in the open for thousands

By LINDA GALLOWAY
Staff Reporter

TENS of thousands of people from KTC spent last night outside in the cold and pouring rain with no shelter, food or warmth while their homes were burning.

Relief organisations, with no guarantee of safety, will attempt an enormous mop-up operation today in the wake of yesterday's fighting and burning.

Metro emergency chief Dr Alan MacMahon said today his service had removed eight bodies from the area and treated hundreds of injured people.

The Guguletu Day Hospital remained open through the night to provide primary medical care for the homeless who fled KTC and relief centres set up earlier.

Shawco warden Mr Derek Livesey estimated the number of homeless to be at least 50 000.

MOBILE CLINICS

Mr Livesey said mobile clinics would move in today if allowed to do so. They hoped to operate from the open site opposite the day hospital.

"We will be distributing the last of our plastic. We need staple foodstuffs — samp, mealie meal, soya mince, tea, sugar, long-life milk, peanut butter, jam — baby food, blankets and warm clothing."

For St John Ambulance the relief work will have to begin almost from scratch.

The Zolani Centre, where 2 200 people were being cared for, was razed along with bedding, blankets, clothing and food supplies.

A spokesman at the Empilisweni Sacla clinic in Crossroads, Dr Neil Myburgh, said the clinic would be closed today because staff feared for the safety of their families and homes.

The Cape Town office of British Airways has been flooded with blankets from their offices around the world.

District manager Mr Malcolm Freeman said he asked offices for surplus blankets and was overwhelmed by the response.

"I expected about 30 and we got 2 000," he said.

The Salvation Army has been closely involved with Crossroads relief with help from the Rotary clubs of Groote Schuur and Sea Point.

Mrs Barendina de Vos, wife of Salvation Army divisional commander Major Edward de Vos, said the organisation had so far borne almost all the costs.

"Our most important needs are baby formula, blankets and basic foods," she said.

The collection point is 8 Welgelegen Road, Mowbray, ☎ 69 8896.

Freemasons of the Western Cape have contributed R2 000 and individual lodges have been asked for more.

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Violence leaves 8 dead

By STEPHEN WROTTESLEY
Staff Reporter

AT least eight people died and 14 were injured during the battles at KTC and Crossroads.

Police estimate that at least 500 shacks were destroyed.

A police spokesman said the situation appeared calm this morning although it seemed that residents of nearby Guguletu were arming themselves for possible attack.

About 300 people with knobkerries and other weapons were dispersed by police last night when they gathered in NY1, 250m from Guguletu police station.

The police confirmed seven deaths yesterday — one shot by police and six killed during the fighting. A Metro emergency service spokesman said eight people died.

SEARCH

The death toll may rise when police search the remains of the burnt shacks, relief tents and the Zolani Centre buildings.

Five men were arrested for possessing unlicensed firearms and one man, a television news journalist, was arrested.

Between 11am and 4.37pm there were 10 major clashes between groups and six people were shot and wounded by unknown gunmen. Another eight people were wounded during police action.

Why we didn't shoot — police

Staff Reporter

POLICE did not use birdshot when the situation near KTC appeared to be getting out of hand because of innocent bystanders, including children, an SAP spokesman said today.

And he said the police would rather make arrests than shoot people.

Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, police liaison officer for the Western Cape, said police did not want to injure people watching the events.

He had been asked to explain why police had not used birdshot to break up attacking groups yesterday when it became apparent that teargas could not keep factions apart.

THE NEXT STEP

"Our policy is one of minimum force. First we try to negotiate a peaceful dispersal of the crowd. Then the crowd is warned to disperse.

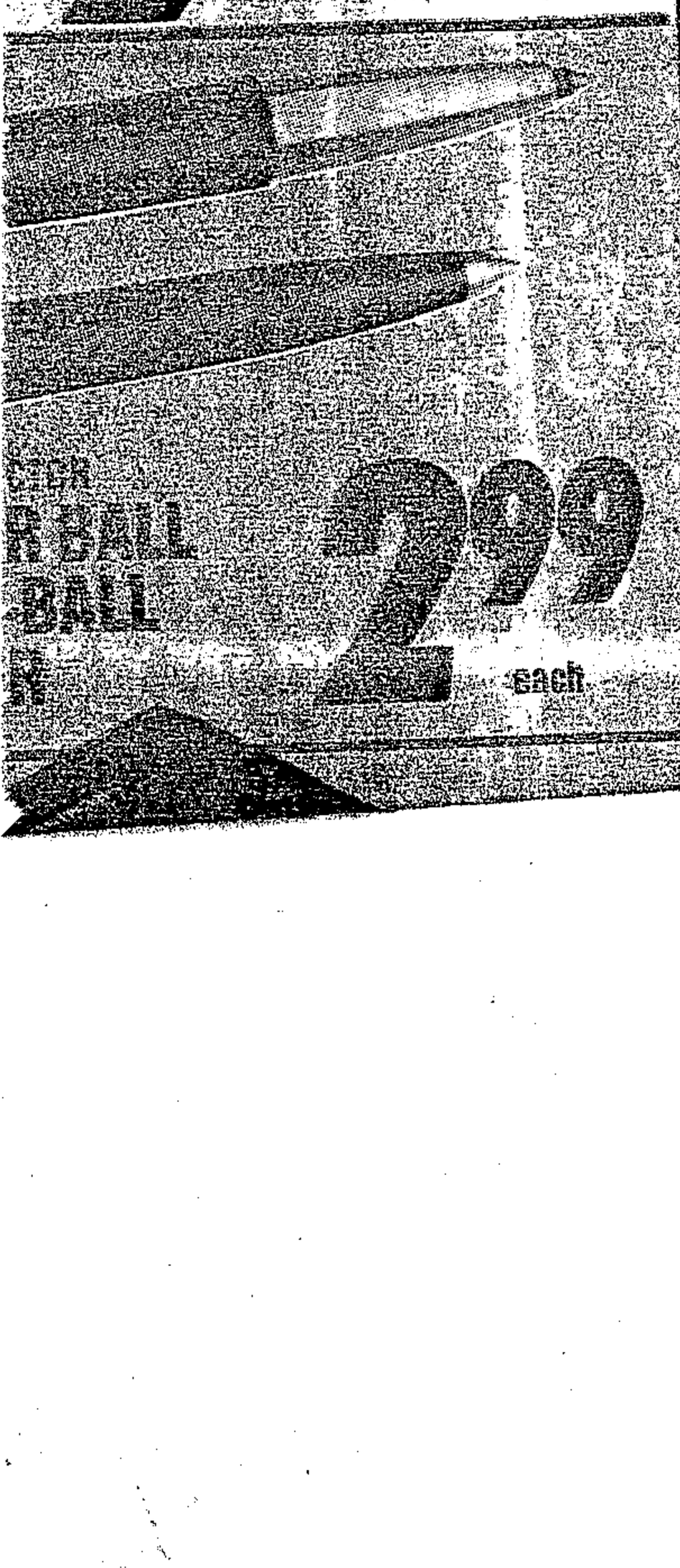
"If they fail to disperse, the police will use teargas.

"The next step is shotgun fire."

Asked if the non-use of shotguns yesterday was a change in policy, Lieutenant Laubscher said this was not the case and each situation was different.

He warned that anyone pointing a firearm at police or shooting at police would be "eliminated" with R-1 rifle fire.

However, the police would try to arrest people rather than shoot them.

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Pupils' quick trial set aside by judge

Staff Reporter

THE trial of 15 Riversdale pupils convicted of public violence has been set aside on review in the Supreme Court, Cape Town.

The application was unopposed yesterday for the proceedings, convictions and sentences to be set aside after the pupils' attorneys withdrew because the magistrate would not postpone the case for them to consult their clients.

In an affidavit the Attorney-General, Mr D J Rossouw, said he told the prosecutor to oppose postponements of the pupils' trial because "the quick trial of cases arising from unrest has an excellent deterring effect".

The magistrate, Mr G J Barnard, said he believed the legal representatives had enough time.

Mr Barnard found that on September 9 1985 at the Gerritt du Plessis High School the pupils stoned police and private vehicles, damaged school property and boycotted classes.

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According to papers, 23 people were arrested on September 9 and charged with public violence on September 11. They were represented by two attorneys, Ms J Fleischer and Ms S M Pollard.

Ms Fleischer said in an affidavit she and Ms Pollard arrived in Riversdale on September 12 and spoke to eight pupils in police cells before they were called to court.

The prosecutor said the Attorney-General had instructed that the case should be completed as quickly as possible and any application for a remand was to be opposed.

Ms Fleischer applied for a postponement, but the magistrate refused. Ms Fleischer said it would be "highly prejudicial" for the accused to plead because they had not all instructed the attorneys.

The magistrate granted the attorneys' request that the case stand down until the following day. Ms Pollard and Ms Fleischer consulted parents and pupils until 10.45pm. By that stage they had spoken to only 16 of the accused.

The following morning they again asked for a postponement and also applied for bail.

The magistrate refused the application.

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mission to clear their name.

"If the accusations are found to be true the Minister should resign as this could only mean either that he has lost control or that he is condoning these actions."

Mrs Suzman said Mr Heunis must also take responsibility for the ghastly occurrences in Crossroads and KTC if the perpetrators were to be rewarded with improved housing.

"This alternative method of forced removal cannot surely be encouraged," she said.

URGENTLY

The New Republic Party joined the calls for a judicial inquiry but also called for strong measures to restore order.

Mr Vause Raw, the party's spokesman on defence and law and order, said: "Everyone is believing what they want to believe and the facts should be established urgently to restore public confidence."

He suggested that troops and police in force should move in to restore law and order.

TEARGAS

● Prominent churchmen today accused the police of openly siding with vigilantes in their attacks on KTC and the Zolani Centre, a staff reporter writes.

Methodist minister the Rev Allan Brews said the destruction of KTC could have been prevented had the police defused the situation yesterday morning.

There was a strong concentration of vigilantes on the edge of Crossroads. "The police were in close attendance. We asked them to disperse the group by firing teargas. But they seemed unwilling to do this.

"The destruction of KTC could have been avoided had they broken up this group."

Ms Emma Huismans, co-ordinator of Crisis News, said she saw several witdoeke getting into a Casspir minutes before the attack on KTC yesterday.

"Vigilantes were milling around other Casspirs near the camp. They were quite friendly with the police."

The Rev Syd Luckett, director of the Anglican Board of Social Responsibility, said he saw Major Dolf Odendal, deputy commander of the reaction unit, standing by as vigilantes looted and burnt KTC.

"The fact that the vigilantes were allowed to enter KTC without hindrance convinced me that the police were siding with them," he said.

● Police have been asked to respond to the criticism. At the time of going to Press they had not replied.

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Cut telephone lines — R500 bail for youths

Argus 11/6/86

Staff Reporter

THE Supreme Court, Cape Town, has overturned a Knysna magistrate's decision to refuse bail to two youths held in connection with allegations of sabotage.

The youths, aged 16 and 17, alleged to have cut two telephone lines outside Knysna on February 19, have been in custody since they were arrested on February 26 and 28.

BEING INVESTIGATED

During a bail application in Knysna Magistrate's Court in April the State opposed bail because the case was still being investigated, there was unrest in the area and the accused might become involved in similar offences or endanger the public safety. The magistrate refused bail.

Yesterday on appeal Miss Justice van den Heever and Mr Justice Baker granted bail. It was fixed in chambers at R500.

Mr John Whitehead, instructed by Y Ebrahim and Co, appeared for the youths. Mr A Stephen appeared for the State.

Tutu flies to city on peace mission

Bishop Desmond Tutu arriving at D F Malan Airport.

By LESTER VENTER and STEPHEN WROTTESLEY, Staff Reporters

NOBEL Peace Prize laureate Bishop Desmond Tutu flew into Cape Town today to try to negotiate a ceasefire in Crossroads and KTC.

Bishop Tutu, soon to be enthroned as Archbishop of Cape Town and spiritual leader of Southern Africa's two-million Anglicans, planned to visit the wartorn squatter areas today to implore community leaders and security forces to stop the vicious fighting which has left 17 people dead and scores injured.



Before leaving for the battle zone Bishop Tutu met community leaders at St George's Cathedral.

"I don't want to speculate on resolving the conflict," Bishop Tutu said. "I'm not a miracle worker — but I may be able to help."

Bishop Tutu said he was invited by Western Cape church leaders to intercede in the violence.

"I want to make myself available to be used to the best possible extent in this very distressing situation."

Violence spread to Guguletu yesterday as the death toll in two days of fighting rose to 17.

Police said that 10 people were found dead yesterday. Two were killed in police action and the others in battles between rival groups.

Police attacked

A police spokesman said there was looting in Guguletu last night. This would indicate that the violence has not been contained between the KTC squatter camp and Crossroads.

A man was shot dead after a crowd attacked police following the looting of a shop in NY2, Guguletu about 7.50pm yesterday.

Police said there were at least eight shooting incidents yesterday in which shots were fired at police and members of warring groups by unidentified gunmen.

Three petrol bomb attacks were reported and there were 13 battles between warring groups.

Ten cars were burnt.

A total of 250 shacks were destroyed by fire, 30 of them during an attack on shacks at the Lansdowne Road boundary of Nyanga about 5pm yesterday.

Police used birdshot to disperse about 1 000 witdoeke involved in the attack.

Police found two men wounded by bullets — one in Mahobe Drive and the other at the corner of Klipfontein and Duinefontein roads, Manenberg.

Necklace victim

A "necklace" victim was found in NY3, Guguletu about 3.30pm yesterday near the remains of a man and a youth who had been hacked to death with sharp objects.

A member of the witdoeke was apparently killed in NY5 near the KTC camp about 2.10pm yesterday.

Police came across about 20 people attacking the man with pangas. A shot from an R1 rifle was fired to disperse the group but the man was already dead.

About 1.35pm yesterday, about 1 000 people attacked a police patrol with petrol bombs. One struck a Casspir and glass splinters lacerated the face of a policeman.

He was treated by Defence Force personnel.

Four journalists were injured yesterday. Television cameraman Mr George De'Ath, who was attacked with a panga, is in critical condition in Groote Schuur Hospital.

The others were less seriously hurt.

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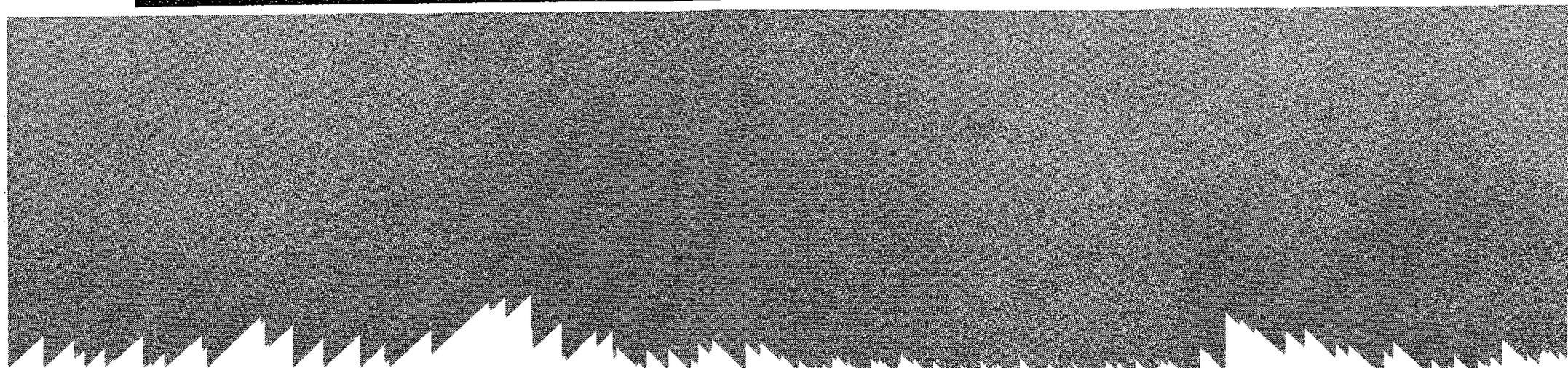
Crossroads frontline

Battleground confrontation in the street with no name

By STEPHEN WROTTESLEY

Staff Reporter

THERE is no sign identifying the street that runs between the E blocks in Nyanga East.



between Crossroads and KTC, it is the scene of an ever-surging confrontation between the "witdoeke" and the rest.

The groups move like waves flowing up and down a beach.

For nearly 30 minutes yesterday afternoon, journalists watched as one faction and then another gained ascendency in the lonely no-name side street.

AFTER the first fighting, coils of barbed wire were set up along the drive to keep the groups apart — but the measure was largely useless.

Witdoeke moved past the barricade at will. They have Mahobe Drive under their control.

A heavily armed group of witdoeke moved down the narrow road leading through Nyanga East. About 50m the other side of them, a huge crowd followed.

Then the witdoeke were joined by reinforcements from Crossroads and surged back down the street.

Shots could be heard and the witdoeke were again in retreat.

After reforming in Mahobe Drive, they again surged back down the road. And so it continued.



While there was no breakthrough in the no-name street, it soon became apparent that elsewhere the witdoeke were gaining the upper hand because plumes of smoke could be seen behind the crowds, apparently from KTC.

WE moved towards the smoke. Members of a police investigation team were out to capture or shoot a sniper operating from a dune inside KTC.

A Casspir parked in NY5 next to the remains of shacks destroyed on Monday and the plainclothed investigation team members, armed with rifles, slipped between the twisted corrugated iron and headed up the dune. Their commanding officer, Colonel W Oosthuizen, had warned them: "Be careful because there are other policemen on that dune. Don't get caught in crossfire."

Using binoculars, the investigation team scanned the hillside, but with so much debris, it was impossible to spot the gunman and they returned to their vehicle.

Behind them the smoke from KTC grew blacker and blacker as fire spread.

The trip into the area was the second organised by police for journalists yesterday.

The earlier trip came to an abrupt end when a reporter was hit in the arm by a ricocheting bullet.

For more than half an hour before Bert van Hees of the Citizen was hit, journalists heard shots, saw policemen conducting house to house searches for gunmen and heard radio reports of snipers in various areas, one of them said to be a white man accompanied by a cameraman.

The gunman had apparently been taking shots at police and witdoeke since Monday.

It was during the search for these snipers that Mr van Hees was hit.

Pressmen were watching the investigation team search through houses from which shots had been fired.

Mr van Hees was standing up, looking across the armoured top of the vehicle. There was a loud clang as something hit the side and journalists fell to the hard metal floor of the vehicle.

"It was just a rock," I said.

Seconds later Mr van Hees realised he was hit.

No one saw where the bullet came from — proof that guns rule in Nyanga East.

Pictures: PETER STANFORD, The Argus

Men from the newly-devastated KTC squatter settlement, part of the greater Crossroads complex, mount a watch on a hill from where they can see the approach of raiding bands of vigilantes from "old" Crossroads.

Bitter double blow for Amos Kraqa

By LESTER VENTER and ARNOLD KIRKBY
Staff Reporters

MR Amos Kraqa, a former resident of the KTC squatter settlement, was hit by two tragedies in one day.

He lost his job at a Maitland wholesaler — then arrived home to find vigilantes massing for the attack in which his shanty home and possessions were destroyed.

He was speaking among the ashes of his razed home as fear and rumours in the region ran high of another impending "witdoek" raid.

HIS story was echoed by many others salvaging what they could from their homes.

"The witdoeke came with the police," he said. "The police shot at us when we tried to chase them away. Then the men started burning our houses."

Mr Kraqa said he lost a double bed, a radio and R300 in the raid.

Destitute KTC resident Mrs Maggie Williams, a mother of six, said goods that survived the fires were carried away by the raiders.

She took five of her children to a sister in Elsies River, where they would be safe, she said.

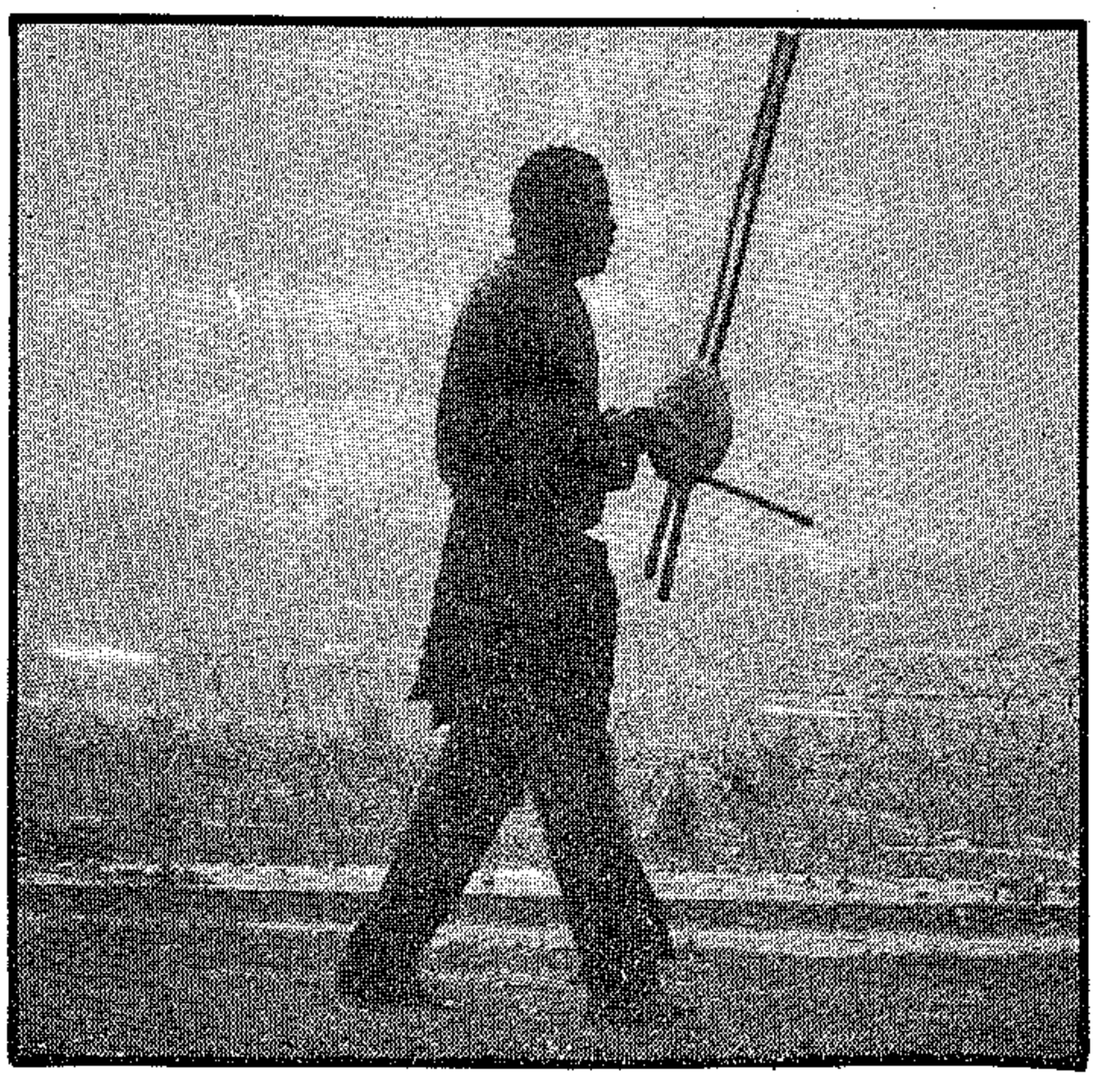
Mrs Agnes Booi was preparing to move to Khayelitsha — but without her husband, a factory worker, from whom she was separated in the violence and had not heard from.

"I am very sad. I am very worried," she said.

Mrs Booi came home from work at 2pm to find her shanty in flames.

"I just saw smoke. Everything of mine was gone, my TV, my big wireless and my tape recorder with two speakers.

"Now I have got nothing to eat. And the money I had was burnt," she said.



Picture: GRAEME WILLIAMS

The cruel tools of two worlds come together at Crossroads as a combatant armed with sticks in the rain passes a few metres of new barbed wire that fences now-vanquished squatter communities.

Heunis, churchmen clash over land

A MEETING between Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning Mr Chris Heunis and Western Cape churchmen acting on behalf of Crossroads refugee leaders has proved abortive.

A statement issued by the 15-member delegation yesterday said members believed Mr Heunis was "blindly determined" to fulfill his "ideological dream" at the expense of the suffering of thousands.

Mr Heunis rejected requests for a refugee camp, described by the churchmen as "an urgent, immediate imperative" and the squatters' demand to be allowed back on their land.

He "as much as called us liars in our representation of the situation", the statement said.

The group told Mr Heunis that:

- The people of Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension, Portland Cement Camp and KTC saw their evacuation as a forced removal and that this concurred with their own observations.
- Refugees would not willingly move to Khayelitsha and no peace could result.
- The police and defence force should be withdrawn because they were "clearly partisan" towards the vigilantes.

Mr Heunis said no land was available for a refugee camp and rejected a plea for squatters to be allowed to return on the grounds of limited land and health dangers.

But land was available — and "any serious, non-discriminatory government" would use it, the statement said. Health hazards would be faced wherever people built squatter communities.

The delegation comprised clergy from the Anglican, Catholic, Presbyterian, Methodist, Moravian, Lutheran and Order of Ethiopia churches. It included the Rev Sid Luckett of the Anglican Board of Social Responsibility and the Rev Lionel Louw, chairman of the Western Council Province of Churches.

They met Mr Heunis on Monday and issued the statement yesterday.

Bloody scenes on British television

The Argus Foreign Service, LONDON

CROSSROADS has erupted on British television screens again.

The bloody clashes in the embattled township — described in detail by Fleet Street correspondents — dominated the television news.

Several reporters accused the police of actively helping the vigilantes and the BBC said: "The evidence of police involvement on the side of the conservatives (the witdoeke) is growing."

It showed pictures of white gunmen leading groups of witdoeke and picked out each white man on the screen with a tiny spotlight.

Accompanying this was the commentary: "These unidentified and armed white men who appear to be leading bands of marauding "fathers" on raids into the comrades' homes are thought to be policemen or Administration Board officials.

"Many relief workers who have been in Crossroads have watched uniformed police helping direct the destruction."

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ades" chant and wave sticks in the air as their truck passes a police Casspir in NY5 near KTC yesterday.

Picture: Anne Laing



Armed KTC residents stand ready to repulse a vigilante attack yesterday.

Picture: John Rubython

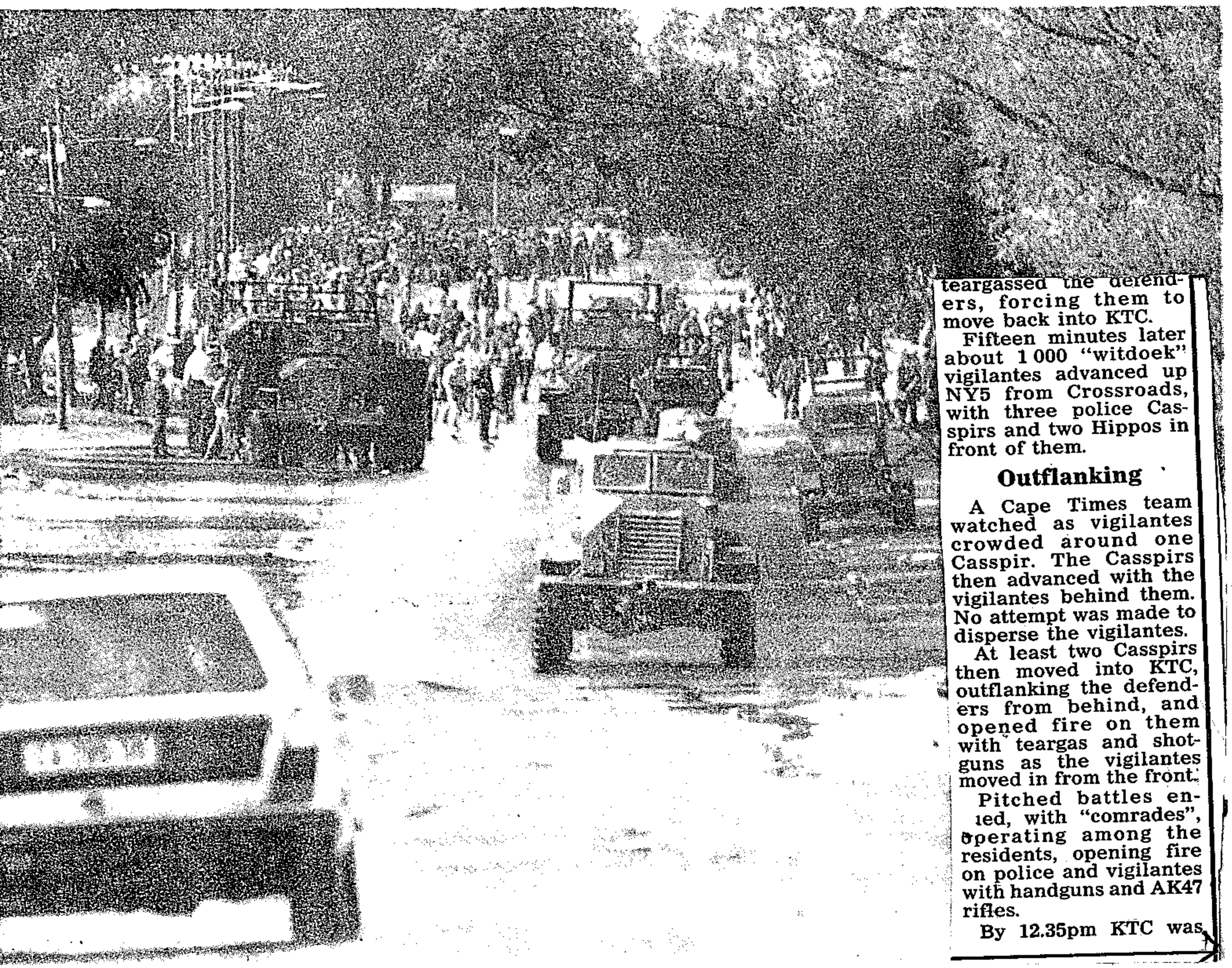


A KTC resident opens fire on advancing "witdoek" vigilantes during yesterday's battle.

Cape Times Newscolour: Gideon Mende

KTC toll rises to 17

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dreds of "witdoeke" gather behind security force vehicles in NY5 near the KTC squatter camp yesterday. The vigilantes moved with the Casspirs and Hippo troop carriers up the street towards KTC.

Picture: Anne Laing

teargassed the defenders, forcing them to move back into KTC.

Fifteen minutes later about 1 000 "witdoek" vigilantes advanced up NY5 from Crossroads, with three police Casspirs and two Hippos in front of them.

Outflanking

A Cape Times team watched as vigilantes crowded around one Casspir. The Casspirs then advanced with the vigilantes behind them. No attempt was made to disperse the vigilantes.

At least two Casspirs then moved into KTC, outflanking the defenders from behind, and opened fire on them with teargas and shotguns as the vigilantes moved in from the front.

Pitched battles ensued, with "comrades", operating among the residents, opening fire on police and vigilantes with handguns and AK47 rifles.

By 12.35pm KTC was

By TONY WEAVER, CHRIS STEYN, CHRIS BATEMAN and RONNIE MORRIS

FOR the second day running vigilantes from Crossroads and Site C, Khayelitsha, yesterday attacked the KTC squatter camp. The toll is at least 17 dead, scores wounded and about 1 500 shacks destroyed.

Bishop Desmond Tutu will arrive in Cape Town today to visit KTC and attempt to bring about peace between the warring factions.

Press teams pulled out of the area after four journalists were wounded, one seriously.

A number of journalists, including a Cape Times team, were taken into custody by the police and ordered to leave the area.

Clerics and reporters, among them those of the Cape Times, saw police intervening on behalf of the vigilantes, allegations described by police as "utter nonsense".

Tension ran high in KTC and surrounding areas yesterday morning as residents, who have evacuated almost all the shacks in the camp, stood in groups preparing to repel a feared second vigilante attack.

Withdrew

Hundreds of residents gathered belongings and withdrew as far from the front line as possible.

At 11.15am about 1 000 KTC men, aged 15 to 50, advanced down NY5 in a bid to set up a forward line of defence beyond KTC.

But police Casspirs moved in and repeatedly ablaze again as vigilantes torched shack after shack. By late yesterday close to half the 4 200 shacks were destroyed.

A former KTC resident whose home was razed on Monday said two Casspirs unloaded over a dozen "witdoeke" at the corner of NY5 and NY78 about 12.30pm yesterday.

The witdoeke entered

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KTC while other men atop a Casspir fired teargas and shotguns.

The woman alleged police were shooting "something that sets houses alight".

'White gunmen'

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said he was not prepared to comment on "such vague allegations" and appealed to people to lay charges with the police.

The Cape Times correspondent in London reports that three white gunmen wearing paramilitary uniforms were filmed among attacking vigilantes in KTC yesterday.

The three, clearly identifiable, were ringed and shown on still-frame sequences during the BBC's main TV newscast.

● The Rev John Freeth, rector of St John's in Wynberg, said: "About 11.45am I saw witdoeke coming down the road with Casspirs. Casspir number 98 displayed white rags from its gunports."

He said that at 11.55am this Casspir signalled to the witdoeke to advance.

He said Casspirs fired shots into KTC at defending groups and he saw no birdshot or teargas fired at vigilantes.

"A lot of teargas was fired deep inside KTC. Casspir Number 106 drove into KTC and shortly after there was repeated shooting.

"About 12.40pm, two more Casspirs drove into KTC firing shots. The burning of shacks began about a minute later."

Later "the witdoeke advanced into KTC, burning shacks under cover of Casspirs 78, 98 and 85".

● Lieutenant Laubscher vehemently

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denied allegations that police were taking sides.

He described as "utter nonsense" allegations that police were openly supporting the witdoeke. "We act against both groups," he said.

He said both sides were ordered to disperse and when they refused, police fired birdshot and teargassed both groups.

Eight gunmen firing on police have been wounded in the past two days, he said. Five escaped after being rescued by comrades and three were arrested.

Police alleged that the vigilantes' decision to fight KTC residents was taken after the bodies of 15 witdoeke were discovered at Salt River mortuary on Monday.

Police were told the witdoeke had been searching for these men "for a long time".

"When they finally found them, hacked to death, in a mortuary, it was the last straw," the spokesman said.

Four journalists wounded

FOUR journalists were wounded — one critically — while covering renewed fighting around the KTC squatter camp in Nyanga yesterday.

Conditions were so dangerous that most of the local and foreign reporters had withdrawn from the area by mid-afternoon.

A spokesman for Groote Schuur Hospital, where Mr Mr De'Ath underwent an emergency operation, described his condition as "critical".

A spokesman for Groote Schuur Hospital, where Mr Mr De'Ath underwent an emergency operation, described his condition as very serious, but stable.

Mr De'Ath was found unconscious beside his smashed video equipment next to a house on the border of KTC and New Crossroads.

By CHRIS STEYN and CHRIS ERASMUS

He had been hacked with pangas and hit with knobkieries on the head, face, and body.

A soundman, Mr Andile Fosi, who had been with Mr De'Ath, was treated for head wounds and discharged.

The Cape Town correspondent of the Citizen, Mr Bert van Hees, was shot in the arm and admitted to Groote Schuur Hospital for treatment.

Mr Van Hees was touring the area in a police Casspir with Colonel W Oosthuisen, who is in charge of the investigating team, when he was shot by an unidentified gunman from a hilltop overlooking Nyanga.

French photographer Mr Patrick Durand of Sipa Press, who was shot in the arm in KTC, said he was taking pictures about noon as the vigilantes again attacked the comrades.

"I just felt something in my arm, and I thought it was a rubber bullet. Then I saw blood on my arm," he said.

Mr Durand was treated at Groote Schuur and discharged.

Another journalist who had a narrow escape, was freelancer Mr Rob Watson who found himself "cut off" by witdoeke and running back with "comrades" towards Casspir-borne police who "fired straight at us".

Mr Watson said: "The person next to me was hit and fell. I dived for cover and a shot hit the ground just next to my head. I scrambled towards a shack when three shots were fired in quick succession, one peppering my hand. I hid behind the shack and moved around to hide from the Casspir."

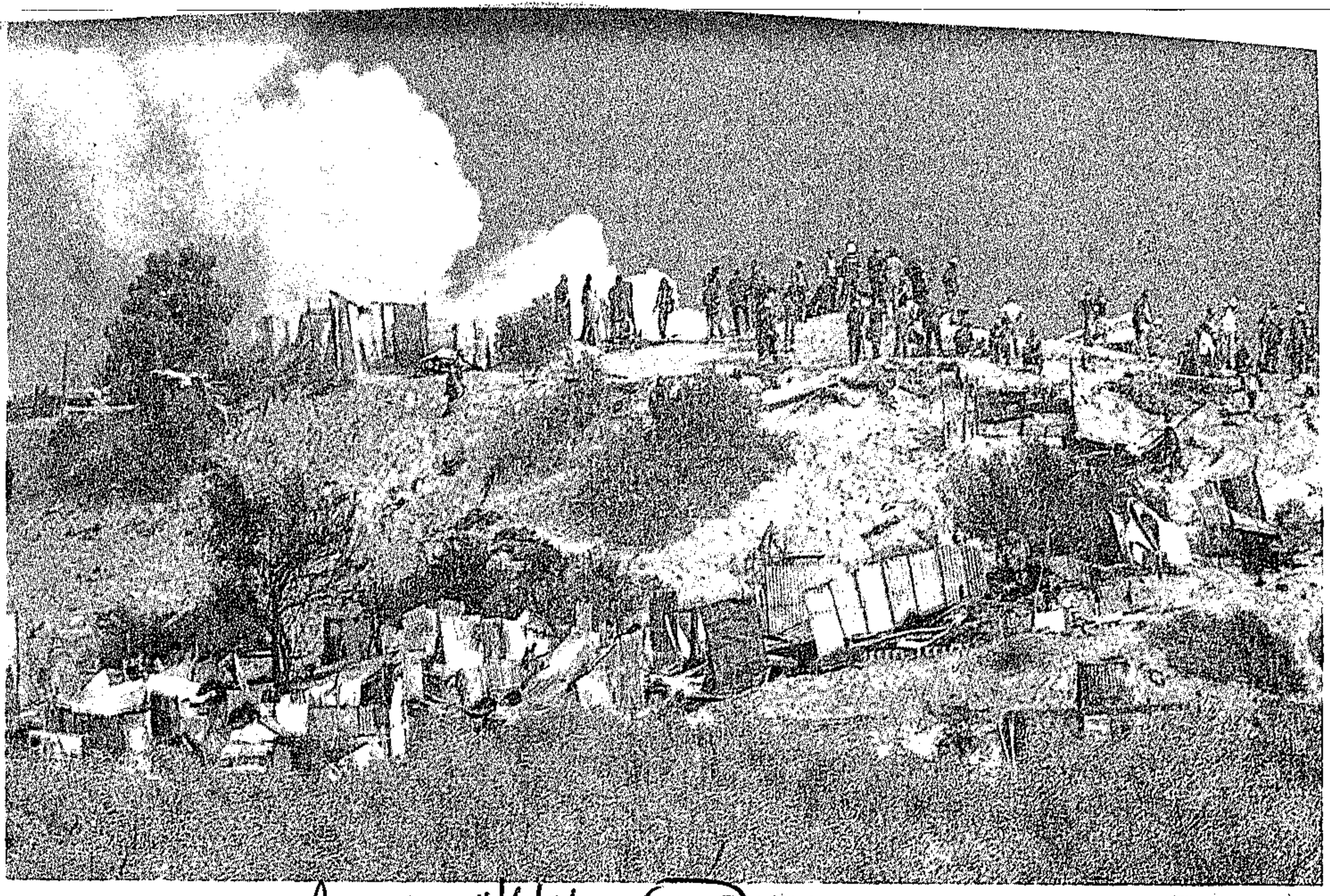
He said that in fear of his life he walked out into the open, holding his camera in the air and was arrested. After being held at Manenberg police station for several hours he was released.

A police spokesman said police shot at the group surrounding Mr Watson — not at him. He was taken away from the area for his own safety.

NBC television crew members, Mr Tony Wasserman and Mr Maurice Odello, were fired upon by unknown gunmen as they were being arrested by police around noon.

No one was injured.

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Picture: PETER STANFORD, The Argus

Witdoeke hold a dune at KTC during the violence in the squatter camp yesterday.

60 000 refugees 'vanish'

Staff Reporters

AN estimated 60 000 refugees from the war-torn Crossroads area have "disappeared".

Relief workers said the majority, women and children who fled from established relief centres and homes in KTC when fighting began on Monday, had been absorbed in townships and squatter camps.

They believed the refugees were hiding, afraid to regroup because of the threat of further attack.

Some are believed to have fled to Transkei and Ciskei, others to friends and family or church halls in city suburbs.

Some had heeded Government calls to go to the refugee tent camp at Khayelitsha, said Shawco warden Mr Derek Livesey.

"They're filtering out of the area, and heaven knows where they all are."

Small groups slipped back to relief centres in Nyanga today, although the situation there was confused.

A doctor at the Guguletu day hospital, which has been operating 24 hours a day since fighting started again, said staff were having difficulty tracking down refugees.

"They're afraid to come out in the open," he said.

A spokesman for the Islamic Relief Agency was unsure about the fate of their marquee at Zwelitsha in Nyanga East and a spokeswoman for Red Cross said: "Everybody has pulled out because of the fighting."

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● The Urban Foundation today demanded that the authorities act now to stop the violence.

The foundation's Western Cape regional director, Mr Colin Appleton, repeated chairman Mr Jan Steyn's call for a judicial inquiry.

An estimated 60 000 people were homeless, Mr Appleton said.

Mowbray restaurant owner Mr Howard Parker has launched a "tent drive" for homeless squatters.

Mr Parker can be contacted at ☎ 69 4805.

The United States Embassy today contributed R10 000 to St John ambulance.

St John public relations officer Mrs Anne Botha said the money would be "most welcome."

● The Leos of Constantiaberg are still collecting warm clothing for Crossroads as part of their annual Jersey Week. All Checkers stores and public libraries in the city area are collection points.

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Refugees in hiding

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Many homeless have sought help in church halls in Guguletu and about 60 women are staying at the All Saints church hall in Plumstead.

Sheikh Nazeem Mohamed said about 16 children and babies from KTC were staying at the Muslim Judicial Council centre in Athlone.

They had been told to expect two busloads of people seeking shelter.

Sheikh Nazeem appealed for more food and clothing.

Mrs Ros Morris, public relations director of the Red Cross, said emergency workers were assessing the situation, but actual numbers of people needing help were difficult to establish as "the picture is changing literally from minute to minute".

ASSISTANCE

Shawco, St John Ambulance and the Red Cross had provided food, clothing and other aid to people sheltering in church halls in Guguletu, she said.

Mr Livesey said the response had "doubled up our supplies to c... bers we hop...

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Defiance from a section of the crowd before police moved against them a second time in Government Avenue.

Police break up crowd near Parliament

Staff Reporter

THREE people were arrested and several were injured when sjambok-wielding police charged a crowd of about 150 people outside Parliament.

The incident occurred yesterday while a five-member delegation, including Black Sash national president Mrs Mary Burton and the deputy vice-chancellor of the University of Cape Town, Professor Donald Carr, were trying to see President P W Botha.

They wanted to give him a statement, endorsed by about 28 organisations, demanding the withdrawal of new security legislation.

Support for their action was unanimous at an earlier, lunchtime meeting of about 600 people who packed the nearby St George's Cathedral hall to protest against the Bills.

A bystander, Ms Beatie Hofmeyr, said about 150 people were at the Parliament Street entrance to await the delegation's return.

Retreating

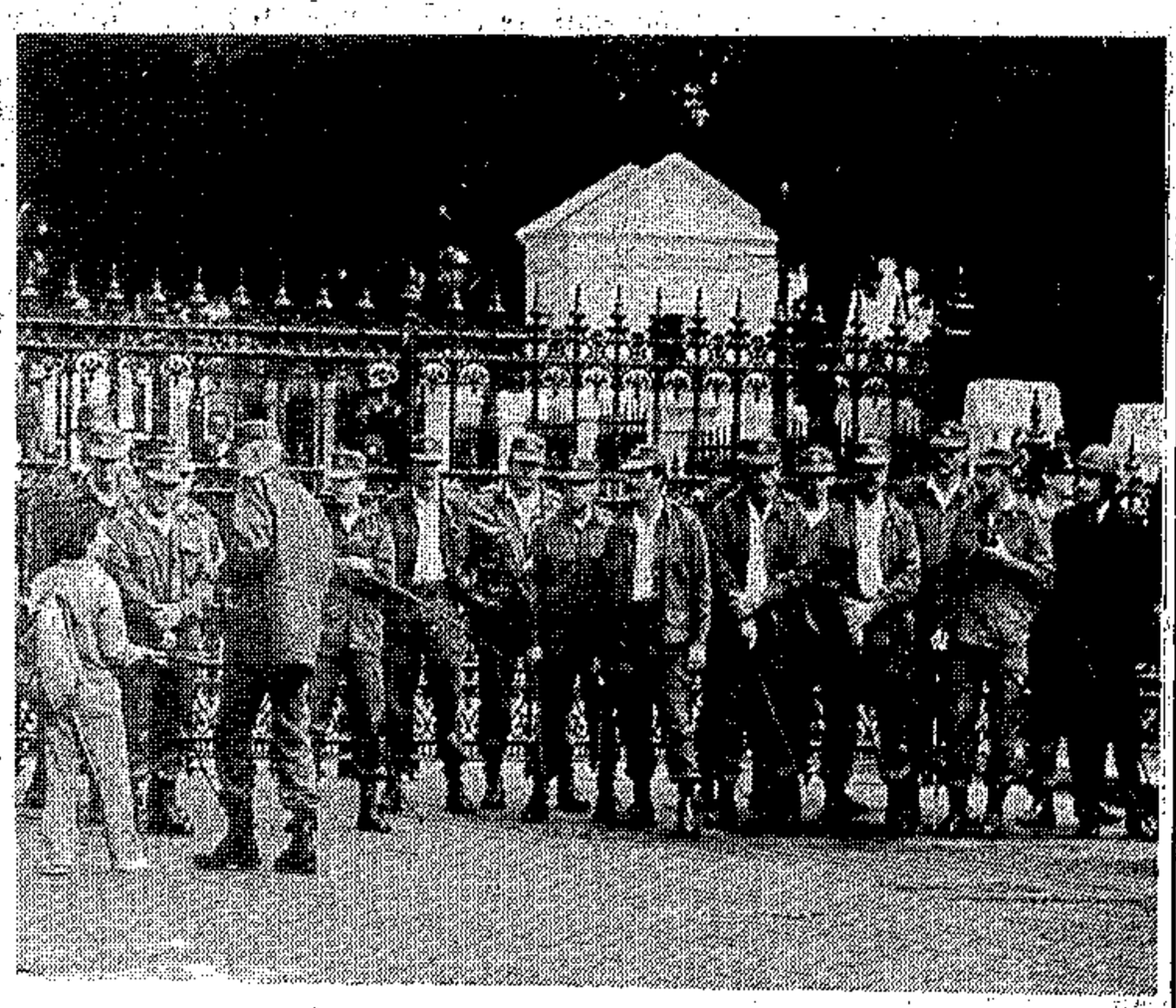
"A group of about 20 riot policemen gave a three-minute order to disperse. About two minutes later, while the group was retreating slowly, police charged," she said.

People fled up Church Street and into Adderley Street.

"A number of people fell to the ground, where they were further whipped by police," she said.

She saw UCT psychology lecturer Mr Cyril Couve fall as people ran, then watched as he was beaten by policemen. He had at least 10 bleeding cuts on his face and arms, she said.

As the delegation returned from delivering the petition to Mr Botha's private secretary police made a second sjambok charge to disperse people singing near St George's Cathedral.



Riot police form up shortly before dispersing the crowd which had gathered outside Parliament.

'Govt's aim to detain and crush' opposition

Staff Reporter

BILLS amending security legislation were aimed at implementing martial law without the political inconvenience of declaring it, according to Professor Dennis Davis of the University of Cape Town.

He told about 600 people who packed St George's Cathedral hall yesterday that the Government's intention in amending the Internal Security Act and the Public Safety Act was to "detain and crush" democratic opposition in South Africa without hindrance.

MEDIA SILENCE

"It is my sincere belief that these Bills are the forerunner of a major crackdown on organisations," said Professor Davis, associate professor of law.

The Government wanted reform — but on its own terms to perpetuate white domination.

Martial law would mean a suspension of South Africa's remaining democratic processes.

Curfews would be enforced, military courts would take over and there would be "complete and utter" media silence in areas chosen by Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange.

Martial law was declared when a country was at war. "On whom is this Government declaring war?" he asked.

In terms of human rights South Africa was ranked among the lowest in the world — on a par with Russia and North Korea, according to a survey by the conservative financial journal The Economist.

Mr le Grange was trying to delude the people when he said the Internal Security Act Amendment Bill would safeguard the rights of detainees.

As the Act stood police had to have objective reasons for detaining a person and these could be challenged in court. If it were amended this safeguard would fall away.

Union reports raid on office

Political Staff

THE offices of the Electrical and Allied Workers' Trade Union (EAWTU) in Cape Town were raided yesterday afternoon by the security police, according to the union's southern areas secretary, Mr Brian Williams.

The union's offices have been used for meetings of Stop the Killing Interim Committee, committee formed end inter-organization violence and killings black areas.

Mr Williams saa copies of a summary of SKIC meeting and number of document and pamphlets had bee removed by the police.

● A spokesman for th Bureau for Informatio yesterday said he had n comment to make on th raid, and a Pretori police spokesman sai he was not able to com ment as all such matter were being handled b the bureau.

Too late for classification

DEATHS

BAXTER. — Lurline. Died yesterday after suffering bravely. We will miss you. Our deepest sympathy to Jewel, Robert, Janus, Janine and Melissa. From Lillie, Eric, Theo, Sylvia, Charles, Ada, Des, Mavis and their families.

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Chapel concern over journalists under fire

Staff Reporter

THE SAAN Cape Town chapel of the South African Society of Journalists is deeply disturbed by developments regarding journalists in the KTC area of Cape Town in the past two days.

In a statement yesterday, the chapel said:

"One of our colleagues is critically injured, another three of our colleagues have been wounded.

"Journalists have come under repeated gunfire from both sides involved in the fighting.

"A number of journalists, some of them from the Cape Times, have also been shot at and harassed by police and a Cape Times and an Argus vehicle have been hit by rifle fire.

"Journalists covering a conflict situation claim no special rights or privileges. But when the South African Police appear to be deliberately firing at journalists doing their job, this gives rise to serious concern.

"We call on the Minister of Law and Order to publicly explain his position as regards press freedom and the right of journalists to cover conflict situations without interference by his police force."

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Police burnt by petrol bomb

Fresh

16 new refugee centres spring up

By ANDREW DONALDSON

AT LEAST 16 new refugee centres have sprung up overnight in Guguletu since renewed violence broke out in KTC.

Emergency supplies into the area slowed to a trickle yesterday, hampered by numerous security force roadblocks which turned away many relief vehicles.

Refugee centres established in Nyanga after the first outbreak of violence several weeks ago, were either attacked or evacuated on Monday.

Faced by continued cold, wet weather, relief organizations have renewed their pleas for donations.

St John Ambulance put out an urgent plea for blankets, cooking pots, stoves and food.

Meanwhile, 10 000 blankets — collected from British Airways offices around the world — were flown in to D F Malan Airport yesterday and handed over to the Red Cross. The blankets were first taken to Red Cross House as yesterday's fighting prevented immediate distribution among the homeless.

A Cape Times team intending to visit some of the refugee areas was refused entrance at several points by security forces.

A St John spokesman said that tracing refugees who fled when their camps were attacked and torched by "witdoeke" on Monday was proving difficult.

Of the estimated 12 000 people, who had been housed at refugee camps attacked in Monday's violence, only about 5 000 have been rehoused, he said.

"It seems that about 7 000 others have all fled the area," he said.

By late afternoon, small pockets of these refugees — mainly women — were starting to return to evacuated centres and churches.

At least 7 000 other refugees are being housed in eight of the 16 new camps, he said.

"There's no way of knowing how many there are in the others."

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'We will eliminate' gunmen

By CHRIS STEYN

THE police would shoot dead anybody who aimed a firearm at the security forces or who shot at them in an unrest situation, a police spokesman said yesterday.

On Monday they put this policy into practice when police shot dead a man who aimed a firearm at police in KTC. A .303 rifle was later confiscated.

"We will summarily eliminate a person who is in possession of a firearm and who aims that firearm at security force members or shoots at them," the spokesman said.

He declined to say whether police used strategically placed snipers for the elimination of people who aimed firearms at security force members.

"All policemen are snipers," he said.

A message of congratulations from the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, was broadcast to security forces in KTC yesterday.

He congratulated the police on the good work they had done and told them: "Keep it up, I will answer all questions at the top."

The spokesman said however that police used a policy of "minimum force" in unrest situations.

Teargas and quirts were only used when it was clear that the leaders of warring factions were unable to persuade their groups to disperse peacefully.

Asked why so few arrests had been made since the outbreak of fighting between radical and conservative factions in Crossroads three weeks ago, he said it was too dangerous for policemen to get out of Casspirs during full-scale fighting.

Birdshot, which caused less serious injuries than ball ammunition, was used when teargas and quirts failed to quell unrest.

Asked why police did not use shotguns when "witdoeke" broke through police lines in Crossroads on Monday he said police wanted to prevent injuries to innocent bystanders, including mothers carrying babies.

The spokesman denied that this indicated that there had been a change in police policy as regards the handling of unrest situations.

"Each situation is handled in a different manner," he said.

UDF, Azapo back call to end violence

By BARRY STREEK

A DRAMATIC call for peace and an end for inter-organizational violence was made yesterday by the newly-formed Stop The Killings Interim Committee.

The committee was formed by representatives of a wide range of "progressive" organizations when a call was made to end violence after two members of the Electrical and Allied Workers Trade Union (EAWTU) died when their car was petrol-bombed in Crossroads.

Yesterday's call was the first time "progressive" organizations have made a joint public stand against violence inside black areas — and lashed out against the lack of discipline which the committee regards as being in the State's interests.

Different roles in struggle

It has also recognized that there can different roles for different organizations in the broad "liberation struggle".

"It is with deep pain and concern that we witness the renewed violence and killings taking place in KTC and Crossroads between oppressed and oppressed, and exploited and exploited.

"This human tragedy, on a scale never seen before in our country, must be stopped and prevented from resuming.

"However, this is only possible if the progressive organizations combine to demand an immediate ceasefire between the warring parties," a statement said.

The statement, issued by Mr Brian Williams, EAWTU's southern areas secretary, said the union and a large number of other progressive organizations had initiated a stop-the-killings campaign.

"We wish to publicly call on political, youth, trade union and civic organizations who have not yet responded positively to the invitation to join in the stop-the-killings campaign to do so now as a matter of urgency.

"Many lives can be saved if the progressive organizations can as a matter of priority go beyond ideological barriers.

'Benefit from the killings'

"The chains of oppression and exploitation cannot be removed if the victims continue to kill each other.

"The oppressors are the only ones who benefit from these killings.

"For the sake of our liberation struggle, we call upon all those persons and organizations who are able to exercise any influence to get a ceasefire with the resolution of the crisis in mind to do so immediately," the statement said.

The organizations who issued initial messages of support, included the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu), the Council of Unions of South Africa (Cusa), Azanian Congress of Trade Unions (Azactu), the United Democratic Front (UDF), the Azanian Peoples' Organization (Azapo), the New Unity Movement, the Cape Action League, the Federation of Cape Civic Associations and the South African Council on Sport (Sacos).

No questions on Crossroads

Political Staff, Staff Reporter and Sapa

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. — The Speaker, Mr Johann Greeff, ruled yesterday that questions on the Crossroads squatter camp could not be put as they were in conflict with a recent Supreme Court interdict restraining the authorities from acting against residents of the camp.

And the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, has rejected calls by church leaders for a refugee camp and demands that squatters be allowed to return to the land they previously occupied.

'Sub judice'

Mr Greeff said in the House of Assembly yesterday that questions set by Mr Ken Andrew (PFP Gardens) for reply by Mr Heunis, were sub judice.

Mr Andrew had asked about the extent of damage to houses and facilities in Crossroads after fighting there last month and whether people would be allowed to rebuild homes in the camp.

A delegation of church leaders, Western Province Council of Churches delegates and church workers in the Crossroads area met Mr Heunis on Monday.

In a statement released yesterday, the WPCC said Mr Heunis rejected the following submissions made by the delegation:

● The people of Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension, Portland Cement Camp and KTC saw the evacuation of their land as forced removal.

● No peace could come as a result of removal to Khayalitsha.

● The people demanded the right to return to the land they had occupied.

● A refugee camp elsewhere was an urgent intermediate measure.

● The SAP and SADF were "clearly partisan in their activities".

Yesterday's statement from the WPCC said that Mr Heunis "as much as called us liars".

"He told us that we were distorting the truth for our own ends," the statement read.

"The Minister asked us whether we wanted the SAP and SADF out of the area. We said yes — because at the present moment they are fulfilling an extremely destructive, partisan and provocative role."

The statement said that the delegation had concluded that Mr Heunis felt that the squatters should go to Khayelitsha or be condemned to "an indefinite period of nomadic refugee existence".

Anthony Johnson reports that the Department of Health yesterday warned in a statement that if conditions in the Crossroads vicinity deteriorated further it would have to re-evaluate its provision of services to the area.

● The New Republic Party's spokesman on law, order and defence, Mr Vause Raw, yesterday proposed that one or if possible two full battalions of troops should be moved in to cordon off the Crossroads area "into manageable sections in a controlled military operation".

Secondly, the South African Police should "move in in force to restore law and order".

Thirdly, a judicial inquiry should be appointed to sift the conflicting reports so that any false allegation can be exposed and prosecuted under law and any wrongful police action dealt with firmly.

Federation of Cape Civic Associations: Condemns "alleged role of the State in the holocaust at KTC and Nyanga East".

'Exploited'

● The Federation of Cape Civic Associations strongly condemned the "alleged role of the State in the holocaust at KTC and Nyanga East".

In a statement released yesterday the federation said it appeared that the State "has deliberately created and exploited divisions amongst the people in order to destroy that area and so force the people to Khayalitsha, or back to the homelands".

"We are appalled that such uncivilized and barbaric action can be perpetrated on defenceless people in a country which prides itself on it's Western Christian civilized standards and principles."

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Foundation's call over Crossroads

THE Urban Foundation yesterday called on the authorities to take urgent action to stop the violence in the Crossroads and KTC areas and reiterated its call for a judicial commission of inquiry into the tragic events there recently.

The regional director of the Urban Foundation in the Western Cape, Mr Colin Appleton, said: "The violence that erupted recently in Crossroads has now spread to the KTC squatter camp and parts of Nyanga, rendering an estimated total of 60 000 persons homeless.

"Fears are being expressed that this may spread even further into New Crossroads and the surrounding areas of Nyanga and Guguletu.

"It is imperative that the authorities take the necessary action to halt the violence and prohibit its further escalation.

Temporary court interdict

"It is virtually impossible to continue with the provision of relief services or to negotiate with the various communities until peace has been restored.

"Despite a temporary interdict issued by the Supreme Court, allegations persist regarding the role of the various groups in precipitating the violence and also into the alleged partisan role of the authorities in the fighting.

"The very magnitude and the persistent nature of these allegations in our view compel an immediate and objective investigation."

He repeated the request of the executive chairman, Mr Jan Steyn, for the government to appoint a judicial commission of inquiry as a matter of urgency. "Only in this way will confidence be restored and distrust removed." — Sapa

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Newsman Bert van Hees recovering at home yesterday with his wife Angelika. The bullet which hit him is still in his left forearm.

Picture: Alan Taylor

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Demos whipped near Parliament

By CLARE HARPER and BARRY STREEK

PEOPLE attending a City meeting to protest against the security bills were baton-charged and whipped by riot police yesterday when they gathered near the gates of Parliament.

Dozens of demonstrators were whipped soon after 2pm and three arrested when about 150 people awaited the return of a delegation led by the president of the Black Sash, Mrs Mary Burton.

The five-person delegation had been mandated to hand to the State President a statement on the bills by some 600 people who attended a meeting at St Georges's Cathedral Hall.

A witness, PFP MP Mr Roger Burrows, said students who were whipped were at no stage threatening and appeared to be dispersing when they were beaten.

Head wound

He said a colleague, Mr Tian van der Merwe, MP for Green Point, found an injured student after the incident and took her to Somerset Hospital where a head wound was stitched.

Mr Burrows said about 15 policemen went to stand between the young people and the gates of Parliament.

He said a captain read a warning for the students to disperse in three minutes and they began to filter away.

"When the three minutes were up the police charged the group, then numbering about 70 to 80.

"I moved through to Adderley Street, at the Smuts Statue, where the police had chased a group of five to six girls — beating them as they went.

"I saw two students being taken into custody and placed in a police van."

A spokesman from the Repression Monitoring Group said one person had come into the Relief Centre bleeding profusely from facial cuts and four others sustained whip marks.

He said those arrested were Mr David Borchers, 24, Mr Anton Roux, 28, and a 16-year-old.

Two witnesses, including a student, Mr John Berens, said that as people began walking away from the gathering after the police order to disperse, they were charged and sjambokked.

After the first two people were arrested the demonstrators re-grouped and began singing freedom songs.

Rule of Law

Groups of policemen again charged at people fleeing in all directions. A young black woman was arrested.

The delegation had been mandated to deliver a statement demanding the withdrawal of the bills, the repeal of all repressive security legislation and the restoration of the Rule of Law.

Mrs Burton; the deputy vice chancellor of the University of Cape Town, Professor Donald Carr; the Rev Colin Jones of the University of the Western Cape; the head of the Medical School at UCT, Dr Peter Folb; and Mr Terry Dowdall, of the Organization for Appropriate Social Services in South Africa, were delegated to deliver the statement.

Escape routes

Mrs Burton said a senior police officer in Parliament undertook to hand the statement — endorsed by 30 opposition organizations — to Mr Botha and set up an appointment.

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, yesterday said "police had given a reasonable time of three minutes for the group to disperse, as there were adequate escape routes".

He said no injuries were reported to the police and confirmed that two men and a 16-year-old girl were arrested in the demonstration.

They appeared in court yesterday afternoon on charges of attending an illegal gathering.



Police wielding sjamboks move down Government Avenue yesterday afternoon before dispersing a crowd in Parliament Street. The crowd was awaiting the return of a delegation delivering a statement to President P W Botha.

Time for the Army to take over Crossroads

On Parade
By Willem Steenkamp
A Defence Review



IT IS TIME to send the Army into Crossroads *en masse*; and I am not referring to the deployment of penny packets of troops from the nearest training unit either. I mean the real Army, the old Army, the fighting Army.

Let me make it quite clear why I say so.

Crossroads is no longer the playground of mobs of "comrades" who petrol-bomb "sell-outs", ransack commuters' handbags and throw stones at Casspirs.

It has become a battle-ground, a bubbling cauldron of hatred in permanent danger of boiling over unless someone is sitting on the lid.

It has given rise to immense suffering which is bound to get worse, particularly now that 1986's Indian summer has finally given way to winter.

It has become self-destructing. Clinics and refugee tents are fair game now, and everything else. In other words, the fabric of community life is crumbling, leaving Crossroads trembling on the verge of anarchy.

In such recognized forums as Parliament and the newspapers there is a raging debate about who is doing what and to whom — and that is as it should be, because the public has a right to know what is going on.

But in the meantime people are dying in Crossroads — guilty and innocent alike. People who have spent their entire disadvantaged lives building up some worth have been reduced to a state of penury which is likely to be permanent; salesmen of insurance and riot cover do not do much business in Crossroads.

Crossroads is as great a disaster as the 1918 influenza epidemic, Laingsburg in 1981 and the destruction of the Boer republics in 1902.

So let us leave the debaters to hurl the charges and counter-charges and save the people of Crossroads by calling in the fighting Army. It is not a solution to the country's ills, but we must get our priorities right. *Something has to be done within the next few days.*

People might wonder why I keep talking of "the fighting Army". I do so not because I believe that more violence is needed, but because the fighting Army is organized to do everything for itself with minimum outside help.

Awesome array

The Army in greater Cape Town — Permanent Force, Citizen Force, Commando Force — can muster an awesome array of skills and talents, backed up by trained and constantly practised organizational and leadership techniques.

It can whistle up three "conventional" mechanized infantry battalions, the same number of light infantry battalions and a handful of commando units. It can call on anything from experts in patrolling, engineers and electrification experts to medics, mechanics and administrative personnel.

All are accustomed to operating under conditions so dangerous and adverse that the average civilian would have a heart attack just thinking about it.

Pacifying and saving Crossroads would be child's play to them. To the infantryman trained for hand-to-hand fighting with ferocious weapons, foot patrols are no problem; for the sapper, driving a bulldozer or erecting prefabricated buildings is like a holiday compared with lifting landmines.

Medics can man clinics and medical aid posts and enforce hygiene measures with one hand tied behind their backs. Electrification and mechanical repairs are easy for signallers and "tiffies". Personnel experts who process a battalion in a couple of hours would have no trouble in handling the paperwork.

In a nutshell: there is almost nothing the Army can't do — and do it in a hurry, under any conditions, with minimum red tape and facilities.

And then, having done it, *guard it and maintain it.*

The Army is also well versed in dealing with the local population. In the past 14 years it has learnt (sometimes painfully) the art of negotiation and outreach, of recognizing and accepting local sensitivities, of enforcing stern discipline on its troops and instantly punishing those guilty of misconduct.

No simple matter

Naturally the matter is not a simple one. The main stumbling block is that Crossroads would have to become an Army responsibility. Objectors can and will say that it is the responsibility of the civil power.

My answer is that Crossroads is no longer a civil disturbance. It is a *de facto* civil war zone. There is no country in the world which would not call in the troops and place them in charge in such a situation.

It could also be said that the country cannot afford such an expenditure. I say it can. By cancelling just one field exercise the Army can accommodate a Crossroads operation without spending extra money. In any case, to quibble about spending a couple of million in a real emergency is simply unacceptable.

There is a further aspect which I commend to the General Staff.

The Army's image has taken a lot of knocks in the past 20 months. From being fairly widely regarded as a necessary thing, it is now routinely abused as a mere instrument of apartheid, in spite of the fact that within its ranks apartheid has been virtually eliminated and it has behaved itself.

The powers-that-be should also remember that many of the best soldiers are volunteers who serve because they perceive a duty which transcends short-term political problems. They are irreplaceable, and if they become discouraged to the point of dropping out the Army will suffer immeasurably.

That is one of the problems of running an almost totally non-regular "people's army". The non-regular's allegiance and enthusiasm cannot be bought with pay, whether he is a *de facto* or *de jure* volunteer.

So I say to the politicians: send in the Army. Send it in *now*. But God help you — and us — if you do so only as a delaying tactic.

To most of South Africa and the world you stand accused as the instigators of the Crossroads violence. Unless something drastic is done — and I do not mean passing more security laws — you will stand condemned instead of accused.

You might be prepared to live with that image, but you will throw away the centuries of honour our soldiers won on battlefields too numerous to count.

As I write this, it is exactly six years since I watched the dead of a distant battle being loaded into a helicopter. Must they be dishonoured?

Suzman: Police 'flouting' the law, court

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. — The KTC, Crossroads and Nyanga Bush areas were being given over to anarchy as a result of certain people being given the right to drive residents out by burning and killing, Mrs Helen Suzman (PFP Houghton) said yesterday.

Speaking in second-reading debate on the Public Safety Amendment Bill, she said the police were "openly flouting the law and a court order restraining them from harassing the residents".

"There is no doubt that the appalling behaviour at KTC and Crossroads is largely the result of a feeling being engendered that the police have licence to behave how they will."

She said the "witdoeke" gathered behind police vehicles as they moved through the townships.

"There appears to be a conspiracy and an unholy alliance between the Minister of Law and Order and the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning to clear people out of the KTC, Crossroads and Nyanga Bush areas."

She moved that the bill "be read this day six months", the strongest form of parliamentary opposition to proposed legislation.

The bill would move South Africa further from the Rule of Law and due process and was being introduced at a time when the government's reform initiatives, especially the abolition of the pass laws, should be making an impact abroad.

This bill would attract world condemnation but the government did not appear to care about world opinion, "a sinking economy and a low rand value".

"All the government cares about is staying in power and retaining its position of domination."

● No Minister of Law and Order — and especially not the present incumbent — could be entrusted with the powers to be conferred by the bill, said Mr Ray Swart (PFP Berea).

Mr Le Grange "more than anyone else" was responsible for much of the situation in the country's townships and was perceived as giving carte blanche to the police "to do as they please".

Mr Swart said provision in the bill for the minister to declare the existence of "unrest areas" gave rise to "the appalling situation where one man can at will suspend existing laws and reign supreme".

"He can do anything he likes. This is an intolerable situation. It is certainly not comparable with democracy — it is more like nazism, totalitarianism and fascism," Mr Swart said. — Sapa

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Search is on for refugee housing

By ANDREW DONALDSON and CHRIS BATEMAN

REFUGEE centres in Guguletu, including St Gabriel's Catholic Church, were last night evacuated as fighting spilled over into the area.

Relief workers frantically searched for alternative accommodation as another cold, wet night set in.

St Gabriel's refugees moved to the Catholic Welfare Bureau's centre at Holy Cross School in Modderdam Road, Shawco moved about 200 women and children to a Plumstead church Hall, and the Red Cross tried to arrange accommodation at schools and halls in other Peninsula areas.

Essential supplies of medicine, food, cooking utensils and blankets to more than 20 emergency centres in Guguletu were maintained — despite the stringent roadblocks and the removal to the periphery of the troubled areas of essential distribution points, like the Shawco 40-ton trailer.

Own risk

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said drivers could go through the road blocks at their own risk.

The Cape Times would not be allowed into the area to visit relief centres unless they were prepared to ride in a Casspir, he added.

Relief workers also reported that homeless squatter residents were approaching aid centres clad only in their pyjamas and nightwear. The number of homeless is now estimated to be between 55 000 and 70 000.

Some refugees returned to the area yesterday to search for lost children and relatives, and to pick through the remains of their razed KTC homes.

Despite the vast number of homeless, a Western Cape Development Board spokesman said "very few more people" had accepted the board's offer of housing at Khayelitsha.

Mrs Ros Morris, of the Red Cross, said it was difficult to determine the number of people being housed in Guguletu as there was a constant movement of homeless people due to overcrowding and families being reunited.

The convener of Shawco, Mr Derek Livesy, reported that their mobile medical clinic was allowed into the area at 1pm and was in operation at St Mary's Church in Guguletu.

● Since Friday, police had paid six visits to the Claremont Mosque, where about 40 Crossroads refugees have been sheltering for over three weeks, the co-ordinator of mosque social work, Imam Yusuf Abdul-Latief, said yesterday.

Imam Abdul-Latief said police told him the refugees were sheltering "illegally" and had quoted the Group Areas Act, the "Bantu Urbanization Act of 1945" and a municipal by-law to him. Police had also threatened to summons him, he said.

Imam Abdul-Latief said the visits began about 1.50pm on Friday when police told him they were acting on reports that "you are harbouring people here".

"I said yes, we were sheltering people. They said it was against the law."

No complaints

The Imam said City Council health workers inspected the mosque every day and had not yet complained to him. His legal advice was that the refugees could stay for up to three months.

Plainclothes police again visited in his absence on Tuesday, Imam Abdul-Latief said.

"They also said that residents had complained. Only flat dwellers some distance away or perhaps train commuters, could have complained," he said.

● Lieutenant Attie Laubscher confirmed police had visited the mosque, but said this was only after "several complaints from residents in the area".

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10 held after demo

By CLARE HARPER

TEN people — including a CBS cameraman — were arrested and three other newsmen held for questioning yesterday afternoon after police dispersed a placard demonstration in the City.

The protest was organized by pupils of Manenberg High School, Athlone, and members of the Bonteheuwel Inter-Student Congress (Bisco).

Cameraman Mr Wim de Vos is being held at Caledon Square police station and faces charges under the Police Act, said police liaison officer for the Western Cape Lieutenant Attie Laubscher late yesterday.

He confirmed that two women and seven men between the ages of 15 and 28 were detained by police in connection with the "illegal gathering".

Other CBS newsmen, Mr Anton van der Merwe and Mr Mike Gavshon, as well as Associated Press photographer Mr Greg English, were taken for questioning, but later released without charges.

The 10 were arrested soon after police ordered the demonstration to disperse at 1.55pm and the gathering was splitting up.

The CBS crew were filming the pupils dispersing when Mr De Vos was grabbed by a policeman. His glasses were broken in the ensuing tussle.

A while later, a lone woman demonstrator was chased by police along Darling Street where she was arrested.

Police swarmed around the City along Darling Street outside the Post Office towards the bus terminus searching for, and arresting, fleeing demonstrators.

The pupils were protesting at the detention of teachers Mr Quintin Michaels and Mr Neville van de Rheede, who have been held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act for over a month.

The 25-person procession moved up Adderley Street towards Darling Street, singing and chanting until a group of policemen arrived.

A police officer using a loudspeaker ordered them to disperse as the gathering was illegal in terms of the Internal Security Act.

Small groups of people moved away towards the City bus terminus. About a dozen policemen swarmed around the terminus for over half-an-hour looking for demonstrators.

A police spokesman said: "The group was warned to disperse and no violence was used on the part of the police."

He said they were there specifically to arrest demonstrators.

Tutu pleads with the warring witdoeke

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By LESTER VENTER, Staff Reporter

THE first steps towards a ceasefire in Crossroads and KTC took place today when Bishop Desmund Tutu sat down with community leaders, including "witdoek" vigilantes who have been accused of initiating the violence.

Present at the meeting — at Site C in Khayelitsha — were representatives of the Site C community and witdoek leaders from Crossroads.

The meeting followed a visit to Crossroads yesterday by Bishop Tutu, who pleaded with them to negotiate.

Bishop Tutu's initiative is seen as a vital breakthrough in an attempt to halt violence which has left at least 21 dead and scores injured.

If the meeting succeeds the next step will be to bring leaders of the witdoeke and other squatter communities together to thrash out a peace pact.

So far they have met only in battle.

Press representatives respected an appeal by Bishop Tutu for the meeting to be held in confidence. A Press briefing has been scheduled for later today.

After entering the battle zone yesterday Bishop Tutu, Nobel Peace Prize-winner, said there was "a positive vibe" from the leaders.

A police spokesman said three people died in the troubled area yesterday.

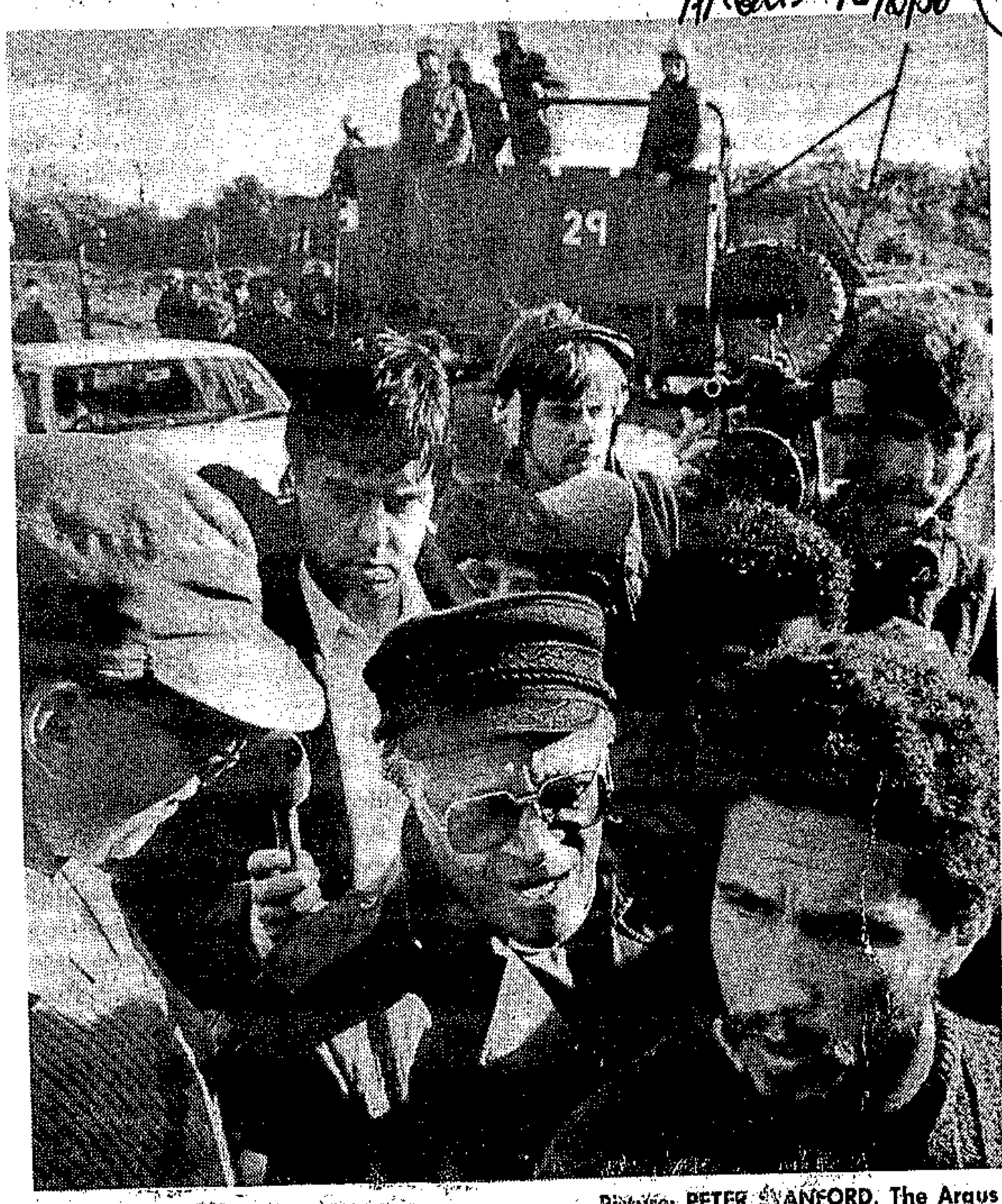
One man was shot dead when he pointed a firearm at a police foot patrol. Two people died in clashes between the rival factions.

Police were fired on four times, the spokesman said. At least 70 shacks were burnt.

The last incident reported to police was about 10.45pm when a car was set alight near the Red Cross tent in Lansdowne Road.

Two men were found injured nearby — one with a bullet wound in the arm and the other with broken ribs.

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Picture: PETER SVANFORD, The Argus

Bishop Desmond Tutu is surrounded by journalists at a police roadblock near KTC, in flames in the background.

Security force build-up in the Western Cape

By TOS WENTZEL
Political Correspondent

POLICE reinforcements are being brought to the troubled squatter areas from adjoining areas in the Western Cape and from Pretoria.

Confirming this today the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, gave the assurance that the police would act strongly to restore order, regardless of whether witdoeke or comrades were involved.

In addition, a senior police officer, Major-General Dirk Genis of police headquarters in Pretoria, has been sent to Cape Town to take over command in the unrest area.

Mr le Grange said he was not prepared to allow one faction to think that it could take the law in its own hands.

The Minister said he had had discussions with police chiefs and had given instructions that the conditions in and around Crossroads had to be brought under control as soon as possible and with the use of all available manpower.

In addition to the police other security forces would be used.

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Where fear is your partner

Tears outside Parliament

Political Staff

ABOUT 60 women refugees clamoured at the gates of Parliament demanding that the authorities stop the killing and burning in the Crossroads area.

The women claimed yesterday that police were helping vigilantes to burn down refugee tents and buildings in KTC and Nyanga East.

Colonel Kerneels Mouton, head of the special Parliamentary guard unit, eventually persuaded the women to leave after five made statements at Caledon Square police station.

Some women insisted on speaking to Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning.

Mrs Nolulamile Manxcaba said her 10-month-old child was burnt to death when the tent in which she was living was set alight by witdoeke.

She and many of the other women were living in refugee camps or in houses in Nyanga East after being driven from the Nyanga Bush squatter camp by vigilantes three weeks ago.

Some said they had been living in the Zolani refugee centre run by St John Ambulance, which was destroyed by fire.

When Colonel Mouton said he could not react to crying and asked the women to make statements, one of them implored him to come with them to Nyanga to stop the killing.

The answer was written in blood as we began the reporter's egg dance

By LESTER VENTER, Staff Reporter

YOU can reach out in front of you at Crossroads, clench your fist and squeeze fear out of the air.

The acrid black smoke of burning houses and refugee shelters will sting your nostrils; the screams of women fleeing with terror-maddened children will fill your head with echoes you will hear for days.

And the fear, always the fear, will form a layer of taste on your tongue that you can't spit out because your mouth is too dry.

Add to this the loneliness of a newsman: a traditional animosity between police and journalists, the naked hostility of vigilantes and the unpredictabilty of comrades.

Some job.

Doing this, a day's work, yesterday were photographer Peter Stanford and I — driven in a staff car, now full of bullet holes, by Harry Hainsworth.

WE were in Crossroads soon after you left for work, or got the kids off, to do a piece about what would happen to the refugees once the public's aid-effort generosity ran out.

As it happened, the answer was written in blood.

We watched as attacking vigilantes and defending residents massed, armed with sticks, stones, sharpened pipes and pangas.

As fighting started and bodies fell amid the chattering fire of intervening troops, Stanford and I began the newsman's egg-dance.

With fright as a partner you stay near enough to be able to report what is happening but far enough ... to be able to report what is happening.

This involves ignoring the invisible vagaries of bullets, but judging the visible trajectories of stones.

Even violence has a plateau and we decided to leave Lansdowne Road to get closer to identify Nyanga buildings that were burning.

NEAR Settlers Way, near D F Malan Airport, we were on the outskirts of KTC, then an inferno.

A group of about 40 men burst from the bush.

Some were "witdoeke" with their white head and arm bands and some were plain-clothed white men armed with rifles. Whether they were running together, or one group was chasing the other, couldn't be discerned.

At least one of the men fell to a prone firing position, aiming in our direction.

Stanford, Hainsworth and I fell low in our seats as I shouted to Harry to put his foot down.

Shots cracked the air and we felt and heard the bullets thunk into the car.

Harry yanked the steering to weave the speeding car.

The firing stopped and we sat up to find bullet holes through the back seat and through Stanford's camera bag that he had lain on.

We traced their path through the back of the front passenger seat I was in, to find a hole through my blazer pocket and a smashed film canister that was in it.

Shaken, we sped down Settlers Way to meet a City Late Extra 1pm deadline ... an obligation in a world one universe away from a morassed sea of human agony.

Crossroads all over again . . .

here", his distorted voice sounded out on the speaker of a radio.

Sirens heralded the arrival of ambulances which sped past in the direction of the Guguletu police station.

Long queues of vehicles developed as non-residents were refused access.

By 2pm the situation had calmed and heavily armed witdoeke were withdrawing. Those who had fled were starting to return.

It was clear that welfare organisations, already hard pressed, will have an increased, if not impossible, task.

