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Sports areas for Blacks in Pietermaritzburg λ

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*5. Mr G W MILLS asked the Minister of Bantu Administration and Development:

(1) (a) What assistance has been provided to (i) acquire sports areas for Blacks in Pietermaritzburg, (ii) develop such areas and (iii) provide amenities at these sports areas and (b) where are these sports areas situated,

(2) whether it is his intention that Black sports areas should have the same amenities as those for Whites

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF BANTU ADMINISTRATION AND EDUCATION

(1) (a) (i) An area, 50 hectare in extent has been set aside in the planning of the Imbali/Edendale/New Politique area for this purpose There are two existing soccer fields

(ii) Four tennis courts and one community hall (with facilities for boxing and weight lifting) have been planned by the Drakensberg Bantu Affairs Administration Board

Three soccer fields, three tennis courts (of which two are at present under construction) and a golf course are provided for on the general plan

(iii) Apart from two existing soccer stadiums, a sports stadium as well as the normal amenities for two tennis courts are at present under construction while a further soccer stadium has been planned

(b) In the Imbali/Edendale/New Politique area

(2) Yes

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Use by Blacks of White sport facilities in Pietermaritzburg

*4. Mr. G W. MILLS asked the Minister of Bantu Administration and Development:

Whether he received requests for the use by Blacks of White sport facilities in Pietermaritzburg between 1970 and 1975; if so, (a) from whom, (b) when were the requests received and (c) what was (i) the nature of and (ii) his reply to these requests

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF BANTU ADMINISTRATION AND EDUCATION:

Yes.

(a) The Natal Golf Association and The Pietermaritzburg Round Table

(b) On 18 August 1972 and 16 October 1972.

(c) (i) To stage a non-White tournament on the Maritzburg Golf Course
To allow two Bantu soccer teams to play at the Jan Smuts Stadium

(ii) The application of 18 August 1972 was approved and the application of 16 October 1972 was turned down.

Mr. G W. MILLS: Mr. Speaker, arising out of the reply of the hon the Deputy Minister, will he, where separate amenities do not exist permit local authorities to decide whether the existing amenities may be shared?

The DEPUTY MINISTER All applications are submitted through the proper channels to the Administration Boards and the department for approval The same procedure will apply in future Final approval will have to be obtained from the department

N Mercury 17/4/75

PIER FISHING FOR ALL RACES

Mercury Reporter

DURBAN'S North and South Piers have been opened to fishermen of all race groups.

This was confirmed yesterday by Mr. Ben Lombard, acting System Manager in Natal for the South African Railways and Harbours, who said the step was taken earlier this month.

Sections of both piers were previously restricted to the use of one particular race group only.

When Mr. Lombard, who is also Durban's Port Director, introduced his two-shift system in Durban Harbour last January, to combat shipping congestion, anglers lost some of their fishing grounds.

They were no longer allowed to fish where ships were working, and only between 4 a.m. and 10 p.m., and cars were forbidden within the harbour precincts.

"Because I tightened up and made fishing grounds smaller I decided to open the piers," said Mr. Lombard.

There are, however, still racial restrictions within the harbour.

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Moves to ban petty apartheid

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Natal Mercury 23/4/75

From MIKE DERRY
PIETERMARITZBURG

RASTIC moves to eliminate petty apartheid in ie capital are almost ertain to be approved y the City Council here t its next meeting.

The Council, which has aken the lead in South frica in opening civic acilities to all races will nsider allowing all races to make use of Natal's largest and most modern library now nearing completion.

Following representations by the Pietermaritzburg African Welfare Society to the Finance Policy and General Purpose Committee yesterday, the Council is to ask the Drakensberg Bantu Affairs Board and the Chamber of Commerce to take action in providing restaurant facilities for Africans in the city centre.

And an application by the Indian Local Affairs Committee to throw open the Northdale Civic Hall to all races is sure to be supported by the Council — which will more than likely be asked to make representations to the Government.

In the agenda released yesterday morning the Natal Society, which controls the library, asked the Council to remove the word "European" from the agreement between the Society and the Council.

According to the pr sent agreement with th Council only Whites ca borrow books from th library.

It was learnt yesterda that the committee ha discussed the applicatio and had agreed to sup port it.

Both other application were also treate favourably.

Natal Mercury Reporter 26/4/75

BLACKS would be welcome to dine and drink in Natal's top hotels and restaurants, a survey showed last night.

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The new legislation announced in Parliament this week was called "fantastic news" by the manager of the La Dolce Vita restaurant, Mr. L. Rinaldi.

In terms of the Liquor Amendment Bill, licencees will have to apply annually to the Minister of Justice for special authority to serve Blacks.

Restaurateurs quizzed last night said the type of person frequenting their establishments was of "high class" and none had any objection.

"We have been waiting a long time to be able to open our doors to all races," a spokesman for the British Middle East Indian Sporting and Dining Club said.

"I really don't see why not," was the reaction of the managers of Umhlanga's Golden Hawk and Durban's Friars restaurants.

Plushest

The public relations officer of the giant Southern Sun Hotels group, Mrs. Adele Lucas, said from Johannesburg that the new legislation would enlarge the scope of admitting clientele.

Southern Suns runs the Edward, Elangeni, Beverly Hills and Malibu Hotels in Durban, the Blue Marlin at Scottburgh and the restaurants in the hotels are among the most plush.

"It will definitely make things much easier, and we are happy with this decision," said a spokesman for the Blue Waters Hotel.

The manager of the Cabana Beach Hotel said last night they would be making application for a license.

"If a man has got the money to pay his way then he is welcome. We are moving swiftly into the mixing of ethnic groups and we must keep pace," he said.

The Crayfish Inn at Ramsgate, on the Natal South Coast is not in favour of the move.

Mrs. Noel Quarry, the owner, said: "I don't think I'm for it. They have their own culture and own way of life, and I believe they are not ready for this move.

"They should have their own restaurants. This idea will not work."

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OLYMPIC POOL FOR ALL RACES

Municipal Reporter Natal Mercury 6/5/75

DURBAN'S new Olympic-size swimming pool will definitely be designed for multi-racial use, the Town Clerk, Mr. E. G. Godwin, said last night.

He said the City Council was "looking to the future" in planning the pool for use by all races, but no decisions had yet been taken as to how or when the various races would use the pool.

"A lot will depend on where the pool is sited," Mr. Godwin added.

"If it is near a White residential area, the residents may use the pool as their district pool, and similarly if it is in a Black area."

He added that the pool, which is to cost R800 000, would be used for multi-national, international, provincial and inter-provincial galas.

Enough grandstand facilities would be provided to enable all races to attend.

The City Council is to hold discussions with the University of Natal and the Province on the proposed pool.

Centre for Malays

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Mercury Reporter 10/5/75

DURBAN City Council has agreed to provide the Durban Malay community with a site in Sparks Estate to erect a religious and cultural centre to promote the Islamic faith among their children.

This was disclosed yesterday by a spokesman for the Malay Religious and Cultural Trust, whose earlier application to the council had been turned down because of some Coloured objectors.

The Coloured Local Affairs Committee and local non-racial Labour Party leaders had backed the Malay call.

"The City Council has now sympathetically indicated that they would provide us with an alternative site," said the spokesman.

It was turned down because objectors said the centre would cause traffic jams near a steep rise, and lead to accidents.

A spokesman for the Durban Malay Women's Society yesterday denied a report that Malay children were "falling wholesale prey to evangelists who were having a field day converting these children to other faiths."

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LADYSMITH BARS BLACK AUDIENCES AT HALL

Mercury Reporter 28/5/75

LADYSMITH — The Town Council has refused an application from the Ladysmith Repertory Society for non-Whites to attend their stage shows in the town hall.

This was the unanimous decision of six councillors (three had asked for leave of absence) at last night's Town Council meeting.

The Repertory Society at its annual meeting earlier this year gave its committee a mandate to investigate the possibility of the Town Council allowing non-Whites to attend one night of the society's productions.

It was said then that when the repertory productions were staged at the Indian Civic Centre they were well supported.

In turning down the repertory request, the Town Council offered no objections to another application affecting non-Whites.

The Council will advise the Department of Community Development that it has no objections to the application by the Ladysmith Wanderers Cricket Club (White) for a permit for Indian schoolboys to be coached by a White professional at Settlers' Park Sports Ground, Ladysmith.

Residents oppose lavatory siting

Natal Mercury 5/6/75

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Mercury Reporter

PLANS TO add a public lavatory for Blacks to the present Whites' toilet complex in Durban's Mitchell Park have led to fierce opposition from residents of the adjacent Nimmo Road.

The residents, many of whom have lodged objections to the proposal with the City Engineer, claim the Black conveniences will lead to "unsightliness," the presence of "undesirables," and a lowering of property values in the area.

At present Black toilet facilities in Mitchell Park are limited to one lavatory for African women — a concession to nursemaids.

The need for more conveniences for Blacks had come about as a result of the opening of the park to all races.

But the objectors say they are not "questioning the need, but the siting" of the Black lavatories.

A spokesman for the Mitchell Park Nursing Home, one of the objectors, said yesterday: "I don't see why we should have to have African toilets near us — they should put it near the bird sanctuary as this is an exclusive residential area and we don't want to have to watch Africans going to the toilet all day long."

Another objector, Mr. George Fishley, said he was distressed about the prospect of property values in the area being affected.

"Whichever way you look at it to put the lavatories where the City Engineer intends will lower the value of all the buildings in the vicinity. This is an upper-income area where people have invested with confidence but now those investments are being threatened," he said.

The city councillor for the area, Mr. Jock Reilly, said he was "hopeful of being able to plead the case of Nimmo Road residents when the matter comes before committee.

"However," he pointed out, "wherever these Black conveniences are sited there are going to be complaints from people living nearby."

Friday is the last day on which objections to the erection of the lavatories may be lodged and these will be considered three weeks later by the Council's Planning Committee.

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Pleasure centre for Blacks

Mercury Reporter 9/6/75

GYMNASIUM and snooker facilities are included in the plans for the multi-million-rand leisure and eating complex for Africans in Durban's Dalton Road industrial area.

"My board wishes to move away from the old 'bantu beerhall' mentality and atmosphere and provide modern and pleasant places for Blacks to socialise," said Mr. Pierre Neethling, director of business undertakings of the Port Natal Bantu Administration Board, yesterday.

Asked if Blacks themselves, had been consulted he said: "The majority are sports orientated. We have, therefore, discussed some of our plans with club chairmen and secretaries to obtain their reactions.

"We have also thoroughly researched the working population and their need for facilities — not only in the Dalton Road area. The Dalton Road complex is just a beginning," he said.

Questioned about when construction might begin, Mr, Neethling said: "Things are moving a little too slowly for my liking at the moment. We are waiting for the lease agreement and plans from the Durban Corporation. As soon as we have these, we can proceed."

The site for the proposed complex is bounded by Sydney, Williams, Canberra and Dalton Roads and covers 14,069 sq m.

Natal Mercury Reporter 11/6/75

Carve-up rejected by Blacks

THE UMHLALI Town Board was completely opposed to any move to segregate beaches in the area, the board chairman, Mr. W. H. T. Llewellyn, said yesterday.

He said there was a very happy and modern community there, with no friction between Whites and non-Whites.

Mr. Llewellyn was speaking at a meeting convened by the Town and Regional Planning Commission at Ballitoville to hear evidence and examine objections regarding the recent beach designation proposals.

The meeting was chaired by the commission's chairman, Mr. Colin Bennett.

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Mr. Llewellyn was protesting against the commission's draft plan which designates a beach close to Umhlali as Black.

"There is no friction here between the races, apart from an occasional complaint from holiday-makers," he said.

"I, my wife and son are happy to swim with the non-Whites.

"There is no disharmony, but I fear that if beacons are placed on beaches for different races, there might be some disharmony," he said.

PROJECT

Another protest came from a spokesman for Anglo American Properties, which had intended developing a holiday project near Chaka's Rock.

The company said it had bought land for R661 000 and been given the go-ahead by the commission to develop it for high density purposes.

The company felt that if the commission's draft plan providing for a Black beach went through, there would be no possibility of it making use of the beach for development.

Carve-up rejected by Blacks

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN'S Indian and Coloured Local Affairs Committees have rejected the City Council's beach re-zoning plans.

At an informal joint meeting of the LACs, Deputy City Engineer Mr. R. H. A. Webb explained the council's proposed plans for the beaches.

According to the proposals, the Indian beach will be given to Africans; the White Country Club beach and Coloured beach will be given to Indians; and the beach between the African and Country Club beaches will be given to Coloureds.

The LACs rejected the proposals on the basis that they would prefer to discuss the rezoning with all the people concerned.

They were opposed to any racial cutting up of the beaches.

Why they oppose an African beach

Natal Mercury 12/6/75

Mercury Reporter

OBJECTIONS to a proposed African beach at Blythedale Beach were heard yesterday by a Town and Regional Planning Commission sub-committee at Ballitoville.

For the Blythedale Beach Health Committee, Mr. H. W. Farrer said he felt the beach should be situated more southerly as it was "impossible to have an African beach 91m from the White beach."

He also suggested another area set aside for African parking.

The area suggested, near the ski-boat base, would result in Africans having to pass through a White area and park in a White area, he said.

Mr. Farrer added that during the holidays Blythedale Beach was "flooded with Africans." He said they picnicked on the beach and their children played at the water's edge.

Mr. L. Dixon, for a group of property developers, said they owned the ground behind the bathing area.

"A holiday camp is being developed there with 180 chalets fronting on to the beach."

Mr. Dixon said he feared possible trouble with certain holiday makers if the beach was declared African.

Mr. R. J. Rouiaard, speaking for the Sinkwazi Health Committee, said he felt the African beach mooted for the area should be moved farther north because of access trouble.

He said the Sinkwazi community was not against the Africans having a beach, but thought problems may arise over access with the present siting just north of the White beach.

The commission chairman, Mr. Colin Bennett, said at the close that he felt there had been some constructive criticism of the commission's draft plan.

In a brief interview afterwards, Mr. Bennett said he felt the public hearings by the commission were worthwhile and proving fruitful.

The commission meets today in Durban to consider the beaches between Umdloti River and Kingsburgh.

LET US MAKE BEACH MOVE — COUNCIL

Natal Mercury 13/6/75

Mercury Reporter

DURBAN CITY Council yesterday countered a plan by the Town and Regional Planning Commission to turn the city's Country Club beach over to Africans when it suggested instead that the beach be given to Indians.

Council representatives said the move was in line with plans to reallocate certain beaches to providing more facilities for Africans.

Mr. A. Bruce-Brand of the Town Clerk's Department and Mr. G. Morgan from the City Engineer's Department, were giving evidence at a hearing called by the Town and Regional Planning Commission to discuss its recent beach designation proposals.

Mr. Bruce-Brand said the existing zoning of beaches in Durban was vested in the City Council by title.

He said he felt the City Council's proposal should be accepted by the Province and that the commission's proposal should not cut across the existing situation.

Mr. Morgan said: "We have to provide additional facilities for Africans."

The Council's proposals, already approved by the Policy and Finance Committee, gives the Coloured and Country Club beaches to the Indians, the beach between the African and Country Club beaches to the Coloureds and the Indian beach to the Africans. The present African beach would become zoned for Whites.

The move was strongly resisted by Mr. J. N. Reddy, a member of the South African Indian Council who said that the Indians should be left where they were.

He was backed by the chairman of the council, Mr. A. M. Moola, who said the existing beaches should be kept for Indians, plus an additional beach at Beachwood.

A strong protest about the commission's draft plan for a White Umdloti beach was made by Mr. P. Pooval-ingam.

Speaking for the Verulam Town Board, he said that Umdloti was the nearest beach for the town's residents.

African beach near the mouth of the lagoon.

The Isipingo town council intended to develop this lagoon to make it suitable for aquatic sports.

"Rather leave the beach unzoned," he said.

Mr. J. R. Hanlon, town planner of Amanzimtoti, said that the African beaches envisaged by the commission were quite a distance away from the Prospecton industrial area. It would not be possible for workers there to go for a lunch time swim, he said.

"We are worried about the distribution of these beaches," he said.

The Town Clerk of Kingsburgh, Mr. G. C. Mourant, urged that the status quo in the borough be maintained.

He said the commission should think ahead. "In 50 years the whole of Natal will have changed and we will have a very large, multiracial metropolitan area."

Mr. J. Bentley of the Umdloti Health Committee said it seemed basic that the full area of the beach should be controlled by the committee.

"All the ratepayers are White," he said.

Mr. E. Singh, Isipingo's town planner, asked the commission to have a re-think about the suggestion for an

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UP doing Nats' dirty work says Pitman

Sun Trib 15/6/75

By GRAHAM LINSCOTT

MR HARRY PITMAN, Natal leader of the Progressive Party, this week accused the United Party Provincial Administration of doing the Nationalists' "dirty work" in implementing beach apartheid.

He was referring to the hearings of the Natal Town and Regional Planning Commission on the proposed "designation" of beach facilities for different races at various points along the coast.

But Mr Derrick Watterson, MEC with responsibility for Local government, replied angrily that this was "drivel" — and threatened to release the names of Progressive Party and Reform Party supporters who, he said, had written to complain about the possibility of beaches near their property being zoned "Black."

He said he could not release the names at this stage and did not wish to score political points.

"But if they don't stop attacking us for trying to get information, it may well be that in the public interest we might do."

Grovelling

He also promised to investigate any formal complaint by any person illegally ordered off a beach, as happened to Indian fishermen recently at Umdloti.

Mr Pitman said the United Party found itself grovelling in a grey area where it was trying to maintain bits and pieces of apartheid, along with paternalistic-type verligtheid.

"The time for such futile exercises is long past," he said. "The clear-cut alternatives facing South Africa now are either the apartheid of the National Party or the verligte, meaningful sharing of the Progressive and Reform Parties."

He challenged Mr Watterson to say:

● Whether he intends inflicting the Nationalist apartheid policy on an electorate at Umhlali which returned a United Party MP not clearly rejected any racial zoning of its beaches. (Mr W. H. Llewellyn, chairman of the Umhlali Beach Town Board, this week asked the commission to leave the beaches multi-racial. He was supported by Mr J. J. Wessels, chairman of the Ratepayers' Association).

Discrimination

● Whether he will tolerate the illegal removal of people from beaches controlled by his Administration, under the amended Seashore Act, as happened at Umdloti.

● Whether he will tolerate the blatant racial discrimination practised on the beaches by some local authorities, and whether he will investigate the legality or otherwise of this discrimination.

● Whether in this era of detente, there is any point in racially demarcating beaches where no friction exists or has existed in the past.

Mr Pitman said the United Party's involvement in the apartheid policies of the Nationalist Government was distasteful, while the forcible and illegal removal of Blacks from multi-racial beaches was nothing short of scandalous.

"While the United Party continues to talk with a forked tongue about undertaking to dismantle apartheid, yet seeking to impose it at the same time, its contribution to race relations will simply aid the Nationalists in their dirty work," he added.

Facilities

Mr Watterson said the commission had no intention of "zoning" beaches. It was simply establishing where off-beach facilities and amenities could be provided for every race group, where the local authorities themselves had failed.

"I am interested in seeing that our non-White citizens, whether Coloured, Indian or African, get a square deal, which most of the local authorities are not prepared to give them."

Council to hear plea on bigger pool

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN City Council will save R10 000 on an outlay of R261 300, by making the controversial Olympic - length swimming pool for Coloureds four metres shorter than standard width — 21 metres instead of 25 metres.

The full Council will today once more debate the size of the pool.

They have been told the Olympic - sized pool 50m by 25m, will cost R271 300; the four metre narrower pool will cost R261 300; and the small pool they recommended in April this year will cost R216 100 — a saving of R55 200 for a pool only 25m x 25m.

The history of the pool is: the Amenities Committee first recommended an Olympic-size pool, 50m x 25m, in April; the Policy and Finance Committee suggested 25m x 25m; the City Council agreed to smaller pool by one vote.

After appeals to reconsider, the Amenities Committee again recommended 50m x 25m; the Policy and Finance Committee last week suggested 50m x 21m; and the final size will be decided by the Council today.

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June 18, 1975.

'No need to separate beaches'

Natal Mercury Reporter 18/6/75

A PROMINENT North Coast holiday resort owner, Mr. J. E. Ruttledge, said yesterday he had never seen racial incidents in the Blythedale Beach area and that there was no need for discriminatory beach legislation.

He said that everywhere people of similar mind and race tended to wish to keep to themselves. He made these remarks in a letter to Mr. Colin Bennett, chairman of the Town and Regional Planning Commission, at present holding a series of meetings to discuss its recent beach designation proposals. Mr. Ruttledge, who has lived in the area for eight years, said he disagreed with a statement by a spokesman for the Blythedale Beach Health Committee, Mr. H. W. Farrer, who told a sub-committee of the commission last week that during the holidays Blythedale Beach was "flooded with Africans."

"Once a year, on New Year's Day, two or three bus loads of Africans arrive here — perhaps 200 people.

"They have gone to the northern reaches of our beach, between the ski-boat base and Channel Rocks, the area suggested by the commission as an African beach." Mr. Ruttledge said that at the same time hundreds of Whites relaxed in the central area opposite the nets and hundreds of Indians passed through the village to the Umvoti mouth beach.

"So, without any official zoning, the three races sort themselves out quite peacefully.

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"In fact, in my eight years here, building and running a caravan park and a chalet complex, I have never seen a racial incident of any kind."

Mr. Ruttledge said he could understand fears expressed by a group of property developers, who are building a complex of 180 holiday chalets fronting on to the beach, that there might be incidents with certain holiday makers if the beach was declared African.

Proposing a counter to this, Mr. Ruttledge said that a few hundred metres north of this area, near the Channel Rocks, "is a very pleasant little bay."

"If this area were netted and reasonable access given, these fears would be groundless.

"New access is important, not as much from a racial point of view, as much as the necessity for an adequate area for parking and other facilities — all very limited at present."

Mr. Ruttledge has asked that Mr. Bennett take official note of his letter as he has just returned from overseas and could not attend the hearing.

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NPA will not zone beaches says Martin

Natal Mercury 20/6/75

African Affairs Correspondent

THE PROVINCIAL Council will not "simply endorse" the beach apartheid demands made by local authorities, Mr. Frank Martin, MEC for Hospitals and Motor Traffic, said yesterday.

Commenting on the beach apartheid furore, Mr. Martin said the Province's commission of inquiry was set up to find out where to provide facilities for all races along the coast. It was "not instituted to zone beaches".

The Government had told the Province to provide separate amenities along the beaches.

But, we will not zone beaches. We do not believe it can be implemented without serious problems. Have you ever seen a beach that is not used by at least one non-White? I have not.

"Where local authorities say they are prepared to provide facilities for all races, we will not interfere but where they ask for their beaches to be zoned White . . . well, that's another matter. We will consider these demands in relation to everybody's needs up and down the coast.

"There is a strong possibility we will override local White desires.

"We will not simply endorse apartheid demands if we feel the demographic situation does not warrant it.

"I must point out that none of this applies to Durban's beaches. Durban controls its own beaches."

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Mitchell Park African toilets protest

Nat Mer 26/6/75

Municipal Reporter

ABOUT 40 objectors yesterday met Durban City Council's Planning Committee in Mitchell Park to protest against the siting of African toilets in the park.

Plans are to erect the toilet block in front of the Nimmo Road parking area and south of the tearoom.

But objectors say the toilets will spoil the park, devalue properties, and attract vagrants and loiterers.

Nobody at the meeting objected to the toilets being built — in fact several speakers welcomed the idea — but felt the site had been badly chosen.

A spokesman for a block of flats facing the site, Mr. George Fishley, asked members of the committee how they would react.

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"I'm confident you would all reject it out of hand," he said.

"People in this area bitterly resent the siting, and feel a local authority could hardly show greater disregard and contempt for ratepayers' feelings than to erect blocks of lavatories opposite their homes."

He warned the committee members not to have any illusions about the depth of feeling in the area about the siting.

Chairman of the Planning Committee, Councillor Mrs. Pat Geary, said yesterday the matter had been deferred for consideration.

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Prog takes tilt at Arts Council

Natal Mercury 27/6/75

Political Reporter

THE Natal Performing Arts Council's decision to stop the staging of a Broadway musical because it had a multi-racial cast has been labelled as — "absurd" by a top Progressive Party official.

"Someone is tripping over his garters," said Mr. Theo Coggin, the regional director of the Progressive Party in Natal.

"Is it necessary for all Blacks to be humiliated simply because Napac isn't prepared to make a stand?"

Yesterday, Napac's director, Mr. Chris Lombard, confirmed that he had refused to allow the Broadway musical Pippin to be staged at Durban's Alhambra threatre because the show had a multi-racial cast.

He said Napac had been given a directive from the Minister of National Education, Senator J. P. van der Spuy, that it could apply to the Department of Community Development for a permit to stage Pippin before mixed audiences — provided the cast was White.

"Surely it is time for someone, somewhere — be he in the Government or simply a Napac official — to think seriously about the anomalies which apparently exist for the presentation of theatre in this country," Mr. Coggin said.

He asked how it is possible for Senator van der Spuy to direct Napac to apply for permission to stage the show before a mixed audience while, at the same time, insisting that the cast should all be of one race.