In NY5, Nynga, crowds had gathered on pavements outside the houses. Whether they were residents or refugees it was difficult to say. But beds and salvaged possessions lay strewn around.

Some groups sped off into the bushes when they saw the police but others watched with a weary acceptance.

THE edge of KTC had been gutted. Not one shack next to the road was standing

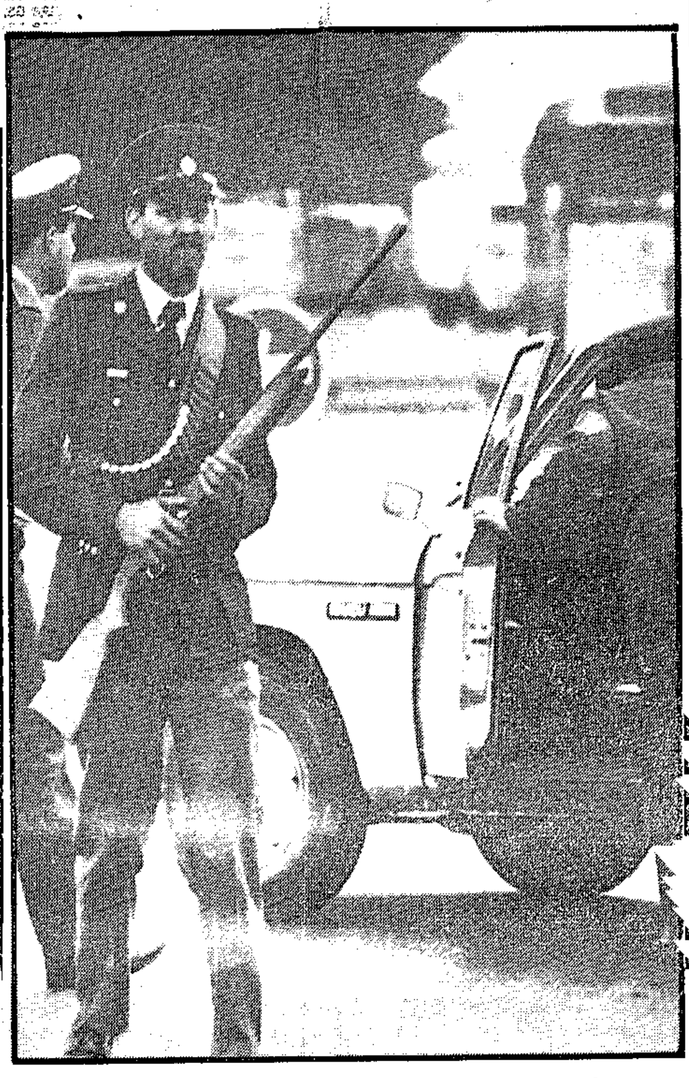
Burnt out cars rested on tyre rims in mangled heaps at the side of the road.

Crowds of men wearing white armbands — terrifying with their spears, pangas, hammers and knives — moved through salvaged possessions.

There was no sign of the owners.

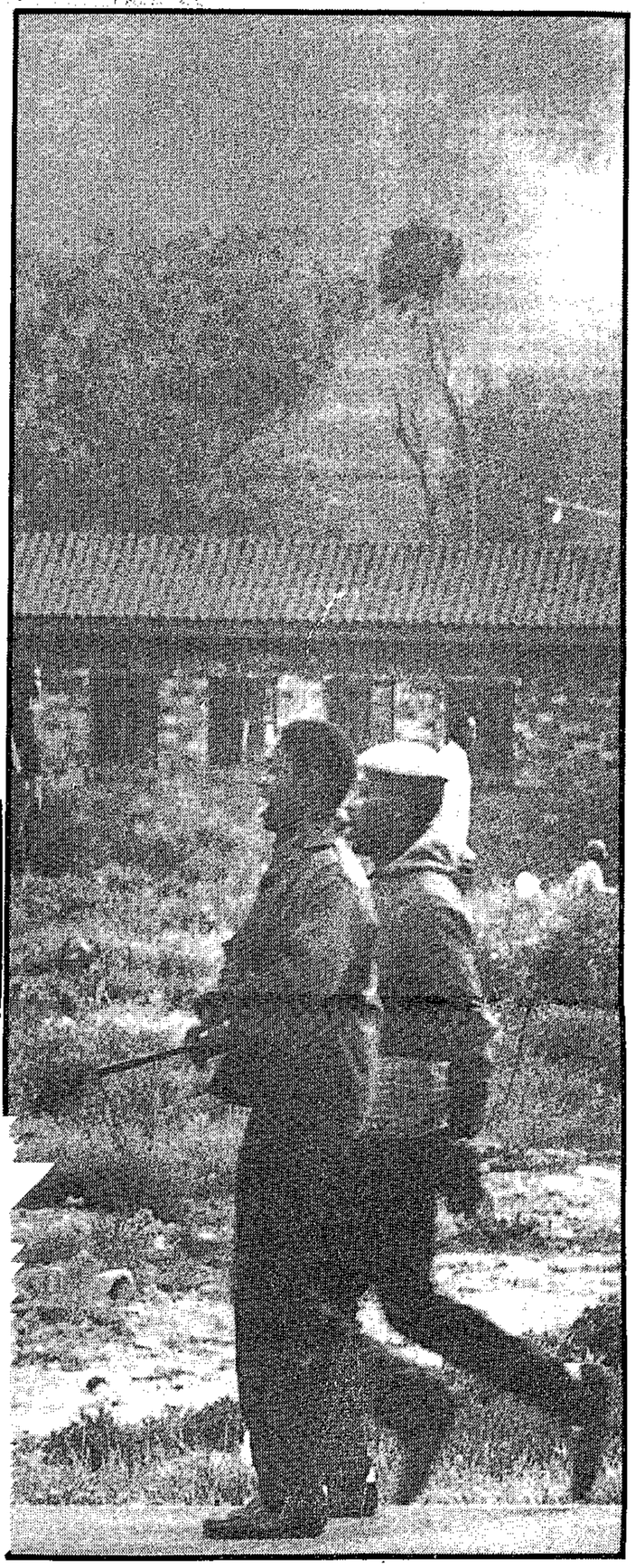
At the Zolani Centre, items were being salvaged by relief workers.

And in Terminus Road, a major route near KTC, thousands of witdoeke were walking towards Crossroads. Behind them were the refugees, slowly edging their way back to KTC to see the devastation which has become a familiar sight for the hundreds of thousands of squatters in the Peninsula.



Picture: WILLIE DE KLERK, The Argus

Police set up road blocks to isolate the brutality of Crossroads with a determination reflected in the face of this policeman.



Pictures: PETER STANFORD, The Argus

The bleakness of Nyanga forms a stark backdrop to the savagery that has torn the lives of its residents, while these two men undertake a wary patrol.

By STEPHEN WROTTESLEY,
Staff Reporter

ANOTHER time, another place — but it was Crossroads all over again.

The same smell of burning, the same scene of burning barricades and wafting teargas with Casspirs moving eerily through the drifting white and grey fumes.

Only this time it was the KTC squatter camp — the camp to which many of the refugees fled after faction fighting in Crossroads three weeks ago.

After yesterday's battle the result appeared to be the same — the "witdoeke" in supremacy and scores more refugees.

THE battle appeared to be in part a result of a shooting incident at Crossroads on Sunday night when the squatter camp, now inhabited by the more conservative element, was fired on.

The shooting came after numerous shooting incidents in and around KTC since the May 18 battle.

Incensed by the attack which they apparently saw as originating from the emergency centres and KTC, witdoeke set upon the refugees with a vengeance.

They swarmed across Mahobe Drive — the unofficial demarcation line between the Crossroads complex and Nyanga East — swept through the Zolani Centre, setting fire to the clinic and moved on KTC, setting shacks alight.

Police reinforcements from around the Peninsula were called in. After grouping at Manenberg police station, which at one stage looked like a military camp, they moved into the area.

A MILITARY helicopter and a police helicopter flew numerous sorties over the area, acting as spotters for the ground forces.

Over the radios of the vehicles waiting for their human cargoes at Manenberg, the familiar voice of Major Dolf Odendal, second in command of the reaction unit, could be heard telling of shootings and of attempts to trap gunmen who flitted away to safety.

Requests for his presence at one or other area could not be acted on. "I'm too busy



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From Cradock to Crossroads

THE changing face of South Africa, seen through the eyes of the children of Crossroads, is a living nightmare.

For some it is a long, black tunnel with no light at the end. A world outside the realm of the average middle-class South African. This fact was brought home forcibly last weekend when three frightened children of the ghetto knocked on a door in the white suburb of Oranjezicht.

Three sisters from Crossroads, they cowered on the steps, sheepishly following my host through to the kitchen to join us for supper.

The oldest was 17 years old. The visible flesh on her arms, legs and neck was disfigured by burn marks.

All three toyed with spaghetti, but she ate little, preferring to talk about her future, which she seemed to have mapped out.

Briefly she outlined Plan A.

"I'm going to walk away from this place. I was born in Cradock and in Cradock I will die, not here in Crossroads."

Plan B was a dream she hoped one day to realize.

"I'm just going to walk and walk and walk ... far away from South Africa ... to a place where everything is quiet and there is peace in the land. South Africa is a bad place."

Her sisters just giggled behind their hands. She's got no money. She can't go anywhere," the 13-year-old offered in explanation, her wide eyes wrinkled in laughter.

The oldest sister planned to put Plan A into effect the next day. Her slight frame was lost in the depths of her seat.

"I am going to the funeral of Phumzile Dossie at Nyanga, where I will meet my friends from Cradock. They will come to the funeral in a big bus and I will buy some bread and milk and I will jump on to that bus and hide away when they go back to Cradock."

Her sisters took this plan more seriously. They, too, wished to hide away on the big bus bound for Cradock. Their mother, a domestic worker, lived in Cradock. "We don't need any money for that bus," said the 16-year-old, shyly fingering her light perm.

Ignoring her prostestations that she was going it alone, the younger sisters said they were going with her, whether she wanted them to or not. The oldest swore she would die alone. "I will only look after myself because if I die, I will die as I was born. On my own."

Their mother in Cradock belonged to all three of them, they said, although they did not know the whereabouts of their three different fathers.

It was when trouble flared up in Cradock in 1983 that the sisters were sent to Cape Town by their mother to live with their grandmother. Their mother had been sending money for their schooling to the grandmother. The three sisters had been living with their grandmother in a friend's home in Nyanga Bush.

"But then the people said that this friend was an informer and they burnt down our home. Now they are after her to necklace her. We have no clothes, just what we are wearing," the small child said softly.

None of the sisters would even discuss going back with us to the Crossroads area to seek refuge in Zolani Centre in Nyanga East, alongside their grandmother who was being sheltered there.

(This encounter took place before relief posts such as Zolani Centre in Nyanga East were destroyed this week).

It was too dangerous, they said. Nor would they consider taking money for train fare straight through to Cradock. All three sisters were determined to go to the funeral of Phumzile Dossie the next day.

"We do expect trouble, but we must go to pay our respects," they all agreed.

After a hot bath, a few hours' sleep, much laughing and clowning around in the big double spare bed, they were taken to the Mowbray Station and put on a bus to Nyanga.

There were roadblocks around Nyanga the next day. Teargas was fired at the funeral procession by police.

No big buses from Craddock were noted by a photographer friend present at the funeral of 30-year-old Phumzile Dossie.

Plan A must have failed.

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A forlorn trio, with nowhere to go.

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Meeting condemns 'harsh' sentences

Staff Reporter

A MEETING of the Federation of Parent-Teacher-Student Associations this week condemned the harsh sentences meted out to students found guilty of public violence.

A resolution, passed unanimously at Tuesday's meeting in the Wittebome Civic Centre, demanded that all charges of "public violence" against students be dropped immediately and that sentences already imposed be withdrawn so that students could complete their schooling.

The meeting also demanded that the government stop its victimization and harassment of teachers, that charges of alleged misconduct against teachers be dropped unconditionally and that students be allowed to have disciplined demonstrations on school grounds.

A spokesman for the federation said the resolution read, in part: "We resolve that we shall work toward a democratic system of education in a democratic non-racial South Africa and that we as parents, teachers and students devote our energies to education for liberation."



Mr R Basson

Langa panga gang slash bus tyres: Drivers flee

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Staff Reporter

THE tyres of five buses were slashed with pangas as passengers were boarding them at Langa bus stop in Vanguard Drive early today.

A driver was robbed.

The damaged buses reached the Vanguard Drive railway bridge about a kilometre away before they were forced to stop, causing a traffic jam.

Mr Richard Basson, a City Tramways driver, said he did not notice anything unusual when he drew up at the bus stop about 6.10am.

"The passengers were boarding and one said: 'Hey, driver — *hulle steek die wiele pap*' (They're slashing the tyres).

"Then my door was wrenched open and a man was standing there with a panga in his hand. He was going to stab me but I slammed the bus into gear and pulled away."

Mr Basson said he felt a tyre losing pressure. By the time he reached the bridge his bus — and several in front of him — were swaying all over the road. Both front tyres and two rear tyres had been slashed.

The buses pulled to the side.

"We didn't know if they were going to attack us — we were really tense," said Mr Basson.

Buses behind them stopped and picked up the passengers.

Mr Francois Potgieter of City Tramways said between 10 and 14 tyres were slashed. Each tyre costs several hundred rands.

"It was pure thuggery," he said.

● Picture, Page 3.



Imam Yusuf Abdul-Latief, co-ordinator of mosque social work (at back), looks on while Nyanga Bush refugees prepare a meal at the Claremont Mosque in Stegman Road. Picture: Stewart Colman

'White gunman' mystery continues

By CHRIS STEYN

POLICE have still not been able to solve the mystery of the lone white gunman who fired at witdoeke and police from a hill on Tuesday.

Although the unidentified man was at first thought by police to be a "white comrade", they now say they have no idea who the man is or whether he actually exists.

A police spokesman said yesterday that police had received reports from residents that a white man armed with an automatic firearm had fired at witdoeke and police from a hilltop.

"We are investigating the rumours," he said.

"If there really is a white gunman, then it is absolutely disconcerting that whites are now also participating in the struggle," he said.

Police have appealed to people who have seen the white gunman to contact them.

Police refused to speculate on whose side the man was fighting.

Meanwhile, British television viewers were shown pictures of white gunmen leading groups of witdoeke in KTC on Tuesday.

The BBC highlighted each white man on the screen with a tiny spotlight.

The commentary said: "These unidentified and armed white men who appear to be leading bands of marauding fathers on raids into comrades' homes are thought to be policemen or Administration Board officials."

A police spokesman said yesterday that, in one instance, when comrades fired at police and witdoeke in KTC on Tuesday, witdoeke informed the police from where the shots were coming.

Witdoeke then accompanied the investigating team, whose members wore plain clothes, to the house from where the shots were being fired.

The spokesman said it was inevitable that police and witdoeke should be seen together.

In many cases police questioned witdoeke immediately after a killing to speed up investigations into individual killings.

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Greed lies behind attack on KTC camp

OVER the past four weeks, Cape Town has been rocked by probably the worst violence in its history as conservative vigilantes from Old Crossroads and Site C, Khayelitsha, launched wave after wave of vicious attacks on neighbouring squatter camps.

A pall of black smoke hangs over the scenic Peninsula.

Much of the media has portrayed the fighting as senseless "black-on-black violence" or "faction fighting".

There are deeper reasons.

The systematic destruction of Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland Cement Works was carefully planned, executed with military precision, and had an inevitable outcome.

Three groups

Now KTC is being attacked with the same deliberation. KTC's inevitable destruction will have the same inevitable outcome — thousands of squatter refugees homeless in the icy Cape winter, faced with only one real alternative — move to Khayelitsha.

This will satisfy the objectives of three groups. The groups are the community of Old Crossroads, the South African government, who have been trying for three years to get the squatters to Khayelitsha, and the police.

The community of Old Crossroads are greedy for land. Under the leadership of Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana and his chief lieutenant, Mr Sam Ndima — the acknowledged militarist in the camp — they have been promised they will benefit from the "upgrading" of Crossroads.

The leadership of Old Crossroads has become rich through the "farming of people", and are greedy for more privilege they will gain through upgrading.

But until now, upgrading could not take place because the land set aside for it was occupied by other squatter groups. Over three weeks, three of the satellite camps were systematically destroyed and the ground levelled.



By TONY WEAVER

One area is ready for upgrading. Phase two of the upgrading was to take place in KTC. KTC is being systematically cleared in South African history's most brutal forced removal.

The inevitable outcome of the fighting suits the South African government very well. At last it will be able to move the homeless to Khayelitsha without the stigma of sending in bulldozers and front-end loaders to destroy the camps with all the attendant bad publicity.

And the inevitable outcome suits the police extremely well. The three satellite camps and KTC had become strongholds of "progressive" organizations vehemently opposed to apartheid.

Access to arms

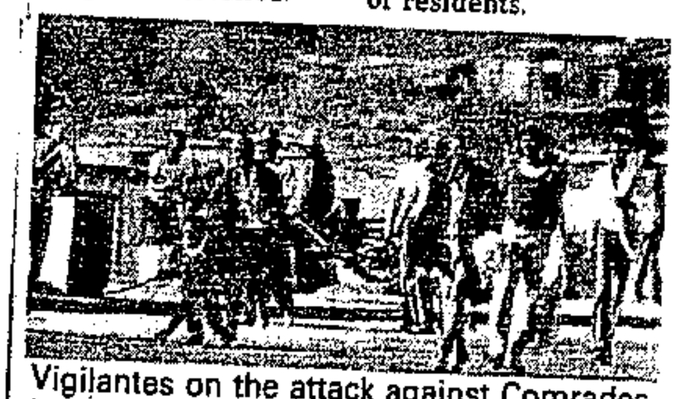
Youth, women's and civic organizations with allegiance to the United Democratic Front dominated the political life of those communities.

Militant "comrades" who had access to arms were able to operate more freely from the squatter camps than from the established townships because of the inaccessibility of the narrow tracks in the squatter camps.

The evidence of direct police involvement in the vigilante actions is overwhelming. Reporters, including myself, have witnessed their behaviour on a daily basis.

Strong blanket denials have been given by the police.

Priests from a host of different areas have given detailed accounts of police actively helping the vigilantes, as have literally hundreds of residents.



Vigilantes on the attack against Comrades in an earlier battle at the Crossroads squatter camp.

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Foreign press voices concern

Newsman's 'crucial mistake'

By CHRIS BATEMAN

TRAPPED in hiding behind "witdoek" lines as armed warriors swept past him in KTC on Tuesday, foreign TV soundman Mr Andile Fosi made a crucial error — he emerged with ITN colleague Mr George De'Ath to address a group of warriors as "quabane" (comrades).

The group launched a vicious attack on the two with pangas and axes. Mr De'Ath was still fighting for his life in an intensive-care unit at Groote Schuur Hospital late last night.

Mr Fosi escaped with deep cuts to his face, neck, back and hand. Still stunned and nursing a broken arm, the Xhosa-speaking journalist yesterday flew back to Johannesburg with his wife Nolwazi.

He said he and Mr De'Ath had followed comrades moving towards police and witdoeke. As confrontation became "inevitable" the two ducked into a shack to avoid being seen by police.

Teargas was fired at the comrades and the Casspir passed them, Mr Fosi said. "We couldn't differentiate between comrades and witdoeke so we came out. Then I made the mistake."

The warriors said: "You are the people who aren't supposed to be here. You come with the comrades. You are the ones who are killing us."

It was then that the newsmen were attacked.

Mr De'Ath collapsed and Mr Fosi said he ran towards a police armoured vehicle parked down the road.

Within three metres of it he was chopped at from behind. Police did not react, he claimed. He ran on towards an advancing Casspir which drove him to the scene.

Mr Fosi was adamant that their attackers were witdoeke — "some had white armbands and others wore hats".

In the SATV programme Network that night, a police liaison officer, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, told interviewer John Simpson that Mr De'Ath was attacked by comrades.

Lieutenant Laubscher said last night he had said this because witdoeke had reported the attack to police and Mr De'Ath had been found in "traditional comrade territory".

He said that about 11.30am on Tuesday, police were told by witdoeke that the lives of a white photographer and his black assistant could be in danger because of faction fighting in NY5.

Two minutes later in NY41 police had traced Mr De'Ath and Mr Fosi, who ran away.

Police continued to patrol and about 11.40am saw Mr Fosi being chased by about 15 men in NY38. He disappeared among houses.

The spokesman said police "probably saved Mr De'Ath's life" when two railways policemen chanced upon his attackers and chased them away.

Lieutenant Laubscher said Mr Fosi arrived on the scene later.

He denied that any security force members were present during the attack on Mr De'Ath.

While the two railways policemen were giving Mr De'Ath emergency treatment, police arrived on the scene to find Mr De'Ath lying next to a home in J1801.

Police confirmed that Mr Fosi ran towards a "patrol van" while being chased. This van, however, housed the mobile video unit and the two officers did not see him at first as they were filming a faction fight.

● Yesterday police "escorted" three members of a CBS newscrew from a home in New Crossroads to the Manenberg police station where they were told to report to Lieutenant Laubscher.



Injured ITN soundman Mr Andile Fosi at D F Malan Airport yesterday.

Witdoeke

The FCA said that, after discussions with colleagues who were in Crossroads on Tuesday, it was "deeply concerned about the attack on cameraman George De'ath and soundman Andile Fosi, of ITN".

A spokesman for the police public relations division in Pretoria said last night the FCA seemed to think police were on the side of the "witdoeke".

He said: "The police have often denied they are on anybody's side. We are mainly there to maintain law and order."

He declined further comment at this stage. — Sapa

JOHANNESBURG. — Foreign journalists in South Africa last night expressed "deep concern" about attacks on journalists in Crossroads on Tuesday and police handling of the matter.

The Foreign Correspondents' Association (FCA) called in a statement for police and the government to "thoroughly investigate and promptly report" on the issue.

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take your belongings with you".

Minutes later, clouds of teargas blanketed the area as refugees fled, said the journalists.

In NY 78, the Guguletu/ KTC border, the Cape Times team watched about 3.30pm as police fired repeated rounds of teargas and birdshot at refugees and residents, with some of the gas drifting into the Guguletu Day Hospital.

Lieutenant Laubscher, commenting on police action outside the hospital, said police were forced to act when the two warring factions started fighting in the vicinity of the hospital.

A Cape Times team saw no fighting outside the hospital, but watched as police fired repeated rounds of teargas and birdshot at crowds gathered there.

Guguletu residents say a woman of about 18 was shot in Guguletu, near the Vukukhanye Primary School — which is almost a kilometre from KTC, yesterday afternoon when police in Casspirs fired on a group of people who had been fleeing KTC.

A young woman was brought into the Guguletu Day Hospital and later died, but Lieutenant Laubscher said police had no knowledge of the incident.

In the official police version of events, Lieutenant Laubscher said that at 1.45pm yesterday fighting broke out between about 3 000 "witdoeke" and 3 000 comrades at NY 78.

Attempts at negotiation failed, and police fired birdshot and teargas when the groups disappeared between burnt-out shacks.

He said the groups stoned each other, and comrades threw petrol bombs at the "witdoeke".

Casspirs then moved in between the warring factions, said Lieutenant Laubscher.

Police denied they took sides in yesterday's fighting and said they asked both sides to disperse, fired teargas and birdshot into both groups and tried to separate them.

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not be known for some time whether it can turn a grassroots aversion toward apartheid into a serious fund-raising issue. If it does, a fair number of the 435 House members and the 34 senators up for re-election will take notice. ■

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Reform and reality

The irony could hardly have been more bitter. In parliament, MPs were pushing through the most significant apartheid reform in 38 years — the Abolition of Influx

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Tutu attempts to end fighting



Bishop Desmond Tutu strides past a heavily-armed policeman at entered Crossroads on a peace mission yesterday.
Picture: Wendy Schwegmann, Reuter

THE Anglican Archbishop-elect of Cape Town, Bishop Desmond Tutu, yesterday met "witdoek" vigilante leaders amid the "nightmarish" ruins of the KTC squatter camp.

He emerged cautiously optimistic that peace talks between the warring factions may be possible.

As Bishop Tutu toured the area, fierce fighting raged between vigilantes and KTC residents — reinforced by residents of Guguletu, New Crossroads and Nyanga — as the "witdoeke" made forays into Guguletu and New Crossroads, attacking fleeing refugees.

The unofficial death toll rose to 21, with 33 people treated for wounds in Guguletu and more ferried to hospitals outside the townships.

Over half of KTC has been destroyed by fire, and a pall of smoke hung over the townships yesterday afternoon, reducing visibility to about 100m.

A massive force of SADF troops was seen going into the Crossroads area about 3pm, but no troops were seen in the vicinity of KTC, where police Casspirs drove repeatedly back and forth, firing teargas and birdshot at refugees and defenders lining Terminus Road and NY 78, the two border roads of KTC.

On Standby

An SADF spokesman confirmed that "troops are on standby for possible support to the SAP", but added, "in terms of the Defence Act and SADF policy, the SADF is not prepared to release troop strengths or to divulge troop movements".

Bishop Tutu, after more than an hour of travelling with nine clergymen in the "desolation", said he was left feeling "devastated".

But, he had met up with some residents of Crossroads engaged in the fighting who had seemed willing to talk to him.

The leaders of the vigilantes were planning to discuss the matter, and it was possible a meeting would be set up in a safe place, probably this morning, he said.

A large press contingent followed Bishop Tutu to the airport entrance to Crossroads yesterday afternoon, but were prevented from entering by a police captain who said the situation was too dangerous to allow people in.

At first, the police refused to allow Bishop Tutu into the area, but after he had spoken to the officer in charge, he and nine other clergymen, including the Rev Sid Luckett, director of the Anglican Board of Social Responsibility, were allowed in, preceded by a Casspir as gunbattles raged nearby.

'Bad novel'

After his visit, the bishop said it was "pretty devastating, it's desolation itself.

"It's sort of like the plot of a very bad novel; you keep thinking you are going to wake up. It's nightmarish, really nightmarish."

Bishop Tutu flew to Cape Town yesterday morning and went to Church House at St George's Cathedral for discussions with the "clergymen who have been on the ground here" as well as civic and youth leaders.

After the meetings, he said two things had been made clear to him: The "comrades" did not consider the vigilantes their enemies; and, all those with whom he had had discussions "had no doubt in their minds" about police collusion with vigilantes.

The civic and youth leaders had "made it quite clear that they are not in the business of fighting fellow blacks, and they understand that there is a manipulation of a very tense situation by certain interested parties".

Reports by TONY WEAVER, CHRIS ERASMUS, CHRIS STEYN, ANDREW DONALDSON and ANDRE KOOPMAN

Just before 2pm yesterday, hundreds of "witdoeke" advanced up Terminus Road and moved in on the New Crossroads side of KTC.

Simultaneously, a large force moved up NY 5, on the opposite side of KTC.

Every entrance to the greater Guguletu area was sealed off and journalists were forbidden entry to the townships.

Members of the press, turned back at various roadblocks, gathered at Manenberg police station and were invited by a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Athie Laubscher, to go with him in a Casspir to the "thick of the action".

A Cape Times team, intending to visit hard-pressed relief centres in Guguletu, refused to travel in a Casspir, and was refused entry.

Subsequently a second Cape Times team gained access to the townships independently of the police.

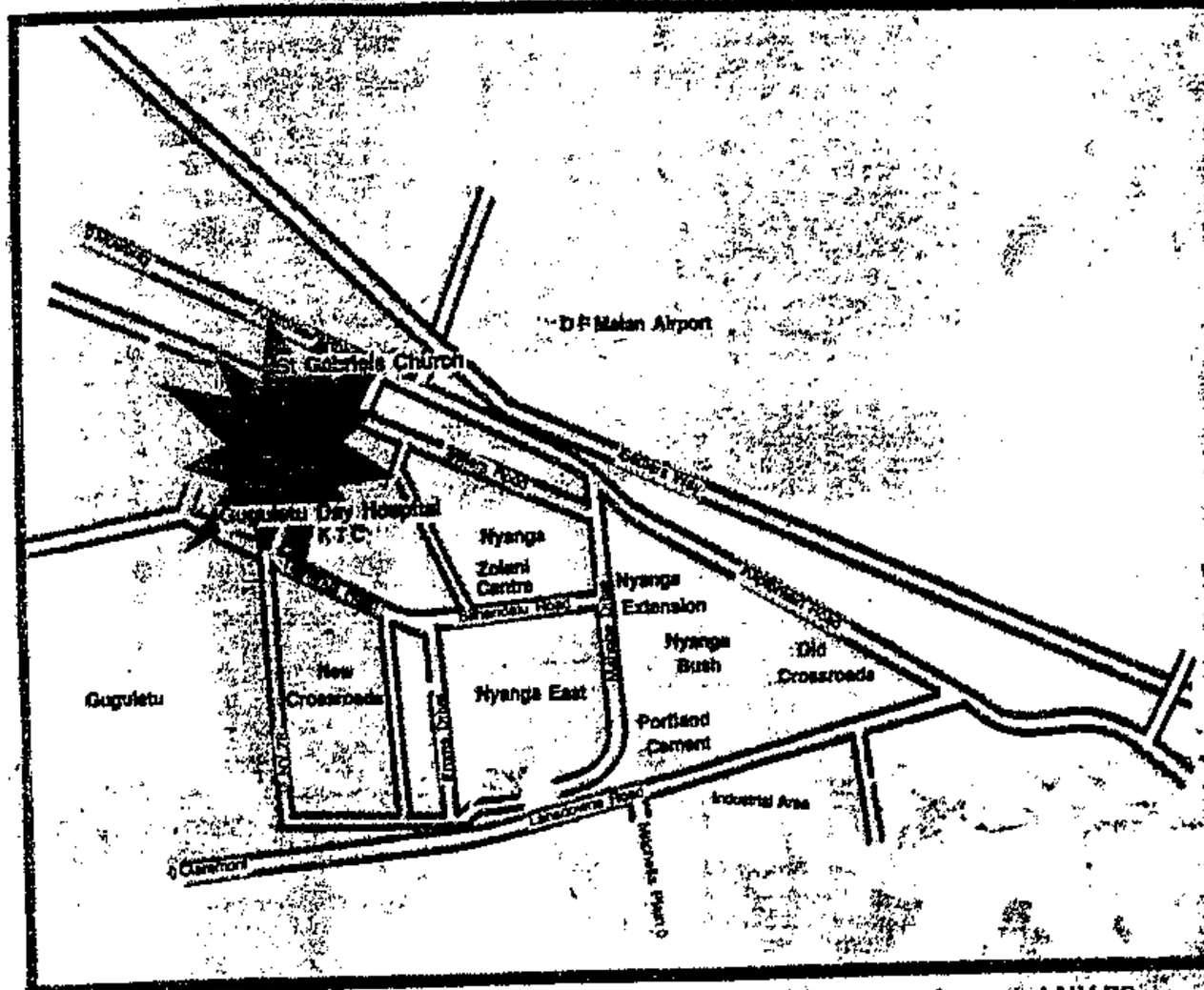
Thousands of refugees lined streets as much as two kilometres from KTC.

On the borders of KTC, in Terminus Road and NY 3, Casspirs fired repeated rounds of teargas and birdshot at refugees and residents trying to get into KTC to fight the vigilantes and save their shacks.

About 3pm, the Cape Times watched as Casspirs in NY 5 repeatedly drove past huge crowds of vigilantes without firing teargas or birdshot at them.

In Terminus Road, before the vigilante attack at 2pm, journalists in the area alleged that Major Dolf Odendaal, second in command of the riot squad, announced over a loudspeaker that refugees must "get out and

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The concentration of fighting and burning of shacks in KTC centred around NY 78 near the Guguletu Day Hospital and up to NY 5 near St Gabriels Church yesterday.

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Gun was a 'sign of force'

Supreme Court Reporter

MURDER accused Mr Andrew Solomon took a gun with him when he went to confront his wife's lover because it "gave him a sense of power" when all else had failed, the Supreme Court was told yesterday.

Clinical psychologist Mr Antony Hoffman, who has interviewed and tested Mr Solomon and observed him in court, said: "I don't think he took the gun to shoot. I think he took it as a sign of force. I don't think he had an intent to kill."

Mr Solomon has pleaded not guilty to murdering his wife's lover — and his own best friend — Mr Neville Evans, on the Evanses' Plettenberg Bay farm "Misty Morn" in August last year. He has admitted firing the shot that killed him.

Complete state of 'burn-out'

Mr Hoffman said Mr Solomon was in a complete state of "burn-out" — a term commonly applied to executives whose over-involvement with their work led to a loss of a sense of priorities, impaired judgement and difficulty in acting rationally.

He said Mr Solomon was not mentally ill, but at the time of the shooting had an "isolated explosive disorder". A whole series of stresses had built up, causing him to lose his self-esteem, his ability to make decisions and his ability to trust and communicate.

These stresses had included financial collapse, previous dishonesty in business from Mr Evans, problems with his son, flirtation between his wife and Mr Evans and evasions and long periods of waiting on the fateful day that culminated in a total loss of reason and control.

Mr Hoffman said Mr Solomon's perception was impaired — "his perception of a happy marriage is one where there is no shouting".

The cup that alarms . . .

CAPE TOWN Fire Brigade yesterday went to tea at the South African Library — not by invita-

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Control Bill — in the hope that it would help "normalise" SA and restore peace. But just 10 km away, 8 000 people were clashing in Crossroads and Nyanga, and hundreds of squatter shacks were ablaze.

There can be no denying that the Bill is a major change (*Current affairs* May 16). It emerged from the standing committee without a clause placing the onus on landowners to prevent illegal squatting. The clause had been seen as the most negative aspect of the Bill. Its scrapping was welcomed by government opponents.

To thousands of people at Crossroads and adjacent camps, the Bill should have meant a relatively better life, but most were too busy trying to stay alive to be concerned with what was happening in parliament.

Despite a temporary restraining interdict from the Cape Town Supreme Court last week (*Current affairs* May 30), the KTC squatter camp was attacked. It signalled a horrifying re-run of the fighting which left at least 35 dead and about 30 000 homeless in the last fortnight of May.

As the *FM* went to press, it seemed that as many as 15 people had died in this week's conflict and an estimated 20 000 more were homeless. Relief agencies ministering to the thousands of refugees from fighting three weeks ago were forced to withdraw as troops and police moved in.

Before this week's clashes, Constitutional Development and Planning Minister Chris Heunis said the situation at Crossroads was "still tense and very emotional." He again urged refugees to take advantage of emergency accommodation for between 30 000 and 40 000 at Khayelitsha, about 5 km from Crossroads. Most people are refusing to move to Khayelitsha and are demanding to be allowed to re-occupy the area where their shacks had been.

As latest clashes continued, there were fears that the conflict might spread to nearby townships. Again, as with last month's fighting, there were widespread allegations this week that police openly backed conservative "vigilante" groups against the more radical "comrades" factions. The police strongly denied the allegations.

The latest conflict apparently flared on Monday when vigilantes, who mainly live in "Old Crossroads," invaded the neighbouring KTC camp. Hundreds of shacks were burnt down within hours and there were indications that the remainder would be destroyed if fighting continues. Refugee camps set up by relief organisations in tents and community halls after the previous conflict, were also attacked. At least one large hall and a number of tents were destroyed.

Squatters from KTC, including thousands of women and children, fled into surrounding bush or nearby townships. Journalists were barred from the area. At least one foreign television cameraman was arrested. On two occasions, journalists' cars were damaged by gunfire, including the use of tracer bullets.

It was reported that most of the fighters carried axes, clubs or knives, although some had firearms, including Soviet-made AK-47 assault rifles.

On Monday, a group of about 60 women from KTC protested at the gates of parliament, demanding that peace be restored. One said her tent had been destroyed by fire and her 10-month old baby, who was trapped inside, burnt to death.

Last month, the Cape Town Supreme Court granted a temporary interdict restraining police, soldiers and vigilantes from participating in, or permitting unlawful attacks on people in the KTC squatter camp.

The six squatter leaders who made the application claimed the destruction of shacks was part of a systematic plan and said they feared KTC would be attacked next. It was alleged in court that police were supplying vigilantes with arms and ammunition and actively participating in the burning down of shacks.

A black affairs spokesman for the Progressive Federal Party (PFP), Ken Andrew, accused the police of "effectively aiding and abetting" the vigilantes. He and two other PFP MPs, Helen Suzman and Tiaan van der Merwe, were refused entry to the Crossroads area on Monday, but from the outskirts saw "huge flames and massive palls of smoke" coming from the camps.

"The police, at least by not acting in good time, have effectively aided and abetted the vigilantes to commit arson on a grand scale with the result that tens of thousands more people are likely to find themselves homeless and destitute," Andrew said. He called on government to declare the area a national disaster and demanded a judicial inquiry into the conflict. ■

Peace returns to KTC after ceasefire talks

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Staff Reporters

PEACE returned to KTC yesterday after a breakthrough by Nobel Peace Prize-winner Bishop Desmond Tutu who negotiated an interim ceasefire after meeting vigilante leaders and the leaders of KTC residents.

Cape Town's Archbishop-elect made the breakthrough by persuading leaders of the warring groups to have peace talks on June 21.

He said late last night that both groups had agreed to observe a ceasefire until then.

Bishop Tutu made the ceasefire announcement after spending two hours in negotiations yesterday afternoon with "50 or 60" of the Crossroads leadership at Khayelitsha's Site C settlement.

'Crucial'

Last night he met KTC leaders and young militants, known as the comrades. He said after the meeting that it was "very good that both groups sides have agreed to accept these quite crucial recommendations".

The bishop hoped that both sides would observe the ceasefire and emphasized that he was part of a team of negotiators who had worked towards the interim settlement.

Meanwhile, the Mayor of Cape Town, Mr Leon Markovitz, yesterday appealed to the government urgently to declare the KTC/Crossroads area a national disaster zone — "and in so doing mobilize the resources at its disposal before the situation worsens any further".



Bishop Tutu at a press conference in Newlands yesterday.

While Capetonians had responded warmly to requests for aid, he said, it was clear that Cape Town lacked the resources to repair fully the enormous damage in the greater Crossroads area.

Expressing deep concern at "the appalling scenes of violence" in the area, the mayor also called on the State President, Mr P W Botha, to appoint a wide-ranging commission of inquiry "finally to establish the facts".

Yesterday an uneasy calm reigned in the KTC area and the sound of KTC refugees desperately demolishing unburnt shacks had replaced the sounds of gunfire which have dominated over the past three days.

Relief and health workers in the area reported no fighting at all, and a Cape Times team which toured the area saw no signs of renewed battles. There was a minimal police presence.

The death toll has now risen to 23 with the discovery of two more bodies in Nyanga East yesterday afternoon. Health workers at the Guguletu Day Hospital said they had had a "very quiet day" with no deaths and almost no injuries reported.

The Senior Deputy Commissioner of Police, Administration, Major-General Dirk Genis, of police headquarters, Pretoria, yesterday held discussions with senior officers in Cape Town on the unrest in the black townships, especially

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the Crossroads and KTC areas.

General Genis has been instructed by Mr Louis le Grange, Minister of Law and Order, to take control of the security forces in the Cape Peninsula as police reinforcements started to arrive yesterday.

Bishop Tutu said the witdoek leaders had agreed on two things. "One is that they would like to have a meeting to discuss a settlement, a peace, and the other is that there should be a ceasefire until that meeting is held."

Police confirmed that another three bodies and seven wounded had been found in KTC on Wednesday.

A police liaison officer for the Western Province, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said one man was shot dead by police with an R1 rifle after he had fired four shots at a police foot-patrol in KTC at 4.30pm on Wednesday. Police recovered a light-calibre handgun.

The two other bodies had several panga wounds.

He said that during police operations in KTC on Wednesday police had come under fire four times.

'Teargas'

He said that shortly before 2pm on Wednesday eight shots were fired at a police Casspir in NY 45, KTC, but no one was injured. Police had fired an R1 rifle at a gunman who fired two shots at them in NY 78 soon after 4pm and later at someone who had fired four shots at them in NY 78, KTC, at 4.40pm but it was not known if anyone had been hit, he said.

He said police had also been petrol-bombed on five occasions during which they used teargas and birdshot to disperse crowds.

Sapa reports the Red Cross as saying that between 55 000 and 70 000 squatters have been left homeless in the KTC/Crossroads area.

Health inspectors of the Divisional Council of the Cape are trying to trace the major concentrations of refugees who are now scattered all over the Peninsula.

Area where death has been repo

City police strengthened

By CHRIS STEYN

THE Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, has instructed Cape police chiefs to bring the Crossroads unrest under control with the use of special police reinforcements being brought to the City.

A spokesman for the minister's office confirmed yesterday that reinforcements were being brought to the squatter camps from some Western Cape areas and Pretoria.

Other security forces will be used in addition to the police.

Mr Le Grange said the police would act strongly to restore order, regardless of whether witdoeke or comrades were involved.

He said he was not prepared to allow one faction to think it could take the law into its own hands.

Meanwhile, Major-General Dirk Genis of police headquarters in Pretoria has arrived in Cape Town to head operations in Crossroads and KTC.

His arrival followed discussions Mr Le Grange had with police chiefs recently.

The spokesman for the minister said Major-General Genis had a "wide range of experience in unrest-related matters in the Eastern Cape and the Witwatersrand".

He had also been brought in to free the Divisional Commissioner of Police, Major Chris Swart, "for his other essential tasks as commissioner".

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Musician loses home, sax in clash



Daniel Khoba

By STEVE GORDON

THE burning of KTC shacks brought a double blow for resident and musician Mr Dan Khoba who lost his home and alto saxophone this week.

But while other men leave their embattled families to go to work, Dan, without his musical instrument, is unable to earn money to feed his refugee family.

The 42-year-old saxophonist has been playing with newly-formed swing-jazz group Ntsokolo. Because the band is still establishing itself, Dan has been busking between practices in Greenmarket Square and outside Garlicks to support his family.

He earned about R15 a day.

The saxophone was bought from hard-earned mine earnings in the 1970s.

Describing Monday's attack, Dan said he first heard shots outside his home.

"There were hundreds coming from Terminus Road. We tried to stop them, but they kicked down the door. Then the teargas came, and we were not able to get back to the house," he said.

Dan joined the "De Beers Jazz Diamonds" in 1966 and later played in a group called "The Saints", using saxophones borrowed from friends or promoters, before he eventually bought his own saxophone for R395 in 1978.

In 1984 he moved to Cape Town to be with his wife and children, and his saxophone kept the family fed.

His current band hopes to borrow a sax for Dan, but he needs to have an instrument full-time if he is to be able to busk and practise. At current prices, a replacement would cost over R800, and Daniel may have to shelve his musical career and begin the difficult search for an alternative job.

By Tuesday afternoon, the hollow boom of shotguns



Armed conflict: A comrade (left) carries a rifle and a "witdoek" prepares to fire a handgun at the KTC squatter camp this week.

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An eyewitness account of the horror of the KTC squatter camp, written by one of the few reporters to remain in the bloody battle zone after four journalists were attacked this week.
By TONY WEAVER of the Cape Times



Taking stock: A child left homeless by Crossroads fighting salvages what he can find in the ashes of a burnt-out shack. Picture: REUTER

THERE are no words to describe the pain of Cape Town. Its townships have become places where people kill each other because they live in the wrong place.

First it was the satellite camps on the outskirts of Crossroads. Then there was a lull. Now it is KTC which is being systematically destroyed by a bunch of misguided vigilantes who are openly being exploited by the South African Police.

Following the destruction by vigilantes — the *"witdoeke"* — of the Nyanga Extension, Nyanga Bush and Portland Cement Works squatter camps, fear spread that KTC, a camp of some 20 000 people in the heart of Nyanga, would be next.

As the fear increased, the Legal Resources Centre applied for and obtained an urgent interdict in the Supreme Court restraining the vigilante leaders, the South African Police and the South African Defence Force from launching a similar attack on KTC.

On Monday this week, in a carefully planned military operation, the police and the vigilantes made their move on KTC.

With police moving in front, the vigilantes first attacked the Zolani Centre, focal point of aid distribution to the estimated 33 000 refugees left homeless in three weeks of destruction in the Crossroads satellite camps.

The centre, three marquees and a number of vehicles belonging to relief organisations were set on fire as police Casspirs stood by.

I watched as the police stood by and observed the vigilantes torching the Zolani Centre, which had previously housed more than 2 000 refugees.

I watched later in the day as police Casspirs moved ahead of vigilantes, firing teargas and birdshot at KTC residents trying to defend their homes against the vigilantes.

I watched as the vigilantes milled around the Casspirs, and the police waved to them and cracked jokes.

On Tuesday, I watched as three Casspirs and two Hippos moved in front of a crowd of more than 1 000 vigilantes and led them into KTC for the attack.

Less than 30 minutes earlier, I watched as police fired teargas canister after teargas canister at KTC refugees advancing in an attempt to repel the vigilantes.

The refugees had no chance. They were armed with axes, pangas, sticks, a small number of handguns and AK47s. The vigilantes were armed similarly. But on their side they had armoured monsters firing teargas, shotguns and rifles.

By Tuesday afternoon the hollow boom of shotguns and given way to the flat crack of R1s and R4s.

At least 22 people are dead, bringing the death toll in three weeks of violence in the squatter community to more than 67.

Local newspapers such as the Argus and Die Burger have said as a matter of fact that police did everything in their power to separate the warring factions. This thesis boggles the minds of observers who have been in there for the past four days.

THE BLACK PROXIES WHO TAMED CROSSROADS

By PHILLIP VAN NIEKERK

AS the *"witdoek"* vigilantes secured control over most of Cape Town's squatter camps this week they sounded a heavy warning to activists everywhere of the ability of the authorities to exploit divisions within black communities.

It says much about the terrain and resources black South Africans have been left to fight over that a sandy patch of the Cape Flats has become as potent a symbol as Crossroads and its environs.

In the past four weeks the vigilantes of Crossroads, whose path of destruction has left up to 80 000 homeless and 70 dead have, with the alleged connivance of the security forces, turned Crossroads into a new kind of symbol — of "black on black violence".

The reports of police support for the vigilantes have come from a variety of sources — from residents, clergymen, journalists, Progressive Federal Party spokesmen, even (off the record) from one Nationalist MP.

And while affidavits handed into the Cape Supreme Court this week prove that the *"witdoeke"* sought police assistance against the "comrades", it would be incorrect to view the vigilantes as simply a fabrication of the security forces.

Yet through its black proxies the state appears to have been hugely successful in eliminating what for the past eight years has been a troublesome symbol of black resistance and defeat for government policies in the Western Cape.

Three weeks ago the vigilantes and, allegedly, the security forces achieved what previous Nationalist Ministers had failed to achieve: they effected a forced removal in Crossroads, driving out the three satellite settlements.

This week the *"witdoeke"* attacked the refugee centres and KTC, extending their control through Nyanga and driving the refugees into Guguletu and beyond.

According to Laureen Platzky of the National Committee Against Removals, this week's action went way beyond a matter of forcibly removing people. "What we have seen has been a general attack on resistance and opposition," she says.

Platzky compares what is happening in the Western Cape to the vigilante terror of Natal where one is also witnessing not merely a conservative backlash but a struggle for political control of a whole region.

Yet, like Natal, the differences between the groups are genuine.

Nicholas Haysom says in his book on the rise of vigilantes in South Africa, "Mabangala", that vigilantes do at times represent certain sections of the community and that "black communities are not the homogenous, integrated and cohesive communities outsiders might believe them to be."

He writes: "Just as political campaigns can weld alliances in a community, so too can they rupture communities and establish political enmities."

According to Haysom, divisions in Cape Town's black townships can be attributed to the dissatisfaction by the "comrades" with collaborators and the challenge of the "comrades" to the economic exploitation of the Crossroads committee.

Yet at the same time there was resentment by residents towards the excesses of the "comrades" and the way they dispensed justice through kangaroo courts or by imposing "progressive" campaigns on people without having consulted them.

This hostility towards the methods of the "comrades" is borne out by returning affidavits handed to the Supreme Court this week following the action brought two weeks ago restraining the vigilantes and the security forces from attacking KTC. The returning affidavits prove that representatives of the Old Crossroads committee requested help from the police.

In one, a Colonel Hugo Schruder notes meetings between the police and vigilante leaders, under Old Crossroads leader Sam Ndima, in March and April where the vigilantes made appeals for weapons to arm themselves against the "comrades".

A Brigadier Strydom is reported as saying the law would allow the vigilantes to arm themselves as protection against the "comrades" who were alleged to have weapons and hand grenades. Strydom said their appeals would be taken to the Commissioner of Police and the Minister of Law and Order.

This week the vigilantes and security forces appeared to launch a joint endeavour to drive the radicals not just out of Crossroads but out of Cape Town.

In the process tens of thousands of innocent men, women and children who do not even fit the description of "comrades" have been made homeless and destitute and subjected to the miseries of the Cape winter in what PFP MP Ken Andrew called a "national disaster".

Dean of Cape Town in court

By PIPPA GREEN,
Cape Town

THE Dean of Cape Town, the Very Rev EA King, appeared in the Cape Town Magistrate's Court yesterday on charges under the Internal Security Act after accompanying a group of Cape Town women squatters to the gates of parliament.

Dean King and 148 others were arrested shortly after midday. Many of the women had small children and babies with them; they walked five abreast from St George's Cathedral to parliament, where they sat at the gates to protest against the destruction of their homes by vigilantes whom they claim are backed by police.

They are to be charged with attending an illegal gathering and, alternatively, with demonstrating within a prohibited area.

They were granted R50 bail at the in-camera hearing.

The women carried placards on their march, decrying alleged police support for the *"witdoeke"* who have laid waste to five squatter camps within the Crossroads complex as well as the KTC camp.

A member of the PFP unrest monitoring committee, Val Christie, said the dean had been hurt in the fracas which ensued after truckloads of police arrived to arrest the women.

Anglican archbishop-elect, Bishop Desmond Tutu, who visited King briefly before his court appearance, said he was proud of him for marching with the women.

"That is where the church ought to be — with the people," he said.

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Squatters tell of flight from Nyanga and KTC

By SHARKEY ISAACS, Staff Reporter

SQUATTER refugees living in a church hall in Plumstead have described their flight from strife-torn and fire-ravaged KTC and Nyanga bush.

The refugees are among hundreds being accommodated in church halls, mosques, community centres and domestic workers' quarters in Cape Town suburbs.

Shawco vehicles brought about 100 former shack dwellers to the Anglican All Saints Church hall on Tuesday, said the acting priest in charge, the Rev Terry Lester.

Terrified

Miss Winifred Williams described how she and her two small boys, one eight months old and strapped to her back, fled terrified from their blazing home on Monday.

"We ran all over the place avoiding clashing groups.

"Eventually I met up with my sister, Miss Joyce Mzoyi, and her three children."

Miss Noyekanje Mbumjelwa fled with sons Thobela, 22 months, and Nololo, 5, from the blazing Zolani Centre on Monday.

They went to Zolani when their shack in Nyanga was torched about a fortnight ago.

Mother died

Her mother, Mrs Nototololo Mbumjelwa, was asleep and died in the burning hut.

She said she hoped to return today to Transkei with her mother's body.

"I have no father and no money for the fare to escort her coffin back to Transkei," said Miss Mbumjelwa.

Sister lost

Miss Neliswa Goduka, who is pregnant, said she lost contact with her sister Olga in KTC on Monday.

Mr Lester said the refugees were receiving food, clothes and medication.

He said some mothers had returned to KTC to look for missing relatives and belongings.



Picture: PIERRE OOSTHUYSEN, The Argus

A relief worker talks to refugee mothers being housed in the All Saints Church in Plumstead.

Red Cross register to trace missing

Staff Reporter

THE Red Cross has set up a register to help to trace people missing after Crossroads fighting.

Details of missing people — age, sex, date, time and place last seen, clothing worn when last seen, distinctive identifying characteristics and contact names, addresses and telephone numbers — should be given to community organisers or field workers at Red Cross relief centres.

The society may also be contacted at ☎ 71 7170 between 8.30am and 4.30pm Monday to Friday.

Public relations director Mrs Ros Morris said refugees — mainly women and children — were being evacuated from Guguletu to 29 relief centres in Nyanga.

● The assistant imam at the Al Jaamia Mosque in Steggmann Road, Claremont, has been instructed to evict 43 Crossroads refugees.

Captain Jan Calitz, a police liaison officer, said a police officer visited the mosque. The officer said members of the public complained about refugees at the mosque.

How you can help Crossroads

COLLECTION points for Crossroads relief are:

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● St John Ambulance, 54 Keerom Street, Cape Town (☎ 23 3140).

● Shawco headquarters, 12th Avenue, Kensington (☎ 593 2420 or 593 2170).

● Grassroots Educational Trust pre-school shop, Industria Centre, Claremont; Atlantic Road, Muizenberg; 147 Voortrekker Road, Parow; 61 Stockenstroom Street, Worcester.

● Scout Headquarters at 86 Bree Street, Cape Town and the Scout Centre off Klipfontein Road, Athlone.

● Child Life House, Electric Road, Wynberg.

● Catholic Welfare Bureau, 37a Somerset Road, Cape Town (☎ 25 2095).

● The Peninsula Lions Club (☎ 717 9011) has collection points at Foodfare Bakery, 512 Lansdowne Road and Samaj Centre, Temple Street, Athlone.

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● Western Province Council of Churches, 126 Chapel Street, Woodstock, (☎ 45 1139).

● Italian clubs, Donegal Street, Rugby and Frater Street, Paarl.

● Salvation Army, 8 Welgelegen Road, Mowbray ☎ 69 8896.

● Harvester Secondary School, Kweker Street, Westridge, Mitchell's Plain.

● The Save the Children Fund, Highlands, De Villiers Road, Wynberg, or 4 Mariendahl Avenue, Newlands (☎ 71 6954).

Western Cape Traders' Association collections points are: Constanz Butchery, Symphony Avenue, Steenberg; Protea Toyota, Kasselsvlei Road, Bellville South; Aden Service Station, Aden Avenue, Athlone; Jaffer's Service Station, Broad Road, Wynberg; Princess Wholesalers, Retreat Road, Retreat; Arcadia Motors, Halt Road, Elsies River; Kewtown shopping centre, opposite the Civic Centre; Roomaneys Paint and Hardware, 106 5th Avenue, Grassy Park.

● Call of Islam collection points at mosques ☎ 637 7737, 637 7938, 73 3418 and 47 7730.

● All Herzlia schools.

● Pick 'n Pay and Checkers stores.

● Central Building, 96 St George's St, Simon's Town. (☎ 86 1551 or 86 1992).

● The Sea Point Record Library, 128 Main Road, Sea Point (☎ 49 3252).

● Video Vibes shops: 152 Main Road, Sea Point; Stanhope Centre, Claremont; Atlantic Road, Muizenberg; 147 Voortrekker Road, Parow; 61 Stockenstroom Street, Worcester.

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● World Vision, Langwyn House, Main Road, Wynberg (☎ 71 5353).

● Western Cape Development Board, corner of Goulburn and Voortrekker Roads, Goodwood (☎ 591 2136 Ext 2224).

● The Union of Jewish Women, Stonehaven, Albany Road, Sea Point.

● Salvation Army , 8 Welgelegen Road, Mowbray (☎ 698896).



Mr Giacomo Ivancich, left, the Italian Ambassador; Mr Fabrizio Calabresi, the Consul in Cape Town; and Miss Nadia Vaccaro, centre, of the Italian Club; presented food and clothing for Crossroads refugees to relief workers. Mr Ivancich also announced a gift of R85 000 from his government for the relief effort.

Major-General Dirk Genis, left, talks to the Press on

Crossroads anarchy must stop, says Genis

Staff Reporter

CROSSROADS anarchy must stop, says Major-General Dirk Genis, in charge of the security forces in the area.

General Genis toured the area accompanied by the Press after high-level meetings yesterday.

The area was quiet, although a stone was thrown at the Casspir in which the party was travelling.

He said it appeared as if the violence was dying down but one had to look at the weather, "the great policeman".

Asked whether he would try to meet squatter leaders in an attempt to find a solution to the violence, he said: "I don't know. We'll see how things develop."

He said he was greeted by an "indescribable sight" when he visited the scene of this week's fighting.

"You can see clips on television but you really have to see it for yourself."

"It's absolutely chaotic.

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"I was here a few weeks ago but since then the situation has worsened greatly."

Asked what the police would do to end the violence, he said discussions were "at an early stage" and "I don't want to say too much".

Asked if there would be changes in police methods, he said: "It's too early to comment."

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Tutu negotiates KTC ceasefire

PEACE returned to KTC yesterday after an interim ceasefire was negotiated by Anglican Archbishop-elect Desmond Tutu.

Tutu made the breakthrough by persuading vigilante leaders to meet leaders from KTC.

He made the announcement of the ceasefire after spending two hours in negotiations with "50 or 60" of the Crossroads leadership at Khayelitsha's Site C settlement.

The next urgent step was to meet again with leaders of KTC and with young militants to set up a date and venue for the peace talks, he said.

Own Correspondents and Sapa

The Red Cross believes between 55 000 and 70 000 squatters are homeless. Nearly 75% of the camp has been destroyed since fighting started on Monday.

At another meeting at the Manenburg police station the police, Defence Force, the divisional council traffic chief and the Western Cape Development Board were also discussing events at KTC.

The meeting was presided over by Major-General Dirk Genis of police headquarters in Pretoria.

The Guguletu Day Hospital has handled almost 200 casualties from violence in the squatter camps in the past three days and six people have died on the premises.

Police were still manning strategic areas in the camp yesterday.

The Dean of Cape Town, the Very Rev Edward King, was involved in a scuffle with police outside Parliament yesterday before being arrested.

☐ ITN newsman George De'Ath was fighting for his life in the intensive care unit at Groote Schuur Hospital. He was attacked in KTC on Tuesday.

☐ The Italian government will donate 50-million lire (R85 000) to the International Red Cross for aid to Crossroads refugees.

Attacked with pangas in Cape squatter camp

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TV MAN DIE

FREELANCE cameraman Mr George De'ath, who was attacked with pangas in KTC five days ago, has died of his injuries in Groote Schuur Hospital.

A senior medical officer at the hospital, Dr F S Bowey, said Mr De'ath, who was 34, died at 7.40 am today.

Mr De'ath did not regain consciousness after his admittance to the hospital's neuro-surgical intensive care unit. He and his soundman, Mr Andile Fozi, were on assignment for Britain's Independent Television News in KTC on Tuesday when they were attacked by men with pangas.

Mr Fozi, who lost his thumb in the attack, escaped and found help.



Mr Dave Steward

The Foreign Correspondents' Association of Southern Africa (FCASA) said today it felt "profound sorrow" at the death of Mr De'ath.

"We again urge the fullest and speediest investigation into his murder so that his assailants can be brought to account," it said in a statement.

Mr Fozi said he and Mr De'ath were attacked by vigilantes who resented the presence of newsmen in the area.

Mr De'ath was born in Pretoria and worked for the SABC before joining the American television station NBC, filming events in the then Rhodesia, Lebanon and Europe. He left NBC in 1981 and worked as a freelance for different television stations.

In other developments, the editors of two Johannesburg newspapers, the Weekly Mail and the Sowetan, which were impounded at newstands on Friday are still struggling to establish what reports have been judged to be contraventions of the new emergency laws.

A legal adviser to the Sowetan said: "We can only surmise that the edition contained what are deemed to be subversive statements or statements which in the opinion of the Minister of Law and Order could affect public order or the termination of the state of emergency."

Posed problems

No notification of the intention of the police to impound unsold copies of the paper had been given to anyone in the Argus Group, the lawyer added.

"We have sent a message to the Minister asking him to confirm his action in ordering the seizure and asking him for a copy of the order, which we hope will give an indication of his reasons and what specifically the paper contained which gave rise to this action."

The co-editor of the Weekly Mail, Mr Anton Harber, said they were also at a loss to know what had offended the authorities — and this posed problems in the preparation of the next edition.

"We will certainly do anything we can to oppose the action taken against us. We are convinced that we are not in contravention of the emergency regulations, although they say that we are," Mr Harber said.

Lawyers were trying to obtain details of the alleged offence committed by the Weekly Mail.

At the first "unrest" Press conference held by the Bureau for Information since the emergency was announced, the director, Mr Dave Steward, said that all unsold copies of yesterday's editions of Weekly Mail and Sowetan had been seized.

Mr Steward said that as far as he knew no prosecutions were being considered against the newspapers.

A cameraman for the American CBS News television agency, Mr Wim de Vos, has been ordered to leave the country by midnight on Tuesday. CBS is to appeal against the expulsion.

The Bureau announced that television crews for CBS, as well as ABC News, another US agency, were detained in Johannesburg yesterday under the emergency regulations.

Le Grange's orders

The announcement said police were considering whether the crews would be charged for disseminating subversive comment.

The Bureau announced that it would regularly provide photographs and other material to local and foreign media. The names of people detained in terms of the regulations will not be released for publication, although their families would be told.

Mr Steward said at this stage no accurate figure of the number of people detained was available. Suggestions that 4 000 to 4 500 had been detained were exaggerated, he said.

He warned that foreign correspondents who used the term "white minority regime" could find their position in South Africa in jeopardy if they continued to do so. The Government took exception and journalists should know that the Government included people from other races.

The Government also objected to the word "regime" as it was a government and expected to be recognised as such.

Seventy-three Soweto students have been arrested, but not in terms of the emergency regulations, Mr Steward said. They are to appear in court soon. — Weekend Argus Reporters, Correspondents and Sapa.

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Tutu, Botha have 'frank, cordial' talks

Staff Reporter

THE fighting factions in the Crossroads unrest have agreed to a truce and peace talks on June 21, the Archbishop-elect, Bishop Desmond Tutu, announced at Bishops House in Newlands yesterday.

Bishop Tutu was speaking at a press conference held immediately after he met the State President, Mr P W Botha, at Tuynhuys — the first time the two leaders have held discussions on a one-to-one basis.

Bishop Tutu, using guarded language, said the 90-minute meeting was cordial but frank. They had discussed the situation in Crossroads and KTC, June 16 and the emergency.

He said he had asked for the meeting as he was "concerned about the state of the country and the endemic unrest".

He said they had agreed on some matters and disagreed on others.

'Troublemakers'

When asked about the points of agreement, Bishop Tutu said: "We agreed we were both South Africans and Christians and anti-communist, but we had points of disagreement ... obviously over the June 16 ban."

Bishop Tutu said they had also disagreed on their perceptions of moving forward.

"They (the government) felt they had pulled in troublemakers (in the mass detentions on Thursday), my view is that those people are regarded as leaders."

Bishop Tutu will return to Cape Town for the peace talks later this month.

He said both groups were eager to hold talks and "the people from Crossroads and Site C had wanted talks as early as this Saturday".

The bishop said he was regrettably not available for talks today as he had to fly back to Johannesburg.

'Confidences'

He said he was heartened by the attitude of the leadership on both sides for agreeing to the peace talks and the ceasefire.

He believed the discussions would cover wide-ranging views.

He said he would not divulge "earth-shattering confidences" on his meeting with Mr Botha.

"I am no better in terms of optimism coming out that going in — but I am not saying I am despondent either," he said.

He said he thought some people might be unahappy with his talks with Mr Botha, but "I do not play to any gallery, I am not motivated by political or ideological considerations".

He thanked for their generosity the people of Cape Town who had "opened their hearts" to the refugees of Crossroads and KTC.

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Interdict on KTC extended

By SHAUNA WESTCOTT
Supreme Court Reporter

THE Supreme Court has extended a temporary interdict restraining police, soldiers and witdoeke from participating in or permitting unlawful attacks on people or property in the KTC squatter camp.

The order, granted on May 26 while KTC was still unscathed, was made after an urgent application by six squatter leaders — three of whom are members of the committee formed to resist removal from KTC. The others are leaders of the three camps destroyed over the weekend of May 17-18.

Yesterday was the return date for the order and the respondents — including the Minister of Law and Order, the Minister of Defence, the Commissioner of Police, "one Warrant-Officer Barnard" and witdoek leaders Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana and Mr Sam Ndima — filed 44 answering affidavits running to 354 pages.

The applicants earlier filed 45 affidavits supporting their claim that the destruction of homes in Nyanga Extension, Nyanga Bush and Portland Cement camps was part of a systematic plan, in which the police and the Defence Force were involved, and that KTC was the next target.

Issues

Both sides have agreed that because of disputes of fact that have arisen on the affidavits, the matter should go to trial. A date has been set — Friday August 8 — and the temporary interdict will remain in force in the interim.

The parties have agreed on the issues to be decided by the court:

● Whether there is a reasonable apprehension of witdoek attacks on KTC.

● Whether there is a reasonable apprehension of police and Defence Force members "participating, assisting, encouraging, permitting or allowing" unlawful attacks on KTC.

● Whether the temporary order granted should be made final.

● Costs.

Affidavits from the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, and a senior official in his department,



W/O Barnard

Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud, are among the 44 filed by the respondents.

Others who made sworn statements include a Defence Force brigadier, eight Citizen Force corporals called up for two months from May 12, the Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Western Province, three police colonels and 18 policemen of lower rank, including Warrant-Officer Hendrik Cornelis Johannes Barnard.

The applicants accuse Warrant-Officer Barnard of playing a "significant and co-ordinating role" in the attacks.

W/O Barnard's affidavit denies this. He says that on the weekend of May 17-18 he was off duty and with his family at his house in Milnerton. He claims he was "oblivious" of events in and around Crossroads until he reported for duty on Monday, May 19.

He says he is unable to

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speak, write, read or understand Khosa and has never addressed crowds through a loudhailer. However, he is aware of a Constable Labuschagne who speaks Khosa well and addressed crowds in Mahobe Drive through a loudhailer on several occasions on May 19.

Responding to an allegation made by Mr Mpumelelo Benge, that on May 19 he was shot for no reason in Zwelitsha Drive by W/O Barnard using a rifle with a telescopic sight, W/O Barnard admits carrying a shotgun on May 19 but denies that it was equipped with a telescopic sight.

He says he saw no other policemen whose firearms were equipped with telescopic sights on that day and he denies that he shot anyone in Zwelitsha Drive with his shotgun on that day.

He concedes to visiting Mr Ndima during the course of his duties but says he has also visited thousands of other people. He denies that he — or to his knowledge any other policeman — is a witdoek ally or has ever co-operated with witdoeke in an unlawful manner.

He denies participating in any attempt to set shacks alight and says he has no knowledge of other policemen doing so. He says police have never issued any equipment or substance to aid arson.

Among claims made in his affidavit is that police regularly invited comrades to go back into razed or half-razed areas under police escort to retrieve their possessions.

● Applicant Mr Milton Mbewana, whose house in KTC was burnt down on June 11, filed an affidavit yesterday noting that most of KTC has been gutted.

He says that despite a security force presence, witdoeke seem to have been able to launch attacks on KTC with impunity.

On Monday, June 9, he witnessed policemen firing projectiles into KTC from the corner of NY5 and NY78 and houses "bursting into flame".

He says that although KTC has been devastated, people have saved a lot of their possessions and want to and are able to rebuild their homes — provided their safety is assured.

● The court heard that it had not been possible to serve the court order on Mr Ngxobongwana because he was in Ciskei at an unknown address. Mr Ndima has been served but was not represented in court yesterday.

Mr Justice A P Burger presided. Mr S Aaron SC, with Mr L Rose-Innes and instructed by the Legal Resources Centre, appeared for the applicants. Mr G D Griessel SC, with Mr C Y Louw and instructed by the State Attorney's Office, appeared for all the respondents except Mr Ndima and Mr Ngxobongwana.

UCT doctors call for Crossroads inquiry

Staff Reporter

AN urgent call for Crossroads to be declared a disaster area and for a judicial inquiry into events there has been made by nearly 100 doctors of the Department of Medicine at the University of Cape Town.

They said the tragedy and suffering in the Crossroads area was an indictment on society, and on the authorities for not providing relief care and facilities.

The doctors — professors, registrars and interns — called for the immediate declaration of a disaster zone, and on those involved to stop the killing and destruction.

The statement has so far been signed by nearly 100 doctors, including the head of the faculty of medicine, Professor S R Benatar, and six other professors. They are Professors R Kirsch, G R Keaton, R van Zyl Smit, P Commerford, O L Meyers and F Bonnici.

The statement said:

"We, as members of a profession dedicated to the maintenance and preservation of health and well-being of the community, are appalled at the current situation at Crossroads.

"We are particularly distressed by the fact that this tragedy has involved so many people — including women and children left homeless and destitute in the middle of the Cape winter. The anguish and suffering experienced by this community is an indictment on our society, and cannot be allowed to continue.

"The short and long-term effects of this hardship and suffering are immeasurable. We cannot help asking ourselves whether a similar tragedy would have been allowed to continue if this had been a white community.

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"We urge the government to declare the area a disaster zone immediately and to ensure that adequate relief measures are provided. Furthermore we call on all those involved to stop this senseless killing and destruction and for the government to appoint an independent judicial inquiry to investigate all aspects of the tragedy.

"As doctors it is our fundamental ethic to save, heal and nurture life, to improve the condition under which man strives and, insofar as it lies within our power, to enable him to live in peace and harmony.

"We should never be silent when any of these objectives are threatened. We call on all in the health-care professions to add their voice of protest to ours in this matter," the statement concluded.

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Parliament and Politics

Eglin: Evidence of police 'partisanship'

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. — Nothing short of a judicial inquiry could resolve allegations of police partisanship in dealing with unrest in the Crossroads squatter camp near Cape Town, the Leader of the Official Opposition, Mr Colin Eglin, said yesterday.

Speaking during second-reading debate on the Internal Security Amendment Bill, he said there were enough prima facie evidence, photographs and affidavits to show there had been partisanship by the police and that they had not all done their duty.

The shootings at Langa township in Uitenhage last year "pale into insignificance" in comparison with events at Crossroads, Mr Eglin said.

Uitenhage

If a judicial commission had been justified after the Langa shootings, one was even more necessary now, and the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, should show his courage and order one, Mr Eglin said.

Some of Mr Le Grange's statements about Uitenhage had been proved wrong and there was no reason why he should be right about events at Crossroads.

Instead of ordering an investigation, however, the minister was "sending messages of congratulation" to the SAP in Crossroads.

"This failure, as the minister responsible, to direct and to control and to discipline the police, has been a major reason for the conflict and violence which has taken the lives and torn out the fabric of our society."

The minister should "remove himself from these benches".

The overwhelming evidence collected by PFP monitoring activities was that police action and behaviour had not prevented but contributed to conflict.

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Mr Eglin said PFP members who had visited Mamelodi township near Pretoria had been told by conservative black people that "the police and the government are killing us".

Some had asked: "How much longer must our sisters be raped and our mothers shot?" There had also been statements that "apartheid kills slowly, the police kill fast".

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When Mr Eglin sat down after making his speech, Mr Louis Theunissen (CP Nominated) said the address had been "an ANC speech" and that the PFP were "teaming up with the ANC".

He was ordered by the Chairman, Mr Rex le Roux, to withdraw the statement about "teaming up with the ANC" but not the "ANC speech" remark.

● One of the main causes of the declaration of a national state of emergency was efforts by the PFP and other parties in Parliament to delay approval of the Public Safety and Internal Security Amendment Bills, Mr Le Grange said while replying to the debate.

He said the government would proceed "urgently" with moves to get the bills on the statute books.

Mr Le Grange also rejected a notice of motion in the House yesterday by Mr Ray Swart (PFP Berea) and a later press statement calling for his resignation over handling of police matters.

A message from him, reported in the Cape Times this week, of encouragement to policemen at the KTC squatter camp had not been intended for public consumption.

However, in view of the concerted attacks on the police, he wanted to say in the House that his message to the police was: "Go on with your good work, but ensure you remain within the confines of the law.

"Do not worry, I am the Minister responsible ... and I will look after your interests here (in Parliament)."

He would stand by the police "through thick and thin".

Mr Le Grange said the only criticism of the police as "provocateurs" in the Crossroads and KTC squatter camp violence was coming from "the Progs, the Cape Times and their friends".

"I repeat, the police did not choose sides in the Crossroads struggle."

Police fired on

Day after day, and in very difficult circumstances, police had tried to keep the fighting factions apart.

Police had even been fired upon with sharp ammunition, some of it from AK 47 automatic rifles, from both sides in the conflict.

Mr Le Grange said his office and those of other government ministers had been flooded with telegrams and letters supporting police action in unrest areas and expressing approval of the decision to declare a state of emergency.

The bill was read a second time after the House divided, with the PFP voting against it and the New Republic Party abstaining. — Sapa

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TROOPS SEAL OFF KTC CAMP

CP Correspondents

A MASSIVE force of SADF troops sealed off the area around the KTC squatter camp near Crossroads late on Wednesday evening as the bloody war between the "comrades" and the rivalling "Witdoek" vigilantes spread to the neighbouring townships of Gugulethu and Nyanga.

And with the official death toll said to be around 21, a doctor at Gugulethu Day Hospital said his staff were having difficulty tracking down the estimated 60 000 refugees from war-torn Crossroads.

"They're afraid to come out in the open – and this makes relief work difficult," he said.

Shawco Warden Derek Livesey said it seemed as though refugees were "streaming out to the Transkei and Ciskei".

Others were moving into church halls in the city's suburbs as bitterly cold and wet weather hit Cape Town.

"We have doubled up on almost all our supplies to cope with the numbers we expect to find today," he said.

And while relief workers searched frantically for alternative accomodation for the thousands of refugees still homeless, fierce fighting and shack burning continued into the fourth day yesterday.

Over half of KTC camp has already been destroyed by fire and a pall of smoke hung over the townships on Wednesday afternoon, reducing visibility to about 100m.

More than 500 shacks were destroyed by fire at the Lansdowne Road boundary of Nyanga earlier this week.

Fierce fighting in the area on Wednesday prevented medical staff from entering the area, according to a St John Ambulance spokesman.

● Constitutional Development and Planning Minister Chris Heunis is "blindly determined" to fulfil his "ideological dream" at the expense of the suffering of thousands of people, according to a statement issued by a delegation of Western Cape church leaders acting on behalf of the leaders of the Crossroads refugees.

The group – which included Anglican Board of Social Responsibility leader Rev Syd Luckett and Western Province Council of Churches chairman Rev Lionel Louw – met Heunis on Monday and issued the statement after consulting with the leaders of the Nyanga Bush, Portland Cement Works, Nyanga Extention and KTC squatter committees.

According to the statement, Heunis rejected their requests for a refugee camp and the squatters' demands that they be allowed back on their land.

The group said they told Heunis that:

● The people of Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension, Portland Cement Works and KTC saw their evacuation as a forced removal and that this concurred with their own observations.

● Refugees would not willingly move to Khayelitsha and no peace could come from their removal there.

● The people demanded the right to return to their land.

● The police and SADF should be withdrawn because they were "clearly partisan".

● A refugee camp was urgent, immediate imperative.

● Three people were arrested and several others injured when sjambok-wielding policemen broke up a crowd of 150 people outside Parliament on Wednesday.

The incident occured when a five-member delegation, including Black Sash national president Mary Burton and Cape Town university deputy vice-chancellor Professor Donald Carr, were trying to see President PW Botha at the House of Assembly.

They wanted to give him a statement – endorsed earlier by about 28 organisations at a meeting in the nearby St George's Cathedral Hall – demanding the withdrawal of the new security legislation.

According to witness Beatie Hofmeyer, the people gathered at the Parliament Street entrance to await the delegation's return. "A group of about 20 riot policemen gave a three-minute order to disperse. About two minutes later – while the group was retreating slowly – police charged," she said.



A group of 'Witdoek' vigilantes as gun battles flared up in the KTC squatter camp and spread to neighbouring townships.
Pic courtesy SEELD

Landmine victim loses leg

MARTIN Coetzer, 18, of Volksrust has had his right foot amputated after the bakkie in which he was travelling detonated a landmine on Tuesday, a Johannesburg Hospital spokesman said.

Coetzer was going to school at about 7.15am when the mine detonated.

Three hours later two workers, aged 23 and 25, suffered minor injuries when their tractor detonated a second mine about 10km away, on the same road.

The names of the victims were not disclosed.

● Security forces in Namibia this week defused a "double landmine" on a dirt road leading to the Ovambo Administration chairman Peter Kalangula's house. – Sapa.



Soldiers swept the roads near Volksrust with mine detectors this week after the latest blasts injured a white student and two workers.

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George De'Ath — he stayed to get just one more picture — his last

COURAGE OF THE MAN BEHIND THE LENS: PAGE 3

By ANN PALMER

INTERNATIONAL TV cameraman George De'Ath died because he wanted just one more picture.

He stayed on in Cape Town's smouldering KTC squatter camp when other newsmen heeded a warning to pull out.

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He is the first foreign correspondent to die on assignment in South Africa — a country newsmen say has become just as dangerous as the war zones of Beirut, Vietnam and the Falklands.

Mr De'Ath, 34, was admired by other photographers and journalists as an experienced and professional cameraman, but colleagues say he should have known better when he was warned to quit the squatter camp.

"George just stayed in the belief that all journalists have — 'It won't happen to me, I am immune'," said a close friend, Miss Heather Allen, bureau chief of America's NBC News.

She said Mr De'Ath was working alongside Visnews' cameraman Jimmy Mathews when their "comrades escort" warned them to withdraw.

She said: "Jimmy told George he was pulling out. But George said he was staying.

"A cameraman develops an instinct for danger, and one of the guys working for me refused to go to the squatter camp on Monday, saying there was danger.

Detained

"But George being a freelancer went where the news was. He had to work today because there might not be any jobs tomorrow."

Miss Allan said Mr De'Ath had decided to pull out of news coverage.

● Dutch journalist Mr Wim de Vos, a cameraman for the CBS Network in America, has been told to be out of South Africa by Tuesday. Two other American TV crews were detained briefly under the emergency regulations.

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Memorial service for ITN man

Staff Reporter

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Mr De'Ath, a 34-year-old freelance, died early yesterday.

He had been on Groote Schuur Hospital's critical list since Tuesday last week when he and his soundman Mr Andile Fosi were attacked by panga-wielding witdoeke while covering the fighting in KTC.

Mr Fosi was discharged from hospital on the same day after being treated for stab wounds.

An ITN spokesperson said yesterday Mr De'Ath's family and girlfriend, Miss Caroline Coombe, were "devastated" by his death and were too upset to give inteviews.

According to Miss Heather Allan, NBC bureau chief, Mr De'Ath was born in Pretoria and educated in Durban.

Miss Allan, who knew Mr De'Ath since the end of 1974 when both joined the SABC, said yesterday that Mr De'Ath worked for NBC from 1978 to 1981, covering the Rhodesian war and events in South Africa, Lebanon and Europe. He became a freelance in 1981.

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Miss Allan described Mr De'Ath as "a gay young blade who loved the good life".

"He had an impeccable E-type Jaguar and a snazzy townhouse. He had a great sense of humour and was a very talented cartoonist," she said.

She said Mr De'Ath had been the type of newsman who "always wanted to stay just a minute longer".

Mr Jimi Matthews, a Visnews cameraman and one of the last people to see Mr De'Ath before the attack, said yesterday that Mr De'Ath had been a "good guy to work with, very conscientious about his job and very concerned about the situation".

Mr Matthews said that on Tuesday he and his soundman, Mr Anton Swart, were together with the ITN team and another photographer, Mr Guy Tillim. "We were filming a confrontation between comrades and witdoeke.

"It became apparent that the witdoeke were getting the upper hand and we all ran away. Guy Tillim and my soundman and I went one way and George and Andy went another.

"About two hours later I was 'bleeped' by my bureau chief and told to get out of the area. I knew then something terrible had happened," he said.

Mr Norman Rees, chief assistant editor of ITN in London, said in a statement Mr De'Ath was "a victim of senseless violence".

● A spokesperson for ITN said yesterday that the memorial service would be held at the Columbus Church, 45 Logan Road, Parkview, Johannesburg, at 11am on Wednesday. Mr De'Ath's body will be cremated in Cape Town before the service.

● The Western Cape Civic Association yesterday expressed its "deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences" to the family and friends of Mr De'Ath.

Police burnt by petrol bomb

PORT ELIZABETH. — Two policemen on patrol duty in KwaZakele, Port Elizabeth, were seriously injured yesterday when a petrol bomb smashed through a window and exploded in the cab of their vehicle.

Constable C P Gouws sustained 50 percent burn wounds when fuel from the bomb splashed on to his chest, hands and face. The hands of the other policeman, Sergeant J J Stolz were badly burnt.

SAP liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Major Eddie Everson, said the incident happe 1.15pm while the two men, followed by police vehicle, were on patrol duty.

The missile smashed through the windscreen and and set the interior of the vehicle alight in seconds.

The two injured men were rushed to the Port Elizabeth provincial hospital in the second police vehicle. Constable Gouws was put on a drip and examined by a plastic surgeon. — Sapa

Cape Times 16/6/86

Commandant details tasks in unrest area

Supreme Court Reporter

NO members of the Defence Force were on unrest duty with police in the Crossroads area on May 17 and 18, says an affidavit from Commandant Abraham du Plessis, second-in-command of Group 40 of the Permanent Force.

The commandant says Group 40 is the only Permanent Force group involved in containing unrest in the Peninsula. Helping Group 40 and under their command are 8 Engineer Squad and 3 Parachute Company of the Citizen Force, a combined Cape Flats and Peninsula company of commandos and two SA Navy platoons.

As the officer in charge of operations of Group 40, Commandant Du Plessis says he can say exactly where and when Defence Force personnel were involved in unrest control.

Army tasks

The tasks handled by the army since January, using Buffels where necessary, were:

- Escorting buses in Khayelitsha;
- Escorting refuse-removal vehicles in Guguletu and Nyanga;
- Protecting workers building and repairing swimming pools in Guguletu;
- Patrolling Lansdowne Road and NY1 in Guguletu;
- Escorting technical staff (eg to fix storm-water drains) in Nyanga; and
- Escorting Post Office officials in Guguletu and Nyanga.

A company of 3 Parachute Battalion was responsible for these tasks, but was relieved on May 16. D Company, of the same battalion, took over, but was operational only on May 19.

Accompanying police

"On May 17 and May 18, therefore, there were no members of the Defence Force with the police."

From May 19 to 20, members of D Company manned Buffels, which accompanied police who used Casspirs. From May 21 to 23, these soldiers accompanied police in police Casspirs.

"The total number of Defence Force personnel involved in aforementioned task was 54. They were at all times in uniform."

Commandant Du Plessis said members of the Defence Force were not the only ones who wore brown uniforms. Members of the railway police also wore brown uniforms, and it was difficult for a layman to distinguish between the two, particularly from a distance.

One shot fired

He said that in the overwhelming majority of cases where Defence Force personnel accompanied police, either in Buffels or police Casspirs, soldiers did not leave the vehicles.

Furthermore, only one shot was fired by a Defence Force member in the area, and soldiers used no teargas or smoke grenades. This was sworn to by section leaders who controlled the issuing of arms and ammunition.

Since May 21, the only task of the Defence Force in the area concerned had been to lay and patrol barbed wire along Mahobe Drive, Lansdowne Road and a new road connecting the two.

Police teargas Athlone mosque

Cape Times 16/6/86 2A

By TONY WEAVER

MOSQUE-GOERS smashed doors and bullet-proof plate-glass windows to escape after police fired numerous teargas canisters into the St Athans Road Mosque in Athlone last night.

Late last night, burning tyre barricades flamed in Belgravia and Thornton roads as Muslims gathered on the streets.

A strong police contingent was moving in on the area by 10.30pm.

Whipped

Immediately after the teargas was fired at 9.30pm, fleeing people were whipped in the street and rubber bullets were fired into the crowds as they streamed out to escape the teargas.

After the routine Sunday night service, about 1 000 people remained in the mosque to commemorate June 16, mosque-goers said.

There were 29 holes in the front windows of the mosque. An hour after the teargas was fired, clouds of the gas hung in the air and it was impossible to enter the mosque.

Patches of carpet were burnt where the canisters landed.

Three rubber bullets retrieved from the gardens of St Athans Road residents were handed to the Cape Times. It was unclear whether there were any injuries caused by the rubber bullets.

Witnesses said a number of elderly people and children were overcome by the gas and had to be dragged out of the mosque.

"They announced over a loudhailer that we had to leave the mosque and go home and not even a minute later they opened up with the teargas. We tried to remain calm and keep people inside, but then the canisters came smashing through the windows and we had no option but to run," one mosque-goer said.

Peaceful

"It was a peaceful meeting. All we had done was read from the Koran in Arabic and people had been asked to remember all those who died in South Africa since June 16, 1976," another mosque-goer said.

The witnesses all asked not to be identified for fear of retaliation.

Several windows and doors were smashed as the crowd fought to get out through the few available exits.

Contacted for comment last night, a Pretoria spokesman for the Bureau for Information said: "We cannot comment on isolated action by security forces in different parts of the country."

KTC suit: Response

Supreme Court Reporter

ON May 26, nine days after the Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland Cement squatter camps went up in smoke, the Supreme Court granted six squatter leaders a temporary interdict restraining police, the Defence Force and witdoeke from participating in, or permitting, unlawful attacks on KTC.

On Friday, the return date of the order, this interdict was extended until the matter comes to trial on August 8, and the respondents — including the ministers of Defence and Law and Order — filed answering affidavits.

The respondents dispute squatter claims that security forces supplied witdoeke with arms, participated in burning homes, threatened KTC residents and generally supported vigilante action against the now-homeless communities.

By Friday, most of KTC had been destroyed.

Edited samples of the 44 answering affidavits appear here.

Wind factor in firing of teargas

Supreme Court Reporter

POLICE sometimes fired teargas — intended to quell both comrades and witdoeke in Mahobe Drive on Monday, May 19 — at the comrades because the wind "coincidentally" was blowing towards the witdoeke, says an affidavit from Captain Charles Roger Brazelle of the riot police.

Captain Brazelle, commanding officer of one of four riot police platoons, says the suggestion that police supported witdoeke is "simply not true".

"On Monday, May 19, while I was on duty, the wind coincidentally was blowing in the direction of the witdoeke. Thus it sometimes happened that teargas was thrown in the direction of the comrades to reach both groups.

"The applicants reproach police for not bringing the fighting between the factions to an end more quickly. I can say bluntly that the fighting could have been stopped more quickly only if the police were prepared to cause bloodshed.

"It is simply not true that police gave positive support to witdoeke. Police had only one aim — to keep the rival factions apart in order to prevent injury to people and damage to property as far as possible."

Denying that police possessed any weapon intended to set things alight, Captain Brazelle said that "for the sake of completeness" it could be mentioned that anything that caused an explosion, like a hand-grenade or a "stun" grenade, caused heat which could cause a fire.

However, this effect was nothing like the sudden "bursting into flame" described in the affidavits filed by the applicants.

"I cannot categorically deny that any member of the police or Defence Force ever set a hut alight. But I can say that I have never seen it and that it is highly improbable because it would be completely in conflict with the orders given by their officers.

"It must also be kept in mind that at all times there were newsmen and representatives of welfare organizations like Shawco and the Red Cross in the area. This makes it even more unlikely that a policeman would set people's things alight in conflict with orders from his officers."

Denying again that police actively supported witdoeke, Captain Brazelle says that on May 19 witdoeke were already in possession of the area up to Mahobe Drive.

"They did not try to move further. The comrades in turn wanted to relieve their former area and thus stormed across Mahobe Drive. Because the police tried to stop the group storming, it is possible that police acted more often against the comrades than the witdoeke.

Replying to allegations that police fired on comrades who tried to save their possessions, Captain Brazelle says: "It could have happened that people who wanted to fetch their things were fired on with teargas and shotguns because they were moving with an attacking group.

"On the other hand, I personally accompanied comrades into the area that was previously occupied by them because they wanted to fetch their things.

"I have been asked to answer the serious allegations made by Joyce Temba who says she saw black policemen in a Casspir taking off their uniforms, putting on civilian clothes and joining the witdoeke on Sunday, May 18.

"Although I wasn't on duty on Sunday, May 18, I can say on the basis of objectively controllable facts that this story is completely untrue. The deponent says specifically that the three black policemen were in a yellow Casspir.

"The only Casspirs in the area on Sunday, May 18, were three from the riot police based in Guguletu. Sometimes there are black policemen in the Guguletu station Casspirs, but Guguletu does not have yellow Casspirs. All three are brown camouflage in colour. The riot police do have yellow Casspirs but no black policeman is a member of the riot police."

Raid after kidnap report

Supreme Court Reporter

GUGULETU station commander Major Alwyn Burger alleges that a raid on KTC on Friday, May 23 — involving eight Casspirs, a riot police platoon, 20 railway policemen, 10 policemen and 30 soldiers — took place because of the suspected kidnapping of the siblings of one of his constables.

"On the morning of May 23, one of my men, Constable Mtetwa, reported that his brother and sister had been kidnapped from his house in New Crossroads. I suspected that they could be in KTC. I, therefore, immediately asked the riot police for help.

"We arrived in KTC about 8.20am. I was in a Casspir from my station, accompanied by nine men. There was also a riot police platoon and about 30 members of the Defence Force in four Casspirs. There were also about 20 railway policemen in three Casspirs.

Began looking

"Constable Mtetwa described his brother and sister to the search party, and we began looking for them in KTC. Policemen did not search huts, but moved between them. The idea was to listen whether anyone was screaming. Further, we wanted to see if anyone acted suspiciously.

"Members of the railway police searched houses.

"At 9.25am, I and my men withdrew from KTC to go to the kidnap victims' house for further investigation. At the house at 1586 New Crossroads we found Constable Mtetwa's sister. She said she had been in KTC, but could not say where ... I have been advised that the truth or untruth of her claim is not of substantial relevance to the judgment of this inquiry.

"While we were busy searching there were no incidents. I did not once get the impression that there was any hostile attitude towards police on the part of residents.

"I personally have no knowledge of any order given to the police to the effect that police must see to, or support, the removal of people to Khayelitsha. I would think that if there had been such an order, I, as station commander of the affected area, would have known of it.

"With regard to Priscilla Tywala's allegation that a police Casspir damaged her hut, I can say only that it was not a Casspir from my station. It is a pity the deponent cannot give the call-sign of the Casspir which would have enabled me to identify it ..."

'Difficult' police role

Supreme Court Reporter

COLONEL Marthinus Mans, head of the local riot police, says one or more of the squatter leaders who brought the court action were responsible for, or alternatively were aware of, a number of attacks on police between May 26 and June 7 during which 11 shots were fired.

"The applicants could not have been unaware of these attacks . . . the response of police in the face of these direct attacks is then interpreted by the applicants as an infringement of the temporary interdict.

"More and more policemen are told by KTC residents that they interpret the temporary interdict as an order forbidding police to act or be present in or near KTC.

"As a result, the police task of effectively maintaining law and order in KTC is made more difficult. The lives of policemen are daily placed in danger because of the actions of KTC residents. Also, members of Crossroads are intimidated and even killed by KTC residents."

Workers hurt in bus attack

Cape Times 17/6/86

Staff Reporters

THREE people were injured yesterday when buses were stoned.

Buses transporting workers along Klipfontein Road were stoned early in the morning, and Cape Times staff on the bus reported two people injured.

An unidentified man was slightly injured when a bus was stoned in Cornflower Street, Bridgetown, about 7.10pm and windows of other buses were broken in stone-throwing incidents in Athlone and Mitchells Plain.

Streets were deserted and shops locked up in Athlone Central, Belgravia and Thornton roads (Athlone), Rylands, Mountview, Hanover Park, Manenberg, Bonteheuwel, Valhalla Park, Elsie's River and Mitchells Plain.

The Peninsula's black townships were reported by workers to be quiet but "very tense".

A spokesman for City Tramways confirmed bus stonings in Mitchells Plain and Athlone but described damage as being "to windows only".

A worker at the bakery said she was "very scared, but the owner said we must stay open".

Most of the closed shops had signs in the windows which said "We will close on Soweto Day, June 16".

Police cleared in '85 Uitenhage shootings

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Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — The deaths of 19 people in Maduna Road, Langa, Uitenhage, on March 21, 1985, when police opened fire on a crowd, have been found not to be the result of a crime by any person.

This finding was made yesterday in Port Elizabeth by Mr J S Knoesen at an informal inquest into the deaths of the 19.

He said it was a unique inquest because it had already been the subject of an investigation — the Kannemeyer Commission.

"After thorough investigation I decided that it was not necessary to hear the evidence of any of the people who gave evidence at the Kannemeyer Commission.

'Open investigation'

"Mr Justice Kannemeyer repeatedly called and invited people to give evidence before the commission. It was a searching, thorough and open investigation.

"I am satisfied that everything that could have been said about the incident had been heard by the Kannemeyer Commission." He therefore decided to base his finding of the inquest into the death of the 19 people on the evidence heard by the Kannemeyer Commission.

Mr Knoesen found that if blame should be attributed for police actions on that day, then the responsibility would rest on the shoulders of Lieutenant J W Fouche, who was in command of the Casspirs on the scene and who gave the instruction to open fire on the crowd.

However, Mr Knoesen found that Lt Fouche had done his duty in dispersing the crowd. He said that they were on their way to kill the white residents of the town.

He found that Lt Fouche had done his duty as a police officer by: Enforcing the ban on the funeral, which was restricted for that day; dispersing an illegal and banned gathering; halting an illegal march, and protecting the white residents of the town.

Mr Knoesen said that every effort made by Lt Fouche and Warrant Officer J W Pentz, to halt the marching crowd, had failed.

"The court is satisfied that those leading the crowd were determined to continue with the march despite the two Casspirs which were parked in the way to stop them.

"Lt Fouche faced the growing crowd which ignored his warning to disperse. The superior power of several thousands, could, if they had continued marching, have overwhelmed the two Casspirs, which were very vulnerable. Lt Fouche and another member of the force had seen objects among the crowd which they believed had been petrol bombs.

"Lt Fouche was also responsible for the safety of his men.

"He fired a warning shot into the ground next to the feet of the leader. A woman jumped out of the crowd and hurled a stone. Others followed her example.

Lives in danger

"This court is satisfied that Lt Fouche and his men in the execution of their duty had found themselves in a position where they had factual reasons to believe that their lives were in danger and that drastic action was necessary.

"The court is satisfied that the amount of violence used was that was required and justifiable under the circumstances," said Mr Knoesen.

The families' legal representative, Ms Helene Seady of Cheadle, Thompson and Hayson, said last night that "we are proceeding with the civil claims relating from the incident."

Le Grange on mosque attack

CAPE TIMES 17/6/86

Political Staff

THE Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, yesterday defended police who teargassed a crowded Cape Town mosque and said they had been fired on by snipers on the roof.

He was responding to allegations published in the Cape Times yesterday morning that police had broken up a "peaceful" meeting in the mosque where readings from the Koran were being made and the congregation asked to remember people who had died on June 16, 1976.



Mr Le Grange

Three shots had been fired at the police from the roof of the mosque, said Mr Le Grange.

The congregation had also been told by a man with a loud-hailer "The government has declared a state of emergency which means nothing to us. Botha's legalized murder and Le Grange's dogs must be crushed".

Mr Le Grange said he had not read the Koran but did not think these quotes were contained in it.

Replying to the second reading of the Internal Security Amendment Bill he said three men, one white and two Asians, had been arrested. A man in a car who had tried to run down a policeman had escaped despite being shot at.

Mr Le Grange said the police had acted with great restraint during the incident.

Information had been received that armed members of the Muslim community would be at the meeting and police found three armed men on the roof.

The police officer in command had asked people to leave the building.

Mr Le Grange said that teargas had been used because the gathering was illegal and the people had been warned to disperse.

Mr Le Grange later repeated his report of the incident in the House of Delegates.

Shots fired at police from mosque

ARMED men fired three shots at police from the roof of the Cape Town mosque, where police fired teargas on Sunday night to disperse an illegal gathering, Law and Order Minister Louis le Grange said in the Assembly yesterday.

Later one person tried to run a policeman down with a car and a shot was fired at the motorist, who escaped. Two men, one a white and the other an Asian were arrested and police used the least possible force to disperse the gathering, he said.

Preliminary information supplied by the divisional commissioner of police showed armed members of the Muslim community were attending the gathering, and at the mosque a person known to the police had used a megaphone to address people telling them, among others "the state of emergency means nothing to us," and that "Le Grange's dogs must be crushed", he added. — Sapa.

Langa inquest 'unique'

THE deaths of 19 people in Maduna Road, Langa, Uitenhage, on March 21, 1985, when police opened fire on a crowd, were found not to have followed an act of negligence which constituted a crime on the part of any person.

This finding was made yesterday by Mr J S Knoesen in the Port Elizabeth Magistrate's Court at an informal inquest into the deaths of the 19.

He said it was a unique inquest because it had already been the subject of an investigation — the Kannemeyer Commission.

"After thorough investigation I decided it was not necessary to hear the evidence of any of the people who gave evidence at the Kannemeyer Commission," he said.

"Mr Justice Kannemeyer repeatedly called and invited people to give evidence before the commission. It was a searching, thorough and open investigation. I am satisfied everything that could have been said about the incident, had been heard by the Kannemeyer Commission."

Mr Knoesen said he decided to base his finding on the inquest on the evidence heard by the Kannemeyer Commission.

Development Boards

*8. Mr R A F SWART asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether the investigation into the role and future of Development Boards has been completed; if not, when is it anticipated that it will be completed; if so, (a) when and (b) what were the (i) findings and (ii) recommendations in this regard;

(2) whether any members of staff of Development Boards are to be (a) transferred and/or (b) retrenched; if so, (i) how many, (ii) when, (iii) what positions do these members of staff hold and (iv) where will they be transferred to;

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

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT AND OF LAND AFFAIRS:

(1) Yes, except that for certain staff matters the investigation has not been concluded.

(a), (b)(i) and (ii) Fall away.

(2) (a) Yes.

(b) No.

(i) Figures not available at this stage.

(ii) 1 July 1986.

(iii) As a result of the magnitude of the staff establishments of the development boards it is impossible to furnish information in this regard. The staff establishments of the development boards include a wide variety of posts which makes it practically impossible to specify each post at every development board for the purpose of this reply.

(iv) Provincial Administrations, Government Departments, Regional Services Councils and Local Authorities.

(3) No.

*9. Mr R R Hulley—Law and Order. [Discharged.]

Kwelera/Mooiplaas

*10. Mr E K MOORCROFT asked the Minister of Education and Development Aid:

(1) Whether, with reference to his replies to Questions Nos 778 and 779 on 5 May 1986, a decision has yet been taken regarding the persons who fled from the Kwelera and Mooiplaas areas; if so, what is that decision;

(2) whether these persons are to be moved from the farm Good Hope 1028; if so, (a) when, (b) where will they be moved to, (c) what assistance will they be given in moving there and (d) what facilities have been provided for them at the new site?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT AND OF LAND AFFAIRS:

(1) and (2) No, a lawsuit was conducted about the matter and judgment therein was only delivered on 12 June 1986.

The situation is at present being reconsidered in view of the said judgment and the fact that leave to appeal was granted to the applicants.

Mbekweni, Paarl

*11. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether members of the security forces took any action in respect of any (a) persons, (b) buses and/or (c) cars en route to a funeral in Mbekweni, Paarl, on 8 May 1986; if so, (i) what action, (ii) where and (iii) why;

(2) (a) what total number of (i) members of the security forces was used to patrol the route to and monitor the funeral and (ii) vehicles was used by the security forces on this occasion and (b) what equipment had been issued to the security forces;

(3) whether any attempts were made to stop the funeral cortège; if so, (a) where, (b) why and (c) who gave the order in this regard?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) (a) and (b) No.

(c) Yes, in three instances.

(i) to (iii) In the first instance a motorist who was en route to the funeral and who got lost, was stopped and the way to the church was directed to this motorist.

In the second instance the vehicle of a motorist who at a police control-point refused to hand over certain literature and a gasmask, which were in the vehicle, to the police for investigation, was searched.

In the third instance a motorist who refused to comply with the orders of a traffic constable, was warned and then allowed to depart.

(2) (a) (i) 201.

(ii) 30.

(b) The Security forces were equipped with sufficient equipment to cope with the given situation.

(3) No.

(a) to (c) Fall away.

Republic Day: helicopter

*12. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Defence:

(1) Whether a South African Defence force helicopter trailing flags flew past the Voortrekker Monument on 31 May 1986; if so, (a) on how many occasions and (b) what flags were displayed;

(2) whether this helicopter was part of the Republic Day proceedings at the Voortrekker Monument; if not, what was the purpose of the (a) flight and (b) flags?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE:

(1) Yes. Two Puma helicopters.

(a) Once.

(b) The flag of the RSA and the SA Navy ensign.

(2) No.

(a) The helicopters took part in a Republic Day Celebration at Verwoerdburg City and during their return to the Air Force Base Swartkop they flew past the Voortrekker Monument in a normal air traffic pattern for a landing on the runway which was in use.

(b) The flags were used in the events in which the SA Navy played a large role.

Salary cheques

*13. Mr E K MOORCROFT asked the Minister of Education and Development Aid:

(1) Whether the Department of Education and Training has received any complaints from (a) teachers and (b) banks or building societies regarding salary cheques paid to teachers of

300 warned to remember the past

Staff Reporter

ABOUT 300 people attended a service at Rondebosch Congregational Church yesterday afternoon.

Professor Charles Villa-Vicencio, professor of theology at the University of Cape Town and a Methodist minister, delivered the lesson on "remembering the vision of those who have died".

He said the Bible "tells us it's important to remember what happened in the past to equip us for the future".

"The act of remembering means to reproduce that which was important in the past and recreate that in the present."

Quoting from the verses in Ecclesiastes which begin: "To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under Heaven", he said the memory of the lessons and traditions of the Bible "are indeed dangerous to those who dance while others mourn".

Professor Villa-Vicencio referred to incidents in recent South African history, their effects on the present situation in the country and their implications for the future. However, because of regulations against "subversive comments" issued in terms of the state of emergency, his comments may not be published.

Police took certain actions after the meeting but these may not be reported in terms of the emergency regulations.

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SADF mans clinic

Staff Reporter

A SOUTH African Defence Force doctor and four support staff have taken over the SACLA Empilisweni Clinic in Crossroads, the Bureau for Information confirmed yesterday.

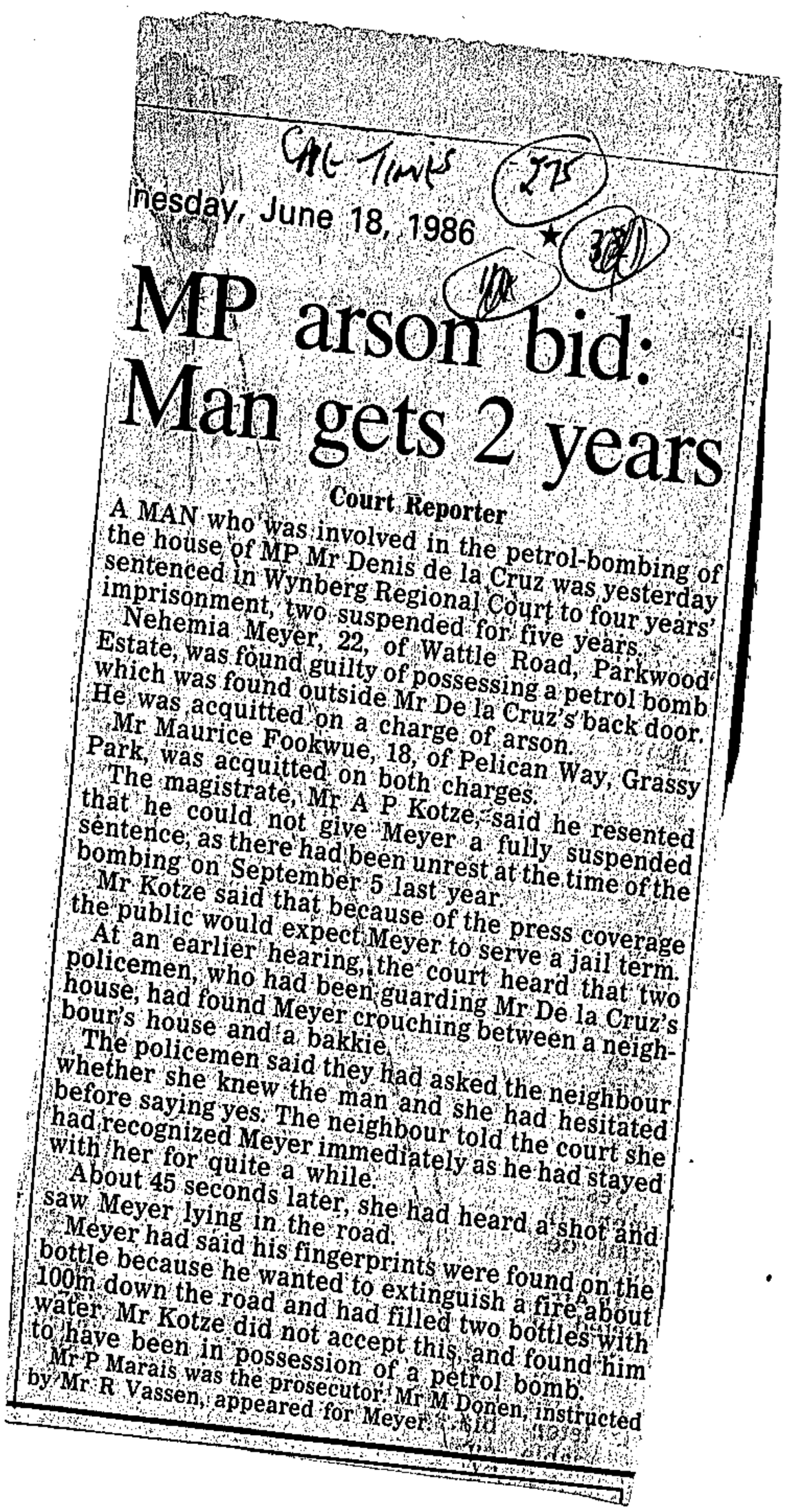
The bureau said: "A SADF doctor and four support staff have taken over the Sacla clinic to provide medical services to those in need of such services following the withdrawal of Sacla medical staff".

A spokesman for the staff said the clinic was taken over and run by members of the Old Crossroads executive committee and staffed by SADF doctors.

The spokesman said that the staff were "unhappy with this development because in terms of our constitution it is an illegal occupation".

"Also, in May the clinic was closed by the executive committee. An agreement was subsequently drawn up by the clinic and the executive committee and signed by both parties, which is not being honoured.

"In the past the clinic has always remained open in times of crisis but this crisis has split the community resulting in many staff members living on one side of the conflict having to work on the other," he said.



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MP arson bid: Man gets 2 years

Court Reporter

A MAN who was involved in the petrol-bombing of the house of MP Mr Denis de la Cruz was yesterday sentenced in Wynberg Regional Court to four years' imprisonment, two suspended for five years.

Nehemia Meyer, 22, of Wattle Road, Parkwood Estate, was found guilty of possessing a petrol bomb which was found outside Mr De la Cruz's back door. He was acquitted on a charge of arson.

Mr Maurice Fookwue, 18, of Pelican Way, Grassy Park, was acquitted on both charges.

The magistrate, Mr A P Kotze, said he resented that he could not give Meyer a fully suspended sentence, as there had been unrest at the time of the bombing on September 5 last year.

Mr Kotze said that because of the press coverage the public would expect Meyer to serve a jail term.

At an earlier hearing, the court heard that two policemen, who had been guarding Mr De la Cruz's house, had found Meyer crouching between a neighbour's house and a bakkie.

The policemen said they had asked the neighbour whether she knew the man and she had hesitated before saying yes. The neighbour told the court she had recognized Meyer immediately as he had stayed with her for quite a while.

About 45 seconds later, she had heard a shot and saw Meyer lying in the road.

Meyer had said his fingerprints were found on the bottle because he wanted to extinguish a fire about 100m down the road and had filled two bottles with water. Mr Kotze did not accept this, and found him to have been in possession of a petrol bomb.

Mr P Marais was the prosecutor. Mr M Donen, instructed by Mr R Vassen, appeared for Meyer.

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Firebomb at MP's home — man sentenced to two years

Staff Reporter

A MAN arrested after an attack on the home of a Labour Party MP has been found guilty in Wynberg Regional Court of possessing a petrol bomb.

Nehemia Meyer, 23, a cabinet-maker of Wattle Road, Parkwood Estate, was sentenced yesterday to four years' imprisonment, two of which were suspended for four years.

Co-accused Mr Maurice Fookwue, 18, of Pelican Park Way, Grassy Park, was acquitted.

The men were charged with arson, alternatively malicious damage to property, and possessing a petrol bomb following an attack which slightly damaged the home of Mr Dennis de la Cruz.

According to evidence, Meyer was visiting Mr de la Cruz's neighbour, Mrs W Carelse, when police thought he was acting suspiciously and confronted him. He was identified by Mrs Carelse.

Fifteen minutes later a petrol bomb burst on a veranda roof of Mr de la Cruz's house.

Police again confronted Meyer in the street opposite Mrs Carelse's home and he was shot in the leg.

A second bomb with Meyer's fingerprints on it was found unlit against the back door of the house.

Doused a fire

The magistrate, Mr A P Kotze, said the court took into consideration that the bomb thrown on the veranda roof could not have come from Mrs Carelse's house because of a wall that would have prevented it landing where it did.

It could not have been thrown from the front of the house either, because it would have been seen by the policemen and the distance was too great.

He concluded that evidence did not provide enough proof that either Meyer or Mr Fookwue could have thrown the bomb.

Neither was there evidence that Mr Fookwue possessed a petrol bomb at any stage that night.

Meyer had explained that his fingerprints could have been left on the bomb after he doused a fire behind a nearby café with bottles of water. He said he left the bottles at the café.

Mr Kotze said it was unlikely anyone could have taken the bottle an hour earlier, filled it with petrol and planted it behind Mr de la Cruz's home without the fingerprints being obliterated.

Meyer is to appeal.

Mr Michael Donan, instructed by Mr R Vassen, appeared for Meyer and Mr Fookwue. Mr P Marais appeared for the State.

NO BLAME

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A PORT Elizabeth Inquest Court has found that no crime or act of negligence was responsible for the deaths of 19 people when police opened fire on a funeral procession in Langa, near Uitenhage, in March last year.

Magistrate's finding on shooting of 19

No evidence was led at the inquest and no witnesses were called.

Mr J S Knoesen said he based his findings entirely on evidence to the Kannemeyer Commission of Inquiry into the shooting.

No relatives of the dead, or their lawyers attended the inquest although proceedings were delayed for 90 minutes on Monday in case they did arrive.

SOWETAN Correspondent

The shooting of the 19 was in Maduna Road, Langa, on March 21 last year.

"This is a unique inquest in that the death of the people concerned has already been the subject of an intense investigation," Mr Knoesen said.

He said that after a thorough investigation he had decided to base his finding upon the Kannemeyer Commission evidence.

"I could not conceive of a more thorough and publicly available inquest than that held by Mr Justice Kannemeyer," he added.

Mr Knoesen found that the police had acted correctly in dispersing the funeral procession.

He said if any blame was to be attributed for the police action, it rested on the shoulders of Lieutenant John Fouche, the officer who had given the order to open fire.

The court could not reproduce the atmosphere in which Lieutenant Fouche found himself before he gave the order.

"He fired a warning shot at the feet of a "rasta" leading the procession and then the crowd began to stone the police.

"This court is satisfied that in the execution of their duties Lieutenant Fouche and his men had reason to believe their lives were in danger and that drastic action was necessary.

"The court is also satisfied that the amount of violence used was that which was required and justified under the circumstances."

Mr Knoesen said that while he was under no obligation to give reasons or motivations for his finding, in this case he had placed them on public record "so that if any relatives of the deceased who could not come today want to know what transpired, they may find out by consulting the public records".

A lawyer acting for relatives of those killed at Langa said it had been decided not to call witnesses after learning that the magistrate intended basing his finding on the Kannemeyer evidence.

She said the firm still intended going ahead with civil claims arising from the incident.

WE could have published a picture of people in Soweto — playing, praying, whatever — but it became clear yesterday that we could not get into Soweto without the permission of the police. The results of this effective censorship are this white space . . .

Stories in this issue

THE information in this issue of the *Sowetan* that relates to unrest and conditions in black townships is supplied by the Government's Bureau of Information. In terms of emergency regulations, the *Sowetan* and other media are not allowed to publish any information on unrest except what is given by the Bureau.



Municipal assets insured against political unrest

Municipal Reporter

MUNICIPAL assets at the Driftsands Forest Reserve and in Fifth Avenue, Walmer, have been insured against political unrest after recent petrol-bomb attacks in Walmer.

Port Elizabeth's City Treasurer, Mr Amandus Strydom, reported to the City Council's Policy and Resources Committee yesterday that insurance on these assets had been obtained from May 26.

Mr Strydom was authorised by the committee to negotiate the council's re-insurance contract, on the basis of the council bearing an excess of R5 million for each loss.

He reported that it was mandatory to place all political riot insurance cover with the SA Special Risk Insurance Association, which accepted risks up to a maximum value of R100 million. This figure refers to the accumulated loss in a single year and not to total asset value.

● Grants amounting to R488 000 have been approved by the Policy and Resources Committee for various charitable organisations.

The Community Chest will receive R40 000 in the year ahead. Santa and the SA Library for the Blind will receive R500 each. Life Line Eastern Cape will get R650 and the Aurora Nursery School R1 000.

● The City Council is to buy a third mainframe computer, at a cost of R1,4 million. The Policy and Resources Committee yesterday approved installation of the computer, which Mr Strydom reported would "provide adequate growth".

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Violence: Views cannot be given

Staff Reporter

BECAUSE of the emergency regulations, the Cape Times cannot publish how Old Crossroads community and religious leaders view the causes of the violence and destruction which swept through their areas recently.

A Cape Times news team and other media representatives were escorted by security force units into Old Crossroads on Tuesday on the invitation of the Bureau for Information and heard Bishop Sydney Mzilikazi, chairman of the Crossroads Council of Churches, and community leader Mr Prince Gobingca give their version of the violence that left almost 60 000 Crossroads and KTC squatters homeless.

Bishop Mzilikazi and Mr Gobingca addressed a group of clergymen from predominantly Afrikaans-language churches who had come to hear the "witdoek" version of the conflict.

Subversive

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Captain Jan Calitz, advised that the Cape Times report on the meeting be sent to the Bureau for Information for clearance, which was done.

The bureau replied that it "cannot supply you with legal advice". Later the bureau said it could not "clear" stories.

Comments made at the meeting were derogatory and condemnatory of certain groups and organizations in the community.

Section 1 (d) of the emergency regulations specifies that it is an offence to publish any statement which is "calculated to have the effect or likely to have the effect of engendering or aggravating feelings of hostility in the public or any section of the public or any person or category of persons towards any section of the public or person or category of persons".

● The Rev Charles Bond, leader of the visiting delegation of clergy, said that among those visiting Old Crossroads were representatives of the NGK, the NGK Sendingkerk, the Apostolic Church, the Hervormde Kerk and the Anglican Church.

"We thought it was a good idea to have different churches send representatives to see the truth of the situation here for themselves."

"We will report back to our congregations and we will try to help people on both sides in this conflict," he said.

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● DE'ATH

Press gathers at De'Ath service

Business Day Reporter

A MEMORIAL service for murdered TV cameraman George De'Ath was held yesterday morning at St Columba's Presbyterian Church, Parkview, Johannesburg.

A large gathering of foreign and local journalists joined mourners in the packed church. Archbishop-elect of Cape Town Desmond Tutu was present.

The Bureau of Information changed the time of its daily news briefing from 11am to 3pm so the Press could attend the service.

De'Ath died in Groote Schuur Hospital on Saturday from panga and axe wounds after being attacked in Cape Town's KTC squatter camp last week. He was on an assignment for Britain's Independent Television News (ITN).

ITN editor David Nicholas flew from London to attend the service. He said many viewers had sent messages of sympathy to the station after the news of De'Ath's death was broadcast in the UK.

Adapting the words of an 18th century judge, Nicholas said: "Be he ever so high, the news is always above you."

De'Ath was the first ITN reporter to be killed in action in the station's 30-year history.

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Seaside haven of peace

Kalk Bay church helps refugees from Crossroads

focus

THE serenity of the Holy Trinity Church in picturesque Kalk Bay is a world apart from the violence and devastation of Crossroads.

For the 37 women and children taking shelter in the refuge of this parish, life again has some order — thanks to the generosity of the Kalk Bay community.

As well-known Kalk Bay artist Peggy Page says: "Our church and community have become intensely involved with helping these people. It has been a heart-rending experience — but at least a number of conservative whites have become involved."

There would be no chance of starvation under this congenial roof. Three wholesome meals are provided daily, with much emphasis on the preparation of the food by the refugees themselves.

The large hall at the back of the church is lined with neatly assembled bedding and matresses, some salvaged from Crossroads, others supplied by the people of Kalk Bay.

Place of rest

For the women and mothers, the church is a place of rest and a haven from the violence at KTC and Nyanga Bush.

Most were hit twice in the turmoil that has left more than 70 000 homeless — first at Nyanga Bush last month and again at the refugee camp at Holy Cross in Guguletu. The Holy Trinity Church shelter is a place to build up a reserve of strength to face the months of uncertainty ahead.

Thirty-seven-year-old Vivien Damba fled her corrugated iron shelter at KTC a week ago. "It was torched," she said.

Fleeing with her two children, 11-year-old Morris and five-year-old Theodora, she came to Kalk Bay.

She moved reluctantly. "Seven of my relatives have died in the fighting in Crossroads in the past month. My brother and sister, my uncle and aunt and my two cousins and my cousin's baby have all been killed. I wanted to save my children."

Quite destitute

Vivien and her two children have no change of clothing and besides what they have on their backs, they are quite destitute. Vivien would like to settle again in KTC or New Crossroads with her children as soon as possible.

"I want to look for a char job so that I can feed my children." Vivien has not been able to find a job since 1981, but she is still hopeful that some work might crop up.

There is a small lost voice among this group, crying for attention. The child calls herself Nosiphiwo and she says she is five years old. Amid the turmoil of the fighting last week, Nosiphiwo was found wandering around by mother of three Lidya Nongwe of Nyanga Bush.

Lidya grabbed the child and brought her, along with her own children, to the church in Kalk Bay. She hopes to be able to locate Nospihiwo's parents when calm returns to Crossroads.

GLYNNIS UNDERHILL



Vivien Damba with Morris, one of her two children . . . shelter in Kalk Bay.

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500 attend cameraman's funeral

JOHANNESBURG. — More than 500 people — family, friends and colleagues of cameraman Mr George De'Ath — attended a memorial service yesterday morning for the first journalist to die while covering unrest in South Africa.

Mr De'Ath, 34, died on Saturday after he was injured by panga and axe-wielding men early last week during clashes in the squatter camps of Crossroads, Nyanga and KTC.

The service in Johannesburg's St. Columbus Church in Parkview was led by the Rev Alan Maker of the Presbyterian church. It was attended by the Archbishop-elect of Cape Town, Bishop Desmond Tutu, and the special envoy of the Archbishop of Canterbury, Mr Terry Waite.

Mr David Nicholas, the London editor of ITN, for which Mr De'Ath was working when he was critically injured, attended the service and addressed the mourners. Also present was local ITN correspondent Mr Peter Sharp.

Extra chairs had to be brought into the church and many people clustered at the door.

Among the mourners were foreign correspondents, film crews, local newspaper, radio and television journalists, representatives for the Foreign Correspondents' Association, the president of the Southern African Society of Journalists, Miss Pat Sidley, and veteran photographer Peter Magubane.

Representing Inkatha was Ms Suzanne Griffin, while a past president of the Black Sash, Mrs Joyce Harris, and the wife of expelled CBS cameraman Mr Wim de Vos, Sigrid, were also present.

Mr De'Ath's body was cremated in Cape Town earlier yesterday.

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria postponed yesterday's daily press conference on the emergency situation, scheduled for 11am, to 3pm to allow media representatives to attend the service.

Press photographers kept a low profile and ITN unobtrusively filmed the service.

Speaking on behalf of ITN, Mr Nicholas conveyed his sympathy to Mr De'Ath's family and close friends. He said it was the first time in the 31 years of ITN's existence that a journalist had died a violent death on an assignment.

He said messages from television networks such as ABC in New York and the BBC had poured into the ITN offices after Mr De'Ath's death.

Mr De'Ath had covered events in Lebanon, the Falklands, Mozambique, Zaire and other trouble spots.

He recently told a colleague that he planned to stop news coverage and concentrate on features and documentaries.

Mr Nicholas said democracies served by newsmen "increasingly depend on us for a great deal of information".

He paid tribute to camera teams facing risks, and honoured their sense of duty in the face of danger, saying "George De'Ath was one of them".

Mr Maker said the press was trying to inform ordinary people about what was happening in the hope that there would be an "end to violence, of pain and the coming of peace and justice".

He said Mr De'Ath was a "symbol for the freedom of the press".

"If the press is not free in any country, it can only be due to fear of wrongdoing," he said. He prayed for the "press corps to be faithful in their calling". — Sapa

'Killed 2 boys'

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Curfew in E Province townships

PRETORIA. — A curfew and other restrictions were placed on Eastern Province townships yesterday by the Divisional Commissioner of Police.

The curfew placed on townships in 13 magisterial districts by Brigadier Ernest Schnetler bars people from township streets and public places between 9pm till 4am.

The townships affected are in the magisterial districts of Port Elizabeth, Uitenhage, Albany, Fort Beaufort, Humansdorp, Hankey, Kirkwood, Somerset East, Bedford, Adelaide, Alexandria, Cradock and Bathurst.

Non-residents are also barred from townships in terms of the commissioner's orders, published in the Government Gazette yesterday in terms of Public Safety Act Emergency Regulation No 7.

T-shirts

People are also prohibited from possessing T-shirts and other articles bearing the names of some 47 action committees, students' movements, councils and other organizations.

Certain restrictions are also placed on the movements of pupils at schools.

People who are not pupils or employed at schools are also barred from school premises, according to the orders. No exceptions are made for parents or other relatives.

Brigadier Schnetler also effectively extended the restrictions he placed on funerals in four magisterial districts on June 13 to townships in these districts.

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The Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Western Transvaal, Brigadier Jan de Waal yesterday placed the same funeral restrictions on townships in 14 Western Transvaal magisterial districts.

A total of six divisional police commissioners have now placed these restrictions on townships in their divisions.

Among other restrictions, banners and public address systems are banned at funeral services, and only ordained ministers may act as speakers. — Sapa

Crossroads land wars

The Cape Flats squatter wars took most outsiders by surprise. They should not have. The war was between lumpen dispossessed and radical dispossessed, like urchins fighting over a morsel.

The struggle has its roots in one of man's most powerful instincts — to secure and hold onto a place to live. In the Cape Peninsula, where insecurity of tenure has been a way of life for more than 20 years because of the assiduous application of pass laws and influx control, this basic urge has an added dimension: that dispossessed people will kill other dispossessed people if their mere presence — even in an adjacent camp — poses a threat to their right of occupation.

The death toll in the squatter zones had risen to 23 as the *FM* went to press; between 60 000 and 75 000 people had been displaced as a result of the violence, which appears to have been ignited by the refusal of new squatters living in camps adjacent to Old Crossroads (where the established lumpen squatters live) to move to the new black city of Khayelitsha, some 30 km outside Cape Town.

Allegations are rife that the authorities openly sided with the "insider" conservative vigilantes, variously known as "fathers" or *witdoeke*. Reporters' opinions vary, while the police categorically deny the accusations. They argue that, with fighting out of control, there would have been little sense in gunning down both sides. Moreover, security forces say riot control tactics can be deceiving: "The effects of teargas fired in one direction can be meant for people downwind in another direction." And so on.

Claims of partisan behaviour by the security forces have come from all sides. For example, Archbishop-elect Desmond Tutu and his party of clergymen were escorted into the area by police Casspir. Yet Tutu subsequently noted, without a trace of irony, that all those he had talked to "had no doubt in their minds" about police collusion with the *witdoeke*.

BBC viewers caught freezes of armed whites allegedly running with *witdoeke* on at least one occasion. On the other hand, police received reports from residents that a white man, armed with an automatic weapon, had fired on *witdoeke* and the police.

Tutu said he was convinced the "comrades" did not consider the vigilantes as their enemies. Civic and youth leaders had "made it quite clear that they are not in the business of fighting fellow blacks, and they understand that there is a manipulation of a very tense situation by certain interested parties."

It has been pointed out that there is more to the issue than conservatives versus radicals.

The regional director of the Urban Foundation, Colin Appleton, notes that Crossroads has become a symbol of defiance enjoying considerable international media attention. "This is a factor well understood by the Crossroads leadership and it has always been perceived as affording the inhabitants protection from arrest under the pass laws."



Additionally, various loose agreements between government and the squatter leaders have provided a measure of security from arrest in terms of the pass laws.

Both these factors have made Crossroads a desirable address. As a result, squatter leaders have been doing quite nicely out of the sale of land and occupational rights. The various groups have developed their own police forces and rent collectors; more territory means better rents, giving rise to intensified territorial ambitions.

Then, too, Crossroads is scheduled for an upgrade, hitherto made impossible by the refusal of its occupants to move to Khayelitsha. The trouble is that not all those being moved out will be able to get back, because there will not be as much accommodation in the proposed new settlement. Leaders of the group gaining the upper hand will take control of most of the land and should be in a position to offer their followers the best deal.

At the head of the established conservative squatter group is strongman Johnson Ngxobongwana, who holds sway over Old Crossroads and a fair portion of Khayelitsha with his chief lieutenant and military strategist Sam Ndima. Welfare and community groups, some with UDF links, allege Ngxobongwana's "regime," which cracks down heavily on "comrade" activity, is dictatorial and unjust.

They appear to favour the leaders of three other squatter communities (which have now been driven out of the area): Melford Yamile, Christopher Toise and Alfred Siphika, who take a more tolerant line on the "comrades" in their midst.

Appleton says the church and other agencies involved in Crossroads since it was first established have become increasingly disillusioned with "the level of exploitation and the lack of co-operation received from the original community under Ngxobongwana."

According to Appleton, the agencies were expelled from Ngxobongwana's area in the weeks leading up to the explosion because his executive committee felt it was being undermined by the agencies' disapproval of their methods.

"The greater effectiveness of the welfare inputs in areas other than Old Crossroads tended to throw increasing support behind the other leaders as the benefits of the welfare actions were available to those other communities," Appleton maintains.

The Urban Foundation says there are major ideological differences between the groups, and that Cayco, the largest youth group operating in Crossroads, is both an affiliate of the UDF and "may have been responsible for some of the stoning that has taken place in Crossroads recently."

The foundation rejects government's offer of sites at Khayelitsha for the vanquished camps and calls for their return to Crossroads. That may sound like inviting a repeat disaster, but to the foundation it is "unacceptable that the upgrading be confined only to the 'victors,' thus giving formal recognition that murder, arson and physical violence pays dividends."

"By far, most people expelled are likely to be innocent persons caught up in a situation beyond their control," Appleton says. "It is not equitable that they should be refused permission to return to the area from which they have been expelled."

The same applies to equally innocent people who accepted government's offer of a site at Khayelitsha in the hope of getting back to Crossroads.

They moved under considerable threat from other communities which saw them as sell-outs.

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GEORGE DE'ATH

Award-winning cameraman George De'Ath, who died from wounds sustained in a panga attack in KTC squatter camp last week, described his feelings about war in an interview with the *Rand Daily Mail* in 1982. Having just returned from assignment in Beirut, fear and horror of the appalling loss of life were the South African newsman's dominant emotions. His words have a prophetic ring.

"For most of the time I was absolutely terrified. When you are filming in a building that is hit three or four times by rockets you start thinking this is it, I'm dead. You do, of course, get the odd cameraman with what we call the French Foreign Legion mentality. They'll go anywhere and take the most unbelievable risks. It seems they are absolutely fearless.

"I think in the end we all got a bit shell-shocked but there is something that gets the adrenalin flowing and makes you want to go out there and get the story. The conflict in Lebanon gave the media an opportunity to show war as it had never been shown before. It gave the public a unique close-up view of the horror of war.

"I believe that television coverage played a role in stopping the war in Vietnam because mothers were able to see what was happening to their sons. Perhaps that's what keeps people like me going.

"If I, through my work, succeed in portraying the nightmare of war, I shall be happy. Whatever the degree of fear, whatever the risks, one feels that if one is able to transmit the message of the utter futility of a war like the one in Lebanon, then it will all be worthwhile.

"I walked round Beirut with a lump in my throat and tears in my eyes. The children . . . my God, what can one say about the children? It was just appalling. What shattered me most of all was the ignominy, the horrible loss of identity, the obscurity that accompanies death . . .

". . . war is my business, but believe me, it is not a matter of drooling in the blood and misfortune of other people. I feel almost duty-bound to portray the horror."



Report: DV health good despite clinic service disruption

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Duncan Village unrest had disrupted clinic services to the area severely, the acting head of the city's health department, Mr J. Claase, said in his annual report to the city council.

But the health of the township's 123 422 people continued to be satisfactory, the report said.

Mr Claase said the municipal clinic in Duncan Village had been destroyed last August but this had been offset by the use of the Location Health Centre on the periphery of the township.

"It is functioning at full capacity with two part-time medical officers, a full-time pharmacist and seven nurses."

There was a satisfactory state of immunisation in all population groups and the incidence of notifiable diseases was low.

"Tuberculosis and sexually transmitted diseases are cause for concern, especially among blacks, but the socio-economic factors which are largely to blame is to a great extent beyond the control of this department.

"A population development programme aimed at alleviating these conditions is to be implemented soon by the Department of National Health and Population Development."

Mr Claase said the uncontrolled hawking of foodstuff in the central business district caused concern. It was tolerated by the city council much to the displeasure of his department.

"But it was felt that in view of the weakening of the economy and the drought conditions, officials should refrain from taking strong action against unlicensed hawkers."

The staff situation and its effect on environmental health services caused concern during the year.

Retirements and resignations by health inspectors to take up better paid positions elsewhere reduced the health inspectorate to a point where it was difficult to maintain routine inspections at a satisfactory level.

Recruitment efforts were not successful until the director of personnel and management services, Mr Leon Deetlefs, visited training institutions. This resulted in the year ending with only two vacancies.

Mr Claase said it was difficult to measure the achievements of the department particularly because there had been no comprehensive annual report since 1971.

"However, the department's successes are to be found in the satisfactory state of the public's health. It is true to say that unless a health crisis occurs, the state of public health goes unnoticed. By and large it is taken for granted."

UCT: more black students

CAPE TOWN — The proportions of black, postgraduate and female students at the University of Cape Town have all increased in 1986.

Black student enrolment has increased by 1,4 per cent over last year to 16,4 per cent — confirming the trend of an increase of about one per cent a year since 1976. This is revealed in the results of the annual campus census released by the university. — Sapa

Nlungisi: persons shot

1073. Mr E K MOORCROFT asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any persons were shot in an incident in Nlungisi Township near Queenstown in November 1985; if so, (a) by whom and (b) what were the circumstances surrounding the incident;

(2) whether the South African Police have instituted an investigation into the matter; if so,

(3) whether this investigation has been completed; if not, (a) why not and (b) when is it anticipated that it will be completed; if so,

(4) whether the results of the investigation will be made public; if not, why not; if so, when?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) Members of the South African Police.

(b) A riotous crowd attacked the police with stones and petrol-bombs and in the process set fire to two houses, a post office vehicle and a delivery van. In order to maintain law and order and disperse the crowd, the police was forced to fire teargas and buckshot.

(2) Yes, inquest dockets were investigated in each case of death.

(3) Yes.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(4) Yes, as soon as the Inquests are completed.

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Annual reports

1093. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Justice:

(a) How many annual reports were produced by the Prisons Service during the latest specified period of 12 months for which information is available, (b) in respect of what bodies were these reports produced, (c) what was the cost of producing each such report and (d) who did the printing of each report?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

(a) None. The SA Prisons Service is a service in the Department of Justice. It is therefore standing practice to report fully on it's activities in a separate section of the annual report of the Department of Justice as was the case with the departmental annual report for the period 1 July 1984 to 30 June 1985 which was tabled in Parliament on 16 April 1986.

(b), (c) and (d) For further detail the honourable member is referred to the reply on question 1092.

National servicemen

1105. Mr P R C ROGERS asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) (a) How many national servicemen rendered their national service in the South African Police during each of the latest specified five years for which figures are available and (b) in respect of the national service intake in each of these years, how many national servicemen joined the South African police after the completion of their national service period;

(2) how many members of the South African Police were rendering their national service as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1)	(a)	(b)
1981	343	80
1982	235	55
1983	167	62
1984	161	35
1985	129	51

(2) 225 on 26 May 1986.

Steven Matshogo

1107. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 35 on 18 March 1986, the investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Steven Matshogo on 24 February 1986 has been completed; if not, why not; if so, (a) when, (b) what were the cumstances surrounding his death, (c) who was responsible for his death and (d) what action has been taken as a result;

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

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) 5 May 1986.

(b) to (d) The inquest docket is at present with the Attorney-General for his decision and no further information can therefore be furnished.

(2) No.

Trespass

1115. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

What total number of Black persons were arrested for trespass in the Republic in each month from January up to and including May 1986?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

January 1986	8 065
February 1986	7 662
March 1986	7 501
April 1986	6 638
May 1986	5 769

Warden: members on duty

1116. Mr J H HOON asked the Minister of Law and Order:†

How many (a) White, (b) Black, (c) Coloured and (d) Indian policemen were on duty in Warden on 23 May 1986?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(a) 30.

(b) to (c) None.

Rape

1117. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

Whether the South African Police use one-way glass for identification parades involving victims of rape; if not, (a) why not and (b) what procedure is used; if so, when was this procedure introduced?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

No.

(a) Since the use thereof has not been recommended because of problems with evidence in court which have been foreseen by jurists and other experts.

(b) Personal individual appearance of victims of rape and of all witnesses in the immediate presence of suspects and other persons on identification parades, in terms of guide-lines laid

U'hage man found burnt

THE burnt body of a man found in Kwanobuhle has been identified as that of Mr Lodewyk Vlooh, of Uitenhage, who was reported missing at the weekend.

A Bureau for Information statement said it had been informed by the police that Mr Vlooh's next of kin had identified the body.

A four-year-old Soweto girl was hit in a buttock by a shotgun pellet on June 16 when security forces dispersed rioters, it was disclosed at the bureau's conference in Pretoria yesterday.

The bureau earlier denied knowledge of the incident to a City Press reporter and the media were prevented by law from reporting on it.

Bureau spokesman Mr David Steward said yesterday: "This matter did not come to our attention earlier because it was not reported to the police that the child had been wounded."

She was treated for the wound but not admitted to hospital. The media are prevented by law from saying more.

Mr Steward also confirmed other Press enquiries. Some 51 youths were arrested at a church in Meadowlands East on June 13. They carried pangas and petrol bombs and were holding an unlawful meeting.

On June 17 petrol bombs were thrown at the St Paul's Church's community centre in Soweto. Four offices were extensively damaged.

Mr Steward warned however that the bureau's news conferences were not to be turned into a forum and a "circus" for the presentation of "all sorts of allegations, most of which probably would be unfounded, for the purpose of contravening the emergency regulations".

Three people were burnt to death in the 24-hour period ending 6am yesterday, according to bureau spokesman Brigadier Leon Mellet.

This brings the official unrest death toll since the state of emergency was announced last Thursday to 48.

The burnt bodies of two men were found in Dennilton in Kwandebele. They had been murdered in separate incidents. No arrest had been made.

A man was saved from being necklaced by security forces at Vlaklaagte, Kwandebele. Two people were arrested. Security forces saved two women from being necklaced in Katlehong and a man in Hazyview.

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Patrons may break curfew

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Post Reporter

THE Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Eastern Cape, Brigadier Ernest Schnetler, has given permission for residents of Port Elizabeth's townships to break the curfew tonight and tomorrow night to attend performances at the Opera House.

A spokesman for *Dance*, which is being presented by Sybil's School of Dancing, approached Brigadier Schnetler because she was concerned about disappointing township residents who had bought tickets for the shows.

Brigadier Schnetler has advised patrons from the townships to keep their tickets and programmes which they could present to security forces if they were stopped while returning home after the performances.

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Bishop Desmond Tutu outside Bishop's House, the Newlands home of the Bishop Suffragan of Cape Town, Bishop Patrick Matolengwe.

Tutu hopeful of peace in Crossroads

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By MICHAEL DOMAN
Weekend Argus Reporter

AFTER meeting in peace negotiations with the leaders of warring groups in Crossroads and nearby squatter areas today, an optimistic Bishop Desmond Tutu reported that both sides dearly wanted peace.

The talks, at a secret venue, started at 12.30pm.

At a brief Press conference in Newlands late this afternoon the Anglican Archbishop-elect of Cape Town said that both sides wanted to report back to their supporters before meeting again next month.

"They want to tell their supporters that they as groups have agreed that they want peace in the area," Bishop Tutu said.

In an apparent reference to the witdoeke he said that "one group has to take back to its constituency the request, demand, desire that people be allowed to return to their homes".

Mass meetings

"You have to understand that the people of Crossroads are all very hurt, and both sides point to things that have happened to them."

Bishop Tutu expressed the hope that the state of emergency would not prevent Crossroads residents from holding mass meetings where events at today's meeting could be discussed.

Bishop Tutu said the tentative date for the next meeting between the young and the old of Crossroads was July 5.

"But this is really a delicate thing. Even saying what I have may have put paid to all that has been achieved so far."

Cape Times 21/6/86

Crossroads: Tutu for talks

Staff Reporter

THE Anglican Archbishop-elect of Cape Town, Bishop Desmond Tutu, flew into Cape Town last night for face-to-face peace negotiations scheduled for today between the warring factions in Crossroads and satellite communities.

Bishop Tutu flew to the City last week while fighting between "witdoek" vigilantes and "comrades" still raged in the KTC camp. He made a major breakthrough by persuading both sides to cease hostilities and come to the negotiating table.

He will meet the leadership of both sides at 9am today at a "secret venue" so as not to jeopardize negotiations, said Bishop Patrick Matolengwe, Anglican Vicar-General of the Diocese of Cape Town, yesterday.

Last week Bishop Tutu declined to take any personal credit for the ceasefire, saying it was a climax of hard behind-the-scenes work by other clergymen and concerned people.

But Bishop Matolengwe, who invited Bishop Tutu to Cape Town to help create a climate for peace, said the Archbishop-elect's role had been "crucial".

"I greatly valued his coming here. Archbishop Russell is on long leave and the Catholic Archbishop was out of town ... when we really needed someone from outside to come and help us sort things out.

"Bishop Tutu was acceptable to both sides ... and we have been associated with Crossroads since it started in 1975."

24 held after body found

Cape Times 21/6/86

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Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Security forces arrested 24 "non-whites" in connection with the death of Mr Lodewyk Vlooh, whose charred body was found near Uitenhage on Wednesday, the Bureau of Information announced yesterday.

The father of three, of 3 Second Street, Uitenhage, was last seen alive crossing a bridge on the road to Rocklands, outside Uitenhage, about 10.15am on Saturday.

Dentures

A brother of the dead man, Mr Willem Vlooh, told the Cape Times correspondent that the body was charred beyond recognition. He said his brother had been identified by a set of dentures he obtained recently and his noticeably small teeth.

The body was found in a crouched position under the wire skeletons of burnt tyres. Many stones were found at the scene.

Mr Vlooh said he believed the body had been found on the outskirts of KwaNobuhle township about 5km from where his brother was last seen alive.

Mr Lodewyk Vlooh had asked a Mr Deon Gerber for a lift to a betting office in Durban Street. He had won R87.

Visit

"He told Mr Gerber he wanted to visit Mr Andrew Zeelie, who lives with him and his wife Aletta in the house, and was working on trucks at the other side of the bridge," his brother said. "Mr Jan Kluyts of Uitenhage saw him crossing the bridge, but he never met Mr Zeelie."

Mr Vlooh's wife reported him missing when he did not arrive home by Sunday afternoon. A strong contingent of policemen, assisted by the Defence Force, earlier this week searched the banks of the Swartkops River.

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Brief 'reprieve' for shattered KTC area

Staff Reporters

THE KTC area has been given a two-day "reprieve" from "upgrading" — but in the meantime, residents and church workers say that up to 1 000 shacks destroyed in last week's fighting have been rebuilt by residents.

In other developments, the Archbishop of Canterbury's special envoy to South Africa, Mr Terry Waite, visited KTC yesterday, which he described as "a very miserable scene indeed".

And while some church groups housing refugees are considering taking legal action on eviction notices served on the thousands of homeless sheltering outside the townships, others said they would simply ignore the notices.

Inside KTC, a relief worker said "the building of shacks is going ahead at a frantic pace, but people are running out of materials. As fast as the materials come in, new houses are built".

In terms of the emergency regulations, reporters are not allowed into any black area for the purposes of reporting without the permission of the police.

Reliable sources confirmed yesterday, after talks between attorneys acting for the squatters and attorneys for the government, that "upgrading" and clearance of the burnt-out area would not go ahead until at least Monday — but the government has evidently insisted that no new shacks are built.

'Detrimental'

It is understood that shack-building stopped after this message was conveyed to squatter leaders by attorneys.

There was talk of a possible reprieve for squatters being housed by organizations and churches in white areas, but attempts to clarify this were unsuccesful, as the Cape Times was told that publication of any details concerning discussion with the authorities could be detrimental to the negotiations.

In terms of the notices, served under the Black (Urban Areas) Consolidation Act, relief centres face legal action unless all people harboured at these places of shelter have been evacuated by Monday. "Alternative accommodation" at the government relief camp at Khayelitsha has been arranged.

City clergymen have appealed to the government to stop Monday's planned eviction of refugees in the white areas on humanitarian grounds.

Devastated area

Meanwhile, Mr Waite, who arrived in Cape Town yesterday morning, paid visits to refugees in church halls and to the devastated Crossroads area.

He said Crossroads — in the driving rain with bulldozing in progress — had presented a "very miserable scene indeed".

"I think it is a tragedy, symptomatic of a system that really does not work," he said. "Seeing the faces of some of the women with children, in total despair, one can only say it is a sad day for South Africa."

Families snub Langa inquest

THE inquest into the 20 people shot dead in Uitenhage's Langa township last March 21 began and ended on Monday, June 16 – without the families of the victims.

The inquest – which took no evidence, relying exclusively on evidence given to last year's Kannemeyer commssion – waited 90 minutes for evidence from the families, then endorsed the commission finding by ruling that no crime or act of negligence by anyone was responsible for the deaths. Relatives of 20 victims of the Maduna Road police shooting "snubbed" the inquest court, sitting to determine what happened during those fateful moments before Lieutenant John Fouche ordered his men to open fire on a group of mourners. A spokesman for the victim's families told *City Press* the families met and decided not to attend the inquest, believing it would serve no purpose. Some felt bitter, he said, about the Kannemeyer commission's findings and believed the inquest magistrate would reach the same conclusion.

The families, he said, also felt unable to attend because of the date of the inquest sitting – June 16.

Tutu: Squatter leaders say they want peace

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Staff Reporter

THE Anglican Archbishop-elect of Cape Town, Bishop Desmond Tutu, met "about 100" of the leaders of the warring squatter factions from Crossroads and satellite communities on Saturday for some "very frank" peace talks.

He said at a hastily-called press conference before he flew back to Johannesburg: "They say they do want to have peace. They also want to go back to their different organizations to report that they as leaders have agreed that they want peace in the area.

"There will be a report-back meeting — tentatively set for the July 5 — but they are going to have difficulties in calling the mass meetings they want because



Bishop Tutu after talks at the weekend.

of the state of emergency," said the bishop. "One group is going to take back to its constituency the request, the demand, the desire that people be allowed to return to their homes."

He said negotiations were still in progress and that they were at a very delicate stage. "Even saying all of this may put paid to anything happening; they are all very hurt and each group keeps pointing to things that have happened to them.

"The thing to realize is that it is very important that the meeting took place at all — it's quite tremendous. I would also like to commend the people of Cape Town for their generosity in taking in the refugees."

Asked what he felt about the eviction notices served on squatters temporarily housed in white areas, Bishop Tutu said he hoped the church would not let them leave.

"If it comes to carrying out God's law, then I would hope the churches will know the difference between God's law and men's law — and which one they have to obey."

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Court grants pupils bail

Supreme Court Reporter

THE Supreme Court yesterday overturned a magistrate's refusal of bail to four Worcester pupils arrested in connection with allegations of intimidation.

The three boys and a girl, all under 18, were arrested on March 12. They have been expelled from Breërivier Secondary School.

Two pupils were released on their own recognizances. Bail was fixed at R500 for the other two.

Their trial has been set down for hearing on Thursday in Worcester.

Mr Justice G Friedman presided. Mr T Prins appeared for the State. Mr R D McClarty, instructed by Emver Daniels, appeared for the pupils.

150 mourners attend funeral in Nyanga

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Staff Reporter

ABOUT 150 mourners gathered in Nyanga yesterday to bury Mr Stewart Maxama, 59, who was allegedly shot and then hacked to death in his home on June 11.

Mourners adhered to the restrictions on funerals announced by police last week. No flags or banners were displayed, the maximum of 200 mourners was not exceeded and although there was singing of freedom songs, this was done quietly at the graveside.

In terms of the emergency regulations certain events and actions by security forces during and after the graveside service may not be reported without the permission of the Commissioner of Police.

Mr Maxama is survived by his widow, Mrs Nomalungelo Maxama, and nine sons and daughters aged 29, 27, 26, 25, 23, 21, 19, 14 and four.

His daughter, Ms Geshu Maxama, said yesterday that Mr Maxama had been shot and hacked to death inside his home at E950, Zwelitsha, Nyanga, after he had complied with a loudspeaker order that residents should get off the streets.

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(i) to (iii) Fall away.

(b) Yes.

(i) Quirts.

(ii) Since the persons have refused to react to police warnings and have continued with the gathering.

(iii) The persons dispersed.

(3) No, the South African Police is not aware of any injuries.

(4) Yes.

(a) 3.

(b) Section 46 of the Internal Security Act, 1982 (Act 74 of 1982).

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(2) (a) on what dates were such mobile cooking units provided for this purpose, (b) how many such units were made available and (c) in which areas did they operate?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE:

(1) and (2) No, I have received no requests for mobile cooking units. The hon members for Standerton and Wynberg, however, made representations to the Deputy Minister of Defence and of Law and Order on 9 June 1986 for the SA Defence Force to provide food to the homeless at Cross Roads. On enquiry the Officer Commanding the local Command advised that the SA Defence Force had already been supplying food since 29 May 1986 but as the situation was too unstable and dangerous the service could not be rendered at that stage. After the situation had stabilised the SA Defence Force again established supply points at Cross Roads on 11, 12, 13 and 16 June 1986 where soup and bread were provided. A similar service is being offered at KTC although the inhabitants do not want to make use of it.

The Regional Director Western Cape of the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning requested on 13 June 1986 as part of his planning, that the Officer Commanding the local Command consider the possibility of supplying a mobile kitchen to Khayelitsha so that inhabitants could prepare their food on it. Because of technical considerations the Officer Commanding recommended that mobile gas-cookers with a 75-man capacity be made available, instead of a mobile kitchen. The Regional Director did further planning in connection with the positioning and use of the cookers and at his request four cookers were made available to the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning on 17 June 1986 for use and positioning at their discretion.

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(2) whether this was a joint patrol with the South African Police; if so, who was in charge of the joint patrol; if not, what action was taken by the Defence Force personnel on this occasion;

(3) whether Defence Force personnel (a) searched any (i) vehicles, (ii) persons and (iii) houses and (b) took any persons into custody on this occasion; if so, what were the circumstances surrounding this action;

(4) whether any persons were injured as a result of Defence Force action in or in the vicinity of Duncan Village on this occasion; if so, (a) how many, (b) what was the nature of their injuries and (c) what were the circumstances surrounding these incidents;

(5) whether any complaints have been received regarding Defence Force action on this occasion; if so, (a) on what dates, (b) what was the nature of the complaints and (c) what action was taken in this regard?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE:

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(b) As stabilising patrols.

(b) Commandant.

(2) No. Suspicious vehicles and persons were searched.

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(iii) No.

(4) Yes.

(a) One.

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(2) whether any of these persons have been charged; if so, with what offences;

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

(b) (i) His services at the school will terminate on 30-06-1986.

(ii) On medical advice.

(6) No.

Transportation of passengers

*4. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Transport Affairs:

(1) Whether separate buses are being provided for transporting (a) first and business class and (b) economy class passengers from aircraft to the airways terminals; if so, (i) by whom and (ii) since what date; if not, why not;

(2) whether he intends introducing separate buses for this purpose at any airports; if not, why not; it so, (a) at which airports and (b) when?

The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AFFAIRS:

(1) (a) and (b) No.

(i) and (ii) Fall away.

The transportation of passengers by bus to and from aircraft normally only exists at Jan Smuts Airport. These buses can accommodate 70 passengers and it will not be cost-effective to transport first and business class passengers on their own.

(2) No, for the same reason given in part (1) of the reply.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

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*5. Mr J H HOON asked the Minister of Trade and Industry:†

Whether his Department has brought a claim against a certain company, the name of which has been furnished to the Minister's Department for the purpose of his reply; if so, (a) what is the amount of the claim, (b) on what grounds was it brought and (c) what is the name of the company concerned?

†The MINISTER OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY:

Yes.

(a) R82 064,59.

(b) Two inspectors were appointed in terms of section 258 of the Companies Act, 1973 (Act 61 of 1973) to investigate the affairs of the company. In terms of section 263 of that act, the company whose affairs were the subject of an investigation, is liable for that part of the expenses of and incidental to the investigation as determined by the Minister. The Registrar of Companies, acting under delegation of powers by the Minister, ruled that a claim for the full amount of expenses be instituted against the company, which at that stage had already been wound up. Thus far R17 915,36 of the claim has been recovered but the winding-up has not yet been finalised.

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Meetings between 4 and 30 June

*6. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any persons or organisations applied for permission to hold meetings between 4 and 30 June 1986; if so, (a) what persons or organisations, (b) what was the purpose of the meeting in each case and (c) in respect of what dates did each apply for permission to hold a meeting;

(2) whether permission was granted in each case; if not, (a) which persons or organisations were (i) granted and (ii) refused permission to hold meetings and (b) what was the reason for refusing permission in each case?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) and (2) Although the period for which the information is required has not yet expired, it serves to be mentioned that 44 applications of varying nature and from various persons and instances were received until 17 June 1986. Of these applications 26 were granted and 18 were refused. The furnishing of the particulars of applications to hold meetings and the reasons for the refusals for some of the meetings, are extensive and I do not deem it in the public interest to furnish the information.

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(1) Whether any action was taken by the South African Police in respect of meetings held in contravention of the ban on meetings between 4 and 30 June 1986; if so, (a) on what dates was such action taken, (b) who was the organiser of each such meeting, (c) what was the purpose of each meeting, (d) where was each meeting held and (e)(i) what action was taken, and (ii) what was the rank of the person who gave the orders in this regard, in each case;

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(1) and (2) Although the period for which the information is requested, has not yet expired, it serves to be mentioned that until 19 June 1986 the police had to take a total of 12 actions due to meetings held in contravention of the ban on meetings. Since the information with regard to each case is extensive, the particulars are not readily available.

Incident in Parliament Street

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(1) Whether any members of the South African Police took any action against any persons outside Parliament on 10 June 1986; if so, (a) what were the circumstances surrounding the incident, (b) how many policemen were involved and (c) what was the rank of the policeman in charge on this occasion;

(2) whether the police charged these persons with (a) batons and/or (b) any other objects; if so, (a) with what other objects, (b) why and (c) with what result;

(3) whether any persons were injured; if so, what was the nature of their injuries;

(4) whether any persons were arrested on this occasion; if so, (a) how many and (b) for what offences;

(5) whether any member of the South African Police (a) consulted with any of these persons and (b) offered to convey any messages from these persons to the State President; if so, (i) what was the rank of this policeman, (ii) what were the circumstances surrounding this matter and (iii)(aa) when was the message delivered and (bb) with what result?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) A group of about 150 persons held an illegal gathering in Parliament Street, Cape Town, with the purpose of demonstrating against new legislation.

(b) 30.

(c) A Major

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Necklace murder: 5 in court

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Three men and two women appeared briefly in Uitenhage Magistrate's Court yesterday in connection with the necklace murder of a Uitenhage man.

Mr Lodewyk Vlooh's charred corpse was found near KwaNobuhle, Uitenhage, last week after he had disappeared on June 14 while on his way to an off-course tote.

Those who appeared were Mr Henry Schwarts, 36, Mrs Pamela Lewis, 28, Miss Marie Lewis, 19, Mr Bernard Lewis, 25 and Mr David Lewis, 25.

They were not asked to plead and were remanded till July 23.

Envoy talks of 'failure' in SA

From MARGARET SMITH

LONDON — Mr Terry Waite, the Archbishop of Canterbury's special envoy, arrived back at Heathrow Airport yesterday from South Africa, speaking of a "massive failure of statesmanship".

He told a news conference that his visit had been a difficult and somewhat distasteful task because he had no desire to interfere or meddle in the affairs of another country. But he was sent there because his church was in the front line in a rapidly deteriorating situation.

Mr Waite said there was no way of knowing how many people had been detained or arrested, but it was a very considerable number.

He had brought back with him a letter smuggled out of jail by one of the detainees. When he read it out he left out all references to any names in it.

Mr Waite said that many white people were also upset by what was going on. The last white person he had spoken to was in tears over what was happening.

He said he was sure that, in the South African Government, there were people who wanted to initiate reform.

During his visit he had spoken to black people about sanctions and had put to them the argument used in the UK, that sanctions would harm them. The reply was that they were suffering anyway.

Mr Waite now reports back to the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Funeral procession halted

By TONY WEAVER

THERE were tense scenes in Nyanga East yesterday afternoon when about 200 mourners in the funeral procession of Mr Monwabisi Mgabi who were stopped from walking with the coffin danced in the streets.

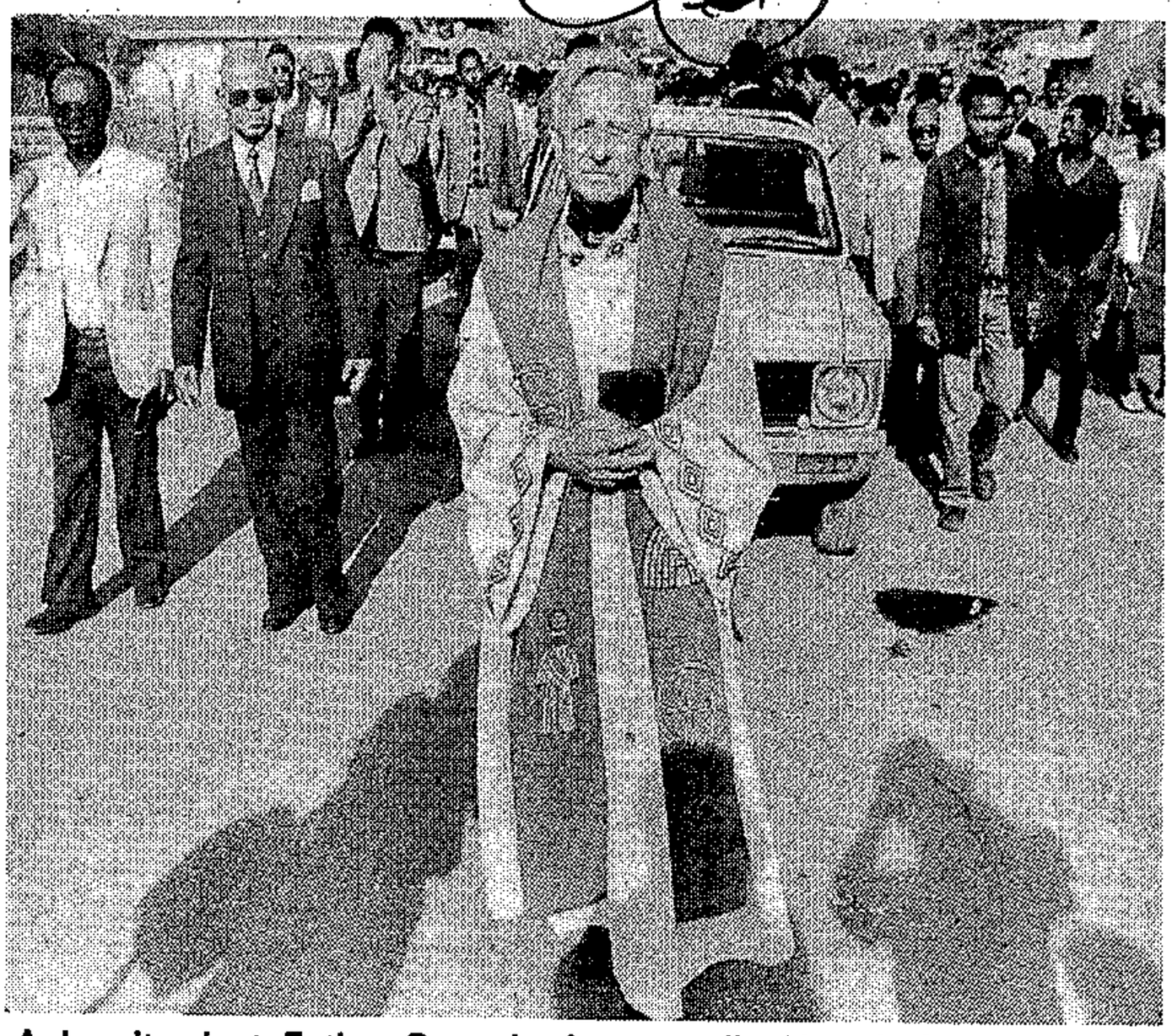
Singing freedom songs and giving black power salutes, the mourners waited while negotiations took place.

In terms of the emergency regulations, the Cape Times may not report the reason for their stopping and dancing in the street or give details of certain other incidents without official permission.

Fleet

A full version of events at the funeral has been telexed to the Bureau of Information for permission to publish.

After about 20 minutes, a fleet of taxis arrived and transported the mourners to the Dutch Reformed Church.



A Jesuit priest, Father Gerry Loriman, walks ahead of mourners as they leave the home of Mr Monwabisi Mgabi, 24, who was shot dead near KTC on June 10.

The funeral of Mr Mgabi, 24, of Fanyani Street, Nyanga East — who, according to his stepfather, Mr Julius Kaloli, was shot dead at the height of the fighting in KTC on June 10 — proceeded at the church and the cemetery with singing and chanting.

In terms of restrictions imposed by police on funerals in the Western Cape, no more than 200 people may attend funerals, mourners must travel by vehicle and not on foot, no banners or placards may be displayed, and only ordained ministers of religion are allowed to address the funeral service.

These conditions were adhered to, save for the ban on walking to the graveyard.

● On Monday, about 150 mourners gathered in Nyanga to bury Mr Stewart Maxama, 59, who was shot and then hacked to death in his home on June 11.

Permission

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Lawyers appear in court — bail extended

Staff Reporter

CAPE Town advocate Mr Mohamed Anwar Albertus and Stellenbosch attorney Mr Trevor Vernon Gerald de Bruyn have appeared in Worcester Magistrate's Court.

They were not charged during the hearing yesterday, postponed to August 4. Bail of R500 each was extended.

Mr Albertus and Mr de Bruyn, members of a legal team defending 38 residents of Nkqubela township, Robertson, were detained at the Worcester court last Thursday and released on bail yesterday, hours before their wives applied for their release in the Supreme Court, Cape Town.

Mr J M Els was on the Bench. Mr A Omar appeared for Mr Albertus and Mr de Bruyn. Mr G D V Duncan appeared for the State.

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Churchmen to ask Govt to allow peace meetings

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Church leaders are to petition the Government to allow the factions involved in the Crossroads unrest to hold mass meetings where they could make peace proposals.

Anglican Bishop Desmond Tutu said he had had dealings with the "Crossroads situation". On Saturday leaders of the factions held meetings and they agreed they wanted peace.

They asked church leaders to request the Government to allow them to hold mass meetings so they would be able to convey to their members what had happened at the peace talks.

Bishop Tutu yesterday addressed church leaders attending the South African Council of Churches (SACC) national conference in Bosmont. The conference agreed to sign such a telex message and to send it to the Government.

"Speak out"

Bishop Tutu said now that the United Democratic Front had effectively been silenced the church was the only remaining organisation which could speak out.

He paid tribute to Dr Beyers Naude, who succeeded him as general secretary of the SACC.

In his report Dr Beyers Naude, said the conflict between the Government and the African National Congress was basic to all other conflicts in the country and if it could be resolved a major source of violence would be removed.

The United States, Britain and Germany had stated their opposition to sanctions in any form in the belief that other ways and means could be found to resolve the conflict in South Africa.

"If they claim sanctions are not the answer, now is the hour for them to come forward and say if not that, what then?"

The SACC had tried to the best of its ability to indicate in which direction action needed to be taken, but if these suggestions or pleas had not been heeded, what other option remained for a church body to take in this regard? he said.

Police continue probe into Alice explosion

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The type of explosive which rocked the Alice post office and magistrate's court buildings on Tuesday night has not yet been identified.

This was confirmed yesterday by a spokesman for the Ciskei Police directorate of public relations.

He said investigations were continuing. No further details were given.

The bomb exploded in a telephone booth late on Tuesday night, damaging both the magistrate's court and the post office buildings which are situated adjacent to each other.

No-one was injured in the blast.

The damage to the post office was estimated at more than R3 000. Damage to the magistrate's court building had not yet been assessed.

The explosion shook the whole of Alice and could be heard as far away as 12 km from the scene.

Window panes at the post office and the roof of the telephone booth were shattered. There was also extensive damage to the right side of the magistrate's court building.

Alarms at nearby shops were set off by the explosion.

4 KTC violence victims buried

By CHRIS BATEMAN

AT least four people killed in recent KTC/Crossroads fighting were buried yesterday as hundreds of mourners, packed into mini-bus taxis, drove slowly past the bulldozed wasteland section of KTC to the Guguletu cemetery.

The bodies of three of the victims, among them Mr Monwabi Nonombane, 18, were driven by hearse from near the NY 49 stadium, followed by a convoy of at least 24 mini-buses and other vehicles.

The names of the other two people could not be established.

Earlier a funeral service was conducted in St Gabriel's Church for a 14-year-old girl, Phosiza Antonia Vellem, of NY102, who was shot dead two weeks ago.

A procession of about 100 people in cars and on foot, led by St Gabriel's Roman Catholic priests, Father Desmond Curren and Father Gerry Lorriman, then moved to the nearby cemetery where the victim was buried.

Attempts by township "comrades" to hold a single centralized funeral were unsuccessful, and in terms of the emergency regulations the reasons for this may not be reported. Neither may incidents which occurred after the burial services be reported.

Reliable township sources said yesterday that 96 victims of the Crossroads/KTC fighting are still to be buried. More funerals are planned for tomorrow.

Cape Times 27/6/88

Murder charges withdrawn

Court Reporter

CHARGES against three men allegedly connected with the death of a policeman at a funeral in Salt River on September 11 last year, were withdrawn in the Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Charges of murder, alternatively culpable homicide, against Mr Albert Alexander, 32, Mr Adenaan Bester, 23, and Mr Adenaan Bachelor, 30, all of Salt River, were withdrawn on the instructions of the Attorney-General.

Constable James Farmer was killed while monitoring the funeral of an unrest victim in Salt River on September 11.

Mr M J C Tolken was the magistrate. Mr C Gavin appeared for the State. Mr Y Ebrahim represented the three.

R1 000 bail granted to squatter leader

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Court Reporter

BAIL of R1 000 was granted in the Langa Magistrate's Court yesterday to Nyanga Extension squatter camp leader Mr Alfred Siphika, who is charged with attempted murder.

Mr Siphika, 41, of New Crossroads, was granted bail on condition that he report to the Manenberg police station daily and notify the Guguletu police station if he changes his address or leaves the address given for more than 48 hours.

He may also not communicate with any State witnesses or go into the area known as Old Crossroads.

The State withdrew opposition to bail but insisted on these conditions. Mr Siphika's attorney, Mr Stephan Raubenheimer, agreed to the conditions.

At a previous hearing, Mr Siphika covered his face with his hands and said he was finding it difficult to answer questions.

He said he was becoming confused with dates and places. The proceedings were stopped and he was referred to a district surgeon.

Mr Siphika was arrested on May 26 and is charged with the attempted murder of a man alleged to be a "witdoek".

The hearing was adjourned to July 10.

Mr D Visagie was the magistrate. Mr N Erasmus appeared for the State.

Cape Times 28/6/88

Man tells of 'necklace'

By CHRIS STEYN

A CROSSROADS man yesterday described how he survived a necklace attack during fighting between radical and conservative factions in the shantytown recently.

The 48-year-old man was discharged from hospital yesterday — a month after the attack.

He said he had just returned from Tygerberg Hospital where he received stitches after being injured during fighting between comrades and witdoeke, when he was attacked again.

The man, who asked not to be named, said a large group of people accosted him at a bus stop near the entrance to the township.

"They accused me of being a witdoek. But when I said that I did not know any witdoeke, they shouted that I was lying.

"They dragged me to Mahobe Drive where they put a tyre around my neck. They poured petrol over me and set the tyre alight," he said.

The group of young and old men then attacked him with pangas, axes, sticks and stones.

He suffered serious head and back wounds.

Members of the security forces arrived during the attack.

"The police fired at my attackers and they fled."

● In terms of the emergency regulations, this report had to be cleared by a police liaison officer, before the Cape Times could publish any details of police action.

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Refugees start work on salvage dam

Refugees started bladed implements yesterday to build a dam in front of bulldozer as the development works in a Cape Board area.

Crossroads refugees skirmishes between refugees and police

There were "Windows corrugated iron, took wood and the Burnt-out areas from Nyanga Burnt Bush patrol dropped a foot Bush and Defence Force which had stoned them after refugees on a group of vigilantes Police, troops and Defence claim shot velopment Board bulldozers and a fleet of trucks to remove the burnt-out shacks of Crossroads refugees. The work yesterday on the Crossroads and the Development Board officers. 200 police, some with guns, stood by as refugees stood from the Old Transe Road as they guard as reinforcements arrived on the Old Lake Drive entrance to Crossroads at 12.40pm and fired tear gas and rubber bullets at the refugees. Police said they had at least 10 people injured, two seriously. Police said nobody would be forced to move to another area. They had also said that these people would be still wanted for questioning. Virtual-

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Police search Nyanga homes

By CHRIS STEYN

SECURITY FORCES cordoned off parts of Nyanga and conducted a house-to-house search in the township yesterday afternoon.