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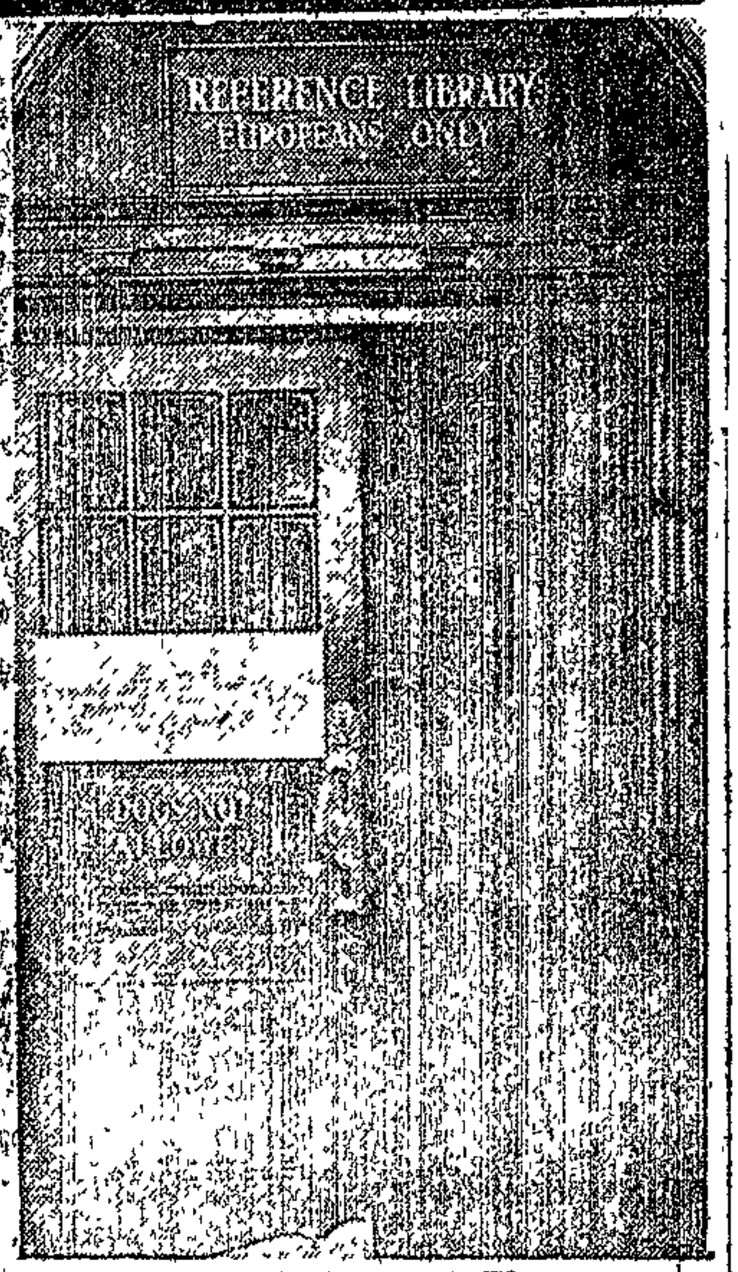
Mr. Coggin said that Napac's decision to conform with the directive would make "South Africa the laughing stock of the theatrical world."

It should be remembered that "some of the most talented stage producers and artistes in this country are Black. One thinks of Welcome Msomi and John Kani.

WE'LL HAVE IT CHANGED, SAYS COUNCILLOR

By TONY SPENCER-SMITH

No dogs or Blacks allowed



THAT'S WHAT THE SIGNS SAY

THE city councillor responsible for libraries knew nothing about an apartheid sign at Durban's Reference Library — until the Sunday Tribune told him this week.

The gold-lettered sign bars Blacks from using the library and a smaller sign also bars dogs.

But according to the librarians, Blacks are allowed in freely — provided they are not put off in the first place by the sign.

Blacks are never turned away, according to Durban's assistant city librarian, Mrs N. H. Kennedy.

"Our job"

"It is our job to provide facilities for every race group and there is no discrimination from our point of view. If Blacks want to use the reference library we help them."

But she said the sign could not be taken down as it was there as City Council policy, as laid down in the by-laws.

Mr Pieter Breytenbach, chairman of Durban's Amenities Committee, said he knew nothing about the sign but would look into the matter as he had believed there were no race restrictions at the reference library.

At present all Durban's lending libraries are segregated.

Mr Breytenbach said if the reference library had adequate space for all races, he would approach the council and ask for it to be thrown open.

Behind

Mr Harry Pitman, the Progressive Party's Natal leader, said the Durban library system "gave the lie" to what Mr Radclyffe Cadman, Natal leader of the United Party, was always saying about the province being forward-looking.

"It definitely shows Natal is behind the Transvaal. I'd very much like to see all the libraries opened to all races immediately. That would be in accordance with our policy."

The position in Durban is the same as in Johannesburg over a year ago. But in February, 1974, Johannesburg opened the doors of all its libraries to all races, and a report by the city's librarian on the first year of multiracialism says it has been an unqualified success.

Mr J. F. Oberholzer, the chairman of Johannesburg's Management Committee, told the **Sunday Tribune** there had been no friction, no difficulties, not even any complaints. Blacks had made very good use of the central reference facilities, he said.

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Library 'head count'

Natal Mercury 11/7/75

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN'S central reference library will remain for Whites only until a head-counting survey is completed, Mr. Pieter Breytenbach, chairman of the City Council's Amenities Committee, said yesterday.

The central lending library will be Whites only until the City Engineer's report on alternative sites for the new museum and art gallery has been investigated.

The City Council called for this report some time ago but is still waiting for it. Mr. Breytenbach said his committee had yesterday decided to ask the City Engineer to expedite the report.

When the Council investigated petty apartheid in the city, it decided to keep the libraries for Whites because both libraries were overcrowded.

Multi-race call for all shows

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Mercury Reporter 19/7/75

PIETERMARITZBURG — The policy committee of the City Council has recommended that the Natal Performing Arts Council should be asked to make all its shows in Pietermaritzburg multi-racial.

Several councillors are also working to have the substantial grant-in-aid to Napac withdrawn.

The R12 000 grant-in-aid to Napac will come under discussion later this month when the council reviews its revenue estimates.

This follows a letter from Napac tabled at yesterday's committee meeting in which the director, Mr. C. Lombard, said Napac was not answerable to the council for what shows it offers, or does not offer, to non-White audiences.

The only obligation Napac had to the Pietermaritzburg City Council was to offer some performances by December 19 for non-Whites, Mr. Lombard said.

He said the recent cancellation by Napac of performances of the play School for Scandal which was scheduled to be presented to an Indian audience earlier this year was due to the "indescribably dirty and smelly" condition of the hall.

Backstage facilities were inadequate to stage the play.

It is believed that the Administrator has the power to grant permission for multi-racial audiences to attend a show.

But meanwhile several members of the city council have attacked Napac for shirking its obligations.

The last council grant to Napac was paid only on condition that the body agreed to provide performances for non-Whites in Pietermaritzburg.

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NATIONALISTS in Pietermaritzburg are gearing up for a trial of strength in this year's municipal elections over the "progressive" policies adopted by the City Council.

Tomorrow night an executive meeting of the Pietermaritzburg Municipal Voters' Association will consider candidates to contest wards in September's elections.

The pro-Government association, formed last year, put up three candidates for the 1974 elections. All were defeated.

Abolish

It is led by Mr C. C. L. Klopper, a former Nationalist provincial councillor and an unsuccessful candidate for Pietermaritzburg South in last year's provincial elections.

The association denies any affiliation to the National Party, but observers regard it as a thinly-veiled arm of it.

Pietermaritzburg has created an enviable image in the past few years as one of South Africa's leading local authorities in attempts to abolish "petty" apartheid.

These include:

- Opening city parks and benches to all races
- Running an integrated bus service
- Elimination of discrimination in city jobs
- Resisting Government attempts to close down the multi-racial Aurora Cricket Club.

The mayor, Mr Harry Lundie, however, says that what has happened is only a natural evolution which is being paralleled to a greater or lesser extent in other centres.

"We have done nothing which is not within the law," he said.

"We haven't supported Government policy, but you would have to have a Nationalist council to support Government policy and we aren't a Nationalist council."

Other councillors, however, see what has been happening as the result of positive leadership by young, thinking people.

Violence

"We have pushed for forward-looking policies to be adopted because we are going to have to live in this country in 20 years and we have to start moving policies that will enable people to have an equitable share of the cake and live together in peace," said Mr Dunstan Browne (32), the youngest council member.

"The alternative is frustration and outbreaks of violence.

"Instead of promoting policies which we thought people would like we have taken a lead — and found people warmly supporting us," he said.

Mr Klopper says the Pietermaritzburg Municipal Voters' Association felt the council had departed from the national interest.

"We have entered the arena of municipal politics because we think that what is happening in Pietermaritzburg is contrary to the national interest and so we have to take steps to correct this," he said.

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A TALE OF TWO CITIES

PIETERMARITZBURG is streaking ahead of Durban in the race to get rid of petty apartheid.

The abolition of petty apartheid — or the removal of "irritations" as some prefer to call it — has been in progress in the two cities since 1973 in Pietermaritzburg, and 1974 in Durban.

Desegregation moves were sparked in both cities by the mayors at the time — Mr Ron Williams in Durban and Mr Cecil Wood in Pietermaritzburg — and since then abolition of petty apartheid has followed a definite and sometimes hotly-contested trend away from rigid racial separation.

Pietermaritzburg officials and councillors were modest, almost deprecatory, this week about the steps their city had taken since Mr Wood's recommendation in 1973 that a committee be formed to investigate ways and means of eliminating petty apartheid.

Offices

But out of discussions the following list of positive moves emerged:

• Coloured and Indian members of local affairs committees now attend all council and committee meetings.

• The city has desegregated park benches and bus stops.

• "Whites only" signs at municipal offices have been removed and there is no segregation of payment and enquiry facilities at offices.



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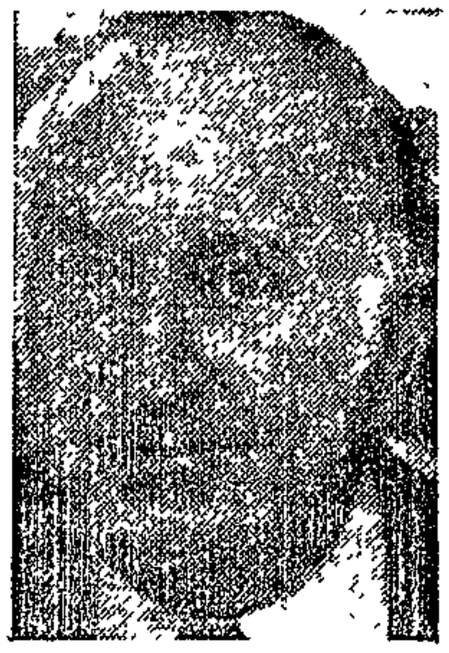
Cecil Wood (left) who launched the Pietermaritzburg campaign and Ron Williams, who got it going in Durban



• The Alexandra Park playground was opened to all races.

• Government attempts to get the council to stop the multiracial Aurora Cricket Club from using municipal grounds were resisted.

• Discrimination is no longer applied in the advertisement of city jobs.

• The council agreed to allow the Natal Society Public Library to lend books to Black people.

• It has applied for the city hall to be free from permit restrictions so that mixed audiences may freely attend performances there.

• Racial signs on toilets have been removed.

• The council threatened to withhold its grant to Napac unless performances for Blacks were provided.

• Black people are allowed to use recreational facilities at the city's Henley Dam — probably the only dam in South Africa where Africans are permitted.

• It was this week recommended by the finance committee that the chairmen of the Indian and Coloured local affairs committees should be automatically invited to all civic receptions.

• Efforts are being made to combine the White salary scales and the "B scale" into one.

Toilet

• The council has pushed for private industry to provide restaurant and toilet facilities for Black people in the city.

• It supported an application by the Indian LAC for the Northdale Civic Hall to be opened to all races.

• The council has resisted Government pressure since the early 1950s to force it into running a segregated bus service.

Since Mr Ron Williams' initiative in August, 1973, Durban has made the following moves to eliminate what he called at the time the "irritating aspects of apartheid".

• Queues for separate race groups at city banking halls have been eliminated.

• The barrier separating races at the licensing office has been removed.

• Public benches have been desegregated.

• Toilet facilities for Black people provided at Mitchell Park.

• Segregation in lifts has been eliminated.

• An attempt was made to desegregate the municipal bus service, but this was defeated earlier this year. This decision by the Local Road Transportation Board may be appealed.

• The city encourages private industry to provide restaurants and toilets in town.

• Recreational facilities at Mitchell Park have been integrated, but specialised parks were always open to all race groups.

At the time Mr Williams said: "Judging from a report by the Town Clerk it appears Durban has not applied petty apartheid much. Our record here appears to be very good."

Town rejects race bias claim

3/7/75

Mercury Reporter

THE Town Clerk of Umzinto North, Mr. E. M. John, yesterday rejected a claim by some Coloureds in Umzinto that Coloured children were being refused admission to the Umzinto North municipal library because it was for Indians only.

Reacting to a complaint by Mr. G. G. Greenhead, a senior teacher at the Umzinto Coloured School, Mr. John said that the Indian - controlled Umzinto North Town Board was happy to allow other race groups to use the library.

"In fact, we have already registered 24 Coloureds, mostly schoolchildren, and about six Africans," he said.

He added that his board would be ready to investigate complaints from Coloureds that they had been refused admission on racial grounds.

Mr. Greenhead said several Coloured children had complained that they had been turned away as the library was for Indians only.

Bid for Black racing

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31/7/75

Mercury Reporter

PIETERMARITZBURG — A group of African businessmen has applied to the Administrator-in-Executive Committee for permission to establish a race track at Newcastle to serve the town's 130 000 Blacks.

Three possible sites have been chosen for the track which would be the first of its kind in South Africa.

Senator Jannie Moll, who has assisted the men in their negotiations, said yesterday the first race would probably be run on the track within a year.

"The Bantu Investment Corporation was approached for funds to establish the course but we were told we had to have Exco permission before the money could be made available."

Senator Moll said he was very hopeful the negotiations with Exco and the BIC would be successful.

"They have very little entertainment in the Madadeni township. Horse racing will be a tremendous breakthrough for them."

The course would start with tote facilities only at first, Senator Moll said. Black bookmakers could be introduced at a later stage.

Senator Moll said the licence obtained would be for a gymkhana course. Races would, however, be run under Jockey Club rules, and there was the possibility of a Black jockeys' academy being built if the course proved a success.

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Mercury Reporter

PIETERMARITZBURG—The Pietermaritzburg Finance, Policy and General Purposes Committee considers the City Hall is for the use of all races.

Replying to a petition with more than a thousand signatures by Mr. J. T. Welter protesting against moves by the council to have the hall opened to multi-racial gatherings, the committee said the hall was in a business area which was multi-racial in character so there should be no objection to multi-racial crowds using it.

The committee said halls in other areas were not large enough for most functions.

The City Council here has applied to the Government for the City Hall to be free of all "restrictive permits relative to the race of the user."

Mr. Welter told the Mercury yesterday he was a Dutch - born professional man who had been in South Africa seven years.

He refused to comment on the petition "apart from what was actually said in the accompanying letter to the council."

The petition objects to the "forcing on the public of multi-racial audiences in the city hall."

It blames the "progressive" Press for forcing on the public the view that except for the colour of the skin there are no basic differences between the race groups.

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4 hotels want to be mixed

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Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG — Four of Maritzburg's White hotels applied yesterday to the National Liquor Board for authority to open their doors to Blacks.

The applications, in terms of the Liquor Amendment Act passed during the last parliamentary session, were lodged by the three-star Camden Hotel, the Ansonia and the Imperial — which are both two-star hotels — and the ungraded Capital Towers.

The hotels "seek authority to sell or supply liquor, refreshments, meals, or accommodation" to any person who "is not a European."

Although the Act has not yet been promulgated, hoteliers were advised to submit their applications for "international status" early in order that they could be dealt with as soon as the Act became law.

Mixed race audiences supported

Mercury 14/10/75

Mercury Reporter

THE Policy and Finance Committee is to recommend that the Durban City Council give its full support to a resolution calling for unrestricted mixed audiences at the Alhambra Theatre.

The Natal Performing Arts Council asked the Council for its support after a row which broke out over the Government's decision not to grant blanket permission for mixed audiences at the Alhambra.

Napac's resolution, saying it opposed mixed audiences being separately seated received the committee's full approval yesterday.

The Government refused Napac's application to have race restrictions lifted some time ago and said permits would be considered on their merits.

Napac's resolution also says the Alhambra Theatre should be made available for multi-group audiences, should outside hirers request it and subject to permission being obtained from the State.

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61 held after nude swimming

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Mercury Reporter

EMPANGENI — Sixty-two students of the University of Zululand were arrested following complaints by White bathers at a Richard's Bay beach at the weekend.

White bathers alleged that the students had been rowdy and swam naked in the surf on Saturday afternoon.

Major H. C. Naude of police headquarters, Eshowe, said the students had caused a disturbance and some of the females had stripped down to their panties.

"The incident happened at about 6 p.m. on Saturday and was merely a minor contravention of the by-laws," he said. The students will be charged with causing a disturbance.

Police from Empangeni and Richard's Bay arrested 24 women and 38 men.

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Supremes say: No Blacks, no show

ARGUS 20/10/75

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — The Supremes will not go on stage for their second scheduled opening performance in Durban tonight, if there are no paying Blacks in the audience.

This was confirmed today by the trio's manager, Mr Pedro Ferer, and the first member of the group to speak out about the on-off controversy, Miss Cherrie Payne.

At the Playhouse Theatre, where the show is due to have its Durban run, no tickets are being sold to Blacks for the 'White' show tonight, according to the manager, Mr Peter Dry.

Mr Ferer said it would be a matter of 'wait and see' whether the Supremes would go on stage tonight. He emphasised that without a multiracial audience the show would not go on.

'ALL RACES'

'It is as simple as that. Before the show is due to start, I will check the audience and if there are no faces of all races, the Supremes will not perform.

'I don't care what the reasons are, be they legal, political or social, the group will not sing unless there are mixed audiences,' he said.

Miss Payne said: 'We will not go on tonight, if no tickets are being sold to Black people for the show.'

The controversy concerns the absence of a permit to present the show to multiracial audiences in Durban. Permits were obtained for the Johannesburg and Cape Town runs.

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Mercury Reporter Natal Mercury 24/10/75

THE first Durban performance of The Supremes last night was in front of a multi-racial audience consisting of approximately 1 000 Whites and a sprinkling of Blacks.

The Blacks, about 20 Africans, Coloureds and Indians, were dotted throughout the theatre. At interval they mingled in the foyer with the crowd, drinking juice from small containers and buying chocolates.

The manager of the Playhouse Theatre, Mr. Peter Dry, said most of the tickets were sold to the Black members of the audience in the normal way. A few had been complimentary tickets.

PERMISSION

Mr. Ronnie Quibell told the Mercury last night he had obtained Government permission for "a small number" of Blacks to attend the first Durban performance which was to have been for Whites only. The necessary permission came through on Sunday.

"This is obviously a test to find out whether multi-racial audiences could be acceptable to Durban. It went off without any problems whatever and I have no doubt mixed audiences will be possible in Durban in the near future."

PERMITS

Permits were obtained for the Johannesburg and Cape Town runs but Mr. Quibell had difficulty in getting one for Durban.

He told the Mercury that unless Durban officials set aside reluctance to grant permission for multi-racial audiences it would severely jeopardise efforts to bring top overseas artists to South Africa.

Audience limit: Janson explains

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Political Correspondent

The deputy Minister of Bantu Administration, Mr Janson, has explained the Government's reasons for allowing only a limited number of Blacks to see performances by the American singing group The Supremes in Durban.

Blacks had been allowed in the past to attend similar shows in certain theatres in Durban, because it was clear that "unhappy incidents" would most probably not occur, he said.

But after lengthy discussions he was convinced that in the case of the Playhouse, large numbers of Blacks could not be allowed.

This was because the facilities in the theatre and immediate surroundings were reserved for Whites, and large numbers of Whites were making use of it.

In view of these facts, the promoter was informed well in advance that Blacks could not be allowed in large numbers.

Mr Janson added "leave was granted to him to allow a limited number of leading Bantu persons to attend the show on invitation."

The deputy Minister made it clear the ruling applying to the presentation in Durban was also applicable to presentations in other centres.

Blacks in audience for Supremes

Mercury 24/10/75

Mercury Reporter

A LAST MINUTE bid by a band of Durban non-Whites — including a leading Indian woman doctor — to stop the Supremes from performing failed last night when they were given the assurance there were paying Blacks in the audience.

There was a 10-minute confrontation on the pavement in front of the Playhouse Theatre after the Black American singers arrived to get ready for the early show. The first half of the performance had already started.

Before the six o'clock show commenced Mr. Ronnie Quibell denied that he did not have permission for paying Blacks to be in the audience.

During the discussion between the singers, the crowd of non-Whites and the promoters, Mr. Quibell invited the Indian, Coloured and African objectors to buy tickets at the box office.

They refused to do so and said they had come only to find out if Blacks could buy tickets.

Mr. Peter Dry, Playhouse manager, confirmed last night that permission had been obtained for the sale of tickets to non-Whites.

"They are in the audience and they are not breaking the law," he said.

As the three singers stepped from their car in front of the theatre, they were approached by the group of about seven or eight people who were standing talking at the foot of the steps.

They were told by them that if they went on stage they would be breaking their stand not to perform unless they had mixed audiences.

The main speakers who gave their names were: Mr. A. H. Randeree, Dr. K. Goonam, Mrs. Jenny Knowles, Mrs. Florence Mkize and Mr. Govin Reddy.

The Supremes listened to what they had to say and then asked Mr. Quibell whether there were paying Blacks in the audience.

He confirmed that there were

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Race move on City Hall

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Mercury 22/10/75

Mercury Reporter

THE Durban City Council may soon approach the Government for permission to open the City Hall to unrestricted racially mixed audiences.

Questioned on the Council's attitude to all-race audiences, Councillor Pieter Breytenbach yesterday revealed he had written to the Town Clerk asking that the City Hall be opened.

The move follows support given by the City Council to a Napac resolution calling for mixed audiences at the Alhambra Theatre.

Mr. Breytenbach said yesterday he was certain his letter would receive the support of the Council.

"After all we have added our seal of approval to the Napac resolution. We must therefore make application for the same conditions at the City Hall.

"In addition, applying for such permission is completely in line with Government policy," Mr. Breytenbach said.

He pointed out that the Minister of Bantu Administration and Development, Mr. M. C. Botha, had said in a Press statement, that Government policy was to issue permits allowing Blacks in venues for Whites, where facilities for Blacks in their own areas were lacking.

At a full Council meeting, which this week debated the Napac resolution, there was only one dissenting vote by Councillor Lew Phillips, who warned that the City Council would "antagonise" the Government.

Mr. Breytenbach's letter will be discussed by the Policy and Finance Committee on Monday. If accepted by the committee, it will be referred to a full Council meeting for approval before the Government is asked for permission to open the City Hall.

INDIAN BODIES TO BOYCOTT CONFERENCE

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Mercury Reporter

TWO INDIAN local authorities, the Verulam Town Board and the Isipingo Town Council, are to boycott the Natal Municipal Association's conference in the Drakensberg today because of separate accommodation for the White and Indian delegates.

However, the third Indian municipality, Umzinto North Town Board, will be represented by its chairman, Mr. R. A. Govender, and deputy chairman, Mr. G. H. Kadwa.

The conference will be held at the Cathkin Park Hotel today and tomorrow and all municipalities throughout the province have been invited to attend.

The all-Indian Isipingo Town Council was to have been represented by Councillor Y. C. Meer, but he decided not to attend because of the segregated accommodation.

He informed his council that it was unfair of the organisers to accommodate the Indian delegates at a non-White hotel in Estcourt — more than 75km from the venue — while White delegates stayed at the Cathkin Park Hotel.

He said because a non-White hotel had been chosen to accommodate them he seriously wondered whether accommodation was in fact not available at Cathkin Park Hotel for the Indian delegates or whether it was a question of deliberate segregation.

"I am of the opinion that if Indian participation in the meeting were to have any real meaning, then the NMA should ensure that its meetings are held at venues where unsegregated facilities can be provided for all delegates be they Whites or non-Whites."

Last night Isipingo's Town Clerk, [illegible] Reddy, said that the Natal Municipal Association was not responsible for arranging accommodation for the delegates.

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A luxury hotel for Umgababa

African Affairs Reporter

AFRICAN holidaymakers at Umgababa on the South Coast are to be provided with a luxury hotel, among other buildings planned for the resort.

Mr. J. V. Lieburg, the manager, says an office block costing more than R70 000 will be built next year. A hall with seating for 750 and a restaurant will also be constructed.

The hotel will be the second to be built by the Bantu Investment Corporation in Natal.

Thousands of Africans are flocking to the resort and a record is expected by the end of the festive season.

A full programme has been arranged to entertain visitors. A dance is held every night, and a beauty contest will be held today.

Elijah Makatini, a boxer, will give an exhibition match at 3 p.m. today. Five bands will perform until New Year's Eve.

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BLACK CATERING

Somewhere to sit

If there's no precedent and government is involved, decision-making gets bogged down no matter how pressing the problem.

Restaurant facilities for Blacks in central city areas are a case in point. Take Durban, with the second largest daily inflow of Africans into a central city area. Apart from an Indian-owned hotel and a YMCA canteen (for members) there are no sit-down eating spots in the CBD. The best that can be found are take-away foods to be eaten on a street corner, or wherever. Inyanda Chamber of Commerce President Patrick Gumede says that for the last 18 months his members have complained about the lack of central city facilities, particularly for middle-class Black businessmen. "It seems that everything just gets snarled up in red tape."

The trouble, of course, is that it involves applying for a licence for Black facilities in a "White" area. Though a few have been granted elsewhere — such as at the top of Johannesburg's Carlton Centre office block and in PE (where closing time is 18h00) — it's only now that things appear to be moving in Durban.

SA Wimpy (Pty), which established an African restaurant division in 1974 and has eight Black outlets in SA (one African and the rest either Coloured or Indian), is eyeing Durban's CBD. Its application for an African restaurant on the CBD fringe is still in the pipeline.

Anyone wishing to open such a restaurant has first to consult the Port Natal Bantu Affairs Administration Board for advice on "policy aspects" and so the aplication can be steered towards Community Development and the BAD in Pretoria for a final decision.

Port Natal BAAB Director Siegfried Borquin explains that Community Development would never grant an application without consulting BAAB. "We can advise on location because we know where the need is," he says. "We know government policy on distribution and on Bantu in urban areas, commercial and industrial areas, traffic flows, population concentrations and so on. In other words, we know where there'd be least problems."

Officialdom, in turn, appears to have at last recognised the urgent need for better eating facilities for Africans.

"We've discarded the eating house concept. Eating houses are no longer acceptable or suitable in the light of the urban Bantu. We're marching with the times," says Borquin. "We believe in small, decentralised entities, giving an atmosphere of intimacy and avoiding the long walks which many have had to make to get a meal." His Board is planning an *a la carte* outlet in the Dalton Road industrial area, and five taverns in Umlazi Glebelands.

That's an improvement, though it doesn't meet the crying need in the CBD

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Beachfront fun for Blacks NM probed

18/3/76

Municipal Reporter

TWO of Durban's municipal departments are investigating the implications — and complications — of Blacks being allowed to use entertainment facilities at beachfront amusement parks.

An application by stallholders at Newton's Amusement Park is being looked into by the City Estates Department and the Parks Department which will report to a departmental sub-committee.

Recently stallholders were "threatened" with police action if they continued to allow non-Whites to take part in the facilities at the amusement park.

In terms of their leases with the Durban City Council, stallholders may only permit Whites to operate the tables. Blacks are freely allowed into the area provided they do not participate in the amusements.

The City Estates Manager, Mr. J. Q. Henwood, said yesterday he was interviewing stallholders to hear their views. His department was also investigating the Council's leasing arrangements on the stalls.

Once this information was available a departmental sub - committee, with the Parks Department, would decide whether to take the matter to the Policy and Finance Committee for consideration.