And, for the first time since the declaration of the state of emergency, members of the press were invited to report on security force action in the townships.

It is a contravention of the emergency regulations to report or comment on actions of the security forces.

Permission was obtained from the police yesterday afternoon to publish details of the afternoon's operation. In terms of this arrangement, the Cape Times was last night obliged to read the text of this report to a police liaison officer, Captain Jan Calitz.

A police spokesman said late yesterday afternoon that police had arrested four men for illegal possession of ammunition, banned literature and unlawful liquor trading during the operation.

Police also confiscated several rounds of ammunition of different calibres.

At 2pm police set up roadblocks at several entrances to Crossroads and Nyanga.

Minutes later riot police in Casspirs moved in and searched homes.

The police spokesman said the security force members were searching for firearms, explosives and people who had committed "serious crimes", including murder, arson and acts of public violence.

Police also distributed pamphlets asking for the residents' co-operation in finding arms and fugitives.

"The people hiding these weapons intend to use them to harm you and your families," it said.

The Divisional Commissioner of Police, Brigadier Christoffel Swart, and commanding officer of the forces in the area, Major-General Dirk Genis, flew over the area in a helicopter while the house-to-house searches were being conducted.

Boys caned, fined for intimidating teacher

Court Reporter

TWO Bree River Senior Secondary pupils were sentenced in the Worcester Regional Court on Thursday for hitting a teacher and intimidating her into leaving her post.

The youths, both 17 years old, were each fined R300 and sentenced to two years imprisonment suspended for five years on condition that they are not found guilty of public violence, arson, malicious damage to property, or intimidation. They were also given five cuts with a light cane.

The case followed incidents on March 10 and 11 when the two boys threatened Miss Laura Lategan, smacked her in the face and intimidated her into leaving her post. Both had previously been expelled from the school for other, unrelated, incidents.

Miss Lategan told the court she had been invigilating her class during a test when one of the two boys started disturbing the class. After repeated requests by Miss Lategan to leave the class, she had pushed him out of the door.

He had smacked her in the face with an open hand saying: "You'll see what will happen to you if you stay at this school. You whites don't belong here."

Mr A J van Wyk was the magistrate. Mr G Hattingh appeared for the State. Mr E Daniels appeared for the boys.

State burial for Molope

JOHANNESBURG. — A state funeral was held yesterday at Mabopane near Pretoria for a senior Bophuthatswana policeman, Brigadier Andrew Molope.

He was shot dead last week, allegedly with an AK47 assault rifle. There had been a number of previous unsuccessful attempts on Brigadier Molope's life.

Bophuthatswana's President Lucas Mangope and several senior South African policemen attended the funeral.

Mr Mangope paid tribute to Brigadier Molope at the church service:

"He maintained law and order. Law and order without which we can never ever be happy. Law and order without which there can never ever be peace."

The mourners then followed the coffin to the Mabopane cemetery where the body was laid to rest. — Sapa

Schoolboy in blast goes to hospital

Schoolboy wounded in bomb blast

Dispatch Reporter

QUEENSTOWN — A 12-year-old boy was injured and damage estimated at thousands of rands was caused when a bomb exploded in a dustbin at the busy Fred Pettit shopping centre here about 11.45 am on Saturday.

The boy, Douglas Nepgen, was admitted to the Frere Hospital with leg fractures, and according to a hospital spokesman, underwent an operation on Saturday night. His condition was stable.

When asked if the boy might lose part of his leg — something his family feared — the spokesman said: "It is too soon to say. It is a question of watching him over the next couple of days to see how he responds to treatment."

An unidentified 30-year-old man suffered toe fractures in the blast and was treated at the Frontier Hospital here before being discharged later.

An 18-year-old signwriter, Ms Cindy Shadiack, who was working on the windows of the El Shume Restaurant in the shopping complex, narrowly escaped injury when glass and metal splinters flew past her.

"It sounded like someone had popped a balloon behind me. I turned round and saw smoke and flying glass everywhere," she said.

A Ladysmith woman, Mrs Estell Ashley, who was here to visit her mother in hospital, also had a close shave. She was paying for groceries at a supermarket checkout when the explosion occurred.

Shocked after the blast, she said: "My car was parked in front of the chemist where the explosive device went off and it was damaged.

"A few minutes later I would have been at my car carrying my groceries. I am lucky I was not there."

Mr Mike van der Merwe, his wife, Marie, and their two children also missed certain injury by seconds.

"We were drinking coldrinks at a table next to the chemist and something told me we should go or we might get parked in.

"My son had not finished his drink and wanted to throw the can into the dustbin where the explosive device is believed to have gone off. But I insisted that he finish the drink instead of wasting it.

"We then walked to our car and my son threw the can into another nearby dustbin. I can't bear to think what could have happened if he had thrown the can into the first dustbin," Mr Van der Merwe said.

He said they were a few metres from the bin when the explosion occurred. He went completely deaf for a few minutes and stood in disbelief while his wife ran off with the children.

The blast shattered the windows and roof of Frontier Pharmacy, Glenlie Furnishers next door and the windows of a legal firm, Albert and Morgan.

The windows of a number of cars in a large parking lot in front of the complex were shattered and the bodies of the cars damaged.

People doing last-minute shopping at a nearby supermarket were shocked, but escaped injury.

The restaurant in the complex had one cracked window pane and nobody inside was injured.

Shrapnel was strewn across the parking lot and a man in a nearby flat found a piece of what is believed to have been part of the dustbin on his balcony.

Bits of metal and broken glass were found in the nearby streets.

A spokesman for the Bureau of Information said the cause of the explosion was not yet known and police investigations were continuing.

The area was sealed off within minutes of the blast.

Police sniffer dogs searched the parking lot and shops in the complex. It is not known if any other devices were found.

Meanwhile, the owners of the shops were yesterday sifting through the rubble and clearing their premises of broken glass and damaged fittings. Glaziers were also called in to replace the large windows.

Only shopowners have been allowed into the complex during clearing-up operations.

Young explosion victim 'stable'

EAST LONDON — The 12-year-old boy injured in the weekend bomb explosion in Queenstown is in a stable condition in East London's Frere Hospital.

A hospital spokesman said today Douglas Nepgen underwent a leg operation on Saturday night.

The bomb exploded in a dustbin at a crowded shopping centre at 11.45am on Saturday.

A 30-year-old man who suffered toe fractures was treated in hospital and discharged.

The explosion shattered shop and office windows and damaged the roof of a pharmacy and cars in a parking lot.

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PE doctor killed in township surgery

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Crime Reporter

THE partly burnt body of a doctor from Motherwell, Dr Mbulelo John Hewana, was found in his surgery in Motherwell last night by a passing police patrol.

The Bureau of Information in Pretoria said today that a can and two bottles containing petrol were found near his body, seeming to indicate that arson was involved.

Apart from the murder of Dr Hewana, yesterday was one of the quietest days since the declaration of the state of emergency, according to the bureau.

Dr Hewana's wife, Dr Lindi Dube, who works at Livingstone Hospital where she and her husband lived, said he normally returned home at 7.30pm after early evening surgery at his rooms in Motherwell.

She said he never stayed overnight in Motherwell.

The couple married in December last year.

Dr Dube said her husband had qualified at the University of Natal Medical School in 1983 and completed his housemanship at Livingstone Hospital the following year.

He then went into private practice with a partner in New Brighton and moved to Motherwell, where he practised alone, during mid-1985.

Dr Dube said she was not sure what the motive could have been for her husband's murder, but it could have been robbery.

Police told her that her husband had been shot.

His car, a Corolla Avante, was missing.

It was possible that her husband had quite a large amount of cash on him last night.

Cradock shooting: policeman acquitted

Court Reporter

A YOUNG policeman who shot a 16-year-old stone-thrower during the Cradock unrest last year, was aquitted on a charge of culpable homicide in the Port Elizabeth Regional Court yesterday.

Constable Marius van Staden, 21, of Pearson Street, Central, was charged with culpable homicide arising from the death from shotgun wounds of Thosi Skweyiya in Sikulu Street, Cradock, on February 3 last year.

In his judgment the magistrate, Mr J Kotze, accepted the evidence of four police witnesses who told of murder, arson and violence occuring in the township at that time.

He accepted the evidence of Const Van Staden and two other policemen who said that Thosi was in the forefront of a group of youths who were stoning the police vehicle at a burning barricade.

He rejected the evidence of two witnesses who said the group of youths had been sitting quietly next to a fence until the police threw stones and shot at them with catapaults until they fled.

One of the witnesses had said he was completely unaware of any disturbance in the townships, and this could not be true.

He found that Const Van Staden was entitled to arrest Thosi, and that he was entitled to use force to effect the arrest or to prevent his escape.

He accepted that Const Van Staden had not intended to kill.

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Body found in burning clinic

PRETORIA — The Bureau for Information said in its unrest report for the 24-hour period ending at 6am yesterday that only one serious incident had been reported.

It said South Africa experienced on Monday, as far as serious incidents of violence were concerned, "one of its quietest days since the declaration of the state of emergency".

About 10pm "a police patrol came across a clinic that was burning in Hinsta Street, Motherwell, Port Elizabeth".

"The partially burnt body of a black man, later identified as the forty-two-year-old Dr J M Hewana, was found in the building. A can and two bottles containing petrol were found near his body. This seems to indicate that arson was involved." — Sapa

Arsonists strike at Guguletu school— twice

Staff Reporter

ARSONISTS set fire to a school in Guguletu twice in one night, damaging three classrooms and sections of the building's roof.

Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, said the Wukukanja Senior Primary School in NY 102 Guguletu was attacked at 2.20 am today when arsonists set fire to two classrooms, damaging desks and part of the roof before the flames were doused by the fire brigade.

Two hours later, at 5.30 am, arsonists struck again, setting another classroom alight.

Lieutenant Laubscher said the extent of the damage had not yet been established.

Police are investigating.

A man armed with a pis- [illegible]

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Unrest incidents claim three lives in 2 in PE

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PRETORIA — Three deaths have resulted from unrest incidents — two of them in Port Elizabeth townships — according a Bureau for Information report.

About midday yesterday in Kwazekele, a group of about 60 people stoned a municipal police vehicle and the municipal police officers involved were forced to defend themselves, fatally wounding a man. Six men are being held in connection with the incident.

In New Brighton, the body of an unknown woman was found by the police. She had been necklaced.

Mr Ringile Nqaza, 28, set alight near Hofmeyer last week, has died in Tarkastad Hospital.

Both Constable Andries Thomson and a policewoman, Sergeant Magda van Riel, who were slightly injured in yesterday's bomb explosion in Mowbray, Cape Town, have been discharged from hospital.

Elsewhere, the number of unrest-related incidents reported in the past 24 hours was low but there was, however, a slight increase in minor incidents such as stone-throwing and wilful damage to property.

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Court overturns refusal of bail

Supreme Court Reporter

A MAGISTRATE'S refusal of bail to two Langa youths pending appeal against eight-year sentences for public violence was overturned by the Supreme Court yesterday.

Mr Justice R Marais granted bail of R1 000 each to Mandala Bangani, 19, and Khaya Gcitifshane, 18, on condition that they report twice daily to the Langa police station.

The two youths, with Lingisa Koko, 19 — who had no legal representative at the trial — were found guilty of public violence and sentenced on April 18.

The magistrate found that they had gathered unlawfully with about 50 people in Langa, "marched about and created a riot", and had damaged and set fire to a car.

The court also found they had assaulted a policeman, Warrant-Officer Charles Harding.

W/O Harding's evidence was that he had been "discussing things" with one Erick in Langa on January 27. Suddenly there was a loud bang and stones began falling.

He radioed for help and dashed for a building but was hit on the back by an unidentified object and then by sjamboks and kieries. He fell to the ground and was assaulted further but then was left alone. He ran into the building, bolted the door, and saw from there the accused setting fire to his car.

Passing sentence, the magistrate said: "This crime of public violence has become very prevalent of late and it is disrupting society completely. It is therefore necessary that the sentence should act as a deterrent not only to you but also to others."

Finding no mitigating circumstances, the magistrate remarked that the youths were "old enough to know better".

"It is also unfortunately a well-known fact today that the youth in this country takes the lead in this type of crime and youth of itself can therefore not be an excuse."

Mr J C Swanepoel, instructed by Graham and Horak, appeared for the applicants. Mr A D R Stephen appeared for the State.


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EMERGENCY UPDATE
Seven die in 'quiet' weekend — police
The Argus Correspondent
PRETORIA. — The weekend was relatively quiet as far as unrest-related incidents were concerned, according to a spokesman for the Bureau for Information.
The bodies of six unidentified people, two of them with tyres on top of them, were found in a burnt-out house in Kwazekele near Port Elizabeth, while a man was killed when security forces retaliated after their vehicle was stoned in Dantjietrust, Nelspruit.
● One of the men injured in the Friday's bomb blast in Silverton, Pretoria East, Mr D Mamela, is still under police guard in an unsatisfactory condition in H F Verwoerd Hospital.
Three women seriously injured in the blast would be operated on today, a hospital spokesman said.
Mrs Martie Erasmus, 56, lost a leg when the device exploded in a rubbish bin near her.
Miss Philly Marais, 23, and Miss Lea Bruyns, 21, both from Sunnyside, were due to have operations today.
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Mr James Pavier, from Kameeldrif, and Miss S C Roets of Silverton are reported to be in satisfactory condition.
Yesterday the Bureau for Information reported that Miss Sophie Mospisa, Miss Rebecca Mphofu and Mr Samuel Masangawere, were much improved in Kalafong Hospital.
● Three-week-old bomb victim Jared Petley's condition has deteriorated after a scan showed bleeding in his brain, a Johannesburg Hospital spokesman said today.
Jared's skull was pierced by shrapnel when a limpet mine exploded in a dustbin in Main Street, Johannesburg, last week.
His right ear, which was severely lacerated, was operated on last Tuesday.
● Sapa reports that three men were killed by police in a skirmish near Empangeni at the weekend.
Russian landmines, hand-grenades and AK-47s and ammunition were found, the statement said.

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Sniper kills foreman in township

The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — A construction company foreman, Mr Petrus Jacobus Fourie, 53, killed by a sniper in a Port Elizabeth township today.

The first report of the shooting was taken by his son, Constable Pieter Fourie, at radio control who was unaware it was his father. The initial report merely said a white man had been shot.

STRUCK IN THE CHEST

Police liaison officer Major Eddie Everson said Mr Fourie, of McKelvie Road, Bramhope, who worked for Clifford Harris, and a security guard employed by the company, Mr Albertrus Jacobs, 38, had offloaded a work team in Tongela Street early today.

Mr Fourie, driving the truck, was about to get in when three shots rang out. The first hit the side mirror of the truck, the second bounced off the front of the windscreen and struck Mr Fourie on the arm and the third ricocheted and struck him in the chest.

Mr Fourie was taken to the Provincial Hospital, where he died an hour later.

Constable Fourie carried on working unaware that his father had been killed until further radio reports come through and he received a telephone call from his mother.



Police seek identities of 20 bodies in morgue

Staff Reporter

POLICE are trying to identify 20 people found dead at Crossroads and Nyanga in the past two months.

Anyone able to identify any of them is asked to refer to the attached death registration (DR) number and telephone the State mortuary in Salt River (☎55 4736).

● DR 15445/86: A man who was found at 4.10pm on May 18 at Old Crossroads, Nyanga. He was believed to have been Mr Sokoli George Kheveyiya, address unknown.

● DR 1558/86: An unidentified man of about 20 who was found in Lansdowne Road near Crossroads at 11.20am on May 5.

● DR 1563/86: An unidentified man of about 30 who was found at 3.15pm on May 19 in Mahobe Drive, Nyanga.

● DR 1591/86: A man of about 18 who was found at offices of the Development Board at 3pm on May 21. He was believed to have been Mr Mbulelo Ndamane, address unknown.

● DR 1592/86: A man whose charred body was found on the corners of Eisleben and Landsowne roads about 3pm on May 21. Mortuary officials were unable to assess his age.

● DR 1594/86: Another man whose charred body was found on the corners of Eisleben and Landsowne roads about 5.30pm on May 21.

● DR 1602/86: A man of about 26 who was found at 9am on May 22 at Crossroads, Nyanga. He was believed to have been Mr Viyisile Alberson Nqxaneleni, address unknown.

● DR 1606/86: A man of about 30 who was found about 2.30pm on May 22 at Crossroads, Nyanga. He was believed to have been Mr Leonard Moseyedwa, address unknown.

● DR 1617/86: A man aged about 18 who was found at 11.15am on May 22 at Crossroads, Nyanga. He was believed to have been Mr Bovayile Sydney Sikin, address unknown.

● DR 1643/86: A man whose charred body was found about 8.19pm on May 24 in Terminus Road, Nyanga. His age could not be assessed.

● DR 1675/86: A man who was found with severe burns at 10.25am on May 26. His age is unknown.

● DR 1676/86: A man of unknown age whose burnt body was found at 10.24am on May 26 in Sine Road, Nyanga.

● DR 1859/86: A man of about 25 who was found in Miller Road, Nyanga, on June 10.

● DR 1862/86: A man who was found dead about 15.15pm on June 10 in Crossroads, Nyanga.

● DR 1895/86: A man of about 55 whose burnt body was found at 3pm on June 12 at site E990, Nyanga East.

● DR 1896/86: A man aged about 30 who died from burns on June 12 at Site E990, Nyanga East. His body was was found at 1.35pm.

● DR 1919/86: A man of unknown age whose severely burnt body was found at 3am on June 14 in Lansdowne Road near Crossroads.

● DR 1924/86: A man of unknown age whose burnt body was found at 9.15am on June 15 in Crossroads.

● DR 1950/86: A man whose charred body was found at 8pm on June 15 in Crossroads.

● DR 1951/86: Another man whose charred body was found at 8pm on June 15 in Crossroads.

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Man dies in second attack

The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — A construction foreman shot in Zwide township had a narrow escape two months ago when he was assaulted and his revolver was stolen in the same area.

Mr Petrus Jacobus Fourie, 53, died in the Port Elizabeth Provincial Hospital an hour after being shot at a construction site yesterday.

Police liaison officer Major Eddie Everson said Mr Fourie, accompanied by a company security guard, dropped workers off and was about to get back in his bakkie when a man with a revolver appeared.

Three shots were fired, one hitting Mr Fourie.

Managing director of Clifford Harris Construction in the Eastern Cape Mr David Beveridge said that his company personnel were pulling out Zwide for the rest of the week.

'Missing' accused were in detention

The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — A Port Elizabeth magistrate who issued warrants for the arrest of eight men after they failed to appear on charges of murder has been told the missing men were in detention under emergency regulations.

This was revealed when the president of the United Democratic Front in the Eastern Cape, Mr Edgar Ngoyi, and seven others finally appeared before Mr J W S Pienaar in the New Brighton court.

But Mr Pienaar confirmed a previous order that bail of R500 in the case of Mr Ngoyi and R200 in the case of a youth be forfeit, as their lawyer did not appear to explain their absence.

Bail for the other six was extended after their lawyer, Mr S Nkanunu, argued that they had not appeared because they were also in detention.

The eight are accused of killing Mr Phakamisa Nogwaza on June 8 last year.

Vicar, nuns charged over placard protest

The Argus Correspondent

EAST LONDON. — The Roman Catholic vicar-general of East London, Father Hugh Magorrian, and five other people have been charged in terms of a municipal by-law with holding an illegal placard demonstration.

Father Magorrian's lawyer, Mr H Lalla, confirmed today that a summons had been issued.

According to the summons, Father Magorrian is alleged to have taken part in a procession, demonstration or gathering without the permission of the local authority.

An admission-of-guilt fine of R50 can be paid. If not, the six, including two nuns and a member of the Catholic Justice and Reconciliation Commission in the city, will have to appear in court on July 30.

France gives R70 000 to Crossroads

Staff Reporter

FRANCE has granted 200 000 francs (about R70 000) in aid to the refugees of Crossroads, the French Embassy in Pretoria has announced.

A spokesman for the embassy said the aid was "part of a series of measures France has decided to take bilaterally and within the European Economic Community in favour of the black community of South Africa".

● St John Ambulance is continuing to supply Crossroads refugees with food and clothing.

Spokesman Mrs Anne Botha said today most was in food and clothing parcels to families being housed by friends and relatives in Nyanga, Langa and Guguletu.

"CAN'T COPE"

"It's been a long time now and the supporting families cannot cope with all the additional people," she said.

A Philippi farmer who housed 200 refugees in outbuildings on his poultry farm soon after fighting broke out in the squatter camp appealed to St John Ambulance for help in feeding and clothing them.

They have since been rehoused in church halls and refugee shelters.

Nun swore at me — policeman

By SHAUNA WESTCOTT
Supreme Court Reporter

A ROMAN Catholic nun was arrested and detained after assaulting a policeman and swearing obscenely at him, the policeman alleges in papers before the Supreme Court.

A completely different account of the incident is given in papers filed in support of an application for the nun's release brought by the acting Regional Superior of the Dominican Order, Sister Therese.

Pleaded

According to this account, the nun was arrested after she stood between the policeman and a young man he was beating and kicking, and pleaded repeatedly with the policeman to "please have mercy on the boy".

In an urgent action brought against the Minister of Law and Order, the Minister of Justice, the Commissioner of Police and the Officer Commanding Pollsmoor Prison, Sister Therese has asked for an order declaring the arrest and detention of Sister Clare Harkin on June 23 unlawful.

Sister Clare was held after the funeral and burial of Mr Stewart Mahxama.

Procession

Ms Girlie Joja, 40, of Terminus Road, New Crossroads, says in an affidavit that about 2.30pm on June 23 she saw a procession of vehicles and people turn into her road. Two police vans were in front of the procession, a yellow Volkswagen beetle was on the right and numerous Casspirs were behind.

Two Casspirs moved up from the back to positions on either side of the procession, forcing the Volkswagen beetle off the road.

Until then the procession had been orderly.

"The people in the procession then started to run in all directions and the police that I could see jumped out of their vehicles and gave chase. The police then proceeded to beat everyone they could get hold of with sjamboks ... and started arresting some of the people who had been in the procession.

"A policeman then came running towards us and as a young man (a stranger) stood next to me, the policeman started beating him.

"I then saw a nun get out of the yellow Volkswagen which had earlier been forced off the road and proceed in our direction. She went to stand between the policeman and the young man who was being beaten, without touching either of them, and she repeatedly said: 'Please have mercy on the boy'. But he just ignored her pleas for mercy, glared at her, seemed to get even angrier and pushed her."

A Casspir and police van had meanwhile pulled up and another policeman had joined the group and stood watching, pointing his gun at the young man his colleague was kicking as he lay on the ground. Sister Clare's pleas continued to be ignored. She was again pushed out of the way.

"A policeman from an open hatch at the top of the Casspir then said to the policeman who was kicking the young man, *'Vat daardie vrou'*. At first I thought he was referring to me, but the policeman who was kicking the boy then turned to the sister and grabbed her roughly by the shoulder and pulled her in the direction of the van. She did not object or say anything, she just went quietly with him."

(The young man seized opportunity and disappeared.)

Constable Marius Nel, of the riot squad, described the demeanour of the mourners as "aggressive and provocative".

He said that when an order to disperse the mourners was given by Captain Jacob Johannes Oosthuizen, he concentrated on a black youth with an eye-catching cap on his head and chased him.

"I caught up with him and hit him with a quirt. Then he turned round and tried to shelter behind a woman standing on the sidepath. I caught up with him again and hit him once or twice in an attempt to force him back into the street.

"While I was delivering these blows, I felt someone grabbing me from behind and in the next moment grabbing the quirt in my hand.

"I saw it was a white nun (who I later established was the detainee) and seeing she was hindering me I pulled my quirt away from her and pushed her away with my other hand.

"The detainee started to hit me with her fist on my left shoulder and said 'Are you f---ing crazy?' I again tried to push her away and saw that the man had started to run away."

Constable Nel said he was then instructed by Captain Oosthuizen to arrest the nun who "assaulted" him.

Captain Oosthuizen said in an affidavit that in Ms Joja's affidavit "the impression is created that members under my control simply began striking out left and right like madmen".

Denying this and supporting Constable Nel's claim that he was assaulted by Sister Clare, Captain Oosthuizen notes that the use of quirts "is one of the least violent means of unrest control".

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Mr Justice Robin Marais said he hoped to give judgment on the application today.

Mr J G Foxcroft, SC, with Mr J H de Lange and instructed by E Moosa and Associates, appeared for Sister Therese. Mr H P Viljoen, SC, with Mr J A le Roux and instructed by the State Attorney's Office, appeared for the respondents.

Detained nun 'has never been involved in politics'

Staff Reporter

POLICE versions of events at a funeral in Guguletu, during which a Roman Catholic nun was arrested and held under the emergency regulations, have been disputed in the Supreme Court.

Sister Clare Harkin of the Dominican order has been in detention since her arrest on June 23.

Miss Angela Dempsey, known as Sister Therese, is applying to the court to declare Sister Clare's arrest and detention illegal and to order her release.

Sister Therese claims the police acted in bad faith by arresting and detaining Sister Clare, who, she says, has never been involved in politics.

Judgment is expected tomorrow.

The respondents are the Minister of Law and Order, the Minister of Justice, the Commissioner of Police and the officer commanding Pollsmoor Prison.

Treatment for depression

Sister Therese said in an affidavit that Sister Clare had depression and was having psychiatric treatment at Groote Schuur Hospital.

Miss Girlie Joja said in an affidavit that a procession of people, a Volkswagen Beetle, two police vans and Casspirs approached her home on June 23.

Two Casspirs forced the Beetle off the road and someone told the people to "run".

Police chased people and beat those they caught.

When a policeman started beating a young man on Miss Joja's property a nun got out of the Volkswagen and tried to intervene.

The policeman ignored her, threw the man to the ground and kicked him.

Another policeman in a Casspir instructed the first policeman to arrest Sister Clare.

Miss Anne Marie Hardimann, known as Sister Aine, said she worked with Sister Clare in Nyanga. They attended the funeral of prominent Nyanga resident Mr Stewart Mahxama because they were "closely related and integrated with the community".

After the service, the mourners set off for Mr Mahxama's home. Sister Clare and Sister Aine drove in a Beetle.

Fell behind

When they saw police and army personnel and vehicles Sister Aine got out and walked with the mourners in an attempt to defuse the situation.

She fell behind and lost sight of the procession.

A resident gave her a lift to catch up and she saw men looking in the boot of the Beetle and a man and three women in a Casspir.

She was told Sister Clare had been arrested and she saw her in a Casspir.

Riot police platoon commander Captain Jacob Johannes Oosthuizen said he repeatedly ordered the crowd to disperse and then told his men to disperse them with quirts.

A nun in a Volkswagen gestured to people moving away to rejoin the group.

He saw Sister Clare take hold of Constable Marius Nel and grab his quirt. She also hit him on his shoulder and his chest.

He ordered Sister Clare's arrest.

In his opinion she took part in an illegal gathering and assaulted and obstructed the police in the execution of their duty.

He further believed her arrest and detention "was necessary for the maintenance of public order, or the safety of the public, or the termination of the state of emergency".

Constable Nel said that while he was hitting a black man he felt someone grab him from behind and his quirt was grabbed. He saw it was a white nun.

He pulled his quirt from her and continued hitting the man.

The nun said: "Are you f...ing crazy?"

Foul language denied

In a replying affidavit, Miss Joja denied the policemen's version of the incident. Sister Clare had not used "foul language", said Miss Joja.

In her reply Sister Aine also disputed the policemen's versions.

She denied that a nun in the passenger seat of the Beetle could have beckoned to people leaving the procession because she was the only nun to sit in that seat and she got out of the car some time before the events.

Sister Aine also denied Constable Nel's claim that he saw a nun walking with the second group trying to organise the members of the group.

Mr Justice Marais is on the Bench. Mr J Foxcroft, SC, with Mr J de Lange, instructed by E Moosa and Associates, appears for Sister Therese. Mr H Viljoen, SC, with Mr J le Roux, instructed by the State Attorney's office, appears for the Minister of Law and Order.

I was shot in chest — witness

Court Reporter

THE leader of the devastated Portland Cement Works squatter camp, Mr Christopher Toise, and another man appeared in Wynberg Regional Court yesterday on charges of attempted murder and possessing firearms and ammunition.

Mr Toise, 51, of Section 6, Crossroads, Nyanga, and Mr Thabo Memani, 35, of Section 89, Crossroads, both pleaded not guilty to all charges.

The State alleges that they attempted to murder Mr Majeke Gumsha by shooting at him, possessed a weapon and ammunition unknown to the State and pointed a .38 Welsley revolver at Mr Phumile Khetelo on January 26.

Mr Gumsha told the court that on Sunday, January 26, he had come out of his house, near Lansdowne Road, at 2am after hearing a noise. He saw Mr Toise and Mr Memani, who then shot him in the chest.

Mr Gumsha had run to "the headquarters of Mr Melford Yamile, the leader of Nyanga Bush". He said he wanted to go the house of Mr Alfred Sipheka, leader of Extension 3, Nyanga, where he hoped to receive help, but Mr Yamile's house was closer.

He had afterwards gone to Mr Sipheke's house, where he had passed out. He regained conciousness at Conradie Hospital.

The hearing continues today and each had bail of R500 extended.

Mr A S McCarthy was the magistrate. Mr M A Broeksma prosecuted. Mr P Gamble, instructed by Wilkinson, Joshua and Gihwala, represented both men.

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Three bodies of massacred family identified

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Pretoria Bureau

More is now known about the deaths of five people whose bodies were found in a burnt house in Kwazakhele, near Port Elizabeth, says the Bureau for Information.

The deputy director of foreign media liaison, Miss Ronelle Henning, said at yesterday's Press briefing in Pretoria that one of the victims, a man identified as Mr Lenard Gcali (39), had apparently been shot before being taken to the house where the other four died.

Three of the bodies, all of which had tyres on top of them, have been identified. They are those of Mr Gcali; his wife, Notombomzi (38); and his 15-year-old daughter, Pumeza.

The two others, an adult and a child, are believed to be family relatives.

CAR STOPPED

Police have established that Mr Gcali's car was stopped by a group of people in the township. He was forced out and his car overturned and stoned. His attackers then shot him.

Mr Gcali's body was then taken to his home, where the rest of the family were killed, and the house set alight.

In other unrest incidents reported by the Bureau, a Soweto man was killed by a municipal policeman on Monday at about 8 pm. The dead man was apparently in a group of about 20 people in Orlando East when a shot was fired at the policeman. The policeman fired several rounds with his shotgun and the man was killed. A 9 mm Star pistol was found near the body.

A Grahamstown man is in a serious condition in hospital after he escaped from an attempted necklace murder on Monday night.

In Kwazakhele two buses were set alight on Monday night. Damage is estimated at R216 000.

Tyres found on five bodies in burnt house

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Further details of the murder of five people found in a burnt house in Kwazekehle near Port Elizabeth have emerged, says the Bureau for Information.

Deputy director of foreign media liaison, Miss Ronelle Henning, said at yesterday's press briefing in Pretoria that one of the victims, Mr Lenard Gcali, 39, had apparently been shot before being taken to the house where four others died.

Among them were his wife, Notombomzi, 38, and his 15-year-old daughter, Pumeza.

At 9pm on Sunday police saw that Mr Gcali's home in the site and service suburb of Kwazekehle was burning. Unsuccessful attempts were made to put the fire out, she said.

Police later found five bodies in the house, all with tyres on top of them. The two others, an adult and child, are believed to be relatives of Mr Gcali, but they have not been identified.

Police later found out that Mr Gcali's car had been stopped by a group in Betani Street. Mr Gcali had been forced out and his car overturned and stoned. His attackers had then shot him. A 9mm shell was found at the scene.

Mr Gcali's body was taken to his home, where the others were killed and the house set alight.

No arrests have been made.

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Man killed in Zwide

PRETORIA. — The Bureau for Information's situation report yesterday said that a man was killed in Zwide near Port Elizabeth on Tuesday when he threatened the security forces with a home-made weapon. The security forces fired two shots and the man was killed. An R1, an R4 and one 9mm round were confiscated.

Other unrest-related incidents were isolated and consisted mainly of stone-throwing and a few petrol-bomb attacks, the report said. — Sapa

Bureau suspends briefings

ANOTHER person died in unrest in the 24 hours up to 6am yesterday, according to the Bureau for Information. The death toll since the state of emergency was declared is now 118.

However the Bureau says the low general incidence of violence does not warrant media briefings and these have been suspended for two days.

The Bureau said a man had fired on the security forces with a homemade weapon at about 10.45 on Tuesday in Zwide.

"The security forces fired two shots and the man was fatally wounded.

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Tramways bus petrol-bombed

Staff Reporter

A CITY Tramways mini-bus was gutted yesterday and a man threatened to petrol-bomb a second bus in two separate incidents in Khayelitsha.

The managing director of City Tramways, Mr Nic Cronje, confirmed that both mini-buses were part of a pilot project being run by Tramways in Khayelitsha, Nyanga and Crossroads.

Township sources yesterday indicated there was considerable unhappiness among owners of mini-bus taxi fleets at the competition.

Mr Cronje said yesterday that if the service proved viable "we will expand".

He said that in J-Block, Khayelitsha, yesterday morning a man climbed into one of the mini-buses, paid his fare and then told passengers to climb out of the bus.

"He then produced a petrol bomb, broke the bottle on one of the seats and set the petrol alight."

In a separate incident, he said, a man had threatened to petrol-bomb another bus but had not carried out his threat.

Bus arson: Coetzer talks with 'leaders'

By KIN BENTLEY

THE managing director of PE Tramways, Mr Carl Coetzer, today held talks with Port Elizabeth "black community leaders and people who are close to the leadership" on the bus issue.

He is also to seek a meeting with the authorities.

Tramways decided on Tuesday not to run buses into the PE townships of New Brighton, Zwide and Kwazakele, after the destruction in arson attacks of several buses and support vehicles in the townships since the weekend.

In his statement, Mr Coetzer said that in view of the damage to the buses and the disruption of the services, the need to communicate with the black community leaders had become "very essential".

He added that "regrettably" due to the present circumstances, "certain leaders were not available and therefore, although the discussions were very useful, they are far from complete because some leaders who may be essential to the bringing about of normality to the bus service, were not present".

He said the discussions indicated that as a result of the current situation, "black leadership is not able to follow the normal accepted procedure of having meetings with the community and because of this, the ordinary issues which could and eventually would have been resolved are firstly, not being resolved and, secondly, are escalating into much larger issues".

Mr Coetzer declined to say which black leaders he met, but said "a number of matters were identified — among them the bus service — as being matters which will most likely become more troublesome" than if conditions were normal.

He added that the causes of the disruption of the service were not clear, but that the establishment and possible elimination of such cuases could only be established if "leaders can meet with the community".

He undertook to "investigate ways of getting to see the authorities in regards to the bus service disruption and the other matters raised".

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Petrol-bomb boy (16) jailed

PORT ELIZABETH — A 16-year-old boy who hid in a wardrobe after throwing a petrol bomb at a police vehicle was yesterday sentenced in the New Brighton Regional Court to five years' imprisonment, three years of which were suspended for four years.

The youth — who cannot be named — pleaded not guilty to throwing a petrol bomb at a Buffel in Zwide, Port Elizabeth, on April 19.

Corporal André Strydom told the court that on that day he was travelling down Dark Street in Zwide when a youth hurled a petrol bomb at the Buffel in which he and seven other policemen were travelling.

The petrol bomb hit the back of the Buffel, landed on the ground and exploded.

He and Constable Gary Holloway chased the youth to a house, where they found him hiding in a wardrobe.

They dragged him out and handed him to police. The youth denied he threw a petrol bomb at a police vehicle, saying on the day in question he had been helping his uncle to build a shack.

He said he was arrested in front of the shack they were building.

Giving judgment, the magistrate, Mr A W Meiring, said the two State witnesses had satisfied the court and had not contradicted themselves. The youth, on the other hand, had contradicted himself. — Sapa.

step-daughter, but this passed on August 7, pend- | office wastepaper bins or home

SAP sued for R5 000

Court Reporter

A DOCTOR told a Wynberg magistrate yesterday he removed shotgun pellets from five-day-old infected wounds in the upper lip and thigh of an eight-year-old boy.

Dr B H Pienaar, a trainee surgeon at Groote Schuur Hospital, was testifying in a civil trial in which the boy's father, Mr Z S Zuba, claimed R5 000 in damages from the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange.

The claim is a sequel to a shooting incident at Guguletu on February 19 last year.

Dr Pienaar told the court he was on duty in the Trauma Unit at Red Cross Hospital when he saw Ashley Zuba. He complained of pain in his upper lip.

Dr P J Commerford, a cardiac specialist, testified that he had examined Ashley on July 2. "His chest X-ray was abnormal because of metallic round foreign objects situated in the cardiac chamber."

The hearing was adjourned to October 8.

Mr W B Monk was the magistrate, Mr A van Reenen, for the Minister of Law and Order, was instructed by the State Attorney's Office. Mr L J Krige, instructed by the Legal Resources Centre, appeared for Mr Zuba.

Two missing

Group attacks policemen

Post Reporter

TWO Ibayi municipal policemen were attacked by a group near Motherwell last night.

One was set alight and the other was dragged into the bush. He has not been seen since.

This was confirmed by a spokesman for the Bureau for Information in Pretoria today.

The spokesman said the policeman who was set alight at 7pm yesterday, was believed to be in hospital.

The bureau reported "few" unrest incidents at the weekend.

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Man dies, 11 held

Staff Reporter

A MAN was killed and 11 people were arrested during a confrontation between Prince Albert police and alleged stockthieves on Saturday night.

Colonel P J Swart, divisional CID officer for Oudtshoorn, said yesterday that warrant officers D F Horn and R A Smith went to the farm Vredendal, owned by Mr Tokkie Mirinkowitz, near Prince Albert, to investigate the theft of 35 sheep.

When they confronted a woman allegedly connected with the thefts, Warrant Officer Smith was hit with a fanbelt on the back and forehead. His head wound later had five stitches.

"They were going to drag him to a fire to burn him but he pulled out his service revolver and in his dizziness after being struck the gun went off and hit a 22-year-old man, killing him," said Colonel Swart.

The 11 people were arrested after the shooting.

DV youth acquitted of public violence

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — A 17-year-old Duncan Village youth was acquitted on a charge of public violence when he appeared in the regional court here yesterday.

The youth, who pleaded not guilty, was alleged to have stoned a South African Police bus which was patrolling in the C Section area of Duncan Village on May 4 last year.

The youth told the court he had not stoned any vehicle, and was arrested and assaulted by police after he was taken from the front of the house in which he was staying.

He said he had been helping his mother cut meat, when they heard people screaming outside, so he went to have a look and saw police firing teargas into a crowd.

When he turned around to go into the house, he was grabbed by a policeman.

Sergeant A. Strydom said he saw the youth hurling stones at the bus. There were about 30 people standing near the road.

He said he ran after the youth for about 60 paces before he grabbed him by the collar.

A cut above the youth's eye was the result of a scuffle during which the youth tried to stab him with a broken bottle, Sergeant Strydom said.

When asked by the magistrate, Mr A. Kotze, how he recognised the youth, Sergeant Strydom said he recognised him by the clothes he was wearing at the time — a yellow T-shirt and brown trousers.

He could not say for sure that the youth he saw on that day and the one before court were the same person, Sergeant Strydom said.

Mr Kotze, acquitting the youth, said the state had not been able to prove the identity of the youth beyond reasonable doubt.

Mr R. Esterhuyse was the prosecutor.

Leave to appeal for schoolboy

Staff Reporter

A KENSINGTON schoolboy — arrested last year for throwing stones at a police vehicle — was yesterday granted leave by the Bloemfontein Appeal Court to appeal against his 12-month prison sentence.

The case of Bradley van Niekerk, 18, sparked a lawyers' campaign against sentences handed out to youths and children in unrest-related cases.

Initially Van Niekerk's appeal to the Supreme Court, Cape Town, was dismissed and a subsequent application for leave to take the matter to the Appellate Division was refused.

The Save Bradley from Prison Committee launched a signature campaign and his lawyer petitioned the Chief Justice for leave to appeal.

Chief Justice gives city pupil leave to appeal

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Staff Reporter

THE Chief Justice, Mr Justice P J Rabie, has granted a Standard 9 pupil at South Peninsula High School leave to appeal against his prison sentence.

Bradley van Niekerk, 18, was sentenced in the Wynberg Magistrate's Court to a year's imprisonment for public violence.

He lost an appeal in the Supreme Court, Cape Town, and leave to appeal to the Appellate Division was refused.

Teachers, fellow-pupils and parents formed the Save Bradley from Prison Committee to petition for leave to appeal in the Appeal Court.

Campaign chairman Mr Thaabit Albertus said Mr Justice Rabie granted the appeal last Tuesday but confirmation was received only yesterday.

8 unrest accused fail to appear

Eight Alexandra youngsters — of a group of 12 charged with public violence — failed to appear in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The other four — Mr Maphala Tsepo (18) and three 16-year-olds — attended.

The 18 were arrested on December 23 in connection with a charge of public violence and alternative charges of arson, theft and damage to property.

The charges relate to the stoning of the Alexandra Information Centre, siphoning diesel and petrol out of vehicles and the stoning and burning of Mr Edward Moikonyane's home.

DETENTIONS

Their legal representative, Mr P M Kennedy, asked the magistrate, Mr S Fryer, to postpone the warrants of arrest for the eight who did not appear.

"The investigating officer has confirmed that many of the accused have been detained in terms of the emergency regulations, but he could not say who. Up to now we, as their legal representatives, could not ascertain where they were," said Mr Kennedy.

The warrants were held over provisionally.

The four accused who came to court were warned to appear again on August 29.

The three youths were released into the custody of their parents.

British TV peeks behind S A blackout

London Bureau

BRITONS tonight will get a television close-up of what is going on in South Africa's black townships in spite of the restrictions under the state of emergency.

It was filmed secretly to beat the reporting restrictions under the emergency and shows that many black political activists have gone underground and are in hiding to avoid the detentions they fear.

Thames Television's reporter Julian Manyon and producer Linda McDougall spent three weeks avoiding police patrols and road blocks to meet underground activists.

They had interviews at a 'safe house' in Cape Town's white suburbs with what they describe as 'two of the most wanted men in South Africa today' — Mr Trevor Manual, who is on the national executive of the UDF and is its Western Cape secretary, and Mr Christmas Tinto, vice-president of the Western Cape division of the UDF.

The programme, in the series *TV Eye*, contains interviews with young black 'comrades' and with other blacks.

Mr Manyon told a Press conference yesterday that their clandestine operations had meant filming with extremely light video equipment, never congregating as a working TV team and making all business calls from public telephones.

The team spent three weeks inside South Africa and has only recently returned to Britain.

results from us.

It appeared that, with a few exceptions, the world was intent on making South Africa's third challenge self-sufficiency through the imposition of sanctions.

'If it is expected of us to forgo essential manufactured products, let us manufacture them ourselves.

'If it is expected of us to forgo essential agricultural products, let us ourselves cultivate enough so that we can also export.

'If it is expected of us to forgo other essential goods which we cannot manufacture or build, let us obtain them by exploiting the self-interest of others.'

Mr Botha said South Africa had never been a warmongering country or an imperial power, but it did live in a world where conflict, war, international terrorism and imperialism were raging.

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Assurances over detained attorneys

PRETORIA—The Commissioner of Police, Gen Johan Coetzee, has pledged to take urgent steps to protect the interests of clients whose attorneys have been detained under the current state of emergency, according to a Press statement released yesterday by the law societies of the Transvaal, Cape and Natal.

The assurances were given at a meeting between Gen Coetzee and senior police officials and a delegation from the three law societies, the statement said.

'Gen Coetzee also undertook to try to arrange for access to detained attorneys for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to their practices.

'He gave the assurance that no attorney had been detained purely by reason of the performance of his normal professional duties,' the statement said. — (Sapa)

Shootings: Police used 'ghost truck', court told

Staff Reporter

POLICE used an unmarked lorry, known as a "ghost truck", in an operation in riot-torn Athlone on October 15 last year, the Wynberg Regional Court heard today.

Three youths, Shaun Magmoed, Jonathan Claasen and Michael Miranda, died when police opened fire from the lorry in Thornton Road last year.

Thirteen people appeared in Wynberg Magistrate's Court today charged with public violence arising from the incident. Charges against the three dead youths were withdrawn.

Lieutenant D.G.P. Vermeulen of the railways police said he had been ordered to act after complaints of stone-throwing and tyre-burning.

He picked nine men from the police and railways police and, as instructed, used the orange lorry which bore no identification marks and was meant to look like a private vehicle.

Lieutenant Vermeulen said his men had automatic side arms, 9mm pistols and shotguns.

Two of his men, including the driver, sat in front dressed in military boots, camouflage trousers and khaki overcoats similar to those worn by South African Transport Services drivers.

The rest, including Lieutenant Vermeulen, hid in wooden crates on the back.

He said they followed a pre-determined route.

The accused are: Errol Surja, 20, of Athlone, Rodney Regter, 21, of Rondebosch East, Edward Peters, 24, of Kewtown, Mark Lawrence, 19, of Mountview, Arnold Reynolds, 27, of Lotus River, Roderick Crowley, 22, of Athlone, James Collison, 21, of Athlone, Brian Johnson, 33, of Athlone, Howard Papier, 21, of Athlone, Cedric Buxton, Geraldine Jacobs and two juveniles.

(Proceeding)

'We hid in wooden crates on back of truck'

Policeman tells of Athlone shooting

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Own Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — It is possible that bystanders were shot when police opened fire on alleged stone-throwers from an unmarked truck in Thornton Road, Athlone, last October, the Wynberg Regional Court heard yesterday.

This admission was made by Lieutenant D G P Vermeulen of the railway police, who commanded the operation.

Shaun Magmoed, Jonathan Claasen and Michael Miranda died when police, who had been hidden in wooden crates on the back of a lorry, opened fire.

Thirteen people are charged with public violence arising from the incident. Charges against the three dead youths were dropped.

Under cross-examination, Lieutenant Vermeulen denied a submission by defence counsel Mr A R Wilkinson that the policemen's lives were not in danger.

He said stones and bricks rained onto the lorry before the shooting started.

Mr Wilkinson asked Lieutenant Vermeulen whether any of the policemen had taken direct hits as a result of the alleged stone-throwing.

"As far as I know there were no direct hits," the policeman said.

Lieutenant Vermeulen said two policemen in the cab received cuts when the windscreen shattered.

He could not remember how much birdshot was issued to his nine-man task force but said "25 to 50 rounds" could have been used.

He conceded that a single birdshot pellet could kill a person.

Earlier Lieutenant Vermeulen said he was ordered to act after complaints of stone-throwing and tyre-burning.

His task force was armed with automatic side-arms, 9 mm pistols and shotguns.

Man in a green shirt

Two men, including the driver, sat in the cab of the truck and the rest of the party — himself included — hid in wooden crates stacked on the back.

When stones landed on the truck he looked up to see what was happening.

"I was the first to open fire and shot at people throwing stones and bricks at us," he said.

He said he fired seven times.

"I shot at a well-built man of about 22 who was wearing a green shirt. He was later carried out of a house."

The man was identified in court as Shaun Magmoed.

The accused — Errol Surja (20), Rodney Regter (21), Edward Peters (24), Mark Lawrence (19), Arnold Reynolds (27), Roderick Crowley (22), James Collison (21), Brian Johnson (33), Howard Papier (21), Cedric Buxton, Geraldine Jacobs and two juveniles — pleaded not guilty and declined to disclose the basis of their defence.

The hearing continues today.

Bail of R100 each was extended.

Mr R A Duraan is on the Bench. Mr William King appears for the State. Mr P Gamble, instructed by Essa Moosa and Associates, Mr H Joshua, Mr Wilkinson, Mr M K Parker and Mr Y Ebrahim appear for the accused.

Three die in unrest

PRETORIA — A youth died and another was seriously injured when a security force patrol fired into a Soweto crowd of 150 people attacking it with stones and pangas, according to the Bureau for Information.

In its latest unrest report the bureau also reported two more necklace deaths — one in Port Elizabeth and the other in Kwandebele.

In PE the burnt body of Mr Mlungisi Mdaka, 26, was found in Soweto on July 16. He was allegedly forced out of his house, shot and then burnt to death with two tyres.

Five youths and eight adults are being held in connection with the Kwandebele death while five arrests were made after the fatal shooting in Johannesburg. The youth has been identified as Mkhisi Dume, 16. — Sapa

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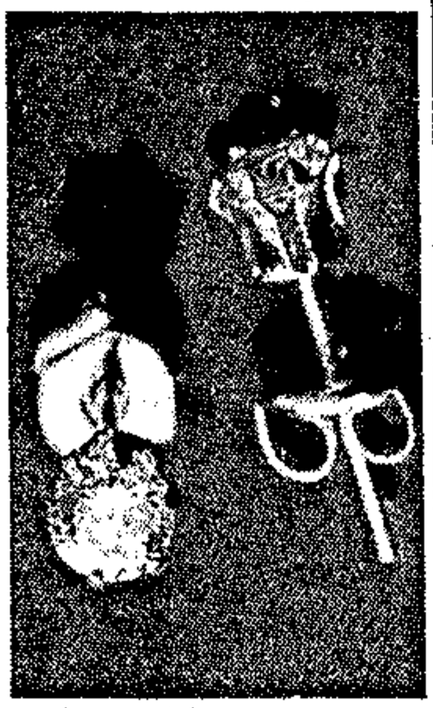
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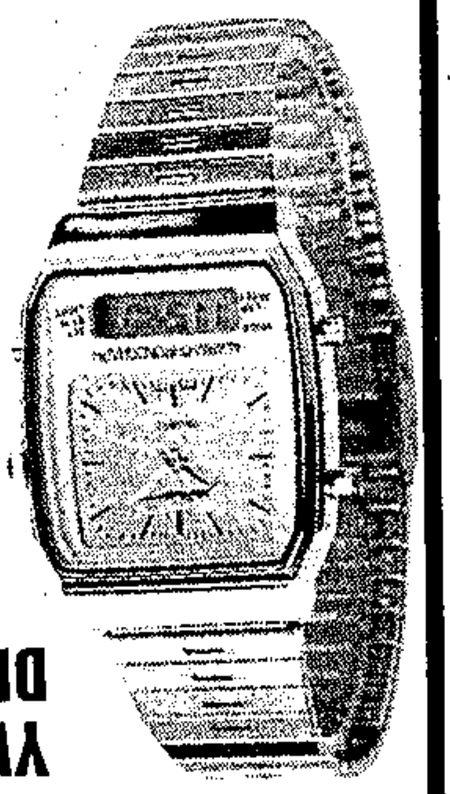
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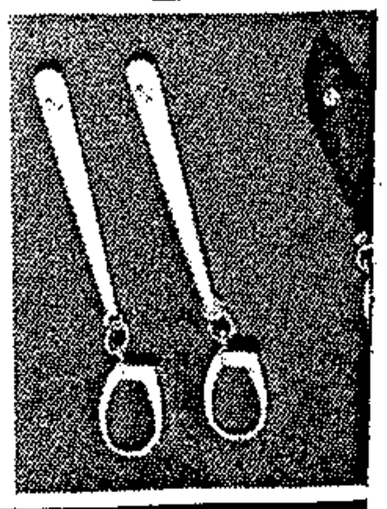
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Most pupils go back to school—DET

Education Reporter

ATTENDANCE at black schools in the Western Cape ranged between 30 and 50 percent yesterday at the start of the third term as most pupils countrywide returned to face the introduction of new security measures.

According to a spokesman for the Port Elizabeth regional office of the Department of Education and Training, attendance varied between 30 and 50 percent.

The return to school by black pupils was postponed for two weeks by the DET to formulate measures to ensure "a return to normality".

No reasons

In terms of new emergency regulations, the DET is empowered to bar a pupil from re-registering, without reasons, and a principal could place a pupil in the class in line with their previous scholastic achievement.

Pupils would also be compelled to wear identity cards and schools would be fenced in and security guards provided.

● Attendance at coloured schools varied with many reporting normal activities.

● Mid-year examinations started as planned at the University of the Western Cape yesterday with no disruptions reported.

Detention

However, students at the Theological School decided at a meeting yesterday not to write exams because at least 18 of their colleagues were still in detention.

Thelma Tuch reports from Johannesburg that according to the DET, at least 80 percent of pupils returned to school yesterday.

This means that about 340 000 of the 1,7-million pupils stayed away countrywide.

'Outsiders'

At some schools there was a reluctance to re-register and isolated cases of intimidation occurred where pupils were confronted by outsiders, the DET said.

There was a total stayaway from schools in Duduza, the regional director of the Highveld region, Mr J H Booysen, said. There are nine primary and two secondary schools in the township.

In Tembisa, near Kempton Park, about 40 percent of pupils arrived at the four secondary and 26 primary schools but, according to Mr Booysen, many of them left before the end of the day.

90 percent

In the other East Rand townships of Katlehong, Wattville, Daveyton, KwaThema, Vosloosrus, Thokoza and Tsakane, attendance was well over 90 percent.

Pupils trickled back to school in Soweto, reports **Sophie Tema.**

Pupils in uniform were seen at several schools in the townships, except at Diepkloof where there seemed to be a complete stayaway.

Attendance in Durban was normal, according to DET officials.

Officer tells why he shot man

By YVETTE VAN BREDA
Court Reporter

A RAILWAY police lieutenant who hid in wooden crates on a truck in Athlone, last year, yesterday told a Wynberg Regional Court he had fired seven shots in quick succession at about 200 people to "prevent stone-throwers from escaping arrest".

Lieutenant D G P Vermeulen was giving evidence in the trial of 13 people who have pleaded not guilty to a charge of public violence.

3 dead

Mr Michael Miranda, Mr Shaun Magmoet and Mr Jonathan Claasens, were killed in the incident. Charges against them were withdrawn.

The accused are Mr E Susja, Mr R Regter, Mr E Peters, Mr M Lawrence, Mr A Reynolds, Mr R Crowley, Mr J Collison, Mr B Johnson, Mr H Papier, Mr C Buckton, Ms G Jacobs and two minors.

Lieutenant Vermeulen said he and eight other policemen — including three SAP members — had entered Athlone, on October 15 and had hidden in wooden crates on an orange seven-ton Railways truck.

He said they had orders to investigate unrest in the Athlone and Crossroads areas after reports of "stone-throwing, burning of tyres and so on".

Shotguns

Each of the policemen was armed with automatic side arms, shotguns, AAA ammunition (slightly heavier than birdshot), teargas canisters, birdshot and 9mm pistols.

The vehicle came to a halt on the corner of St Simons and Thornton roads. He was not able to see outside but gathered that it was being stoned and stood up. He saw about 200 people throwing stones and bricks at the vehicle from the front and back.

A burning barricade was about four to five metres in front of the truck and people were standing on a cafe stoep, in the grounds of surrounding houses, in the road and on the pavements.

'Noise'

He was the first to open fire and after his seven shots gave an order for the police to stop firing. Although they had been shooting and there had been a "lot of noise, they obeyed".

He believed that their lives and the truck were in danger and had fired seven rounds of AAA from his shotgun "specifically at stone throwers" at short intervals with a pump action shotgun.

Lieutenant Vermeulen said he had fired from a distance of five metres with the AAA shot almost immediately after revealing himself. He thought an order for the crowd to disperse would not have been heard.

If they had entered the area in a normal police vehicle "people would just have run away". Two policemen had sat in the cab and seven had been in the wooden crates.

He agreed that some of the people were just innocent bystanders.

He could not identify anyone in the crowd of stone-throwers, except "a man in a green shirt" later identified as Shaun Magmoet.

Lieutenant Vermeulen said he saw a boy lying on the pavement in St Simons Road and a man lying on the pavement outside a house with a low wall. He called an ambulance and reinforcements and they later found Mr Magmoet dead inside a nearby house.

The prosecutor, Mr W A King, said the State did not have any evidence that any of the 13 people had burnt tyres and he could not tell exactly what each one had done.

'Public'

The magistrate, Mr R A Duraan, at the start of the hearing granted an application that it be held in public.

Asked by Mr P Gamble, for Mr Susja and Mr Regter, whether he had to shoot people to arrest them, Lieutenant Vermeulen replied: "Yes, if we had jumped off with quirts they would have escaped. We had to shoot to prevent them from escaping."

He could not identify any of the accused, he said.

Lieutenent Vermeulen said the truck had been unable to move because its path had been blocked by a burning barricade and people all around. He had told the other policemen to shoot if their lives were in danger and not to wait on him.

He said if he had not stood up his life would not have been in danger.

The hearing continues.

Mr Gamble is instructed by E Moosa and Associates. Mr M Parker, Mr Y Ebrahim, Mr H Joshua and Mr A R Wilkinson appear for the others.

Athlone shootings described

A POLICE officer said yesterday seven shotgun rounds had been fired at alleged stone-throwers after he had entered Cape Town's Athlone township with a task force hidden in wooden crates.

Lieutenant D G P Vermeulen told the Wynberg Regional Court the plan to position men with shotguns in the crates was his.

Three youths — Shaun Magmoed, Jonathan Claasen and Michael Miranda — died when police opened fire from the back of a lorry in Thornton Road last October.

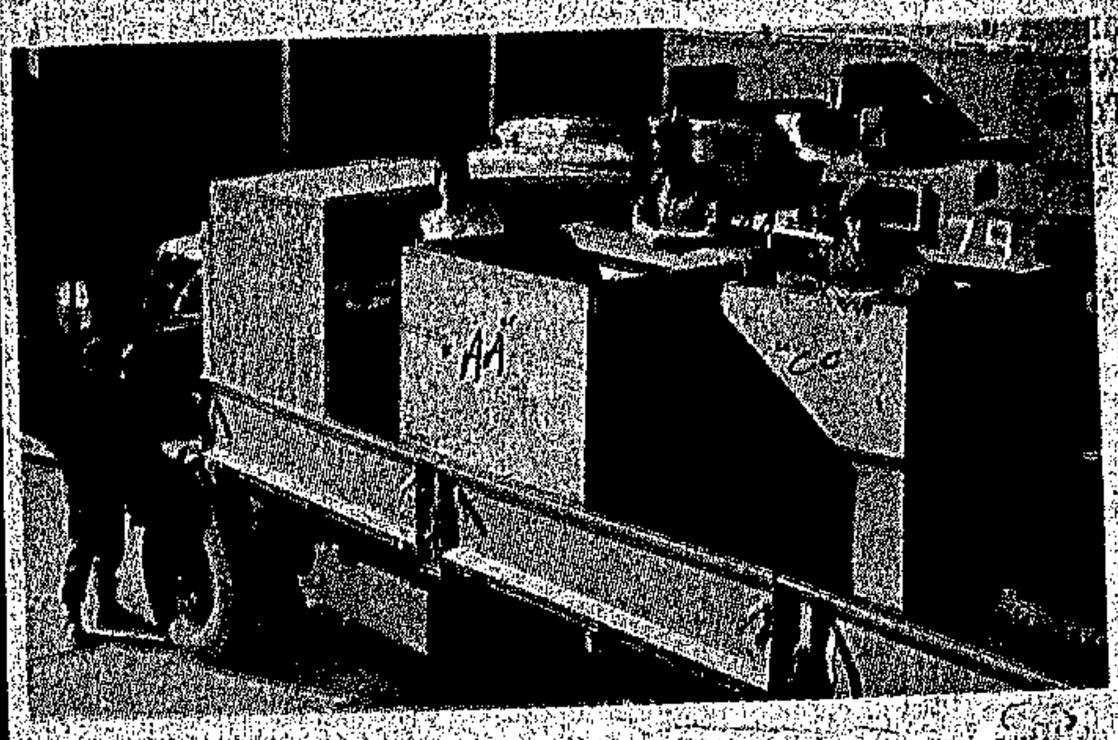
Thirteen people have been charged with public violence arising from the incident.

Vermeulen said he was ordered to act after complaints of stone-throwing and tyre-burning. He had received his instructions from a Major Ludolph.

Vermeulen said his men were armed with automatic side arms, 9mm pistols and shotguns. Each had three teargas canisters.

The case continues. — Sapa.

DEATH TRUCK: COURT PICTURE



The "ghost truck" used in the Athlone incident showing the crates in which some of the police contingent were hidden.

Death of boy worried me, lieutenant tells court

By DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Staff Reporter

THE Railways Police officer in charge of the "ghost truck" operation in Athlone said in Wynberg Regional Court today that it had worried him that a 10-year-old had been killed.

Therefore he had instructed one of his men to cover the boy's body with his jacket because he wanted to show humanity (menslikheid).

He had not tried to determine who was responsible for killing the boy because it was not his duty to do so, he said.

13 CHARGED

Lieutenant D G P Vermeulen was testifying at the trial of 13 people charged with public violence arising from the incident during unrest last October.

The court heard yesterday that Lieutenant Vermeulen and the rest were hidden in wooden crates on the back.

He said he had stayed on the back of the truck after firing his shotgun seven times. He shot in the direction of a man wearing a green shirt.

Under cross-examination by defence attorney Mr Yusuf Ebrahim today Lieutenant Vermeulen said he was not certain whether he had hit the man, nor had he instructed his men to arrest him.

He conceded that he could have wounded more than one person.

He had fired in the direction of seven people, hence the seven shots.

Lieutenant Vermeulen denied today that the truck was sent through Athlone with the purpose of provoking people and ambushing them.

He emphasised that his instructions were to arrest peo-

Death of boy worried officer

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he did not know when photographs before the court showing the damage to the lorry were taken.

He ascertained who the investigating officer was after he had taken the people arrested in Thornton Road to Athlone police station.

He also said he did not instruct his men to arrest a person in whose direction he fired his shotgun.

He did not report back to the Railways Police major who gave him his orders to act against people erecting barricades and stoning vehicles after police firing from the back of an unmarked lorry had shot three youths dead.

He said he had a session with Brigadier C A Swart, divisional commissioner of police, later that evening.

The accused are Errol Surja, 20, of Athlone, Rodney Regter, 21, of Rondebosch East, Edward Peters, 24, of Kewtown, Mark Lawrence, 19, of Mountview, Arnold Reynolds, 27, of Lotus River, Roderick Crowley, 22, of Ath-

led a task force of nine men into the area in an orange seven-ton police lorry which was meant to look like a private vehicle.

Two men in the cab were wearing clothes similar to those worn by South African Transport Services personnel

ple throwing stones and erecting barricades.

He said he did not know who had shot and killed the 10-year-old boy because he had not fired in his direction.

Lieutenant Vermeulen said

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lone, James Collison, 21, of Athlone, Brian Johnson, 33, of Athlone, Howard Papier, 21, of Athlone, Cedric Buxton, Geraldine Jacobs and two juveniles.

Charges against three youths who died in the incident were withsdrawn.

Earlier the magistrate Mr R A Duraan, upheld an application that the hearing be in an open court.

(Proceeding)



Some of the accused in the "ghost truck" trial at court today: back, from left — Cedric Buxton, Errol Surja, Rodney Regter; front — Roderich Crowley, Brian Johnson and Howard Papier.

Petrol bombs hurled into flat

PORT ELIZABETH—Two petrol bombs were hurled through the first floor bedroom window of a Port Elizabeth flat early yesterday morning, while a third petrol bomb was thrown under the engine of the flat-owner's brand new car which was parked directly under the bedroom window.

Extensive damage was caused to both the car and the flat.

In spite of the damage caused in the bedroom by one of the bombs, the flat-owner, Mr Petrus Bester, 52, said he regarded himself extremely lucky the second bomb did not explode.

While the first bomb struck the airconditioning unit and exploded, setting the curtains and some clothing on fire, the second bomb shattered two panes of the louvre window and landed against the side of the bed in which he was sleeping.

Mr Bester, a bachelor who is employed by the South African Transport Services, owns three flats in the block and is also the caretaker.

After dousing the burning curtains Mr Bester said he looked out the window to see his car, which he bought two months ago, on fire outside.

A neighbour extinguished the car flames.

Mr Bester said he had no idea why he had been selected as a target.

Police have confirmed the incident. — (Sapa)

'Gangsters politicized'

Political Reporter

LAST YEAR'S school boycotts had a limited effect on the political consciousness of street gangs, a University of Cape Town academic said yesterday.

Mr Wilfried Scharf of the UCT's Institute of Criminology made this observation in his paper "Street Gangs, Survival and Political Consciousness in the Eighties" presented at the Western Cape Roots and Realities Conference.

During unrest in 1980 gangsters "exploited the confusion which gave them greater manoeuvring space for their opportunistic sporadic involvement". However, during 1985 the pattern had changed to some extent for a number of reasons.

Among these reasons were the decreasing strength of street gangs, the fact that standard nine school dropouts who joined the gangs had an influence on their political consciousness and that scholars displayed a "unified disciplined action" in 1985 which attempted to control the gangsters.

At times SRC representatives expressed concern about being unable to manage a crowd of pupils when gangsters slipped in.

While gang consciousness and political consciousness had only merged to a limited degree in 1985, gangsters were "considerably more political conscious than their predecessors in 1976 and 1980".

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UDF role in Crossroads spotlighted

By EBRAHIM MOOSA
Political Reporter

THE United Democratic Front's tactical alliance with the Crossroads community backfired and contributed to the recent violent conflict between the militant comrades and conservative vigilantes.

This is the analysis of Ms Josette Cole in a paper titled "Crossroads: From popular resistance to mini-Bantustan" presented at "Western Cape Roots and Realities" conference at UCT.

Ms Cole, a researcher at the Surplus Peoples Project, traces the roots of the 1985-86 Crossroads crisis and highlights the major causes.

She divides the history of Crossroads into three phases, the last of which details the immediate background to the recent violence. During this period the role of Crossroads squatter leader Mr Johnson Nxobongwana and pro-UDF elements come under the spotlight.

"During the course of 1986, progressive organizations would pay a heavy price for this ill-conceived tactical alliance. The UDF and its affiliate organizations ignored the repressive nature of the Nxobongwana regime at their peril."

The significance of the last phase was the success of the State to form an open alliance with UDF's former allies and smash progressive organizations. "Nxobongwana in the end was able to mobilize a constituency which included reactionaries created, in some cases, by the victimization of residents by undisiciplined 'comrades'.

"In Old Crossroads the community increasingly resembled a mini-Bantustan. Ngxobongwana invested much of his capital in the buying of cattle and the latest cars. His power was built on a combination of consent, coercion and the legitimacy he obtained from outisde groupings."

Four die in East Cape unrest

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PRETORIA — Four people were shot dead in overnight unrest in the Eastern Cape, the Bureau of Information in Pretoria reported today.

In Zwide, Port Elizabeth, petrol bombs were hurled at a police vehicle at 11.50pm.

The police left the vehicle and petrol bombs were again thrown at them, said the bureau.

The police fired two shots. An unknown man, aged about 19, died.

Fifteen petrol bombs were used in the attack.

At 11.30pm in Walmer township, a crowd threw stones at a security force foot patrol in Moon Street.

The patrol fired one round which killed an unknown man.

At 10.30pm in S Street, Fingo Village, near Grahamstown, a group of about 20 people threw stones at a councillor's house, the bureau said.

Security forces fired two rounds and an unknown man was killed.

At 12.30am in Dysselsdorp, stones were thrown at the private home of a security force member in Kerrie Block.

He fired two rounds "in defence", according to the report, and Mr Saul Langeveldt, 19, was fatally injured.

No deaths were reported in other parts of the country. — Sapa

Unrest hits SPCA hard

Cape Times 19/7/86

Environment Reporter

THE SPCA has joined the list of charitable organizations hard-hit by the unrest.

In his annual report, the Cape of Good Hope SPCA's chairman, Mr L D van Vuuren, said the society had had to cope with the twin spectres of unrest and inflation.

The number of monthly mobile clinics, which had trebled in 1985, were reduced by 50 percent because of the unrest.

As a result, the society had transferred into the "fresh areas" of Steenberg, Ottery and Lotus River. It has also been providing a weekly service in Khayelitsha.

Two vans attached to the free spaying and neutering service, which deals with 500 animals a month, were stoned during demonstrations.

"By keeping a low profile and continuing to go about their business, our personnel have shown that the SPCA is devoted solely to service to the community and its animals," Mr Van Vuuren said in his report.

The society has since been able to return to Langa, Guguletu, Nyanga and KTC.

"Despite the difficulties, we were able in 1986 to deal with 31 900 animals, 93 percent of the number dealt with in 1985," Mr Van Vuuren said. "I am pleased to report that the number of animals dealt with by the mobile clinics is now rising towards 1985 levels."

Contributions diminished because of inflation, and drug costs had doubled — and in some cases trebled — while transport costs rose by nearly 40 percent.

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Policemen 'not told to hide'

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By YVETTE VAN BREDA
Court Reporter

A RAILWAYS policeman giving evidence in the "Trojan Horse" trial yesterday told a Wynberg Regional Magistrate he had fired "mainly at seven stone-throwers" from a wooden crate on a truck in which he had hidden, after entering riot-torn Athlone last year.

Lieutenant D G F Vermeulen was answering questions by attorneys representing 13 people who have pleaded not guilty to a charge of public violence.

They are Mr E Susja, Mr R Regter, Mr E Peters, Mr M Lawrence, Mr A Reynolds, Mr R Crowley, Mr J Collison, Mr B Johnson, Mr H Papier, Mr C Buckton, Ms G Jacobs and two minors.

3 boys killed

Three boys — Michael Miranda, 10, Shaun Magmoet and Jonathan Claasens — were killed during the incident.

Lieutenant Vermeulen had told the court on Thursday that he was only five metres from the crowd of about 200 when he fired the shots.

Lieutenant Vermeulen was part of a seven-man task force in wooden crates on the back of a railways truck when it entered Thornton Road, Athlone, on October 15 last year.

He had not given the order for them to hide in the crates, which were already on the truck when he first saw the vehicle. He said the task force had been sent to arrest people who were causing trouble by "throwing stones and burning tyres" and had left from Manenberg police station.

At the corner of St Simon's and Thornton roads the truck had stopped and he could

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feel it was being stoned.

He had stood up from the crate and fired seven shots in two minutes with a pump action shotgun using AAA ammunition, which the court found was about double the size of birdshot. He said he had fired only at people throwing bricks and stones.

He said a Major Ludolff had given him the orders. After the incident he had been summoned to the home of Brigadier C A Swart, Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Western Cape, with whom he had discussed the incident.

Answering Mr Y Ebrahim, for three of the accused, Lieutenant Vermeulen said the policemen had known they would be stoned, but he had not issued them with helmets. The only headgear they had were berets and caps. He had not regarded his actions as negligent in not taking helmets.

He denied that the truck had been sent to Athlone to ambush people or provoke them.

He had not investigated who had shot the 10-year-old as this was the duty of the "investigating squad".

No one had asked him who shot the people and he emphasized that he had not discussed the matter with anyone, as it had just been a normal police task.

When questioned by Mr M Parker, for three of the accused, he denied that he had shot because

The hearing was adjourned to Monday. The attorneys told the magistrate, Mr R A Duraan, they wanted to discuss whether the video films of the incident, shot by a BBC television crew, and another video filmed by a police cameraman, were admissible as evidence.

Mr P Gamble was instructed by E Moosa and Associates. Mr H Joshua and Mr A R Wilkinson also appeared for the accused.

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Most Cape unrest victims shot in back

Staff Reporter

A CHILD of seven was among the 93 people who died of gunshot wounds during unrest in Cape Town last year.

Researcher Dr J A Duflou, of the University of Cape Town, reports in the latest SA Medical Journal that the age of the subjects he investigated was "cause for concern". The mean age was 23,2 years, but 12,2 percent were under 15 years old, he wrote.

More than a third of those killed in unrest had been shot more than once, and eight percent had been shot four or more times, he said.

Of the six who died in non-unrest situations, only one had been shot more than once.

Most wounds of those who died in unrest were on the back of the body, Dr Duflou said, with 54,8 percent of injuries there, 11,6 percent in their sides and 33,6 percent in their fronts.

Most shotgun injuries had been inflicted from more than 15m away, but 13,7 percent had been inflicted from a range of 4m or less.

Shotgun wounds were more common than any other, and 39,4 percent of "unrest" casualties had been shot with birdshot only.

In South Africa, "birdshot" referred to lead pellets between two and three millimetres in diameter, fired from a 12-gauge shotgun.

4 shot in East Cape after attacks on patrols and homes

PRETORIA. — Four people died in incidents of unrest in the Eastern Cape at the weekend, according to yesterday's report from the Bureau for Information.

No other deaths were reported.

An unidentified man was shot dead on Friday night in Zwide, near Port Elizabeth, after 15 petrol bombs were thrown at a police vehicle. The police fired two shots at the crowd.

Also on Friday night, at Fingo Village, Grahamstown, an unidentified man was shot dead after a crowd of about 20 people stoned a council member's house.

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In Dysseldorp on Friday night, Mr Saul Langeveldt, 19, was shot dead after the house of a member of the security forces was stoned.

"Two shots were fired and Mr Langeveldt was fatally wounded."

The bureau's report concerning the period from 6 am Saturday to 6 am yesterday said no deaths had been reported.

"Only isolated incidents occurred, with little resulting damage."

● The PFP's national director of political organisation, Mr Neil Ross, said the response to the establishment of the missing persons' bureau had been "overhwleming".

The bureau was set up a month ago to gather information and help families of missing people by advising them how to approach the authorities to find out whether their relatives were in detention.

Mr Ross said large numbers of people had disappeared from rural towns, among them Graaff-Reinet, Upington, Cathcart, Middelburg, Harrismith, Kimberley, Welkom and Port Alfred. The Border and Eastern Cape were worst affected, he said. — Sapa

Teargassing: Boesak wants to press charges

Staff Reporter

DR Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, is to consult his attorneys today about laying charges after two teargas canisters were thrown at his car as he was leaving a church service.

Dr Boesak said the incident happened at the Holy Trinity Church in Halt Road, Elsies River, yesterday afternoon.

About 500 people attended an interdenominational service in support of the families of detainees. It was led by Dr Hannes Adonis of the Ned Geref Sendingkerk and four other ministers and Dr Boesak was asked to say a few words of introduction to the candle-lighting ceremony.

Driving away

During the service certain incidents occurred which may not be reported in terms of the emergency regulations.

Afterwards, all but two members of the congregation and a member of the church staff left.

Dr Boesak said he was driving out of the grounds when two teargas canisters were fired in the direction of his car. One missed but the other smashed the rear window.

He said: "I was overcome by the gas and for a moment I thought I would die. I have tasted teargas before but never in a confined space like a car.

"Damages"

"I opened the door and sort of fell out. Dr Adonis, who was in the car behind me, was very quick and he and some other people helped me to a nearby house to recover.

"I shall definitely be speaking to my lawyers today to see whether I can press charges. There must be something, damages or assault or something."

Dr Boesak led a service for detainees at the University of the Western Cape later in the evening.

commemorating Andrew and Sarah's great day. In The Argus tomorrow.

'Trojan Horse': I saw no burning barricade on video — magistrate

By DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
Staff Reporter

A WYNBERG magistrate said today he could see no sign of burning barricades in front of the police lorry in the "Trojan Horse" incident in Athlone during the unrest last year.

Mr R A Duraan made this remark in Wynberg Regional Court after watching a police video-recording taken after police and Railways Police, hidden in wooden crates on the back of the unmarked lorry, opened fire and killed three youths, Shaun Magmoed, Jonathan Claasen and Michael Miranda.

In a sequel to the incident 13 people are appearing on a charge of public violence.

Last week Lieutenant D G P Vermeulen, the officer in charge of the task force sent to Athlone to arrest alleged stone-throwers, said the lorry stopped in Thornton Road because it could not get past a barricade.

When the trial resumed today defence lawyers agreed that video-recordings by the police video unit and CBS television network could be handed in as evidence.

HAD PROBLEMS

Mr P Gamble said the defence wanted the videos and the accompanying sound tracks to be handed in.

He said he had problems with the CBS recording because it had been edited. The cameraman who made the film, Mr Chris Everson, should be called to court to explain the circumstances under which he obtained the recording and the reasons for editing it.

The prosecutor, Mr W A King, noted that Mr Everson was in Port Elizabeth but said he would be called to court.

He said Mr John Rubython, a Cape Town-based freelance photographer who was on the scene, would also be called.

The police video was shot by Constable John Nomdoe, who operated the video machine in court today.

EX-COLLEAGUE

Constable Nomdoe said the commentary was supplied by a former colleague, Sergeant van Eck, who had since been transferred to Robertson.

Constable Nomdoe said he was stationed with the unrest unit and served in the video section.

He was trained as a video-camera operator in the police fingerprint section.

He made video-recordings at his own discretion and was not under the command of officers in control of unrest situations.

The recording had not been tampered with or edited. As far as he was concerned it was the original.

The video shown in court started with a picture of the stationary police lorry.

It showed a body, covered with a khaki overcoat, on a pavement in front of a house in St Simon's Road, Athlone, another body in the grounds of the house and a third body, covered with a white sheet, being carried to an ambulance.

Several people were shown seated, under police guard, in front of a house on the corner of Thornton and St Simon's roads.

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Policeman took video

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Ambulance sirens could be heard in the background and two ambulances were visible.

Mr Everson, Mr Rubython and several local and foreign journalists were also photographed.

Policemen were heard shouting orders at people in St Athans Road.

The accused are Errol Surja, 20, of Athlone; Rodney Regter, 21, of Rondebosch East; Edward Peters, 24, of Kewtown; Mark Lawrence, 19, of Mountview; Arnold Reynolds, 27, of Lotus River; Roderich Crowley, 22, of Athlone; James Collison, 21, of Athlone; Brian Johnson, 33, of Athlone; Howard Papier, 21, of Athlone; Cedric Buxton, Geraldine Jacobs and two juveniles.

They have pleaded not guilty.

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EMERGENCY UPDATE

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'Trojan' driver testifies

Court Reporter

THE driver of the "Trojan Horse" railways truck, which entered Athlone on October 15 last year, with seven policemen hidden in crates on the back, told a Wynberg Regional Court yesterday that they were dressed in dust coats "so that we would not be recognized as policemen".

Sergeant A M Smit, of the Railways Police, who was giving evidence in the trial of 13 people charged with public violence, said they had taken a route which was intended to encompass Athlone and Crossroads and their aim was to arrest "trouble makers" by jumping out of the crates and catching them.

Lieutenant D G P Vermeulen, who had been in charge of the nine-man task force, told the court last week they had not entered the area to ambush or provoke the people and had to shoot to prevent the "stone throwers" from escaping arrest.

'Specifically'

At the corner of St Simons and Thornton roads, Lieutenant Vermeulen had revealed himself from one of the crates and fired seven shots "specifically at stone throwers", into a 200-strong crowd about five metres away.

Three youths were killed in the incident. They were Shaun Magmoed, 16, Michael Miranda, 10, and Jonathan Claasens, 15.

The 13 accused are: Mr E Surja, 20, Mr R Regter, 21, Mr E Peters, 24, Mr M Lawrence, 19, Mr A Reynolds, 27, Mr R Crowley, 22, Mr J Collison, 21, Mr B Johnson, 33, Mr H Papier, 21, Mr C Buxton, 20, Ms G Jacobs, 19, and two minors.

Yesterday a video-recording filmed by Constable John Nomdoe, of the video section of the unrest unit, was shown in court.

The magistrate, Mr R A Duraan, commented that he could see no sign of a barricade obstructing the path of the truck.

Lieutenant Vermeulen said they had been unable to leave the area due to a burning barricade in front of the truck.

Constable Nomdoe said he had concentrated on filming the injured, the dead, people who had been arrested and the damaged vehicle. Many journalists and cameramen appeared on the video "for record purposes" and they were often filmed at unrest scenes, he said.

He identified eight of the accused, two of whom appeared injured on the video, as being part of a group under police guard, in front of a house at the corner of St Simons and Thornton roads. He also pointed out a 10-year-old boy covered with a dust coat, lying on the pavement.

Constable Nomdoe said he would have filmed a barricade if there had been one. He had arrived 20 minutes after the incident and denied having deliberately failed to film policemen.

Sergeant Smit said that as he approached St Simons Road he saw about 200 people standing on the corner. About a block away, he noticed they had stones and bricks in their hands. When he was 10m away they started stoning the truck.

Bleeding

Sergeant Smit fell flat on to the seat towards the assistant driver, a Sergeant Syer, leaving the steering wheel of the lorry. A brick hit the windscreen and he was showered with splinters and his face was bleeding.

He said that if he had not thrown himself down, he "would not have been standing here today".

Shooting had been directed at the white house, No 102 Thornton Road.

Sergeant Syer shot at the crowd but Sergeant Smit did not, as he had only thought of his own safety and had no time to reach for his gun. He also noticed a dead boy lying on the pavement outside "the corner house, No 47" and a dead man inside the grounds.

He covered the boy with his dust coat. There was a burning tyre under the truck.

Mr R A Duraan was the magistrate. Mr W King prosecuted. Mr Gamble was instructed by E Moosa and Associates. The other accused were reprsented by Messrs M Parker, Y Ebrahim, H Joshua and A R Wilkinson.

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Second 'Trojan Horse'

By YVETTE VAN BREDA
Court Reporter

THE DRIVER of the "Trojan Horse" railways truck, in which seven policemen concealed in crates, opened fire on a crowd of 200 in Athlone last year, yesterday told a Wynberg magistrate that the truck was again used in a similar operation in Guguletu where police had also shot from the vehicle.

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Barricades

Replying to Mr A R Wilkinson, for three of the accused, Sergeant Smit said he had not tried to prevent a confrontation between the police and the crowd.

Told by Mr Wilkinson that Lieutenant D G P Vermeulen, who had been in charge of the nine-man task force, had said there were burning barricades blocking their way in Thornton Road, Sergeant Smit said: "No, I don't agree. "The lieutenant could not see the road," he said.

As he approached the corner he had a clear view of the crowd from a distance of 50m to 60m. A large part of the crowd had "stones and bricks in their hands", but he did not think they would stone the truck.

Sergeant Smit had no instructions on what to do if the vehicle was in danger, he said.

Sergeant Smit said the crowd had blocked his path and he had stopped for fear of hitting them.

Splinters

He said the crowd had stoned the windscreen of the vehicle and he had fallen flat on to the seat, where he remained until the stone-throwing and the shooting stopped.

His face was bleeding and full of splinters, Sergeant Smit said.

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After the incident the task force had returned to the Manenberg police station, where only Lieutenant Vermeulen had verbally reported to Major Ludolff, whose idea it had been to enter the area in the "ghost truck" and in disguise, he said.

Sergeant Smit said he had written his own report and had handed it in at the Athlone police station. He was not embarrassed by his or his colleagues' actions. Even though three boys had been killed, it did not make him feel uneasy, he said.

The hearing was provisionally adjourned to August 8, when a date for the continuation of the trial would be set.