Mr. Henwood explained that even if the Council agreed to non-Whites using the entertainments it would be necessary to get provincial approval. As the area was zoned for Whites, other permission might become necessary.

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No cash but city backs Blacks plan

NM 13/4/76

Mercury Reporter

PIETERMARITZBURG — The building of a restaurant for Blacks in Pietermaritzburg's Alexandra Park has the backing of the city council — but no funds are available.

The lessee of the Park Pavilion Restaurant at the Oval, which is exclusively for Whites, asked the council recently to consider providing a restaurant for non-Whites, following a spate of enquiries from the public. A facility catering for about 20 was envisaged.

A council spokesman said yesterday, after the matter had been discussed at a Public Health, Parks and Art Gallery Committee meeting, the council had no objection to the restaurant.

The council had no funds, but the lessee could go ahead and obtain the necessary permits and undertake the project at his own expense.

Club bid for permit on blacks

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — One of South Africa's oldest club's, the exclusive Durban Club, is negotiating with the Government for a blanket permit to admit black visitors more freely.

"Individual permits sometimes take weeks to process causing a great deal of inconvenience," said the secretary of the club, Mr Derek de Haaff.

Negotations at Cabinet level for a blanket permit had opened.

Mr de Haaff said: "The initial response was not very favourable, but we are pursuing our negotiations and are hopeful that a blanket permit would be granted.

"It will certainly help us bypass the tedious procedure of having to apply for individual permits everytime a black visitor is expected."

He denied the club had applied to the Liquor Board for international status.

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Fears for licence after Blacks served in hotel

Mercury Reporter

AN ESCOURT hotel owner may lose her licence or be fined after the manager she sacked last week permitted two African delegates at a conference to eat and drink with their colleagues staying in the hotel from May 21-23.

The Willow Grange Hotel owner, Mrs. Katie Cheesman, returned from a South Coast holiday with her son, Mr. Alexander Cheesman, to learn of a police probe as the hotel had allegedly not obtained permission from the Department of Justice to serve Africans in the hotel.

Mr. Cheesman said yesterday that hotel manager Mr. Peter Uren (28) was dismissed by his mother over problems arising from what had taken place at the hotel while they were on holiday.

"I understand we face a fine, possibly the loss of the hotel licence, if a decision is made to prosecute us and we are found guilty," Mr. Cheesman said.

He said that the manager had dealt with the conference arrangements without consulting his mother or himself.

"At no time did we give permission for the Africans to be served in the hotel without authority from the Department of Justice."

Mr. Cheesman said this did not mean that he was not happy to have Africans staying or being served in the hotel.

Mr. Uren, who managed the hotel for 15 months, was reported to have accommodated two African university graduates employed by Nestle (S.A.) in rooms which were not part of the hotel.

The two men dined with other delegates and occasionally drank in the bar with them.

Mr. Cheesman said that Mr. Uren apparently applied for the permit about a month before the conference. He had not dealt with the matter and was unable to say whether or not permission was refused or if there had been any reply from the Department of Justice.

"My mother and I do not know what the story is," he said.

Leah plans a better life for Lesotho

29/6/76. NM

A BRANCH of the Domestic Workers and Employers' Project — renowned for its involvement with centres and concern and its contribution towards improved relationships between domestic servants and their White "madams" — will probably soon be established in Lesotho.

Planning it all is Mrs. Leah Tutu, whose husband, the Very Reverend Desmond Tutu, Anglican Dean of Johannesburg, assumes the position of Bishop of Lesotho in August.

In Durban for the opening of DWEP's new offices in the St. Andrew's Centre last week, Mrs. Tutu said the need for an organisation like DWEP in Lesotho was even greater than in Johannesburg.

"I see tremendous scope for DWEP in Lesotho because it is such a poor country and many domestic workers are grossly underpaid," she said.

And she cited an example of a gardener who gets paid R10 a month.

"How can anyone live on that sort of wage?"

She said that although there was a fairly high degree of literacy in the country there was a real need to raise the position and prestige of domestic workers.



"The Domestic Workers' and Employers' Project gives me hope for better things in South Africa."



Leah Tutu of DWEP — a genius for immediate and meaningful communication.



"In Lesotho many domestic workers are grossly underpaid."

Leah Tutu has been working for DWEP for about four months and in this time she has been inspired with hope for change and "better things" in South Africa.

"I had thought there was little hope for Black-White relationships in South Africa, but DWEP has given me immeasurable hope."

In the centres of concern she said she had met "a different sort of White woman" who was happy to mix socially with Black women and chat over a cup of tea.

How did she become involved with DWEP initially?

"Our return from Britain last August had mean the break-up of our family — my two eldest children remained in England and the youngest two went to school in Swaziland. I was at my wits end and had to find something to do.

"I had heard of DWEP and realised it was an exciting venture. They needed staff so I joined them."

And she has loved every minute of her work which has established her as Leah Tutu of DWEP rather than Mrs. Tutu the Dean's wife.

"I need to be valued as a person in my own right," she said. "I suppose that was another reason for my initial involvements with DWEP."

There is no doubt that Leah Tutu of DWEP is valued and that her enthusiasm and dedication to the South African project will be sadly missed.

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Theatre show mixed

Lynne Kelly

FOR THE first time Durban's Alhambra Theatre will open its doors to mixed audiences, when the one-man show, Young Mr. Lauder, opens on March 23.

Permits have been granted for Whites, Coloureds, Indians and Africans to see performances together on March 24, 26, 28, 31 and April 2.

This is a breakthrough for the theatre and is likely to ease the importation of overseas artists.

According to the show's promoters, the application was favourably received because it stars an overseas actor, Scots-born Jimmy Logan.

Brought to South Africa by impresario Hymie Udwin, Young Mr. Lauder is playing at the Nico Malan Theatre in Cape Town, where integrated audiences have become the norm.

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Bathing ban at beaches

Mercury Reporter

BATHING was banned at Durban's Brighton, Country Club, African and Indian beaches yesterday because heavy swells had damaged shark nets.

A spokesman for the Durban Beach Office said bathing would be allowed again "within a day or two."

On the North and South Coasts, bathing was banned between Umhlanga and Zinkwasi and at Margate.

Mrs. Beulah Davis of the Anti-Shark Measures Board said this was a precautionary measure as rough seas had prevented routine shark net checks for three days.

She was not certain when the beaches would be reopened.

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Multi-racial dining plans

Mercury Reporter

DURBAN will have two multi-racial restaurants, when money and suitable premises can be found.

Diakonia planned to extend the city's first multi-racial sandwich bar — The Open Door — to a full-scale restaurant when R4 000 has been raised to fit out a kitchen to serve hot food.

Diakonia opened the sandwich bar this month. It is manned by 40 volunteers from various churches and is at St. Andrew's Centre, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

"It isn't the ideal place because it is not convenient for the office worker," said Diakonia organiser Mr. Paddy Kearney.

Churches were exempt from the Group Areas Act licensing provisions governing restaurants and eating places.

A spokesman for St. Paul's Church in Church Street said there was "the seed of an idea" to run a multi-racial restaurant. But much alteration had still to be done to existing premises to meet health requirements.

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A shocker for Umlazi

Mercury Reporter

HUNDREDS of Umlazi residents — those fortunate enough to have electricity — have been shocked by electricity bill increases of more than 200 percent.

Umlazi electricity tariffs have risen from 1c a unit to 2,9c — an increase of 190 percent — plus a service charge of R2 a month.

The high charges have boosted electricity bills to about R50 a month for a four-roomed house. Previous monthly bills were about R20 a month.

Announcer Mr. J. Mlaba, who works for the SABC in Durban, said yesterday that he had received a bill for R104 for the past month.

"My previous account was R60."

Paying

He said that after paying his rent and the electricity bill he had very little to live on.

Umlazi businessman Mr. Winnington Sabela said he was paying between R300 and R400 a month for his shop. Representations had been made to the authorities but nothing had been done.

Acting township manager of Umlazi Mr. E. G. H. McMillan confirmed yesterday that rates had been increased in March. He said this was the first increase since Umlazi had been established.

"People have become used to cheap electricity and they are using excessive amounts. Many leave their stoves on all day," he said.

Bulk power

Mr. C. D. Cosgrove, Principal Electrical Engineer for Durban's Electricity Department, said the city sold power in bulk to Umlazi. Rates had been increased by 66 percent — the same as for all consumers.

Comparing the rates paid by Umlazi residents with those of Durban, Mr. Cosgrove said they were about the same.

"For the first 100 units we charge 3,9c, for the next 500 units the charge is 2,05c and over 600 units consumed we charge 1,67c a unit."

He said an average household consuming 1 000 to 1 500 units a month would pay an electricity bill of about R35.

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All-race request refused

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Mercury Reporter

PIETERMARITZBURG — The city council has been denied permission by the Government to open the Pietermaritzburg City Hall to all races.

Earlier this year the council made representations to the Department of Community Development and the Bantu Affairs Commissioner "for the city hall to be free of all restrictive permits relating to the race of the user."

Shortly afterwards the council received a letter from the Department of Community Development refusing an open permit for the hall "but applications for permits would be considered sympathetically on merit."

At a meeting of the council's finance policy and general purposes committee yesterday a letter from the Bantu Affairs Commissioner was tabled which said the Bantu Affairs Department had decided that "the application could not be favourably considered," but that each individual application would be considered on merit.

Buthelezi barred from fund drive

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The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — The Department of Justice has refused to allow the Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, and certain other black guests to attend a fund-raising gathering at the Outspan Hotel, Durban, on Monday.

News of the refusal came yesterday, five days before the Daily News/Ilanga Learn Fund Committee were due to host some of Natal's most prominent figures in commerce and industry as well as members of the diplomatic corps.

About 40 people have already accepted an invitation to attend the gathering and meet Chief Buthelezi, chief patron of Learn.

It was planned for the Outspan Hotel because the Durban Public House Trust which owns the hotel had volunteered to provide snacks and the venue free of charge.

NO REASONS

Application was made to the Department of Justice for permission to enable the black guests to attend. This was refused yesterday without any reasons being given.

The black guests invited were: Chief Buthelezi, Mr M Rajab, Mr B H Bhengu, Mr S S L Motolo, Mr Ray Mbongwe and Mr Mike Mtuli.

Mr Arthur Konigkramer, chairman of Learn, said today: 'I am deeply disappointed and find it totally inexplicable.

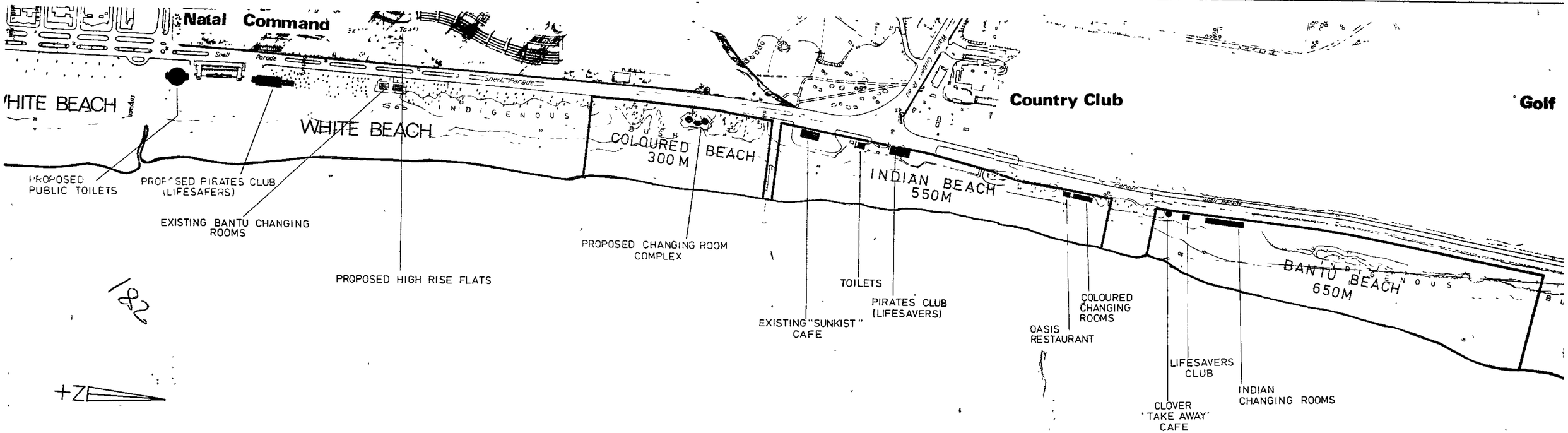
'We do express our very sincere gratitude to the Durban Public House Trust for offering us the venue. Now, however, another venue is being sought.

HELP NEEDED

"This party is to let some of the top people in Natal hear from Chief Buthelezi himself how much Learn needs help and what it is doing.

'In the past 12 months, for instance, Learn has built about 100 classrooms for black children to provide vitally needed accommodation, at a cost of about R121 000.

'Now all Learn's funds are exhausted, so this function is planned to enable us to reach the ears of people who might be able to help to do something about it: raise money for black education.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INDIAN CHANGING ROOMS

THIS plan shows the new Durban beach designations north of the Snake Park which come into effect on Monday. The change in beach zonings approved by the Durban City Council will be announced in the Provincial Gazette today.

Durban to have Monday beach shuffle

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN's new beach race zonings, to come into force on Monday, have been approved by the Administrator-in-Executive. By-laws making the changeover possible will be gazetted today.

The Town Clerk, Mr. Gordon Haygarth, said the new beaches would be ready to receive visitors first thing on Monday morning. When the existing beaches closed on Sunday night municipal workers would make the necessary changes.

Facilities

From Monday the Pirates Surf Lifesaving Club will operate from new premises built for them at Battery Beach. This area will become a White beach with facilities to replace the Country Club beach.

A new Coloured beach has been built near Natal Command between Battery Beach and Country Club beach.

The present Indian beach will become the African beach and the Indians will take over the Country Club area, including the old Pirates Club.

Opening

A ceremony to mark the official opening of the new African beach — the last bathing south of the Blue Lagoon — has been arranged by the Port Natal Bantu Affairs Administration Board for Saturday, December 17.

This will be in the form of a carnival starting at noon. A brass band, drum majorettes and competitions feature on the programme.

A new non-White weekend bus service for ain passengers will be tried the Transport Depart- n addition to the nor- duled service.

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Colour shuffle for four Durban beaches

SPECIAL measures are being taken to avoid confusion following the reshuffle of Durban's 'apartheid' beaches which comes into effect on Monday.

Four beaches are involved. Battery Beach opposite Natal Command will become the new white beach; the African beach farther north will become the new coloured beach. Country Club — formerly white — will be reserved for Indians and the Indian beach will now be used by Africans.

Looking at a chart of the Natal coastline from Blue Lagoon, the first beach is now for black people, the second for Indians, the third for coloured bathers and the fourth for whites.

The new arrangement has already caused dissension.

At Country Club beach several young surfers said they would not move, no matter what happened.

'We have been here for years . . . this is our favourite place,' said 18-year-old Ollie Olsen of Morningside.

He and his friends said they were quite happy to share the waves with anyone.

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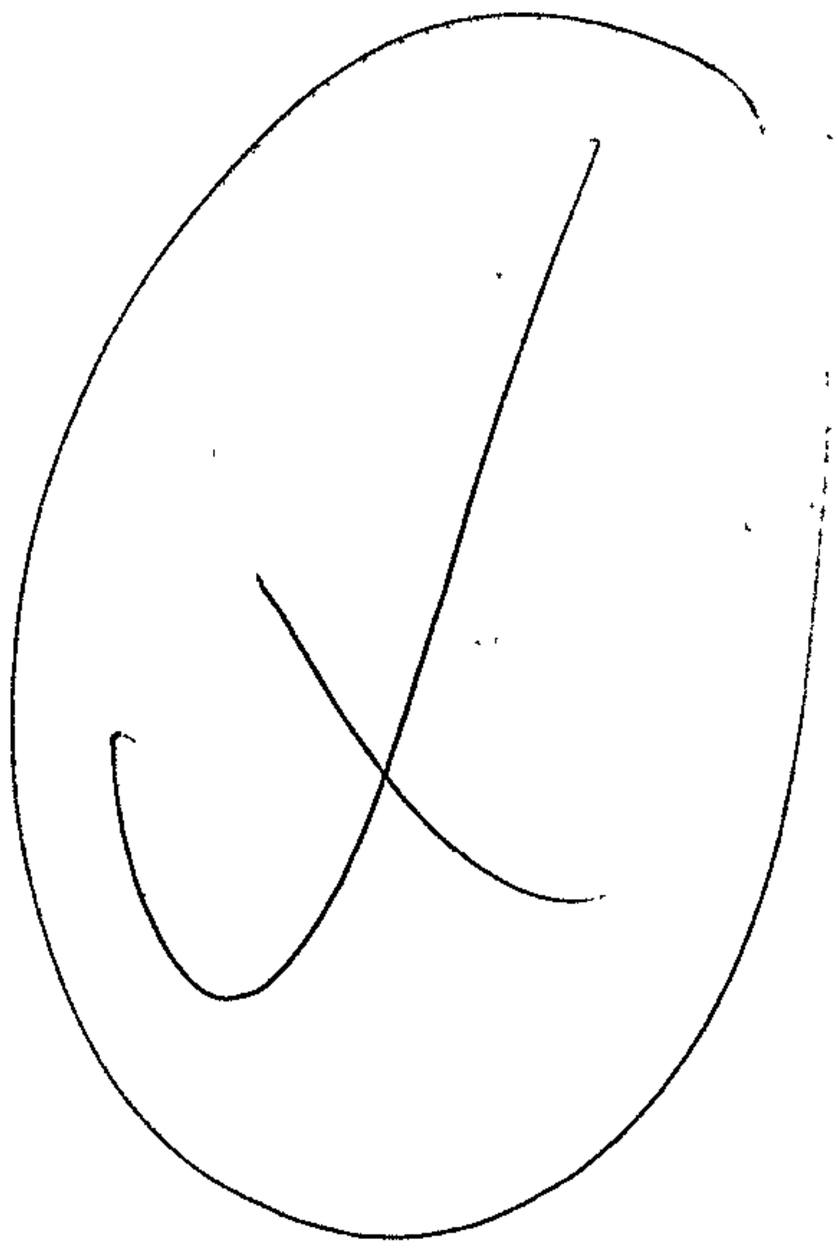

Moves to lift restaurant ban

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Mercury Reporter

THE Director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches and an official of the Estates Department are to meet the lessees of the Mitchell Park restaurant to discuss plans to enlarge the premises to accommodate Blacks.

This was recommended by Durban City Council's Amenities Committee yesterday [illegible] felt consideration should be given to provide tables for "non-White persons."

The committee chairman, Mr. Pieter Breytenbach, said the lessees had indicated they would be submitting plans for enlarging the restaurant.

The final decision whether Blacks would be allowed lay with the Department of Community Development, Mr. Breytenbach pointed out.

Park facilities were open to all races but Blacks could only buy take-away foods from the restaurant and were not able to sit at tables.

Also before the committee was the Greenwood Park branch library issue. The fact that there is no library in the area for the Indian and Coloured communities has been a subject of debate [illegible] time.

A suggestion by the city engineer, Mr. Don McLeod, is to develop the library in conjunction with the proposed Indian swimming pool.

Mr. Breytenbach said the final decision lay with the Local Affairs Committees. "We will go along with what they say."

The unsatisfactory premises of the Victoria Street branch library came under discussion and Mr. Breytenbach said the committee was looking at the possibilities of alternative accommodation.

The old Albert Street school had been suggested but another contender was an old age home for Whites.

Fined for food sale

Mercury Reporter

A CHATSWORTH woman has been fined R40 for illegally selling food and groceries to the public from her Unit 7 home.

A health inspector went to the house in Road 720 during February and bought eggs, milk and bread from Omahanie Adam.

After identifying himself, the inspector entered the house and found a wide assortment of fresh, bottled and tinned foodstuffs stored in the kitchen and lounge.

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All-race theatre venture planned

LYNNE KELLY

THREE leading theatre directors and writers in Durban — Stephen Barden, Kessie Govender and Welcome Msomi — have got together to discuss forming South Africa's first professional theatre company for all races.

The aims of this company will be to encourage indigenous writing and to produce plays reflecting the South African scene as much as possible.

This move is the brainchild of Mr. Barden who says cross-fertilisation between all people in South Africa is an essential element of theatre and this is an attempt to rectify the lack of it.

"Durban is the only centre of its size in the country without a pool of fully professional actors to call on.

"We want to establish an opera theatre company not only for its artistic and cultural merits but also for its commercial value to Durban. There are no real television facilities here and very few commercial advertisements are shot here because there are just not the actors available," he said.

This matter is to be discussed at a symposium convened by Mr. Barden under the auspices of the South African Theatre Union, Natal Branch, (Saftu) of which he is chairman.

The main speaker will be Des Lindberg from Johannesburg. Also delivering papers will be local lawyer Mr Douglas Tobias, Director of Publicity, Mr. Terry Toohey; Umabatha playwright Mr. Msomi, and director of the Stable Theatre Workshop Company, Mr. Govender.

It is hoped to co-opt new members on to the action committee to apply resolutions of the symposium.

The symposium, free to the 60 Saftu members as well as members of the public, will be held on June 11 at Natal University in Durban at the L6 Lecture Theatre of the T.B. Davis Building from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch will be offered at R2,50 a head and those wishing to eat should phone 215369 in advance.

Film off banned list

THE GANGSTER comedy *Salt and Pepper*, starring Sammy Davis Junior and Peter Lawford, has come off the banned list in South Africa. Released about 12 years ago, it is now showing for the first time on the local commercial circuit and opens at Durban's Broadway cinema tomorrow.

The cinema complex is also running the Alice Cooper rock movie *Welcome to My Nightmare* in late night sessions on Tuesday, May 30, at 10.45 p.m., 11.30 p.m., 1 a m. and 2 a.m. It looks like following the success of the *Led Zeppelin* film at this venue which drew record breaking capacity houses at all four late shows.

Booking for *Welcome to My Nightmare* opened two weeks ago and already three-quarters of the seats for the screenings have been sold.

Estcourt to ask for open hall

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Mercury Reporter

ESTCOURT — All race groups will be able to attend all Napac shows if Estcourt Town Council's application for the necessary permits is successful.

At its monthly meeting on Monday night the council noted a report from the Finance and General Purposes Committee that in April it had been agreed that a blanket permit be obtained to enable all races to attend the shows in the town hall.

The Department of Community Development is not prepared to grant a blanket permit, but will consider individual applications.

Napac supports the idea, but does state that no restriction in respect of any race group should be imposed.

The council has now authorised the Town Clerk, Mr. A. E. Firman, to apply for permits.

On another topic the council decided that the 25 economic houses for Coloured ownership in Colita township should be sold at R1 813 each.

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Hotel No to Tshungu

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PIETERMARITZBURG. — Within days of defending South African policies in a confrontation with Mr Donald Woods in a British TV debate, Mr Justus Tshungu was not allowed to use a telephone at a Newcastle hotel because of his colour.

Mr Tshungu told of the incident at a meeting at the University of Natal here.

He had gone into the hotel to use a telephone, but the receptionist had told him blacks were not allowed. When he had repeated his request, the receptionist had said she would call the police.

"I said fine, because I wanted to know what I could be charged for. Just then the man I had wanted to phone arrived on the scene," Mr Tshungu said.

This, and the other frequent humiliations he and other blacks had been subjected to because of their skin colour, was the story of South Africa, he said.

"Until the white man accepts the black man as a brother he stands no chance of being accepted by the rest of Africa," he said. — SAPA.

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Raft girl Celia can't wait to leave after racial snubs



Celia Chui — it's a strain

Flat refusal

By PENNY SWIFT

THE "holiday city" image of Durban was shattered for a black Rhodesian girl this week when she was ordered out of a block of flats in a white area.

Celia Chui, 26, said this illustrated the tension of living in a society governed by laws constructed to keep races apart.

"I can't wait to leave Durban; it's become a strain living here," she said.

ployed there and although I was tempted to lie, I told him I was visiting a friend.

"Later an irate woman (the supervisor) came to the flat and asked what I was doing.

"Being Rhodesian born and a tourist I had not anticipated

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nurse, is the only black crew member of Apelila, the oildrum raft due to leave Walvis Bay on a transatlantic voyage next month.

All her South African friends are white. Her upbringing was completely non-racial. Her mother is a black Portuguese woman from Mozambique and her father is Chinese. She is married to an Englishman and travels on a British passport.

She said this week she was "amazed" to find Natal so restricted after hearing it was so liberal.

Having spent two months in Johannesburg without any racial hassles she was shocked to be confronted by Durban people objecting to the clour of her skin.

Nasty

"I have stayed with friends since arriving in South Africa because I cannot afford to stay in international hotels," she said.

"I arrived in Durban about six weeks ago and have had several nasty experiences.

These included being asked to leave a beachfront hotel, a restaurant, and the block of flats.

"It was all so embarrassing. I'm apprehensive about going out now and have stopped going to new and different places.

"My friends and I had to leave the hotel after we had ordered a meal because I couldn't produce immediate proof of my identity. But when they told me to leave the flats, they didn't even ask who I was."

Petite and pretty, with a mop of loosely curled hair, Celia said she moved into the block of flats — in the beachfront area — last weekend.

"Nobody noticed me until Tuesday when I was approached by a man (a shareholder) who could not understand how I had dared enter the block. He asked if I was embarrassed; nor had my friend. But I believe there is a clause in the lease of the building which prohibits "Asiatics" or "Bantu" from staying there.

Infuriated

"What infuriated me was that they were so rude," she said.

Her friend, a public relations officer from an Afrikaans family, described the incident as "ugly and so unnecessary."

There had been a lot of unpleasantness, but a solution had been found and Celia would remain with her in the flat for the rest of her stay in Durban, she said.

Mr Terry Toohey, director of the Durban Publicity Association said Celia Chui's experience posed the question: "Are we geared to handle the tourist market of the future?"

Attitudes had to change he said.

"The tourist industry in South Africa is doing all it can to attract visitors. When they come here the least we can od is treat them civilly. It isn't enough to merely have international hotels when the system breaks down in other areas."

Of 589 000 visitors who came to South Africa last year, more than 169 000 were Rhodesians, he said.

Change

"From January 1 next year the scene will change. There is a growing black middle-class market which will grow very fast from then on. At the moment these people tend to go to Mauritius and the Seychelles for their holidays. If we are going to hold on to our market share we have to gear ourselves to provide for tourists of every hue.

"People who stay in beachfront hotels expect to be able to use the beaches, taxis and other facilities. But too many doors are closed to them and we are not moving quickly enough."

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White nursing home entry eased for blacks

Tribune Reporter

BLACK patients will now find it easier to be admitted to white private nursing homes with the change in the Government regulations.