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Police 'Trojan horse' used again — witness

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Three people, Shaun Magmoed, 16, Jonathan Claasens, 15 and Michael Miranda, 10, were killed in the Athlone incident on the corner of St Simons and Thornton roads on October 15 last year.

They had been sent to arrest "trouble-makers" because there had been reports of unrest in the area. They had not been ordered to shoot, but were supposed to alight from the truck and catch the "stone-throwers".

"But this was a very dangerous situation and if they had to jump off the truck, the stones would have killed them," he said.

Sgt Smit said the crowd had blocked his path and he had stopped for fear of driving over them.

He denied having been told to drive and leave "the work" to the policemen in the crates. He said the crowd had stoned the windscreen of the vehicle and he had fallen flat on to the seat, where he remained until the stone-throwing and shooting stopped.

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He said the first thing he had done after alighting from the truck was to cover the body of a dead 10-year-old, lying on the pavement outside a house on the corner of Thornton and St Simons roads.

He said the assistant driver, Sgt Syer, fired about four shots out of the open window to the left side of the truck.

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Crossroads man appeals against 'unfair dismissal'

Labour Reporter

A MAN who left work at the height of the Crossroads violence and was dismissed when he returned is claiming unfair dismissal.

A mediation board appointed by the Industrial Council sits today to try to resolve the issue.

Mr M Jezile, a member of the Industrial Engineering Workers' Union, was telephoned at work on June 9 and told his Crossroads home was being burnt down.

"DANGEROUS"

According to a letter from the union to the Industrial Council, Mr Jezile was given permission to leave immediately.

He was away for five working days and was unable to get back to work because of the "extremely dangerous and hostile" situation.

His brother, who was employed by the same company and who left at the same time, went to work on June 11 and gave the employers a message that Mr Jezile could not come to work because he was protecting their home.

When he returned to work his foreman questioned him about his absence and the following day he was given a letter terminating his services.

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Magistrate adjourns 'Trojan Horse' trial

Staff Reporter

THE "Trojan Horse" trial in Wynberg Magistrate's Court in which 13 people are appearing on a charge of public violence has been adjourned.

The trial is a sequel to an incident last October when police hidden in wooden crates on the back of an unmarked lorry went to Athlone to arrest alleged stone-throwers. Three youths died when police opened fire.

Yesterday Sergeant Albertus Myburgh Smit, driver of the lorry, said under cross-examination that police used the "ghost truck" in a similar operation.

Asked to elaborate, he said the lorry was used in Guguletu and he was the driver.

However, police did not hide in crates or disguise themselves on that occasion.

"We went in openly and fired openly. Our aim was to arrest people," he said.

Referring to the Athlone incident, he said he did not fire his shotgun or arrest people.

A Sergeant Syer, who sat next to him, shot four times through his open window in the direction of St Simon's Road.

The trial was postponed provisionally to August 8.

The accused — Errol Surja, 20, of Athlone, Rodney Regter, 21, of Rondebosch East, Edward Peters, 24, of Kewtown, Mark Lawrence, 19, of Mountview, Arnold Reynolds, 27, of Lotus River, Roderich Crowley, 22, of Athlone, James Collison, 21, of Athlone, Brian Johnson, 33; of Athlone, Howard Papier, 21, of Athlone, Cedric Buxton, Geraldine Jacobs and two juveniles — have pleaded not guilty.

Mr R A Duraan is on the Bench. Mr W A King appears for the State. Mr P Gamble, instructed by Essa Moosa and Associates, Mr H Joshua, Mr A R Wilkinson, Mr M Parker and Mr Y Ebrahim appear for the accused.

Keep off, says 'witdoek' boss

By CHRIS BATEMAN

OLD CROSSROADS "witdoek" leader Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana yesterday promised a suspension of all violence by his followers — provided refugees of the destroyed satellite camps and "comrades" kept off "his" newly-won territory.

And, in his first interview since Crossroads violence erupted on May 18, claiming more than 70 lives and leaving an estimated 70 000 people homeless, he said he was prepared to meet with the three leaders of the destroyed camps, Mr Christopher Toise, Mr Alfred Siphika and Mr Melford Yamile.

But he wanted Bishop Desmond Tutu, Archbishop-elect of Cape Town, and Bishop Patrick Matolengwe, Bishop Suffragan of Cape Town, to continue acting as mediators.

Mr Ngxobongwana emphasized that he was not prepared to negotiate over the reoccupation of the now-bulldozed former satellite squatter camp area. The area, earmarked by the government for "upgrading", adjoins Old Crossroads.

"They can never come back. It belongs to the people of Crossroads. Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud (the regional director of the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning and government-appointed "peace-

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maker") is prepared to get them a safe place (Khayelitsha), but they are not prepared to go there."

Mr Ngxobongwana said he would discuss "anything peaceful but not that piece of land. The three leaders know that, the bishops know that, everybody knows that. Toise, Siphika and Yamile have got a place at Sites B, C and D."

Last week Mr Bezuidenhoud went on record as saying that if peace could be established, then "the parties concerned should decide on who occupies the ground".

Mr Ngxobongwana said that if his opposition squatter leaders did not want to take whatever sites the government gave them, then it was "just too bad".

"I've been fighting for that place since 1975. Now the government is giving us an opportunity to put houses there. Yamile, Toise and Siphika must take what the government gives."

Mr Bezuidenhoud last week refused to say what was meant by "upgrading", but has intimated that "the market mechanism should be introduced so that people can eventually own their own land".

When Mr Ngxobongwana was asked if he could carry out his undertaking to prevent any further attacks on "comrade" territory, he replied: "My friend, get my words: I am Mr Ngxobongwana; my people will attack nobody."

He also laid claim to the razed area of KTC saying it had been set aside "for us" by Dr Piet Koornhof four years ago.

Rent claims denied

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THE Mamelodi Civic Association yesterday issued a statement saying the Mamelodi Town Council's efforts to influence residents into paying rent had not had the desired effect.

Mamelodi mayor, Mr Zikhali Ndlazi, declined to comment on the association's statement and said: "It is a waste of time to comment on faceless leaders who do not want to come out into the open. We were elected into office by 53 percent of the local residents".

Meanwhile scores of Mamelodi residents also refuted claims by Mr Ndlazi that the rent boycott had ended.

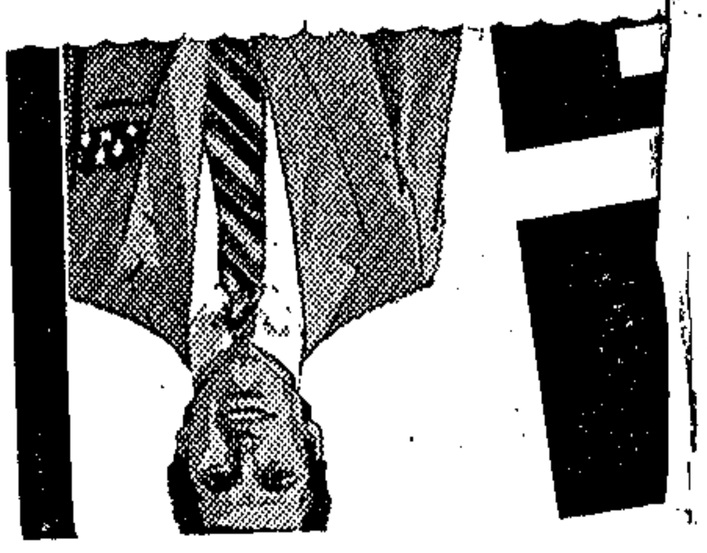
Those interviewed refused to have their names published for fear of reprisals.

Mr Ndlazi said recently that the latest figures had revealed that people were now paying rent after a boycott of about nine months. The boycott in November last year was sparked off by the death of more than 10 people.

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Bureau: security forces attacked

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The Bureau for Information has reiterated its report that a member of the security forces, who was killed in Regini township outside Adelaide, had died when a person among a crowd of 300 fired a shot.

The bureau was asked to comment following a claim by the Leader of the Opposition, Mr Colin Eglin, that the PFP MP for Albany, Mr Errol Moorcroft, had investigated the incident and had been told that "members of the security forces" had interrupted a soccer match between two groups of youths and had started pushing the players around.

When the players retaliated, one of the security force members had drawn his revolver and shot one player dead, Mr Eglin said. The player's mother had run onto the field and had been shot at and wounded. The crowd subsequently attacked and killed a policeman, he said.

The Bureau for Information said in a statement yesterday that on the day of the incident, July 28, a "group of about 300 people attacked the security forces".

Sergeant Stewart Ndzweni, 30, had died when one of the attackers fired a shot.

"The security forces returned fire and a man, Dmezweni Mananga, 22, was fatally wounded."

The bureau said the incident had taken place "near" a soccer field.

The heavy hand that provoked the Cape unrest

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Acquitted teacher goes on pilgrimage

By CLARE HARPER

A PAARL East school teacher, Mr Anwar Shaik, acquitted on charges of setting fire to the home of a Rawsonville House of Representatives MP last year, left for Saudi Arabia yesterday afternoon.

His sister, who asked not to be named, said that Mr Shaik had gone on a pilgrimage to Mecca following his acquittal in the Paarl Regional Court on Friday.

Mr Shaik was accused of starting a fire in the Worcester home of Mr Barend Andrews on September 8 last year, causing damage of R1 500.

His advocate, Mr Chris Marlow, said that Mr Shaik was also acquitted on two other charges of attempting to set fire to the house of a Paarl housing official, Mr James Solomon, and inciting individuals to commit public violence by throwing petrol bombs.

On the first two charges the State alleged petrol bombs were used to start the fires.

Mr Marlow, acting on instructions from Abercrombie, Sonn and Mias, made an application on Friday for a discharge on grounds of lack of evidence.

Mr Shaik, 22, was summarily acquitted.

His sister said the family was relieved that he had been acquitted "but concerned for the many others still in detention".

Although Mr Shaik was released on bail after he was arrested and charged, he was detained during the first emergency in 1985 for 75 days and lost 15kg.

He was unable to write his exams through Unisa and lost his job as a science teacher at New Orleans Senior Secondary School.

Mr Marlow said that two others, Mr Kevin Fredericks and Mr Richard April, were initially accused with him before separate trials were ordered.

Mr Fredericks and Mr April were found guilty on the second charge of attempted arson and a third charge of possessing petrol bombs.

Mr Fredericks was sentenced to two years imprisonment, suspended for five years, and a R900 fine, and Mr April was sentenced to two years, of which one was suspended for five years, and a R600 fine.

Mr L S Moffat appeared for the State in Mr Shaik's trial. Mr J Laubscher was the magistrate.

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No to council bid for DV control?

By MATTHEW MOONIEYA
Local Affairs Reporter

EAST LONDON — The status quo is expected to remain in Duncan Village and the government is to continue with the R10,5 million upgrading of the unrest-hit area.

This was all that could be gleaned when a delegation from the city council returned yesterday from talks with the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis.

The leader of the delegation, Mr Donald Card, said after flying back last night that he had been instructed to respond to any press inquiry about the talks with words to the effect that the upgrading of Duncan Village had been negotiated and an announcement would be made by the government soon.

His response seemed to scuttle hopes of the city council's intention to take over the township where no statutory authority has existed since the disestablishment of the development boards and the exit of the Duncan Village Community Council whose members do not live in the area any longer.

Mr Card could not be drawn but it was clear that the minister had rejected the council's appeal to have talks about the area with the Duncan Village Residents' Association with which it has had several informal meetings.

Two other members of the delegation, Mr Errol Spring and Mrs Elsabe Kemp, did not return with Mr Card last night and were due back later.

The fourth member of the delegation was the town clerk, Mr Les Kumm, who arrived back with Mr Card.

He said any comment on the talks would have to come from Mr Card.

There had been much speculation about the meeting which the mayor, Mr Joe Yazbek, labelled as the most important ever organised between the council and the government, while Mr Card said it was of vital importance to the entire city.

Other matters discussed with the minister during the nearly two-hour meeting were road subsidies and housing.

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3 burnt bodies in PE townships

PRETORIA — Three men were burnt to death in Port Elizabeth in the 24 hours to 6am today, the Bureau for Information reported.

In Kwandebele 10 people were injured when their vehicle was petrol-bombed.

The bureau said the burnt bodies of two unidentified men were found in an outside toilet at the Full Gospel Church in Kwazakele, Port Elizabeth.

The burnt body of another unidentified man was found in the Walmer graveyard in PE.

The bureau said: "The stability concerning the unrest situation has since the second week of the state of emergency in all respects been maintained. Yesterday was the fifth day during the past month that less than 20 incidents occurred countrywide." — Sapa

Petrol bomb thrown at my car — policeman

Tygerberg Bureau

A POLICEMAN, who shot a Divisional Council driver during rioting in Belhar last year, told a Bellville inquest court magistrate he had seen the man throw two petrol bombs.

Detective-Constable Deon Basil Serfontein was giving evidence at the inquest on Mr Solomon Bega Julies, 23, who died in Tygerberg Hospital a few hours after being shot with a .38 bullet on September 6, last year.

Constable Serfontein said Mr Julies had thrown a petrol bomb at his car while he was driving down the Stellenbosch road in Belhar. Half an hour later, he had seen him throw another petrol bomb at police near a burning bus on the same road.

Constable Serfontein denied allegations made by other witnesses — one of whom was the dead man's mother, Mrs Cathleen Wilhelmina Julies, 50, of 37 Foxglove Road — that the two men had known each other before the shooting, or that there were bad feelings between them.

He also denied allegations that he had kicked the injured Mr Julies.

Constable Jan Johannes Jacobus Jafta, of Elsies River, said he saw Mr Julies throw the second petrol bomb and the policemen give chase in the van.

The hearing continues.

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2 hurt in E Cape torching

PORT ELIZABETH. — Mrs Albertina Dljanwa, who was voted "Woman of the Year" by the Port Elizabeth Union of Jewish Women in 1984, is in hospital after her Zwide home was firebombed on Wednesday.

She has devoted her life to helping the township needy by running soup kitchens and youth clubs.

Mrs Wendy Plaatjie, 32, seriously hurt in the same incident, is also in hospital.

Mrs Dljanwa's house was gutted and she lost everything.

The two women were attacked by an intruder, who cut the telephone and hurled a firebomb as he left.

Mrs Dljanwa said she "ran through the back door and was covered in flames. At least three more petrol bombs were flung into the house — one came through the bedroom window.

"Mrs Plaatjie — also aflame — tried to escape through the front door, which was locked.

"She jumped through a window and somebody doused our flames with a hosepipe before the fire brigade arrived," she said. — Sapa

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Youths jailed for arson

Court Reporter

THREE 17-year-old youths were sentenced to eight years imprisonment each on two charges of sabotage for starting a fire which partially destroyed the Bloch shopping centre and Egg Board offices in Kraaifontein in June last year.

The three, who may not be named, appeared with David Charles Williams, 19, Jan Douries, 28, and John van der Westhuizen, 28, all of Scottsdene.

Williams was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment and Douries and Van der Westhuizen to 14 years each.

They were all convicted under section 54(3) of the Internal Security Act, sabotage and for causing damage of about R2-million.

The entire hearing was held in camera.

Mr A Burger was the magistrate. Mr D Luckhoff appeared for the State. Mr S Majiet, instructed by E Moosa and associates, appeared for the six.

'Good Samaritan' hit in petrol bombing

Sunday Times Reporters

A BLACK Eastern Cape "Good Samaritan" was this week the victim of a terrifying petrol bomb attack.

Mrs Albertina Dljanwa, 56, a former Union of Jewish Women's "Woman of the Year", sustained severe burns in the attack on her Zwide home outside Port Elizabeth.

Mrs Wendy Plaatjie, 32, a friend and co-community worker, was also seriously injured in the attack.

Mrs Dljanwa, a former hospital nurse, has dedicated her life to the needy, regularly organising soup kitchens in Port Elizabeth's often troubled townships.

Her neat little home was destroyed in the blaze which followed the petrol bombing.

Masked

Mrs Dljanwa said she was speaking on the telephone when a masked man rushed into the house and cut the telephone cord.

The attacker then ran to the door and hurled a petrol bomb at the women.

"I was covered in flames. Another three petrol bombs were thrown into my house," Mrs Dljanwa said from her hospital room at the Dora Nginza Hospital where she is recovering from burns to her face and lower body.

Mrs Plaatjies was apparantly trapped in the burning house and had to jump out of a window.

"She was also in flames," Mrs Dljanwa said.

Meanwhile, industry came to a virtual halt at Uitenhage in the Eastern Cape this week when a sudden black work boycott was called.

Pamphlets calling on black workers to remain at home were distributed in Kwanobuhle township, and 80% of the black work force were absent from work on Thursday and Friday.

The town's major source of employment, Volkswagen, was forced to stop production on both days of the stayaway.

All 2 600 black workers and between 700 and 800 coloured workers of the motoring giant stayed at home.

At the nearby Goodyear plant all 800 black workers boycotted work but production continued.

The University of Port Elizabeth labour monitoring group, in a telephone survey of 23 companies in Uitenhage, found that the stayaway had also been reasonably well supported by coloured workers, with 43 percent of coloured hourly-paid workers observing the boycott.

The stayaway was apparently organised by the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) partly in protest at a series of removals from Kabah township to Kwanobuhle.

Court told of death by necklace

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Staff Reporter

A WITNESS described in the Supreme Court yesterday how a group of men axed and necklaced a community councillor, Mr Patrick "Big Boy" Marenene, in the Oudtshoorn township of Bridgton last year.

Mr Hendrik Japhta was giving evidence for the State in the trial of three youths and five men on charges of murder, alternatively public violence.

The State alleges that in Muller Street, Bridgton, Oudtshoorn, on November 22, last year, the eight axed Mr Marenene in the neck, dropped a large rock on his head, stoned, stabbed and set him alight using a tyre.

Mr Patrick Manginda, 23, Mr Desmond Majola, 27, of Bongolethu, Mr Dickson Madikane, 26, Mr Chweke Makay, 24, Mr Jimmy Sitwayi, 26, and three youths aged 15, 16 and 17, pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Grass-filled tyre

The State alleges that Mr Marenene's house was set alight two days before he was murdered by a group of people including Mr Manginda, Mr Majola and Mr Sitwayi.

On November 22, when Mr Marenene returned to his house, a large group of people then walked towards him and began stoning him, the State alleges. He ran away, firing shots into the air.

According to Mr Japhta, Mr Marenene stumbled and fell and the 15-year-old youth stabbed him. Mr Manginda dropped a large rock on his head.

A youth and Mr Madikane then threw stones at Mr Marenene and Mr Madikane and Mr Sitwayi also stabbed him with a knife, Mr Japhta said.

'Chopped in neck'

Mr Majola then walked up to the man and "chopped him in the neck with an axe".

Mr Majola later put a grass filled tyre around his neck, set it alight and walked off. When a woman took the tyre off his neck, an angry Mr Majola returned and put the tyre around his neck again.

Mr D Potgieter, for the defence, put it to Mr Japhta under cross examination that he was a paid police informer. Mr Japhta denied this and said he was only doing his duty.

The court heard that Mr Japhta had given evidence for the State in another trial in George.

The hearing continues today.

Mr Justice Lategan presided with two assessors. Mr W R Vivier and Mr H van Huyssteen. Mr C Viviers appeared for the State. Mr D Potgieter and Mr S Majiedt instructed by Mr Ebrahim Mohammed of E Moosa and Associates appeared for the eight.

'Necklace' trial witness says his home was razed

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Staff Reporter

A STATE witness in the Oudtshoorn "necklace" murder trial told the Supreme Court, Cape Town, his home was burnt down after community councillor Mr Patrick "Big Boy" Marenene was killed.

Mr Hendrik Japhta was testifying in the trial of Mr Patrick Manginda, Mr Desmond Majola, Mr Dickson Madikane, Mr Chwete Makay, Mr Jimmy Sitwayi, and youths aged 15, 16 and 17, all of Oudtshoorn.

They have pleaded not guilty to charges of murdering Mr Marenene, a Bongulethu community councillor, in Muller Street, Bridgton, Oudtshoorn, on November 22, 1985, and to alternative charges of public violence.

The State alleges they chopped Mr Marenene with an axe, stoned, stabbed, hit and kicked him and set him alight using a tyre.

Alternatively, it is alleged they gathered with the intention of disturbing public order, peace and safety, and weakening the authority of the police by causing unrest and violence.

Gambling

Mr Japhta said he was gambling with some of the accused when they heard shots and ran out to look.

In Muller Street they saw a man running with 100 to 120 people behind him.

The 17-year-old youth took hold of the man's arm, causing him to fall. The 15-year-old wrestled with the man on the ground and stabbed him.

Mr Japhta said that when the group caught up with the man, Mr Manginda threw a large rock at his head.

Mr Majola struck him with an axe and Mr Sitwayi stabbed him. The rest of the crowd threw stones at him.

He said Mr Majola then put a a tyre around the man's neck. Members of the group went to nearby houses in search of petrol.

The tyre was lit and the group walked away.

Mr Japhta said that when a woman removed the tyre, Mr Majola turned back and replaced it. The police arrived.

During cross-examination by defence counsel Mr D Potgieter, Mr Japhta said his house had been burnt down since the killing.

He denied being a police informer. When Mr Potgieter said Sergeant Willie Bruiners said he was an informer, he again denied it.

He said he gave information to the police because he wished to "speak the truth" and not because he was "looking for money".

Another reason was that he had known Mr Marenene through playing rugby with him.

Other cases

Asked whether he was a State witness in other cases, he said he testified in an arson case relating to the burning of a construction company's bakkie because he wished to prevent the driver from being blamed.

Mr Potgieter alleged Mr Japhta was covering up the facts and that he gave information to the police "not out of the goodness of your heart, but because you were paid for it".

Mr Japhta denied the allegations, saying he earned money from selling dagga.

(Proceeding)

Mr Justice Lategan is on the Bench, with Mr W Vivier and Mr H van Huyssteen as assessors. Mr C Viviers appears for the State. Mr Potgieter and Mr S Majiedt, instructed by E Moosa and Associates, appear for the defence.

8 deny 'necklace' killing

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FIVE men and three youths yesterday pleaded not guilty in the Supreme Court, Cape Town, to the "necklace" murder of community councillor Mr Patrick "Big Boy" Marenene in Oudtshoorn last November.

Mr Patrick Manginda (23), Mr Desmond Majola, Mr Dickson Madikane, Mr Chwete Makay (24), Mr Jimmy Sitwayi (26), and youths aged 15, 16 and 17, all of Oudtshoorn, were charged with murder, alternatively public violence.

The State alleges that on November 22 they chopped Mr Marenene with an axe, stoned, stabbed, hit and kicked him and set him alight using a tyre.

Alternatively, it is alleged that they gathered with the intention of disturbing public order, peace and safety and weakening the authority of the police by causing unrest and violence.

The State alleges that they gathered with stones and other objects, and stoned, stabbed and set alight Mr Marenene and stoned Mr Lewin Solomons' car.

It is alleged that two days before the killing Mr Marenene and his wife, Ms Dorothy Fortuin, were at home when a large group gathered in the street outside.

The State alleges further:

Mr Makay addressed the group and one of the youths peered in the windows of the house.

When Ms Fortuin asked what they wanted, the youth replied that they were looking for "Big Boy" because they "wanted his blood". The group took goods out of the house and burned them.

Pursued

On November 22 Mr Marenene, armed with a revolver, returned to fetch belongings not destroyed. A large group of people began stoning him. He ran away and fired into the air.

Mr Maginda and Mr Majola were in the group which pursued him.

After passing three people, he stumbled and fell and was stabbed by two of the three.

The group caught up with Mr Marenene. Mr Manginda dropped a large stone on his head. A youth and Mr Madikane threw stones at him. Mr Sitwayi stabbed him. Mr Majola struck Mr Marenene on the neck with an axe.

Someone produced a tyre, covered with plastic and grass. Mr Majola put it around Mr Marenene's neck. The tyre was set alight.

Meanwhile part of the crowd stoned Mr Solomons' bakkie because he would not provide petrol.

Soon after the police arrived, the crowd left.

It was found that Mr Marenene died from skull and neck fractures.

He also had 15 stab wounds and various burns.

Sergeant F W Bruiners told the court he was on patrol when he received radio instructions to go to Muller Street, Bridgton, where he found a man with a burning tyre around his neck.

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PE man dies in unrest

PRETORIA — Two people were murdered on Tuesday in the first serious incidents of unrest this week the Bureau for Information said in its report for the period ending at 6 am yesterday.

In Zwide, Port Elizabeth, Mr Penrose Ngwayu, 30, was burnt to death in Mbilana Street, the report said.

In Sebokeng, Vereeninging, security forces found the burnt body of a man at the Residensia railway station, it said.

Meanwhile, the KwaNdebele Government said yesterday that no unrest incidents had been reported in the past five days and that all workers had gone back to work on Monday.

A government spokesman said it was "incorrect to attribute the recent unrest only to the envisaged independence later this year."

He said there was also unrest in many other parts of South Africa where there was no talk of independence.

The KwaNdebele Legislative Assembly would meet next Tuesday to discuss citizenship, the Umbhokotho (a privately organised vigilante group), the unrest situation and two internal bills, he said. — Sapa

Pupils heed stayaway call over detainees

SEVERAL coloured high schools in the Peninsula appeared deserted yesterday as pupils observed a call for a one-day stayaway in solidarity with detainees and victims of unrest.

The stayaway, called by the Western Cape Student Council (Wecsco), appeared most effective in the Athlone area where Alexander Sinton, Belgravia, Groenvlei, Bontehewuel, Modderdam and Arcadia high schools had very few pupils.

However, the liaison officer for the Ministers' Council in the House of Representatives, Mr Thinus Dempsey, said more than 75 percent of pupils were at school yesterday.

He said he did not have attendance figures for specific areas where the stayaway was called.

Sources at Rylands High School — under the control of the House of Delegates — reported that only 16 pupils reported for classes.

Schools also affected were Manenberg, John Ramsay, Elswood, Uitsig, Cathkin High and Oaklands high schools.

In Mitchells Plain, attendance at Spine Road, Glendale, Westridge and Woodlands high schools were affected.

Pupils called the stayaway to show solidarity with detainees and those who had died as a result of political violence and certain activities at two Bontehewel schools which the press is prevented from reporting under the emergency regulations.

They also demand an end to harassment of teachers and pupils and for the removal of certain persons from schools premises.

The stayaway was also observed in Belhar, Heideveld, Ravensmead, Hanover Park and Bellville South.

Community leaders in the townships said the stayaway caused more than 75 percent absenteeism from schools in the specified areas.

Political comment in this issue by A H Heard, G E Shaw, J V Scott, M P Acott, G Q Kling and A L Johnson. News sub-editing, headlines and posters by A J Moth and W C Odendaal. Cartoons by A M Grogan. All of 122 St George's Street, Cape Town.

Court told of 'fluke' death shot

Court Reporter

A POLICEMAN who shot and killed a 31-year-old father in a house in Salt River last year told a Cape Town inquest magistrate yesterday the shot was "a fluke".

Lieutenant John Michael Baird was giving evidence about the death of Mr Ebrahim Carelse. He was shot in a house diagonally opposite his own on September 5.

The lieutenant said he and Sergeant J P Ganz had gone into Salt River that night to find people who were throwing stones and petrol bombs and "causing trouble".

'Burning'

As they approached the corner of Albert and Burns roads, he saw about 20 men standing in the road near a television shop.

He told the sergeant to drive closer. He noticed a burning object on the pavement and saw a man with a light-coloured top and dark pants holding a petrol bomb above his head. It seemed as if he was going to lob it into the television shop.

As the policemen approached the man, who the lieutenant said was Mr Carelse, he gave the bottle and a brick to another man in the crowd. He then ran down Burns Road.

Lieutenant Baird said he chased Mr Carelse because he "was the one about to commit a crime". In Burns Street, Mr Carelse ran into a house and he followed.

In the kitchen, Mr Carelse was about to run out of the back door when the lieutenant bumped into a table. He said Mr Carelse was just disappearing through the door when he fired a shot "which I intended to be low down". It hit Mr Carelse in the neck.

Mrs Jawaya Carelse told the court she and her late husband had been home on the night of the incident and had heard the sound of people of running in the street.

By the time her husband had left to pay his respects to some neighbours who had returned from Mecca, the noise had subsided.

He had been gone only a few minutes, when she heard a loud noise which sounded very much like a shot. She started panicking as the sound had come from the direction of the house to which her husband had gone.

She crossed the road, entered the house and saw him lying just outside the backdoor in the yard. She screamed and sat down.

The hearing was adjourned to August 25.

The magistrate was Mr B L May. Mr M de Vries led the evidence. Mr J R Whitehead, instructed by Mr B Halliday, appeared for Mr Carelse's next of kin. Mrs J H Traverso, instructed by the State Attorney, represented Lieutenant Baird and the Minister of Law and Order.

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Policeman shot escaping man, inquest court told

Court Reporter

A POLICE lieutenant chasing a man through a Salt River house shot him when he escaped through the back door, according to evidence before an inquest magistrate.

Mr Ebrahim Carelse, 31, of Burns Road, Salt River, died of brain injuries in Groote Schuur Hospital after being shot in the head outside his neighbour's house in Salt River on September 5 last year.

Lieutenant John Michael Baird fired the fatal shot.

The neighbour, Mrs Sadie van der Schyff, said she was alone in her house about 9pm when she heard a commotion in the street and a bang which she assumed was a car backfiring.

Her grand-daughter ran in and said a policeman was in the kitchen.

The policeman asked if he could use her telephone to call an ambulance.

"Cause trouble"

"I ran into the kitchen and saw Mr Carelse lying outside the back door in the garden.

"I asked the policeman 'Why did you shoot this man?' and he said: 'These are the people who cause all the trouble'."

Mr Carelse's wife, Mrs Jawaya Carelse, said her husband was at home with her from the time he came back from work until 9pm, when he decided to visit a neighbour. A few minutes later he was shot.

Lieutenant Baird said he and a colleague were on patrol when they went to investigate damage to Salt River post office.

A crowd had gathered and the police van was stoned.

Lieutenant Baird said he saw Mr Carelse with a brick in one hand and a burning object in the other. He believed he was going to throw a petrol bomb.

He was wearing dark trousers and a diamond-patterned top.

On the corner of Albert and Burns roads Lieutenant Baird jumped out of the van. Mr Carelse ran up Burns Road and he gave chase.

Lieutenant Baird denied Mr Carelse was wearing the clothes exhibited in court — a jersey with horizontal stripes and a pair of light trousers his family said he was wearing on the night of the shooting.

"Table in the way"

He said he shouted in English and Afrikaans to the man he was chasing to stop, but he was getting tired because he had flu and was afraid the man would get away.

He had not aimed at his legs because the kitchen table was in the way.

"I am absolutely satisfied I did my best not to shoot him dead," he said.

The hearing was postponed to August 25.

Mr P L May was on the Bench. Mr M B de Vries appeared for the State and Mrs J H M Traverso for the Minister of Law and Order.

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Lack of State aid 'amazing'

Staff Reporter

IT was "amazing" that the State had still not given any aid to victims of fighting in Crossroads and KTC, the principal and vice-chancellor of the University of Cape Town, Dr Stuart Saunders, said last night.

Addressing the annual general meeting of the Students' Health and Welfare Centres Organization (Shawco), Dr Saunders — who is chairman of Shawco — paid tribute to Shawco workers and volunteers who had worked under difficult and dangerous conditions throughout the fighting.

Shawco student president Mr Andrew Feinstein said: "It is only when all South Africa is free, when all South Africa is loosened from the shackles of economic and racial oppression, that Shawco will be in a position to help realize the aim of ensuring that all South Africans have three meals a day for their bodies, education and culture for their minds, and dignity, equality and freedom for their spirits."

Mr Feinstein said that during Shawco's operations in the Crossroads area, the organization had "come to an historical understanding of the area and met on a regular basis with both leadership and community organizations, taking our lead from them at all times".

He said it was critical for Shawco to ensure it always worked in co-operation with "democratic organizations".

The Rev Sid Luckett, chairman of the Anglican Board of Social Responsibility and a UDF executive member, described the development of the "witdoek" vigilantes in Crossroads as "sinister".

He said the vigilantes phenomenon was now nationwide and was being encouraged by supporters of apartheid to achieve the ends of "the ruthless elimination of political opponents ... and in Cape Town of entire communities".

Ex-officer's death lifts unrest tally to 7

By SHIRLEY PRESSLY

A RETIRED police officer died yesterday when a handgrenade was flung into his Durban home, the Bureau for Information reported today.

The death of Lieutenant Victor Raju, 61, at his home in Himalaya Road, Shaleen, brought to seven the number of dead recorded in unrest situation reports issued this week by the bureau.

Last week 22 people died in unrest incidents, including 14 in the Eastern Cape, according to the bureau's figures.

Last Sunday was a "virtually unrest-free day", according to the bureau, with no deaths and only one injury recorded.

The 24-hour period up to 6am on Tuesday was the "quietest day this year for unrest-releated incidents, with no deaths, only one injury and minimal damage to property being reported", according to the bureau.

The first deaths of the week were reported in the 24-hour period to 6am on Wednesday.

Two men were murdered, one in PE.

The body of a man was found in Sebokeng, Vereeniging. He had been shot and then burnt.

In Zwide, Mr Penrose Ngwayu, 30, was burnt to death in Mbilana Street behind the Mazibambani School.

Thursday's unrest wrap-up reported the death of an unidentified man in hospital after a group of people allegedly tried to kill him in Tantyi, Grahamstown.

One other death was reported in the 24-hour period until 6am on Thursday. The body of Mr Joseph Mtsweni was found in Kwandebele.

For the period 6am on Thursday until 6am on Friday the bureau reported "only two deaths, both in the Eastern Province".

In Kwazakele a group of about 30 people shot at and attempted to kidnap a member of the security forces. The fire was returned fire and an unidentified man killed.

The body of a second man was found at the Mazibambane school in Mbilane Street, Kwazakele.

● Sapa reports that police fired teargas today to disperse a chanting crowd of thousands of youths gathered at a cemetery in Soweto for the burial of three teenagers.

Two shot dead in E Cape

THE Bureau for Information reports that from 6am, August 7, to 6am yesterday "only two deaths, both in the Eastern Province, were reported".

"In Kwazekele, Port Elizabeth, a group of about 30 blacks attempted to kidnap a member of the security forces. The group fired at the security forces who returned fire with 5 rounds from a shotgun, fatally wounding an unknown black man. A 12-bore shotgun and nine petrol bombs were confiscated.

"The body of an unknown black man was also found by the security forces at the Mazimbanbane school in Mbelane street, Kwazekele." — Sapa

13 freed in 'Trojan' case

By YVETTE VAN BREDA
Court Reporter

THIRTEEN people arrested after the "Trojan horse" shooting incident in Athlone last year and charged with public violence, were yesterday acquitted in Wynberg Regional Court because of a lack of evidence.

Their appearance follows an incident in October last year when police entered Thornton Road hidden in crates on the back of a railways "ghost truck" and opened fire on a crowd of about 200. Three youths were killed.

The 13 are Mr E Surja, Mr R Regter, Mr E Peters, Mr M Lawrence, Mr A Reynolds, Mr R Crowley, Mr J Collison, Mr B Johnson, Mr H Papier, Mr C Buckton, Miss G Jacobs and two minors.

Michael Miranda, 10, Jonathan Claasens, 15, and Shaun Magmoet, 16, were killed in the shooting at the corner of St Simon's and Thornton roads.

After the State closed its case, Mr P Gamble, for two of the 13, applied for their acquittal.

He said "there is a pathetic void in the State's evidence". The only reason why the two were on trial was because "of a red-faced attempt by the police to cover up the horrific event".

"The only evidence against him (Mr Regter), is a video of him with a police reservist, on the pavement, taken twenty minutes after the event," Mr Gamble said.

The other defence attorneys, Mr H B Joshua, Mr A R Wilkinson, Mr Y Ebrahim and Mr M Parker, supported him.

The prosecutor, Mr W King, said there was enough evidence to continue the trial. He said the police had fired at people throwing stones and three of the 13 had been injured at the scene. He could only conclude they had been involved in the stone-throwing.

The magistrate, Mr R A Duraan, said there was no evidence to prove that any of the 13 had been at the scene or that they threw stones or formed part of the crowd.

'Curious'

He said there was no evidence showing where the 13 had been arrested. "It is common at such incidents that curious people gather but it does not necessarliy mean they form part of the stone-throwers," Mr Duraan said.

He said it was his opinion that there was not sufficient evidence against the 13 and discharged them.

Victims' parents take court action

Court Reporter

ACTION has been instituted in the Supreme Court in respect of two boys — Michael Miranda, 10, and Shaun Magmoet, 16 — who were killed in the "Trojan horse" incident in Athlone on October 15 last year.

An attorney, Mr Y Ebrahim, who appeared for two of 13 people who were acquitted yesterday on a charge of public violence, said the boys' parents had started the action. The hearing was in connection with an incident in which police opened fire on a crowd of about 200 people, killing three youths.

As the two boys were minors they were able to claim only for funeral expenses, he said. Their names originally appeared on the charge sheet with those of the 13 but the charges were withdrawn at the start of the hearing.

Parents or next of kin of those killed or injured in the incident may press charges of murder or attempted murder against the police, according to another attorney, Mr M Parker.

Mr Parker, who appeared for three of the 13 who were acquitted, said after the trial: "The parents are considering laying charges against those responsible for the deaths or injuries caused."

He said the charges would most likely be directed at Lieutenant D G P Vermeulen, who had been in charge of the nine-man task force who had hid in crates on the back of an unmarked "ghost truck".

Mr E Moosa, who instructed Mr P Gamble for two people, said he was considering private prosecution.

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Police teargas mourners

JOHANNESBURG. — Police used teargas on Saturday to disperse mourners at the funeral of three teenagers who died last week in Soweto after a fight between rival township gangs.

The three dead pupils — Mselane Ronelle Sishange, 16, Edwin Nkomo, 17, and Simon Morris, 18 — have been described by residents of the Orlando neighbourhood as "comrades". Their bullet-riddled bodies were found in the open veld last weekend.

Three other youths, reportedly abducted with them and stuffed into car trunks, survived but were badly injured and were described as "battling for their lives" at Baragwanath Hospital.

The funeral service — which was restricted to two hours — began at Emadwaleni High School, where about 2 000 mourners gathered.

About 1500 people were turned away, however, as only 500 mourners were allowed into the school.

Pupils of nearly all of Soweto's high schools arrived in buses, trucks and cars, in groups from 20 to 100, said a reporter who was also not allowed inside. Some people had arrived as early as 7am for the 11am service.

Those turned away were milling in the streets in front of the school, where the situation was described as "tense". Some were commandeering cars to take them to the Avalon Cemetery, where the three teenagers were to be buried.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information, Mr Carel du Toit, said police used teargas at the cemetery when a section of the crowd became "unruly".

"When the police arrived there were already 500 mourners inside the school. A police colonel then allowed another 500 in. Another thousand or more were still outside. We couldn't allow them in. So the police arranged for buses to take them to the cemetery," said Mr Du Toit.

"At the cemetry a portion of the crowd became unruly and the police then opened up with teargas. The crowd then dispersed and there was no damage, no injuries and no arrests."

He said the three teenagers were killed last weekend "in a faction fight between gangs".

Mr Jefferson Lengane, 29, appeared in the Soweto District Court on Thursday and was charged with murder and attempted murder in the case. Five others — three 17-year-old youths and two men, Mr Joseph Pitso and Mr Atatios Mphoreng — were charged with him, but none was asked to plead. They are to be kept in custody until their next court apppearance on August 14.

Police confiscated 9mm pistols and two cars during the arrests. — Sapa-AP

PE boycotts continue despite DET warning

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Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — School stayaways continued here yesterday in spite of the Department of Education and Training's back-to-school deadline and warning that it will close secondary schools here if pupils do not return to classes.

DET officials met in Port Elizabeth and Pretoria, to review the school situation.

DET public relations officer, Mr Job Schoeman, yesterday said from Pretoria that no decision had been taken to close the affected schools as officials were "still studying the situation".

The department warned last week that unless the boycotting pupils at higher primary, junior secondary and high schools in Port Elizabeth returned to classes on Friday, the schools would be closed for the rest of the year and teachers would be transferred or laid off.

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Some of the squatter leaders at yesterday's press conference were, from left to right: Mr Alfred Siphika, Nyanga Extension leader; Mr Gladstone Ntamo, KTC Masincedane Committee; Mr William Cubungu, KTC Masincedane Committee; Mr Melford Yamile, Nyanga Bush leader; Mr K H Goniwe, Nyanga Extension executive committee; Mr Christopher Toise, Portland Cementworks leader, and Mr Z Memani, KTC Masincedane Committee.
Picture: Tony Weaver

Squatters to sue Le Grange

By TONY WEAVER

LEADERS of the KTC, Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland Cement Works squatter camps yesterday confirmed that their attorneys are preparing to sue the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, for extensive damages.

And, the leaders said, they demanded that they be allowed back into the devastated areas "as soon as possible — we want to move back next week".

This follows Friday's surprise Supreme Court development in which Mr Le Grange declined to oppose the granting of a final order restraining the police, South African Defence Force and "witdoek" vigilantes from attacking KTC.

The matter had become "academic", Mr Le Grange said, because most of KTC had already been destroyed, and the case would have run for months and cost thousands of rands.

More than 40 affidavits lodged during the hearing alleged active collusion between the police and "witdoek" leaders during the fighting in, and destruction of, KTC.

At a press conference yesterday, the squatter leaders and members of their committees said "we are going to sue for damages".

Suits

Attorneys will now begin preparing suits on behalf of hundreds, possibly thousands, of refugees who lost most of their possessions in the fighting.

Damages sued for in the civil claims could amount to well over R1-million, as more than 60 000 people were left homeless in the fighting, attorneys confirmed.

"This will force the whole case to come into the open again," members of the leaders' committee said.

In a joint statement yesterday, the leaders said that Mr Le Grange's decision not to oppose the final granting of the order "is a victory for us. The reason he did not stand up in court against us is because he did not want the whole world to know what happened".

'Must pay'

They announced that they would be seeking international support in their legal battle with the security forces because "the government must pay for the damage they caused. Our brothers and sisters have died; our property, our houses, our furniture, shops and businesses are destroyed. We must be paid".

Among the leaders represented at the press conference yesterday were Mr Alfred Siphika, Nyanga Extension leader, Mr Melford Yamile, Nyanga Bush leader, Mr Christopher Toise, Portland Cement Works leader, and Mr Z Memani, Mr Gladstone Ntamo and Mr William Cubungu of the KTC Masincedane Committee.

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UDF move to have ban made invalid

By SHAUNA WESTCOTT
Supreme Court Reporter

A UDF meeting scheduled for today in Hanover Park but banned by the Divisional Commissioner of Police may go ahead if the UDF wins a suit brought yesterday but postponed until today.

The urgent application to the Supreme Court is for an order declaring Brigadier Chris Swart's ban invalid and that the UDF is entitled to hold the meeting in the Hanover Park Civic Centre at 7.30 tonight.

The application was postponed to give the brigadier time to file answering affidavits.

An affidavit filed by UDF Western Cape secretary Mr Trevor Manuel sets out the background to Brigadier Swart's banning order issued on Monday.

On July 20 the UDF and the Western Cape Teachers' Union, who were among 119 organizations the divisional commissioner prohibited from holding any gatherings at all, applied to the Supreme Court for an order declaring the prohibition invalid.

After the application was served on the brigadier he repealed a number of orders he had issued, including the prohibition of meetings.

The UDF then resolved to hold today's meeting "at which the UDF position on current issues which are of crucial concern to the black communities would be discussed". Among invited speakers are Dr Allan Boesak and Mrs Winnie Mandela.

Precautions

Mr Manuel said the implications of the state of emergency for such a meeting had been discussed and the UDF had taken adequate precautions to ensure that the safety of the public and the maintenance of public order would not be jeopardized.

Mr Manuel said the divisional commissioner was not authorized to summarily prohibit gatherings or to make orders which violated the statutory and common-law right to meet.

The brigadier had exercised his discretionary power in an arbitrary and capricious manner, his decision was grossly unreasonable, he had failed to apply his mind, and had acted in bad faith.

Mr Acting Justice G R de M Hofmeyr presided. Mr J G Foxcroft SC, with Mr A M Omar and instructed by E Moosa and Associates, appeared for the UDF. Mr G D Griessel SC, with Mr C Y Louw and instructed by the State Attorney's Office, appeared for the respondent.

Police stood by as witdoeke attacked, court told

By ANDRÉ KOOPMAN

AN Anglican priest alleged in papers before the Supreme Court that police stood by while "witdoeke" attacked KTC residents in June.

The papers were before court last week when the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, declined to oppose a temporary order being made final which restrains the police, "witdoek" leaders and the defence force from attacking or allowing attacks on KTC.

In further affidavits, the court also heard that white men in dark clothing with rifles in their hands stood next to a squatter leader's shack as it went up in flames. People who tried to approach the shack were allegedly shot at. It was also alleged that white men wearing balaclavas were seen in the vicinity at the time of the shack-burning forays.

In the more than 40 affidavits before the court, priests, doctors, squatter leaders and journalists made several allegations of security force collusion and participation in "witdoek" attacks on KTC.

Father David Cook of St John's Parish, Wynberg, said he and other clergymen had been called to the Zolani Centre on Monday, June 9. On arrival, he saw that the Zolani Centre was on fire and that tents on the side of the centre had been burnt down.

Father Cook said they drove to the western side of the centre where they saw several Casspirs patrolling the road on the edge of KTC.

A group of "witdoeke" approached KTC from the direction of Crossroads.

"They were armed with sticks, stones and some of them had bottles of petrol. They proceeded to hurl the stones at KTC camp, smash windows and set fire to the shacks. The police in the Casspir made no attempt to stop them."

He said he later stood behind a second Casspir with the registration number BDU-583B. Its rear doors were open and a policeman was standing and "aiming a rifle in the direction of KTC residents".

Father Cook said he heard a gunshot very close to him, "looked up and saw that the policeman was still pointing his rifle in the general direction of the residents".

In another affidavit made by Mr Goodwin Nyingwa, formerly of Nyanga Hostel, allegations were made of "witdoeke" and police in Casspirs attacking "comrades".

On June 9 at 8am he saw about 1 000 "witdoeke" congregating outside the development board offices. There were five Casspirs parked next to the offices and a white van belonging to Warrant Officer Barnard.

There were about 200 people including refugees. W/O Barnard then said to them in Xhosa over a loudhailer: "Today I'm going to kill all the comrades."

"He then shot about six teargas canisters at all of us," Mr Nyingwa said.

They fled towards the Zolani Centre, from there they saw W/O Barnard's van, five Casspirs and about 1 000 witdoeke on foot approaching the area of the refugee tents.

"The vehicles came to a standstill and the police alighted armed with guns and proceeded towards the refugee tents which were soon surrounded. The next minute I saw flames rising from the tents."

Dr Mark Blecher, of SACLA clinic, said he had seen several hundred armed "witdoeke" attacking a group of "comrades" near refugee tents on June 9, while "four Casspirs and Buffels patrolled the area during this time and did absolutely nothing to prevent the attack, let alone stop it".

"The witdoeke then gathered in front of the clinic and I saw a policeman in a Casspir stationed next to them, beckon with his hands to the witdoeke to charge in the direction of Zolani Centre.

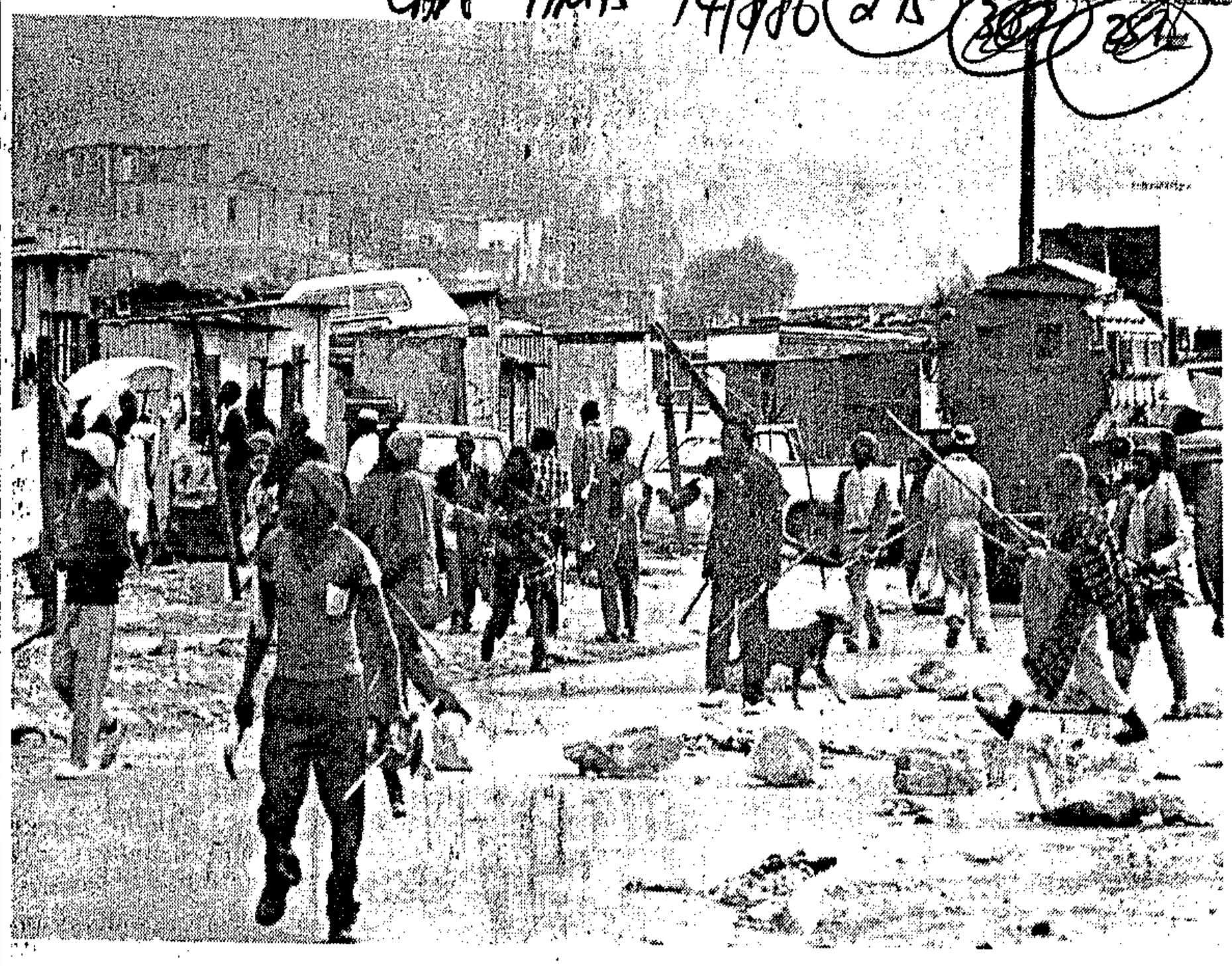
"He then turned and aimed his gun and from where I was it looked as if he was shooting at the comrades in the direction of Zolani Centre. The witdoeke then surged towards Zolani Centre," the doctor said.

Dr Blecher described how witdoeke torched refugee tents "10 to 15 metres away from a stationary Casspir".

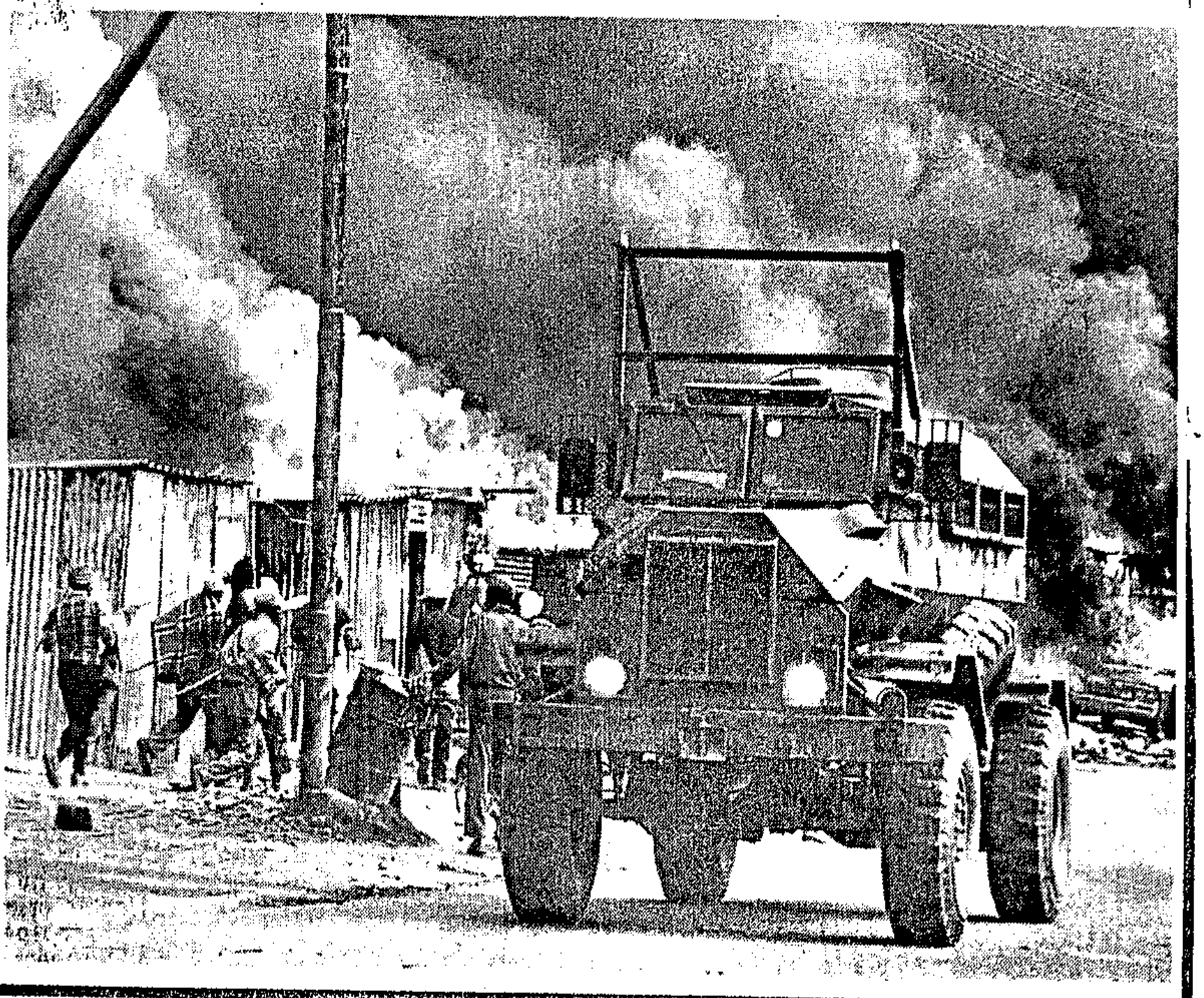
"The policemen in the Casspir did nothing to prevent the tents being burnt nor did they take any action whatsoever against the witdoeke who burned the tents," he said.

He saw a "witdoek" load an injured person into a Casspir. "The witdoeke then withdrew and gathered around another Casspir. They milled around this Casspir for a while and then headed off in the direction of KTC."

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These pictures of witdoek vigilantes were taken by freelance photographer **Guy Tillim** on the border road between KTC and Nyanga on Monday, June 9. The pictures were handed in as evidence in Friday's Supreme Court hearing where the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, declined to contest the granting of a court order restraining the security forces and witdoek vigilantes from attacking the KTC camp. Mr Tillim said in an accompanying affidavit that "I also saw police vehicles patrolling the road and saw groups of witdoeke emerging on to the road from Nyanga". **Below:** Mr Tillim said in the affidavit that "as soon as these groups entered the camp, the houses and dwellings in the KTC camp began to burn". He said he "did not see the occupants of the security vehicles take any steps to prevent the attack . . ."



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Unrest cuts DV food aid — medic

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The Border region of the South African Red Cross Society has been compelled to withdraw a feeding scheme in Duncan Village because of the unrest there.

The regional chairman of the society, Dr S. Mitchley, said this at the annual meeting of the Red Cross, Border region, here last night.

However, he said, numerous families who had become victims of political violence were being assisted with food, clothing and blankets.

Dr Mitchley said country branches of the society continued to operate efficiently but the Sterkstroom branch closed down after many years of service.

The Border region guided the National Council of Ciskei during the past year.

"Our service club for the aged at Red Cross House in Fleet Street and the medical clinic for the aged in Browning Street have proven to be very popular and well attended. Meals are served to the aged from Mondays to Fridays each week.

"The Red Cross Kennersley Park complex for the aged has expanded during the past year and three cottages and two flatlets were completed. All these are fully occupied."

Dr Mitchley said difficulty was being experienced in obtaining finance for the proposed new infirm wing of the complex.

Negotiations with the Department of Local Government, Housing and Works were continuing.

Plans and negotiations for the erection of a 40-bed old age home at Stutterheim were advanced and it was expected that work would commence on the project later this year.

The honorary treasurer, Mr S.A. Nelson, said the financial position of the Red Cross, Border region, was in a "healthy" state.

Dr Mitchely was re-elected as regional chairman, Mr Peet De Pontes, MP, as vice-chairman and Mr Nelson as treasurer.

Squatter showdown looming

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By SHAUNA WESTCOTT

CONFRONTATION is looming between thousands of displaced squatters, determined to return to land they regard as theirs, and the forces of law and order, apparently as intent on keeping them out.

The latest development in the saga of arson and murder that has robbed up to 70 000 people of their homes is an order issued on Saturday by the Divisional Commissioner of Police forbidding entry to the bulldozed areas that used to be the squatter communities of Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension, Portland Cement and part of KTC.

The order, issued in terms of Section 7 of the emergency regulations, forbids anyone from entering or being in the areas without the written permission of Brigadier Chris Swart.

Supreme Court ruling

A similar order issued by the brigadier on June 22 — the day bulldozers moved into the torched areas of KTC — was repealed just over a month later after a Rand Supreme Court ruling that orders issued in terms of the emergency regulations by divisional commissioners were invalid.

The State President, however, amended the emergency regulations to extend the regulation-making powers of the Commissioner of Police to his divisional deputies.

Brigadier Swart's new order follows a heated 90-minute meeting between squatter leaders and the regional director of the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud, on Thursday.

Mr Bezuidenhoud was told that the squatters intended to return to their land to rebuild their houses today and would take legal action if the government tried to stop them. They demanded that the barbed wire surrounding the areas be removed.

Mr Bezuidenhoud refused to ask police to do this.

Talking legal steps

Yesterday Mr Mathew Walton of the Legal Resources Centre said the LRC was examining the possibility of taking legal steps to reclaim the land on behalf of the displaced communities.

"Before these areas were attacked they were settled and ordered communities. I believe no one has a greater moral right or claim to the land than the people who were living there before they were attacked. These people should be allowed to return and should be protected in their reoccupation of the land."

Days before the meeting with Mr Bezuidenhoud, squatter leaders announced plans to sue the Minister of Law and Order for damages on behalf of all those who had lost their homes and possessions in the attacks on the camps.

This followed the minister's decision on August 8 not to oppose the granting of a final Supreme Court order against police, the Defence Force and witdoek vigilantes, who had previously been interdicted temporarily from participating in, or permitting, attacks on KTC. The minister also agreed to pay costs — easily over R50 000.

Mr Walton remarked at the time that "people should draw their own conclusions" about the minister's decision to opt out of attempting to refute

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very serious allegations of police brutality and collusion in the attacks.

The Supreme Court application was brought after Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland Cement Works camps went up in smoke. Although it did not save KTC from the same fate, it did enable the public to hear a version of events that escaped the blanket ban imposed on reports of security force action because it was aired in the Supreme Court.

Eighty-nine affidavits filed by residents, journalists, clergymen and doctors alleged massive security force involvement in the terror in which at least 50 people died.

Among the allegations were that:

- Police and soldiers threatened KTC residents that their houses would be burnt if they did not move to Khayelitsha. (KTC subsequently did burn.)
- Witdoek leader Mr Sam Ndima boasted that witdoeke had been given 600 guns by police to drive out rival squatter leaders and their people.
- Police supplied witdoeke with arms and ammunition, including grenade-throwers, and participated actively in the burning of houses.
- Security forces gave witdoeke — and themselves used — an incendiary "white powder" and canisters filled with inflammable material that exploded on impact in the arson.

Policemen 'fought for lives' at roadblock

EAST LONDON — Two security policemen told the Supreme Court in East London yesterday they had to "fight for their lives" when they stopped a van at a roadblock near Mount Ruth in July last year, and people inside the van started shooting at them.

Detective Constable Lungisile Bhekiso and two alleged terrorists, Mr Mzwandile Mcata and Mr Nkululeko Njongwe, were killed.

Evidence in the trial of Mr Khaya Libazi and Mr Andile Hewukile, both 25, of Mdantsane, was led by the State.

The two men previously pleaded not guilty to murder and to placing limpet mines at the Kings Hotel on June 14 and the East London City Hall on June 21, causing more than R22 000 damage to buildings and 30 vehicles.

They also pleaded not guilty to placing a limpet mine at Swan's Motors in Amalinda on June 21.

Further charges include illegal possession of ammunition, firearms and explosives, and five counts of murder.

The case continues. — Sapa

Phone failure: No reply

Political Staff

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. — The Minister of Communications, Dr Lapa Munnik, yesterday refused to say whether any telephones in South Africa were cut off on June 16.

Dr Munnik told Mr Peter Soal (PFP Johannesburg North) it was not in the interests of State security to reply to the PFP question on the issue.

Mr Soal said afterwards: "It is obvious that the government did cut off telephones into black townships.

"This shows the cynical disregard the Nationalists have for citiziens who have paid for their telephone service.

"At the flick of the switch they cut everyone off from the outside world.

"One wonders if they are going to refund the rent to all those subscribers because they would have collected that money under false pretences.

"One shudders to think about what happened to people who were caught in medical emergencies when the phones were cut off," Mr Soal said.

In another question, the Deputy Minister of Defence, Mr Adriaan Vlok, confirmed that members of the defence Force distributed pamphlets "on various occasions" on or before June 16 in the black residential areas in the vicinity of Pretoria "to inform the inhabitants of the proposed actions of radical elements during the period June 16 to June 26 1986 and to discourage them from taking part therein".

Mr Vlok confirmed that residents were asked in the pamphlets not to go to work on June 16.

Asked if any black employees of the Defence Force had been paid for being away from work on June 16, Mr Vlok said the question "falls away".

Zolani case: Defence plea fails

Supreme Court Reporter

FOUR men accused of murdering a Zolani community councillor pleaded not guilty yesterday after the Supreme Court dismissed a defence application for an order declaring proceedings void because the prosecutor had "hijacked and tampered with" witnesses.

Mr Samuel Mangcola, 29, Mr Charles Msoki, 45, Mr Timothy Tyhalisisu, 39, and Mr Lemi Mhlomi, 25, also pleaded not guilty to charges of public violence (alternatively malicious damage to property) and robbery with aggravating circumstances.

The charges arise from incidents of unrest in the Ashton township of Zolani on the night of April 25. It is alleged that the accused stoned and set alight a number of cars and stoned a house.

It is also alleged that they used an axe and "sharp objects" to attack community councillor Mr Ndakutini Douglas Zweni, who was temporarily employed as a guard by the Western Cape Development Board, robbing him of a .22 revolver and ammunition. Mr Zweni died of multiple injuries.

Last week, Mr J R Whitehead, appearing with Mr I J Muller for the accused, asked the judge to end the trial because investigating officer Sergeant Lang, with the consent of prosecutor Mr J H Theron, had taken a statement from a witness sub-poenaed by the defence.

In addition, Mr Theron had improperly obtained knowledge of defence consultations with another witness in detention.

Yesterday Mr Justice D M Williamson said the submission of defence counsel that a fair trial was not possible was "exaggerated out of all proportion".

The judge said the reluctance of defence counsel to have Sergeant Lang called to give evidence "casts a shadow over the entire application".

He also refused an alternative application that the prosecutor be ordered to abide by the rules of professional etiquette. Mr Theron was certainly now aware of the rules of etiquette if he had not been before and the judge would "be surprised if there were any further difficulties in this regard".

The trial continues.

Mr Justice D M Williamson presided with Mr D O de la Hunt and Mr G Titterton as assessors. Mr J H Theron prosecuted. Mr J R Whitehead and Mr I J Muller, instructed by Y Ebrahim and Co, appeared for the four.

Refugees run to the SAP

Post Reporter

A GROUP of about 60 coloured men, women and children fled to the Bethelsdorp Police Station last night and asked for refuge after fighting broke out between two groups in Kleinskool, Port Elizabeth.

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Major Eddie Everson, said details were still hazy, but it appeared as if the fighting was between coloureds and Africans who lived side by side in Veeplaas.

He said early information received hinted that the fighting had arisen as a result of shooting at the house of Mr Abraham Human, of Hillside, this week.

The refugees, who were given shelter by the police last night, are being housed in the Bethelsdorp Community Centre.

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'Necklace': Boy jailed

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PORT ELIZABETH. — A 16-year-old boy was convicted of murder with extenuating circumstances on Wednesday for holding the feet of a burning man as he lay on the ground during a "necklace" murder.

The boy was sentenced to an effective 12 years' imprisonment by the Supreme Court for the murder of Hilton Heacock, 18, at Swartkops last year. He had pleaded not guilty.

Mr Justice R A Solomon said the boy's youth had saved him from the gallows. — Sapa

Arms were of Soviet origin, EL court is told

EAST LONDON — The Supreme Court here was told yesterday that explosives and ammunition found at various places in the city last year were all of Soviet origin.

Extensive damage was caused by explosions at the EL City Hall and at Swans Motors in Amalinda on June 21 last year.

Two limpet mines, together containing nearly 2kg of TNT, or a mixture, were found in Kings Hotel early on June 16 last year.

Two Mdantsane men, Mr Kaya Libazi, 25, and Mr Andile Hewukile, 25, have pleaded not guilty of murdering Detective Constable Lungisile Bhekiso and attempting to kill five others in a shootout on July 31 last year.

Two alleged terrorists, Mr Mzwandile Mcata and Mr Nkululeko Njongwe, died in the shootout.

An explosives expert, Warrant Officer G Viljoen, told the court he "grew cold" at the thought of what could have happened had the mines at the hotel exploded. They would have killed within a 10-metre radius.

He described how the mines and hand grenades worked. He found limpet mines, with their detonating mechanisms in them, ready for use in the back of the bakkie in which the men had been stopped by the security police.

The chief of the EL murder and robbery squad, Lt C Landman, said that when he arrived at the scene of the police shootout he found a spent cartridge in the back of the bakkie.

He took possession of various items of Soviet ammunition, as well as "many" pairs of woollen gloves, which were found in the bakkie.

Under cross-examination by defence counsel Mr Roy Allaway, he said that when he arrived, a car, which had stopped behind the bakkie, was no longer there.

The trial continues today. — Sapa

Mugabe slates US, praises Russians

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The Star's Africa News Service

HARARE — Zimbabwean Prime Minister Robert Mugabe, who is about to become chairman of the "non-aligned" nations, has described the United States' role in Southern Africa as "outrageous".

He contrasted this with what he said was an absence of interference in the region by the Soviet Union.

In an interview here with a representative of the Indian newspaper, *Patriot*, Mr Mugabe attacked the US for insisting on the withdrawal of the Cuban troops from Angola in connection with independence in Namibia, and for interfering in Angola's affairs by giving assistance to Unita.

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"The colonial masters in our region do not look favourably at the Soviet Union because of the assistance it has given to the liberation movements," he said.

"There has been no interference by the Soviet Union. There has been assistance and this assistance has come our way because we requested it."

Mr Mugabe said there was a need to establish a just and equitable economic order in the world. He emphasised the need to promote "south-south" co-operation (co-operation between underdeveloped countries in the southern hemisphere).

He said the developing countries should make use of the advanced technology acquired by India, rather than that provide to the Third World by the Western developed countries.

Star reporter in Rand Court

JOHANNESBURG. — A Star reporter, Mr Michael Tissong, appeared in the Magistrate's Court here yesterday in connection with a story about hand grenade blasts in Duduza township on June 26 last year.

A warrant of arrest was issued for another reporter, Miss Chris Steyn, who contributed to the story. She left for London last week.

The reporters are being asked to confirm under oath an article they wrote about the blasts, which killed seven youths. — Sapa

Casspirs on patrol — and it's news again

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Staff Reporter

FOR the past two months and nine days, residents of Cape Town's black townships have lived daily with the rumble of police and Defence Force armoured vehicles.

For almost two months, residents of the Greater Guguletu area could not go home without being stopped and often searched at permanent roadblocks at every entrance to the townships.

Only within the past few weeks have the roadblocks been dismantled.

From June 16 until Wednesday this week, newspapers were not allowed to report these routine occurrences in terms of an order under the emergency regulations telexed to the South African Press Association by the Commissioner of Police.

However, in the Natal Supreme Court on Wednesday, counsel for the State in the hearing in which the major English-language newspaper groups are challenging several emergency regulations, conceded that the regulation banning coverage of security force action without official permission was invalid.

Yesterday, police Casspirs and SADF Buffels patrolled the streets of Nyanga, Guguletu, KTC and New Crossroads.

They appeared to be patrolling on a grid pattern, systematically covering as many areas as possible, with one Casspir parked in a position in NY5 which offered a vantage point over most of KTC.

In Langa, Casspirs were parked at strategic points in the township, with regular patrols by police vans.

In Bonteheuwel, a police Land Rover was parked in the grounds of Bonteheuwel High School, one of three high schools in the area which enter the third day of a three-day stayaway today.

Several prominent activists of the United Democratic Front, Cape Youth Congress and United Women's Congress said yesterday they had been in hiding since the emergency had been declared.

Heritage sites in Cape

TWENTY-FIVE Natural Heritage sites were registered and plaques and certificates handed over at a ceremony in Johannesburg yesterday afternoon by the Director-General of the Department of Environment Affairs, Mr Fred Otto.

The Cape sites are four private nature reserves at Paapekuilfontein, a site at Boontjieskraal in the Caledon district which conserves a rare aloe species and two sites in the Elgin Valley.

Officer: accused were going to sub-station

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The investigating officer in the bomb trial in the Supreme Court here said yesterday both accused, while lying wounded at the scene of a shootout with security police in July last year, had said they were on their way to electrical sub-stations in Wilsonia and West Bank.

Various weapons, ammunition and explosives of Russian origin were found in the vehicle in which they were travelling.

Detective-Sergeant Chris Engelbrecht, of the security police, said that as far as he knew there were no armed guards on 24-hour duty at the two sub-stations.

He was giving evidence in the trial of Mr Khaya Libazi, and Mr Andile Hewukile, both 25 and of Mdantsane, who are appearing on one charge of murder, five counts of attempted murder and various terrorism-related offences, including placing limpet mines at the Kings Hotel on June 14 last year and causing limpet mine explosions at the East London City Hall and Swans Motors in Amalinda on June 21 last year.

The blasts at the City Hall and Swans Motors caused extensive damage and the two limpet mines placed in the backyard of the Kings Hotel were defused by a security police explosives expert.

A security policeman, Detective Constable Lungisile Bhekiso, and two men, Mr Mzwandile Mcata and Mr Nkululeko Njongwe, were killed during the shootout on July 31.

Yesterday the defence advocate, Mr R. Allaway, SC, told the court Mr Mcata and Mr Njongwe had been trained members of the military wing of the African National Congress.

Det-Sgt Engelbrecht said Mr Libazi and Mr Hewukile had both been seriously wounded but were able to speak and had given him their names and addresses.

He said he had knelt down next to them and when he asked them where they were going, they had answered they were on their way to the two sub-stations.

He said two forged "dompas books" belonging to the geurillas who were shot dead were found later.

The books were made out in different names and he had established later that they were forged.

The two accused told him at the scene of the shootout that one man was known as Bra-L and the other as Lucas.

He said it had also been established that the owner of the vehicle in which the accused were stopped lived in Mdantsane, but the man had disappeared and could not be traced.

Det-Sgt Engelbrecht told the court that when he arrived on the scene a private vehicle which had come to a halt behind the accused's vehicle was still parked there.

Neither the identity of the occupants of this vehicle, nor the registration number, were established.

When the explosives, including limpet mines and handgrenades, were found in the back of the bakkie in which the accused were travelling, all other people were told to leave the scene.

Under cross-examination by Mr Allaway, Det-Sgt Engelbrecht denied the driver of the accused's bakkie had been a police informer and was therefore allowed to "escape".

Mr Allaway put it to Det-Sgt Engelbrecht that the reason the identities of the occupants of the other vehicle had not been established was that "too many cooks spoil the broth".

Det-Sgt Engelbrecht replied: "Definitely not in this case."

The case will continue on Monday.

The Judge President of the Eastern Cape, Mr Justice Cloete, and two assessors, Mr H. F. Redpath and Mr D. B. Muir, were on the bench. Mr Allaway was assisted by Mr P. Langa. They were instructed by Magqabi and Partners.

Bureau distorted East Cape incident — Eglin

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Parliamentary Staff

CAPE TOWN — An incident in Adelaide was cited yesterday by the Leader of the Opposition, Mr Colin Eglin, as an example of the distorted presentation of facts by the Bureau for Information.

Proposing a motion calling for the resignation of the cabinet, Mr Eglin said the incident had been reported by the bureau as being an attack by 300 people on members of the security forces resulting in the deaths of a policeman and another person.

Mr Eglin said the incident had been thoroughly investigated by the Progressive Federal Party (PFP's) MP for Albany, Mr Errol Moorcroft, who had drawn up a report on the basis of eye-witness accounts.

The facts, Mr Eglin said, were that two black soccer teams —the Fast Boys and Celtic — were involved in a game on Sunday afternoon when municipal policemen who had been in a shebeen decided they would "sort out" the "comrades".

He said they had gone onto the field and had started pushing the players around while the game was in progress. When the players retaliated one of the policemen had drawn his revolver and shot one player dead.

Mr Eglin said the player's mother had then run onto the field and had been shot at and wounded.

The crowd had subsequently attacked and killed a policeman.

Mr Eglin said that from information flowing from the PFP's monitoring committees and its Missing Persons' Bureau, the briefings being supplied by the Bureau for Information "are not only totally inadequate, but distort the real picture of what is going on in South Africa".

During debate on the motion the government side-stepped the criti-



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cism levelled against it by opposition parties by blaming the country's problems on the outside world and calling for unity in the face of adversity, he said.

The mini no-confidence debate was summed up by the PFP's finance spokesman, Mr Harry Schwarz, who declared: "The government pretends everthing in the garden is rosy and if there is something wrong then it is somebody else's fault."

Rather than responding to the host of opposition questions about how the National Party proposed to rescue South Africa from its political and economic crisis, government speakers accused its critics of being misinformed and naive.

Following the worst performance by the government in a major debate in years, Mr Eglin called on the entire cabinet to resign, saying: "They must get out and make room for someone else."

The NP had shown at its "utterly distressing" federal congress in Durban that it had "retreated from the boldness of reform away from apartheid back to the ideological orthodoxy of Dr Verwoerd," he said.

The PFP's law and order spokesman, Mrs Helen Suzman, said that more people — "at least 12 000" — had been detained during the first eight weeks of the present emergency than were detained during the eight months of the previous emergency.

Recent court judgments against the emergency regulations illustrated the "arrogance and incompetence" of the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, and that the regulations were drawn up by men "drunk with power."

The PFP's finance spokesman, Mr Harry Schwarz, accused the government of failing to do anything while "sitting on a time-bomb".

The Minister of Finance, Mr Barend du Plessis, said Mr Schwarz had said he wanted the government to accept total responsibility for the economic situation but it would not do so, even though "no team can have a faultless record".

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, described countries imposing sanctions against South Africa as "immoral, self-serving and ignorant".

Mr Botha dismissed PFP criticism of government policy by saying the US President, Mr Ronald Reagan, and the British Prime Minister, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, were more prepared to acknowledged government reforms than the Leader of the Opposition.

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Minister defends song of peace

Dispatch Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — The Deputy Minister of Information, Mr Louis Nel, denied yesterday that any of the 57 artists of all races involved in the controversial Bureau of Information "song for peace" had withdrawn from the production.

He also denied reports that some of the artists would be paid R8 000 a day or that they would be the highest paid in South African history. He said some had asked for R8 000 a day.

Mr Nel defended the song, which will be made in seven languages, and said its message was "neutral and all reasonable people can identify with it".

It will be launched at the end of September, probably on the SABC.

Mr Nel said it was "possible" that videos of the song would also be made.

The bureau had made a scientific study of the methods of communication and one of these was by way of song, he said.

Right from the start of the project, it was decided that everything about it would be open.

"In the days of Rhoodie it would have been a secret project, but in the days of Dave Steward it is open.

"The message is that together we can build a better South Africa, that we are all South Africans and that our future is in South Africa," Mr Nel said.

Comment by the PFP MP, Mrs Helen Suzman, was: "It sounds terrible, hardly a catchy tune or memorable words."

She doubted whether the song would be "top of the pops" and said the money being spent by the bureau was a "total waste of money which could have been better used building houses in Crossroads".

"If this had emanated from patriotic fervour it would not have needed any payment," she said.

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Plain Colours
Up to

Children arrest 2 youths accused of burning down home

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By SHIRLEY PRESSLY

CHILDREN in the coloured area of Kleinskool, angered by the burning down of a house, arrested two youths this week and handed them over to police.

The story was told yesterday by a resident who was among those who fled the area on Thursday night, when violence, which had simmered for months in black townships, spilt over into the predominantly coloured area.

Sixty-eight men, women, children and their household pets sought refuge at the Bethelsdorp Police Station after repeated warnings by "comrades" that they would be "eradicated" and their homes burnt down.

The families returned to their homes yesterday day, and slept under their own roofs last night after being promised protection by security forces.

Residents said yesterday there were no problems while there was a security force presence in the area.

"The minute the patrols leave, the 'comrades' are back starting their nonsense," they said.

Weekend Post spoke to 20 of the group outside the Bethelsdorp Community Centre, where they were accommodated on Thursday night.

Small children toddled around with pet dogs and cats. They were too young to understand why they had been uprooted from their homes. The mood of their mothers ranged from acceptance to anger.

One woman was particularly forthright in her condemnation of the violence. She said the "comrades" acted like savages bent on death and destruction.

She said the youths had told her the coloureds *"het dit al klaar lekker"* (already had it good).

Mrs Eleanor Adams broke down and sobbed when she described how her house had been razed because her husband, a police reservist, had refused to attend a meeting on Sunday.

The house was set on fire on Sunday night when a room was damaged. The "comrades" returned on Tuesday night, when the family was away, and the house was gutted.

A man was shot dead at Kleinskool this week when security forces opened fire on about 100 people who had set fire to a house.

Mr Hendrik Draai said the group which had fled lived near Mr and Mrs Adams.

"Because Mr Adams was a police reservist, others had been "branded" as they lived in the same neighbourhood.

"Our children don't belong to the 'comrades'," one man said. "Two youths, who were recognised as being part of the group involved in setting fire to the Adams house, were arrested by our children and handed over to the police.

"The 'comrades' accused us falsely of killing them.

"We have been told by the police we must not assault people if we apprehend them."

He said all the people in the community in which he lived condemned violence and wanted nothing to do with the "comrades", who belonged to various groups including the UDF, Azapo, *Amabutho* and the Young ANC.

"We can't sleep at night for fear," one of the women said.

In the community centre on Thursday night, she had slept soundly for the first time in several weeks.

A woman who is due to give birth soon lay under a tree, obviously exhausted from the strain of having to flee from her home.

Women said they and their children were harassed at water taps and bus stops by "comrades".

"We can't even draw water in safety," one said.

Those interviewed said they would never give in and would continue to oppose violence and lawlessness.

They said the police had contacted the Red Cross, which had provided blankets and meals for them.

"I don't know where this will end," said one grey-haired old man, "but we cannot give in to thugs".



Dogs and cats went with their owners who fled after threats by "comrades" that they would be "eradicated" and their homes be burnt down. The woman on the right obviously had no intention of parting with her puppy.

Boy tells court of shooting

Court Reporter

AN 11-year-old boy yesterday told an Inquest Court that a policeman had entered the kitchen of his grandmother's Salt River home and shot a neighbour who had stepped out the back door to see why people were running down the road.

The boy was giving evidence in the inquest into the death of Mr Ebrahim Carelse, 31, who was shot by a policeman in a house diagonally opposite his own on September 5 last year.

At a previous hearing, Lieutenant John Michael Baird said he had chased Mr Carelse after seeing him, in a crowd, about to lob a petrol bomb into a television shop in Albert Street.

He said Mr Carelse ran into a house in Burns Street and he followed him into the kitchen. "He was just disappearing through the back door when I fired a shot which I intended to be low down," the policeman said. It hit Mr Carelse in the neck.

The boy said yesterday: "A police car was chasing the people and they were running in the street. Granny called. We went into the house. Uncle Carelse came to the house looking for my uncle Panna. He was not running.

"He walked into the kitchen. He told me to wait because he wanted to see what was going on. I was standing on a bench in the kitchen. A policeman came into the kitchen. Uncle Carelse wanted to go into the yard. The policeman lifted his gun and shot uncle Carelse.

"He was right behind him when he shot uncle Carelse. I don't think he saw the policeman."

Half-way through his evidence, the boy said he was going to be ill and had to be taken outside.

'Playing'

A 13-year-old girl told the court she was playing at her grandmother's house. "I saw Uncle Hima (Mr Carelse) walking across the street. He was not running. Granny called us in. I saw a policeman run into the house".

The hearing was adjourned indefinitely as Mr J R Whitehead, who appears for Mr Carelse's family, wanted to call a witness from the Johannesburg Forensic Unit.

The magistrate was Mr P May. Mr M de Vries led the evidence. Mr Whitehead was instructed by Mr B Halliday. Mrs J H Traverso, instructed by the State Attorney, appeared for Lieutenant Baird and the Minister of Law and Order.

'Violence' at Paarl school over rugby

Cape Times 26/4/86

By RONNIE MORRIS
Education Reporter

A BITTER fight has broken out at the Paulus Joubert Senior Secondary School in Paarl resulting in a class being petrol-bombed, a pupil stabbed and opposing pupil factions stoning each other.

Principal Mr C Joseph yesterday "categorically denied" that any incidents had taken place and dismissed allegations put to him as "devoid of all truth".

However, a spokesperson for the Bureau for Information said there "was an incident during which a petrol bomb was thrown into the principal's office. There was no damage or injuries and no one has been arrested in connection with the incident".

The feud is a sequel to an unofficial rugby match between pupils of Paulus Joubert and two other coloured schools and the white Paarl Gymnasium last week.

Mr Joseph refused to allow the match to proceed as an official match, and after the game he had written a letter to the Boland Senior Sports School Union in which he said it was not an official match and that he had dissociated himself from it.

It was however learnt late last night from a reliable source, who declined to be named, that the principal had attended the match, made a speech and met Dr Danie Craven and other South African Rugby Board officials.

Mr Joseph had informed staff at a meeting yesterday that he had attended the match in his personal capacity, the source said.

Mr Joseph could not be contacted for comment last night.

According to the source, tempers flared at the school yesterday and the class of a pro-Labour Party teacher — who had assisted in organizing the match — was petrol-bombed.

The source said that pupils who supported the match and those who opposed it stoned each other in the school grounds.

Dean tells of 'altercation'

By CLARE HARPER

THE Anglican Dean of Cape Town, the Very Rev Edward King, yesterday described the charges withdrawn against him for attending an illegal gathering and resisting arrest as "a fruitless exercise on the part of the authorities".

Charges against Dean King and 142 squatter women — who marched to Parliament on June 12 — were dropped yesterday in the Cape Town Magistrate's Court.



Dean King outside St George's Cathedral yesterday.

Dean King said the women and their babies had marched peacefully and were demonstrating against "justified grievances".

He said the women had assembled outside St George's Cathedral, "but when it became clear they intended moving to Parliament I felt sure I should go with them".

Dean King said he was uncertain of the nature of the actual charges against him as he had not seen the charge sheet. "But I gathered I was given an additional charge for resisting arrest," he said.

He said he had "an altercation with a riot policeman who took exception to my comments and general attitude, which was not particularly co-operative".

"There is a fair amount of confusion on these occasions," he added.

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WHERE IS IT?

Magistrate says 'Trojan Horse' video shows no sign of obstacle in road

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CP Correspondent

A MAGISTRATE startled the Wynberg regional court this week when he said that he could not see any sign of burning barricades in front of the police lorry involved in the "Trojan Horse" incident in Athlone during the unrest last October.

This statement tallied with that of the truckdriver Sergeant AM Smit that there were no burning barricades which prevented the "ghost truck" from continuing its journey down Thornton Road and contradicated earlier evidence by the officer in charge of the task force, Lieutenant DGP Vermeulen.

Earlier Vermeulen – who was giving evidence in the trial of 13 people – told the court the lorry, which was sent to Athlone to arrest alleged stone throwers, stopped in Thornton Road because it could not get past a barricade.

The accused are: Errol Surja, 20, of Athlone, Rodney Regter, 21, of Rondebosch East, Edward Peters, 24, of Kewtown, Mark Lawrence, 19, of Mountview, Arnold Reynolds, 27, of Lotus River, Roderich Crowly, 22, of Athlone, James Collison, 21, of Athlone, Brian Johnson, 33, of Athlone, Howard Papier, 21 of Athlone, Cedric Buxton, Geraldine Jacobs and two juveniles.

Charges against Shaun Magmoed, Jonathan Claasen and Michael Miranda – the three people who died in the incident – were withdrawn.

Magistrate RA Duraan, who watched a copy of a police video by Constable John Nomdoe – shot after the three were gunned down by police – said that he could not see any sign of the burning barricade.

Defence lawyers agreed that the police video and the video recording by the CBS television network could be handed in as evidence.

Advocate P Gamble said he had problems with the CBS recording because it had been edited.

The cameraman who made the film, Chris Everson, should be called to court to explain the circumstances under which he obtained the recording and the reasons for editing it.

He said Cape Town-based freelance photographer John Rubython – who was on the scene – would also be called.

Earlier Vermeulen said he had received instructions on October 15 to use a seven-ton orange lorry, known as a ghost truck, to arrest people throwing stones and burning tyres.

The truck, which belonged to the SAP, resembled a railways lorry. He selected a task force of nine men, seven of whom hid in wooden crates on the back of the truck, which was used in operations of this nature.

Each of the nine men was armed with a shotgun, pistol, three teargas grenades and a teargas mask. It was his idea to conceal the men in the crates.

In his evidence Smit said that Vermeulen did not say when they left Manenberg police station that he expected trouble.

Neither was it decided that police would fire if they were stoned.

Smit said he saw about 200 people in the road as he drove along Thornton Road.

Although a Sergeant Syer, who was also in the cab, had a two-way radio to communicate with Vermeulen on the back of the lorry, he could not remember whether Vermeulen was told about the crowd.

People at the front of the crowd were armed with stones and bricks. When the stones started raining down, he flung himself to the floor.

He did not fire his pistol or his shotgun, but heard Syer opening fire.

He could not hear whether the other policemen were firing, nor did he hear Vermeulen's order to cease fire.

After the firing stopped, he got out and covered the body of a dead man lying on the pavement in St Simon's Road with his khaki overcoat "out of compassion".

The case was postponed to next month.

last year's Azanian Youth

Bomb accused denies ANC influence

EAST LONDON — An accused in the East London bomb trial told the Supreme Court here he had not been influenced in any way by the Freedom Charter of the African National Congress.

Mr Andile Hewukile (25), of Mdantsane, who was in the witness box, told the court he had never had any desire to become a member of a political party.

Mr Hewukile is appearing with Mr Khaya Libazi, (25), also from Mdantsane, on charges of attempting to murder five policemen at a roadblock near Mount Ruth Station on July 31 last year; of murdering Detective-Constable Lungisile Bhekiso in a shootout at the roadblock; of causing bombs to explode at the East London City Hall and at Swans Motors, Amalinda, on June 21 last year, causing extensive damage to both; and of placing two limpet mines at the Kings Hotel on June 14 or 15.

During his lengthy cross-examination by the prosecutor, Mr W Kingsley, Mr Hewukile said although he had contemplated telephoning the police after being forced to help two members of the ANC military wing, he was scared of doing so.

Mr Hewukile said yesterday he was too scared to make an anonymous phone call to warn the people who were in the city hall on June 21 as "Lucas" was in the car with him all the time.

When asked by Mr Kingsley why he had not told the magistrate to whom he had made a statement that his life had been threatened, Mr Hewukile replied that he thought he would explain the matter in court.

He said he was too scared to flee after being threatened as he was sure members of his family would be killed instead.

In reply to a question by Mr Kingsley, Mr Hewukile said he did not tell the man who had introduced him to "Lucas" and "Bra-l", Mr Welile Salman, that he was afraid of the two men, as he found that Mr Salman was in agreement with them.

Mr Kingsley put it to him that he had not acted under compulsion at any stage, but had been working with the two ANC men willingly.

The hearing continues tomorrrow. Mr Justice Cloete was assisted by Mr H F Redpath and Mr D B Muir. — Sapa.

Shooting of youth justified'

Tygerberg Bureau

A 19-YEAR-OLD youth, shot twice in the left leg by a policeman during the unrest in Bellville South on August 30 last year, probably would not have died had one of the bullets not severed an artery.

This was stated at an inquest in the Bellville Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The magistrate, Mr S A Gibbs, found that the youth, Gerald Diedericks of William Martin Avenue, Bellville South, bled to death from the severed artery before an ambulance arrived.

Mr Gibbs found that Detective-Sergeant Barend de Wet Huysamer of Brackenfell had been legally justified in shooting at Mr Diedericks's legs in an attempt to arrest him and that no crime or failure to act by any person had led to Mr Diedericks's death.

Evidence was that police patrolling the Industria Road area in Bellville South had seen Mr Diedericks throwing stones about 10.30am on August 30.

Sergeant Huysamer said that he and several colleagues were called to patrol the area where burning barricades had been erected and stones were being thrown at passing cars.

Mr Diedericks was seen taunting police and throwing stones, after which he changed his clothes and was seen again throwing two stones at a passing delivery van.

One stone hit — but did not shatter — the windshield on the driver's side. Mr Diedericks ran away.

Sergeant Huysamer said that he and a colleague, Sergeant Andries Brand, shouted to the fleeing man to stop but he kept running. Sergeant Brand fired once with his 9mm service revolver.

Other witnesses said they saw Mr Diedericks stumble briefly at this stage while climbing a wire fence. However, he apparently was not hit and he kept running.

Sergeant Huysamer, who was dressed in civilian clothes, jumped from the car and took up the chase on foot. He told the magistrate he wanted to arrest Mr Diedericks for serious offences, namely attempted murder and public violence.

Mr Diedericks was about 25 metres away, climbing through the window of a house at No 230 Armada Circle in Bellville South, when Sergeant Huysamer fired two shots with his 9mm service revolver.

He said he aimed at Mr Diedericks's legs. Both bullets passed through the left leg, one 21cm above the knee, severing the femoral artery, the other slightly lower.

He ran into the house, which belonged to Mrs Sophie Anthony, and found Mr Diedericks covered in blood gushing from his leg wounds.

CAPE TIMES 29/9/86

Crossroads leader in court

Court Reporter

THE leader of Old Crossroads, Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana, and four others appeared in Wynberg Regional Court yesterday.

Mr Ngxobongwana, 42, Mr Mostert Ngozi, 35, Mr Willaim Nsala, 41, Ms Thandeka Mkefa, 28, and Ms Zimasa Mninzi, 24, all of Old Crossroads, Guguletu, were not asked to plead.

The charge sheet indicates that they may be charged with sedition.

Bail of R100 each was extended and the hearing was adjourned to October 8 for further investigation.

Mr F F Botes was the magistrate. Mr G Hattingh prosecuted. Mr B Lutzno appeared for all five.

Argus 29/8/86

Student, journalists detained after violence at Wits

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — At least one student and three journalists were detained during violence on the Witwatersrand University campus.

Student sources said student Yusef Moola had been arrested yesterday and they were trying to trace several other students. The journalists were later released.

The sporadic confrontations continued for three hours yesterday as about 50 policemen and 400 students confronted each other. Violence erupted after a meeting on campus to mourn those who died in Soweto on Tuesday.

A Bureau for Information spokesman said yesterday that police had not used teargas. When it was pointed out to a spokesman today that The Star's reporter had felt its effects, the spokesman said there "must have been some confusion about the reports", and that she would investigate.

The bureau also reportedly denied that rubber bullets were fired, yet Students Representative Council administrator Victor Gordon showed off a rubber bullet that narrowly missed him and the deputy vice-chancellor, Professor Robert Charlton.

The head of the conservative National Student Federation, Durban student Philip Powell, 21, has lodged complaints with the police and the university administration after he was beaten and kicked by students.

A spokesman for the NSF said yesterday: "Wits security guards were in the vicinity but appeared to make no move against the radicals."

Earlier, dental student Kevin Todes fired a shot from his car which was surrounded by the crowd. He was apparently trying to move the car from between the police and student groups when he panicked.

Police told the Press to leave the campus. Star photographers Ruvan Boshoff and Herbert Mabuza, and Business Day photographer Dan Simon, were arrested.

They were released after about three hours.

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Emmy for 'Trojan Horse'

Staff Reporter

TWO newscrews of the American television company Central Broadcasting Service have won a prestigious Emmy award for their October 1985 footage of the "Trojan horse" incident.

The footage depicts railway policemen hiding in the back of a truck and shooting dead three youths in Thornton Road, Athlone.

CBS staffers Mr Chris Everson, Mr Nic de la Casa, Mr Anton van der Merwe, Mr Allan Pizzey, Mr Michael Gavshon and Mr Wim de Vos — who was deported from the country last month — won the Emmy on Wednesday night for "outstanding coverage" of the best news segment.

The award, regarded as the "Oscar of television", was made by the National Academy of Television, Arts and Sciences at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York.

It was said at the ceremony that the videotapes of the "Trojan horse" incident "were considered a watershed in the perceptions of the South African story".

Producer Mr Gavshon said last night from Johannesburg the credit should go to the crews, who had shown "extraordinary" courage.

Municipal policeman killed at Ft Beaufort

PRETORIA — The Bureau for Information reports that a municipal policeman at Tinus, Fort Beaufort, Mr Zolile Jacobs, 37, was murdered when a 100 people ran amok.

Members of the security forces arrived on the scene and dispersed the mob, but were unable to save Mr Jacobs.

The bureau said there was no significant increase in the number of incidents in the 24-hour period to 6am today.

The majority of incidents, again mainly stone-throwing, occurred in Soweto on the Rand.

One newsman was arrested in disturbances at the University of the Witwatersrand, but he was released soon afterwards.

Police are still investigating his activities. — Sapa



Sentence later for necklace killers

Weekend Post Reporter

TWO men found guilty of murdering a Cookhouse teacher, using a "necklace", will be sentenced in the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court on September 8.

Yesterday Mr Justice Solomon found Mzimkulu Simana, 18, and Butisi Maledi, 21, guilty of murdering Mr Anele Mnyalato in Cotani Street, Cookhouse, on April 30 last year.

A warrant for the arrest of a 17-year-old youth who failed to appear in court with the two men yesterday was issued.

He will be tried separately.

Two youths, aged 17 and 16, received 12-year and 10-year jail sentences respectively at a previous hearing.

In the same trial, Mr Themba Dyamara, Mr Boyce Goliath, Mr Msindisi Mantewu, Mr Phumelelo Kraya, Mr Ndyebo Yunati, a 15-year-old girl and two youths aged 15 and 16 were found not guilty.

In previous hearings, the court was told that 14 people forced Mr Mzwandile Kekana, who became a State witness, to join them on the way to fetch Mr Mnyalato.

Mr J de Villiers and Mr J A F Nel sat as assessors. Mr S Redpath appeared for the State. Mr T L Sikweyiya and Mr S Desai (instructed by Silas Nkanunu and Company) appeared for the defence.

Repression made breeding ground for youth rebellion

Cape Times 1/9/86

STATE repression was the major cause behind the rebellion by youth in Cape Town in 1985-86, according to studies by two UCT academics.

This rebellion, which gripped large parts of South Africa, including greater Cape Town, shared several features of revolutionary struggles in Russia, China, Spain, France and Latin American countries.

The studies are "Resistance and Rebellion in Greater Cape Town, 1985" by Dr Martin Hall and "Street Sociology and Pavement Politics: Some Aspects of the 1985 School Crisis in the Western Cape" by Professor Colin Bundy.

The papers were delivered at the Western Cape Roots and Realities Conference at the University of Cape Town last month.

Dr Hall's paper outlines the chronology of events, from the rent boycotts in August 1984 to the height of the crisis in street battles and burning barricades in the streets of Athlone, Hanover Park, Guguletu and other parts of the Peninsula during 1985-86.



By EBRAHIM MOOSA
Political Reporter

Brutal response

He points out that the 1985 rebellion should not be seen as an isolated event but rather as "part of an ongoing political process that was accelerated by the martial and political repression of the state".

The sometimes brutal state response to political opposition may have increased in sophistication from the '60s and '70s, but hardly any shift is noted in its content and creativity.

Many people are familiar with the actions of security forces, which were well documented in some sections of the media before the gagging of the press in terms of the state of emergency.

For them the following passage, as documented by Dr Hall, of events 10 years ago will revive a mixture of dé jà vu and tragic disbelief at the crisis of last year:

"More obscure are the activities of the police in deliberate destabilization. Clergy monitoring revolt and repression in Cape Town townships in December 1976 repeatedly insisted, in public statements and in evidence submitted to the Cillié Commission of Inquiry into the revolt, that the police had actively encouraged and aided migrant workers in Nyanga in attacks on other residents after tensions had developed over shebeens and proposed work stayaways."

Crossroads 1985-86 proved that, after a decade, the state's security apparatus had moved from treasured operational anonymity to blatant destabilization tactics — in many ways an accurate barometer of the psychology of the South African state.

Dr Hall's analysis shows that despite the rapid spread of the school boycott in 1985, at times "student initiative ran ahead of the decisions of the elected leadership".

This surfaced when a call by the student leadership to return to school was not heeded. It is difficult to tell whether this was a genuine case of the student leadership lagging behind its constituency, or if it was just a tactical ploy to get pupils to back to schools for purposes of effective organization.

Prof Bundy notes that "immediatism — an impatient anticipation of imminent victory ... and a naïve underestimation of the resources of the state" were among the weaknesses of the student revolt.

"This is not a surprising outcome. The fact that for many young people their political baptism was a heady mix of exhilaration, raw courage and a sense of group solidarity meant that expectation could easily outrun actuality.

"The political cost of immediatist expectations is that they all too easily feed into demoralization and disarray when events reveal the balance of forces to be far less favourable to the youthful militants and their allies than had been anticipated."

Both Professor Bundy and Dr Hall agree that the state was the most effective agent of unity between the workers and students.

"The indiscriminate violence against protesting scholars won them (pupils/students) sympathy — and the closure of schools, more than any other single action, outraged both middle class and working class coloured parents," says Prof Bundy.

"The formation of PTSAs not only made concrete the terms of youth/community unity, but also posed a radically alternative conception of how schools should be administered."

The "generation unit", as he describes it, where young people generated political activism on the basis of a distinct form of self-consciousness was perhaps the most distinguishing character of the 1985-86 youth rebellion in the Western Cape.

A comparison to this "consciousness", which is analogous to group or class consciousness, can be found in the 1966 student revolt in Mexico City or the attitude of students in the closing years of the Franco regime in Spain.

"Conscious revolutionism arises when people confront the apparent failure of all alternative ways of realizing their objectives, the closing of all doors against them."

If someone is locked out of their house, among the the several possibilities of getting back inside would be "hopeful patience".

In this context he quotes Hobshaw, who believes that "it is only when none of these appear realistic that we think of battering the door ... even so we are unlikely to batter in the door unless we feel that it will give way. Becoming a revolutionary implies not only a measure of despair, but also of some hope".

Decades of political and social conflict caused by the "non-incorporation of the majority of its working class into its social and political institutions" are primarily responsible for the current economic malfunctions in South Africa, according to Prof Bundy.

Authoritarian

"Take politically rightless, socially subordinate, economically vulnerable youths; educate them in numbers beyond their parents' wildest dreams, but in grotesquely inadequate institutions; ensure that their awareness is shaped by punitive social practices in the world beyond the schoolyard — and them dump them in large numbers on the economic scrap heap."

The alternative to regulate existing social relations is to resort to authoritarian measures where "coercion, not consensus, is the social cement of the state edifice".

Prof Bundy adequately sums up the state's contribution to alternative education. "Teargas, beatings and detentions provide a crash course in class struggle. There were thousands in Cape Town who learned the practical science of making a petrol bomb, the street sociology of taunting armed soldiers, the pavement politics of pamphlet distribution and slogan painting, the geography of safe houses and escape routes; and the grammar and dialectics of undercover operations."

consistently stated that it will implement United Nations Security Council Resolution 435 (1978) provided an agreement can be reached on the withdrawal of the Cubans from Angola.

(b) It is South Africa's position that the people of South West Africa/Namibia should themselves decide on their constitutional future in circumstances of peace and security. Consequently it is unacceptable that the future of South West Africa/Namibia should be determined through violence as advocated and practiced by SWAPO backed, amongst others, by some 40 000 Cuban troops stationed across the border in Angola.

The Government realises that the people of South West Africa/Namibia, cannot wait indefinitely for their independence. Should it therefore eventually become evident that no possibility exists to achieve an agreement on the withdrawal of the Cubans, all the parties most directly involved in the present negotiations will have to consider how the Territory may achieve independence which will be internationally acceptable.

The South African Government is continuing to work for an internationally acceptable independence for South West Africa/Namibia. It will continue to search for a reasonable formula for Cuban withdrawal from Angola. In this regard, the hon the Leader of the Official Opposition is referred to a letter which I addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations on 28 July 1986 and of which a copy will be made available to him.

Hex River Mountain railway tunnel

*3. Maj R SIVE asked the Minister of Transport Affairs:

(1) (a) (i) What is the most recent estimate of the cost of completing the Hex River Mountain railway tunnel and (ii) in respect of what date is this information furnished and (b) (i) what was the original contract price of constructing this tunnel and (ii) when was the original contract price agreed upon;

(2) whether there have been any delays in the completion of this tunnel; if so, (a) what was the cause of the delay in each case and (b) what has been the effect of these delays on the completion date of the tunnel;

(3) whether any dispute has arisen between the South African Transport Services and the company contracted to complete the tunnel; if so, (a) when, (b) what was the (i) cause and (ii) nature of the dispute and (c) what action has been taken to resolve this dispute;

(4) whether the dispute has been resolved; if not, when is it anticipated that it will be resolved; if so, (a) when, (b) how and (c) what agreement was reached with the contractors regarding the matters in dispute;

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

†The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AFFAIRS:

(1) (a) (i) R73 017 000,00.

(ii) July 1985.

(b) (i) R26 770 082,00.

(ii) 13 August 1980.

(2) Yes.

(a) A dispute between S.A. Transport Services and the contractor.

(b) A delay of between 2½ to 3 years.

(3) Yes.

(a) During 1981.

(b) (i) and (ii) Underground conditions and the completion period.

(c) In terms of the conditions of the contract it is being settled by arbitration.

(4) No. The case has been placed on the Supreme Court roll for March 1987.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(c) None.

(5) No.

Maj. R SIVE: Mr Chairman, arising out of the reply of the hon the Minister, can he tell us if work is still proceeding satisfactorily despite the dispute and when does he expect the tunnel to be finished?

The MINISTER: Mr Chairman, the work is still continuing satisfactorily under the circumstances in that problems are being experienced with the soil. I think it is possible that it will be completed by the middle of next year.

Detainees

*4. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(a) How many persons have been detained in terms of section 28 of the Internal Security Act, No. 74 of 1982, since 12 June 1986 and (b) in respect of what date is this information furnished?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(a) None.

(b) 22 August 1986.

Detainees

*5. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(a) How many persons have been detained in terms of section 29 of the Internal Security Act, No. 74 of 1982, since 12 June 1986 and (b) in respect of what date is this information furnished?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(a) 132 persons.

(b) 24 August 1986.

Detainees

*6. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(a) How many persons have been detained in terms of section 50 of the Internal Security Act, No. 74 of 1982, since 12 June 1986 and (b) in respect of what date is this information furnished?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

I do not deem it in the interest of the public to furnish information of this nature.

Nyanga/Portland Cement/KTC sites

*7. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether persons whose dwellings were destroyed during unrest in 1986, will be allowed to rebuild their dwellings in the Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension, Portland Cement and KTC sites; if not, (a) why not, (b) what will be done with these sites, (c) who will be allowed to settle there and (d) who took the decision in this regard; if so, (i) when will such persons be allowed to begin building their dwellings and (ii) what assistance will be given to them by officials of his Department in the reconstruction and development of these areas;

(2) whether any effort has been made to establish the identity of the original residents of these sites; if not, why not; if so, (a) what has been done in

this regard, (b) how have officials determined the names of the original residents and (c) where are these persons residing at present;

(3) whether any restrictions will be placed on the construction of new dwellings in these areas; if so, (a) what restrictions, (b) why and (c) how will they be enforced;

(4) whether the barbed-wire surrounding these sites has been removed; if not, (a) why not and (b) when will it be removed; if so, when?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

(1) No.

(a) Until peace is restored between the factions, more faction fighting could erupt at any moment and the Government cannot guarantee their safety under these conditions.

(b) Services are being and will be provided on the vacated land as part of upgrading.

(c) A final decision has not yet been taken but it is anticipated that any of the residents will be allowed on a priority basis.

(d) Falls away.

(i) As soon as the upgrading action has been completed.

(ii) None, as this is a function of the Provincial Administration.

(2) Yes.

(a) Fighting groups have been identified and during the course of discussions held between officials of the Department of Community Services of the Cape Provincial Administration and the leaders, the leaders undertook to identify the original residents.

(b) As this is a slow process, the identification is still taking place.

(c) Khayelitsha, scattered in the Peninsula, and some even in Transkei and Ciskei.

(3) Yes.

(a) Buildings will have to comply with minimum health standards.

(b) To prevent slum conditions.

(c) By the respective local authorities.

(4) Barbed wire surrounds only the vacated area of Crossroads.

(a) It serves to demarcate the construction area.

(b) As soon as circumstances allow.

*8. Mr E K MOORCROFT—Manpower. [Reply standing over.]

Alexandra Township

*9. Prof N J J OLIVIER asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether a certain person, whose name has been furnished to the South African Police for the purpose of the Minister's reply, was arrested by the police in Alexandra Township, Johannesburg, on or about 11 July 1985; if so, (a) for what alleged offence, (b) what was his age at the time of his arrest, (c) where was he held and (d) what is his name;

(2) whether this person appeared in court; if so, (a) on what date and (b) on what charges;

(3) whether he was legally represented; if not, why not;

(4) whether he was released on bail; if not, why not; if so, (a) on what date and (b) how many applications for bail had been made in respect of this person prior to that date;

(5) whether this person made any allegations that he had been assaulted while in police detention; if so, (a) when, (b) what were the circumstances surrounding these allegations and (c) what action has been taken in this regard?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) Public violence.

(b) 11 years.

(c) Alexandra police station.

(d) Fanie Gaduka.

(2) Yes.

(a) On 12, 15, 23 and 29 July 1985; on 12, 14 and 16 August 1985; on 17 September 1985; on 16 October 1985; on 21 November 1985 and on 13 January 1986.

(b) Public violence.

(3) Yes.

(4) No, he was released into the care of his mother on 6 September 1986.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(5) Yes.

(a) 14 January 1986.

(b) He alleged that he was assaulted by a member of the Force who is known to him.

(c) An allegation of assault was investigated and handed to the Attorney-General for decision.

Brochures

*10. Mr L F STOFBERG asked the Minister of Environment Affairs and Tourism:†

(1) Whether his Department makes available publicity brochures in overseas countries with the object of promoting tourism in South Africa; if so,

(2) whether it is stated in any of these brochures that separate amenities in South Africa are being replaced by mixed amenities at an accelerated rate; if so,

(3) whether it is the official policy of his Department to promote tourism in this manner?

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND WATER SUPPLY (for the Minister of Environment Affairs and Tourism):

The South African Tourism Board forms part of my portfolio but is a statutory body which is not integrated with the Department of Environment Affairs. The word "Department" in the question should therefore be substituted by "South African Tourism Board".

Against this background, the reply to the question is as follows:

(1) Yes.

(2) No.

(3) Falls away.

Brits: visit to motor car factory

*11. Mr L F STOFBERG asked the Minister of Defence:†

(1) Whether at the end of their period of service on or about 17 June 1986 Defence Force members of the Personnel Service Corps paid an organised visit to a certain motor car factory at Brits, the name of which has been furnished to the South African Defence Force for the purposes of the Minister's reply; if so, by whom was this visit arranged;

a matter of fact, I do not have the names available.

The second part of the hon member's supplementary question was whether I, or the Bureau, had been approached—by any artists intimating they were opposed to this project. Mr Chairman, we have not been approached by any artist who stated any such opposition to the project whatsoever. The communications we have received are from artists who are very much in favour of a message of peace, goodwill and co-operation in South Africa. [Interjections.]

†Mnr F J LE ROUX: Mr Chairman, further arising from the reply of the hon the Deputy Minister, has he ever thought of possibly using the services of either the hon the Minister of Foreign Affairs or the hon the Minister of Communication to act as cheer-leader at the presentation of that song? [Interjections.]

Mr P G SOAL: Mr Chairman, arising further from the hon the Deputy Minister's reply, I asked whether the hon the Deputy Minister had been approached by or was aware of people who were opposed to this project. What is his reaction to that?

The DEPUTY MINISTER: Mr Chairman, I have only read newspaper reports in this regard, and no approaches have been made to me in relation to this project. I am not officially aware of any such opposition. All I am aware of is what I have read in the newspapers. What I am saying is that all reasonable South Africans, irrespective of colour or race, should support this project and should be able to identify themselves with the message contained in this project. [Interjections.]

Mr B W B PAGE: Mr Chairman, further arising out of his reply, I wonder if the hon the Deputy Minister could tell this House whether or not, at the time of signing away this money, the hon the Minister of Finance had his hand over a portion of each page, or whether he signed in full sight of the document he was looking at. I think we should get that clear at this stage.

The DEPUTY MINISTER: Bearing in mind that the hon member is not serious, Sir, I ask him to table the question.

†Mr J H VAN DER MERWE: Mr Chairman, further arising out of the hon the Deputy Minister's reply, I want to ask him whether the State President approves of this money wasting project? [Interjections.]

†The STATE PRESIDENT: My reply is "yes". [Interjections.]

†Mr J H VAN DER MERWE: Oh, the State President replies "yes". So he is wasting the money and not the hon the Deputy Minister. The State President is used to wasting. [Interjections.]

†The CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE: Order!

†Mr J H VAN DER MERWE: He spends R6 million on Tuynhuis; a fortune on an aircraft . . . [Interjections.]

†The CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE: Order! Supplementary questions on this question have now come to an end.

Conduct of members during unrest

*23. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Defence:

(1) Whether any personnel of the South African Defence Force attached to the Eastern Cape Command have submited a report to him or any member of his Department with regard to the conduct of members of the South African Police while on duty in Eastern Cape townships during unrest; if so, (a) when and (b) what are the contents of the report;

(2) whether any action has been taken as a result of this report; if not, why not; if so, what action?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE:

It has to be conceded that where two forces with different doctrines and training are involved in the handling of a situation,

differences in the method of approach may occur. I do not consider it in the public interest to make public particulars of departmental action with regard to such differences.

Conduct of members during unrest

*24. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether he or any member of the South African Police received a copy of a report drawn up by personnel attached to the Eastern Cape Command of the South African Defence Force regarding the conduct of members of the South African Police while on duty in Eastern Cape townships during unrest; if so, (a) when and (b) what are the contents of the report;

(2) whether any action has been or will be taken as a result of this report; if not, why not; if so, (a) what action and (b) when?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) No.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(2) Falls away.

Conduct of members during unrest

*25. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:

Whether any personnel attached to the South African Police have been delegated to investigate allegations concerning the conduct of members of the South African Police while on duty in the Eastern Cape townships during unrest; if so, (a) what is the (i) rank of and (ii) position held by each member of the investigating team, (b) what matters were investigated and (c) what were the results of the investigation?

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

Yes, in all instances of accusations regarding conduct by members of the South African Police, also in those instances in the Eastern Cape Townships where members performed duties, personnel attached to the South African Police, are directed to investigate the accusations.

(a) (i) and (ii) the investigations are normally directed to competent senior members irrespective of rank or the position individual members of an investigating team may hold.

(b) All allegations which was reported to the South African Police in a responsible manner was investigated but considering the extent of the work attached to the compilation of this information, I am not prepared to divulge such information in this way.

(c) In addition to paragraph (b) I merely confirm in general that some of the instances were found to be false, in some the culprits could not be traced while in others members were criminally charged and some instances resulted in departmental steps being taken against members. In other instances the investigations are still in progress.

†Mr S S VAN DER MERWE: Mr Chairman, arising out of the hon the Minister's reply, I would just like to know whether any of these allegations that have been investigated, have been brought to the attention of his department by members of either the South African Defence Force or the Department of Defence.

†The MINISTER: Mr Chairman, as far as I know, the reply is "no". I repeat: As far as I know, the reply is "no". I think I am personally aware of most of these cases, but they have been reported to me by, amongst others, hon members of the Official Opposition, as well as other individuals. I repeat, however, as far as I know, the reply is "no".

Cape Times 2/9/86

Students pay fines

Staff Reporter

FIVE university students have paid admission-of-guilt fines after demonstrating outside the American Cultural Centre in Cape Town in May this year.

Charges in connection with the illegal demonstration were dropped from yesterday's Magistrate's Court roll after they were allowed to pay the fines of R75 each, an amount fixed by the Attorney-General.

They are Andrew David Brown of Claremont, Langley Scott of the University Men's Hostel, Ronelle McCarthy and Collette Solomons, both of the University Women's Hostel, and Nicole Dale Robins of Newlands.

The demonstration was held to protest against America's air-attack on Libya.

Mr M J C Tolken was the magistrate. Mr C Gavin appeared for the State. Miss A Durbach appeared for the five.

Children jailed for public violence

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By TONY WEAVER

THIRTY-TWO residents of Zolani Township, Ashton, including 14 children aged 13 to 17, were yesterday sentenced to a total of 258 years in jail for public violence.

A 15-year-old boy, who was convicted with them, was sentenced to seven cuts with a light cane.

The sentences were handed down by Mr A J van Wyk in the Worcester Regional Court.

Three adults were sentenced to 10 years, four children were sentenced to seven years and the remaining 25 were jailed for eight years each.

Appeal

The defence team acting for the 33 said after the trial they would lodge an immediate appeal.

Two of those sentenced to eight years in jail are a 39-year-old unmarried mother and her 16-year-old son. The woman has another child of 13, but may not be identified.

The 33 were found guilty on Monday of partially burning the homes of Mr Khaluse Ndabeni and Mr Stanford Matroos, and of stoning and partially burning a vehicle belonging to Mr Fanie Klaas on November 20 last year.

Earlier in the hearing, the three victims were named as being leading members of the "amasolomzi" vigilante group in Zolani.

Curfew

In March this year, Mr Klaas, Mr Matroos and Mr Ndabeni were named in Cape Town Supreme Court papers, along with 13 other men, as being vigilantes who imposed a curfew on the township and assaulted boycotting schoolchildren.

The Supreme Court then granted an order restraining them from acting as vigilantes and from imposing a curfew.

In yesterday's hearing Mr Van Wyk said in his hour-long passing of sentence that a national state of emergency had been imposed as "the result of actions of people like the accused".

The trial was held *in camera* because 14 of the accused were children. Their mothers had to produce the birth certificates of their children before being allowed to attend the trial.

Blash Sash

Parents of those over 18 were ordered from the court, as was a Black Sash court monitoring team which tried to attend Monday's proceedings.

When Mr Van Wyk pronounced sentence, the mothers tried to comfort some of the sobbing children, who were led to the cells by court orderlies.

The local riot police squad, most armed with shotguns and side-arms, kept watch inside and outside the court after police evidence on Monday that "a township gang" intended storming the court and freeing the 33.

There were originally 80 accused in the case, but 47, including nine children, were acquitted on Monday.

'Traitors'

In passing sentence, Mr Van Wyk said the motive for the attacks on the homes was "apparently" that the three men were regarded as "traitors" because they were "opposed to the unrest in Zolani".

"From many cases in this region, it is clear that Zolani, the black township in Robertson and the black township in Worcester have been trapped in a plague of violence.

"It is also clear that this violence has spread throughout the region and nationwide, to the point where it has become necessary to declare a state of emergency.

"That is the result of actions of people like the accused who have no respect for the possessions of others, or for their physical integrity."

Mr Van Wyk said that for the purposes of sentence, all 33 were first offenders with no previous convictions, and "the court has great sympathy with the accused, particularly with the children, those who have children, with their parents and with their next of kin.

"But justice has nothing in common with maudlin sympathy.

"A whole community has been disrupted because a small group decided they wanted to punish another group in the community" who as "good citizens" opposed unrest and gave evidence as State witnesses.

"If we allow this, the whole legal system in South Africa will fall back into the Dark Ages, every person will walk around armed to protect property and when one person throws a stone, the next will fire a gun, and the other will throw a hand grenade."

Mr Darryl Newton, for the 33, asked the court to impose at most cuts and suspended sentences on the younger accused, as the youths formed the backbone of "an entire generation in the community".

The children sentenced to seven years in jail are a boy of 14, a boy of 17, a boy of 16 and a girl aged 16.

Eight years

Those sentenced to eight years jail are:

A boy of 13; three boys aged 15; three boys aged 16; one boy aged 17; a girl aged 17; Shadrack Tokwe, 24; Melton Matroos, 18; Siphiwo Jantjies, 18; Thozamile Jafta, 18; Siphiwo Sindile, 20; Fikele Mana, 21; James Mabombo, 23; Lizo Jantjies, 19; Mathews Fante, 31; David Dywile, 20; the 39-year-old woman who may not be identified; Regina Matroos, 26; Amelia Memani, 22; Rita Motasi, 23; Jacqueline Manxenye, 18; and Wilson Finiza, 20.

The three men who were sentenced to 10 years each are Michael Ngxukama, 19; Mathews Tokwe, 19; and John Mangcola, 22.

Evidence led was that the three between them procured the petrol necessary for burning the homes, sprinkled it on furniture and lit the petrol.

Mr W Bouwer appeared for the State. Mr Newton was instructed by Mr Evan Theys of Abercrombie, Sonn and Mias.

CMC Times 3/9/86

'Witdoek' leader held

Staff Reporter

OLD CROSSROADS "witdoek" leader Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana, 42, was arrested early yesterday morning after about a dozen police arrived at his home.

Yesterday a police spokesman for the Western Province confirmed that "a community leader from Crossroads was arrested and will appear in court soon on charges under the Firearms and Ammunition Act".

His wife, Mrs Millicent Ngxobongwana, alleged that police pushed her husband around when they arrived at their home after midnight and "said they would shoot him".

She said more than ten policemen came into the house and took Mr Ngxobongwana from their home to the Community Services Offices in Nyanga East.

She followed the police vans "because they said they would shoot him ... I did not know what they were going to do".

The police spokesman said that if Mrs Ngxobongwana had any complaints she could make a statement and it would be investigated.

Court backs bail ruling

Supreme Court Reporter

A MAGISTRATE'S refusal of bail to eight people facing unrest-related charges was upheld by the Supreme Court yesterday although the judge found the appellants had been held pending trial for an "unreasonably long" period.

The eight are among 26 people accused of attempted murder, robbery with aggravating circumstances, public violence, malicious damage to property and attempted arson. The other 18 accused were released on bail or on warning into the custody of their parents.

The charges arise from an incident of unrest in Mossel Bay where a bus was stopped and stoned by a crowd. The driver was dragged out and it is alleged that the accused attempted to "necklace" him.

Escape

Among other allegations is that they attempted to set fire to the bus and to the house of a woman suspected of being an informer.

Mr Justice A P Burger said there were a number of factors that had to be considered. These included the severity of the potential sentence, the ease with which the accused could escape trial, their general attitude to lawlessness, the likelihood of violence directed against State witnesses and the bonds which tied the accused to the place such as family ties, ownership of property and stable work records.

These factors had to be weighed against evidence given to the magistrate by Sergeant S R J Maritz, who said the eight accused were known to him as leaders or active participants in incidents of unrest.

He said since the accused had been in custody there had been an immediate cessation of violence in the area. The sergeant said he believed the accused would not stand trial if released on bail and were already plotting to escape.

Mr Justice Burger said the only evidence to the contrary were "the assertions of the appellants that they would stand trial and their protestations of innocence".

"The court is also aware that incidents of public violence and unrest are fairly widespread from which it follows that there are many people favouring such organized illegal conduct.

"There are many sympathizers with the appellants and assistance in escaping from the consequences of the due legal process would be readily forthcoming."

Early trial

The judge said he could not find that magistrate Mr G J Barnard was wrong in refusing bail and dismissed the appeal.

However he added that it was desirable that the period of detention awaiting trial should be as short as possible "and hence I shall be pleased if the Attorney-General can ensure an early trial".

The appellants are: Mr Hendrick Mtshungu, 27, Mr John Zayedwa, 21, Mr Cedric Cupido, 25, Mr Johnson Stuurman, 19, Mr Cedric Klaasen, 19, Mr Abe Cupido, 18, Mr Martin Witbooi, 19, and a 17-year-old youth.

Mr L Rose-Innes, instructed by Abercrombie Sonn and Mias, appeared for the appellants. Mr T J Prins appeared for the State.

Jailing of children a 'travesty of justice'

By CLARE HARPER

CHILD welfare societies and the Black Sash yesterday expressed "the strongest possible protest" against the lengthy prison sentences imposed on children by the Worcester Regional Court on Tuesday.

The Child Welfare Society, Cape Town, yesterday telexed the Minister of Justice, Mr Kobie Coetsee, recording their protest.

The Black Sash described the "harsh" sentencing of 33 residents of Zolani Township, Ashton, as "a travesty of justice".

And attorneys acting for the children said the Department of Health and Welfare had made inquiries about the case.

The residents, according to the charge sheet, included 13 children aged 13 to 17 and seven men and women aged 18 and 19 who received sentences of between seven and ten years in jail for public violence.

A 14th child was sentenced to seven cuts with a light cane.

The Director of the Child Welfare Society, Cape Town, Mrs Helen Starke, said the society was "appalled" at the sentences.

She said it was a matter of principle that when children were involved in court cases, a probation officer's report was called for.

A director of the National Institute for Crime Prevention and the Rehabilitation of Offendors (NICRO), Miss Linda Christiansen, said: "We are opposed to any form of institutionalization as we do not believe it has much merit and is definitely not good for children."

Magistrate 'openly partisan'

The regional chairman of the Black Sash in the Western Cape, Mrs Jenny de Tolly, said the magistrate, Mr A J van Wyk, had been openly "partisan".

"He was openly partisan by describing Messrs Klaas, Matroos and Ndabeni as good citizens ... when these same three men were named in court papers as being vigilantes who assaulted some of the accused schoolchildren and imposed a brutal curfew on the township."

She said the sentences handed down to the 14 children were "indefensible according to Western democratic standards".

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'80 pc out of work' in Zolani

By TONY WEAVER

INSIGHTS into life in Zolani township, Ashton, emerged in Tuesday's hearing in the Worcester Regional Court.

In the court 32 Zolani residents, including 13 children, were sentenced to a total of 258 years' jail for public violence.

It emerged from evidence that many of those appearing were either unemployed or could get work only as seasonal labourers. None had completed high school.

Zolani township has been described by community workers as "desperate". It has an adult unemployment level estimated at more than 80 percent.

Vigilante action in the area has been a cause of friction in the community. The Supreme Court granted an interdict in March restraining the vigilantes from imposing a curfew and from assaulting schoolchildren.

Circumstances

An Ashton policeman, Warrant Officer Leon Hansen, described the vigilantes as being "a small group who acted against the accused, who were not scared of intimidation and threats, they are blacks from the community who on their own came forward when the unrest began".

Some of the circumstances of the accused described to the court included:

● Mr Fikele Mana, 21, the oldest of nine children who has Std 7, lives with his parents and both he and his father are seasonal labourers supporting the family of 11. He spent 10 months in detention before being brought to trial and was sentenced to eight years' jail.

● A boy of 17 with a Std 6 education who has nine brothers and sisters, his mother is a pensioner, his father is dead. He does casual work to help support the family and has been sentenced to seven years' jail.

● Mr Mathews Fante, 31, sentenced to eight years' jail, has no formal education. His wife is an awaiting-trial prisoner held at Pollsmoor Prison and they have a child of two years. A labourer at Langeberg, he has been in jail for the past 10 months awaiting trial.

● Mrs Amelia Memani, 22, was sentenced to eight years' jail. She had her first child when she was 14 and has two children, now aged three and eight. Her husband does seasonal work and the couple look after the three children of her dead stepfather.

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Only 5 Zolani children jailed

Staff Reporter

THE Attorney General of the Cape, Mr D J Rossouw, said yesterday that only five, and not 14, of the 33 residents of Zolani, Ashton, who were sentenced on Tuesday to a total of 258 years' jail for public violence were minors.

Mr Rossouw said he had investigated the sentences after being "inundated" with calls following a Cape Times report on Wednesday which reported the sentences.

He said that once the birth certificates of the accused had been examined, it emerged that the youngest accused, aged 16, had been sentenced to seven cuts with a light cane.

Four 17-year-olds were sentenced to seven years in jail each. The magistrate, Mr A J van Wyk, had used the ages reflected on the birth certificates for the purpose of sentence.

Mr Rossouw said the ages of the accused recorded on the charge sheet used by the magistrate, which was given to the Cape Times by the prosecutor, Mr W Bouwer, had been incorrect.

"Those were apparently rule of thumb ages, and were not the proven ages," he said.

He said the Cape Times had been correct in using the charge sheet as its source of information and the fact that the ages had not been amended on the charge sheet was "unfortunate".

Mr Rossouw said an accused who had given his age as 13 was proved to be 18 once his birth certificate was produced, and another who had given his age as 16 was proved to be 23.

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Ages of jailed minors: A correction

THE Cape Times believes it is imperative in fairness to all concerned to draw prominent attention to the fact that a seriously misleading impression was given by a report on the front page of the newspaper on September 3 headed "Children jailed for public violence", which said that 32 residents of Zolani township, Ashton, including 14 children aged 13 to 17, were sentenced to terms of imprisonment totalling 258 years for public violence.

As reported yesterday, the factual position is that only five of the accused were minors, one of them a 16-year-old who was sentenced to seven cuts with a light cane, and four 17-year-olds who were sentenced to seven years in jail each.

Accused

The error in the report, as noted yesterday, was due to the fact that the ages of the accused as given on the charge sheet before the court were incorrect. The charge sheet is invariably used by the press as the source of information about the accused and the charges before the court.

It has been brought to the attention of the Cape Times, however, that the correct ages of the accused were admitted by the defence in the course of the court proceedings, which evidence was unfortunately missed by the Cape Times reporter. The ages were not amended on the charge sheet.

The Cape Times, while noting that the question of jailing 17-year-olds remains highly controversial, recognizes that front-page prominence was given to the original report suggesting that 14 children aged from 13 to 17 were sentenced to terms of imprisonment and that the report has aroused widespread reaction and so hastens to put the record straight with appropriate prominence.

Man dies in E Cape unrest

PRETORIA — A man died in an Eastern Cape township and another escaped from an attempted "necklace" execution during a "quiet weekend" in the country's black areas, the Bureau of Information said today.

The bureau's daily unrest report said a man died after police opened fire with a shotgun in Walmer township, Port Elizabeth.

Police used the shotgun after a shot was fired from a crowd of about 50 who were stoning a security force vehicle.

The group then stormed the vehicle and attempted to overturn it. They were dispersed with teargas.

In Kwazakele, Port Elizabeth, a group attempted to murder 25-year-old man by burning, but he escaped. (Full report on Page 4). — Sapa

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Five held after 'necklace' attempt

By JOHANN NEL
Crime Reporter

FIVE men were arrested in Kwazakele by the security forces when a man who was allegedly due to be executed by burning, managed to escape from a group of people in the township, the Bureau for Information said in its daily unrest report today.

Speaking through an interpreter, the condemned man, Mr Xolani Netnou, 25, — his head still covered with green paint which he claimed was a "necklace" signal indicating that he was to be burnt — said he had escaped after being kidnapped at his home and taken to a nearby house yesterday.

His "crime", apparently, was that earlier in the day he had gone to the SA



Mr ZOLANI NETNOU, his face and head still daubed with green paint, after his escape yesterday.

Police to report an alleged assault on him by his brother.

Mr Netnou said that on Saturday night his brother hit him on the hand.

He said he was later abducted from his home and taken to a nearby house in Zwide, where his head was painted with green enamel paint and he was told he was going to be burnt.

He managed to escape, and was found outside the Kwazakele single men's quarters by the security forces.

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Consumer boycotts lose their punch

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Widespread consumer boycotts have fizzled out with the exception of the Eastern Cape, where boycott organizers are still in detention and unable to call the boycott off.

Retail sales in some areas have soared by 100 percent and are still climbing, but business sources said they did not welcome this development.

"It is not healthy because the boycotts have not been voluntarily ended," said the managing director of Jazz Stores, Mr Clive Sacher.

"When commerce and industry were dealing with it, the problem may have been solved, because we were trying to help the consumer. Black consumers had a voice and we had a chance to react. But we are now in an unnatural situation which will eventually put us back to what it was before."

No end in sight

The president of the Port Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce, Mr Tony Gilson, believes there is no end in sight to the boycott in the Eastern Cape because the only people who are able to call it off are either in hiding or in detention.

"The boycott is certainly still very effective here though not necessarily as enthusiastic as before," he said. "But we believe it is necessary for the people who can bring about peace to be allowed to do so."

The general manager of the Johannesburg Chamber of Commerce, Mr Marius de Jager, said that in one way the boycotts had a positive outflow, because the chamber was able to address specific black grievances.

CAPE Times 8/9/86

Necklace murder: 2 men jailed

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Two young men convicted of the "necklace" murder of a Cookhouse teacher were sentenced to 14 years' imprisonment each by the Supreme Court yesterday.

Mzimkulu Simama, 18, and Butisi Damani Maleti, 21, were among 14 people charged with the murder of Mr Anele Mnyalatyo at Cookhouse on April 30 last year.

Nine of the accused were acquitted. Two, aged 17 and 15, were convicted of murder with extenuating circumstances and sentenced to 10 and 12 years. A youth, aged 16, broke bail and absconded last week.

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4 found guilty of 'necklace' murder

Supreme Court Reporter

THREE men and a 16-year-old youth were found guilty in the Supreme Court on Monday of the "necklace" murder of Oudtshoorn community councillor Mr Patrick "Big Boy" Maranene.

Mr Maranene was axed, stoned, stabbed, had a rock dropped on his head and was set alight with a tyre around his neck on November 22 last year.

Pleas

Patrick Manginda, 23, Desmond Majola, 27, Dickson Madikane, 26, and the youth were charged with Mr Chweke Makay, 24, Mr Jimmy Sitwayi, 26, and two other youths — aged 15 and 17. All pleaded not guilty.

Mr Makay and Mr Sitwayi were acquitted. The two other youths were found guilty of robbery.

Sentence will be passed on September 19.

Mr Justice A J Lategan presided with two assessors, Mr W Vivier and Mr H van Huyssteen. Mr C Viviers appeared for the State. Mr D Potgieter and Mr S Majiedt, instructed by E Moosa and Associates, appeared for the eight.

Squatter chief acquitted, co-accused imprisoned

Court Reporter

THE leader of the now-devastated Portland Cement Works Squatter Camp, Mr Christopher Toise, was yesterday acquitted on charges of attempted murder, pointing a firearm and possessing a firearm and ammunition.

His co-accused, Thabo Memani, 35, of Section 89, Crossroads, was jailed for four years for attempted murder, one year for possessing a gun and one year for having ammunition on January 26. The sentences are to run concurrently.

Memani had been convicted of attempting to murder Mr Majeke Gumsha by shooting at him, and of possessing a weapon and ammunition.

At a previous hearing, Mr Gumsha said Mr Toise, 51, and Memani had fired a shot at him as he came out of a house in Lansdowne Road.

Mr Gumsha said he had run to the headquarters of the leader of the Nyanga Bush camp, Mr Melford Yamile.

He had then run to the house of the leader of Extension 3, Nyanga, Mr Alfred Sipheka, where he had hoped to receive help. He had passed out and regained consciousness at Conradie Hospital.

Mr Sipheke told the court on Monday that he was upset that his area had been burnt down. "Witdoeke are responsible. They are with the police," he said.

The magistrate, Mr A S McCarthy, said there was not sufficient evidence to convict Mr Toise. "However, Memani was evasive in his evidence, conduct which the court does not expect from an honest witness.

"Anyone who fires a shot at another person must see the possibility of causing death," Mr McCarthy said.

Mr Toise was also acquitted of pointing a .38 Welsley revolver at Mr Phumile Khetelo on January 6.

Memani paid an appeal bail amount of R4 000.

Mr M Brooksma prosecuted. Mr P Gamble, instructed by Mr D Adam, appeared for the two.

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Man struck with baton in street sues minister

Court Reporter

A MAN who says he was struck with a baton in the city centre last year, after police tried to disperse crowds with a watercannon, is suing the Minister of Law and Order.

Mr Christopher Knight, 24, told the civil court in Cape Town that he had called to some policemen who were ordering people to disperse: "Why don't you remove yourselves from the area, because you are causing the problems."

Soon after he had felt a sharp blow and lost consciousness for a few seconds before he was roughly dragged to his feet by two policemen, he said.

Mr Knight is claiming damages of R700 for medical expenses, loss of dignity, pain, suffering and injury.

The State alleges that he was part of a crowd which had damaged the property of others and that he formed part of an illegal gathering in the city on October 24 last year.

Mr Knight, who did public duty for St John Ambulance at the time, said that as he reached Adderley Street, he saw "numerous police vehicles driving up and down".

He returned to his car for his first-aid kit as he felt with "police presence an unrest situation could develop and people could be injured in a stampede if police ordered them to disperse".

"There was a carnival atmosphere" as people watched "the police who were the only attraction and not an everyday sight in Adderley Street".

From Shortmarket Street he had seen police beating a man with a sjambok in an Adderley Street gutter and he decided to return to his car.

"I noticed some policemen who had crossed Adderley Street come up Shortmarket Street behind me giving orders to people to disperse."

He heard one of them, who he later discovered was a Major Dolf Odendaal, saying to the accompanying

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Man sues police

policemen: "Slaan hulle" (hit them).

Mr Knight said he had said to Major Odendaal: "How can you hit innocent people?"

He was struck down on the corner of St George's and Shortmarket streets and he was taken to the Argus building where "I tried to regain my senses".

Under cross-examination by Mr N J Treurnicht, for the Minister of Law and Order, he said: "Police have the idea that anyone standing around an incident is involved."

He had gone to the PFP monitoring group the next day and was told the Cape Times Chief Reporter, Mr Roger Williams, had been asking about him.

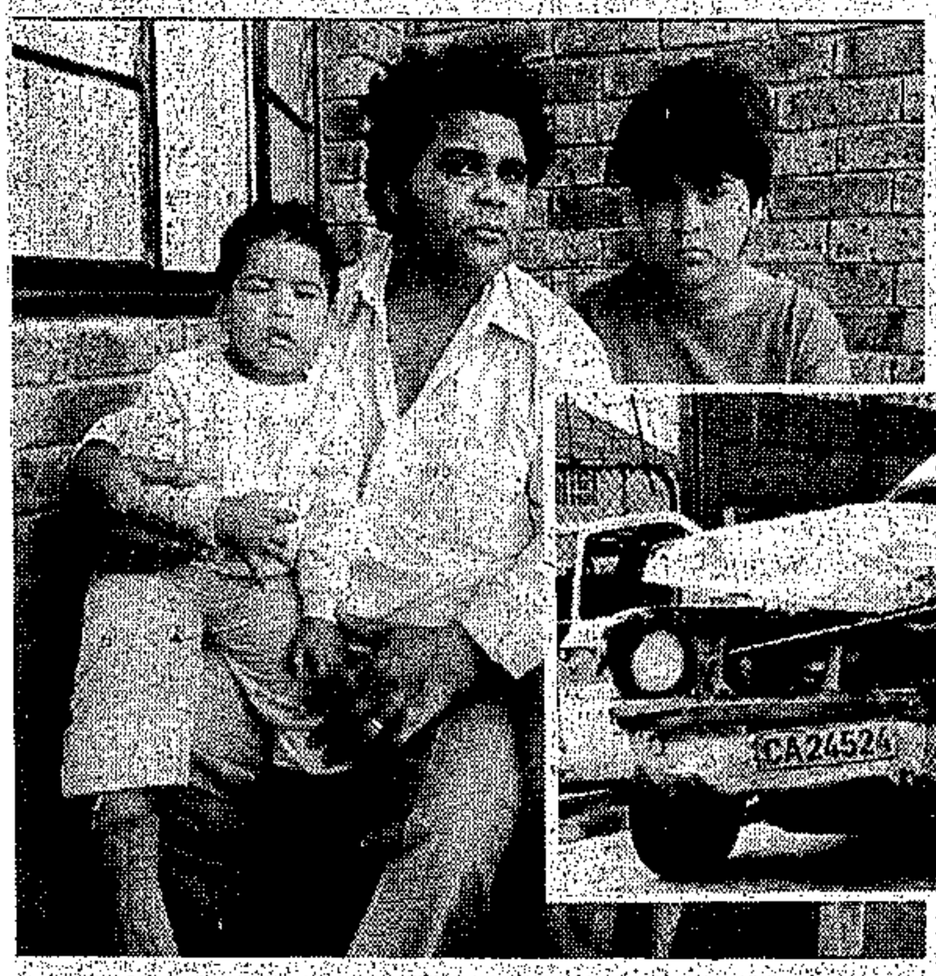
"Mr Williams told me he was an eyewitness and interviewed me," he said.

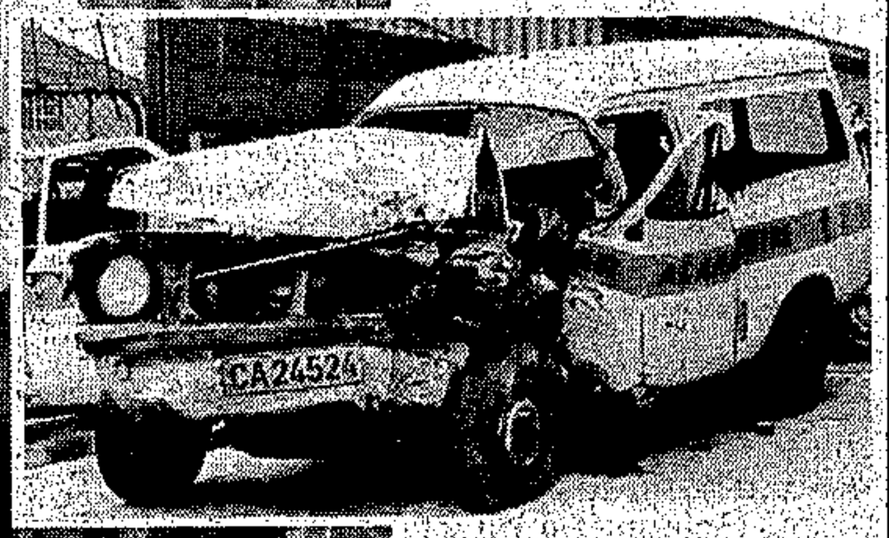
When he reported the matter to police, he was told that he should have "been locked up and people like me should not be allowed to walk the streets".

The hearing continues on September 19.

Mr W J P Marais was the magistrate. Mr Treurnicht was instructed by the State Attorney. Mr J Shortt-Smith, instructed by Mr M Walton of the Legal Resources Centre, represented Mr Knight.

Pregnant mother dies after family car stoned





LEFT: Mr Desmond Meyer with his year-old son Dane and daughter Dalene. His wife, Eunice, died after a car accident on Saturday. INSET: The van in which the Meyers were travelling.

By JOHN VAN DER LINDEN

AN eight-month-pregnant mother of four died at the weekend after the car in which the family were travelling was stoned near the Strand.

Mrs Eunice Meyer, 37, of Tortelduif Street, Macassar, was with her husband Desmond, 40, daughters Michelle, 15, Dalene, 13, Chantell, 8, and son Dane, 1.

Yesterday a grief-stricken Mr Meyer, a burglar alarm technician, said a car ahead of them had suddenly turned off near Blikkiesdorp, Strand, without indicating about 5.30pm on Saturday.

"I hooted at him and he swore at me and followed us."

Mr Meyer drove to a nearby mobile shop where he bought some goods. The other car arrived and some of the occupants approached him.

"I saw the driver smash a bottle and he and another occupant rushed at my car brandishing the bottle and a stick.

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"I reversed and drove off. Meanwhile one of the men had run across open land and waited for me to get back on to the Gordon's Bay road. He threw what seemed like a rock at us as we approached.

"I was hit on the head and passed out and when I regained consciousness we were all at the Hottentots Holland Hospital."

Dalene, who was discharged with her father and Dane, said the rock had shattered the windscreen and hit her father on the head.

Michelle and Chantell were still being treated at the hospital, she said.

Mrs Meyer, who received multiple injuries, was later transferred to Groote Schuur Hospital where she died shortly before 10pm on Saturday.

A Boland Police spokesman yesterday said a 22-year-old Strand man would appear in Strand Magistrate's Court this week.

● Sapa reports that a Pretoria mother of two was injured on Saturday when a man threw a brick through the windscreen of a car near Maritzburg.

Mrs Charmaine Harris, 33, underwent emergency surgery at Grey's Hospital, Maritzburg, for six breaks in her upper arm and hand, and extensive facial injuries. She was reported to be in a stable condition in intensive care.

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Unrest death: Warrant of arrest for witness

Tygerberg Bureau

A WARRANT of arrest has been issued in a Bellville inquest court for a witness to the shooting of Mr Clive Christopher Cupido, 19, during unrest in Bellville South in August last year.

Magistrate Mr A N E Louw ordered the arrest of Mr Lawrence Daniels when he failed to appear at the inquest on Mr Cupido yesterday.

At the hearing events leading to Mr Cupido's death were described by a police officer and a Bellville South resident.

Sergeant J J Kinnear said that on August 29 last year he and Warrant Officer Gerhard Cloete investigated a burning tyre barricade near Blue Moon flats in Modderdam Road.

They chased people into the block of flats and Sergeant Kinnear was attacked on the roof by a man he later heard was Clive Christopher Cupido.

THREW HIM

Sergeant Kinnear said he could not fire shots because he had lost his gun in the chase. Mr Cupido grabbed him and threw him off the roof, two storeys down.

Mr Errol van Rensburg, of De Wet Street, Bellville South, said he was in Modderdam Road at 10.40pm with Mr Lawrence Davids and about 60 others, setting alight a tyre barricade.

He denied Mr Cupido was among them.

He went to the flats to wash his hands at 10.45pm and heard two shots fired outside.

Mr Davids and Mr Cupido ran towards him shouting: "Sout — dit is die boere" (Run — it's the police).

Mr van Rensburg went with Mr Davids and Mr Cupido to the roof, where a shot went off.

SURRENDER

Sergeant Kinnear then arrived on the roof and ordered the three to surrender. At that point the sergeant pulled out a gun, Mr van Rensburg said.

He insisted during cross-examination that it was Mr Davids, not Mr Cupido, who grabbed and fought with Sergeant Kinnear.

While the two men grappled, Mr Cupido and Mr van Rensburg climbed to the lower roof of a nearby shop, he said.

At this stage Mr van Rensburg heard the sergeant shout to his colleague: "Knoppies — my gun is lost."

He and Mr Cupido jumped to the street, where Mr van Rensburg surrendered to police and Mr Cupido fled. He saw Mr Cupido jumping across a wall behind a shop.

The inquest continues on October 7.

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Clinic treated 500 with shot wounds

Staff Reporter

FORTY people lost "useful vision" in one eye during the worst four months of unrest last year, according to an article in the latest SA Medical Journal.

These statistics were published in an article entitled "Unrest — a vital community health issue", by doctors M N Hoffman, J M Klopper, P B Disler and D Yach.

The doctors said one percent of Groote Schuur Hospital patients were gunshot-wound victims in the first half of last year, but between August and November this figure "increased six-fold".

The Sacla clinic at Crossroads treated 500 patients with gunshot wounds, and 13 of them subsequently died.

In the four months, 20 children under the age of 13 were admitted to a children's hospital for gunshot wounds.

Birdshot virtually blinded 38 eyes, and two were blinded by rubber bullets, the article said. Three patients who were struck in an eye by birdshot recovered "useful vision".

Previous records of eye injuries showed there were 16 pellet gun accidents in five years.

Cape Town City Council mortality records showed that between August and November, deaths from "external causes" increased by 11 percent on the previous year, and those in the "legal intervention" category "increased 12-fold", the report said.

Soweto rent protest: 3 die in clashes

JOHANNESBURG. — At least three people died in overnight clashes in Soweto as Sharpeville residents stayed away from work in protests against rent evictions.

The Bureau for Information yesterday said three people died and 11 were wounded in Soweto during street fights that raged from Sunday night until 6.30am yesterday.

Residents said they saw at least four bodies after seven hours of fighting between men living in the Mzimhlope Hostel and residents of Zone 1, Meadowlands.

A police spokesman for Soweto, Major F Zwane, said that police could not confirm earlier reports that 14 people were killed, but were investigating.

The residents said Zulu-speaking hostel dwellers armed with guns, spears and knobbed fighting sticks attacked youths having a party about 11pm on Sunday.

A 67-year-old woman was shot and wounded in the head. One youth was shot and killed and another was stabbed to death with spears. Others were wounded, they said.

The residents said some 50 youths, saying they were "comrades", launched a counter-attack about 6.30am yesterday, killing at least two of the migrants.

The bureau report said the three men were killed when a house in Meadowlands, in which the comrades were meeting, was attacked on Sunday night. It added that 11 people were injured and the house was set alight.

Six other incidents of unrest were reported in Soweto by the bureau. Among these were four incidents of stone-throwing.

In Sharpeville, police fired teargas

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3 die in Soweto

to disperse residents who threw stones and petrol-bombs and tried to stage an illegal protest march.

Residents said no buses entered the townships yesterday morning and there was no traffic on the main streets. Buses operated up to the outskirts of the township. There was no estimate of the percentage of residents who responded to the stayaway call.

All pupils in the township stayed away from school.

● The bureau also reports that fewer than 20 other incidents of unrest were reported in the rest of the country between 6am on Sunday and 6am yesterday.

"Natal, the East Rand and the Eastern Province each reported one incident of stone-throwing with damage amounting to R200, R126 and R30 respectively," the bureau report added. — Sapa, UPI and Own Correspondent

Beating to 'rectify' sentence

Court Reporter

A NYANGA woman was so incensed by the suspended sentence imposed by a Langa magistrate on her assailant that she laid a charge at a "people's court" where the assailant received 60 lashes, the Wynberg Regional Court heard yesterday.

Thobeka Hanoyi, 29, Mziwakhe Mdidimba, Simon Pasiya, Lawrence Sidlayiya, Ndimpine Kweza and Sid Jack, all of Nyanga, were convicted on Tuesday of two counts of assaulting two sisters, Ms Nompumelelo Sogiba and Mrs Nompendule Ngiingini, on November 13 last year at the Art Centre in Nyanga.

Mr Mushtaq Parker, for the six, told the court that Hanoyi had been the complainant in a case where she had been stabbed in the shoulder by Ms Sogiba. Ms Sogiba had been given a three-year suspended sentence for the assault, he said.

Hanoyi said the Sogiba family had interfered with her family after the court case. She had gone to the police but they had not done anything about the matter and she had complained to the "people's court".

Mr Mhlophe Yakobe, one of 26 people who had been charged with the six but were acquitted, told the court a Major A J Burger, of Guguletu police station, had consented to a request by him and two others to form the "Youth Brigade" vigilante group.

Problems that could not be dealt with by police or the vigilantes were discussed at meetings — the so-called "courts".

The two sisters were punished for "contempt of court" as they swore continuously. They were originally sentenced to 15 cuts. "The more they swore the more they were hit until they each received 60 lashes.

"Since that case the 'people's court' no longer exists," he said.

Sentence will be passed at 8.30am today.

Mr M Marais was the magistrate. Mr W A King prosecuted.

Conditions for end of boycott 'unreasonable'

ARGUS 18/9/86

PORT ELIZABETH. — National Party MPs say the conditions set for ending the six-month black consumer boycott in the city are "unreasonable".

The consumer boycott committee has suspended the boycott until November 3, saying it will be re-imposed then unless their demands are met.

Mr Sakkie Louw, MP for Newton Park, said businessmen must be prepared to "sweat it out" if the boycott was reimposed. There was no chance of the conditions being met, he said.

The committee has demanded:

- The release of all detainees;
- The lifting of the state of emergency;
- The removal of the fence around New Brighton and Kwazakele townships;
- The withdrawal of troops from the townships; and
- The rebuilding of schools damaged during unrest.

Mr Louw said the Government could not be "intimidated by these people".

"These demands are unreasonable — it is not possible to meet them by November 3.

"How can the people who burn down their schools demand that they be rebuilt?" he asked.

One could not expect the Government to "soften its attitude" and remove the fence around the townships unless peace and stability were restored in the townships.

Mr James Kleynhans, MP for Algoa, said the state of emergency had been declared because it was "necessary" and to demand its lifting was unreasonable.

"It will be lifted when the security police advise the Cabinet it is time to do so."

Asked if a continuation of the boycott would harm the city commercially, he said it was government policy not to interfere with free trade. — Sapa.

Kangaroo court six not evil — defence

ARGUS 18/9/86

Staff Reporter

AN Nyanga kangaroo court was convened because police did nothing about certain charges laid by residents, Wynberg Regional Court has been told.

Mr Mhlophe Yakobi was giving evidence in mitigation of sentence of six Nyanga residents convicted of assaulting on two sisters after a "court" hearing at the Nyanga Art Centre last November.

Thobeka Hanoyi, Mziwakhe Mdidimba, 29, Simon Pasiya, 28, Lawrence Sidlayiya, 26, Ndimpine Kweza, 23, and Syd Jack, 21, were involved in "court" proceedings, after which Mrs Nompumelelo Sogiba and Mrs Nompendulo Ngiiingini were given 60 lashes each with sjamboks.

Hanoyi had brought an assault charge against the women to the "court" because she felt a Langa magistrate had been too lenient when sentencing Mrs Sogiba for the same offence earlier. Mrs Sogiba had stabbed Hanoyi in the upper arm.

Relatives of Mrs Sogiba and Mrs Ngiiingini had taunted Hanoyi about the suspended sentence imposed by the magistrate.

Mr Yakobi said: "We had approached a Major Burger at the Guguletu police station and he agreed with our plan to form a vigilante group to help stop the skollie element.

"On our part we agreed not to arm ourselves and Major Burger gave us a stamped and signed letter of sanction, which is now with the attorneys.

"When it became apparent that some cases were not being taken on by the police, we had to have meetings to discuss to try to solve people's problems.

"That's how the people's court came about. The court ceased to exist in November last year.

"Mrs Sogiba and Mrs Ngiiingini were originally sentenced to 15 cuts each, but the number was increased because they swore continuously in the court."

Public prosecutor Mr W King: "Is it that they did not agree with the court ... a type of contempt of court?"

Mr Yakobi: "Yes, I agree."

Mr Yakobi added that various men administered 10 cuts each to Mrs Sogiba and Mrs Ngiiingini, who were made to lie over a table.

In his plea in mitigation of sentence, Mr M Parker, for all the accused, said the fact that there was no permanent damage to the the women was an extenuating factor.

"It doesn't make the crime any less serious, but these are not inherently evil people. The fact that they pleaded guilty shows remorse on their part," he said.

Mr King contended that the "court" could be seen as tampering with the authority of the State.

The hearing continues.

Mr M Marais is on the Bench.

R BULLY BOYS? FOCUS ON VIGILANTES

Hired and armed: The peace-keeping toughs

A court case this week put the spotlight on the activities of armed vigilantes, hired as community guards, accused by many of assaulting residents. MOIRA LEVY reports

THE appearance of 30 residents of Zolani township this week on charges of public violence has highlighted the role of armed vigilantes, hired as paid and armed members of the newly-established community guards, or "homeguards".

Defence lawyer Alex Abercrombie said the "homeguards" appeared to be doing much of the "dirty work" of the police. He said he knew of assaults by armed vigilantes on township residents, usually conducted in the presence of the police.

According to an Ashton Advice Office worker, Dawie Bosch, the vigilantes have imposed an illegal 9pm nightly curfew on the township. He cites several examples of violent clashes in which the vigilantes have shot at and assaulted residents, often in full view of the police.

An urgent interdict was granted on February 27 by the Cape Supreme Court, restraining the vigilantes from enforcing the curfew and assaulting people.

"The police use these people as their hired henchmen," Bosch said. He claimed the vigilantes control access to the few jobs in the area, and that they openly use administration board offices and vehicles.

In sworn statements, several residents claimed they were shot by members of the community guards on May 24 after returning from the funeral of an elderly township resident only days after the vigilantes were first armed.

Bosch emphasises that the funeral had no political overtone, the dead woman was not an activist and she died of old age.

Two residents who were shot claimed in their affidavits they were not part of the crowd.

Moses Bambille Mafuya was on his way to visit his girlfriend when "I suddenly felt a pain in my right leg. I went lame and I fell. I realised that there was a wound in my leg and it looked as if it had been penetrated by a bullet."

Friends tried to take him to hospital, but on the outskirts of the township their car was stopped at a roadblock manned by policemen and the community guards. All the occupants of the car were ordered out and then assaulted and arrested. Mafuya was taken to Montague hospital and then held in Worcester jail for more than two weeks.

The residents claimed the community guards, accompanied by police, swept through the township that night arresting hundreds, especially those who had been charged earlier with public violence. In almost every affidavit it was claimed that the community guards assaulted residents while they were being arrested.

Victoria Nomfusi Mrubata claimed that she watched as her husband was bundled out of the house and beaten about the face with a heavy stick. Warm clothing that he had grabbed on his way out was taken from him and thrown to the ground.

She said her husband was later treated at Tygerberg hospital for an injury to his face. He has virtually lost the sight of an eye.

"When the police arrested him they gave no reasons. I think they took him because he is a committee member of the Zolani Civic (Association)."

Jacob Nomatse Yokwane, who spent most of Saturday shopping in nearby Montagu, was picked up at his home that night. He alleged that he heard the "homeguards" tell the police that he was not a stonethrower, but that he was associated with the Zolani Civic Association.

He was arrested together with about 116 people who were charged with public violence for incidents committed in Zolani that day.

David Gadile Holmes claimed he was woken on Saturday night by loud knocking on the doors and windows of his house. He identified several members of the community guards who dragged his wife outside and beat her with sticks and *pikstele*.

When he protested, they assaulted him. "All six began to hit me with the same weapons. I was stunned (*katswink*) and therefore cannot say how many lashes I was given." He was then dragged to a waiting development board van, assaulted again and "semi-conscious I was thrown in to the back of the van".

At the Ashton police station members of the community guard pointed out to the police alleged stonethrowers and arsonists, he said. He was told by a senior police officer to go home. His wife was held for several months.

The use of development board vehicles by members of the community guard was mentioned in several affidavits. Mzukisi Headman Jantjies claims that a member of the community guard driving the unmistakeable official van twice tried to run him over and threatened to shoot him.

Local administration board efforts to establish community guards in the townships have been interpreted by commentators as a bid to turn the vigilantes into an offically recognised security force.

In the Boland township of Zolani, a group of rightwing vigilantes who have been policing the area since November last year recently formed a community guard. They have been armed and are paid a monthly salary.

Attempts are also underway to recruit local security forces for the western Cape townships of Khayalitsha and Langa.

According to township residents and community workers, training began this week for the western Cape community guards.

The first attempt to recruit community guards was made in January this year, when the Western Cape Development Board took out an advertisement in the Argus inviting applications in Cape Town, Paarl, Ceres, Stellenbosch and several other Boland towns.

The applicants would be responsible for "ensuring the safety of the inhabitants in their respective areas, the maintenance of law and order, the prevention of crime", according to the advertisement.

A number of applicants at this week's interview, held at the Nyanga administration board offices, walked out after learning what their role would be.

Those who stayed were told that after their training was completed they would report for duty at the Guguletu police station, "that they were going to be temporary police for the unrest", said a community worker.

According to a Black Sash worker in Graaf Reinet, 40 unemployed men over the age of 35 recently received letters inviting them to apply for service in the community guard. They were told they would be trained in Cape Town and offered a monthly salary of R369.

The Western Cape Development Board said applications for the posts of community guards were being processed by officials in Pretoria.

They would not give any details about salaries that will be paid to community guards. A member of staff said only that there were differennt kinds of guards, and some would be paid from a fund provided by the central government.

'No reason' for police in Adderley St

Court Reporter

THE violence that erupted in central Cape Town in October last year could have been averted if the police had withdrawn from Adderley Street at an early stage, Cape Times Chief Reporter Mr Roger Williams told the Civil Court yesterday.

Mr Williams testified that a young man, Mr Christopher Knight, told policemen who were ordering people to leave the area in Shortmarket Street: "It is you who should remove yourselves, because it is your presence that is causing the trouble." Shortly afterwards a policeman struck Mr Knight on the head with a baton.

Mr Knight is claiming damages of R2 544 from the Minister of Law and Order for medical expenses, loss of dignity, pain, suffering and injury.

Mr Williams said about 3.30pm in Adderley Street on the day in question he saw and spoke to the mayor, who expressed concern over the continued police presence in what appeared to be a "static situation" outside the Golden Acre.

If the police had withdrawn, he said, the people would have dispersed.

Mr Williams said from where he and the mayor were standing he could see no reason for the continued police presence, and he added that the crowd had gathered out of curiosity.

Mr Williams said that later he walked down a "relatively normal" Shortmarket Street, in which there were no gatherings and no signs of disturbance, and saw a squad of policemen turning into the street from Adderley Street.

A Major Dolf Odendaal, in charge of the squad, was ordering people "in a very aggressive, bully-boy voice" to "get moving, get going, get back to your offices".

He himself walked back towards St George's Street, noticing Mr Knight immediately behind him.

At the corner of St George's and Shortmarket Streets he saw the police approaching the pavement. One of them came up to Mr Knight and struck him on the head. Mr Knight collapsed and two policemen roughly pulled him to his feet. He was bleeding from a wound on the right side of his head, Mr Williams said.

The hearing continues on October 21.

Mr W J P Marais was the magistrate. Mr N J Treurnicht instructed by the State Attorney, represented the Minister of Law and Order. Mr J Shortt-Smith, instructed by Mr M Walton of the Legal Resources Centre, appeared for Mr Knight.

UCT prof tells necklace trial of 'mob' psychology

By SHAUNA WESTCOTT
Supreme Court Reporter

THE individual's responsibility for his actions is diminished when he is part of a mob, a professor of psychology told the Oudtshoorn "necklace trial" on Friday.

Professor Peter du Preez of the University of Cape Town was giving evidence in mitigation after three men and a 16-year-old youth were found guilty of the "necklace" murder of Bongolethu community councillor Mr Patrick "Big Boy" Maranene.

The men are Patrick Manginda, 23, Desmond Majola, 27, and Dickson Madikane, 26.

Professor Du Preez drew on psychological experiments and sociological theory to support his view.

Firstly, sociological theory holds that there are identifiable stages in the development of aggressive behaviour by crowds.

The first stage involves social conditions such as poverty, repression, inequality and unemployment which are felt as grievances and form the basis of crowd action.

"Structural strain" follows, often produced by a reform process which raises expectations, and visible in episodes of violence, riots and discontent with the establishment.

Generalized beliefs, such as that revolution is around the corner or that collaborators should be "summarily dealt with", develop along with norms associated with these beliefs. Recourse to people's courts and consultations with alternative powers like the ANC are examples of these norms in action.

Mobilization for action follows and even those not directly involved become aware of it and are increasingly compelled to take a stand, particularly in small communities where people are all known to each other.

In this context a series of events occur — an incident of stoning, conflict with police, an arrest, a rumour, the firing of a gun — which may trigger behaviour for which a norm has come to exist. Football riots or the necklacing of informers are examples.

Finally, social controls which might counteract aggressive behaviour collapse. Rigidly segregated communities become "immune to outside voices". New controls, which may encourage violence, replace the old.

On the psychological front research shows that:

- Groups polarize and shift to extreme positions more readily than individuals. The attitudes and behaviour of individuals become more extreme after group interactions.
- Isolation from opposing opinions will often lead to extreme decisions and the syndrome of "group-think", characterized by an illusion of invulnerability and morality.
- A high percentage of people — including the highly educated — comply with the unanimous judgments of others, even when these judgments are absurd.

The court will rule tomorrow on the existence of extenuating circumstances.

New SAP task force to fight comrades

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ONE thousand new police recruits are to be armed with guns and sjamboks and sent into the black townships to take on the "comrades".

The recruits will be sent into the townships after only three weeks' training at a camp outside Cape Town.

An SAP spokesman, Brigadier Jaap Venter, confirmed that the "special constables" — all black and between the ages of 25 and 45 — were being trained at a site next to the Koeberg nuclear power station to help maintain law and order in the townships.

He said there was "nothing sinister" about it.

"They are simply being trained to make the long arm of the police force a little bit longer," he said.

Brigadier Venter confirmed that the constables, once trained, would be armed with guns and sjamboks and that they would work under the supervision of the regular members of the police force.

They will wear a uniform "similar" to that worn by the regular police force.

PFP spokeswoman on law and order Mrs Helen Suzman said it seemed "totally impossible for a disciplined force to be trained in three weeks".

"It is absolutely essential that the only police sent into unrest areas should be properly trained and disciplined and should understand the meaning of self-control in difficult situations.

"The police have often contributed to escalating unrest and violence and it is more than likely that this new force will increase the possibility of such occurrences," she said.

The chairman of the PFP's Unrest Monitoring Action Committee in the Western Cape, Mr Jan van Eck, said he was "horrified" at the prospect.

"The alienation between the community and the police will worsen if undisciplined police are let loose in the already volatile situation in the townships," he warned.

"Extra police, no matter what they are armed with, will not solve the problem.

"The only thing to do is to start negotiating with the true leadership of the people."

A spokesman at the SAP Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria said the special constables would assume their duties after a passing-out parade later this month. He could not give a specific date.

Police spokesmen say the men will have the same powers and authority as fully-trained

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Township buses back

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Staff Reporter

THE buses are back in the townships.

City Tramways yesterday ended a year-long suspension of its service by running throughout the entire Guguletu, Nyanga and New Crossroads areas.

Tramways director Mr Francois Potgieter confirmed that the service to the Nyanga bus terminus in Terminus Road had been reinstated at the request of the Nyanga Residents' Organization.

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Brevity of SAP's 'crash course' slated

Cape Times 23/9/86

By CHRIS BATEMAN

POLICE plan a major media public relations exercise at the passing-out parade of the 1 000 new black recruits currently undergoing a three-week crash course next to Koeberg nuclear power station.

Yesterday, however, the University of Cape Town's criminology department severely criticized the course for its brevity.

In a brief telephone interview yesterday, General Bert Wandrag, head of the country's Counter-Insurgency Unit, said plans were being made to invite all media to the passing-out parade. But he declined to answer questions on the nature and content of the course, saying "these are vital questions on a very sensitive issue", and asked the Cape Times to send the Police Directorate of Public Relations a telex.

General Wandrag maintained that the course was longer than three weeks, but would not say by how much.

By 7.30pm yesterday, nearly six hours after a telex was sent, police had confirmed receiving it but had yet to reply.

A spokesman for UCT's department of criminology yesterday questioned whether the new police recruits would be capable of having "even the vaguest idea what powers and duties are conferred upon them".

Police spokesman have said that special constables would have the same power and authority as fully-trained policemen.

The UCT spokesman asked how "any reasonable South African" could expect "someone with a sub-Standard Five education" to understand and act in terms of, for example, Section 49 (2) of the Criminal Procedure Act, one of the laws which entitled police to shoot to kill.

"Can it be possible that these special constables have the discipline and training to apply Section 48 and 49 of the Internal Security Act, which allows for the use of firearms for crowd dispersal, but only under very specific and stringent conditions?" he asked.

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Staff Reporter

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SAP, politicians in row over 'kitskonstabels'

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Political Correspondent

POLICE and politicians yesterday became embroiled in the escalating row over the SAP's 1 000 "kitskonstabels".

The Commissioner of Police, General Johann Coetzee, dismissed as "sensationalist" reports that the special constables were to be used against "comrades" in the townships and emphasized that they were intended to assist police in combating "crime in general".

He also attempted to allay public fears about the constables — who are to be armed with guns and sjamboks — by saying he would not tolerate irresponsible action by his staff.

"The special constables will receive further in-service training after their basic training and operate under supervision," General Coetzee said in a statement. "Media reports implying that the constables would after basic training be sent into the townships armed with guns and sjamboks to deal with certain groups of troublemakers is, to say the least, misleading."

Mrs Helen Suzman, the PFP's spokeswoman on law and order, said last night that she had no argument with placing extra "bobbies on the beat" but she demanded General Coetzee furnish "an iron-clad assurance that inadequately trained 'kitskonstabels' will not be let loose in the townships with lethal weapons".

Police spokesmen had originally indicated that the special constables would be armed and have the same powers and authority as fully trained police force members who go through a full year's training.

However, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, subsequently indicated that the constables were meant as an auxiliary force and as such would have limited powers.

Bomb blasts Rand home of Soweto housing director

ARGUS 24/9/86

JOHANNESBURG. — A limpet mine blast blew out the windows and parts of the roof of the Craighall Park house of Mrs Del Kevan, Soweto's director of housing, early today.