Spokesmen for nursing homes in Durban told the **Sunday Tribune** this week that they had no objections to admitting blacks, but added that there was little likelihood of many blacks seeking admission because of the high fees.

Mr Charles Perold, regional representative of the Department of Community Development in Durban, said that following representations from the Indian Council, the admission of blacks to white nursing homes had been made easier.

Previously a doctor had to submit a detailed medical report to the department for premission before a patient could be admitted. "Now, in cases of emergency, he can phone us for a permit and if the patient does not need immediate attention the doctor can submit his request for a permit in writing," Mr Perold said.

Mrs Dorothy Dutchi, the matron at Mitchell Park Nursing Home, said that although no black had sought admission, she had no objections to having them at the nursing home.

No need

"As a nurse, I don't see the need for race barriers. We have blacks working at the home and I can't see why we would have any problems by having black patients," she said.

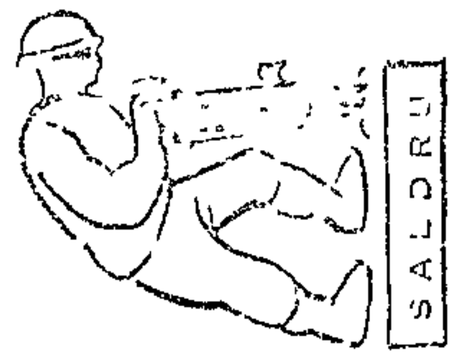
A spokesman for Glenwood Nursing Home said the only factor which would probably deter [illegible] from seeking admission to white nursing homes was the high fees.

"If we receive a request from a black for admission, I don't think the request will be turned down but considered in the same way as other requests," she said.

Mrs Lucia Brikenstock the matron of St. Augustine's Hospital, said that they already regularly admitted Indian, Coloured and African patients.

"Of course, we do it with the permission of the Department of Community Development. The only other condition is that they take up a private suite. They are not accommodated in the general ward," she said.

Spokesmen for the Morningside Nursing Home and the Woodlands Nursing Home also said that they had no objections to the admission of blacks.



SALDRU/SAMSTAG CONFERENCE ON THE ECONOMICS OF HEALTH CARE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

SEPTEMBER 1978

CAN TRADITIONAL DIVINERS AND HERBALISTS, AND MODERN HEALERS, CONTRIBUTE TO COMMUNITY HEALTH?

All-race library move backed

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN City Council's Management Committee has recommended that the city's by-laws be changed to open the central library to all races.

Committee chairman Mr. Joe Ash said the new policy could only be implemented once the reference library was moved to the Martin West building.

The decision followed a confused Council debate this week when it was proposed that signs outside the library be changed from "Europeans only" to "Right of admission reserved".

The council voted to refer the matter back to the Management Committee after councillors said a sign change was not acceptable; what was required was a change in the council's policy.

Mr. Ash said the recommendation would go to a full council meeting. If passed the proposal would be advertised and any objections would be considered.

He said it was not possible for the central lending library to become multiracial until more space was available. It was not certain when the reference library could be moved.

He hoped the council would be in a position to have the by-law changed simultaneously with the move to the Martin West building.

'Europeans only' sign removed

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NH. Mercury Reporter

ONE of the Durban Central Library's "Europeans only" signs has been removed but another is still there.

The City Council decided at a meeting earlier this week that the "hurtful and obnoxious" sign be removed from the Reference Library immediately.

A "Right of admission reserved" sign now stands in its place but, only a few paces to the right, a second "Europeans only" sign remains above the lending library door.

The Council felt the sign above the Reference library door was "no longer fact" as it had been used by other races for some time.

The lending library is still regarded as for Whites only although a move is afoot to amend the relevant by-laws to open it to all races.

Municipal sources believe the move is tied in with the proposed transfer of the reference library to Martin West Building in the next few months.

The lending library will then be extended and will be able to accommodate all races.

Several people interviewed yesterday had no objection to sharing the reference or lending libraries with other races.

The head librarian, Mr. R. W. Stacey, refused to comment yesterday. The Town Clerk, Mr. Gordon Haygarth, was not available for comment.

Entry for all sought at city tearoom

5/4/79

NH Mercury Reporter

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THE Botanic Gardens tearoom in Durban has applied to the Department of Community Development for a permit to open its doors to all races.

A manageress — she refused to give her name — said yesterday an application was made two weeks ago.

She expected a reply shortly and was confident the permit would be granted.

The Mitchell Park tearoom's application was turned down recently but it is understood a second attempt is to be made.

Meanwhile, apartheid signs at most municipal properties in the city appear to be coming down.

According to City Councillor Pieter Breytenbach, "Europeans only" signs are still displayed at libraries.

Signs at parks and swimming baths were taken down "without ceremony" some time ago.

Mr. Breytenbach understood, however, that Blacks were only allowed to use the swimming baths after a permit had been granted by the Department of Community Development.

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Restaurant for Blacks plan mooted

Municipal Reporter

A MODERN restaurant in the Durban central area for Black shop workers and office clerks has been mooted as a "worthwhile exercise in human relations".

The proposal — by Councillor Cornelius Koekemoer — will be discussed by the Durban Management Committee today.

Putting his suggestion in a letter to the Town Clerk, the councillor expressed annoyance that the establishment of such facilities in Pietermaritzburg has once again put Durban "to shame".

He said: "While appreciating the fact that the Bantu Administration Board has financed this project, there is no doubt that the progressive — I hate using this word but for want of a better one I must — Council must be given some credit for this project."

He considered a site in Commercial Road between Grey Street and Soldiers Way would be suitable for a Durban Black restaurant and suggested that the matter be raised with the Port Natal Bantu Board.

His letter reads: "During the past three years I have observed ever-increasing numbers of Blacks engaged as shop workers and office clerks in the central business area.

"Evidence of this can be found during the early morning and late afternoon commuter rush and, more particularly, during the period noon to 2 p.m.

"There are more and more Blacks who, due to vastly improved educational and living standards, have advanced beyond the 'half a loaf of bread and mineral or maas' era and are no longer content to squat on kerbstones or lawns in parks."



Mr Joseph Muller in his cafe. A customer sits on the table because the police have ordered him to remove the chairs

I'll never vote Nat again — angry cafe apartheid victim

By TICKS CHETTY

A LIFELONG member of the National Party vowed this week never to vote for the party again after he became a victim of the country's apartheid laws.

Mr Joseph Muller, 53, owner of the Parkade Cafe in Durban's Field Street, made this promise after police ordered him to remove the chairs from the cafe because he allowed blacks to sit and eat there.

According to Mr Muller a policeman told him that since his cafe was in a white area and he did not have a permit for blacks to sit and eat he was acting illegally in terms of the Group Areas Act.

Mr Muller removed the chairs and stacked them in a room at the back of the cafe because he was told that if he did not heed the police warning he could face prosecution.

Mr Muller, a former chairman of the Transvaal's Randfontein branch of the National Party, said he was not even aware a permit was needed to have blacks sitting and eating in his cafe.

"What I find ridiculous is that blacks can stand and eat in my cafe but not sit. This is absolute nonsense," he said bitterly.

"The majority of my customers are Africans, Indians and coloureds. The only whites I get coming here are those who want to buy cigarettes. The blacks who call at my cafe want to sit and not stand and eat. I find it difficult explaining to them that I am not allowed to do so now because of the laws".

Mr Muller said since he was ordered to remove the chairs the business had dropped by more than 60 percent.

Police said this week that they acted only after receiving a complaint from a white man. They would not name him.

Club may go multi-racial

Mercury Reporter

THE POINT Yacht Club has asked members for a yes or no vote on the club — Durban's biggest boating club — going multi-racial.

A questionnaire which reached members yesterday asks if they would agree to other races being granted full membership of the club.

Members are also asked if they would agree to PYC establishing "non-sailing" sports such as squash, table tennis, swimming, snooker, and whether they would agree to PYC allowing its membership to increase dramatically in the near future.

The club presently has international status which enables members of other race groups to use facilities available at the club.

Development

A member of the PYC committee yesterday refused to confirm what was being asked of the members but said they were being asked questions which would influence the long-term development of the club.

When asked if applications from other race groups had influenced the question of the club going multi-racial he said: "I can say quite categorically there have been no applications as yet."

The reaction from yachtsmen have been varied with one saying his main concern was yachting and his only objection to the questions was that other sports should not be brought into the club.

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Indians want to join club

Mercury Reporter

THERE are at least 15 Indian yachtsmen in Durban — and some have already approached the Point Yacht Club on the possibility of membership.

This was disclosed by one of the yachtsmen yesterday after a report that the club had circularised its 2 500-strong membership on their feelings on the club going multi-racial.

The man, a company director, said he had applied for membership on behalf of 10 yachtsmen by post last year.

He had received no reply and had then sent a hand delivered application.

Possibility

The reply to this application had been that the club was looking into the possibility of races other than Whites becoming members of the club, the man said.

He added he had been surprised to read a comment from a club member that there had been no applications from other races

"I applied last year," he said.

The man, who does not want to be named, said the yachtsmen, at least five of whom were doctors, were keen sailors and would be pleased to be able to join the club and take part in its activities.

The establishment of a club for Indians had got under way at Midmar Dam near Pietermaritzburg but with recent fuel increases this would prove expensive, the man said, adding that the men were from Durban.

The secretary of PYC, Mr. R. T. Reitsma, has refused to comment.

It is believed that to become a member of PYC the person has to be proposed, seconded and then appear before a membership committee.

The entrance fee is R100 plus a yearly fee of R60. Women pay less but are not afforded the same rights as men in the club.

‘Whites only’ so visiting evangelist walks out



African Affairs Reporter

A WELSH evangelist and his wife walked out of a restaurant on the Natal South Coast this week because their Black companions were not allowed to join them for a meal.

Mr. M H. Price and his wife are on a tour of the churches of the Assemblies of God. Thirteen other evangelists are visiting Assembly churches in different parts of South Africa

On Wednesday Mr. Price and his wife were taken on a tour by Pastor J Donda and Pastor E Vilakazi of the Assemblies of God in Durban.

Not allowed

Mr Price ordered food at the Natalia Restaurant at Illovo Beach and invited his friends to join them but the cafe owner said Africans were not allowed in

Mr. Price and his wife walked out followed by the Black pasters

Mr. C. Lyokes, the restaurant owner said Blacks were not allowed to eat in his restaurant “It is not my fault, it is the law of the country.”

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Pastors denied meal

DURBAN — An evangelist from Wales and his wife walked out of a restaurant on the South Coast this week because their black companions were not allowed to join them for a meal.

Mr Price ordered food at the Natalia Restaurant at Illovo Beach and invited his friends to join them but the cafe owner said blacks were not allowed in the restaurant.

He told the owner that if his friends were not allowed in he would not eat there. Mr Price and his wife then walked out followed by the black pastors. — DDC.

On Wednesday Mr M. Price and his wife were taken on a tour by Pastor J. Donda and Pastor E. Vilakazi of the Assemblies of God in Durban.

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NAVORSING

Gedurende die verslagjaar het die navorsing van die Sentrum die volgende behels:

A. Mobiliteit en Politieke Verandering in Suid-Afrika

Hierdie projek is 'n paar jaar gelede aangepak. 'n Ondersoek onder die kleurling bevolking van die Kaapse Skiereiland is onderneem. 'n Aantal tydelike navorsings-

Friends (Quakers) en van die American Friends Service Committee deurgebring. Hy het 'n aantal konferensies in verskillende dele van die land bygewoon, baie vergaderings toegespreek en senior beamptes van die Carnegie Corporation, van Community Relations Services van die Departement van Justisie van die Amerikaanse regering, van die American Friends Service Committee en kollegas verbonde aan verskeie universiteite besoek.

Gedurende Augustus en September het die Direkteur Engeland, Nederland, Switzerland, Swede, Israel en Zambië besoek. Hy het vooraanstaande joernaliste, Suid-Afrikaanse diplomate, senior amptenare van die Suid-Afrika-Stigting en verskeie regerings betrokke by Suid-Afrikaanse belange ontmoet. Hy het besprekings gevoer met stigtings, trusts en opvoedkundige verenigings. As gevolg van sy besoek aan Nederland het hy 'n toelae vir die Konstruktiewe Program ontvang van die Algemeen Diakonaal Bureau van die Gereformeerde Kerken in Holland.

Professor J.L. Boshoff, ere-Fellow van die Konstruktiewe Program, het met 'n aantal instansies, wat universiteite in Natal en Transvaal insluit, en met verskeie handels- en industriële firmas in Natal, kontak opgebou.

(b) Konferensies

Gedurende 1978 het die Direkteur die volgende konferensies bygewoon:

Jaarlikse Konferensie, Nasionale Uitvoerende Komitee- en Raadsvergadering van die Suid-Afrikaanse Instituut vir Rasseverhoudinge, Kaapstad (Januarie).

Suid-Afrikaanse Jaarlikse Vergadering van die Religious Society of Friends, Stutterheim (April).

Negende Wêreldkongres van Sosiologie, Uppsala, Swede. Verhandeling voorgelê in Werkgroep 6 en vergaderings bygewoon van die Raad van die Internasionale Sosiologiese Vereniging as die amptelike afgevaardigde van Suid-Afrika (Augustus).

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RECORD COMPANY'S COCKTAIL PARTY WON NO FRIENDS — AND LOST BUSINESS

Cinderella' apartheid stops the fun

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WHEN the clock struck eight the organisers of a cocktail party in a Durban beachfront hotel felt like pumpkins — some of their guests had to be asked to leave.

The occasion was a party for about 200 record dealers, White and Black. Suddenly the Blacks were asked to drink up and go. The party permit had expired

Many of the Blacks felt humiliated and insulted They handle a huge share of the record market and were enjoying the evening, hosted by the EMI-Brigadier record group, when the bombshell burst

Officials of the Palm Beach Hotel circulated among the Black guests asking them to finish their drinks and leave as the

By RUSSELL KAY

multiracial permit for the function was valid only from 6pm to 8pm

A dealer who felt strongly about his treatment was Mr Pregs Pillay who owns the Manhattan Record Shop in Durban's city centre — and is one of EMI-Brigadier's biggest customers.

"The hotel management were obeying the law There was nothing they could do about it My resentment is against the record group They did not tell us we would be thrown out at eight If I'd known that I would never have gone to the party."

The function was held to promote new



● Record shop manager Des Aman and other big-buying Black and Coloured colleagues could forget apartheid — until the multiracial permit ran out

record releases Some dealers had travelled from Zululand One White dealer, Mr Stephen Engels from Empangeni, had brought his Black branch manager

Mr Engels was extremely bitter "It was in particularly bad taste and very badly handled," he said

"I was embarrassed when I asked a Black colleague to have a drink and he said to me he couldn't because he had to leave When I asked him why, he just looked at me and said 'Because I m Black'."

He said his manager, Mr Des Aman had lived a great deal of his life overseas

"He was particularly embarrassed when he had to come over and tell me he was being asked to leave Mr Engel said

"We will be buying a great dea. le from EMI-Brigadier this year," Mr Engels said

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Mr Aman, an Indian, had an unpleasnt evening from the outset When he arrived he was prevented from entering the hotel because it was for Whites only

"Only when one of the record company public relations people intervened was I allowed inside," he said.

Mr Alan McInnes, marketing director of EMI-Brigadier, said he didn't know why the foul-up had occurred.

"Unfortunately the marketing manager who handled this function has left to fly to America on business I knew nothing about a permit," he said.

"I was totally unaware of the situation — and I was at the function I didn't know they were going to chase Blacks out at 8 pm

"I was very embarrassed myself at the function"

Mr McInnes blamed the management of the hotel for mishandling the affair.

"I felt they could have got hold of one of the hosts and explained the situation rather than just tell the guests they had to leave," he said.

"They could have been more diplomatic. The whole thing was unfortunate and a misunderstanding."

Later Mr McInnes told the Sunday Express he didn't know why his company had not held the function at an international hotel. "Only our marketing manager can tell you that," he said.

"I would like to point out, however, that on our invitations, which were sent to all the guests, it was stated that the function was only for two hours

"At no time did anyone from EMI-Brigadier ask anyone to leave."

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the more discriminating public decisions can be.

The results of programme budgeting may be valuab
the mere procedure does not necessarily ensure t
be made. Their potential is realised only if t
of the value of expenditure in each programme.

2.2 Programme Evaluation

Methods of evaluation range from simple procedure
where the conclusions are left largely to intuiti
processes which present more or less clear-cut so
precise methods, most of the value judgements have
in advance. Some points on the spectrum between
analysed below.

2.3 Looking at Expenditure

Basically, one is looking for inconsistencies.
logical axiom, basic to economics, is that a rand
mately the same value in whichever programme it is
social benefit from the marginal expenditure on on
that on another, one can do better by withdrawing
programme and increasing expenditure on the first.
a breakdown of the budget between programmes, the
may be compared with our intuitive notions of how
on these things. Our judgement will depend on wh
fits of expenditure under each programme to be, a
analysis seeks to formalise (see below). For example, if it can be shown
that expenditure on preventive medicine constitutes approximately 2% of all
expenditure on health,[11] it may be felt that the benefits from this kind
of provision warrant an increase in the share of the budget allocated to it.

Unfortunately, such intuitive processes can pick out only the grossest in-
congruities which are recognised by all, whatever criteria of 'value' are
used. The optimum level of expenditure on a particular objective is,
from the point of view of intuitive judgement, highly uncertain, because of
the wide variation in benefits attributable to a particular type of spend-

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A MIXED BEACH?

NO DOUBT many agonising questions will arise as the nation slowly extricates itself from 30 years of rigid apartheid. In Durban, for instance, the current trauma is whether the Council should establish a multi-racial beach. And amid the serious debate which this matter has generated, perhaps only an outsider would see the humour of the situation.

Durban's beachfront has been kraaled meticulously — at great expense — into bathing areas for Whites, Africans, Indians and Coloureds. The idea now is to establish a fifth sector where all races can bathe together. Well might foreigners marvel at the intricacies of the South African way of life

However the motivation for declaring a mixed beach does not spring apparently from any basic desire to see Blacks and Whites frolicking in the waves together. It stems more from difficulties experienced by dark-skinned tourists staying at "international" beachfront hotels. These visitors find it inexplicable that although they are permitted to bathe with Whites in hotel swimming pools, they must go to racially classified beaches if they want to take a dip in the sea.

In effect, relaxations in one area of apartheid — hotel accommodation — have opened the door to other embarrassments, and the authorities are understandably in a quandary. What easier solution, therefore, than to establish a multi-racial beach to which the problematical Black tourists may be ushered without fear of "incidents"?

Frankly we are not persuaded that the measure would do more than add a further complication to the already complex scenario of the Durban beachfront.

Certainly it would not disperse the overall environment of segregation, for in effect the visitor would be told either to visit a beach designated for his ethnic group or patronise a stretch of sand that was labelled multi-racial. The White beaches would still be denied to him, and he would still risk the humiliation of being ordered off if he ventured on to them by mistake.

If we are really serious about moving away from racial segregation then surely we must stop looking for artificial solutions. The process will not be taken seriously if we are seen only to practise integration in compartments.

In the final result the opening of beaches to all races must come about through common consent and the deproclamation of existing racial zones — not through the establishment of multi-racial oases.

natal & obstetric care	++++	++	++	+++	48
Malnutrition	+++	+++	++	++	36
Need for medical care	++	++	++++	++	32
Specific diseases:					
V.D.	++	++	++	++	16
Dental problems	++++	+	++	++	16
TB	+++	+++	+++	++	54
Common cold*	++++	+	+	-	0
Yaws*	-	++	+++	++++	0

* Added to test scoring method

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Segregated amenities attacked

Mercury Reporter

SEGREGATED beaches and segregated rest camps in Natal's game reserves and nature parks stood between the Natal Provincial Administration and the fullness of support that the Administration could possibly expect from the Black people of Natal.

This statement was made in an aide-memoire handed to the Administrator of Natal, Mr. Stoffel Botha, yesterday during a meeting between Chief Gatsha Buthelezi and the Administrator-in-Executive Committee Members of the KwaZulu Cabinet were also present to discuss matters "of mutual concern"

Chief Buthelezi said in his aide-memoire that the winds of change were beginning to blow ever more strongly in South Africa. At this time petty apartheid was being scrapped everywhere in South Africa.

And he added "Petty apartheid is not petty when it is felt by those whose dignity is being reduced by it"

In a joint statement after the meeting, the Administrator and Chief Buthelezi said the meeting had been arranged with the specific object of promoting better understanding in areas "falling within the purview of the functions of our respective administrations."

The statement said the discussions, which touched on roads, hospitals and health services, nature conservation and recreation, had been "frank and objective" and conducted in a "spirit of helpfulness and co-operation"

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TABLE I

MORTALITY RATES FOR THE 17 MAJOR D

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	W		A	
	M	F	M	F
0-1	1,99	2,2	9,81	6,60
1-4	0,16	0,13	0,76	0,79
5-24	0,02	0,02	0,07	0,08
25-44	0,06	0,03	0,17	0,20
45-64	0,25	0,13	0,75	0,45
65+	1,04	0,72	1,61	1,98
ALL	0,19	0,15	0,56	0,45
NO.	399	315	198	159

	C		B	
	M	F	M	F
0-1	0,06	0,16	0,04	0,06
1-4	0,07	0,05	0,03	0,04
5-24	0,06	0,04	0,05	0,04
25-44	0,54	0,56	0,34	0,36
45-64	5,10	2,68	2,32	1,91
65+	12,59	7,51	6,16	4,10
ALL	1,03	0,69	0,58	0,45
NO.	1170	809	3472	715

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II NEOPLASMS

	W		A	
	M	F	M	F
0-1	0,17	0,13	0,00	0,21
1-4	0,03	0,07	0,07	0,00
5-24	0,09	0,05	0,07	0,05
25-44	0,26	0,33	0,21	0,26
45-64	3,01	2,58	1,47	2,19
65+	12,24	7,26	4,70	5,18
ALL	1,41	1,21	0,36	0,43
NO.	2920	2522	126	152

III ENDOCRINE, NUTRITIONAL AND MET

	W		A	
	M	F	M	F
0-1	0,09	0,05	0,06	0,21
1-4	0,03	0,01	0,00	0,05
5-24	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01
25-44	0,02	0,02	0,08	0,08
45-64	0,09	0,12	0,39	0,88
65+	0,39	0,59	1,61	2,59
ALL	0,05	0,08	0,12	0,18
No.	114	173	43	63

	C		B	
	M	F	M	F
	2,27	1,68	2,31	1,96
	1,27	1,08	1,02	1,29
	0,01	0,01	0,02	0,02
	0,08	0,05	0,06	0,07
	0,28	0,42	0,24	0,61
	0,81	1,28	1,04	1,44
	0,28	0,26	0,22	0,33
	316	307	455	530

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Fun-in-the-sun ban on blacks

TWO Natal seaside towns have banned blacks from "fun-in-the-sun" events because there are no toilet facilities for them.

By G R NAIDOO

The two events are a fund raising Boxing Day fair at Scottburgh and South Africa's inter-provincial surf lifesaving championships at Amanzimtoti.

Amanzimtoti has given permission for black competitors to take part in the lifesaving championships, but it insists that spectators be "whites only".

Defending the council's decision, Amanzimtoti's mayor, Mr Keith Rowling, said Government guidance was needed.

"The lifesavers may present their case to us, as no decision is irrevocable But the beaches are zoned under the Group Areas Act and we are following the accepted norm

"This is a very tricky subject It needs a lot of thought If the beach is opened, it will not only attract Indians, but will also attract coloureds and Zulus.

"We don't want to generate ill-feeling, and I think we need some guidance from the Government

"Since 1948 the Nationalists have done nothing and now, all of a sudden, they are making dispensations right at the top. I would imagine the right way to do this is to start at the bottom so that we can all get used to the idea of mixing "

Mr Derek Whiting, president of the Surf Lifesaving Association of South Africa, said all previous championships were held on white beaches and there were no problems

He was awaiting a letter from the Toti Surf Lifesaving club, who were to host the championships in February

Said Mr Whiting "I don't feel that the problem, if it exists, is insurmountable and I am quite willing to discuss the matter with the town council If they dig in their heels, I am sure that my association will have no hesitation in changing the venue "

The fun-day at Scottburgh was originally planned as a multiracial affair by the Round Table But the council turned down the application for mixed crowds because it has only white toilets

Mr Hugh Lindsay, chairman of the Scottburgh Round Table, said they had planned a tug-of-war contest with black and white teams competing for a prize of R250

"When we approached the council we were told verbally that there would be no problem, but subsequently, when the formal application was made, we were told that only whites would be allowed to participate as there were no facilities for blacks.

"The fun-day was organised to raise funds for Round Table It will still be held, but unfortunately for whites only "

The assistant town clerk of Scottburgh, Mrs N Coney, said Round Table's application was turned down as Scottburgh was a white beach and the council had not provided any toilet facilities for other races.

"Scottburgh is jam-packed at the moment and the only toilet facilities that are available for blacks are in the centre of town which is some distance away from the beach The council had no alternative but to turn down the application for a multiracial fun-day," she said.

In another incident in Scottburgh, cinema owner Mrs Camilla de Franchi, was told that the council would not support an application by her to open the "circle" section to coloureds and Indians because there were no toilets for them

The Amanzimtoti council has also been criticised in the past over its decisions concerning facilities for other race groups

Policy decision

In February this year, the Amanzimtoti Football Association, in keeping with the Football Association of South Africa's call for integrated teams asked the council if it would approve of multiracial teams.

The council took a policy decision not to allow Toti teams to be integrated because the football fields at Hutchinson Park were for whites, and provided by white ratepayers. The council had no objection to mixed teams from outside playing white Toti teams on the grounds.

Last month the council gave the thumbs down sign to a move to have the local drive-in cinema opened to all races.

The council decision was to "protect the interests of the whites and white holiday makers".

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VII DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM

	W				A			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0-1	0,51	0,33	1,10	0,10	1,80	1,59	0,13	0,10
1-4	0,05	0,06	0,02	0,04	0,15	0,17	0,02	0,04
5-24	0,07	0,06	0,09	0,13	0,14	0,17	0,11	0,13
25-44	1,09	0,44	1,31	0,78	1,54	1,27	0,73	0,78
45-64	9,75	4,44	14,76	5,01	10,33	8,25	4,61	5,01
65	42,19	32,93	55,30	14,21	43,12	40,90	13,55	14,21
ALL	4,70	3,81	3,22	1,20	2,74	2,69	1,14	1,20
NO.	9752	7926	1135	1921	3114	3140	2390	1921

VIII DISEASES OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

	W				A			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0-1	2,90	2,22	7,81	4,85	32,20	28,78	13,54	14,15
1-4	0,22	0,28	0,90	0,69	5,32	5,45	2,46	2,13
5-24	0,05	0,06	0,17	0,11	0,21	0,23	0,18	0,16
25-44	0,42	0,12	0,37	0,33	4			
45-64	1,46	0,92	3,33	1,85	20			
65+	11,52	7,89	16,51	13,42	2,			
ALL	1,12	0,97	1,22	0,79				
NO.	2336	2019	430	282	32			

RC priest detained to be deported

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Father Kuno Pauly, the Roman Catholic priest detained and served with a deportation order on Wednesday, was yesterday brought to Port Elizabeth, the Right Reverend John Murphy, Roman Catholic Bishop of Port Elizabeth, said last night.