The windows of about 10 neighbouring houses were broken, including that of a bedroom where 13-year-old girl was sleeping.

In Mrs Kevan's house window frames were twisted, the chimney and roof were wrecked, and walls were charred.

Roof tiles and shards of glass littered the garden.

NEW WINDOWS

Workmen are now repairing damage at the homes of Mrs Kevan and neighbours.

Mrs Kevan said the mine appeared to have been planted in her garden.

"The blast awakened me at 3.30. The lights went out and the burglar alarm went off.

"I looked for my torch and switched off the alarm. My neighbours were there very quickly and called the police," she said.

Mrs Kevan lives alone and was not injured. She appeared calm as she supervised men cleaning up her property.

She told reporters she was sure the attack was connected to her position as director of housing in Soweto.

Previously she had received death threats.

Several cameramen were present, but she refused to let them on to her property. Her house was guarded.

Since taking up the position of director in January Mrs Kevan has been labelled a "racist" and has been escorted to work in Soweto.

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However, she refused to give up the job, saying she took it because she believed her 24 years' experience in housing would be of use.

She resigned her seat on the Randburg Town Council, where she served for a while as chairman of the management committee.

She is known in the town as an outspoken critic of the National Party and its policies and a tireless worker for black rights.

"LIKE THUNDER"

Mrs H Sloan, a neighbour, said: "It sounded like a crash of thunder ... then there was a smash of glass."

About five windows in her home were damaged by the explosion.

"My 13-year-old daughter was lucky she was not injured as her bed was right underneath one of the smashed windows.

"I feel sorry for Mrs Kevan. I believe her life has been threatened by callers who have mentioned bombs and tyres." — Sapa.

Comrades among recruits, say sources

Cape Times 25/9/86

By CHRIS BATEMAN and TONY WEAVER

CONSERVATIVE "witdoek" vigilantes and militant "comrades" are among the 1 000 locally recruited men on the crash course for black policemen near Koeberg power station, according to township sources.

Mr Willie Soga, acting head of the Crossroads committee while chairman Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana is "on holiday", said 30 of his men and "many comrades" from Guguletu, Nyanga, Langa and Khayelitsha had been recruited.

Mr Soga and four of his committee members said senior police officers told them that the recruits would be be used to police Peninsula townships.

A Cape Times team yesterday arrived at the training camp in the Koeberg nuclear power station security area after being waved through a checkpoint manned by armed Escom guards.

Senior police officers stopped the Cape Times car in front of the camp gates, briefly questioning a reporter before a man in plainclothes ordered: "You're just passing, keep going, keep going."

About a dozen black men, dressed in overalls and caps, were seen behind the gates. A police and South African flags flew above the camp.

"They sleep at the camp. They don't even come back at weekends. A police chief and Captain Loop from Guguletu police told us they would be paid R14 a day. This would be increased later and according to their schooling," Mr Soga said.

The main points of this story were telexed yesterday to police headquarters in Pretoria and also delivered by hand for the attention of Brigadier Chris Swart, the Western Cape Divisional Police Commissioner.

Brigadier Swart referred the Cape Times to Pretoria headquarters who replied that police had "nothing to add" to earlier statements that "all media will be invited to the passing-out parade".

Meanwhile, a reliable Guguletu source whose brother is on the training programme, said the

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Comrades, witdoeke recruited

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men were recruited from the Cape Provincial Administration's Community Services Office in Nyanga.

This was confirmed by the five Crossroads committee members.

The source said the men were told they were being hired as "security guards" for the CSO, and "once they had been recruited, they were not allowed to go home".

"They were told they would not need anything as they would be given everything they needed once they got to the camp.

"My brother got a message out to say he and a number of others did not want to be there anymore, but they are not being allowed out."

He said some of those recruited were "witdoek" vigilantes from Crossroads and Site C, Khayelitsha, but a number of people who regarded themselves as "comrades" had also taken jobs.

"People are desperate for work, and they will take anything, although a number of comrades walked out of the recruiting office when they suspected what the job was."

Another source gave the same details and said many of those recruited had no idea what the job was about.

CSO spokesman Mr Sampie Steenkamp could not be reached for comment.

Yesterday the Crossroads committee members were asked if the recruitment of comrades — sworn enemies of the witdoeke — would not result in enmity at the training camp.

Mr Soga said the reason given for comrades being trained was so they could return to their own communities where they would "turn the other comrades' heads so that they don't do those things of theirs any more".

"The police told us these comrades would say to the other comrades after the course, 'Hey, you must behave yourselves now, we are now police' and that this would make them give up their nonsense immediately," Mr Soga said.

Mr Soga said the senior policeman had told his committee that the special constables would be posted to Peninsula townships but could be deployed at any trouble spots.

Township probe into police special unit

By CHRIS BATEMAN and TONY WEAVER

THE Western Cape Civic Association has begun to investigate the establishment of the police special unit of about 1 000 black men who are undergoing a crash course at Koeberg.

And Escom has confirmed that the South African Police signed a lease with the corporation two months ago to hire the Koeberg property and buildings where the "instant policemen" are being trained.

Senior Escom spokesman Mr Andre van Heerden said the buildings had housed black workers during the construction of the nuclear power station.

The WCCA is an umbrella body for civic organizations in the black townships. It is affiliated to the United Democratic Front.

The WCCA executive said the training of former "witdoeke" as policemen would formalize their vigilante status. The WCCA alleged this was an attempt to encourage "black-on-black violence".

"Since unemployment is high, innocent township men applied for jobs as security guards and now they are forced into police training camps. They are not being allowed to talk to anyone or even go home.

"The WCCA demands the immediate release of these men."

Township sources yesterday said that considerably more than the reported 30 former "witdoeke" had been recruited.

They said extensive recruiting had taken place in Site C and elsewhere in Khayelithsa, known "witdoek" strongholds, with minimal recruiting from Nyanga, Guguletu and New Crossroads — regarded as "comrade" areas.

Police headquarters in Pretoria have been tight-lipped about the unit. They have confined themselves to saying "all media will be invited to the passing-out parade".

Police spokesmen have said trainees will assume township duties "later this month".

ate clearance can be arranged.

Why bomb victim Del did her 'deadly' job

27/9/86 J70

Weekend Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Mrs Del Kevan, target of the first terrorist bomb attack on a white northern suburbs home in Johannesburg, has faced death threats for the past eight months.

The Soweto housing director also has been stoned twice and escaped a "necklace" death when the black councillor accompanying her routed the culprits with his firearm.

Until her resignation yesterday, she lived with death threats and, after 23 people were shot by the police in the recent alleged rent evictions in Soweto, faced alienation from the political party she once led in the Randburg Town Council.

"I went to Soweto to talk" said Mrs Kevan.

"From the first day I walked into my office my door was open to everyone. And, they came in an endless stream — but I cannot find solutions with people who come to plant bombs in the dark."

It is common knowledge thatcouncil decisions on matters such as evictions are taken by all the black Soweto councillors as well as department heads.

What has not been publicised is one fact she refuses to acknowledge — that hers was one of the voices that refused to support evictions unless they had been legally handled by the courts.



Mrs Kevan

She is bitter that she has been wrongly accused of having blood on her hands.

"Had I known of the events taking place on the night of the deaths, I would have moved heaven and earth to save innocent people. I believe the dead were pawns in a power game, just as I have been made the scapegoat for the problems in Soweto."

"Political rent boycotters were never part of the evictions, only those people who failed to pay up for months before the political resistance got off the ground. These people whom I referred to as the "incorrigibles" Were singled out just as they would be anywhere in the world," she said.

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EP parents agree to guidelines for black education

Education Reporter

BLACK schools in Port Elizabeth and Uitenhage must maintain a minumum daily attendance of 80 percent and not be disrupted if they are to continue operating.

In a joint statement, the Deputy Minister of Education and Development Aid, Mr Sam de Beer, a delegation of the Inter-denominational African Ministers' Association of Port Elizabeth (Idamasa) and parent representatives from the two centres said it was agreed this condition should be met if schools were to continue to function.

Schools affected are those where pupils reregistered at the start of the third term, but where education was "seriously disrupted".

Punctual

In addition, "effective education" had to be offered. This meant pupils had to be punctual, attend regularly, bring the required books and "submit to discipline".

Special "catch-up programmes", which included afternoon and Saturday classes, had to be "strictly adhered to".

Internal and external examinations would not be deferred, the statement said.

Idamasa also presented a list of detained students, which would be submitted "to the appropriate authorities" for their consideration, said the statement released by the Bureau for Information.

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Matanzima warns on 'hitmen'

UMTATA. — Transkei's President George Matanzima warned President Lennox Sebe of Ciskei on Saturday that any armed Ciskeians deployed inside the borders of Transkei would "never return alive".

Speaking at a rally at E'Zibeleni near Queenstown, Chief Matanzima said he had received information that Chief Sebe had formed a hit squad to assassinate Transkeian citizens.

He told Chief Sebe "not to play with fire".

Chief Matanzima confirmed that Major-General Kwane Sebe, the son of President Sebe, and his second-in-command, Colonel Zandisile Ngwanya, are in prison in the Transkeian capital of Umtata.

He said he did not know how they came to be in prison.



President Matanzima

The two police officers were allegedly kidnapped at Bisho in Ciskei about the time of the dramatic escape by the former head of Ciskei's security forces, Major-General Charles Xhanti Sebe.

Chief Matanzima said there was strong evidence that the two Ciskei police officers were involved in an attempt to abduct Mr Namba Sebe, a former Ciskei transport minister, who was granted political asylum in Transkei after skipping bail on corruption charges and fleeing Ciskei.

Chief Matanzima said President Sebe had a weak police force and that explained why Mr Charles Sebe was able to escape from the Middledrift maximum-security prison. — Sapa

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CAPE TOWN — A photographer who lost his arm after a policeman shot at him in Crossroads in February last year, is to be jailed for two years after being convicted in the Regional Court for public violence.

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Court Reporter

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Wits student-police clash averted

By Claire Robertson

"Today we have seen something very important happen at Wits," Students Representative Council member Mr Michael Avidan told the crowd of singing students who had just seen 50 policemen leave their campus without wielding one sjambok.

"We have created unity against people who tried to disrupt what we had a legitimate right to do."

One of the largest student gatherings on the University of the Witwatersrand campus yesterday passed off relatively peacefully.

It had all the signs of an ugly confrontation: hundreds of students, 50 policemen — some in riot gear — and an indoor political meeting at the university banned for the first time.

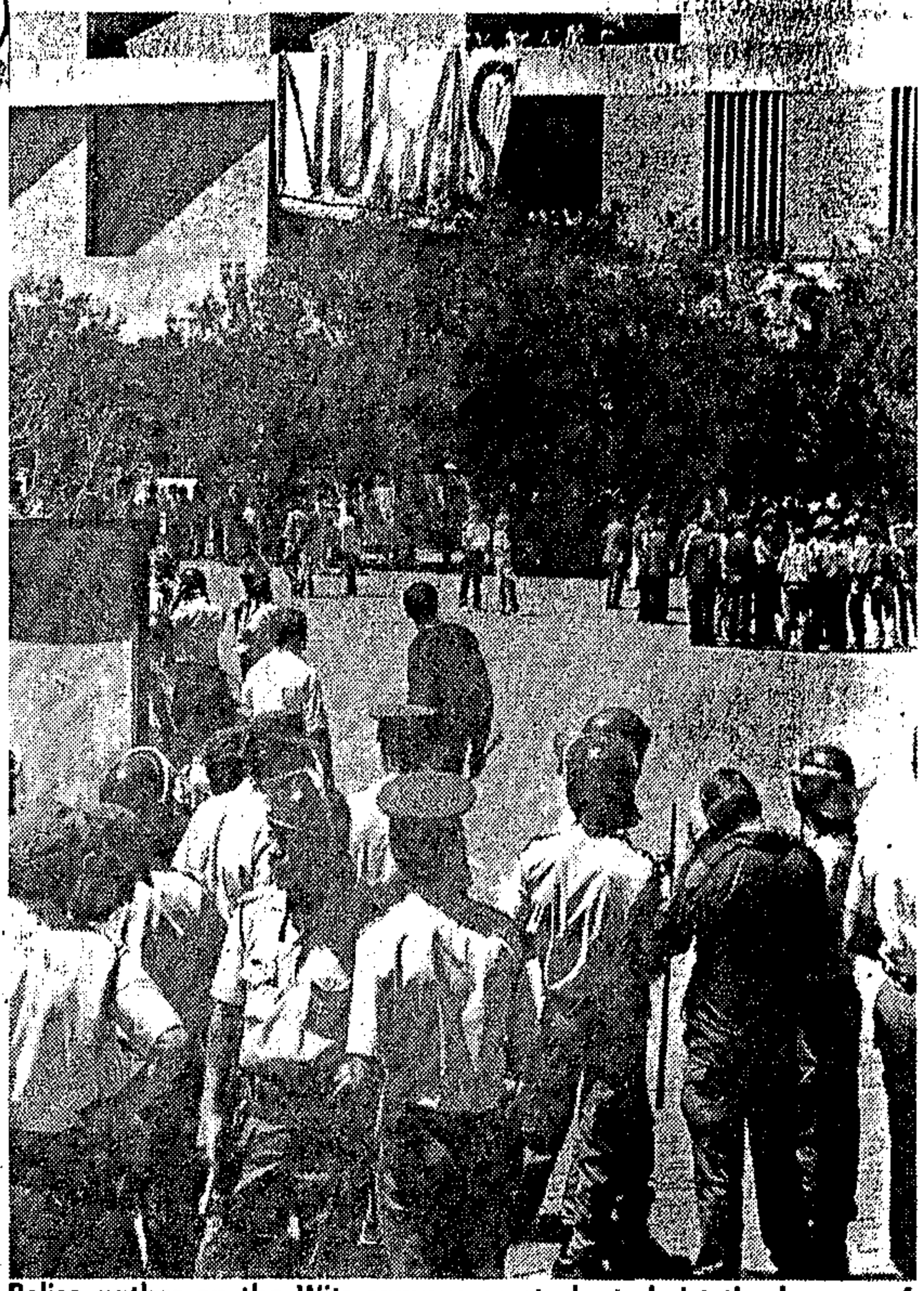
After the meeting was banned, student leaders provided an outlet for the crowd's pent-up emotions — a sound system blared out "protest music".

The students started dancing and singing, only to scatter dramatically when the phalanx of blue-uniformed police moved on to campus at a slow trot.

The students ringed the library lawn and the police stood in the centre — sjamboks in hand. Professor Mervyn Shear, deputy vice-chancellor, moved in to negotiate.

The police moved towards the Yale Road entrance, but turned back when the students chanting "left-right, left-right".

Professor Shear and other officials rushed to consult the students, then back to the police, and back again to the students.



Police gather on the Wits campus as students hoist the banner of the National Union of South African Students.

● Picture by Garth Lumley.

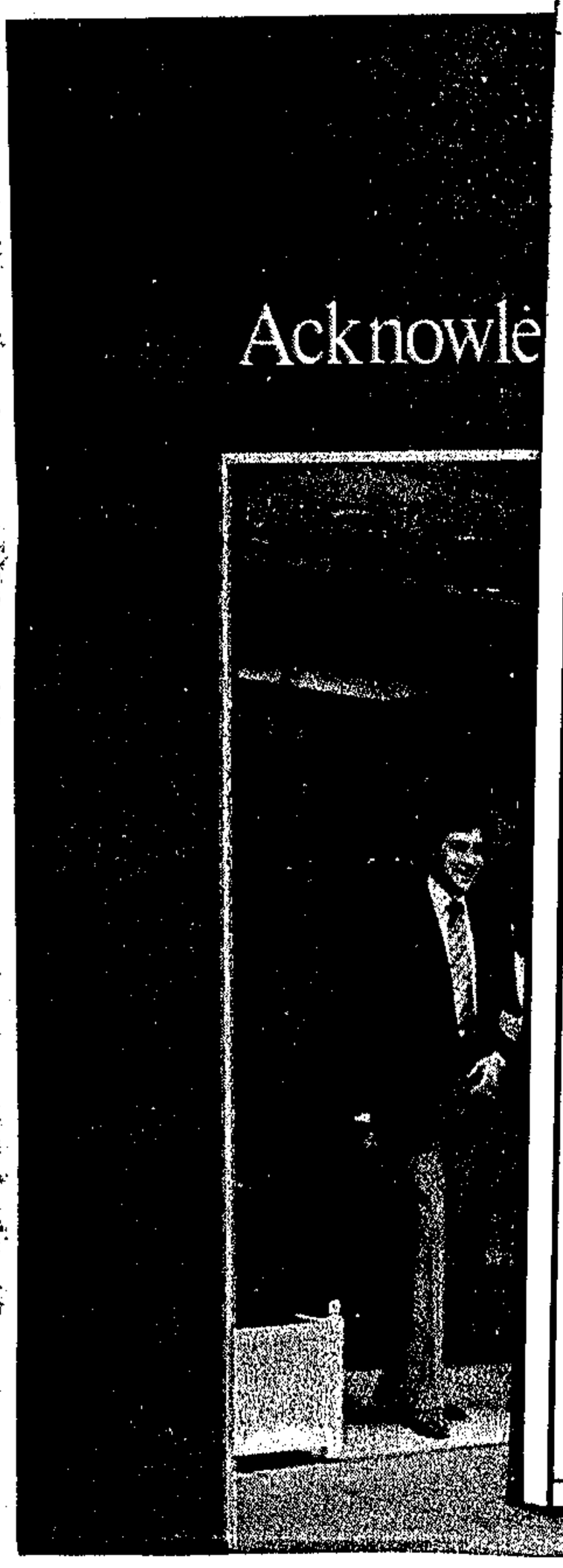
The mood grew uglier. "We demand the right to a peaceful protest", the students shouted.

Student leaders and officials argued with both sides.

A section of the police broke away and moved at a trot towards the students. Then the commander called them back.

After another 15 minutes of move and counter-move the commander moved his men off the campus, the music started up again and many students left.

The banned meeting had been called to promote the National United Action campaign against apartheid.



Ashton rent boycotters out

By CLARE HARPER AND HILARY VENABLES

THE Cape Provincial Administration's office for Community Services confirmed that three families were evicted from Ashton's Zolani township yesterday following a seven-month rent boycott.

The liaison officer for Community Services, Mr Sampie Steenkamp, said the local Town Council decided to evict residents whose rentals were over six months in arrears.

The Unemployed Workers' Movement, which claims to have members in each of the three houses affected by the evictions, said the "insensitive" actions of the authorities could have tragic repercussions.

"We would remind Community Services and the Zolani Town Committee of what happened in Soweto when people were evicted as a result of the rent boycott there.

"It is time the authorities began dealing with the legitimate grievances of the people in Zolani in a sympathetic manner, instead of taking these kind of heavy-handed actions which are bound to fuel the community's anger and lead to tragic consequences," UWM organizer Mr Cassiem Majiet said.

Mr Steenkamp said the Town Council had the authority to evict more families who were two or three months in arrears, if they so decided.

The liaison officer for the Zolani Civic Association, Mr Timothy Tyalisisu, said the families of civic association members Mr Ronnie Wesley Mabombo, Mr Ntsokolo Dayidayi and Mr Tom Velenva were evicted.

He said a Community Services official, Mr Willie Fourie, was assisted by police and the South African Defence Force with the evictions.

Mr Tyalisisu claimed that there were some "vigilantes" in Zolani who had not been evicted, although their rent was over six months in arrears.

Mr Steenkamp denied that evictions were selective and said "we don't work that way".



The Dayi and Plaatjie families, assisted by neighbours, pack their belongings and prepare to move to the houses of friends and family after being evicted from their homes in Zolani township. Picture: Lala Steyn

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Zolani rent evictions 'selective' — residents

By CLARE HARPER

A ZOLANI Civic Association spokesman yesterday named two home guards employed by the local Town Committee who were not evicted from their homes this week, despite their being over six months in rent arrears.

Mr Timothy Tyalisisu claimed that rent evictions in Zolani township, near Ashton, on Wednesday were "selective" as those evicted were members or supporters of the civic association, whereas "vigilantes" in arrears were left alone.

Evictions for rent defaulters are carried out by the Zolani Town Committee.

He said the home guards, Mr Meschack Jantjies and Mr Teacher Ndabeni, were R680 and R450 in arrears respectively, whereas a Mr Ntsokolo Dayidayi, evicted on Wednesday, was only R126 in arrears.

Mr Jantjies and Mr Ndabeni were among the 16 residents of Zolani who were restrained by a Supreme Court order in March from "operating as vigilantes" and imposing their own curfew.

And Mr Tyalisisu claimed that a Miss Nonkwela Matroos, the sister of three home guards, had moved into the home of civic supporter Mr Tom Velenva, following his eviction on Wednesday.

Yesterday a spokesman for the Cape Provincial Administration's Office for Community Services, Mr Sampie Steenkamp, confirmed that Mr Jantjies and Mr Ndabeni were over six months in arrears.

However, he said, "they made arrangements to pay off their rent, after they received their notices".

Mr Steenkamp said he did not think it was strange that the sister of employees of the Town Commitee had been offered a house.

"Houses go to people who are at the top of the waiting list," he said.

Recovering cars a costly venture

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By CATHY SCHNELL

BREAKDOWN services say they are suffering heavy financial losses trying to recover stolen cars from Port Elizabeth's black townships.

Some are now refusing to enter the townships at all.

Even though they have police escorts, their breakdown trucks are still being stoned. Riot insurance cover and safety mesh for windows add to the costs.

Breakdown company directors also say that most of the broken-down vehicles they collect from the townships have been stripped down to the body and are fit only for scrap.

Mr Emden de Vos, managing director of Valley Trucks, said many owners — carrying no comprehensive insurance — had asked him to keep their retrieved vehicles to defray costs, so badly had their cars been stripped.

Stonings and petrol-bombings occurred so frequently that he had been forced to fit all his trucks with protective wire mesh over the windscreens.

Despite having police escorts, nearly all the trucks in his fleet had been stoned. One was petrol-bombed recently.

He said he now charged R150 for a trip to the townships — day or night. Normal call-out fees for PE were R30 during business hours and R60 after hours.

"And this township call-out fee is cheap, counting the riot insurance cover we pay, the number of man-hours lost in organising and waiting for police escorts and the fear our drivers feel in entering the townships."

In nearly all cases cars that were stolen or that broke down in the townships were stripped.

" What's left is just about worthless," he said.

A spokesman for Dicky's Breakdown Service said although his trucks always entered the townships under police protection, a truck windscreen had been broken when it was stoned recently.

A spokesman for Auto Rex Used Motors said: "Even if we were paid R500 per call-out fee, there's no way we would go into the township. Everytime breakdown service trucks go in, something happens. The risk is just too great."

A spokesman for Chris Scholtz Motors in Uitenhage described the situation in Uitenhage's townships as "calmer than before".

He collected broken-down vehicles there under police protection and had not been stoned or petrol bombed recently. He charged normal rates for township calls.

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Speaking earlier at the parade, General Wandrag said there was "nothing sinister about the training of the special constables or the training centre here at Koeberg".

The duties of the special constables would be restricted to the black townships "in which they reside" and their uniforms (royal blue overalls) would make them "easily distinguishable" from permanent police. — Sapa.

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Speaking earlier at the parade, General Wandrag said there was "nothing sinister about the training of the special constables or the training centre here at Koeberg".

The duties of the special constables would be restricted to the black townships "in which they reside" and their uniforms (royal blue overalls) would make them "easily distinguishable" from permanent police. — Sapa.

Five plead not guilty to E Cape 'necklacing'

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GRAHAMSTOWN. — Five people accused of killing Mr Lodewyk George Vlooh — the first white victim of a "necklace" murder — appeared in the Supreme Court here yesterday.

The accused — Mr Henry Swarts, 36, his common-law wife Miss Pamela Lewis, 28, Miss Marie Lewis, 19, Mr Bernard Lewis, 18, and Mr David Lewis, 21 — have pleaded not guilty.

On June 14 Mr Vlooh, 40, was allegedly hacked, stoned, robbed of his clothing and R6 in cash and then set alight.

The deputy attorney-general for the East Cape Division, Mr P J Strauss, SC, said he would submit medical evidence saying Mr Vlooh had died from the "effects of third-degree burns" and "trauma to the head".

He would also submit evidence that Mr Vlooh had left his home on the morning of June 14 with R10 in his possession, that he had taken a R4 bet at an off-course tote, but had not returned home.

His wife reported him missing on June 16. His body was found two days later in KwaNobuhle, Uitenhage. — Sapa.

Ban on 'Trojan horse' memorial meetings

By PETER DENNEHY and RENEE MOODIE

POLICE last night banned a church service and a street demonstration to commemorate the first anniversary today of the "Trojan Horse" incident in which three youths died in a hail of shotgun fire from security forces.

The church memorial service, which was to have been held in the AME Church in Hazendal at 7.30 tonight, and the street demonstration at the corner of St Simon's and Thornton roads in Athlone — the site where the three died, were declared unlawful.

Both meetings, regardless of the venue or time of day they were to be held, were banned by Brigadier Chris Swart, Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Western Cape, under Regulation 7 of the emergency regulations in terms of proclamation R109 of June 12, 1986.

Shaun Magmoed, 16, Michael Miranda, 11, and Jonathan Klaasen, 18, died when security forces jumped up from boxes on an unmarked railway truck which was being stoned and opened fire with shotguns into a crowd.

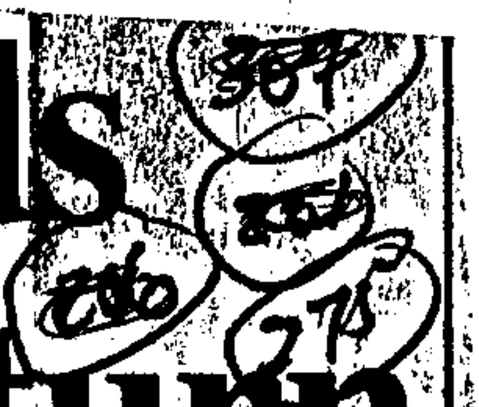
The UDF, Cayco, Call of Islam, Inter-Church Youth and The Ecumenical Action Movement (Team) organized the church service, while Qibla organized the demonstration.

UDF secretary Mr Ebrahim Rassool said his organization had initiated the church service, but the police ban does not name the UDF. It could not be established last night whether the UDF would still hold the meeting.

Mr Rassool condemned the bannings, which he said were a clear sign that the government did not hold religious values sacred.

Moulana Faried Esack, a spokesman for the Call of Islam, said the banning "will not obliterate the memory of the three from our minds and hearts".

Timo: X-Roads refugees to return



Staff Reporter

THE Regional Director of the Department of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Timo Bezuidenhoud, said yesterday that he had always been opposed to forced removals from Crossroads and KTC to Khayelitsha, and the refugees from these areas would be allowed to return to the upgraded settlements.

Speaking at a President Club 100 lunch in a city hotel, he said he had risked his career trying to persuade the government to stop forced removals.

The thousands of refugees rendered homeless by recent battles between "comrades" and "witdoeke" would be allowed to return when the area had been upgraded, he expected by mid-February next year.

"Horrific, draconian" government laws had criminalized hundreds of thousands of blacks whose only sin was that they sought jobs in the Western Cape, he said.

Thousands had been jailed and the meagre plastic shelters over people destroyed during the Cape winter daily which had generated "hatred and frustration" because some "clever deputy minister decided back in the 70s that there would be no black people in the Western Cape by 1984".

"I didn't like it so I said to my Minister: 'I'm not prepared to do this any more. It's hell and I am not so tough'."

Stabbed woman tells of attempt to burn her alive

Staff Reporter ARGUS 16/10/86

A YOUNG woman, partly paralysed after more than 50 stab wounds, told the Supreme Court, Cape Town today how she escaped an attempt to burn her alive by attackers who accused her of being a police informer.

Mrs Aletta Matroos, 25, of Zolani, Ashton, was attacked on the night of April 8.

Mrs Phyllis Notutuzelo Fante, Mr Andile Tyemela and six youths, all of Zolani, have been charged with the attempted murder of Mrs Matroos.

The State alleges that they stabbed and kicked Mrs Matroos and then poured paraffin over her and set it alight.

"THREATENED WITH DEATH"

Mrs Matroos gave evidence for the State against Mrs Fante's husband in December last year. At the time she was threatened with death because she was an impimpi (informer).

Mrs Matroos has denied telling police about the incident involving Mrs Fante's husband.

On the night of the attack a crowd stormed into her home in New Houses, Zolani, where she was waiting for her husband to return from work. Her attackers stabbed her and kicked her repeatedly.

Paraffin was poured over her and set alight.

Although the right side of Mrs Matroos's body was left paralysed after the attack, she used her left foot to stamp out the flames.

Asked by Mr A M Omar, counsel for Mrs Fante and five of the youths: "Are you sure there really was a fire?", she repeated what she had said.

After help arrived, she was taken to hospital where she was found to have more than 50 stab wounds. One of the blows had injured her spinal cord, causing partial paralysis, and another had penetrated her right lung.

"SIDES OF MY NECK"

Mrs Matroos said she was conscious throughout the ordeal, up to the time she was admitted to hospital.

She said she had been stabbed "from the back of my head down, and on the sides of my neck".

Mr Omar, for Mrs Fante: Is it not a fact that you were being attacked from behind, so that you could not actually see who was doing the stabbing?

Mrs Matroos: I turned around so I could see.

(Proceeding).

News in brief Cape Times 14/10/86

Policeman shot dead

PRETORIA. — An 18-year-old KwaNobuhle municipal policeman, Constable Z Museli, was shot dead while escorting technical department vehicles through a group of black people near Uitenhage. He was hit in the chest and died in hospital. Police are investigating.

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'Necklace' trial: Widow in tears

GRAHAMSTOWN. — The pregnant widow of a 40-year-old Uitenhage man murdered in June this year, sobbed and broke down in the Grahamstown Supreme Court witness box yesterday.

The Judge President of the East Cape Division, Mr Justice Cloete, allowed a nursing sister and a friend to sit with Mrs Aletta Vlooh.

Her husband, Mr Lodewyk George Vlooh, was hacked with stones and robbed of his clothing and R6 in cash on June 14 before being "necklaced".

He is believed to be the first white murdered this way.

Mrs Vlooh broke down completely at one stage when asked to identify the jacket Mr Vlooh had been wearing the last time she saw him alive. The court had to adjourn.

The accused are Mr Henry Swarts, 36, his common-law wife Miss Pamela Lewis, 28, and Miss Marie Lewis, 19, who are charged with murder and robbery; and Mr Bernard Lewis, 18, and Mr David Lewis, 21, who are charged with being accessories to murder and the latter also with robbery.

They have all pleaded not guilty.

The trial is continuing.

Kinikini: four acquitted

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PORT ELIZABETH — There were tears of joy and some of despair in the public gallery of the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court when four of the nine Kinikini multiple murder accused were acquitted by Mr Justice Mullins yesterday.

Five of the accused who were left to face the charges pleaded with their weeping friends and relatives not to despair.

After the judge had told Mr Godfrey Thobile Mahlahala, his younger brother, Mr Sakhumzi Mahlahala, Mr Ngqondo Vena, and Mr Lungile Bobi, that the court was obliged to acquit them after the State had stopped the prosecution on all the charges against them, they started kissing their former co-accused and left the dock. — DDC

'Kinikini boy's body doused with petrol for TV'

By DEBBIE BOOYSEN

THE body of the son of Uitenhage community councillor Mr Benjamin Kinikini was again doused with petrol when a TV crew arrived at the scene of the killings while the body was being set alight.

This emerged today from one of the four statements made by the five remaining accused in the Kinikini multiple murder trial being heard in the PE Supreme Court.

The six murder charges relate to the deaths of Mr Kinikini, 57, his 13-year-old son, Stanley, another son, Mr Silumko Kinikini, 20, his nephew, Mr Eric Kinikini, 25, Mr Qondile Kinikini, 18, and Mr Xolisile Pram, 20, at Kwanobuhle on March 23 last year.

Four others were acquitted yesterday.

They were Mr Lungile Bobi, 22, Mr Tobile Mahlahla, 19, Mr N Gqondo Vena, 26, and a 16-year-old youth.

The remaining accused are Mr Mnyanda Moses Jantjies, 21, Mr Zandisile Ndwanya, 18, Mr Mlamli Mielies and a 17-year-old youth and one of 15.

The five accused are also charged with public violence for allegedly attacking Mr Kinikini's undertaking complex, damaging it extensively and setting it alight.

The statements were yesterday handed in as evidence after the defence withdrew its objection to the admissability of the statements.

They said:

● When Mr Kinikini was caught by comrades outside his house he apologised and offered his assailants R5 000 if they let him go.

● "Whuwhu" said they didn't want his money and stabbed him in the heart with a long knife, before pulling it out and drawing it down his chest slitting him open.

● The following day people were seen playing with the top part of the corpse of one of the younger Kinikini children. The burnt body, which was bound by wire, had been discovered under a car and was being dragged around.

The case has been postponed to October 29.

Mr Justice Mullins is on the Bench. Mr B P Loots and Mr E A Logie sit as assessors. Mr Chris Nel acts for the State. Mr J Poswa with Mr H K Naidu, instructed by Thole Majodina and company, acted for the defence.

CAMPUS POLITICS

Embargo on ideas

The violent disruption last week by radical UCT students of lectures by the visiting Irish academic, Conor Cruise O'Brien, has split the campus and cast serious doubt on the institution's professed dedication to academic freedom.

O'Brien's lectures were broken up by students who believe he should be denied the right to speak on the campus because he is



Ireland's O'Brien ... no easy cruise at UCT

breaking the "academic boycott" of SA. This amounts to a kind of embargo on ideas and is the antithesis of the very idea of a university.

The Irish academic's admission that he deliberately broke the boycott because he did not believe in it was no doubt provocative to leftwing students. But they went far beyond merely demonstrating against it — which is and should be their right. Their violent intolerance has been widely condemned. The lack of support for their violent attitude from even the more Left-leaning teaching staff at UCT has been conspicuous.

The university council, the highest authority, adopted a surprisingly moderate approach at an emergency meeting this week. Instead of taking immediate disciplinary action against the students, a committee of inquiry into the incidents was set up and will report back to council chairman, Len Abrahamse.

UCT academics reacted with shock when O'Brien's lectures were broken up, and were generally supportive of the council's description of the action as "totally unacceptable."

Quick to exploit a political opportunity, the United Democratic Front (UDF) in Cape Town this week warned UCT authorities that the "community" would be "mobilised" to "ensure that wisdom prevails and no provocative action is taken against students.

"The real issue now is to whom the university is accountable," a UDF spokesman said.

The real issue, however, is academic freedom and freedom of speech, ideals which UCT — and the radical students — claim to cherish.

The issue is whether or not the university, its departments, individual members of staff and the students have the right to invite visitors onto the campus to address them or to lecture, and whether or not those who oppose the views or actions of the guests have the right to use violence to express their opposition.

The academic boycott, eminently worthy of debate, is another matter. It was overtaken and trampled underfoot at UCT last week.

Mob set me alight, paralysed woman tells court

Own Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — A woman, partially paralysed after being stabbed more than 50 times, told the Supreme Court yesterday she had escaped an attempt to burn her alive by attackers who accused her of being a police informer.

Mrs Aletta Matroos (25), of Zolani, Ashton, was attacked on April 8 this year.

Mrs Phyllis Notutuzelo Fante, Mr Andile Tyemela and six youths, all of Zolani, have been charged with her attempted murder.

The State alleges they stabbed and kicked Mrs Matroos and then poured paraffin over her and set it alight.

The court heard Mrs Matroos gave evidence for the State against Mrs Fante's husband in December 1985. At the time she was threatened with death for being an "impimpi" (informer).

Mrs Matroos has denied informing police about an incident involving Mrs Fante's husband.

She testified that on the night of the attack a crowd stormed into her home. Her attackers stabbed her and kicked her repeatedly.

Paraffin was then poured over her and set alight.

Mrs Matroos said the right side of her body was left paralysed after the attack, but she used her left foot to stamp out the flames.

Mr A M Omar, counsel for Mrs Fante and five of the youths, asked: "Are you sure there really was a fire?"

Mrs Matroos said she had burnt her sock in her attempts to put out the fire.

"I still have it at home," she added.

The hearing continues.

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PE classrooms empty over past three weeks

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — The school boycott by black pupils here has left all classrooms in the townships' secondary schools deserted for the past three weeks.

Confirmation that not a single pupil from Std 3 to matric had attended school for the past three weeks came yesterday from the liaison officer for the Department of Education and Training (DET), Mr Peter Mundell.

He said that unless a "positive response" was shown by pupils, the department would have no option but to close down all the schools.

Mr Mundell declined to say when the schools would be shut down.

Efforts by the DET and the Inter-Denominational African Ministers' Association (Idamasa) to resolve the education crisis in Port Elizabeth are on the brink of collapse, it was learnt yesterday.

The secretary of Idamasa, Mr Patrick Pasha, said a delegation of Idamasa members and parents had repeatedly told the department that pupils were not in a position to write examinations this year because of school hours lost.

Twenty schools in the Eastern Cape were closed by the department in August because of class boycotts.

Among the demands made by pupils before their return to school are:

- ☐ The unconditional release of detained teachers and pupils.
- ☐ The withdrawal of troops from school premises.
- ☐ The postponement of year-end exams.

Comrades 'instructed' murder accused

Supreme Court Reporter

THE mayor of Zolani, Ashton, told the Supreme Court yesterday that a woman accused of attempting to murder an alleged informer told him "the comrades" had instructed her "to take it all on herself".

Mr George Jonas was giving evidence in the trial of Mrs Phyllis Fante, Mr Andile Tyemela and six minors — all of Zolani.

It is alleged that on the night of April 8 this year they attacked Mrs Aletta Matroos, stabbing her more than 50 times, pouring paraffin over her and setting her alight.

The alleged attack followed Mrs Matroos's appearance as a State witness in the trial of Mrs Fante's husband on charges of arson.

All have pleaded not guilty.

Mr Jonas said Mrs Fante wept when he questioned her after the attack, admitting her role and saying that the comrades had instructed her "to take it all on herself".

"What are the comrades? I've heard the name but what do they do?" the Bench inquired.

"They say they are fighting for their rights," Mr Jonas replied.

"Do the comrades have women members too?" the Bench wanted to know.

"Many," said Mr Jonas.

Cross-examined by Mr A M Omar, Mr Jonas conceded that community councillors were unpopular and regarded as puppets by at least some sections of the community.

"Whose puppets are you supposed to be?" asked the Bench.

"We are Botha's puppets," said Mr Jonas.

He said men in Zolani revived a group called Amasolomzi (eye of the community) on November 4 last year after clashes with boycotting pupils. The vigilante group protected buses and commuters, and enforced a 9pm curfew until the Supreme Court upheld community objections.

The trial continues.

Mr Justice P W E Baker presided with Mr J J Basson and Mr A J Powell as assessors. Mr C Cilliers prosecuted. Mr A M Omar and Mr S Desai, instructed by Mallinick Ress Richman and Closenberg, appeared for the accused.

Sash 'no' to witdoek offer

By ANDREW DONALDSON

THE Black Sash has turned down an offer to attend a meeting this afternoon called by the "witdoek" leader of Khayelitsha's Site C, Mr Mali Hoza, to settle differences and discuss allegations concerning his vigilante followers.

Various organizations who have in recent months been actively involved in the problems of the Crossroads and Khayelitsha communities — including the Western Province Council of Churches, the Red Cross, Shawco and various civic associations — were invited.

The meeting — the first of its kind called by a vigilante leader — has been welcomed by various organizations and was expected to be well-attended, an organizer said yesterday.

However, in a letter to Mr Hoza, the regional chairwoman of the Black Sash, Mrs Jenny de Tolly, said: "A meeting called by one group in an area which is seen by conflicting groups as enemy territory does not seem to us to offer an opportunity for open discussion."

People who had made allegations against the witdoek leader or his cadres would not feel able to attend the meeting to voice their concerns or pose their questions in person. This could not be done at "second-hand".

Mrs De Tolly said, however, that Mr Hoza's call for the meeting was appreciated. "We do not wish to exclude the possibility of meeting with you and with other people concerned."

Mob 'set corpse on fire for TV camera'

By JEREMY McCABE

A CRAZED mob of "comrades" set ire to a mutilated corpse so that a elevision crew could film them.

While the camera rolled, they lanced round the flaming body, chanting and grinning and poking it with ticks.

This startling evidence was given in he Port Elizabeth Supreme Court this veek at the trial of five youths accused of the horrific Kinikini killings at Jitenhage on May 23 last year.

The court was shown six minutes of he TV footage, but the prosecution has leclined to identify the crew who ilmed it.

The murders — two days after the anga massacre — marked the beginning of a wave of brutality and intimidation in the townships which later saw he birth to the gruesome "necklace" method.

The Kwanobuhle mayor, Mr Benjamin Kinikini, 57, his sons Stanley, 13, Qondile, 18, and Silumko, 20, his nephew, Eric Kinikini, 25, and a friend, Kolisile Pram, 20, were set upon by a nob — apparently as an act of retribution following the police killing of 20 people at Langa.

Mr Kinikini was a wealthy undertaker and had become a hated figure among township radicals because he efused to resign from the Kwanobuhle Town Council.

Attacks

Several attacks had been made on is property shortly before he was nurdered, and his house and funeral parlour razed by fire.

The reference to the "fire show" for he television cameras was contained n the statement made by a 21-year-old ccused, Mnyanda Moses Jantjies.

He said the TV crew arrived after he victim — one of Mr Kinikini's sons — had already been killed and burnt.

The body was again doused with petol and set alight, and this was filmed y the TV crew.

Other horrifying details emerged rom the statements, which have not een contested by the defence:

● When Mr Kinikini was caught by a nob of "comrades" outside his home, e apologised to them and, in a desperte bid to save his life, offered to pay hem R5 000 if they let him go.

They refused. He was stabbed in the eart and disembowelled.

Children were seen playing with part f one of the corpses the next day.

One of the victims had his finger and n arm severed while he was still alive.

Singing

All the time people stood around inging.

In his statement, Jantjies said he vas a member of the "comrades" led y a man called Kwebesi.

"I was told to commit murder by eaders of the 'comrades' in Kwaobuhle," he told the court.

The other accused are Zandisile Ndwanya, 18, Mlamli Mielies, a 17-year-old youth, and another youth aged 15.

Originally 10 people were charged, but five have been acquitted.

The trial, before Mr Justice Mullins and two assessors, continues on October 29.

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Site C meeting not held

Staff Reporter

A MEETING at Site C, Khayelitsha, called by Mr Mali Hoza, leader of one of the site camps, was postponed yesterday after some of the groups pulled out because they said the venue was not on "neutral ground".

The meeting, to which all interested organizations were invited, was intended to address the problems of social conflict in Khayelitsha between conservative and other groups. Mr Hoza is the leader of the conservative group.

Bishop Patrick Matolengwe, Anglican suffragan bishop of Cape Town, who was to have chaired the meeting, said last night that no new date or venue had yet been agreed on. Negotiations were in progress.

He confirmed that the Black Sash, Shawco and the Quakers had pulled out of the meeting. Mr Hoza himself had not attended, he said, but he sent a message that he wanted it postponed.

his yacht Stabilo Boss.

Body burnt 'to hide that it was white'

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GRAHAMSTOWN. — The Grahamstown Supreme Court has heard that three of five accused in a Uitenhage murder trial had set the body of Mr Lodewyk George Vlooh, 40, alight to prevent people recognising him as a white person.

Mr Bernard Lewis, 18, said yesterday he had been told by another accused, Mr Henry Swarts, that they should "blacken the body so people could not see it was a white man".

Mr Lewis said Mr Vlooh's body had been set alight three times. He had helped Mr Swarts and Mr David Lewis, his elder brother and also an accused, twice.

He told the court he had walked to Kwanobuhle — the black township in Uitenhage — to buy R2 worth of dagga for Mr Vlooh on June 14, after Mr Swarts had asked him to do so.

Used two tyres

When he returned, he said, Mr Vlooh was face down on the ground and his head had already been set alight. Mr Swarts, Miss Pamela Lewis and Miss Marie Lewis were standing around the body.

They left the scene. Mr Swarts, Mr David Lewis and he returned later the same day to place two tyres on Mr Vlooh's body before setting it alight.

The following day, a Sunday, the three of them again returned. They placed two more tyres as well as three inner tubes on the body, and again set it alight, Mr Lewis said.

Earlier yesterday, Miss Marie Lewis, 19, described how her sister's common-law husband, Mr Henry Swarts, had killed Mr Vlooh with stones before setting his head alight using paint, paper and kindling.

Miss Lewis said she had obeyed Mr Swarts because she was afraid of him. His eyes were red and moved restlessly. "He had a look of murder in his eyes," she said.

She said she had helped Mr Swarts rob Mr Vlooh of his clothing and had collected kindling for Mr Swarts. She had also thrown a stone at Mr Vlooh's body on Mr Swarts's instructions. Mr Vlooh was already dead.

Watched killing

Another accused, Miss Pamela Lewis, 28, told the court she had stood by and watched while her lover killed Mr Vlooh. She denied any active involvement.

The hearing continues.

The accused are Mr Henry Swarts, 36, his common-law wife Miss Pamela Lewis, 28, Miss Marie Lewis, 19, Mr Bernard Lewis, 18, and Mr David Lewis, 21.

Mr Swarts and both women are charged with murder and robbery. The two brothers have been charged as accessories to the murder. Mr David Lewis is charged with robbery for allegedly receiving an article of Mr Vlooh's clothing.

Mr Swarts, Mr Bernard Lewis and Mr David Lewis are also charged with "violation of a dead body" for allegedly setting it alight.

They have all pleaded not guilty.

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Private educators take the unrest gap

By HILARY VENABLES

THE disruption of township schools since the middle of last year has turned private education into a lucrative business and parents of many black and coloured pupils have forked out thousands of rands to send their children to non-racial private colleges in white areas.

At least four new private schools sprang up in Cape Town at the beginning of this year to cope with the demand for private education from Cape Flats pupils after last year's boycotts.

Fees at these schools vary from about R1 600 to R2 500 a year.

The co-principal of Libra College in Observatory, Mr Barry Hicks, attributed the increased demand for places at private schools to the overcrowding, lack of facilities and lack of qualified teachers at black and coloured schools, and to boycotts and stayaways.

Libra, which opened at the beginning of this year, has 100 pupils in standards nine and ten, most of whom are coloured. There are no white pupils.

Most of the pupils were from "well-to-do" homes, but a number were sponsored by individuals or church organizations, Mr Hicks said.

"If the educational situation in the townships stabilizes, I am sure schools like ours would suffer," he said.

"It's the difference between paying R6 a year at a government school and R2 500 here.

"On the other hand, there would still be a demand for better education than that available in the townships."

Mr Naushad Omar, who started Trident College in the city centre at the beginning of the current school year, said he would not have considered opening a private school if it had not been for the school boycotts.

The education crisis had been a boost for the college and since February enrolment had doubled from 80 to 160 pupils, only two of whom were white.

"We had 240 applications originally because there was a lot of uncertainty at the beginning of the year about when the township schools would open or whether they would open at all," Mr Omar said.

Not all the pupils were wealthy and some were having trouble paying the R1 600 annual school fee.

"Next year we will screen people more carefully so we don't have the same problem," he said.

Established colleges in Cape Town reported dramatic increases in applications from black and coloured pupils at the beginning of the year.

One school said few black parents could afford its annual fee of R3 700, but "hordes" of coloured parents had applied for places for their children.

"We had to turn many of them away," one principal said. "We are usually full anyway, so it is not as if we have benefited from the boycotts."

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Tension mounts as DET confirms mass exam plans

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Black education faces another crisis from today with 106 000 full-time pupils and 130 000 part-time candidates due to start their year-end examinations.

Soweto pupils have declared tomorrow the "Day of Mass Resistance and Students Action" and called on fellow students not to write exams.

But the Department of Education and Training (DET) is forging ahead despite the call to postpone exams until next year.

"We will provide police protection if necessary. There won't be any postponements and no alternative arrangements will be made for those who fail to sit for their examinations tomorrow," Mr Job Schoeman of DET said yesterday.

The All African Students Action Committee (AASAC), responsible for the exams boycott action, distributed pamphlets in Soweto urging pupils not to sit for their finals.

The pamphlet accused DET of being the cause of the present education crisis, as its "arrogant and obstinate attitude towards problems facing the students by turning schools into military camps" had rendered the situation "unsuitable to learning".

It further stated that the academic year had been very short, and had been repeatedly interrupted by the SADF and DET itself.

Other demands on the pamphlet included the postponement of exams until March next year; the reopening of all schools closed by DET; the unconditional release of all students and teachers from police detention, and the removal of the SADF from townships and school premises.

● Our correspondent in Port Elizabeth reports that, according to a departmental spokesman, the DET will go ahead with school exams, starting today, despite a total stayaway by African pupils at post-primary schools in Port Elizabeth and school boycotts elsewhere in the Eastern Cape.

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Jailed unionist rushed to doctor from Paarl court

Labour Reporter

TRADE unionist Ms Lizzie Phike was rushed to a doctor yesterday morning, immediately after leaving Paarl Magistrate's Court where she was fined R100 for interfering with a policeman in the course of his duties.

Ms Phike, who was described by eyewitnesses as "looking very ill" , had been in jail for a month, and according to evidence at a previous hearing, was interrogated by security police during her imprisonment.

Ms Phike, an organizer for the Food and Allied Workers' Union, pleaded guilty and handed a written statement to the court.

According to the statement, she went to the Paarl police station on May Day when she heard that 20 children, including her adopted 14-year-old daughter, had been detained for throwing stones.

While she was in the charge office, she objected to two policemen pushing the children out of their way.

"I then directed my conversation at the (police) captain and asked him to put himself in our shoes.

"I was speaking loudly and he approached me threateningly and asked me to leave the charge office.

"I shouted: 'I wish God would come down and release us on this Earth'.

"The captain then grabbed me and called other people. Together they pushed me into a cell."

The magistrate found her guilty, but said the incident was not a "usual case" of a policeman being assaulted. She was fined R100 (or 90 days). Well-wishers paid the fine.

The magistrate was Mr G B van Biljon. The prosecutor was Ms C Visser and Ms Phike was represented by Mr Michael Donen, instructed by Mr Ramesh Vassen.

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Other demands on the pamphlet included the postponement of exams until March next year; the reopening of all schools closed by DET; the unconditional release of all students and teachers from police detention, and the removal of the SADF from townships and school premises.

● Our correspondent in Port Elizabeth reports that, according to a departmental spokesman, the DET will go ahead with school exams, starting today, despite a total stayaway by African pupils at post-primary schools in Port Elizabeth and school boycotts elsewhere in the Eastern Cape.

Man to hang for 'gruesome' E Cape killing

GRAHAMSTOWN. — The Judge President of the East Cape Division, Mr Justice Cloete, yesterday ordered Henry Swarts, 36, to hang for the "gruesome and barbaric" murder of Mr Lodewyk George Vlooh on June 14 in Uitenhage.

Swarts was also convicted of robbery with aggravating circumstances. He was acquitted on a charge of "violation to a dead body". This charge arose in connection with the burning of Mr Vlooh's body.

Evidence was that Mr Vlooh, 40, was hacked with stones and robbed of his clothing before being set alight. His body was found in KwaNobuhle, Uitenhage, four days later.

There are four other accused in the trial, all of whom are siblings. They are Pamela Lewis, 28, the common-law wife of Swarts, Marie Lewis, 19, Bernard Lewis, 18, and David Lewis, 25.

The two sisters were acquitted on the charge of murder. Marie Lewis was convicted of robbery with aggravating circumstances. Pamela Lewis was convicted of taking part in the robbery. Evidence was that she had taken an active role in the sale of Mr Vlooh's jacket and bought liquor with the proceeds.

The brothers David and Bernard were convicted as accessories to murder "after the fact".

Sentence is to be delivered on the Lewises today. — Sapa

'Troops out' call after shooting

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By FRANZ KRUGER, East London

24/10/86 WEEKLY MAIL

THE Queenstown coloured management committee (CMC) has called for the withdrawal of the SA Defence Force from townships in the area in the wake of the fatal shooting of a policeman's son at a roadblock this week.

Twelve-year-old Sherlock Davids was shot dead after his father, warrant officer Johnny Davids, failed to stop at a roadblock. Davids had not realised he was going through a roadblock, and there were allegedly no signs or signals. Police have opened a murder docket after the incident last Sunday night.

The boy's mother, Dalene Davids, was wounded in the leg and arm. She said the family was on their way to buy cool drinks: "The first thing we knew about the roadblock was when we saw soldiers running out from the side of the road with a weak flashlight, but we drove on. The next thing shots were fired," Dalene Davids said.

Four or five shots were fired, and she heard Sherlock shouting that he was hurt, and struggling on the back seat. "My husband wanted to stop the car, but I said we should drive straight to the hospital for help," Davids said.

Sherlock was certified dead on arrival at Queenstown's Frontier hospital. The head of the management committee, Thomas Jordaan, said as far as he was concerned, there had not been a properly constituted roadblock. "There was just a Casspir parked next to a toilet, and they had a torch."

WO Davids had just attended a six week course on roadblocks, Jordaan said, and he had been unable to recognise it as such.

The Department for Information has declined to comment.

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Mob wanted to necklace me — special constable

Crime Reporter

A SPECIAL constable has been saved by his permanent force colleagues from being necklaced.

Constable Richard Moposa was abducted from his home in New Crossroads.

Reaction unit police found him wounded and surrounded by a crowd near KTC squatter camp.

The crowd fled when the police arrived and Constable Moposa was taken to hospital.

DRAGGED OUT

He is a member of the first batch of about 340 special constables to be stationed in townships near Cape Town.

The special constables were paraded in front of residents of Nyanga on Friday when a police station was opened in a refurbished beerhall.

It is understood that Constable Moposa was at home at 6.30pm yesterday when about 50 men and women dragged him out and took him away.

EYE WOUND

Police were told and members of the reaction unit went to a spot near KTC where they found Constable Moposa.

He had a wound under his right eye and told them he was about to be necklaced.

The Bureau for Information today confirmed the incident and said a man had been arrested.

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10 accused of 275 three necklace ~~murders~~ 'executions'

GRAHAMSTOWN. — Ten people in their 20s are on trial in the East Cape Division of the Supreme Court here for murder by "necklacing".

The 10 are alleged to have murdered three people, two of whom — Mr Buyile Patrick Peter, 21, and Mr Mncedisi Eric Stengile, 19, — were said to be former "comrades".

The third, Mr Aubrey Jacobs, was described as a former policeman.

The state alleges that Mr Peter and Mr Stengile were brought before a "people's court" on April 18 last year for robbing and killing two people.

DEATH SENTENCE

They received the death sentence, were assaulted and set alight near the salt pans outside Port Elizabeth.

Mr Jacobs was allegedly taken from his bed on April 28 last year, judged and set alight.

The 10 accused are Mr Sandi Ntlanki, Mr Tobile Lloyd, Mr Siphiwo Lande, Mr Sithembiso Basie Ndabangaye, Mr Mzwabantu Mzimba Zangqa, Mr Tamsanqa Magaba, Mr Mbulelo Tou, Mr Velile Williams, Mr Tatise Mesami and Mr Mtunzi Tshibo.

The trial continues today. — Sapa.

Police cell death post-mortem

PORT ELIZABETH. — A youth awaiting trial on charges of murdering a policeman died of internal injuries received in police cells, a post-mortem showed yesterday.

Mr Lungisile Bako, 18, was found unconscious near a shower in the cells of Louis le Grange Square early on Sunday morning. Policemen found him when they went to investigate a noise coming from the cells.

Mr Bako died later in Livingstone Hospital.

Mr Bako had been charged with murder after the body of a member of the SA Police was found in a shallow grave near Motherwell recently.

Major Eddie Everson, SA Police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said police were investigating allegations that Mr Bako had accused some of his 28 cell-mates of being police informers and had threatened to burn them with ignited blankets.

He said Mr Bako's death was being investigated, and nobody had yet been charged. — Sapa

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I escaped necklacing, says woman

GRAHAMSTOWN. — A young woman has told the Supreme Court, Grahamstown, how she escaped with her life after witnessing the "necklace" execution of a former Port Elizabeth policeman.

The woman, who may not be identified, was testifying against 10 people, aged between 21 and 27, before the Judge President of the Eastern Cape Division, Mr Justice Cloete.

They are alleged to have murdered three people, two of whom were apparently former members of a group known as the "Comrades".

The victims were Mr Buyile Patrick Peter, 21, Mr Mncedisi Eric Stengile, 19, and Mr Aubrey Jacobs, who was apparently a former policeman.

The State has alleged that Mr Peter and Mr Stengile were brought before a "peoples' court" on April 18 last year for having robbed and murdered two people.

They received the death sentence and were assaulted and set alight by the "necklace" method near the salt pans outside Port Elizabeth.

Still alive

Mr Jacobs, the State alleged, was taken from his bed on the evening of April 28 last year, judged by the "court" in a similar fashion and set alight while still alive.

The witness alleged that she was to have been murdered in the same fashion. From her evidence it appears that this was decided against because she was pregnant.

It was also alleged that two of the accused were former members of the "Comrades".

The 10 facing trial are Mr Sandi Ntlanki, Mr Tobile Lloyd, Mr Siphiwo Lande, Mr Sithembiso Basie Ndabangaye, Mr Mzwabantu Mzimba Zangqa, Mr Tamsanqa Magaba, Mr Mbulelo Tou, Mr Velile Williams and Mr Tatise Mesami.

The other accused, Mr Mtunzi Tshibo, is, according to the State, a family member of one of the people allegedly murdered by Mr Peter and Mr Stengile.

In court today the woman said that Mr Jacobs was taken from his bed on April 28 for questioning by a group of people, some of whom were armed.

Mr Jacobs was shot in the leg when he tried to rise from the bed, she said.

During questioning at a house in Soweto (Port Elizabeth), she said, Mr Jacobs was accused of assaulting a man who was a member of the group during his service in the police force.

Mr Jacobs admitted this and apologised to them, she said.

The woman said she saw Mr Jacobs being led from the house, accompanied by a number of people who carried four car tyres out of the house.

One of the accused, Mr Zangqa, poured a can of petrol over Mr Jacobs, the woman claimed.

She said she saw Mr Jacobs's body go up in flames but could not see who lit a match.

The woman identified six of the accused as having been present.

She reported the incident to the police when she returned to work a few days later. — Sapa.

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'Necklacing': Validity of confessions to be tested

PORT ELIZABETH. — The validity of confessions made by some of the accused in the Port Elizabeth "necklace" murder trial is to be tested in the Grahamstown Supreme Court today.

There are believed to be eight confessions. The accused have alleged they were assaulted by police before confessing.

Ten people, all in their twenties, appeared yesterday before the Judge-President of the East Cape Division, Mr Justice J D Cloete, on three counts of murder.

They are alleged to have murdered three people, two of whom were apparently former "comrades".

The dead were Mr Buyile Patrick Peter, 21, Mr Mncedisi Eric Stengile, 19, and Mr Aubrey Jacobs, who was apparently a former policeman.

The State alleged that Mr Peter and Mr Stengile were brought before a "people's court" on April 18 last year for allegedly having robbed and murdered two people.

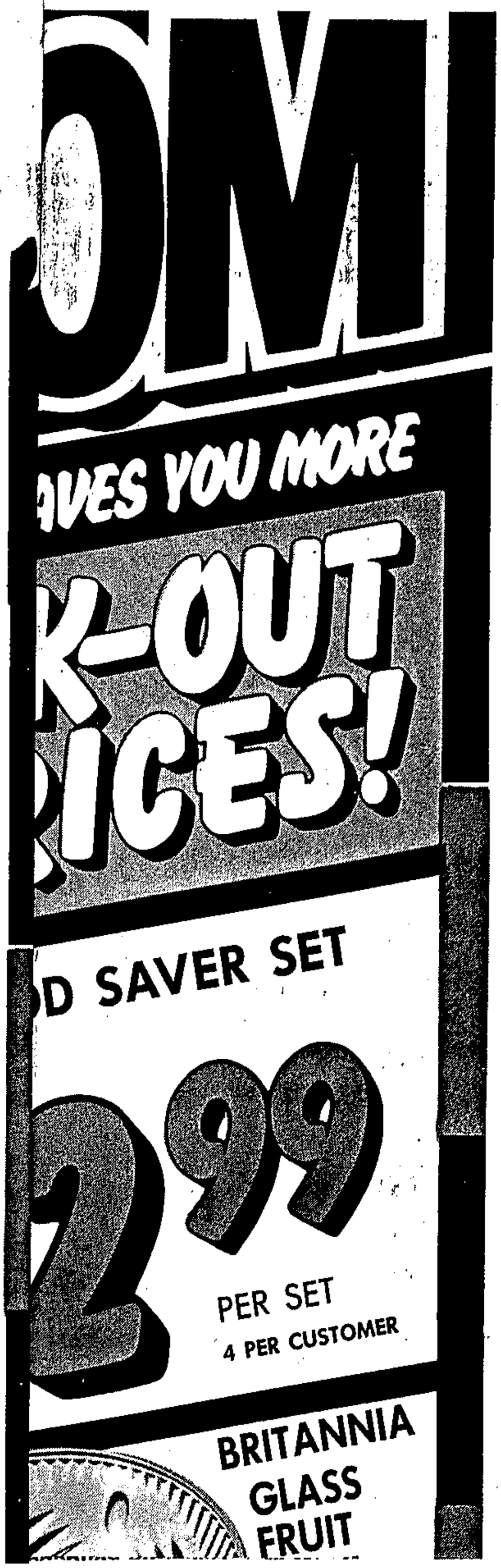
They received the death sentence and were assaulted and necklaced near the salt pans outside Port Elizabeth.

Mr Jacobs, the State alleged, was taken from his bed on the evening of April 28 last year, judged by the people's court and set alight while still alive.

The accused alleged to be "comrades" are: Mr Sandi Ntlanki, Mr Tobile Lloyd, Mr Siphiwo Lande, Mr Sithembiso Basie Ndabangaye, Mr Mzwabantu Mzimba Zangqa, Mr Tamsanqa Magaba, Mr Mbulelo Tou, Mr Velile Williams and Mr Tatise Mesami.

The other accused is Mr Mtunzi Tshibo. — Sapa.

Man found



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22 prisoners held after cellmate's death

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH — Police have arrested 22 people in connection with the death of an awaiting-trial prisoner in Louis le Grange Square on Sunday morning.

A post-mortem on Mr Lungisile Bako, 18, of Sabaku Street, Zwide, showed that he died of internal injuries, police said.

Mr Bako was found seriously injured and unconscious near the shower of his cell by police who investigated a noise coming from the cells at 12.30am on Sunday.

He was taken to Livingstone Hospital, where he died the following day.

Mr Bako was arrested on October 16 in connection with the murder of Constable Johnson Nogokwene, who was shot in his neck and abducted by "comrades" earlier this month.

Const Nogokwene's body was later found in a shallow grave near Motherwell.

After his appearance in court on October 20, Mr Bako was put in a cell at Louis le Grange Square with the 22 other prisoners.

Teargas after Muslim unity call meeting



Picture: STEVE MORTON

Some of the 1 000-strong crowd who attended the Call of Islam rally in Athlone last night to condemn the recent Ned Geref Kerk resolution that Islam is a "false religion".

Staff Reporter

ABOUT 1 000 people leaving last night's meeting, at which Dr Allan Boesak and Moulana Farid Essack, national coordinator of the Call of Islam appealed to Muslims and Christians fighting against oppression not to allow their unity to be broken by the Ned Geref Kerk, were dispersed with teargas.

A Bureau for Information spokesman said about 400 people gathered outside the Hanover Park civic centre and that when the police arrived, they were asked to disperse.

Stones were thrown, and teargas was used to disperse the crowd. One policeman was slightly injured in the stoning, the spokesman said.

The NGK synod caused a furore last week when it passed a resolution by the Rev Stoffel Colyn, Chaplain General of the South African Police, denouncing Islam as a false religion.

The Call of Islam, at a meeting at Hanover Park Civic Centre last night, decided to call on Muslims to meet on the Grand Parade at 10 am on Saturday before marching to the Groote Kerk in Adderley Street to hand over notes protesting against the synod's decision.

DR Boesak, who is in Europe, said in a message he stood by the Muslim community in its hour of hurt — "a hurt which is callous because the Muslim community has taken its rightful place in the struggle for justice in this country".

He said the NGK should repent for 40 years of sin and for stubbornly clinging to a false version of Christianity.

Mr Essack said the unity forged between the oppressed people of South Africa was "deeply precious". It had been "forged in blood in the streets of Mitchell's Plain, Athlone, Bonteheuwel and Wynberg. We cannot allow a callous statement to destroy it".

Mr Essack said the NGK was a false church and its God a false God. He dismissed yesterday's NGK statement that its proclamation was not meant to offend Muslims.

He also questioned the NGK statement that there was religious freedom in the country.

He said the NGK was frightened of the type of Islam which wanted to create a new South Africa. The church was happy with a pious Islam which ignored injustice.

The Rev Gerrie Lubbe, an authority on Islam and president of the World Conference for Religion and Peace, said the synod's resolution scared him because it was by the Chaplain General of the SAP.

"We have seen how the church attacked the Christian Institute before the Government acted against it. Do we see something sinister here? Unless it is very clearly stated by the authorities that this is not the case we can expect the worst. The Government must repudiate the NG Kerk."

Messages of support were sent by the Chamber of Muslim Traders, the Western Province Council of Churches, the South African Council of Churches, Jews for Justice and the United Democratic Front.



Picture: ADIL BRADLOW

Two members of the Jewish community, foreground, who attended the meeting. Among the many statements read out was one from Jews for Justice, condemning the NGK resolution.

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Curbs on Mpetha funeral

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By BARRY STREEK

EXTENSIVE restrictions have been imposed by the police on Saturday's funeral of Mrs Rose Nomabunga Mpetha, the wife of the jailed trade unionist, Mr Oscar Mpetha, who is 77.

And last-minute appeals by the Food and Allied Workers' Union and the PFP's Unrest Monitoring and Action Committee for Mr Mpetha to attend his wife's funeral were rejected yesterday by the Minister of Justice, Mr Kobie Coetsee.

FAWU said it felt "outraged that Mrs Mpetha should have died separated from her husband, who despite ill health and old age is still imprisoned".

"Even the courts which convicted him made it clear that they had no wish to see him imprisoned," the union said.

UMAC chairman Mr Jan van Eck said yesterday these actions would not reduce tensions in Cape Town, but "on the contrary, they will further fuel the flames of discontent.

'Gross interference'

"This is gross interference in the right of people to show their sorrow and express their sympathy with the Mpetha family and what the family stands for.

The restrictions on Mrs Mpetha's funeral were imposed in terms of the emergency regulations issued under the Public Safety Act. They were announced yesterday by the Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Western Cape, Brigadier Chris Swart.

The curbs are:

The funeral may not be attended by more than 250 people.

No public address system may be used.

The funeral may not continue for more than three hours.

No flags, placards, banners, pamphlets or posters may be displayed or distributed.

Mourners may only go to the graveyard by "vehicle" and the route has to be approved by the Divisional Commissioner of Police.

No one may attend any memorial or commemorative service in connection with Mrs Mpetha's funeral other than at the graveside "if such service is held out of doors".

'Ordained minister'

Only an ordained minister will be allowed to act as speaker "provided that no speech shall be delivered whereby the government of the Republic or any action or policy of the government of the Republic is criticized or undermined".

No one "shall continue attending the funeral or ceremony: if any person other than an ordained minister of a religious denomination or organization or a person who on reasonable grounds appears to be such a minister, acts as speaker at or during the funeral or ceremony".

In Pretoria yesterday, a spokesman for Mr Coetsee's office said Mr Mpetha would definitely not be allowed out on Saturday to attend the funeral.

A few individual requests for his release which had been directed to the minister had also been turned down, the spokesman said.

'I'm sure man I shot had held firebomb and brick'

Supreme Court Reporter

LIEUTENANT John Baird, who shot and fatally wounded a man in a Salt River house, told the Supreme Court he was "100 percent sure" the man was the same person he had seen earlier about to firebomb a shop.

Lieutenant Baird testified yesterday in the civil trial in which Mrs Jawaya Carelse is claiming R51 975 damages from him and the Minister of Law and Order for her children, Galieha, 14, Siraaj, 12, and Erifaan, 6.

Mrs Carelse claims Lieutenant Baird shot her husband Ebrahim, who was employed by a city law firm as a messenger, "wrongfully and intentionally, alternatively negligently", on September 5 last year.

Pilgramage to Mecca

She claims that after spending the first part of that evening at their Burns Road home, her husband crossed the street to a friend's home, planning to visit other friends who had returned from a pilgrimage to Mecca.

A policeman entered the house and shot Mr Carelse, Mrs Carelse alleges. He died five days later.

Lieutenant Baird said he was on patrol when he saw about 20 men with a flaming object at the corner of Burns and Albert roads.

One of the men had a petrol bomb in one hand and a brick in the other.

Lost sight of him

When Lieutenant Baird left his vehicle and shouted to the group to stand still, they scattered.

He chased the man who had held the petrol bomb.

He ran into a house and Lieutenant Baird followed him, losing sight of him for "one second at the maximum".

The man shouted: "Stop the boere."

In the kitchen the man pushed a table in front of the entrance and made for the back door. The policeman decided to fire a shot "because I wanted to arrest him".

Lieutenant Baird said there was "no possibility" that the person he shot was not the person he had followed.

"I am 100 percent sure," he said.

He said he warned the man to stop several times during the chase. In the kitchen he shouted: "Stop, you could get hurt."

The hearing continues.

Mr Acting-Justice Hoberman is presiding. Mr P Hoffman, instructed by Herbsteins, appears for Mrs Carelse. Mrs J Traverso, instructed by the State Attorney, appears for the respondents.



Mr Acting-Justice Hobermann yesterday inspected the scene of the shooting of Mr Ebrahim Carelse. From left: Lieutenant John Baird, Mr Acting-Justice Hoberman, Mr P Hoffman, counsel for Mrs J Carelse, and the judge's registrar, Mrs J Pittermann.

BRIGADIER, YOUR MEN WERE NEGLIGENT

By SOL MORATHI

BOPHUTHATSWANA police have been accused of "total negligence" and causing "unnecessary bloodshed" when they fired on a Winterveld crowd on March 26 – killing 11 people.

And the man who has made these accusations is Advocate Hennie de Vos – who represents the Bop army in the inquiry into the shooting.

De Vos told the inquiry on Tuesday – the last day of the hearing – that while the Bop army should be congratulated for its "commendable and good behaviour" on the day of the shooting, the police must be blamed for not having properly followed the rules and regulations set down for them.

He said there had been "unnecessary bloodshed" because the then police commander, the late Colonel Andrew Molope, and a Major Mokubyane had not discussed with their juniors any plan of action against the crowd.

De Vos said the police had "enough time" to do so but were "totally negligent".

And it was "uncertain whether or not Molope had given the police the instructions to shoot", he said.

Though De Vos said the shooting was "lawful", he said the killings would not have taken place if the local authorities had addressed themselves to the people's problems.

De Vos said:

- Events at the Vuka grounds on March 26 could have had "serious links" with the reported police atrocities in the Odi region before the shooting.
- Molope had incited people into attacking the police.
- "Unnecessary bloodshed" could have been avoided if shotguns – and not R4 rifles – had been used.

He criticised the police's record-keeping of events on and after the incident.

Another army representative, Advocate Jan Pistorius, told the inquiry that the army did not take part in any illegal acts on the day of the shooting.

He said only one soldier, Private Letshelo Meyer, was found to have shot three bullets in the air as he was attacked by a group of people.

He said no other soldier fired a shot.

"This commission should find that members of the defence force injured or killed no one on that day. There is no basis for any blame to be placed on them," Pistorius said.

Pistorius said it was clear that the soldiers had left the scene immediately after the shooting.

"It should be taken into account that the day after the incident, an internal board of inquiry was set up to scrutinise the army's conduct at the scene of the shooting and its findings were brought to the commission's attention.

"If there was anything to cover up, such a board could not have been set up or this commission could not have received the report.

"We have played our cards openly," Pistorius said.

- The commission was appointed by homeland president Lucas Mangope to look into the circumstances and incidents that might have led to the shooting and the killing of the 11 people.

It was also to investigate the extent and involvement of the security forces in the incident.

The findings and recommendations, Judge E Smith said, will be sent to Mangope – who will decide if action will be taken.



There was unnecessary bloodshed because police commander Andrew Molope (above) and Major Mokubyane had not told their juniors what action to take against the crowd – Bop Army Advocate De Vos

'Kitskonstabels' lead to tension, says PFP

By CLARE HARPER

THE Progressive Federal Party's Unrest Monitoring and Action Committee has warned that the presence of the new "kitskonstabels" in Peninsula townships is a source of increasing tension within the community.

Police have confirmed that on Monday morning a youth, Mr Mpumelelo Rwarwa, 18, was shot dead by security forces, and four others were arrested in the Crossroads area.

It is understood the arrests were related to a spate of thefts of weapons from the homes of the controversial "kitskonstabels".

And on Thursday, residents claimed that a construction worker, Mr Patrick Jantjies, 36, was shot and wounded by a "kitskonstabel" in Ndamani Street, New Crossroads, after he had directed a remark at a passing patrol.

Lawyers are collecting affidavits from witnesses to the incident.

After a PFP tour of Nyanga and Crossroads this week in which residents expressed fears that the "kitskonstabels" would be deployed to "sort out rent boycotters", PFP MP for Claremont Mr Jan van Eck said their presence was "potentially explosive".

Residents told four PFP MPs that the constables were "not properly trained" and had been heard threatening schoolchildren for "looking at them".

The SAP's public relations division said of the shooting of Mr Jantjies: "In Nyanga (Cape Town) a foot patrol of the security forces was attacked with stones by about 12 black men. The security forces retaliated with birdshot, wounding one man, who was arrested afterwards."

After repeated requests for comment on the fatal shooting on Monday, the SAP's division in Pretoria replied yesterday in a telex: "During last weekend there were a number of attacks on special constables in the Crossroads area. During the early morning of Monday October 27, police held observation in the area for suspects.

"A number of suspects were observed. When they saw the SAP members, they ran away and hid among the structures in the area. Three of the suspects were seen entering a shack, where they were arrested.

"According to our records, no doors were broken down, no one was assaulted and no complaints to this effect were filed. While the three arrested persons were being taken to a police vehicle, another suspect was spotted.

"This person fled and the police gave chase. During this pursuit, a number of shots were allegedly fired at the police, who returned fire, fatally wounding the suspect, a black man, approximately 20 years old.

Police took possession of a 9mm pistol and a large quantity of ammunition. Since the circumstances surrounding the death of this man and the arrest of the three others will lead to judicial proceedings, we cannot elaborate.

"If, however, anyone has any information regarding these incidents, we urge such a person to make the information available, in the interests of justice," the statement said.

Mpetha curbs: PFP appeal fails

Staff Reporters

AN urgent appeal by the PFP for the lifting of the "absolutely crazy" restrictions on today's funeral of Mrs Rose Mpetha, wife of jailed trade unionist Mr Oscar Mpetha, was rejected yesterday by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange.

His decision came as the Mpetha family consulted lawyers about the possibility of bringing an urgent interdict in the Supreme Court to have the restrictions set aside.

The Progressive Federal Party spokesman on law and order, Mr Tian van der Merwe, who made the appeal to Mr Le Grange, warned yesterday that the restrictions could lead to violent confrontation.

Yesterday, the Mpetha family and the United Democratic Front appealed to the police not to interfere in Mrs Mpetha's funeral.

And the Black Sash as well as the Urban Councils Association of South Africa (UCASA) made new appeals for Mr Mpetha, 77, to be released from prison for his wife's funeral.

However, Mr Oscar Mpetha Jun said the family's appeal for Mr Mpetha to be released to attend the funeral had been "refused completely".

By yesterday afternoon, no papers had been lodged in the Supreme Court and it seemed last night that the earliest an urgent application could be made would be this morning. In the circumstances, it seemed doubtful whether the restrictions could be set aside before the funeral, which is to be held at the Moravian Church in Nyanga.

Mr Van der Merwe said: "Mr Le Grange's expressed support for the restrictions is both irresponsible and highly provocative.

"He will have to take responsibility for the consequences of any violent confrontation caused by the enforcement of these impossible restrictions."

The restrictions include a 250-person limit on the number of mourners, a ban on any criticism of government policy or actions, and a requirement that mourners leave the funeral should it be addressed by anyone who is not an ordained minister.

The vice-president of the UDF, Western Cape, Mr Christmas Tinto, said the restrictions on Mrs Mpetha's funeral "are unwise, unreasonable and provocative".

"The Mpethas are well-known community leaders and feelings are already running high because of the inhuman refusal to release Oscar Mpetha."

MR OSCAR MPETHA is in hospital, the Cape Times has been informed. Last night the Prisons Service confirmed that Mr Mpetha, who suffers from diabetes, was "receiving constant medical care which includes hospitalization from time to time in accordance with the directives of his doctor". They did not specifically confirm that he was in hospital but the information the Cape Times has is that he is being treated in ward D6 at Groote Schuur Hospital under prison guard.

One dead, 6 mutilated

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From KEN VERNON
Weekend Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — A youth is dead and another six are in the intensive-care ward of Grahamstown Hospital after they were found badly mutilated on the outskirts of the city.

A passing motorist discovered the black youths lying beside the Grahamstown-Port Alred road yesterday afternoon, and the police were notified.

The police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Major Eddie Everson, said it appeared that the youths, who were aged between 11 and 15, had been stoned and beaten and then dumped at the roadside.

Hiding in bush

When the police arrived they found that one youth was dead and three others were critically injured and unconscious.

While they were investigating, three other youths, all of them seriously injured, crawled out from the roadside bush where they had been hiding, Major Everson said.

"None of the youths is in a condition to be interviewed so we have no idea of what happened," he said.

It was expected that Monday would be the earliest that any of the youths could be questioned.

Meanwhile, the police have opened a murder docket in connection with the incident.

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Nine arrested as police clash with Muslim crowd

By ELSABE WESSELS

A RELIGIOUS protest in Cape Town's city centre yesterday ended in a clash between police and hundreds of chanting Muslims.

Nine young Islamic followers were arrested and two policemen were injured in the skirmishes.

Crowds of Muslims began gathering on the Parade in protest against the recent NGK attack on the Islamic faith.

The gathering was in defiance of an official ban. A proposed march from the Parade to the Groote Kerk, Cape Town's main NGK church, was banned by the Divisional Commissioner of Police, Brigadier Chris Swart.

Shortly after 10am, a group of Muslims, many in traditional robes, started singing and attracted a crowd of several hundred near the King Edward statue.

A police warning to disperse was ignored as the crowd expressed its solidarity by singing the Islam prayer Allahu-Akbar (God is great).

A Bureau for Information spokesman said the first clash came when about 25 coloureds refused an order to disperse.

A second incident followed when about 400 coloureds assembled. Two policemen were injured when the crowd started throwing stones.

Police with quirts charged the group, and nine men were arrested.



Mourners, including members of the United Woman's Congress, carry the coffin of Mrs Rose Mpetha from the Moravian Church in Guguletu to the hearse at Saturday's funeral.
Picture: OBED ZILWA.



Archbishop Desmond Tutu addressed 500 people crammed into the Moravian Church for the funeral of Mrs Rose Mpetha.

Mpetha curbs defied, teargas fired

By CLARE HARPER

RESTRICTIONS imposed by the police on the funeral of Mrs Rose Nomabunga Mpetha were defied on Saturday as thousands of mourners descended on Nyanga and Guguletu for the family and church services.

And as the cortege proceeded from the Moravian Church in Guguletu to the graveyard in Nyanga at 4pm, police fired teargas.

The funeral, which began at the family home in Nyanga at 11am, and later moved to the church in Guguletu, took place without incident until mourners headed for the graveyard five hours later, in buses and cars and on foot.

A spokeswoman for the PFP's Unrest Monitoring and Action Committee, (Umac), Mrs Val Rose-Christie, said the funeral curbs were "unnecessarily stringent" and the police presence "highly provocative".

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Gunman flees after shooting

By ANDREW DONALDSON

POLICE are investigating the apparently motiveless murder of a Lentegeur truck driver who was gunned down outside a Woodstock bar about midnight on Saturday.

It is believed that the gunman emerged from the public bar on the corner of Albert and Dublin roads and shot Mr Ganief Jeaven, 33, of Azalia Street, who was walking past.

The gunman then fled, leaving behind a .32 pistol, which police have confiscated.

Wounded in the chest, Mr Jeaven was rushed to Woodstock Hospital, where he died shortly afterwards.

The shooting apparently went unnoticed by residents.

Mr Jeaven's death has shocked his neighbours, who described him as a "quiet person".

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Captain Jan Calitz, said no arrests had been made.

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About 1 000 people every year write to Holmes, at his fictional rooms at 221B Baker Street, London, an address that never existed in reality.

Today the letters are answered by Holmes's



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Muslims blame NGK for injuries, detentions

THE Ned Geref Kerk and the Police Chaplain General have to bear "full responsibility" for the detention of "12 Muslim students" and the injuries to two policemen at the Grand Parade on Saturday morning, the Muslim Youth Movement said in a statement yesterday.

The movement also said an apology and withdrawal of the resolution by the NGK, which declared Islam a "false religion", and the dismissal of the SAP Chaplain General, Ds Stoffel Colyn, who proposed the resolution, were preconditions to "any futher dialogue between the MYM and the NGK".

According to an eye-witness, the gathering (Takbier) was called on the Parade at 10am, while police kept "a high profile". About 200 people, many in Muslim dress, gathered around the statue of King Edward IV and chanted "Allah Akbar" (God is great).

A police officer warned the crowd that the meeting was illegal and gave them five minutes to disperse. Most of the crowd left, but several groups remained in the area and were dispersed by sjambok-wielding police, he said.

At 10.30am about 400 people gathered in the area, according to another eye-witness. Bottles and stones were thrown at the police, he said.

By RIAAN SMIT

Police reacted with a sjambok charge and nine people were arrested and two policemen injured — one of them was hit on the head by half a brick, the eye-witness said.

A small crowd regrouped on the Parade later, he said.

The Bureau for Information confirmed that "coloured persons held illegal meetings on three separate occasions on the Grand Parade (on Saturday)".

Police, using sjamboks, dispersed crowds during the first two occasions, the bureau said.

The third gathering dispersed voluntarily after a request by security forces, according to the bureau.

The director of the Muslim Youth Movement, Mr Mahomed Farid Choonara, said in a statement: "Ds Stoffel Colyn and the NGK have to bear full responsibility for the conflict in the Cape that has resulted in the detention of 12 Muslim students and injured two SAP policemen.

"We have repeatedly requested an appeal for decisive action from the NGK and Minister Louis le Grange, who has been responsible for Ds Colyn as Chaplain-General, in resolving the crisis facing not only Muslim and Christian relations in South Africa, but also between South Africa and the international Muslim world.

"We are of the opinion that an apology and withdrawal of the resolution by the NGK, together with the dismissal of Ds Colyn, would be a precondition to any further dialogue between the Muslim Youth Movement and the NGK.

"Their decisive action in meeting our requests would be the test as to how sincere the NGK is to dialogue with Muslims," he said.