Bishop Murphy, who was permitted to see Father Pauly in King William's Town yesterday, said he believed the priest would leave Port Elizabeth today, but did now know where he was to be taken.

Meanwhile, in Pretoria, the apostolic delegate, Archbishop J Cassidy, the papal representative in South Africa, yesterday met a senior official of the Department of Foreign Affairs in discussions on Father Pauly's detention and deportation.

The first secretary to the Archbishop, Monsignor F K Lozano, said in a telephone interview from Pretoria last night that the discussions were confidential.

BLACKS CAN'T WATCH TOTI BEACH EVENT

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Tribune Reporter

THE Amanzimtoti Town Council has banned black spectators from the 1980 Interprovincial Surf Lifesaving Championships to be held there in February — thus boosting even further this South Coast resort's racist image.

The ban, decided on this week, will prevent family and friends from supporting black competitors at the championships and has shocked lifesavers and sports administrators.

Now the 'Toti Surf Lifesaving Club may have to withdraw as hosts to the event, one of the highlights on the lifesaving calendar.

The council agreed to allow black competitors — as long as the TSLC provides separate facilities — but barred black spectators because the beach is zoned for whites only and "we don't have facilities for blacks," the Mayor of Amanzimtoti, Mr Keith Rolling, said.

"But we may be able to come to some sort of agreement with SLASA (Surf Lifesaving Association of South Africa) if they have a permit for a mixed event," Mr Rolling added.

"Although we didn't want to go opening our beaches for all and sundry," he said.

And one 'Toti lifeguard, who asked not to be named "for obvious reasons", said the decison was "ridiculous and totally opposed to what the Prime Minister is trying to do for all races in this country."

The lifeguard added that "this council has quite a track record of anti-black decisions. Maybe one day a black lifesaver will rescue the mayor and help him change his mind."

The Amanzimtoti Town Council has made the news in the past when it banned sports clubs in Amanzimtoti from opening to all races and recently when it decided to turn down an application by the ailing 'Toti Drive-in Theatre to admit blacks.

But it is understood that the council will be taking a long hard look at its policies some time in the new year in an effort to catch up on the times and follow recent initiatives by the Prime Minister.

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NATAL POLITICS

Indaba my friend?

Chief Minister Gatsha Buthelezi of KwaZulu is not one to miss a trick. It is, therefore, likely his challenge to Natal's NRP-controlled executive committee at its meeting last month was carefully thought out.

While it would be going too far to say Buthelezi was challenging it on Natal's record of progressive administration, his call to desegregate Parks Board rest camps and Natal's beaches highlights a serious NRP problem.

At provincial level, Natal has repeatedly asked to be allowed to go its own way to decide local matters on a local basis. Pleas have fallen on stony ground, as the notorious Sunday cinema row attests. Now Buthelezi is suggesting that if Natal can eliminate discrimination at the local level, it would be easier to tackle it on a national basis. Here lies the problem.

Integrated rest camps in Natal's game and nature reserves would be a serious embarrassment to the NRP on the platteland and in working-class urban constituencies. Yet unless it takes such steps, as Buthelezi has made plain, it cannot expect co-operation from Ulundi.

Ironically, KwaZulu, which has powers to make laws repugnant to Republican statutes on certain matters, is probably in a better legal position than Natal to promote integration. Nobody doubts the importance of Buthelezi's influence in preserving the peace in Natal during the Soweto upheaval, so pressure from the fragmented homeland's prime authority cannot be taken lightly.

Buthelezi has supported the idea contained in breakaway NRP MP Gerrie de Jong's recent appeal to include the Zulus in a greater Natal "indaba" to formulate proposals for submission to the Schlebusch Commission. This is quite consistent with his declaration that "everyone must hear me when I say that I will not assist the SA government to manipulate black areas of the country out of the mainstream of SA politics."

Whether the idea of KwaNatal is a [illegible] attempt to make the tail wag the dog it cannot be ignored.



Buthelezi . . . time for desegregation in KwaNatal

'Ban these boycotts'

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KwaZulu minister slams negative attitude in sport

Mercury Reporter

THE KwaZulu Minister of the Interior, Dr Frank Mdlalose, came out firmly against sports boycotts when he met the 11-man French fact-finding mission in Durban yesterday.

The minister disclosed that he and the delegation had spoken at length about change.

'I told them that, until recently, it seemed that South Africa had been following the road almost of "no return". However, during the past year or two, it appeared that the ice had been broken.

'My recommendation was: "Do not prescribe to us. When you see signs of integration, encourage them and do not extinguish them by adopting a negative approach" '

After a two-hour meeting with the mission, which is investigating all aspects of integration in sport in South frica, Dr Mdlalose said sports boycotts were not going to be at all helpful.

In an obvious reference to recent utterances by Sacos, he said changes should not be thwarted by 'our would-be well-wishers taking up dramatic action.'

He said: 'Where there is an attitude of trying to get people together in sport, it does not help to jeer at such attempts.'

He pointed out that the French Rugby Federation, under its chairman, Mr Albert Ferrasse, a member of the delegation. had taken a positive step towards multiracialism in sport by asking for black players to be included in the South African rugby side which was to have toured France last year.

'If it is true that the French Government refused visas because of the policy of the Government, it was a negative attitude in view of what the sports policy had been like in the past.'

Asked for the delegation's impressions on mixed sport, the chairman, Mr Bernard Marie, said it appeared that some apartheid still existed in sport as a result of Government legislation.

Questioned about the refusal of Mr Morgan Naidoo, chairman of the Swimming Federation, an affiliate of Sacos, to take part in this morning's talks with the delegation, the chairman said that members were sorry about it.

Delegates spent the afternoon touring sports facilities and will meet Mr Mike Mortimer, chairman of the championship committee of the World Boxing Association today, before flying to Johannesburg.

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Council row looms over beach race rulings

Municipal Reporter

A ROW is blowing up in the Durban City Council following an incident last weekend at the beachfront paddling pond when five Indian children were publicly ordered to leave.

But the acting director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches, Mr Errol Scarr, says that under the city's beach bylaws the facilities are reserved for use by the white group.

There were notices to this effect near the paddling pond.

Mr Scarr said the white zoning could be changed by the council but, as the situation stood at present, it was an offence for non-whites to paddle there.

There were no other facilities of this type for any other race group on the beachfront.

However, the Deputy Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, has requested that the issue be dealt with as a matter of extreme urgency by the Amenities Committee today.

She wants the committee to clarify the council's attitude towards facilities not equally provided for all races. The question of the behaviour by officials had also to be sorted out.

In a letter to the Town Clerk, to be tabled at today's meeting, she mentioned two 'embarrassing and unfortunate' incidents where 'discourteous' treatment was meted out to non-whites at municipal facilities.

One of the incidents at a North Beach toilet was widely reported overseas.

A member of the Amenities Committee, Councillor Cornelius Koekemoer, is opposed to opening up facilities to all races.

'No notice'

He said yesterday the council had taken no notice of his requests to provide equal facilities for all or his suggestion to fence off a portion of the beach where people would pay to use the facility.

'Since 1976 I have repeatedly suggested that the Blue Lagoon, which has always been used by all races, be turned into a multi-racial complex with facilities for everyone,' he said.

(3) Where a creditor entered on the list and whose claim is not discharged or determined, does not consent to the reduction, the Court may, if it thinks fit, dispense with the consent of that creditor on the company securing the payment of his claim by appropriating, as the Court may direct, an amount therefor as follows:

(*a*) If the company admits the full amount of his claim, or though not admitting it, is willing to provide for it, then the full amount of the claim; or

(*b*) if the company does not admit or is not willing to provide for the full amount of the claim, or if the liability is contingent or the amount not ascertained, then an amount fixed by the Court after a like enquiry and adjudication as if the company were being wound up by the Court.

86. Powers of Court as to order confirming reduction of capital.—(1) On an application under section 84 the Court may make an order, on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit, confirming the reduction or may grant a rule *nisi* calling on all persons concerned to show cause why such an order shall not be granted, and where the proposed reduction of share capital involves the payment to any shareholder of any paid-up share capital, the Court shall grant such a rule *nisi*.

(2) The Court shall not make an order confirming the reduction or confirming a rule *nisi* referred to in subsection (1) unless it is satisfied that every creditor of the company who under section 85 is entitled to object to the reduction, has consented to the reduction or that his debt or claim has been discharged or has determined or has been secured.

(3) The Court making any order confirming a reduction of capital by a company may make an order requiring the company to publish as the Court directs the reasons for reduction or such other information in regard thereto as the Court may think expedient with a view to giving proper information to the public and, if the Court thinks fit, the causes which led to the reduction.

(4) The Court making an order confirming a reduction of capital by a company involving the payment to any shareholder of any paid-up share capital in instalments or future payments may make an order to the effect that—

(*a*) no proposed instalment or future payment shall be paid out unless it has been authorized by the Registrar in writing;

(*b*) the Registrar shall issue such written authority only after the company has lodged with him an affidavit in the form prescribed and accompanied by the prescribed fee by a director or officer of the company to the effect that as at the date of the affidavit the company has no creditors or that all the creditors have consented to the payment of the proposed instalment or future payment, the written consents of creditors, if any, to be annexed to the said affidavit; and

(*c*) if the company is not able to furnish the said affidavit, it may apply to the Court for an order sanctioning the payment of the proposed instalment or future payment.

Restaurant bars Methodist head

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Lifeline, and the Rev Paul Shone, a minister from the Bosfof Street Methodist Church.

According to Mr Shone, the four of them were at a meeting all day and at 9 pm had gone to have a meal at a restaurant.

They had been seated for a few minutes when a waiter approached them and said the restaurant was not licensed to serve all people "We then left quietly and went to a local hotel".

Commenting on the incident, Mr Irvine said what upset him was that the manager of the restaurant did not come out and tell them himself

"This added insult to injury and I was embarrassed for the waiter, the president of the Methodist Church and our host in Pietermaritzburg

"Seeing the man who is at the head of the Methodist Church of this country dismissed like that was a hurtful and unnecessary experience," he said

The manager of the restaurant, Mr Jonny Klepsides, said yesterday he was busy at the griller when the visitors walked in He said the waiter spoke politely to them and he could not help the situation as he had no permit to serve blacks.

Speaking from Cape Town, Mr Hendricks said: "It was a most embarrassing situation but one that blacks in South Africa experience daily I call upon all people of goodwill to do whatever they can to avoid such deeply humiliating experience as part of the South African way of life" — SAPA

Mr Losaba was accompanied by the Rev Abel Hendricks, a past president of the Methodist Church of South Africa, the Rev George Irvine, the national president of

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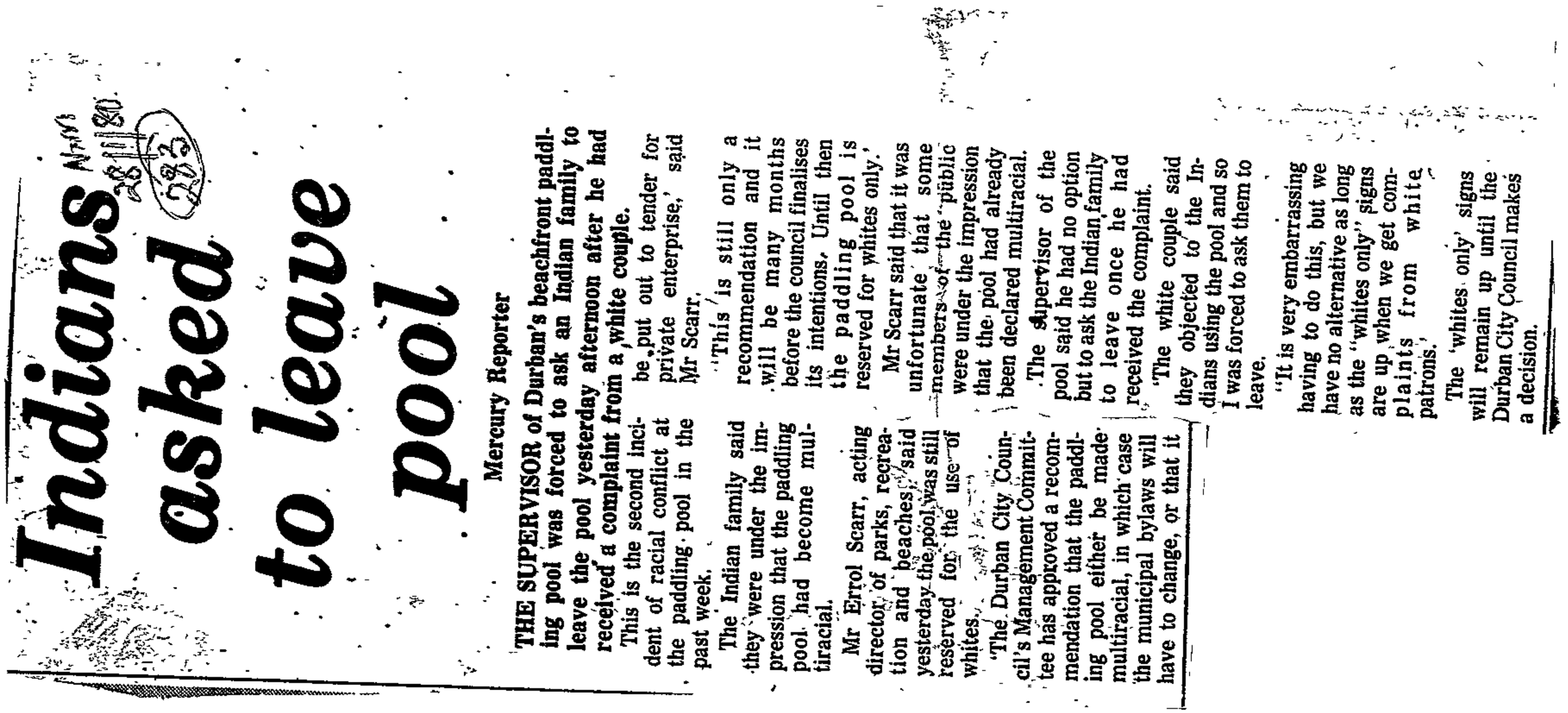
(iii) urgency based on the degree of disability (e.g. large hernias should come in more quickly than small ones);

(iv) urgency based on social factors (e.g. wage earners with many dependants should come in quickly);

(v) expected length of stay in hospital.

This and alternative methods of determining 'need' for personal health services and ways of implementing them are discussed more fully in Ref. 12. It is mentioned here only to indicate that for relatively expensive services, a variety of options are available and that chaotic overcrowding is only one of a number of systems of nonprice rationing.



Indians asked to leave pool

Mercury Reporter

THE SUPERVISOR of Durban's beachfront paddling pool was forced to ask an Indian family to leave the pool yesterday afternoon after he had received a complaint from a white couple.

This is the second incident of racial conflict at the paddling pool in the past week.

The Indian family said they were under the impression that the paddling pool had become multiracial.

Mr Errol Scarr, acting director of parks, recreation and beaches, said yesterday the pool was still reserved for the use of whites.

"The Durban City Council's Management Committee has approved a recommendation that the paddling pool either be made multiracial, in which case the municipal bylaws will have to change, or that it be put out to tender for private enterprise," said Mr Scarr.

"This is still only a recommendation and it will be many months before the council finalises its intentions. Until then the paddling pool is reserved for whites only."

Mr Scarr said that it was unfortunate that some members of the public were under the impression that the pool had already been declared multiracial.

The supervisor of the pool said he had no option but to ask the Indian family to leave once he had received the complaint.

The white couple said they objected to the Indians using the pool and so I was forced to ask them to leave.

"It is very embarrassing having to do this, but we have no alternative as long as the "whites only" signs are up when we get complaints from white patrons."

The 'whites only' signs will remain up until the Durban City Council makes a decision.

Natal plans a holiday village for all races

By RAJENDRA CHETTY

THE Natal Parks Board is creating a multiracial holiday village at the Albert Falls Resort near Maritzburg in an experiment that could eventually change the character of all its resorts.

The board has already applied for reproclamation of the former whites-only village complex to occupation by all races. Miss Jane Baxter, the board's public relations officer, said.

The complex - at the entrance to the dam alongside the board's reception centre - has more than 40 cottages which are being converted into fully equipped self contained chalets.

The six-bed chalets comprise two bedrooms, a lounge, a covered porch, a kitchen, bathroom and large verandah.

Miss Baxter said accommodation at the village would be for both blacks and whites, while all races would share facilities at the community hall and along the shoreline.

She said, however, that blacks would be given "greater consideration" at the village because the nearby Notuh hutted camp was set up exclusively for whites.

Fishing

This decision, she said, had been recommended by Crelac, the board's multiracial advisory committee.

Miss Baxter said the board had set up two other "open" areas - near the Ottos Bluff entrance to the dam, which had now become a favourite fishing spot for anglers, and in the area around the Albert Falls.

The decision to integrate facilities is believed to have stemmed from the good response obtained from visitors in a survey carried out at the complex last year.

Holidaymakers and day trippers were questioned about their views regarding shared facilities and whether they had any objection to mixing with members of other races at the resort.

The questionnaire was part of the board's extensive survey to determine public reaction to present facilities, their attitudes to planned changes and the needs of all races.

Exemption

The Albert Falls dam resort and nature reserve is about 14 km from Maritzburg on the national road to Greytown and covers an area of 3 069 ha. It was established in July 1975 and has not been officially opened yet, as much of the development is still being completed.

However some of the facilities are open to the public and the multiracial village could operate as soon as the exemption is granted.

Facilities at the Spioenkop public resort and nature reserve near Ladysmith have also been thrown open to members of all races.

Miss Baxter said Spioenkop was the only resort where tennis, badminton, table tennis, volleyball and swimming pools had been established and these facilities were now open to all races.

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Councillor warns on sportsgrounds in city for domestics

'Ban these blacks'

Municipal Reporter

A DURBAN City Councillor, Mr Gys Muller, has drawn attention to recent terrorist attacks in Pretoria and Northern Natal and warned against encouraging blacks into white cities to play sport.

His concern is expressed in a letter to the Town Clerk on the question of African domestic workers being allocated recreation facilities within the city's boundaries.

Four other councillors also responded to a circular requesting suggestions. They were Mr Clarence Cheek, Mr Barry Clark, Mr Crispin Hemson and Mrs Margaret Ambler.

Mr Muller said on Sunday, February 24, he visited sportsfields on the Bluff. He found they were being used by organised teams of black adults. Young gardeners were the spectators.

'For this reason I cannot support more sports facilities for blacks on the Bluff,' he said.

Last October the council appointed a sub-committee to investigate the matter of recreation grounds for servants in city suburbs following a request by the Natal Council of Women after black youths were turned away from playing fields on the Bluff at weekends.

The association argued it was better to channel their energies to sport instead of less healthy pursuits such as drinking, gambling and possibly vandalism because of boredom.



COUNCILLOR Gys Muller sports facilities warning

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In his letter Mr Hemson said there was a need in his ward (Stamford Hill) for areas for casual games and for fields for more serious sport.

He said there was ample space in Block AK. He believed the council should take positive steps to improve the situation in collaboration with the Port Natal Administration Board.

Another councillor, Mr Clark, suggested using low-lying land close to the Umbilo River, owned by the corporation, for fields in Ward 7.

He said the site was readily accessible from Carrington Heights and in a position least likely to cause a nuisance or affect the privacy of homes in the area.

Mrs Ambler complained that there was a shortage of play areas on the Berea. She suggested that schools be approached to allow domestics to use their grounds during holidays.

There was also a need for a recreation centre, with rooms for education pur-

Black 'grab' of city sports fields claimed

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COMPLAINTS that unauthorised black football teams are monopolising white and Indian municipal sportsgrounds are being referred to an urgent meeting to be attended by the police and the Port Natal Administration Board.

The complaints apply to two separate grounds in Montclair, as well as Albert Park, New Kingsmead and the Indian sportsground in Himalaya Road, Merebank.

Yesterday the director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches Mr Tom Linley, reported to the Amenities Committee that the position was uncontrollable.

Powerless

His department was powerless to take any steps to prevent or overcome the situation.

In his report, tabled at the meeting, Mr Linley said the situation at the Kenyon Howden Road grounds, Montclair, was so bad that white permit holding football teams were unable to use the grounds allocated to them.

The same situation existed at Montclair Park and, more recently, the Indian ground in Himalaya Road was taken over by blacks.

Threats

Verbal reports were received of threats of violence to white players and also thefts of clothing and other items, including footballs.

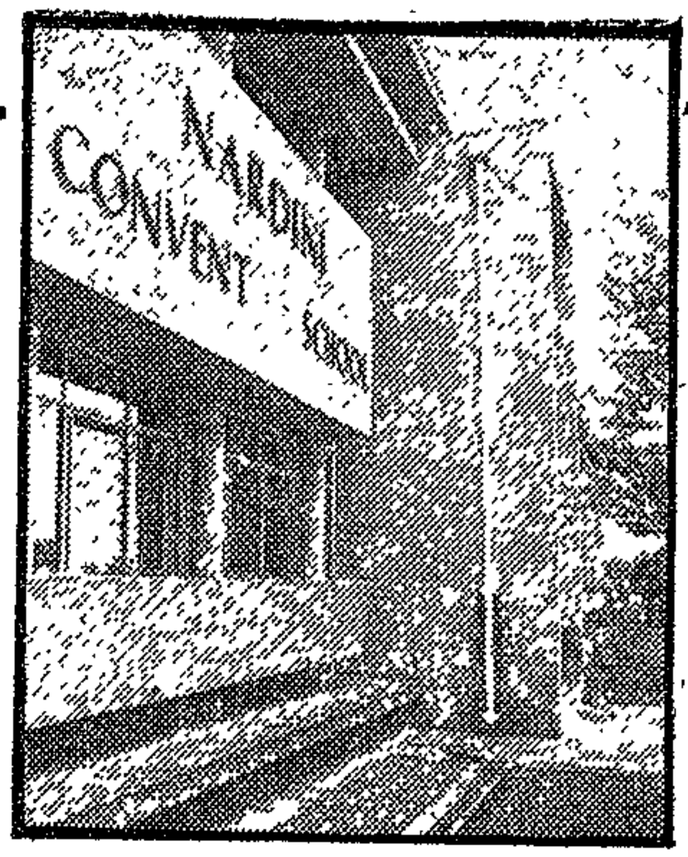
Mr Linley said while it must be assumed that sufficient recreation facilities had been provided in the neighbouring black townships it seemed obvious that they were not being used for training purposes.

Mr Linley said the problem was brought to the attention of the Minister of Co-operation and Development in June last year.

'In reply, the Minister indicated, inter alia, that the prevention of blacks making use of the city's recreation facilities is a matter to be dealt with by the City Council in terms of the Reservation of Separate Amenities Act No 49 of 1953 and not that of his department.'

Yesterday, Amenities Committee chairman Councillor Pieter Breytenbach said an urgent meeting would be called to see what controls could be instituted against teams that used the fields without permission.

First it was black sport and white sport . . . now the Vryheid sports administrators have invented a new way of keeping the kids apart



The Nardini Convent School . . . on the wrong side of the apartheid barrier

Now — pure white sport

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By CHRIS WHITFIELD

MORE than 230 young children have found themselves on the wrong side of the apartheid barrier after a Vryheid Convent school was opened to all races.

Now the sports administrators in the area have decreed that the children of the Nardini Convent School cannot play on the same sportsfields, or swim in the same pool, as pupils from the "pure white" primary schools.

The children, aged from six to 13 years, had their first taste of sports isolation in 1978 after eight coloured pupils were admitted to the Catholic school.

A week after school opened, the constitution of the North Eastern Natal Junior School Sports Association was circulated to schools in



Coloured and white schoolgirls at play — but they cannot play against other white schools in Vryheid

white schools," said Vryheid Kultuurraad member and well-known Herstigte Nasionale Party member, Kosie Erasmus.

comment on the issue.

But Mr F. S. Le Roux, headmaster of the Lucas Meyer school, said the Tribune should "leave

all races in a harmonious and orderly fashion and has created the opportunity of a good education for all," said a

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the area.

The constitution, apparently drawn up only days before, allows only for the participation of "pure white" schools in inter-school competition.

So now the school's young athletes and sports players are forced to confine their competition to inter-house contests in the school itself.

This week the Sunday Tribune visited the school in the dusty Northern Natal town.

Prejudice

Scattered among the white schoolchildren on the playgrounds were 24 coloured and three Indian pupils.

Most of the white pupils at the school — sited only a short walk from a city centre adorned with "white" and "non-white" signs — are farmers' children.

"There has been no hesitation about mixing between the pupils of the different races and no problems whatsoever have been experienced," a spokesman for the school's Parent Teachers' Association told the Tribune.

"Children of that age know no colour. It is only their parents who prejudice them," a parent said.

But others disagree: "I was at the meeting where we decided that now Nardini was getting non-whites in the school they can get on and play their sport against other non-white schools, but would leave the final decision to the Sports Association.

A parent of a Nardini pupil told the Tribune that the Sports Association had changed their constitution days after the first coloured pupils were admitted to Nardini.

"School opened on a Tuesday. They held a meeting on the Saturday and the next week the new constitution was released," she said.

The constitution categorically states that only "suiwer blank" (pure white) schools can participate in inter-school competition.

But the association's chairman, Lubbe van Zyl told the Tribune that "as far as I know the constitution was not changed. We just re-copied it".

Mr van Zyl said he could not elaborate on the problem.

The headmasters from both other primary schools in Vryheid, Lucas Meyer and the Nuwe Republiek, refused to "If you keep on mixing them on the sportsfield, on what basis do you keep them separate in social life?" asked Mr Erasmus.

"And if you can't keep them separate in social life you will get interracial marriages and the white man will go down in Africa," he said.

Mr Erasmus explained that the Kultuurraad had decided to press for the exclusion of Nardini from sport against all-white schools, but would leave the final decision to the Sports Association.

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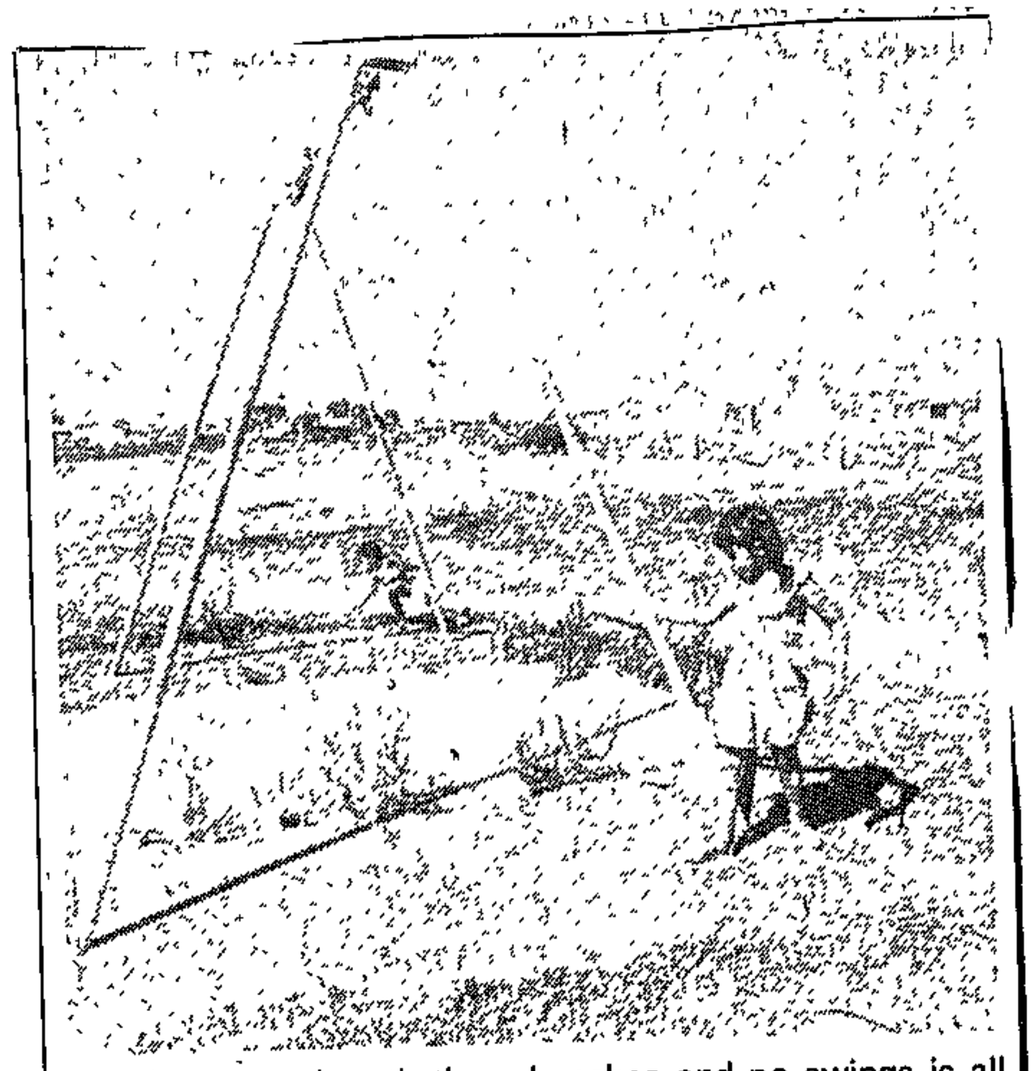
"There's far more to it than just children playing," he said.

Sister Isentraud Rauscher, principal of Nardini, refused to discuss the matter with the Tribune, but referred the matter to the school's Parent Teachers' Association.

"The school has achieved the bringing together of children of outlining the achievements at Nardini.

"It is sad that these people see fit to apply their racism to schoolchildren who know no difference," a parent said.

"The children are no doubt disappointed by the lack of competition but we do not know what further steps should be taken," the PTA spokesman said.



One barren park with three benches and no swings is all that four-year-old Linda Sancster, left, and Rehana Samuels, 3, have to amuse themselves with in Lotus River

Grassy Park: Council replies

Staff Reporter

VANDALISM, inflation and low incomes were some of the reasons for the appalling lack of amenities in the Grassy Park and Lotus River area, a spokesman for the Divisional Council said yesterday.

He was responding to complaints by residents that poor conditions in the area did not justify the high rates being paid Grassy Park and Lotus River residents pay among the highest rates in the Western Cape

He suggested that residents put their complaints in writing so that each department could verify whether or not they were aware of of each particular problem.

Claims made by residents were:

● The only park in Lotus River has three benches and two empty swing frames. Children risked breaking their legs playing soccer in the park which was many ditches.

● The Divisional Council ignored their complaint that thick bushes in the park had become a home for squatters and did not heed a request to clear the bushes Children in the area finally helped in clearing the park.

● The names of streets were often absent and this made it impossible for the police to act promptly when residents were attacked.

● Poor street lighting facilitated attacks on residents. A Lotus River resident claimed to have been attacked and robbed three times in two months in 2nd Avenue

"We are aware of problems in these areas," said the spokesman yesterday "But we are a local authority and some of the problems are beyond our control. The government will have to step in for the whole problem to be solved."

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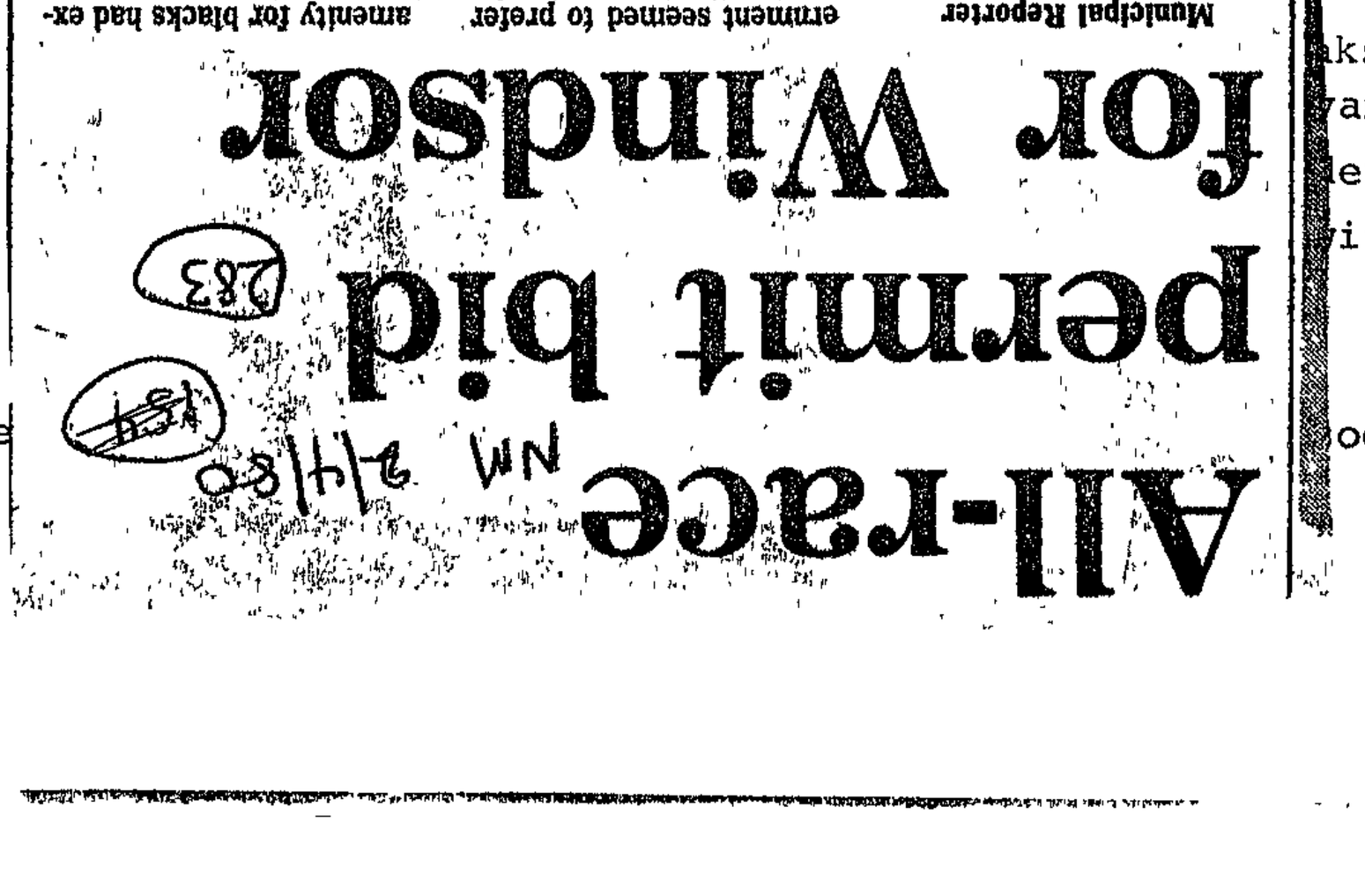

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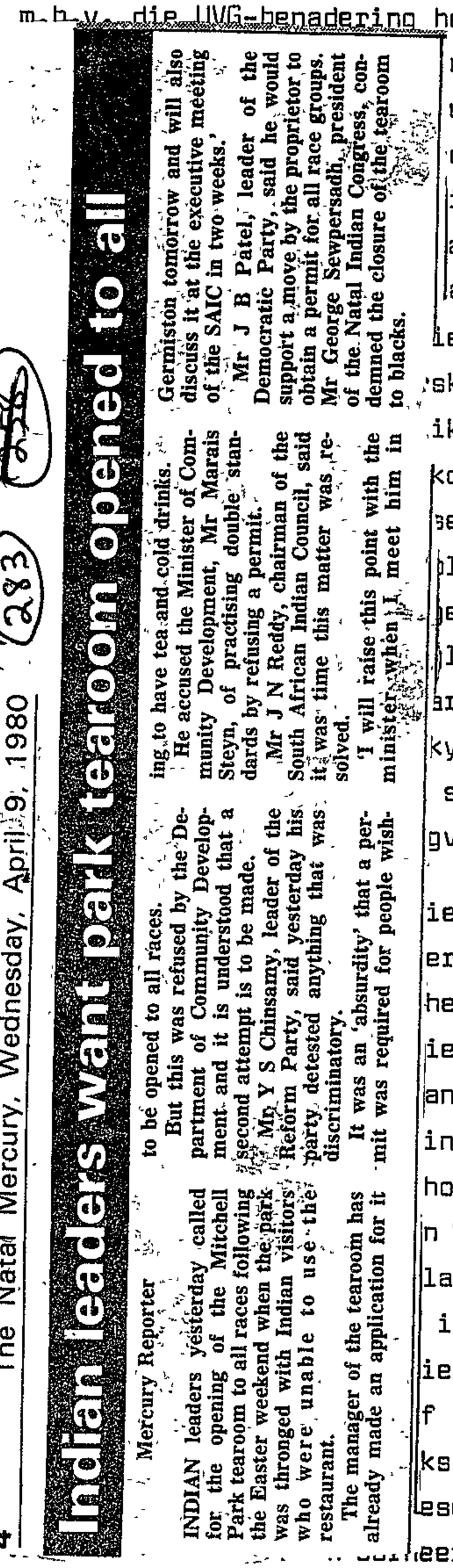

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Rotary Club protests after Indian businessmen asked to leave hotel

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Mercury Reporter

THE Rotary movement is concerned about how its delegates might be treated at Durban's Elangeni Hotel during a forthcoming convention, after a recent incident when an Indian businessman and his friends were ordered to leave a bar in the international hotel.

Mr Dennis Bughwan, president of Rotary s Umgeni branch, said yesterday that the term 'international' was very misleading He suggested that notices should be placed at strategic points in view of the problems that could arise

'For instance, there should be a notice at the entrance to the Churchill Bar, where the incident took place, to state that it is 'international with reservation — no black or brown people allowed unless residents"

'Furthermore, there should be a notice to the entrance of Lara's Restaurant to indicate "No dancing unless white" This would help avoid embarrassment to those who could so easily be misled by the word "international" which, in the South African context appears to have a unique meaning'

Mr Bughwan s son and a doctor were among the party who were asked to leave The party was headed by another Rotarian, Mr T K Soni, a prominent Durban jeweller, and the guests had adjourned to the bar after having attended a large Rotary dinner in the hotel

Mr Bughwan said Mr Soni and his guests had been humiliated in that they had been asked to leave in a loud and crude manner in the presence of other people in the bar The whole thing had been done in a most distasteful way, he said

He had discussed the affair with the general manager of the hotel, Mr Gerhard Stanek, who undertook to transfer the two assistants concerned to other duties in the hotel This promise had not been kept as the men concerned were still at their posts



Mr Dennis Bughwan
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BLACKS BACK MIXED BUSES BUT CLAIM: THE MONEY TALKED!



Marshall Cuthbert — plan to integrate buses

BLACK leaders and some Durban city councillors yesterday supported Durban Transport Management Board general manager Marshall Cuthbert's plans to scrap apartheid on municipal buses.

At the same time the leaders — Austerville Action Committee secretary Archie Hulley, Natal Commuters' Association president Jarbandhan Bugwandeen and Chesterville attorney Bill Bhengu — said "liberalism" had not forced Mr Cuthbert to make far-reaching recommendations to desegregate the white and black services.

The increasing heavy losses being incurred by the white service had made him realise that an integrated service would reduce the deficit, they said.

Mr Cuthbert is to recommend to the Durban Transport Management Board on Wednesday that an application be made to the Local Road Transportation Board to desegregate the services, while retaining the existing fares structure on each.

Tribune Reporter

In 1975 the transportation board rejected an application for permits for an integrated service made by the then general manager of the Durban Transport Management Board, Mr Noel Flanagan.

Mr Cuthbert said this week that it had become difficult to justify the cost of duplicated services which involved about R470 000 and about 230 000 litres of diesel fuel a year.

He also warned that because of constant diminishing support, the size of the white service would reduce to the point where in time it would become minimal.

Mr Hulley said yesterday that his committee had approached the Durban City Council last year to integrate its services.

"While I welcome the new move by Mr Cuthbert, I will have to say at the same time that economics forced him to move in that direction," he said.

He said the white service was losing money because of the city council's racial transport policies.

Mr Cuthbert retorted, "As far as I am aware, the city council has no say in whether its buses should be segregated or not. In fact, in 1967 the council was directed by the Transportation Board to segregate its buses. Until then our services had been integrated."

Mr Bugwandeen said he would back Mr Cuthbert "to the hilt" while Mr Bhengu was sceptical of the Local Transportation Board giving the go-ahead for an integrated service.

"The people, I am sure, have no objections to mixing in the buses. But some officials sitting in dark offices in Pretoria will stifle the whole thing," said Mr Bhengu.

City Councillor Margaret Ambler believes the recommendation for an integrated service should have been made a long time ago.

"It is criminal to waste so much fuel on duplicated routes," she said. Mixed services have worked beautifully in Pietermritzburg and Cape Town, and I can't see there being any problems here."

Mr Jock Reilly, a council representative on the Durban Transportation Management Board, said he would support the move towards integration.

ever, says Lew Phillips DTMB votes 4-1 for all-race buses

Municipal Reporter

THE Durban Transport Management Board decided by four votes to one yesterday to apply to the Local Road Transportation Board for desegregation of the city's black and white bus services.

Councillor Lew Phillips voted against the move, saying he would not allow his wife to board a 'green mamba'.

The chairman, Mr Rod Draper, the vice-chairman, Mr Paul Mossmann, Mr Martin van Rensburg and Mr Jeremy Horne voted in favour of the recommendation by DTMB general manager Mr Marshall Cuthbert

Councillor Jock Reilly was unable to attend the meeting.

After the meeting, Mr Cuthbert said the application would be lodged as soon as possible, probably before the end of this week.

Mr Phillips said he would not let his wife use a bus whose driver had to be protected from hooligans by a security cage.

He said Mr Cuthbert had told him openly that there was a different pattern with Cape Town's integrated buses — there was a premium white service and the other service carried only coloured and white people.

In Durban, different ethnic groups used the buses.

'There's no other province that has the problems we have.

'Zulus, Pondos and Xhosas all have their own beliefs — you can't put a whole lot of Bantus together without a faction fight.'

Mr Phillips said it was a shame the board had given no thought to introducing a premium service at night and weekends.

It had not given the white service a chance to 'settle down' since the last fuel-price increase

It was a matter of using green buses because the city could not provide a service for whites, and it would be better to sell the whole undertaking to private enterprise.

He wondered how the Government's R3 million susbsidy for black passengers would affect white passengers on green buses.

'It's pretty obvious that sometimes we're working in the dark.'

Empty

'In the past we used to have a lot of time on our hands because buses were so empty, but now that buses are fewer they are usually quite full. A lot of us have a long day and that's why I'm so pleased we don't have to work Sundays anymore.'

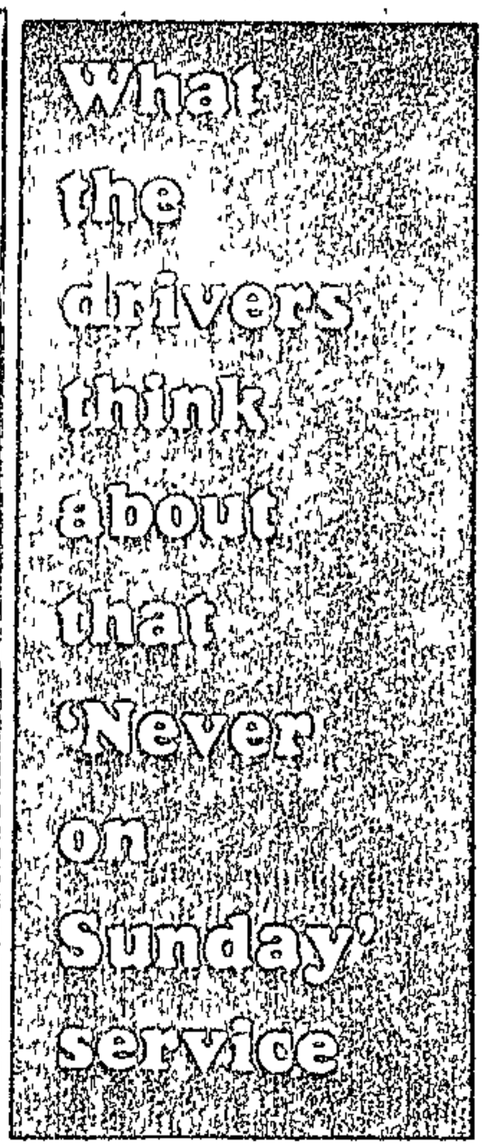
Another driver said he now did not spend as much time driving as in the past because he generally worked less busy routes

He said, however, that those drivers who did have spare time were kept on standby at the depots in case a bus broke down and had to be replaced.

Another driver, speaking on behalf of two colleagues, said before the withdrawal of most of the

of their younger and unmarried colleagues were a little upset at not being able to put in the occasional overtime now that the number of buses had been reduced, married drivers were 'very happy' with the situation.

One man, who has been a bus driver for four years, said the public was wrong in thinking drivers now had a lot of spare time. He said he was picked up for work at 4 a m and returned home at 7 p m.



Mercury Reporter

MOST Durban bus drivers spoken to yesterday favoured the withdrawal of most of the Sunday bus service because it allowed them more time with their families.

There are only a few buses on a Sunday, travelling only from the Berea area to the beachfront.

Some drivers told the

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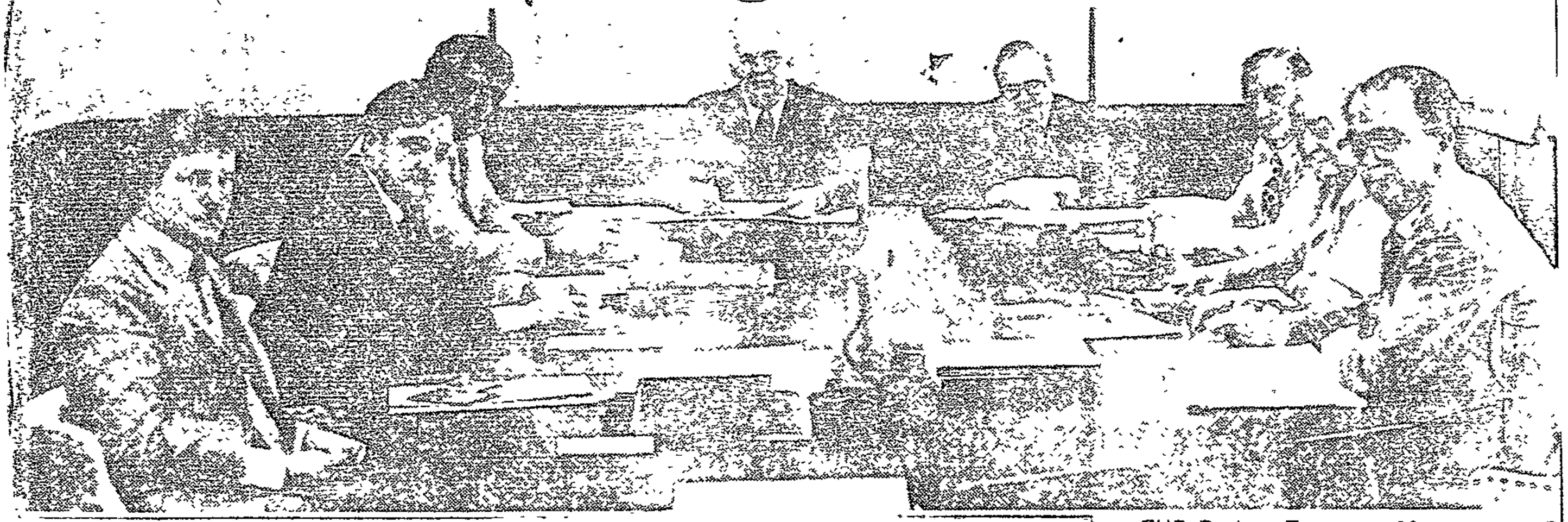

THE Durban Transport Management B meets to consider applying for integratio the city's bus services From left are board's deputy general manager Mr Clive art, Mr Jeremy Horne, Mr Martin Rensburg, the general manager, Mr Mars Cuthbert, the chairman, Mr Rod Draper, vice-chairman, Mr Paul Mossmann, Counc Lew Phillips and the Deputy City Treasurer Doug Damp.

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'Backing' for white library

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DURBAN'S right - wing councillor, Dave Taylor, is waging a determined battle to keep blacks out of Durban libraries — and he claims he has the full support of his constituents in Stamford Hill.

The Ward 12 councillor — an arch-campaigner for "whites only" facilities — recently distributed 6 272 questionnaires on racial integration in the area. He has based his claims on the 1 116 forms returned.

"Ninety-three percent of the people who bothered to return the forms were not in favour of integration, while only seven percent wanted it.

"This shows that the electorate is not ready to have total integration as far as suburban amenities are concerned. They are not prepared to share facilities they have while the council is spending vast sums in creating equal facilities in the coloured and Indian townships," he said.

The form questioned voters on three aspects of integration which have been the subject of fierce debate in the Durban council chambers recently — integration of buses, beaches and libraries.



Dave Taylor with some of the forms returned.

If the voter answered yes to all three questions, he was asked to further complete two questions on integration of residential areas and schools.

"The last two questions were merely for my own elucidation. The first three were the most important as they are matters which affect the council.

"The questionnaire was compiled to give me an indication of the feeling among my constituents. The result has shown that the majority are behind me and what I stand for," he said.

Mr Taylor openly affiliates himself with the National Party in what is traditionally a non-political Durban council. "I am Nat — without any apologies. I am proud of my beliefs."

He is seeking re-election after four years on the council.

His opponent in the election, Mr Peter Corbett, said he could not comment on the survey "until I have seen on what basis it was taken."

"The library is one matter that has been in the news and I have discussed it at length with over 2 000 constituents. It is my experience that the large majority of people have no objection to sharing the library with all races. How large a percentage it is, I don't know, but it is definitely very, very much greater than 7 percent.

"I trust the voters of Stamford Hill will realise that this is just one of the many issues to consider when electing a councillor. To run a campaign solely on the question of integration seems to me singularly inappropriate at a time like this," he said.

Report by Connal Vickers, 8 Field Street, Durban.

Natal will keep its parks

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Greater control, but Province will still run board

Mercury Reporter

THE Natal Parks Board will continue to be run by the Natal Provincial Administration, although it will come under greater control in terms of the Government's rationalisation policy.

Speaking at the Umgeni River Catchment Association's annual conference in Durban yesterday, the director general of the Department of Water Affairs, Forestry and Environmental Conservation, Mr J F Otto, said because various aspects of environmental conservation were inter-related, one overall advisory body had been proposed This was the proposed new Council for the Environment

This body would play a co-ordinating role and create a forum through which all interested bodies could make their contribution to matters concerning the environment, he said

Mr Otto said that while the present Council for the Environment was largely based on representation from the government sector, new council members would be appointed on the basis of their capabilities, knowledge and expertise

'This will ensure a more effective balance between representation and participation by the public and private sectors,' he said.

'This must not be seen as a process of "taking over", but as a matter of co-ordinating environmental activities For this reason the Natal Parks will continue to be run by the Natal Provincial Administration,' he said

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Natal to launch 'booze blitz'

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Political Reporter

NATAL will conduct a 'booze blitz' on the roads over the holiday season to cut down on the high death and injury rate stemming from drunken driving, Mr Frank Martin, MEC in charge of road traffic, said yesterday.

A full force of provincial and local authority traffic officers would enforce the campaign, launched by the National Road Safety Council and backed by Minister of Transport Hendrik Schoeman.

Mr Martin said the South African Police would give traffic officers their full support — as the Commissioner of Police had indicated in the past — to lock up transgressors for the night whenever necessary. Provincial traffic officers could take suspects to the nearest police stations.

He said they were going to try to cut the number of accidents caused through drunken driving.

People who attended functions or parties where alcohol would be consumed should arrange to be driven home, or should take a taxi.

'There is no disgrace in going home by taxi. People should make more use of taxi services, which are available in all urban areas. We are not trying to be killjoys with this campaign. We simply want to make sure that when the festive season is past, tragedy is not left in its place.'

According to figures released by Mr Schoeman, 750 people would die and 8 000 would be injured on South Africa's roads during December.

This was equivalent to a death rate of one person an hour. It was calculated that the consumption of alcohol was a factor in 50 percent of all fatal accidents.