The Call of Islam last night said: "It was not at all necessary for the SAP to provoke the crowd, whose only intention was to respond with an official letter to the NGK. We call for the scrapping of all charges against the people arrested."

Those arrested are to appear in Cape Town Magistrate's Court this morning.

Muslims decided on Wednesday to gather at the Parade on Saturday morning and march on the NGK offices.

The Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Western Cape, Brigadier Chris Swart, issued a warning on Thursday that such a gathering would be illegal "and the police would subsequently be obliged to take action".



Part of the crowd of Muslims who gathered on the Grand Parade on Saturday morning to protest against the NG Kerk resolution that Islam was a "false religion".
Picture: ADIL BRADLOW

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Youths who burnt woman to be sentenced today

PORT ELIZABETH — Sentence will be passed today on three youths who pleaded guilty in the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court yesterday to the murder of a young woman who was doused with petrol and set alight.

Vuyisile Dabula (20), Monwabise Makeleni (19), and Zolani Rasayi (19), pleaded guilty to murder with extenuating circumstances arising out of the death of Miss Nomnikelo Monica Ngxonono, at Langa, Uitenhage, on September 24 last year.

NECKLACE DEATH

Last week, Dabula was sentenced to an effective six years' imprisonment when he pleaded guilty to culpable homicide arising from the necklace death of Mr Eric Sipho Blouw, two weeks after Miss Ngxonono was killed.

Dabula told the court he had led her to a cemetery after a group of about 20 had decided she should be killed for reporting an assault case to the police.

He said he did not intend to kill her, but realised that death could result from his actions.

He said he had acted under group pressure. Whitey Dondashe had given the order for the girl to be killed.

Makeleni also said he was under pressure but admitted tying Miss Ngxonono's hands behind her back.

Rasayi said he poured petrol over her and set her alight after one Boyce had hit her over the head with a stone. He did not know whether she was alive or dead when he set her alight.

He admitted that he intended her death, but said he was acting under pressure from Dondashe and a group of between 20 and 30 people.

The State accepted the pleas and the accused were convicted accordingly.

A medical doctor, Dr W E Verschuur, said he was unable to determine the cause of death. There was a gaping hole and an underlying fracture of the forehead, the right upper arm was partially amputated and both legs were amputated at the thighs.

About 40 percent of the body was charred and there were superficial burns over the rest.

He said it was probable that Miss Ngxonono was knocked unconscious by the blow to the head but unlikely that she had died from it.

Testifying before sentence, Detective Warrant Officer G S Oelofse, head of the police unrest investigation team in Uitenhage, said that in the last year there had been 17 unrest-related murders and four attempted murders in the area — two on white men.

The victims were usually police informers, peace makers or people who had been seen with police.

HOUSES BURNT

During the period October 1984 to August 1986, 221 cars and 31 houses in the Uitenhage/Despatch area had been stoned and 100 houses and 78 vehicles, private and State, had been burnt.

Eighty one PE Tramways buses had been stoned and 63 burnt. The damage was estimated at between R3 million and R5 million. — Sapa.

Campaign to save pupil from jail

By CLARE HARPER

A CAMPAIGN to save a Std 9 pupil from prison has been launched by a group of concerned teachers and students, who intend petitioning the Chief Justice for leave to appeal against his "harsh" sentence.

Support for the campaign has already been pledged by Archbishop Desmond Tutu, the campaign chairman, Mr Esham Palmer, said yesterday.

A similar campaign earlier this year in support of 18-year-old Bradley van Niekerk, a pupil at South Peninsula Senior Secondary School, was successful.

Gregory Arthur, a pupil at Steenberg Senior Secondary School, was convicted last year — when he was 19 — on public-violence charges for throwing a stone at a policeman.

In October last year his four-year sentence was reduced on appeal to the Supreme Court to three years' imprisonment, of which 18 months were conditionally suspended.

He is currently on bail pending the outcome of the legal petition and will have to serve 18 months if his appeal is unsuccessful. Leave for further appeal has been refused.

Mr Palmer, chairman of the Save Gregory Arthur from Prison Committee, said Gregory was a conscientious pupil who wanted to become an electronics technician on completion of his matric. "A term of imprisonment would destroy any chances of Gregory fulfilling his ambition, not to mention the pyschological damage resulting from incarceration.

"Like thousands of his contemporaries he was caught up in an atmosphere of heightened political tension and frustration. A prison sentence will criminalize him, returning him embittered and badly affected by the real criminals inside."

His guidance teacher, Mr Andre Kraak, said yesterday that Gregory was a pupil with potential both in the academic and sporting fields. "It would be a tragedy if his academic career should be cut short by a period of imprisonment."

Mr Palmer said the committee intended highlighting Gregory's plight and said thousands of petition forms were being circulated in the Peninsula.

Bomber jailed for 18 months

Tygerberg Bureau

A MAN who threw a calcium-chloride "bomb" at railway workers was jailed for 18 months by a Parow Regional Court magistrate.

Nicolaas Ruiters, 46, of Assegaai Road, Bonteheuwel, was found guilty of intimidation, possessing ammunition without a licence and possessing explosive chemicals with the intent to cause injury. A further two years' imprisonment was suspended for five years. Ruiters denied the charges.

He was arrested on April 30 for throwing the "bomb" at Mr Eunice Duma, Mr Simon de Vis and Mr Lantwenti Ngqoba, who were working on a railway line near his home, and threatening them if they did not stay away from work on May 1.

The magistrate, Mr J D Huggett, found Ruiters not guilty of a fourth charge of possessing a firearm, a broken pellet pistol, without a licence.

SET ALIGHT

Mr de Vis told the court Ruiters had first shouted at them from his home, saying they should stay away from work.

According to Mr de Vis, Ruiters handed them a United Democratic Front pamphlet and said they should stay away from work the next day, May Day, because "you never know what might happen to you".

He later came out of his home with a plastic container which he set alight and threw at the workers. The container fell short and exploded.

40 EP schools to close unless pupils return

ARGUS 5/11/86

Education Reporter

FORTY Eastern Cape schools will not re-start next year unless pupils "prove their willingness to return", it was announced today.

The Deputy Minister of Education and Development Aid, Mr Sam de Beer, said in a statement that the schools, all in the Port Elizabeth and Uitenhage areas, were no longer functioning because pupils "refused to return".

The schools, 13 secondaries and 27 higher primaries, would not re-start next year and teachers would not be made available until pupils "prove their willingness to return and to receive meaningful education".

Parents too

Parents also would have to "display their co-operation by accepting responsibility for their children's behaviour and discipline", said Mr de Beer.

He said that in the first half of this year pupils at higher primary and secondary schools in the two areas were "responsible for various kinds of disruptive behaviour", resulting in "little effective education" taking place.

"When schools re-opened for the third quarter on July 14 the majority of pupils re-registered with the evident intention of attending school," he said.

However, they were "thwarted by the actions of unknown groups of youths who threatened, intimidated and attacked pupils and who mounted the class boycott which started on July 28".

Pupils refused

In spite of meetings between himself and representatives of the Interdenominational African Ministers' Association of Port Elizabeth in an attempt to resolve the situation, pupils refused to return, he said.

Mr de Beer appealed to parents and community leaders "to co-operate as soon as possible with the circuit and regional offices" of the Department of Education and Training "in normalising education" in Port Elizabeth and Uitenhage.

A spokesman for the department, Mr Peter Mundell, said today he had no details about how many pupils and teachers were affected by the decision.

The schools would continue operating as they had been for the rest of this year, even where there was zero attendance, the case at most of the schools, he said.

Asked how pupils would be able to show their willingness to return to school next year if the schools were not open, he said there would be a period for registration "as usual".

Teachers at the 33 Eastern Cape, Transvaal and Natal schools closed by the department in September for the rest of the year had already been re-allocated to other posts.

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Leaders' 'power struggle'

Staff Reporter

SIX shacks and a "community centre" have been demolished in Khayelitsha in the last week.

The destruction appears to be a power struggle between opposing factions vying for leadership of the nearly 200 000 people living in the settlement.

The demolished shacks belonged to Mr Isaac Gwizila and members of his "Site C and Site B Action Committee", which claims a following of 100 000 people.

'Retaliation'

Mr M Hoza, leader of the established Lingelethu Committee and members of his committee yesterday admitted destroying the houses and the community centre.

He said it was in retaliation for the earlier destruction of houses by Mr Gwizila's committee.

But late yesterday a resolution to the conflict became possible. Both Mr Gwizila and Mr Hoza said they were prepared to negotiate as long as their two committees met on neutral ground under the auspices of the office of Community Services.

Mr Sampie Steenkamp, liaison officer for Community Services in the Western Cape, said he did not know of a new committee in opposition to Mr Hoza's committee. But he said both parties were welcome to approach him at his office "first thing in the morning so that we can clear this thing up".

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Police major: Civil case 'part of total onslaught'

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Court Reporter

THE civil case between a man who was beaten on the head during unrest in the city centre last year and the Minister of Law and Order, was "part of the total onslaught", a police major told a city magistrate yesterday.

Major Adolf Odendal was giving evidence in the matter in which Mr Christopher Knight, of Wynberg, is suing the Minister of Law and Order and claiming damages of R2 544 for medical expenses, loss of dignity, pain and suffering.

Major Odendal and Sergeant Geoffrey McMaster told the court they had been called to the city centre on October 24 last year as some women were demonstrating in Adderley Street.

After the major had told people standing and shouting slogans to disperse they had seen vehicles overturned in St George's Street.

After warning people to leave Major Odendal had given orders to beat a group of youths on the corner of Adderley Street and Shortmarket Street with batons and quirts.

Sergeant McMaster said he heard Mr Knight, who was part of the group, say: "It's about time you people f... off from the area, its you that's causing all the trouble."

The sergeant then hit Mr Knight who "ducked". The baton hit him on the side of his head. "I helped him up and gave him a final warning to leave the area," he said. "At no stage did I assault Mr Knight."

At a previous hearing, Mr Knight told the court he had been in Shortmarket Street when Major Odendal ordered people to "get out of the area".

He had said they should get out of the area, but had not used foul language. He had been beaten on the head and dragged roughly to his feet.

The hearing continues on Thursday.

Mr W J P Marais was the magistrate. Mr N J Treurnicht, instructed by the State Attorney, represented the Minister of Law and Order. Mr J Shortt-Smith, instructed by the Legal Resources Centre, appeared for Mr Knight.

Supreme Court sets aside sentence after review

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Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The punishment meted out to a young Duncan Village man by a kangaroo court was so severe that the Supreme Court here has set aside a sentence of five strokes with a light cane imposed on him by the regional court.

Mthuthuzeli Ndebe, 20, of Boswe Street, had been sentenced to five cuts and 12 months' imprisonment, conditionally suspended for five years, when he was found guilty on October 7 of stealing out of a locked car.

However, a district surgeon who had examined Ndebe told the court he was "physically unable to bear any more punishment of that nature".

Ndebe had pleaded guilty before Mr N. R. Oosthuysen. He admitted breaking into a car in Caxton Street on August 29 and taking various items, including suitcases.

Ndebe was examined by a district surgeon, Dr H. P. Morrar, and a report was submitted in which Dr Morrar stated that the accused had extensive scars on his buttocks.

The case, in which Mr Oosthuysen asked that the sentence of five cuts be set aside, was then sent for review to the Supreme Court.

In his judgment on review, Mr Justice Eksteen ordered that the sentence be set aside in view of Dr Morrar's findings.

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Squatters sue Minister of Law and Order for R5m

By TONY WEAVER

MORE THAN 3 300 squatters are suing the South African Police for over R5-million damages in separate court cases involving 15 firms of attorneys following the destruction in May and June of four Cape Town squatter camps.

"This is a most extraordinary legal event in South African legal history, it is unprecedented," Professor Jerold Taitz, associate professor of criminal law and procedure at the University of Cape Town, said last night.

A spokesman for the office of the State Attorney confirmed yesterday that his office had already received "over 3 000" letters of intention to sue, for damages and that "about 200 summonses" had already been received.

The letters are addressed to the Commissioner of Police, General Johann Coetzee, but the person being sued is the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, as the titular head of the SA Police.

Amounts varying from about R200 to R100 000 — for the partial destruction of the Methodist Church in Africa in KTC — are being demanded in the damages claims, a spokesman for the Legal Resources Centre said yesterday.

And the spokesman for the State Attorney confirmed that the cases would have to be heard individually "unless a test case is heard in the Supreme Court which will set a precedent for all the other claims".

He said the "more than 3 000" letters which had arrived were issued in terms of Section 32 of the Police Act, which stipulates that letters notifying the minister of claims must be filed within five months of the alleged damages being inflicted — and the summonses must be served within six months.

The mammoth task of interviewing the complainants was carried out by a team of 50 field workers and co-ordinated by the University of Cape Town's Institute of Criminology and the Legal Resources Centre.

Using mobile legal centres, including a pantechnicon, the team of fieldworkers processed all their information through the institute's computer, and the *pro forma* particulars of claims were also drawn up on computer.

"There is no way we could have got the letters and summonses out within the prescribed periods without them," the LRC spokesman said.

By the middle of next week, 1 500 summonses relating to the destruction of Nyanga Bush, Nyanga Extension and Portland Cement Works will have been served, with the KTC summonses being served in early December.

In the *pro forma* particulars of claim contained in the 3 300 summonses, it is alleged that members of the SAP "made common cause with and assisted *inter alia* the said persons (witdoek vigilantes) from Old Crossroads in destroying and/or causing the loss of the said dwelling and property".

Alternatively, the particulars state, the police "wrongfully and unlawfully failed to take reasonable steps" to prevent the destruction of the properties being claimed for when they could have foreseen this would happen, they could have taken preventive steps, and they were under a legal duty to take those steps.

The claims for damages follow the granting on August 8 of an interdict restraining the police, the South African Defence Force and the witdoek vigilantes from attacking KTC — which was granted after KTC had been almost totally wiped out.

In conceding the order and agreeing to pay costs, the then Minister, Mr Louis le Grange, said the case had become "academic" because KTC was almost razed, and he was confident his lawyers would, in any case, win the hearing.

But he could not afford to have his men tied up in court for months.

A kilometre of paperwork for X-roads claims

By TONY WEAVER



Squatter queue to file statements.

THE amount of work which went into processing 3 300 damages claims, against the SA Police, arising from the Crossroads conflict became apparent yesterday as field workers spoke of long days in the field, a kilometre of computer paperwork and stories of personal loss.

A squatter refugee cried as she asked if she could claim for her pet tortoise, another told of fighting in vain to save her dying child from the flames of their shack.

And the researchers believe a crucial precedent has been set — for the first time, impoverished people in the black communities have discovered on a mass basis that they too are entitled to seek help from the courts.

University of Cape Town Criminology lecturer Mr Wilfred Schärf believes that from an academic viewpoint, the operation "yielded a unique set of research data which is invaluable. It is probably one of the most important research projects ever undertaken in this field of study".

Child died in flames

Harrowing stories were heard by the interviewers: "One woman told of how she carried her elderly mother on her back from the fighting, through the teargas, and the mother died on the way.

"Another woman told of how she managed to save some of her children from their burning shack. But she could not get the youngest out. He burned to death. She could hear him crying and screaming, and the witdoek vigilantes would not let her back," said Ms Mickey van Zyl, who coordinated the computer work and data processing.

Most claims are for simple household goods — primus stoves, children's clothing, furniture, zinc and plastic sheeting. Some were more stark: "One woman came to us crying for her dead pet tortoise, a number of people asked us if they could claim for their pets, their dogs and cats who died in the flames.

"If anything, the claims are very much underestimated. For example, people claim R50 to R100 for their shacks, but the Urban Foundation has estimated that to rebuild a shack today using second-hand materials would cost between R1 500 and R6 000, depending on the size," said Ms Van Zyl.

The total amount being claimed from the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, is R4 812 781. The biggest single total — R2 198 033 — is being claimed for June 9, the day KTC was hit hardest. The second-largest total is for Nyanga Bush on May 18, a figure of R1 009 755.

Researching the 3 300 claims involved a total of between 20 and 30 paid workers and more than 150 volunteers working on a rotating basis.

Using a kombi carrying 50 chairs and 25 tables and operating under the auspices of UCT's Institute of Criminology, the workers spent 14 days in the field.

They were helped by 12 members of the UCT Law Faculty and 28 practising attorneys, divided into teams of two working every day on a volunteer basis.

According to Mr Schärf, an important precedent has been set: "People who have never had access to legal help before and who otherwise did not know how to get access, have discovered their legal rights — it was a process of mass education."

Ms Beatie Hofmeyr, who co-ordinated the taking of statements, said the first day the team of interviewers went out to the townships, 13 people arrived to lay claims.

Word spread fast in the desperate community that somebody was out there trying to help, and one memorable day, the field-workers processed 500 claims.

Before going into the field, the volunteers were put through a rigorous training course. Step by step, all the legal processes were gone through till the co-ordinators were satisfied there were no gaps in their knowledge.

In the field, attorneys rigorously supervised each statement, at the same time acting as commissioners of oaths when needed.

Desperate deadline

"The process was very time-consuming. When we arrived on some days, there would be 200 people waiting for us, sometimes we would have to give people numbers and tell them to come back the next day," Ms Hofmeyr said.

Because of a stipulation in the Police Act that claims against the Minister of Law and Order must be announced by letter within five months of the alleged damages, and summonses served within six months, the team worked against a desperate deadline.

"We would never have done it without the computers," said Ms Van Zyl.

"We used six boxes of 500 sheets of computer paper, each sheet is about a foot long, that's almost a kilometre of paper. The printed letters and summonses used up 40 000 sheets of A4 paper."

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Man's confession ruled admissible in terrorism trial

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Court Reporter

A CAPE TOWN magistrate has ruled that a confession by a man on trial for terrorism is admissible.

The magistrate, Mr M J Lemmer, made the decision after a lengthy "trial within a trial" to determine the validity of a confession made by Mr Andile Gusha, 23, one of seven men facing charges of terrorism.

Mr Lemmer said that, if necessary, he would give his reasons for the ruling later.

Accused with Mr Gusha are Mr Bathemba Lugulwana, 33, of Langa, Mr Mzwandile Mciteka, 25, Mr Donald Mxutu, 66, and Mr Simon Mayholewena, 64, all of Guguletu, Mr Taelo Ntlaba, 19, and a 17-year-old youth, both from Paarl.

Mr Gusha was detained on January 24 under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act after being brought from the Transkei.

MILITARY TRAINING

The State alleges that the seven took part in the activities of the Pan-Africanist Congress, formed the Azanian Youth Union (Azanyu), invited people to sign for military training under the PAC and to join the Azanian People's Liberation Army, pledged loyalty to and saluted the PAC at a funeral in the Transkei in January, distributed a pamphlet entitled *Kill The Oppressor And Not The Oppressed*, and distributed T-shirts bearing pictures of Robert Sobukwe.

Three are alleged to have been involved in violence between Azanyu and the United Democratic Front in Paarl.

They have pleaded not guilty.

Mr Gusha remains in custody and bail of R200 for the other six was extended. The hearing was postponed to November 14.

Mr A A Duminy appeared for the State. The seven are represented by Mr P Hazel, instructed by Mr Ramesh Vassen, and Mr F Buntting, instructed by Mr Wallace Mgoqi of Syfret, Godlonton, Fuller, Moore Inc.

Murders: Court told police stormed house

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Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Policemen searching for the murderers of an elderly Addo farm couple surrounded and stormed a house where, hours earlier, the alleged murderers had tried to obtain "muti" to help them evade arrest.

This evidence was heard in the Supreme Court in Humansdorp yesterday at the trial of eight members of the Addo Youth Congress (AYC) who are charged with the double murder of Mr Koos de Jager and his wife Louisa on the farm Enhoek on the night of July 17 last year.

On trial are Mr Zalisile George Tana, 20, Mr Mxolisi Sokiya, 19, Mr Michael Kona, 20, and Mr Makhezwana Menze, 40, all of Addo, Mr Mzukisi Christopher Mdayi, 25, of Kwanobuhle, Uitenhage, Mr Similo Lennox Wonci, 21, Mr Mziwoxolo Christopher Makeleni, 21, both of Port Elizabeth, and Mr Ndumiso Silo Siphenuka, 25, of Kirkwood.

It is alleged that the eight men attended a meeting before they allegedly travelled to Enhoek and murdered the De Jagers. They are also facing charges connected with robbery.

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Two die as taxi war erupts in Cape Town

CAPE TOWN — A taxi war has broken out in Cape Town's black townships, leaving at least two taxi drivers dead, close to 20 wounded, more than 10 kidnapped and more than 50 township taxis smashed or hijacked.

Thousands of commuters have been left stranded because the minibus service has all but ground to a halt as taxi drivers vow to take the fight into the heart of Cape Town — where the Claremont and Mowbray taxi ranks are.

Late on Saturday and early yesterday, rival taxi owners armed with pangas, makeshift swords, kieries, knives and guns, roamed the townships of Guguletu, Nyanga, New Crossroads and Khayelitsha, and several skirmishes were reported.

ARRESTS

But there have been no deaths reported to the police, police liaison officer for the Western Cape Lieutenant Attie Laubscher said.

Four men have been arrested in connection with the fighting — two in Guguletu and two in Claremont. The condition of one person who was seriously injured in the fighting had improved considerably, the lieutenant said.

He appealed to anybody with any information about the fighting to contact the police. Licensed taxi drivers — the "legals" — are battling it out with unlicensed drivers — the "pirates" or "illegals" — in an attempt to gain control of several key taxi ranks and routes.

The hopelessly over-traded taxi market has been even more squeezed recently by City Tramways' introduction of several hundred minibusses. — Sapa.

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Youth leader shot

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — A youth leader was shot and killed by a group of men wearing balaclavas as he knocked on the door to his home in KwaNobuhle on Thursday night.

Mr Lindile Christopher Mente, 26, was an executive member of the Uitenhage Youth Congress and of an area community committee.

Yesterday Mr Wonga Nkala, president of the Uitenhage Youth Congress, and Mr Mpumelelo Ndoni, chairman of the Uitenhage Residents Civic Organization, who are in hiding, said residents were shocked by Mr Mente's death and condemned the incident as "barbaric".

Mr Nkala said: "But his death does not surprise us greatly, especially after threats on the lives of our members have been made by a rival organization which has vowed to eliminate us."

Major Eddie Everson, a police liaison officer, said a murder docket had been opened.

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Guguletu shootout: 'No offence' finding

Chief Reporter

A FINDING on the deaths of seven alleged ANC terrorists killed in an early-morning shootout with police in Guguletu on March 3 was given in Wynberg Magistrate's Court yesterday without witnesses being called, and on sworn affidavits only.

Applications by an attorney, Mr Y Ebrahim, representing the families of three of the dead men, to see court documents before its findings were given, and for a postponement to enable potential further evidence to be heard, were refused by the inquest magistrate, Mr G Hoffman.

Mr Hoffman, who referred to the skirmish between alleged ANC terrorists and the police as "war on a small scale", said he was satisfied the written testimony before him was comprehensive and sufficient on which to base a finding, and that he had decided to exercise the discretion given him by the Inquests Act to hold an informal inquest and not to have witnesses called.

He told Mr Ebrahim there had been ample time since March to produce additional evidence and Mr Ebrahim's application for a postponement, the grounds of which were vague, "smacks of a legal representative applying for a postponement in order to file additional pleadings".

He said Mr Ebrahim had the right to take the inquest findings on review to the Supreme Court if he so wished.

Police enforced strict security in the and outside the courthouse.

Relatives of some of the dead men attended the inquest proceedings, and some of the women wept when the magistrate detailed the post-mortem findings.

Police alleged in statements read in court by the magistrate that the seven men were members of the ANC who had undergone terrorist training, and that the shootout occurred after police received secret information that an attack on a police vehicle was being planned.

Mr Hoffman said the documentary evidence before him showed that all seven deaths had resulted from "concerted and organized action", and the affidavits before him in respect of all seven deaths had basically the same content.

His finding was that all seven men died from bullet wounds sustained "in police activity for the combating of terrorism".

In none of the seven cases had he found, in terms of the Inquests Act, that there had been any act or omission on the part of any person, amounting to an offence.

Mr Hoffman found that five of the men — Mr Mandla Simon Mxinwa, 23, Mr Zanisile Zenith Mjobo, 21, Mr Zola Alfred Swelani, 22, Mr Godfrey Jabulani Miya, 21, and Mr Christopher Piet, 23 — had died of multiple bullet wounds.

The death of Mr Themba Mlifi, 30, was found to have been caused by a bullet wound through the head and one through the heart, and Mr Zambouke John Konile, 28, was found to have died from two bullet wounds in the head.

The magistrate said he had found that "controversial" allegations made in a statement by Mr General Sibaca, 39, who said he had seen the shootout from the Dairy Belle hostel, could not be substantiated.

In this statement, read out in court, Mr Sibaca said that after the skirmish he saw a black man being pushed to the ground and shot three times in the chest by a policeman.

"I noticed a black man in NY 111, about 10 paces from seven policemen standing next to the combi. A policeman called to him in Afrikaans: "Kom hier!" I noticed this man putting his hands up into the air with a very fast movement.

"I do not know whether he had anything in his hands, because in that split second a white policeman in private clothes rushed to the man and grabbed hold of him. Another white policeman rushed to the back of this man, got hold of him from behind, pushing his knee into his back.

"I noticed the policeman in front of this man trying to get hold of a gun that was down in front of this man's trousers. The man in the back assisted the policeman in front, and the one in front succeeded in removing the gun from the man's trousers.

"The man that was behind this man threw him to the ground and another policeman in uniform shouted 'skiet hom'.

"The man fell on his back and the policeman behind him, who threw him to the ground, fired three shots into his chest with a long gun, holding it with both hands."

Proper investigation

The magistrate said that if this statement was true, this shooting "and illegal behaviour" called for full and proper investigation, and he had therefore examined the various pathologists' reports.

"In doing so I found that in not one of the seven cases was there evidence of three bullet-holes in the chest.

"Neither is there evidence of extensive wounding across the chests of any of the seven deceased."

In another statement before the court, Mr Cecil Msutu, 60, said that after the shootout newspapermen had called on him and on three others, whom he named Vumazonke, Malusi and Talakumani, and asked them what they had seen during the shooting.

"I told them everything about the bodies I saw after the shooting.

"During the interviews I was with Talakumani, Vumazonke and Malusi. All of them alleged they did not see the shooting."

Mr P Higgo appeared for the State at the inquest, and Mr A F Brand of the State Attorney's office appeared, in a watching capacity, for the Minister of Law and Order.

Taxi conflict turns to violence

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Staff Reporter

TENSION between the so-called "legal" and "pirate" taxi owners in the townships erupted in violence yesterday when drivers from the "illegal" faction allegedly attacked rival vehicles in Guguletu and Claremont.

Four men were arrested and two firearms confiscated in two separate outbursts. An unidentified 34-year-old man was admitted to Victoria Hospital with head lacerations and a broken arm after being hacked with a panga about 4.30pm at a taxi rank near the Claremont railway station.

Two men were arrested and a revolver was confiscated after a shot was fired in the Claremont fracas.

About three hours earlier in Guguletu, police fired tearsmoke after two rival taxi groups clashed and later refused to disperse, a police spokesman said.

He said a number of tyres had been slashed and taxi windows broken. Two other men were arrested and a firearm was confiscated.

Publisher Mr David Phillip, who has offices near Claremont station, said he heard women ululating and saw them running "as if for cover" near the taxi rank outside the station about 4pm.

Vigilantes 'took over pirate' taxis'

He had an "imperfect view" of what was happening, but had heard shots and his wife, Marie, had seen people with what looked like knives or sharpened pieces of steel.

The commotion had lasted about five minutes, he said.

One of the "legal" owners, Mr Gordon Makuluza, said last night that "wi tdoek" vigilantes had taken control of the pirate operation and were trying to prevent legal taxis from operating on the Nyanga East/Claremont route.

Mr Makuluza said two of his drivers had been assaulted by "witdoek" drivers this year and that many legal taxis had been damaged by the "pirates".

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Own Correspondent

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Taxi war: 2 die, 20 hurt

By TONY WEAVER

A VICIOUS war has broken out in Cape Town's black townships between rival taxi factions, leaving at least two drivers dead, close to 20 wounded, more than 10 kidnapped and more than 50 township taxis smashed up or hijacked.

Thousands of township commuters have been left stranded because the minibus service has all but ground to a halt as taxi drivers vowed to take the fight into the heart of Cape Town — the Claremont and Mowbray taxi ranks.

Late on Saturday and early yesterday, rival taxi owners armed with pangas, makeshift swords, kieries, knives and guns roamed Guguletu, Nyanga, New Crossroads and Khayelitsha, and several skirmishes were reported.

Licensed taxi drivers — the "legals" — are battling it out with unlicensed drivers — the "pirates" or "illegals" — in a bid to gain control of several key taxi ranks and routes, including the Claremont and Mowbray station ranks.

The hopelessly over-traded taxi market has been even more squeezed recently by City Tramways' introduction of several hundred minibuses on to the lucrative township market.

At the single quarters off NY1 in Guguletu, a vicious battle broke out about 3.30pm, leaving two dead and about 15 wounded, eyewitnesses said.

An eyewitness to the Nyanga barracks battle, who asked not to be named, said two kombis filled with "legal" owners went to the hostels to search for kidnapped drivers and he and friends followed in "a private car as camouflage".

As the two kombis arrived, they were met with a hail of gunfire as more than 100 pirates hiding in the hostels attacked the kombis.

"Our men were surrounded and they attacked them with pangas, assegais and there were many, many gunshots. Two of our drivers were hacked to death right there with pangas, and the pirates drove a taxi over the body of one of them.

"We were not well enough organized, we were outgunned.

"I and the others managed to escape, but at least 15 of our men are wounded, they have head and body wounds from pangas and axes."

He said "many legal taxis" had been hijacked and taken to the witdoek vigilante stronghold in Site C, Khayelitsha, from where "the pirates are using our taxis to attack us, they are camouflaged because we think they are ours".

But, according to a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, there have been no deaths reported to the police.



This pirate taxi was smashed up in Klipfontein Road on Saturday morning.
Picture: TONY WEAVER

Police have arrested four men in connection with the fighting — two in Guguletu and two in Claremont.

The condition of one person who was seriously injured in the fighting had improved considerably, he said.

He appealed to those with any information about the fighting to contact the police "rather than the press".

Since the war broke out on Friday in Claremont and at the Nyanga terminus, a minimum of 37 taxis have been smashed up and their tyres slashed, with a large number of vans hijacked by both sides — although it appears that the pirates are winning the war.

About 5pm on Saturday, a group of about 30 pirates were gathered in Klipfontein Road, heavily armed with pangas, swords and kieries.

They told the Cape Times they were preparing to "move in convoy all over the place and we will kill them (the "legals"). Today we lost seven taxis, but we got eight of theirs.

"Some of our drivers have been kidnapped and we think they are being killed. We know that two of the legals were killed today in Guguletu.

"What we are trying now is we will show them we will fight to the death, until we all die."

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Youth's 15-year sentence upheld

CAPE TOWN — The Supreme Court has found an effective 15-year sentence passed on an 18-year-old convicted of arson and malicious damage to property "perfectly reasonable under the circumstances".

This view was expressed yesterday by Mr Justice P W E Baker, with Mr Justice D M Williamson concurring, in refusing an appeal against sentence brought by Dumisane Christopher Mtlomelo of Zwelethemba, Worcester, in the Cape.

PLEADED GUILTY

Mtlomelo pleaded guilty and was convicted in April of setting alight two houses, a vehicle and the Administration Board offices in the Robertson township of Nqubela during December last year. He was also convicted of destroying a telephone pole.

He was put in the witness box during his trial by his defending counsel, Mr F H Buntting, to give evidence in mitigation, and told the court he was 18, single, had passed matric in 1984 and had worked for eight months before his arrest, earning R168 a week.

What Mr Justice Baker described as "a very rude shock" had been in store for Mr Buntting when he asked his client how he felt about his offences.

"I will put it like this," Mtlomelo had said. "I was satisfied and then at another stage I am not yet satisfied before I burn down the house of the magistrate, and then the house of the prosecutor."

Mtlomelo, in a black jacket with "ANC" embroidered on it, then told the prosecutor: "The ANC is an organisation I would die for. I like it and the ANC-service work of killing boere."

Passing sentence, the magistrate had said it was clear at first glance that Mtlomelo was "an arrogant, outspoken and fanatical person". But the court had also gained the impression of "a certain degree of youthful bravado".

He also noted that Mtlomelo had two previous convictions — one for housebreaking and theft of a firearm, and one for theft of clothes worth R433.

Mr Justice Baker said: "If the sentence was reduced, it would seem that this court was expressing approval of violent methods for changing the constitutional set-up in this country. That cannot be allowed." — Sapa.

I wanted to scare him.

Gathering unrest facts a hard task — and one whites know little about

by TOS WENTZEL Political Correspondent

INFORMATION gathered by the Progressive Federal Party's Unrest Monitoring and Action Committee (Umac) will help form the basis for the Opposition's analysis of the state of emergency situation when Parliament meets again at the end of January.

The information committee was begun in August last year during the first state of emergency. Now members, under the chairmanship of Mr Jan van Eck, the new MP for Claremont, have travelled far and wide, in the Peninsula, the rest of the Western Cape, the Southern Cape.

They have studied events in many townships and have come up with some disquieting findings.

Some of these, especially those dealing with police and defence force actions, may not be published under the present state of emergency regulations, and MPs will have to seek opportunities to do so under the privilege of Parliamentary debate. This they managed to do this effectively on a number of occasions in the past session of Parliament.

Four PFP MPs and about 30 voluntary workers from Umac recently went on a fact-finding mission to Peninsula townships.

There have also recently been visits to troubled townships at Plettenberg Bay, George and Oudtshoorn.

There is a 24 hour Umac telephone line (41-52412) and a full-time administrative secretary Miss Jenny Radloff. The Umac co-ordinator is Mrs Val Rose-Christie. Umac's office is in St John's House in St John's Street, near the Roman Catholic cathedral.

THE average white person knows little of conditions in black townships or feelings among blacks. This applies even, or sometimes especially, in small Boland towns.

The task facing the members of Umac is often an exhausting one when they visit these towns. There is often a virtually total lack of communication with the authorities, and people of colour descend upon them with their problems as soon as it becomes known that they are in the area.

It is then that the impression emerges that there is little white interest in black problems in many of these areas.

Some problems or complaints are brought to the attention of the uniformed police and, according to Mr Van Eck, there is good co-operation here. The implication is that there is more of a problem with the security police and other security forces.

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New moves to halt city's 'taxi war'

Staff Reporter

AN ATTEMPT to call a truce between warring taxi operators ended inconclusively when one of the principal legal taxi-owners' bodies failed to attend a peace meeting.

About 200 taxi-owners and drivers and representatives of civic associations met in the Site C community centre, Khayelitsha, last night for the second meeting of the day to discuss the problem.

Several "pirate" taxi-owners claimed that most of the legal owners involved in the feud were members of Lagunya — the Langa, Gugeletu and Nyanga Taxi Owners Association — which had no representative at the meeting.

Speakers suggested that Lagunya might have been afraid to come to a meeting in Site C and it was decided to convene another meeting which would include Lagunya, possibly at a different place.

Members of the Site C executive committee, who called the meeting, and other community leaders appealed to the taxi-owners to lay down their weapons in the meantime, saying the war was disrupting the community.

Asked how they would like the conflict to be resolved, both legal and "pirate" taxi-owners said they wished to return to the situation which prevailed before fighting erupted — that legal taxis should ply mainly the township routes and the illegals the routes outside the townships, such as the Nyanga East/Claremont run.

However, community leaders said the real problem was the Government which provoked conflict by giving licences to some and not others while jobs were scarce.

They asked the taximen to ignore the distinctions between legal and illegal.

Pirate taxi-owners claimed the feud had started in June when "legals" tried forcibly to assert their rights to take first fares at the Claremont rank.

Civic associations had failed to resolve the dispute then and it had flared again in September. The present round of violence had begun last Wednesday.

● **The minicab war, Page 21.**



Picture: WILLIE DE KLERK, The Argus

TRUCE BID: Part of the crowd of about 200 taxi-owners who attended a meeting in the Site C community centre in Khayelitsha last night in an attempt to arrange a truce between illegal and legal taxi factions. The meeting ended inconclusively.

Schoolboy shot in back sues Minister for R100 000

Supreme Court Reporter

THE Minister of Law and Order is being sued for R100 000 by a 15-year-old schoolboy hit in the back by a rubber bullet fired by a policeman in Bellville last year.

It is alleged in papers that the boy, who was 14 at the time, had an eight-hour operation for the removal of the bullet from his spine.

His left foot is paralysed and he is unlikely to recover, it is alleged.

In an affidavit the boy said that on his way from his grandmother's home he walked past a group throwing stones at vehicles.

"IN PANIC"

"I saw a police van approaching and I heard the group of youths behind me starting to run in a panic.

"Impulsively I also started running. The policemen got out of the van, started shooting and shot me in the back."

The Minister admits in papers the boy was shot by Captain Ockert van Schalkwyk, of the South African Police.

He claims the boy committed or attempted to commit an offence in the policeman's presence and fled when he realised he was going to be arrested.

The shot was necessary to prevent the boy fleeing and was therefore lawful, it is claimed.

(Proceeding)

Mr Acting Justice Viljoen is on the Bench. Mr M Donen, instructed by E Moosa and Associates, appears for the boy. Mr A F Smit, instructed by the State Attorney, appears for the Minister.

UCT man still detained

Staff Reporter

MR Rob Watson, the British citizen employed by UCT's criminology institute to assist in interviewing Crossroads and KTC squatters, was still in detention yesterday.

Mr Watson, 21, has been involved in the collection of affidavits and information resulting in 3 300 damages claims by Cape Town's squatters against the SA Police.

He was employed as a research assistant by the University of Cape Town's Institute of Criminology to assist in the mammoth task of interviewing squatters in Crossroads and KTC, and is well-known among the squatter communities.

Yesterday a spokesman for the British Consulate, Mr Ian Marsh, confirmed that Mr Watson's detention on Saturday was being investigated by the British Embassy and had been reported to London.

A lecturer at the Institute of Criminology, Mr Wilfred Scharf, said Mr Watson had recently "reported more frequent police harassment and questions about what he was doing there (in KTC)".

His attorney, Mr Essa Moosa, said legal action was being considered to secure the release of Mr Watson, who was detained at a funeral in KTC.

He said Mr Watson had also been employed part-time by Moosa and Associates to take statements from people claiming damages against the Minister of Law and Order.

Mr Watson's sister, Mrs Jane Bye, who lives in Hampshire, England, has been informed of his detention.

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria yesterday said in a telex: "The Bureau for Information does not comment on detentions and releases. This is the prerogative of the Minister of Law and Order."

Taxi rivals agree on truce

Cape Times 18/11/86

Staff Reporter

AN uneasy truce has been reached between rival taxi drivers in Cape Town's townships after a series of meetings between community leaders and members of the "legal" and "pirate" taxi camps.

However, drivers seemed reluctant to ply the disputed Mowbray and Claremont routes, and taxi ranks in these two suburbs were almost deserted throughout most of yesterday.

Delegations from both factions met at a Guguletu hostel on Sunday and agreed to spread the word to drivers to "cease fire", according to the hostel resident who called the meeting, Mr Welcome Zenzile.

Another round of "peace talks" was held in Khayelitsha yesterday afternoon and last night in an attempt to find a permanent solution.

But members of the Lagunya Taxi Owners' Association, which represents the "legal" owners, still appear unwilling to talk to the "pirates" or to abandon their fight for total control of the township taxi market.



Mr Harry Attwood

A member of the association, who did not want to be named, said there was "no way" the legal owners would meet the "pirates" because this would amount to "recognizing their right to exist".

"If we meet them it means we must share with them. But they are illegal, they do not exist. We must push out the illegals altogether," he said.

According to two sources, the chairman of the association, Mr Lawrence Memani, and two members of the executive attended Sunday's talks.

Mr Memani yesterday denied knowing about the meeting.

Another "legal", Mr Gordon Makulutza, confirmed that the association's executive had attended Sunday's meeting.

The "legals" have accused the traffic authorities of failing to clamp down on unlicensed taxis.

Cape Town traffic chief Mr Harry Attwood admitted there was "a problem", but said his officers were "doing their best under the circumstances".

"We have taken action against 72 illegal taxi drivers this year," he said.

Mr Attwood coneded there was a heavy demand for taxis, but said his department could not issue more permits until more taxi ranks were provided.

He said the demand for taxis and the lack of facilities was being investigated by the Department of Transport, but that this was a "long-term project".

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Boy suing minister 'prominent' in stoning

Staff Reporter

A 15-YEAR-OLD schoolboy who is partly paralysed after being shot by police last year, was left lying injured in the back of a police van while police stopped to do some shopping, according to papers before the Supreme Court yesterday.

Papers claim the boy, who is suing the Minister of Law and Order for R100 000, was shot in the back and has lost the use of his lower left leg and left foot.

The boy said in an affidavit that he was walking home from his grandmother's Belville South home on September 5 last year when he saw a group of youths stoning passing vehicles.

He said he walked past but when he saw a police van approaching and heard the youths running , he also ran.

"The policemen got out of the van, started shooting indiscriminately and shot me in the back," he said.

"The police then arrived, picked me up, threw me into the police van and drove around with me for about half-an-hour. They then stopped outside a shop to purchase some things."

The boy says he was never involved in any political activities. According to Captain Ockert van Schalkwyk, the policeman who has admitted shooting him, the boy was "prominent" in a group of 50 or 60 youths throwing stones in Industrie Road, Bellville South.

He said the boy had thrown a stone at his unmarked police car.

Capt Van Schalkwyk said he had stopped the car, grabbed his gun and jumped out of the car.

He had given chase, but had been hampered by his heavy boots and firearms. He then fired four plastic bullets at him, one of which had hit him in the back.

The hearing continues.

Mr Michael Donen, instructed by E Moosa and Associates, appears for the boy and Mr Willem Louw, instructed by Mr M Parker, appears for Mr Le Grange with Mr Acting Justice H P Viljoen presiding.

Nat backs bid to free detainee

Supreme Court Reporter

THE former National Party MPC for George has filed an affidavit supporting an application for the release of detained George Civic Association president Mr Kenneth Sibotho.

The Supreme Court application, brought by Mr Sibotho's brother, was yesterday postponed for trial at a date to be fixed.

Mr Sibotho has been in detention since June 12.

Former MPC Mr Georg Kellerman, an attorney, said he'd known Mr Sibotho since the early 70s. He described him as a prominent man in the black community and a leader in sporting activities and the church.

He said after unrest broke out in George at the end of 1985, various discussions and meetings had been arranged with Mr Sibotho's help between black community organizations and the George municipality, police, and the local MP.

Mr Kellerman said a boycott at the local black primary school had ended "as a direct result of Kenneth's mediation".

"I have consistently had Kenneth's assurance and have gained the impression that he really was keen to avoid violence in any form . . . and was always prepared to solve problems through negotiation rather than confrontation with the authorities."

Mr Kellerman said it was his opinion that Mr Sibotho had been detained not for any reason relevant to the state of emergency but because he was the leader of an organization opposed to the forced removal of black people from the Lawaaikamp squatter camp to Sandkraal.

Noting that conditions in Lawaaikamp were "appalling", with, for example, only four water taps available for 5 000 people, Mr Kellerman said conditions in Sandkraal were "hardly better".

It was his opinion that pressure exerted by the George municipality on black people to move to Sandkraal was "instrumental in a very large measure in causing the explosive situation which arose".

Mr Kellerman said he "denied as strongly as possible" allegations made in a letter he received from the Minister of Law and Order, that Mr Sibotho was involved in creating unrest or that the George Civic Association was "created to discredit existing structures" like community councils.

He noted that no community council existed in George and that the GCA was created to give Mr Sibotho a mandate to negotiate with the authorities.

He added that it would be "extremely strange and almost unbelievable" for Mr Sibotho to incite people to set the property of whites alight, as the minister and police allege.

Mr Justice R Marais presided. Mr T Barnard, instructed by Van der Spuy and Partners, appeared for the applicant. Mr C B Prest, instructed by the State Attorney, appeared for the respondents.

Shooting: Le Grange sued for R6 000



Mr Le Grange

Supreme Court Reporter

A GUGULETU father of two is suing the Minister of Law and Order for damages of R6 000, claiming that police unlawfully shot him twice in the thigh with rubber bullets and then dragged him from his shack and shot him in the testicles.

Mr Khanyisile Cele, 35, a door-to-door seller of shoes in Guguletu, claims that he set off to buy a bus ticket to attend a church conference in Queenstown on December 28, 1984.

When he got to Mahobe Drive, he saw police firing teargas and decided to turn back. On his way home he saw some women with buckets of water. One tore off a piece of her apron and suggested he wet it and put it over his nose to protect himself from the teargas.

As he approached his shack, he saw his wife beckoning at the window, turned and saw two policemen behind him. As he turned back towards his house he heard a shot and his thigh was hit.

"I staggered and fell. When I was struggling to get up a second shot was fired and hit me in the thigh near the first wound."

He struggled up and into his shack. Police took him outside where they beat him. A policeman then shot Mr Cele in the testicles.

The minister claims that Mr Cele was either involved in faction-fighting on that day and among those fired on by police trying to restore order, or ignored police warnings to leave the scene.

He claims alternatively, that Mr Cele should have known it was dangerous to be on the scene and nevertheless refused to leave, thereby voluntarily taking the risk of being shot or injured.

Mr Cele originally sued for damages of R60 000. The amount of R6 000 was agreed on after he recovered his sexual ability. He still suffers discomfort when urinating or walking long distances.

The case continues.

Mr Acting Justice M Seligson presided. Mr M A Albertus, instructed by N J Yekiso and Associates, appeared for Mr Cele. Mr G A Kuhn, instructed by the State Attorney, appeared for the minister.

METROPOLITAN

Policeman: I shot boy to stop escape

Supreme Court Reporter

A POLICE captain who shot and crippled a 15-year-old boy has denied in the Supreme Court, Cape Town, that he accidently shot the boy while firing at a fleeing crowd.

Captain Ockert van Schalkwyk, commanding officer of the Bellville riot unit, told the court he shot the boy, who had stoned a police vehicle, to prevent him escaping arrest.

The boy is suing the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, for R100 000 damages after he was struck in the back by a plastic bullet on September 5 last year. His foot is paralysed as a result.

He claims that he was walking home from his grandmother's home when he passed a group of stone-throwers.

When they began running away from police, he instinctively began running too, he said.

While cross-examining Captain van Schalkwyk, Mr M Donen, for the boy, said: "I must put to you that what actually happened is that you shot at the crowd and hit a person."

"No, I definitely shot at the person I hit," said Captain van Schalkwyk.

Darker ink

Mr Donen: I put it to you that the plaintiff did not commit an offence of any sort and that the shots weren't necessary to arrest the plaintiff even if he had committed an offence.

Captain van Schalkwyk: It was necessary.

He was asked why a report he made on the day of the shooting did not coincide with his evidence.

In court he said he chased and shot at one person, while in the report he said he tried to catch "some of the stone-throwers" and fired at "fleeing people".

He said he made the shortest, quickest report after the incident.

He could not remember why one sentence: "This boy also stoned my car, but missed," was written in darker ink than the rest of the report.

Mr Acting Justice Viljoen is on the Bench. Mr W J Louw, instructed by the State Attorney, appears for the Minister. Mr Donen is instructed by Essa Moosa and Associates.

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Coverage : All
Worker Contribution : Yes
Employer Contribution : Yes

police acted within their rights.

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Under cross-examination by Mr G Kuhn, for the State, Mr Cele said he was hurrying back to his shack to avoid teargas, which was fired by police.

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Protesters 'wanted to confront policemen'

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Court Reporter

A POLICEMAN told the Magistrate's Court yesterday that the crowd who marched to Parliament from St George's Cathedral in June aimed to "have a confrontation with the police".

Captain H D Oosthuizen was giving evidence in the trial of Mr Anton Pierrie Roux, 24, of Ednan Road, Rondebosch, and Mr David Louis Borchers, 28, of Rosmead Avenue, Kenilworth.

They pleaded not guilty to contravening the Internal Security Act by attending an illegal gathering alternatively demonstrating in the open air near Parliament on June 10.

Capt Oosthuizen said he and 30 other policemen were called to the Cathedral, where they saw a group of about 150 people moving towards the Parliament buildings.

He gave them three minutes to disperse as they were constituting an illegal gathering. After about 10 minutes, some of the crowd had moved and he had ordered his men to sjambok the rest.

Cross-examined by Mr J Murphy for the accused, Capt Oosthuizen said he had tried to stop the crowd from entering Parliament to deliver a petition to the State President. He conceded that a group of about six people had entered Parliament with the petition before the crowd arrived.

Capt Oosthuizen said police arrested only two men and a woman — although the group had "definitely" acted unlawfully.

The three had been holding a placard displaying Nelson Mandela's face, singing and making the "black power sign". The hearing was adjourned to November 28.

Mr G Rossouw was the magistrate. Mr C Gavin prosecuted.

Burnt body found in EP

PRETORIA. — The body of an unidentified person, so badly burnt that the sex and race of the victim could not be determined, was found at Veeplaas in the Eastern Province late on Wednesday night, the Bureau for Information reported yesterday.

The report said the body was discovered by security forces.

Boy sues Minister: Judgment reserved

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Supreme Court Reporter

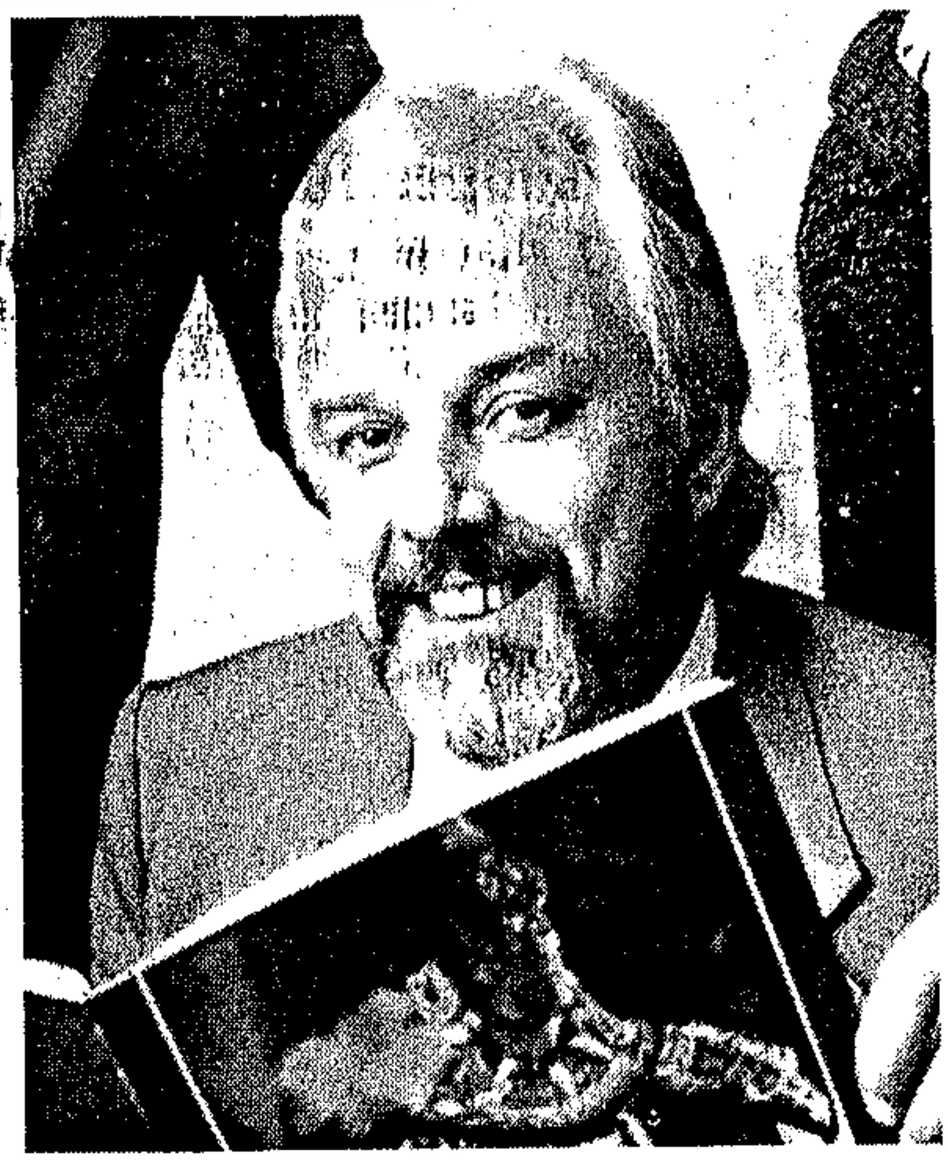
JUDGMENT has been reserved in the action brought against the Minister of Law and Order by a 15-year-old Bellville schoolboy crippled when he was shot by a policeman.

The boy's original claim of R100 000 damages has been reduced to R15 000.

He was shot in the back by Captain Ockert van Schalkwyk, head of South African Police's Bellville riot unit, on September 5 last year. A plastic bullet lodged in his back and resulted in his losing the use of his left leg.

The boy claimed he was walking home from his grandmother's house when he passed a group throwing stones at motorists. He saw police approaching and when the stone-throwers ran he instinctively started running too.

Captain van Schalkwyk claimed the boy threw a stone at his vehicle. He gave chase and fired to prevent the boy escaping.



Mr John Lancaster

Taximen seek help

TOWNSHIP taxi owners are to seek co-operation from the government in an effort to end the taxi war which has already claimed the lives of two drivers and wrecked 30 vehicles.

Representatives from the rival "legal" and "pirate" taxi factions met in a Cape Town hotel yesterday to thrash out a strategy which would enable the two camps to compete peacefully and on equal terms.

Part of the package includes government involvement — possibly the issuing of more permits to "legalize" the pirates — but neither group would divulge the details of yesterday's talks.

The national adviser for the South African Black Taxi Association (Sabta), Mr James Chapman, mediated at the meeting but said decisions taken by the two groups would be released only tomorrow at a general meeting in Khayelitsha.

Mr Chapman said he would present the package to "various government departments" in Pretoria on Monday.

He was optimistic that the resolution taken at the meeting would "put an end to the strife".

Women, children march

BEIRUT. — Hundreds of Lebanese, mostly women and children, thronged the streets of mainly Muslim West Beirut yesterday in a protest against what they call "the war of starvation".

Many shops, banks and schools shut for one hour in a sympathy strike against soaring prices, food

5 arrested for having mementos

HARARE. — Five elderly whites have been arrested in Bulawayo for having offensive memorabilia and are likely to be brought to court soon, lawyers here said yesterday.

They said the five, including two women and a retired army colonel in their late 60s, had been detained on Monday after police raided their offices.

The sources said the whites belonged either to the Legion, a body of British ex-servicemen in Zimbabwe, or the Pioneer Association established by the first white settlers in what was then known as Rhodesia.

Police had found plaques of former Rhodesian Premier Ian Smith, stamps which bore words such as "Remember Rhodesia" and a record entitled "Rhodesia, Brave and Beautiful" among several other items, they said.

The five, whose names have not been disclosed, spent Monday night in police cells but were later freed on bail pending trial. Their travel documents were seized.

Possession of offensive souvenirs, mostly items which commemorate Rhodesia and the government that declared illegal independence from Britain in 1965, is illegal in Zimbabwe.

The offences carry a fine of up to R120, the sources added. — Sapa-Reuter

Pupil, 17, gets three years for stone-throwing

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Tygerberg Bureau

A 17-year-old matriculation pupil has been jailed for three years for his part in the stoning of vehicles at a school in Bonteheuwel.

Four other pupils, Erugaan Lee, Neil Bartlet, Faizel Meyer and Michael Paulsen, all 18, were acquitted in the Parow Regional Court of charges of public violence.

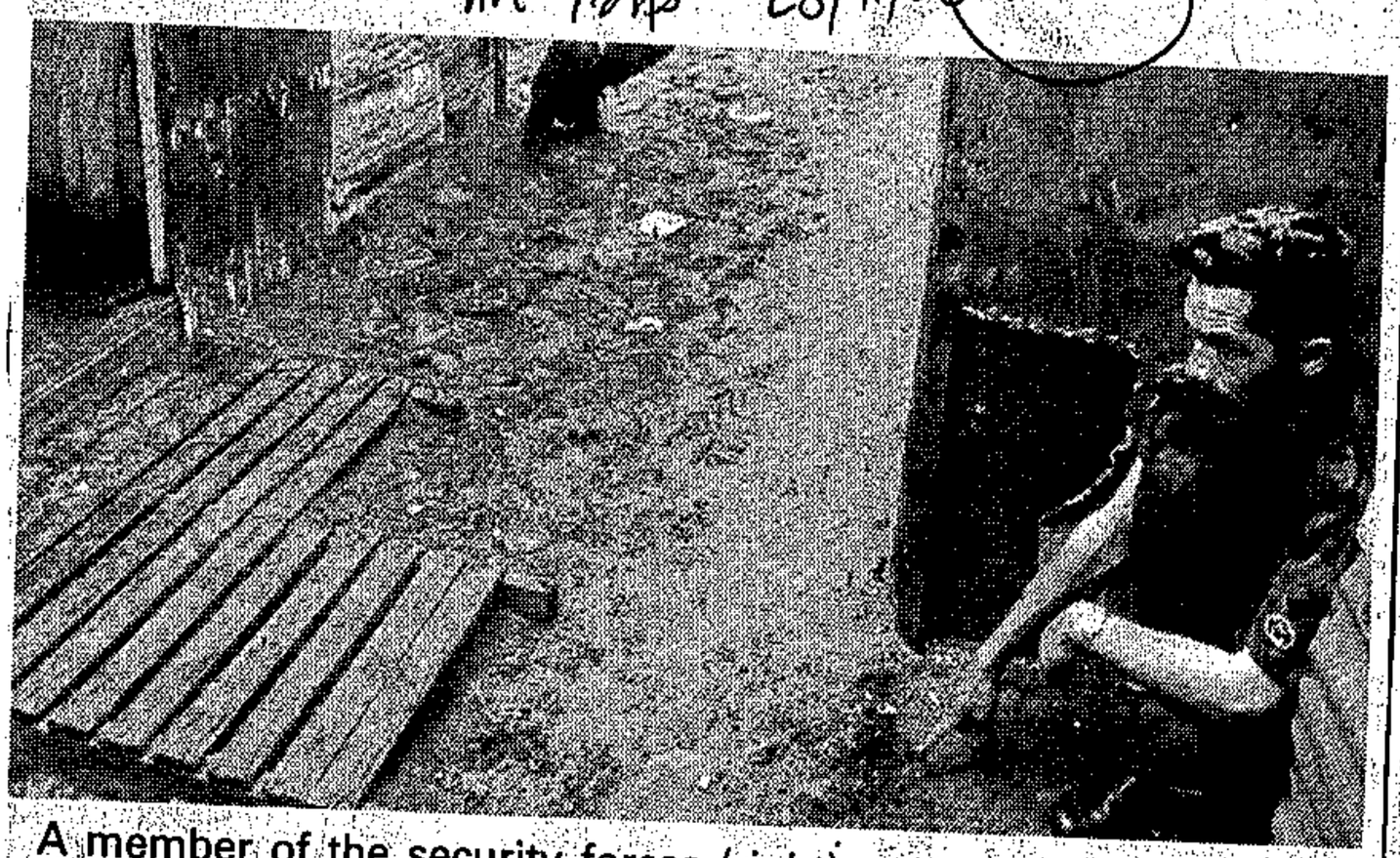
The court heard that a bakkie and a lorry were stoned at a Bonteheuwel school in April.

Five men were unloading fencing from the vehicles when they were attacked. One, Mr Gerald Williams, told the court he had seen the 17-year-old throw a half-brick.

The youth denied being among the rioters and throwing stones. He said he had watched.

Mr J Venter was on the Bench and Mr J Lückhoff appeared for the State.

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A member of the security forces (right) squats where a grenade exploded next to the house injuring two policemen in the KTC squatter camp during a crime prevention operation yesterday morning.

Cape Times 28/11/86

Boy, 15, helped burn down factory

Staff Reporter

A 15-YEAR-OLD boy who helped burn down a factory was convicted in Paarl Regional Court yesterday of sabotage.

He appeared with three men, who were also found guilty of sabotage. The four burnt down a plastics factory in Oudtshoorn in July.

The 15-year-old was sentenced to five years, suspended for five years on condition that he is not found guilty of a similar offence or an offence involving the use of violence.

Donavan Saayman, 19, was sentenced to seven years, three of which were suspended for five years. The same conditions apply to his suspension.

Johannes Altau Boesak, 19, was sentenced to seven years and Michael Frans, 22, to eight years.

ANC objectives

The four said they burnt the factory for political reasons because they were opposed to apartheid and supported the objectives of the African National Congress.

The magistrate, Mr A J Burger, heard that the four believed in violence to bring about change and that "industry is part of the oppressive structures in the country, and should be destroyed".

The youths said the only way to bring about change now was by violence.

They said they supported the Freedom Charter and Joe Slovo. They regarded Mr Nelson Mandela as their leader.

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Minister sued after shotgun injuries

Supreme Court Reporter

A LANGA mother is suing the Minister of Law and Order for damages of R20 000, claiming that police unlawfully shot her 15-year-old son in the back, head and neck, blinding his left eye which later had to be removed.

Mrs Violet Magwaca of Zone 3 claims that on October 19 last year, uniformed police fired a shotgun at her child near the terminus in Washington Road, Langa.

Medical evidence was that shotgun pellets found in the boy's back, head and neck suggested that he had been shot from behind with his head turned to the side.

The minister admits that uniformed police fired birdshot on the date in question but denies that they shot the boy.

He claims police were threatened by a crowd throwing stones "to the extent that they were in fear of their lives or limbs and fired in self-defence against the imminent aggression".

The boy, now 16, is to give evidence today.

Mr Acting Justice B Hoberman presided. Mr J Krige, instructed by Buchanan Boyes, appeared for Mrs Magwaca. Miss A M de Swardt, instructed by the State Attorney, appeared for the minister.

Boy who lost eye 'helped by Comrades'

By CLARE HARPER

A BOY who claims he was "unjustly" shot by police yesterday told the Supreme Court how Comrades had helped get him to hospital.

He said he and two friends had hidden on the roof of single quarters in Langa where Comrades had taken birdshot from his body with their badges.

The boy's mother claims that her son lost his right eye in the shooting. She is suing the Minister of Law and Order for R21 003.

The minister is opposing the claim and has admitted that police did fire birdshot on that day, but only in self-defence against stone-throwers.

The shooting allegedly took place in Washington Road, Langa, on October 19 last year.

The boy, now 16, said he and his friends heard shots while on their way to a shop. He had turned to see where the shots had been fired from and was hit.

He said the three fled into a toilet and later to the single quarters.

Questioned by police

He said Comrades had also been hiding there and "they noticed my right eye was damaged and someone looked for a car to take me to hospital".

At Conradie Hospital he was questioned by police.

Mr Acting Justice A J Hoberman asked the boy what he had told the policemen.

"They told me I had been throwing stones. I told them I did not throw stones."

When asked under cross-examination why he did not lay a charge, he said: "I did not know that if a person is shot by police unjustly that person could go and make a charge."

The case was adjourned until Tuesday.

Mr J Krige, instructed by Buchanan Boyes, appeared for the plaintiff. Mr M de Swart appeared for the minister.

Two die in PE taxi war

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CP Correspondent

TWO Port Elizabeth residents died and three taxi drivers were injured as thousands of rival East Cape pirate taxi-drivers battled for control of the PE/King William's Town highway this week.

New Brighton pirate taxi-driver Fanisile Sebetu, 35, was found hacked dead on Sunday.

A female pedestrian died last week in a highspeed car chase between rival PE pirate taxi factions.

Three PE taximen have also been lightly injured in the fourteen-day taxi war.

Sebetu's body was found by police near Swartskop. He was originally from King William's Town and apparently backed that town's drivers.

He is to be buried on Saturday in King William's Town. But his family are in a quandary – "We don't know if it will be safe to use pirate taxis to get to the funeral," Sebetu's mother told *City Press*.

Commuters fear being waylaid en route to King William's Town. Over the past two weeks, angry PE pirateers have stopped King William's Town pirateers in Grahamstown and beating them up.

● In Port Elizabeth, calm seems to have returned to the estimated 6 000 pirate drivers.

Yesterday, civic leaders met with the feuding drivers and, according to reliable sources, a peace accord was struck and the New Brighton taxi rank should be operating soon.

● Meanwhile another CP Correspondent reports that the taxi war between legal and illegal taxi operators on the lucrative route between Cape Town townships and suburbs took a new turn when the Western Province Black Taxi Association met representatives of the Southern African Taxi Association to review the feud.

The meeting followed violent clashes between registered and illegal taxis last week. Several people were injured and one man was allegedly killed.

SABTA national adviser James Chapman said after the meeting the problems between the two groups had not yet been resolved, but he was confident they would be soon.

KTC blast – 3 hurt

THREE policemen were injured in a grenade blast at the KTC squatter camp in Guguletu yesterday, a police spokesman said.

According to the spokesman the policemen were on a crime prevention operation when a grenade was thrown at them.

They were rushed to hospital and the Bureau for Information is expected to issue a statement. – Sapa.

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Man killed in Langa

PRETORIA. — The Bureau for Information reports that Mr E Thetchi, 32, was killed by birdshot and Mrs J Manjiya was wounded when "five black persons surrounded and threatened a security force member" in Nyanga on Sunday.

News in Brief

'Lights out' in PE

PORT ELIZABETH — Residents of the black townships here have been urged to switch off their lights on December 16 from 7pm to 9pm and light candles to launch 10 days of unity against apartheid and the state of emergency. This was said yesterday by a spokesman for local organizations supporting the "Christmas Against the Emergency" campaign.

Blinded boy: Father sues law minister

Sup Court Reporter

Supreme Court Reporter

A GUGULETU father is suing the Minister of Law and Order for damages of R35 000, claiming police unlawfully or negligently shot his son, then 14.

Mr Richard Dlanyamandla claims in papers before the Supreme Court that his child was shot in the face in Crossroads on February 19 last year. As a result the child lost his right eye and was also wounded in the nose, head and left shoulder.

The boy, now 16, told the court yesterday his father had asked him to go to his sister's house in Crossroads in the morning.

People were burning tyres in Lansdowne Road and police were shooting. On the way home he emerged from behind a building when a period of silence led him to believe it was safe. He was then shot in the face.

The minister admits that police were on duty at Crossroads that day, that some "discharged firearms", and that "members of the public were struck by projectiles fired from the said firearms".

He claims this shooting was lawful and that he "bears no knowledge as to whether or not plaintiff's minor son was shot as alleged".

The child must have been aware it was unsafe to venture upon the streets, he said.

Alternatively, he was to blame because he "associated with and/or remained in the presence of persons breaking the law" or "acted in such a way as to cause members of the police to believe he had associated himself with persons breaking the law".

Miss Justice L van den Heever presided. Mr E Becker, instructed by Mallinick Ress Richman and Closenberg, appeared for the plaintiff. Mr D Uijs, instructed by the State Attorney, appeared for the minister.

Demolitions probed

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Staff Reporter

CHARGES of malicious damage to property and theft are being investigated following the demolition of six shacks in Khayelitsha last week, a police spokesman confirmed yesterday.

Further charges of arson are being investigated following the partial destruction of one of the shacks in an incident last month.

The leader of the Lingelethu Committee, Mr M Hoza, this week admitted destroying shacks and a community centre in retaliation for the destruction of houses by the rival committee of Mr Isaac Gwiliza.

The spokesman for the Site C and Site B Action Committee, Mr Thomas Ngwane, laid a complaint after his shack was partly burnt last month. He laid another complaint after his home was demolished last week.

Families flee after clash

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A VIOLENT clash between Indian and African youths has led to about 100 Indian families fleeing their homes.

They abandoned their homes in Thornwood, near Pinetown, after two of them were set alight.

By yesterday only two Indians families were still in the settlement.

Mr David Kithi Mthembu, Thornwood Residents' Association chairman, said the clash between the youths took place when a group of Indians seriously assaulted two Africans.

By GEORGE MAHABEER

Last Saturday night a group of African youngsters, who do not live in Thornwood, arrived and set two Indian homes alight.

"The next morning the owner of the land which we all occupy, Mr Harry Sewpujan, left the area to live with his brother in Verulam," Mr Mthembu said.

"Other Indians living on his property also began leaving."

Mr Mthembu's association is to hold a meeti[illegible]y to discuss the pr[illegible]



A week before the second State of Emergency, KTC squatters (foreground) prepare to defend their homes against advancing 'witdoeke' Picture: Afrapix

In 2 days flat: The fastest, cheapest, bloodiest 'forced removal' ever

Armed vigilantes achieved in two days what the state failed to do in ten years: raze the Cape squatter camp of Crossroads. MOIRA LEVY reports

IN 1986 the state finally accomplished something it had struggled for almost 10 years to achieve: Crossroads squatter camp, an international symbol of the resistance of ordinary men and women to state control over their lives, was virtually wiped out.

Between 60 000 and 70 000 people were left homeless and their entire settlements razed in two days, as bands of armed vigilantes, allegedly with the aid of South African Defence Force troops and police, carried out what was described at the time as "the fastest and cheapest forced removal we have ever seen".

This year saw the introduction of an ominous new factor in forced removals: vigilante forces, like the one at Crossroads and the nearby KTC camp, took up where the old bulldozer tactics left off.

Countless affidavits by squatters, doctors, priests and journalists describe vigilantes attacking residents and torching their homes and allege widescale official collusion in the destruction of Crossroads and KTC.

Today Crossroads is being rebuilt exactly according to the state plans so long resisted by the residents. The population has been cut to a tenth of what it used to be, and approximately 25 000 "original settlers" permitted to stay will be accommodated on serviced plots with high mast lighting and streets that are wide enough for a Casspir to patrol.

The rest have been given no choice but to set up home in the resettlement township of Khayelitsha 30km out of town, a move they have resisted for years, even spurning an earlier government offer of 18-month permits to live in the urban area and a stay on all evictions of illegal migrants on condition they agree to the move.

The authorities have been adamant; with barbed wire they sealed off the land where the squatters used to live.

Shacks hastily re-erected elsewhere in the bush were pulled down by the authorities, and squatters who sought refuge in churches, school halls or other refugee centres were hounded and harassed intermittently during much of the second half of 1986.

A number of religious leaders were charged under the Urban Areas Act for sheltering black squatters in a "white" area.

Officials from the Department of Community Services went on record as saying that no relief would be provided for the homeless squatters because there were "ample facilities" at Khayelitsha.

The intention was quite clear. "It is part of a master plan to flush the people out from wherever they are and force them to move to Khayelitsha," the National Committee Against Removals (NCAR) said at the time.

For the most part it has succeeded. But by the end of the year newly established shack settlements had sprung up in the dense bush alongside the national road and on vacant ground in the townships, including "Oscar Mpetha Square", a small plot opposite the home of the jailed trade unionist and community leader.

Harassment continues apace. Some of the squatters have been arrested and charged with tresspassing, and they claim police have threatened to set the "witdoeke" vigilantes onto them.

The destruction of Crossroads and the KTC squatter camp demonstrates clearly how the authorities have adapted to the government's February 1985 announcement that forced removals are to end.

This year the authorities have virtually perfected post-1985 forced removals, using a combination of tresspass and anti-squatting legislation, land privatisation and homeland consolidation.

The language of forced removals has been replaced with talk of "orderly urbanisation", "slum clearance", "rural development" and "clearing of health and fire hazards".

And the NCAR has pointed to the use this year of security legislation and State of Emergency regulations to undermine the communities' resistance to threatened removals.

Since the State of Emergency was declared, "the timetable for threatened removals has been speeded up", the NCAR concludes in its latest newsletter.

During the past six months a wave of removals has threatened thousands country-wide:

●4 000 residents of Langa and Despatch, near Uitenhage, have been moved to a tent town in KwaNobuhle, about 15km away.

Authorities claim the people moved voluntarily, but monitoring groups allege the authorities took advantage of the fact that the communities were in disarray following the detention of their leaders.

The people of Kabah, in Langa, were moved, while still awaiting an urgent Supreme Court application contesting removal, after the residents of the adjacent white suburb of Levyvale petitioned the Minister of Law and Order fearing a backlash after police shot dead 20 at a funeral last year.

By the end of the year, virtually the whole of Langa will have been cleared.

●Despite a reprieve for all but the "illegal" squatters living in the East London township of Duncan Village, 3 000 families were recently told they would have to move, probably to Mdantsane in the Ciskei, to make way for upgrading.

●As a result of the government's policy of economic privatisation, an estimated 4 000 peasants in the Leliefontein Reserve in Namaqualand stand to be forced off the land they have for centuries used for grazing and cultivation.

●The community of Lawaaikamp outside George recently won a reprieve on a December 31 deadline for removal, but this came only after more than 1 000 residents had already moved to the site and service scheme at Sandkraal, 5km outside town.

●The people of the township of Oukasie near Brits posed a problem for the authorities. Their settlement was only 3km away from Elandsrand, a National Party seat under hard challenge from the Conservative Party.

In October, the state came out with a unique solution. With the stroke of a pen, the 55-year-old Oukasie was disestablished.

The residents are now technically breaking both the Squatters Act and the Group Areas Act.

●In a similarly deft action, the state moved the communities of Machakaneng, Braklaagte and Bloedfontein without any signs of forced removal. The borders were redrawn and they were made a part of Bophuthatswana by legislative incorporation into the homeland.

●The people of Rala, near East London, who were dumped at the roadside by the Ciskeian authorities in September, have been accommodated by the nearby Kwelera community back in South Africa.

But they may well soon find themselves back in the Ciskei: Kwelera is a "black spot" scheduled for removal as part of homeland consolidation.

●Port Elizabeth's Red Location is the latest community caught in the wave of removals. Its 2 500 residents have been told to move to Motherwell.

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Forensic expert testifies in case against Minister

Supreme Court Reporter

A PERSON hit by birdshot fired from two metres would be lucky to survive, said a forensic expert testifying in a civil trial in which the Minister of Law and Order is being sued for R51 975 by a Salt River woman.

Mrs Jawaya Carelse alleges that her husband Ebrahim, deeds office messenger to a city attorneys' firm, was shot dead "wrongfully and intentionally, alternatively negligently" on September 5 in a neighbour's house.

The hearing started in October but was postponed for forensic evidence after a dispute arose about the clothes Mr Carelse was wearing.

Dr D J Klatzow, a private forensic specialist, said yesterday that a Luminol test revealed traces of blood on the shirt and jersey Mrs Carelse said her husband wore.

The test is used when bloodstains are not visible. Mrs Carelse said she washed the garments immediately after the shooting.

Captain P J Joubert, of the South African Police forensic laboratory, testified earlier that the test had shown no bloodstains and the garments had marks which he would not have expected if they had been washed.

Dr Klatzow said negative results from police tests did not surprise him because chemicals used during the Luminol test might break down the blood so that it did not show up in later tests.

A shotgun fired with No 5 shot from 2m, as Lieutenant John Baird said he had to stop Mr Carelse fleeing after he saw him about to petrol-bomb a shop, would be "extremely dangerous at best" and a person wounded under these conditions would be fortunate to survive, said Dr Klatzow.

(Proceeding)

Grandmother tells of police shooting

By SHAUNA WESTCOTT
Supreme Court Reporter

A SALT RIVER grandmother told the Supreme Court yesterday of the "sickening feeling" she got when a policeman she discovered in her home one night asked if he could use the phone to call an ambulance.

Mrs Sadea van der Schyff, of 17 Burns Road, was giving evidence in a R51 975 damages suit brought against a police lieutenant and the Minister of Law and Order by the widow of Mr Ebrahim Carelse.

Mr Carelse was shot in the head from two metres by Lieutenant John Baird, then a warrant officer, on the evening of September 5 last year.

Petrol bomb

His widow, Mrs Jawaya Carelse, claims he was peacefully visiting the Van der Schyffs, who lived opposite their Burns Road home, en route to meeting pilgrims returned from Mecca that day, when a policeman burst into the house and shot him at the back door.

Lt Baird admitted shooting Mr Carelse but claimed it was after he was spotted with a burning petrol-bomb in his hand and fled from police into the house.

Mrs Van der Schyff told the court she was at the pilgrims' house, also in Burns Road, when her daughter-in-law told her at about 9pm: "Mommy, you better go down to your house because there is some disturbance and the kids are all outside."

At her house she saw people running and shouting in the street but didn't take much notice because her main concern was to get her grand-children, who were playing on the stoep, inside.

She shooed them inside, remembers one of them pulling at her while she was reprimanding another, and then heard a loud "bang" which she thought was a car backfiring outside.

A silence fell and one of the children said: "Granny, there's a policeman in the back."

She was shocked to see the uniformed man in her passage and asked him what he was doing in her house.

"He asked me something like 'I just want to ring the ambulance, have you got a phone?' and I got that sickening feeling in me that something was wrong. It just clicked in my mind. I never answered him. I just ran to the back and saw Ebrahim Carelse lying there bleeding.

"He was looking at me with glazed eyes and I took hold of his hands and I was rubbing them. The policeman came and I said 'Why did you shoot this man?' and he said 'These are the people causing all the trouble.'

Mrs Van der Schyff said the victim was like a son to her and confided in she and her husband.

"He never expressed an interest in politics. His interest was sport and he was very fond of singing. Also he was a bit of a clown. He couldn't pronounce 'r' sounds and we took great delight in that."

Asked by the bench to comment on police claims that Mr Carelse was seen with a petrol bomb in his hands, she said: "Yes, that came up the next day when three Casspirs came to my place to question me. I told them why didn't the policeman mention petrol bombs that night?

- "I know it's not the truth. He was not a person like that. He was a jolly person. He spent most of his time watching TV with us and liked to talk about horse racing and religion. We used to talk to him about Mecca."

Shot Uncle Hima

Earlier two of Mrs Van der Schyff's grandchildren told the court they saw Mr Carelse leave his own house and walk across the street to where they were playing.

One said he followed "Uncle Hima" down the passage to the kitchen because they wanted to look over the wall to see what was going on in the street.

Mr Carelse told him to wait and was opening the backdoor when a policeman ran past the child. "He said nothing. He just shot Uncle Hima," the child said.

The case continues on Monday.

Mr Acting Justice B Hoberman presided. Mr R P Hoffman, instructed by Herbsteins, appeared for Mrs Carelse. Mr W J Louw, instructed by the State Attorney, appeared for the defendants.

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A-G can't confirm newsmen charged

By EBRAHIM MOOSA

THE Attorney-General of the Cape, Mr Niel Rossouw, was yesterday unable to confirm a report in the pro-Nationalist Rapport newspaper that two Cape Times journalists have been charged with violating the Police Act.

Mr Rossouw said he was "aware" of the case against Mr Chris Bateman and Mr Tony Weaver but had not personally worked on it and therefore could not confirm the report.

Yesterday, a surprised Mr Weaver said he had not been informed about any charges against him.

Mr Bateman is away on holiday in Zululand and could not be contacted.

The two journalists are alleged to have breached the Police Act in reporting events surrounding the killing of seven suspected ANC guerillas in a police ambush near Guguletu in March this year.

Mr Rossouw said he was "distressed" at the fact that information had been leaked to the media before the persons charged had been notified.

"I will definitely make an inquiry into the matter."

He said that someone from his staff of 27 people could have issued the order in his name.

Charges after beach battles

Own Correspondent

FOUR people have been charged with public violence and two youths charged for assault in connection with the race riots on Amanzimtoti's and Durban's northern beaches over the holiday period.

A police spokesman said that in Amanzimtoti the SAP arrested one black man after a white holidaymaker laid a charge of assault with the police.

A Police spokesman in Durban said that five men were arrested in connection with the violence on the Country Club beaches on Friday afternoon.

He said four of the youths were charged with public violence while a fifth man was charged for assault and possession of a dangerous weapon.

On Saturday and yesterday the beaches were quiet.

Police, govt officials 'refused to intervene'

Staff Reporter

POLICE and government officials refused to intervene earlier this month between warring factions in Khayelitsha, the Supreme Court has been told.

Last week Mr Acting Justice R G Comrie granted squatter leaders a temporary urgent interdict restraining community leader Mr Mali Hoza and nine others from involvement in any attacks on people or property in Khayelitsha's sites B and C.

The respondents were also ordered to rebuild five houses and a community centre allegedly demolished by Mr Hoza's followers on December 2 and 3.

Crowbars

The order was granted on an application brought by Mr Mtati Fulani, chairman of a committee representing about 9 000 people living in Section C of Site C and seven others.

In papers before the court, Mr Fulani blamed members of Mr Hoza's committee and others for demolishing the buildings.

He claimed that 19 men, 15 of them unknown to him, came to his four-roomed corrugated iron house about 4pm on December 2 armed with guns, hammers and crowbars. They had set about his shack and destroyed it, he said.

Mr Fulani claimed he had gone to Khayelitsha police station to lodge a complaint after the destruction of his home, but had been told that there was no station commander at hand and that he should come back the next day.

"I decided to go to the Mitchells Plain police station to seek help but was told there that Khayelitsha was beyond their jurisdiction."

Mr Fulani claimed he returned home to learn that two other houses and a community hall had been destroyed by "persons from Mr Hoza's committee" and others that afternoon.

"I decided to seek assistance from Athlone police station. A policemen there phoned Khayelitsha to ask why I was not being assisted and told me to return there, which I did by about 9pm.

"A police officer, one Mayongo, simply informed me that the police could not interfere when houses were being demolished and the only solution to my problem was to report it to the Development Board."

A meeting was held at the local Development Board office, attended by Mr Hoza with other respondents and Mr Fulani with other members of the Joint Action Committee (JAC) formed by elements in Site B and Site C.

Mr Fulani alleged that at the meeting one of the respondents, Mr Mncedisi Maqhula, said: "The people whose houses have been broken down know why we have done so. We will continue breaking down houses ... Fulani, who used to work hand in hand with us, has now joined the Site B committee and is a member of the JAC. Fulani has joined the 'maqabane'.

"The English interpretation of 'maqabane' is 'comrades', a term loosely given by the respondents to people they do not like."

He claimed that at the meeting Mr Hoza told JAC members: "You are the comrades. You were the comrades from Crossroads and we attacked you in Crossroads and we are going to continue to attack you over here ... Here you have to listen to the rules, if you cannot do that you have to move out."

Mr Fulani alleged that a Development Board official, one Mr Lawrence, supported Mr Hoza's stance on "listening to the rules", adding that he was not going to blame anyone for the "incident" because "the meeting was not a court".

'Unsympathetic'

Mr Fulani said he asked Mr Lawrence if they could rebuild their demolished homes. "He replied that he could not consent to this because he was not sure if Mr Hoza would come back and destroy the houses.

"It is apparent that neither the police at Khayelitsha nor the Development Board are prepared to protect or assist us in our predicament, nor are they prepared to take any steps to prevent further acts of violence on the part of the respondents. On the contrary, both Mr Lawrence and the Khayelitsha police are antagonistic and unsympathetic to our plight."

The hearing was postponed to February 18.