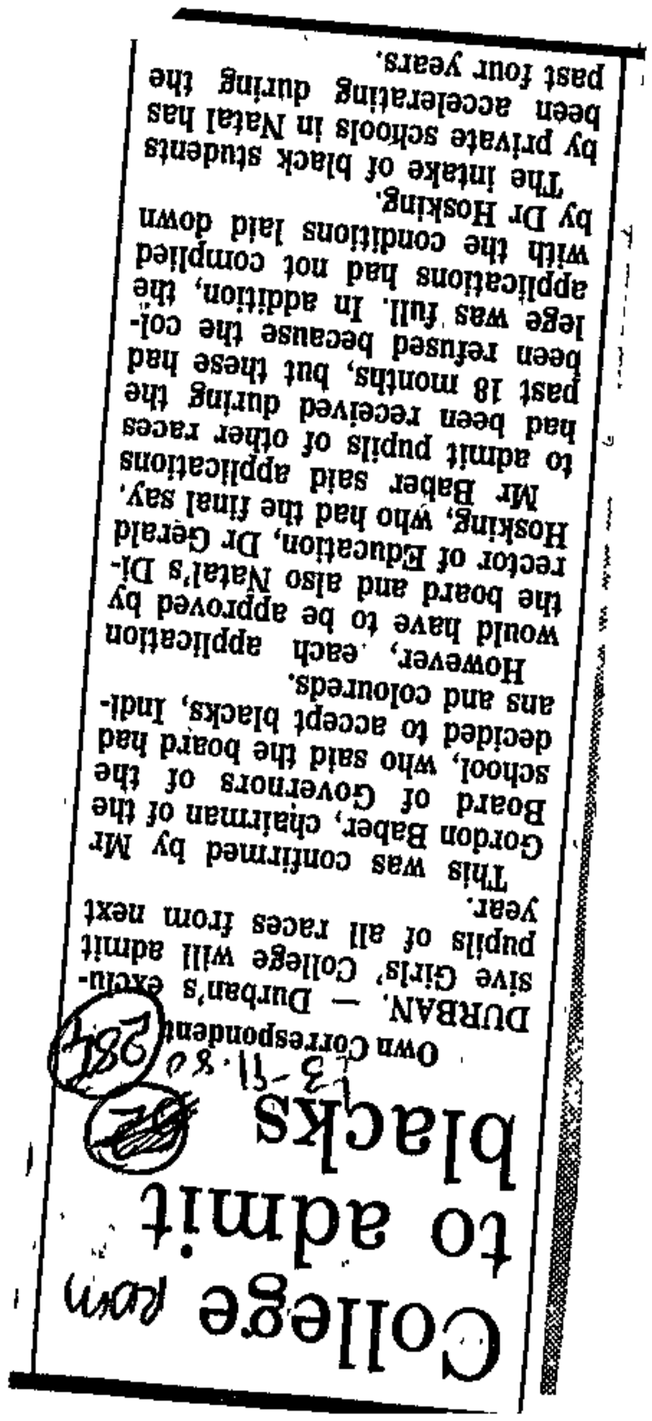
CURRICULUM VITAE

Klaas van der Poel

Has a degree in Operations Research from Tilburg, Holland. He has been with Shell International for 10 years and worked for that company as an international consultant in several countries around the world. His experience includes the design and development of systems for financial management, manufacturing control and production optimisation.

He has taught courses in Management Information Systems and Operations Research at the Business Schools of the Universities of Cape Town and Stellenbosch.

He is recognised as a member of the consultants group of the Computer Society of South Africa and specialises in requirement definition and design of industrial systems.



College may to admit blacks

Own correspondent

DURBAN. — Durban's exclusive Girls' College will admit pupils of all races from next year.

This was confirmed by Mr Gordon Baber, chairman of the Board of Governors of the school, who said the board had decided to accept blacks, Indians and coloureds.

However, each application would have to be approved by the board and also Natal's Director of Education, Dr Gerald Hosking, who had the final say.

Mr Baber said applications to admit pupils of other races had been received during the past 18 months, but these had been refused because the college was full. In addition, the applications had not complied with the conditions laid down by Dr Hosking.

The intake of black students by private schools in Natal has been accelerating during the past four years.

OUT! The Indian girl celebrating with her white friends

By G R NAIDOO

A 20-year-old Indian woman, Miss Kara Naidoo, was ordered off the terrace of a white-owned hotel while celebrating her graduation with two white colleagues.

Miss Naidoo was having a hamburger and coke with her two women friends — they had all graduated as public relations officers at a Durban private college.

The white women told the Sunday Times this week they were "disgusted and distressed" at the embarrassment caused to their colleague.

Miss Ann Perik, a PRO working for an advertising agency, said "all three of us passed our exams and received our diplomas.

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Rude

"We went to the hotel to celebrate our success. A waiter had taken our order and then a white man, who said he was the manager of the hotel, became rude at Kara's presence and screamed at us in the presence of other guests. He then stalked off.

"My other friend, Miss Isobel Ramos, and I were most upset at what had happened. I went after the manager and told him that if we had broken any law, he should have called either Isobel or myself to one side and told us that it was illegal for us to have Kara at the hotel.

"I told him that his behaviour was disgusting. He then became rude and said that as a white I should know the laws of the country."

The senior manager of the hotel, an Indian, Mr Yunus Shaik, dismissed the allegations of rudeness as "totally untrue".

Miss Naidoo told the Sunday Times it was the first time such a thing had happened to her.

"I was the one who suggested the hotel as I was once taken as a guest to the same hotel by a white friend and there were no incidents."



Vincent Tshabalala. . . 'Never again'

Black golfers sent from bar

By GRANT WINTER

VINCENT Tshabalala and two other black golf professionals, Zachariah Mavundla and Joe Dlamini, were evicted from the men's bar at the Durban Country Club after the final round of the Datsun South African Open championships at the weekend.

Mr A L Sudheim, secretary-manager of the club, ordered the golfers to leave the bar — and threatened to call the police — after they had failed to produce their players' badges.

They have accused the club of being anti-black.

'We were the victims of an anti-black campaign,' said Tshabalala.

"We were aware that it was obligatory for all players to produce their identity on demand but we (the blacks) had also been told that the barman had instructions to keep a special look out for blacks

Unfounded

'That made us angry. As far as we know, no white players were asked to produce identification in the bar. In fact Wayne Player and Bobby Verwey were in the pub at the same time as we were but there was no request for their badges.'

Mr Sudheim said the allegation that blacks were being watched particularly carefully was completely unfounded.

'Over the four days of the tournament, hundreds of players, officials and members were asked to produce proof of identification — not only in the bar but on the course.

'Even our own members had to wear little tags — and they knew if they didn't they wouldn't be served a drink.

'We welcomed all races at this tournament but we expected people to toe the line.'

Principle

The players generally clip their badges on their belts — which means they are not prominently displayed.

Tshabalala said that when the barman asked them to show their badges, they decided on principle to refuse.

'The secretary was called and when we refused his request for identification he told us to leave — or else he was going to call the police.

'We told him we would be quite happy if the police arrived but instead of remaining in the bar we decided to pack our clubs into our car and leave immediately — even though the tournament hadn't finished yet.

'We were angry — we wanted to get out of the place. In fact I was so cross that I have decided never to play again at Durban Country Club,' said Tshabalala.

Dlamini, who comes from Swaziland, 'cooled' down after the incident but still felt

Chris Holmes, an American professional who was sharing a drink with the three men, was reluctant to comment on the incident.

Our Johannesburg correspondent writes that Tshabalala has crossed swords with officialdom several times in his career.

In Janaury this year he withdrew from the South African Open championships in protest against the exclusion of three colleagues whom he would not name.

In December 1977 police were asked to investigate a complaint that he had driven off with another golfer's clubs after a rumpus at the Natal Open in Pietermaritzburg.

In 1976 he was dropped from the two man-team to represent South Africa in the World Cup.

Tshabalala claimed he had not been officially notified of his selection, while the PGA said repeated messages to the black golfer had brought no response.

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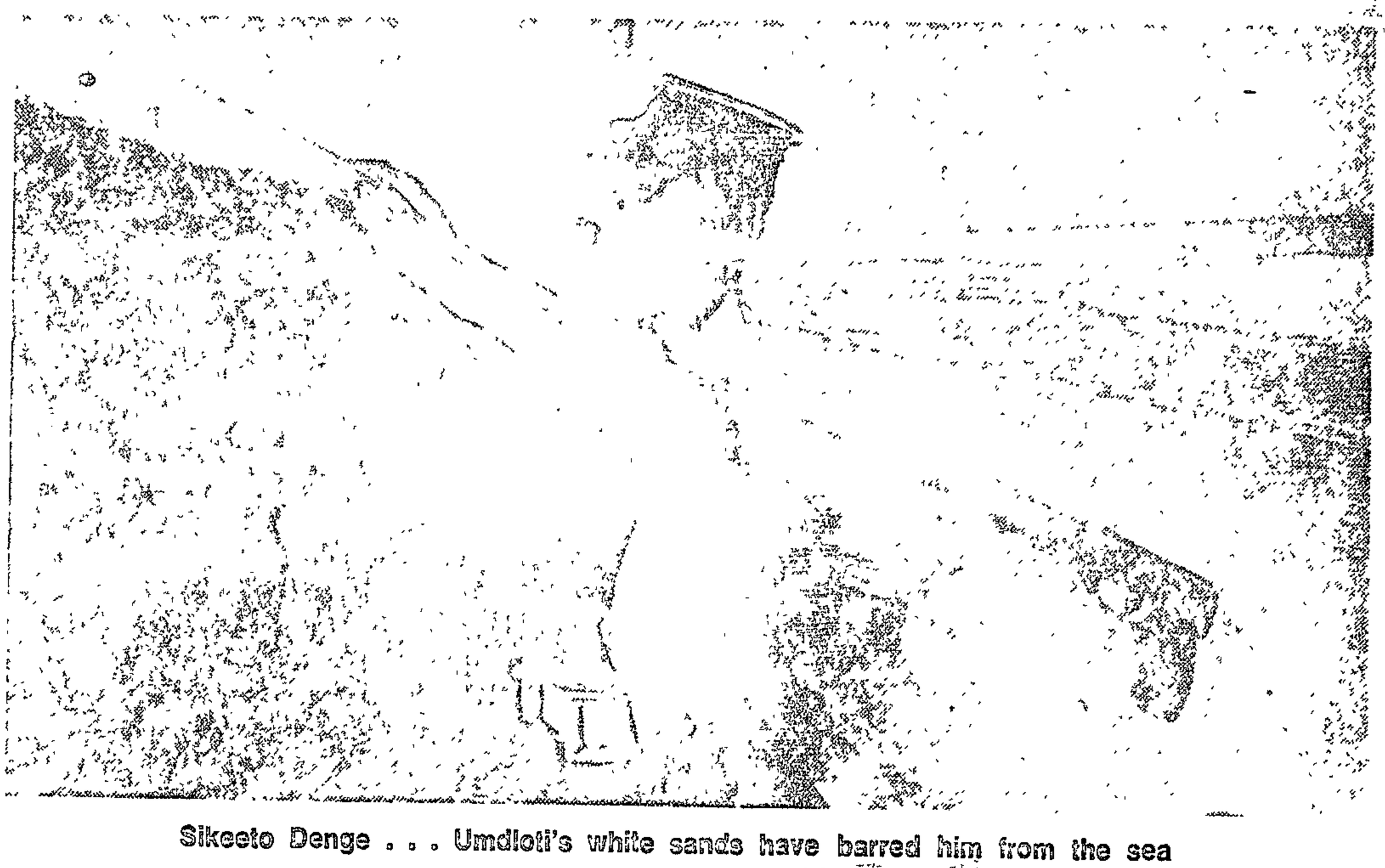
Sikeeto can dive in the sea but he can't cross the whites-only beach to get to the water



Sikeeto Denge . . . Umdloti's white sands have barred him from the sea

QUOTE

Umdloti ten metre catch

It's ridiculous, say the residents — we want this crazy law changed . . .

By CONNAL VICKERS

THE white sands of Umdloti Beach have been closed to spear-fisherman Sikeeto Denge — keeping him from the sport he loves.

Local traffic officers have banned him from the whites only beach, and threatened to prosecute him for walking across the sand to enter the water.

He may walk on the road running alongside the beach, but can do no more than look at the sea just 10 metres away across the forbidden land.

"They have told me I will have to pay a fine of R50 if I cross the beach. I don't understand it because no-one minds me crossing the whites' beach when I dive at the other North Coast places," he said.

Sikeeto is banned from the entire Umdloti coastal frontage — a stretch of beach running for about five kilometres past the village.

He now has to walk beyond the Umdloti borders before he can enter the water, but there the currents are dangerous and unsuitable for diving.

He is also denied the reefs in front of the village, which are teeming in fish-life and are a rich hunting ground.

The senior traffic officer in Umdloti's two-man force, Giles Scrivener, was hostile when questioned and refused to give his name.

"Just because one black man cannot do what he wants, you want to stir up trouble. That is all you are trying to do and I am not obliged to tell you my name. You know my rank and that is all," he said.

He said he was merely following regulations laid down in the Seashores Act, and the banning had nothing to do with him.

"He wants the beach for his own private use and we are only following regulations in stopping him.

"If you people had your way, all the beaches would be open to everybody, and then no white people, although you probably would, would want to go there," he told me.

He admitted that he did not like newspapermen because "you do not tell the truth".

The secretary of the health committee, Don Christie, also refused to disclose the officer's name.

"If you quote him there will be trouble. You must speak to the chairman on this matter. I have no comment to make," he said.

Local residents have slammed the banning as "ridiculous" and "typical of the tin god image the committee has of themselves".

"Their attitude is crazy. If the man is allowed to walk along the road, I don't see why he should be banned from crossing the beach," said a local resident, who did not want to be named.

He said residents dissatisfied with the committee's handling of village affairs had formed a protest group to institute change.

"We are trying to get the committee to have a re-look at the running of the beachfront, but the only way to get them to change would be to get rid of the present committee. They run a very tight shop and seem to rule the beach as they want to," he said.

The chairman of the committee, Tommy Beckett, said Umdloti had been declared a white area by Government Notice.

"There are regulations laid down by law and we have to enforce them," he said.

Indian picnickers told to leave Toti beach

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Mercury Reporter

A MEREBANK fisherman and his family were ordered to leave the whites-only beach at Amanzimtoti yesterday after being told they were breaking the law.

Mr Stan Jooste, the beach manager, who later confirmed the incident, appealed to Indian fishermen to 'play the game and stay away' from beaches in the area.

He said: 'We have about 16 000 holidaymakers using our beaches and our hands are full coping with their requirements.'

He added that there had been many complaints from ratepayers about the condition of the beaches after fishermen had gone. They left newspapers and bait lying around and also dangerous fishing hooks in the sand.

'The Isipingo beaches are near, but every Sunday we have to turn away Indian fishermen from our beaches. We are being kind to them — they could be fined.'

Mr S N Naidoo, a retired policeman, told the Mercury that he had taken his family at 6 a m yesterday to a beach beyond Umbogintwini within the Amanzimtoti area. They arrived in three cars and had sandwiches with them, intending to make it a picnic outing.

'There were a lot of Indian and white fishermen on the beach when we arrived. We had fished for about 30 minutes when officials of the Parks Board arrived, accompanied by a white police sergeant and a black constable.

'They told us to get out of the area because it was zoned for whites only.

The Town Clerk, Mr D B Magennis, said Toti had been a 'completely white area' since about 1964. The zoning applied equally to the beach and bathing facilities.

War declared on shad law offenders

Mercury Reporter

THE Natal Parks Board has declared war on shad poachers who are ignoring the daily limit of four fish.

The Army also lent a hand in the 'war' yesterday when some of its officials apprehended six shad poachers who had caught 'hundreds' of undersized shad at Reunion Rocks

Mr John Geddes Page, director of the board, said yesterday the board was determined to stamp out the problem

He believed that many holidaymakers were responsible for breaking the shad law, although local fishermen, too, were involved.

He warned that the board would take strong action against any offender.

Army officials at Reunion Rocks said fishermen were catching bagloads of undersized shad which they buried in the sand while they went back to catch more

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Turnstiles on beach supports MEC

Municipal Reporter

FENCING off Natal beaches and charging fees for entry through turnstiles could prevent racial incidents and provide revenue for beach amenities, Mr Derrick Watterson, MEC for local government, said yesterday.

He was reacting to news that Cape Town's experiment with turnstiles at Sea Point and Camps Bay beaches had been received favourably.

Deploring the incident, he said Exco was opposed to beach zoning but worked on a principle of local option Retrogression that manifested itself in forms such as the Amanzimtoti incident was very unfortunate'.

But there was merit in the turnstile idea — not only because it could introduce control but also because it could enable local authorities to charge nominal entry fees to cover the cost of amenities which were provided largely for the benefit of visitors from other parts.

In Cape Town, Mr Chris Joubert, chairman of the Green and Sea Point Ratepayers' Association and a police reservist, said he had toured Glen, Sunset and Queens beaches and found the public co-operating.

He had noticed several non-whites on the beaches, but there had been no racial problems.

'I am confident we can look forward to a peaceful summer on our beaches.'

He said the prognosis of many people, including city councillors, that the turnstiles would have a 'psychological' impact on beach visitors had been vindicated.

The city's bathing amenities manager reported at the time that the cost of erecting turnstiles and notices at Sunset and Queens beaches would be about R3 000. The Glen Beach capital cost would be R9 100.

Camps Bay beaches

After widespread controversy over mixed bathing, overcrowding and criminal and anti-social behaviour, the Cape Town City Council decided in September to experiment with turnstiles and fences at the Sea Point and Camps Bay beaches

Beach constables

Turnstile-entry, with beach constables in attendance at the point of entry and on the beaches themselves, had made the public control-and security-conscious.

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Race 'war' on Natal beach

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Own Correspondent

EMPANGENI. — Clashes between black and white bathers at Richards Bay's white bathing area over the Christmas period have led white residents to consider forming vigilante groups to enforce segregation regulations.

The use of the white beach by "busloads" of blacks over the Christmas season has resulted in a number of visitors leaving the area early because of "unpleasantness".

Scuffles between blacks and whites have been reported and on two occassions the tyres of buses which brought blacks have been deflated.

Holidaymakers have reported animals being slaughtered on the beach for braais and adults and children swimming in the nude.

Police have made a number of arrests.

Tempers flare in Natal beach clash

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Mercury Reporter

EMPANGENI—Blacks and whites clashed at Richards Bay's white bathing area over Christmas and local residents were considering forming vigilante groups to enforce the town's beach segregation regulations.

Busloads of blacks over the holiday season had resulted in visitors leaving early because of 'unpleasantness', it was learned yesterday.

Scuffles between blacks and whites have been reported and on two occasions tyres of buses which transported blacks to white beaches were deflated.

The Richards Bay Town Board recently erected a number of 'whites only' signs at the popular bathing beaches. Other areas were designated for Indians and coloureds.

'Swarms'

The acting Town Clerk of Richards Bay, Mr E Mulder said this had been done in the interests of Richards Bay ratepayers, all of whom were white

Mr Mulder confirmed that the board had put an official on duty to turn away Africans They should use the Port Durnford beach, which was closed to whites who did not have permits, he said

Holidaymakers spoke of 'swarms' of blacks at the white areas incidents of animals being slaughtered on the beach for braais, and adults and children swimming in the nude

Police were called to the beaches to calm bathers and made arrests over Christmas

Irate Richards Bay residents and holidaymakers warned that they would form vigilante groups to enforce the restrictions

But in Durban yesterday, all three chairmen of Durban's coloured and Indian local affairs committees made a plea for the city's beaches to be opened to all races.

They were commenting on reports from Cape Town that multiracial crowds had packed beach resorts on the Cape Peninsula during the long weekend and that there had been no incidents

Non-racial

Mr E P Smith, chairman of the Durban Coloured Local Affairs Committee, said he was not in favour of a multiracial beach as an interim measure because whites would not patronise it All beaches should be non-racial The Cape experience had proved that mixing did not necessarily create a problem.

Mr A Khan, chairman of the Northern Durban Indian Local Affairs Committee, and Mr T Palan, chairman of the Southern Durban Indian Local Affairs Committee, were in support of opening up the beaches

Durban councillors expressed varying opinions, ranging from support for the status quo to guarded acceptance of the principle of a multiracial beach

Councillor Gys Muller, who represents the Bluff, said he would fight to keep Brighton Beach white

He had already had complaints about blacks using Bluff beaches during the holiday season

Councillor Louis de Beer, who also represents the Bluff said he did not believe in shared beaches for the area because of overcrowding

Councillor Henry Klotz, who represents Ocean Beach, was satisfied with the facilities as they were for all races on Durban's main beaches

Councillor Pieter Breytenbach, chairman of the Amenities Committee which controls the beaches, said he was awaiting a report from the City Engineer's Department regarding the feasibility of a multiracial section of beach along Durban's foreshore.

He said he would ask for this report at the first meeting of the committee next year

Mr Terry Toohey, Durban's Director of Publicity, felt it was only a matter of time before the city had a mixed beach Should the idea of a mixed beach prove successful, it might be possible to take the concept further

Racial clashes on beach

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There have been reports by holidaymakers at Richards Bay of 'swarms' of blacks at the white bathing areas, incidents of animals being slaughtered on the beach for braais, and adults and children swimming in the nude -- DDC.

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Restaurants: applications

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658. Mr. R J. LORIMER asked the Minister of Community Development:

Whether any restaurants in Pietermaritzburg have applied to his Department for permission to serve members of all race groups; if so, (a) which restaurants and (b) with what result in each case?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Yes, application was made in respect of three restaurants and all three applications were approved It is not considered desirable to release the names of the restaurants concerned

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Rowe Theatre, Pietermaritzburg

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*21. Mr. G. S. BARTLETT asked the Minister of Community Development:

(1) Whether a request to perform before a multiracial audience at the Rowe Theatre in Pietermaritzburg was received from (a) the manager of the production of *The Witness* or (b) the management of the Rowe Theatre; if so, on what date;

(2) whether the request was acceded to; if so, on what date; if not, why not;

(3) whether the management of the Rowe Theatre has applied for a blanket permit to allow performances to be held before multiracial audiences at the venue; if so, on what date;

(4) whether the permit has been granted; if not, why not; if so, from what date;

(5) whether such permit includes permission for multiracial audiences to

attend dress rehearsals; if not, why not;

(6) whether permits to perform before multiracial audiences have been refused on the grounds that a multiracial audience attended a dress rehearsal prior to the permit being granted; if so, why?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

(1) (a) Yes on 1980-02-22.

(b) No.

(2) Yes, the concession was issued on 1980-03-20.

(3) Yes, on 1980-02-08.

(4) Yes, the concession was issued on 1980-03-27 with immediate effect.

(5) Yes.

(6) No.

For the hon. members' information it may be mentioned that my Department, at the time the application for specific performances was received, was not informed of all the envisaged performances or rehearsals. Should application have been made for more performances including rehearsals approval would not have presented a problem.

Applications for general concessions in respect of certain theatres are considered with greater circumspection in consultation with the local authorities concerned and other bodies with due regard being had to standard of theatres, facilities and numerous other factors which the hon. the Minister explained in a press statement. Decisions concerning such applications, therefore, take longer than individual cases.

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BLACKS TURNED AWAY AT RACECOURSE FOOD KIOSKS



Greyville racecourse yesterday. A black punter is told that he cannot be served refreshment

Tribune Reporter

BLACK punters in the Gold Ring or grandstand at Greyville racecourse in Durban yesterday had a choice if they wanted to quench their thirst.

They could ask whites to buy cool drinks for them or drink water from the taps in the toilets.

Many did both to beat the heat and the Liquor Act that caused Durban Turf Club to ban the sale of refreshments and meals to black punters in two enclosures this week.

Notices telling blacks that they could not be served in terms of the Liquor Act were on display at all the kiosks where food and refreshments were sold yesterday.

In spite of the Press publicity given to the restriction, the reaction of several blacks was bewilderment or anger when told by counter assistants they could not be served.

In terms of the club's liquor licence the Gold Ring and grandstand are classified as licensed and blacks cannot be served even food or refreshment.

Bar and other facilities are provided for Indians and coloureds in the Silver Ring only.

What many black punters found difficult to understand was why they were allowed into the white section of the course on the purchase of a R3 ticket and yet not allowed to buy cool drinks and food.

Some whites were puzzled when asked by blacks to buy cool drinks and food for them.

Most whites agreed but the blacks had to convince them first that they were prevented from buying food and cool drinks at the kiosks.

Mr Benjamin Kakora, a chemist, said: "I only wanted a cool drink. I was not asking for liquor. I was terribly insulted. Things like this should not be allowed to happen."

Mr Sonny Bugwandeen, a racehorse owner, said: "Black punters have been mingling freely with whites in the Gold Ring and grandstand enclosures for years and nobody has really bothered about their presence.

"Now the blacks are told that they are not good enough to be served even food there. If the Liquor Act is responsible for this, I can't see how the Act can apply to areas even outside the bars and lounges."

The ban on the sale of food and refreshment to blacks upset some white punters.

Mr Douglas Stevenson said: "Whites are allowed to back a black man's horse, so why can't blacks be allowed to enjoy all the facilities that the course has to offer?

"Durban Turb Club should have ironed out all its problems first with the authorities before deciding to open all its doors to them. I hate to see people unnecessarily embarrassed."

Black punters in the grandstand enclosure said they preferred this section because the crowds were smaller and it was easier to place tote bets. They had a better view of the finish than from the sections reserved for Indians, coloureds and Africans.

Mr Frank Martin, Natal's MEC in charge of racing, called on the Government again this week to act in this matter to prevent racial friction at racecourses.

R3 and tap water

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'Change this law'

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President's councillor promises to fight racecourse discrimination

By Nagoor Bissetty

A MEMBER of the President's Council, Mr Ismail Kathrada, said yesterday he would ask the council to press for the Liquor Act to be amended immediately to do away with discrimination and racial friction.

'Recent incidents at the Greyville Racecourse, where Turf Club officials found it difficult to open all facilities to all races because of provisions in the Liquor Act, were painful and were harming South Africa's image.

'The President's Council was created by the Government to help bring about a better future for all South Africans, and I expect the council will investigate the Liquor Act with a view to recommending drastic changes.'

He said he agreed with Mr Frank Martin, Natal's MEC in charge of racing, that the Act contained provisions which could cause racial friction at the country's racecourses.

Meanwhile, the Durban Turf Club, which was warned last week by the police liquor squad to stop serving food and beverages to non-whites in the Gold Ring and grandstand enclosures, is to take no further action on the matter at this stage, writes Richard McMillan.

The club was warned that its officials could be prosecuted under the Liquor Act for serving non-whites in areas on the course licenced for whites in terms of the club's liquor licence.

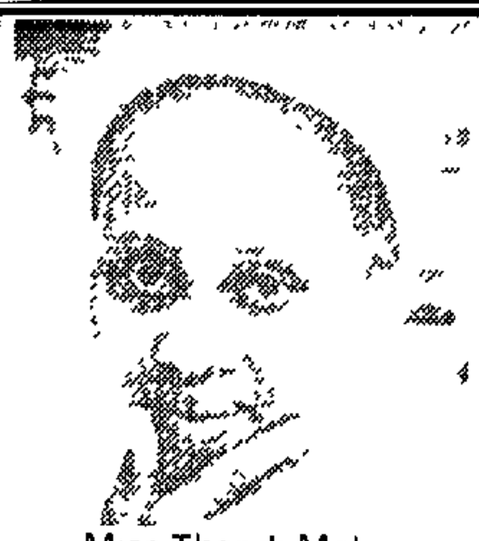
The secretary of the Durban Turf Club, Mr Mervyn Campion, is away on leave and could not be contacted, but it was reliably learned that the club would not be seeking legal advice on the matter as officials were of the opinion that the terms of the Liquor Act were clear enough.



Mr Alpheus Zuma



Mr Ozias Dludla



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The problem of how to spend a penny ...when you're black

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Mercury Reporter

ONLY four public toilets exist in central Durban for thousands of blacks, who in spite of the heat, dare not have a drink to quench their thirst.

But there are no plans to build more toilets in the central area according to the City Engineer's Department and Durban's Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz; has called for private enterprise to provide toilets for black customers.

Yesterday a Mercury reporter and photographer did a survey and interviewed people to establish what it was like for a black shopper.

The results were surprising.

White people have only three public toilets but they may use several others belonging to private enterprise This privilege is denied black people in the centre of town except for a few stores where facilities have been provided for them.

The toilets for blacks are situated in Pine Street, on the Esplanade, at Berea Road Station and the Market — all a good walking distance from the Post Office and the main shops in Smith and West Streets.

And sometimes when they are in a hurry and they have to go — the streets, flower beds, doorways and bus stops have to be used 'But we have to do this furtively otherwise we will be arrested,' many black people told us

Empty cans

Several men said they used empty juba cartons or soft drink cans when they were desperate These were left on the pavement

For women it was even harder.

'We go twice to the toilet before coming to town and do not drink anything until we get back home,' Miss Mano Pillay, a Johannesburg student on holiday in Durban, said

Her friend, Miss Nilly Moodley, explained. 'We don't want to be in a desperate situation in town and do not like using those filthy public toilets which are too far anyway.'

Similar feelings were expressed by Miss Thandi Malinga who said, 'I am frightened to drink in town because I may have to use the streets or white toilets in desperation and I will be arrested. So I go thirsty even on a hot day.'

Refused

Mrs Alvina Ntshingila said 'We need more facilities. It is terrible shopping here with make the toilets in time I have in desperation asked firms to help me out but have always been refused '

Mr Ozias Dludla said. 'We suffer a lot because we have to run to firms who say no.'

Mr Alpheus Zuma of Pinetown felt the toilet situation in Berea Road was equally as bad. Daily hundreds of commuters caught buses up the road but there were no toilets

Asked what plans the City Engineer's Department had about providing more facilites, a representative said. 'We have plans to provide toilets in suburban shopping areas, but there is no land available in the centre to build any.

Political

'One solution would be to make the Gardiner Street toilets open to all — but that is a political issue and is not for our department to decide

Councillor Haydn Bradfield said private enterprise should react as soon as possible in providing toilets for their increasing number of black customers

'In addition the council should forge ahead in providing more facilities for these people'

Mayor Sybil Hotz said 'You cannot only blame the council for not providing enough toilets It is up to private enterprise as well I feel there should be multiracial toilets in the central area.'

Durban's deputy Medical Officer of Health Dr M Richter, said the whole situation would be investigated

Black children barred from Johannesburg pool

Scuppered!

'Humiliation' of Swazi swimmers attacked

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JOHANNESBURG—A city councillor and a Swazi swimming official lashed out yesterday at the treatment received by a Swazi swimming squad of blacks and coloureds training here.

The 11 children were banned from the Patterson Park public pool in Norwood and were told that facilities for multiracial training existed only at the Ellis Park pool.

The president of the Swazi Swimming Association, Miss Marissa Rollnick, who accompanied the squad, said the aim of the visit was for her team to train with promising white swimmers of the same age group

'At Ellis Park we were made to wait until 5.30 p.m. before entering the pool by which time most of the white children had nearly finished their training,' she said.

'A white swimming coach and some of his swimmers humiliated the children by refusing to train with them,' she said

The city councillor for Norwood, Mrs Janet Levine, said she had tried to persuade the city's Parks and Recreation Department to allow the Swazi children to enter Ellis Park at 4.30 p.m, but this was refused.

'I was told it would be safer for the children to swim later because of possible ducktail elements,' Mrs Levine said

The children also had the indignity of having to arrive at the pool in their swimming costumes, to avoiding using the change rooms

The chairman of the council's Parks and Recreation Committee, Mr Danie van Zyl, MPC, said yesterday his commitee would have considered any application to use

'The policy at present, arranged with the South African Amateur Swimming Union, was that the Olympic-size Ellis Park pool be used for multiracial training in accordance with the 'Johannesburg bylaws,' Mr van Zyl said.

'The swimming union has only itself to blame for its suspension and isolation by the world swimming community,' said Miss Rollnick

'We arranged a two-week training trip to Johannesburg through the union to enable Swazi swimmers to train with white swimmers of a slightly higher standard,' said Miss Rollnick, a former Transvaal swimmer

'We originally planned to train with Dean Price's squad at Paterson Park, and wrote to the union asking them to arrange for permission to do this

Ellis Park

'But a week before leaving Swaziland we were told permission had not yet been applied for and we would only be allowed to train at Ellis Park in accordance with Johannesburg bylaws'

Miss Rollnick said president of the union Issy Kramer had assured her the Swazi swimmers would be able to train with white swimmers at Ellis Park.

Mr Kramer said his association had done its best to accommodate the Swazis, but they had been beaten by the system

'I'm not trying to pass the buck, but we are bound by red tape — every little thing requires a permit.'

Vice-chairman of the union, Louis Levinsohn, said 'They are our guests and must fall in with our rules We've bent over backwards to assist them — Bob Campbell has been placed at their disposal for four hours a day' — (Sapa)

Appeal to minister over ban on musician

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Mercury Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—Mr Horace van Rensburg, Progressive Federal Party MP for Bryanston, has sent a telegram to Minister of Industries, Commerce and Tourism Dr Dawie de Villiers calling for ministerial intervention in the barring of an Indian musician from performing at a Durban hotel.

The musician, Mr Lionel Pillay, was refused permission to perform in Des and Dawn Linberg's show, *I'm Getting My Act Together and Putting It On The Road*, due to open at the five-star Royal Hotel today.

The banning came in spite of the recently announced relaxation of South Africa's liquor laws to allow blacks into white premises, because, in terms of the liquor laws a 'black' person is not allowed to perform with whites at a venue which serves liquor.

Mr van Rensburg, newly appointed Opposition spokesman on Industries, Commerce and Tourism, said yesterday he had been unable to contact Dr de Villiers concerning the banning.

He had, however, sent the minister a telegram which read: 'Banning Pillay a disaster for policy of open hotels and restaurants. Will destroy advantage your initiative and once more make South Africa ludicrous and despised. Please intervene immediately. Get your act together and put it on the road for sake of South Africa and better race relations.'

Dawn Lindberg told the Mercury yesterday: 'We are convinced it must be some clerical error and as far as we are concerned we are setting up the show as normal. It cost R40 000 to bring to Durban.

'Our lawyers are working to reverse the ban and if we have not heard by 11 a m tomorrow, we will make an urgent appeal to the Supreme Court. But we are just holding thumbs that they will come to their senses in time.'

The show does go on at hotel

Mercury Reporter

PERMISSION was given at the 11th hour yesterday for an Indian musician to perform in a show at a Durban hotel.

Mr Lionel Pillay, a jazz pianist, was refused permission on Friday to take part in Des and Dawn Lindberg's show, *I'm Getting my Act Together and Taking It On the Road*, which opened at the Royal Hotel last night.

Mr Horace van Rensburg, Progressive Federal Party MP for Bryanston, sent a telegram to the Minister of Industries, Commerce and Tourism, Dr Dawie de Villiers, calling for ministerial intervention and condemning the banning of Mr Pillay as a 'disaster for the policy of open hotels and restaurants'.

Yesterday morning, a spokesman for the hotel, Mrs Barbara Homan, announced that permission had been given in Pretoria for Mr Pillay to perform and that the managment of the hotel had been pleased at the outcome.

The head of the liquor branch of the Department of Industries, Commerce and Tourism, Mr F J le Roux, was unavailable for comment.

Des Lindberg told the Mercury that although he was pleased Mr Pillay could perform, he felt that obtaining permission should not have been necessary.

'It is sad that South Africa has been thus embarrassed yet again.'

Funds only for equal beach facilities

Mercury Reporter

THE Natal Provincial Council was not prepared to provide funds for whites to improve their own beach facilities while nothing was being done for people of other races, according to Mr Derek Watterson, member of the Executive Council in charge of local government.

Mr Watterson was commenting on an Executive Committee decision to turn down a request from the Richards Bay Town Board, for a grant of R47 000 to improve white beach facilities.

Richards Bay beaches are zoned for whites, Indians and coloureds. No beach is set aside for blacks.

Mr Watterson said the committee could not dictate to local authorities and although open beaches would be preferable, money could be provided to build seperate but equal facilities.

Mr J P J 'Trapie' Truter, Town Clerk of Richards Bay said he was not prepared to comment as the board was still discussing the issue.

No beach

He said facilities at the Indian and coloured beaches needed improvement as did facilities at the white beach. There was no beach set aside for blacks.

According to a recent report the Richards Bay Town Board's policy was that whites were the only rate-paying residents of the town and therefore the only people contributing towards the development of the beach.

It was also its policy to provide beach facilities for whites only and to develop seperate facilities if funds were made available from the Government, the Provicial Administration or the KwaZulu Government.

In its reply to the Richards Bay Town Board, the committee said that, subject to beach facilities being provided for all races, an immediate grant of R15 000 would be made towards the cost of providing toilet facilities and a water pipeline.

Mr Watterson said the committee felt that it could help with facilities for visitors of all races to Richards Bay, but residents could supply funds to improve their own facilities.

● White people at Richards Bay threatened to form vigilante groups to eject black people from the white-only beaches over the Christmas season after a number of scuffles had broken out between bathers of different races.

Police, however, warned local residents not to take the law into their own hands and said they would enforce segregation. The Richards Bay Town Board had erected the 'whites only' signs at the popular beaches, according to the acting Town Clerk, Mr E Mulder, 'in the interests of Richards Bay's white ratepayers'.

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By RAY JOSEPH and GEORGE MAHABEER

THE Richards Bay town board has accused the Natal Provincial Administration of trying to force it to open its beaches to all races.

Richards Bay, which has separate beaches for whites, coloureds and Indians — it has no facilities for Africans — was the scene of racial friction on the beaches over the festive period when blacks were ordered off white beaches by police.

Whites in the town threatened to form vigilante groups to boot blacks off white beaches — but police issued them with a stern warning to cool it or face prosecution.

But now the issue has come to the fore again, after the Natal Provincial Administration turned down a Richards Bay request for funds to improve whites-only beach facilities.

At a meeting of the town board last week it was said that the request for a grant of more than R20 000 had been turned down because the board could not give Province an assurance that the facilities would be open to all races.

But Mr Derek Watterson, MEC in charge of local government; denied that it was an ultimatum.

Grant request

"Although we would encourage open facilities, we cannot force any local authority to do this."

The original grant request — last May — was for R47 000, but the province's executive committee said it could not provide the full amount.

Nevertheless, subject to beach facilities being opened to all races, an immediate grant of R15 000 would be made towards the cost of providing toilet facilities and a water pipeline, the board meeting heard last week.

A further R5 540 grant would be made subject to provincial council approval at its next meeting.

After discussing the implications, the board decided to tell the province that whites were the only ratepaying residents and were, therefore, the only people contributing towards the development of the beach.

It confirmed that its policy was to develop facilities for whites only and to develop separate facilities for other races if funds were made available by the Government, the provincial administration or the KwaZulu Government.

Mr Watterson said "We are not prepared to look after our white brothers only, or support any racist setup."

Mrs. Thornton White Prize
For the best work in first year.

Miss M F J Sandilands

S A Brick Association Prize
For the student who has made best use of bricks in his design work.

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For the best project in structure and design.

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Fourth Year

R W Kohne

George Strachan Prize
For the best final year student of the degree course.

R W Kohne

LTA Prize
For the best student obtaining a first class pass for a dissertation in Building Management.

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can't bury him in this town

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...then council relents on crash victim's right to a grave . . .

A COLOURED family in Empangeni spent five days of anguish trying to get permission to bury their son in the local cemetery . . . after being told by the town council that only white or coloured paupers could be buried there.

The council finally agreed that car smash victim Mr Francis Pretorius, 24, could buried in the cemetery.

By RAJENDRA CHETTY

The breakthrough came after the intervention of a former mayor and senator, Mr A Bozas, who discovered that the whites-only restriction at the cemetery was in contravention to a 12-year-old provincial ordinance which states that anyone who dies in an area must be buried in a cemetery under the control of the local authority.

Until now, the town council has reserved the cemetery for whites only — and coloured paupers — and has forced Indian and coloured families living in the town to bury their dead at Stanger or at Eshowe.

Collision

Empangeni's acting town clerk, Mr Jan Greeff, confirmed that the council could no longer prevent coloured or Indian burials.

The last coloured to be buried at Empangeni was in 1979 — and only nine coloureds have ever been buried there.

Mr Pretorius, who was married with two young daughters, was killed instantly in a four-vehicle collision last Saturday.

His sister, Mrs Daphne Lucas, said the family had taken his death "quite well" initially, but the battle to bury him in his home town had upset them tremendously.

"This has placed a terrible strain on the family and his wife, Ronwyne, has had to be placed under sedation.

"We were disgusted by the fact that, although we lived here for many years, my brother could not be buried in his home town. We took it for granted that we could bury him here," she said.

Mrs Lucas said the family had turned to Mr Bozas "because he has often helped the black community and we all regard him as our godfather."

Plight

Mr Bozas said: "When I heard of the family's plight, I contacted the Department of Community Development in Pretoria. They told me that they did not control cemeteries.

"I then contacted the Natal Provincial Administration, and they informed me that there was no restriction on coloured or Indian burials at Empangeni and that it was definitely not for the exclusive use of whites.

"They referred me to an ordinance which clearly said that if anybody died in the area or thereabout, they must be accepted for burial by the local authority in the cemetery it owned."

Influenced

Mr Bozas clarified the position with the town council, who in turn informed Mr Pretorius's family that they could bury him in the town.

"I am glad that I could sort out this misunderstanding.

"I was merely doing what I have always done around here: helping all people of all races to sort out their problems.

"It is just a pity that the misunderstanding arose in the first place," Mr Bozas said.

Mr Greeff said the decision to keep coloureds and Indians out of the cemetery was influenced by the fact that Empangeni is proclaimed a white residential area and the council believed that the cemetery was, therefore, for whites only.

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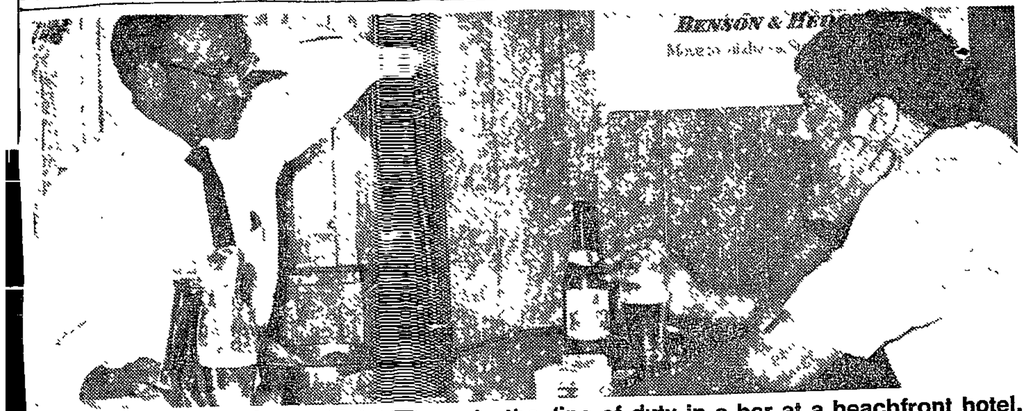

REPORTER Ticks Chetty drinking in the line of duty in a bar at a beachfront hotel. He was not asked to have a meal before he was served a beer

Durban hotels thumb their noses at the complex Liquor Act

By TICKS CHETTY

SEVERAL top Durban hotels with international status are openly flouting the complex Liquor Act regulations by serving blacks in their bars without setting pre-conditions.

But while the move towards the crumbling of apartheid has already started at these hotels, one of the seven hotels visited in the city this week was found to be strictly applying the regulations now.

Holiday Inn, which has over the years become a popular watering-hole for blacks, now demands that black customers wanting a drink must have a meal before they are served liquor.

This demand, which people said was not made to black customers before, does not apply if the customer is staying at the hotel or if he is a foreign tourist.

While this demand has upset several blacks who regularly patronise the Holiday Inn, Mr Nigel Matthews, managing director of the Holiday Inn group, said the regulations governing their international status prescribed that a non-resident black customer must have a meal before he is served liquor in the bar.

Asked why the hotel had now decided to apply the regulations after previously ignoring them, Mr Matthews said he was not aware that non-resident customers had been served liquor without first having a meal.

"Our management in Durban was probably at fault. They were probably slack in applying the regulations governing our international status in terms of the Liquor Act. but you must realise that we have to protect our liquor licence.

"It is our earnest desire to serve everybody. We don't like asking people silly questions such as whether they are staying at the hotel or not or whether they are foreign visitors. It's just too embarrassing for us. We only hope that the Liquor Act is soon changed so that all this can be avoided," he said.

Mr Kurt Leutenegger, acting manager of the Holiday Inn in Durban, denied claims this week that the hotel was now applying the regulations because of complaints from white customers about the presence of blacks.

"We have laws to adhere to. If we don't apply them, we will place our liquor licence in jeopardy," he said.

We visited the hotels this week to find out how the hoteliers were coping with the complex South African liquor laws.

Photographer Morris Reddy and I were served in the bars of six hotels without being asked to have a meal first or any other question.

There were several white men and women sitting at the bars during our visits to these hotels but nobody bothered about our presence.

In fact, the courtesy accorded us was the same as that given to whites.

Although the move towards the dismantling of liquor apartheid has already started at several white hotels, other hoteliers are hopeful that they will soon be able to serve blacks with the full blessing of the law.

Hoteliers expect the proposals to grant on-the-spot discretion to white and black establishments to provide liquor, meals or accommodation to people of all races will be made law during this session of Parliament.

Beware the big business booze-up . . .

THINK TANK — OR DRINK TANK?

By Wanda Edkins

THE big business booze-up, the increasingly popular practice of providing on-the-spot liquor for employees, is destructive to mental health, work productivity and family life.

This is the view of Mr Jan van der Merwe, assistant director of the South African National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (Sanca), and a leading Durban psychiatrist, who this week slammed the trend towards drinking at work.

"More and more firms are providing facilities for a few drinks with the boys after work," Mr van der Merwe says.

But, although intentions might be good — fostering team spirit, enabling staff to unwind after the day's work, improving interpersonal relationships —the outcome is often disasterous

"Often one or two drinks extends to nine or ten. It's also an unfair way of extending work hours by keeping people on the work premises longer without paying them overtime," says Mr van der Merwe.

The psychiatrist, who may not be named for professional reasons, says the reasoning behind office drinking is often: "They'll be drinking anyway, so why not provide the convenience of the office where staff can get to know each other better."

"But relaxing this way, where the boss suddenly becomes a pal, is a very artificial situation. Some people say the time spent drinking after work is productive as the situation provides opportunity for a think-tank.

"It worries me to think they have to drink to think — and I wonder about the benefits that can come from this sort of situation

He suggested that, if an employer wished to encourage social interaction of staff, private homes should be used. Attendance should be completely voluntary and wives and families should be included.

A snap survey of several Durban firms showed that 50 percent provided alcohol on the premises at least once a week.

In some cases it was provided only for sales staff in dealings with customers. In others, as a service to staff so they could "unwind" on the premises after a day at work.

One firm said alcohol was provided for an hour after work twice a week so that staff of different race groups could have the opportunity of drinking together without any problems.

A spokesman for a large building society said a bar was opened once a week. "Most people stay for a drink or two.

"It is always the same few who drink a lot and stay on right to the bitter end," he said.

INDIAN DOCTOR CLAIMS SOCIAL FUNCTION BAN

Alliance Francaise in colour-bar flare up

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By INGRID STEWART

A DURBAN doctor has accused the French cultural organisation, the Alliance Francaise, of "sheer hypocrisy" and of deliberately misleading the public because it bars blacks from attending social functions.

The doctor, who does not want to be identified for personal reasons, enrolled as a student of the Alliance and discovered that the enrolment form specifically excluded blacks from full membership. White students automatically have full membership and are invited to all social functions at the Alliance's premises in Gardiner Street Durban.

The dispute between the doctor, an Indian, and the Alliance was brought to a head at the weekend when Women for Peaceful Change Now, an organisation devoted to promoting racial harmony, asked the **Sunday Tribune** to publish the doctor's story.

France's cultural and scientific adviser to the French Ambassador in Pretoria, Professor Alain Sourniа, asked the **Tribune** not to publish the story until he could "put matters right" with the Alliance in Durban.

He said he would fly to Durban as soon as possible to talk to the president of the local branch of the Alliance and persuade him to change his policy.

But the president, Mr Clement Hardy told the **Sunday Tribune** to "publish your complaints."

Functions

He said blacks were not admitted to social functions because the Alliance premises were licensed and it was against the liquor laws to have mixed social gatherings there. When asked why he did not apply for a permit so black students could participate in social functions, he said: "If you want to join an Indian club and dance there, why don't you? This is a private club and rights are reserved. When the law changes, we will change our policy."

He said students at the Alliance did not automatically become members of the club. However, according to the doctor and other reliable sources, white students automatically become members and are invited to all social functions.

The doctor's story begins in August, 1979, when he saw an Alliance advertisement in a Durban daily newspaper inviting students to enrol for French courses. There was nothing in the advertisement to suggest black students would be treated differently from white ones.

But when he enrolled, the application form pointed out that while students became members of the Alliance and were entitled to all the privileges of members, this did not apply to "non-Europeans" because liquor was served on the premises.

"I was completely taken aback," said the doctor, "because the advertisement did not say anything about excluding people not of European descent. Their advertisements still don't. By not stating this in their advertisement they are deliberately misleading people and are guilty of sheer hypocrisy."

Nevertheless, he enrolled for the first course because he was keen to learn French. When he noticed that the black students were not being invited to film shows, poetry readings and other cultural activities, he wrote to the officials of the Alliance pointing out that "restaurants now have to apply only once for a permanent permit, so all, no matter of what race, could be served legally in the restaurant-bar at all times."

Registered

He asked the committee to consider applying for a permit without delay. He did not receive a reply to his letter. In February, 1980, he again wrote to the Alliance asking for a reply and sent the letter by registered mail. By this time he had finished his course and was "so disgusted" that he did not enrol for the next one.

In March last year Mr Hardy, the president, replied to his letter saying that "despite statements by the Minister of Community Development concerning integration of all races in the restaurant-bar the Alliance was not a public bar, but a private club with its own law, prerogatives and discretions."

It went on to say that club members were entitled to explanations concerning any decision taken by its management committee. "But in the present circumstances I understand that you are not a member of the club any more."

The doctor established that of the 14 or 15 Alliance clubs throughout the country, the Durban club is the only one which has licensed premises.

The doctor said he was invited to one social function, a cocktail party in honour of the secretary general of the Alliance Francaise of Paris. For this occasion the Alliance, according to the invitation, had been granted a multi-racial licence.

"Clearly they had an ulterior motive in inviting me and other black students to this function. They wanted to show the man from Paris that everything at the Alliance operated on a non-racial basis. If this is not so, why could they get a multi-racial licence for a cocktail party but not for other events like films, cultural evenings and poetry readings which would promote the French language?"

Policy

Late last year he wrote to the French Embassy in Pretoria asking if it supported the Alliance in Durban financially and approved of the Alliance's policy. He has not yet had a reply.

Meanwhile, teachers at the Alliance are refusing to attend a begining-of-term party at the organisation's premises in Gardiner Street on Friday unless black students are invited.

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Own Correspondent

The three Port Elizabeth city councillors who organised a petition against blacks being allowed to join "white" libraries are not members of the library.

A thorough search of Port Elizabeth's library membership revealed that Mr Kleynhans was not a member either.

He could not be reached for comment, but Mr Dorfling said he was not opposed to the main library being used by people of all races. He was "merely against them opening libraries in the suburbs."

The main library has been used by blacks for years, he said.

Since the opening of the libraries, 14 blacks have signed on — 11 at the main library and one each at Linton Grange, North End and Algoa Park.

Yesterday the city councillors for Ward 10, Mr Danie Dorfling and Mr Cornelius Meyer both admitted they were not

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Durban's CBD will tend to cater more for blacks

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Finance Reporter

DURBAN'S CBD will tend to cater more for the blacks, while whites will patronise increasingly sophisticated suburban shopping centres, says Dr Roger Blackwell, an American marketing expert.

Dr Blackwell, in South Africa at the invitation of the National Development and Management Foundation to conduct a series of marketing seminars, said the Durban CBD would become 'more orientated towards ethnic groups that don't have access to their own suburban shopping malls'

Although suburban shopping malls had reached saturation point in America, they still had a big role to play in the South African context

But they must not just be smaller versions of downtown shops They must be more sophisticated catering for leisure and recreational activities people's service requirements and medical needs

White area

'More important they must be matched to the area they serve Naturally, the services offered by a mall in a white area would differ from those offered by one catering for other groups

Dr Blackwell said shopping was rapidly becoming a recreational activity for the whole family and it was important that shopping become a more exciting experience

Another trend was that



Dr R Blackwell

people had a decreasing amount of leisure time because of the added responsibilities they were assuming and as a result they tended to concentrate their spending on time saving devices and fast foods

At the same time they were tending to spend more on their leisure time pursuits in order to get the most enjoyment out of the limited time that is available to them

In the post-war years, people improved their life styles by making more money but with inflation running at an annual rate of 13 percent and taxes increasing steadily it is easier to improve your living standards by buying more wisely and using what you buy more judiciously

The changes in purchasing patterns had led to a polarisation of shopping into two distinct categories -- the mass merchandiser with a wide range of lines and the speciality store with narrow lines and a more specific marketing concentration

Store displays were going back to the former vertical emphasis on goods in the show rooms rather than eye level horizontal displays because of the free space that stacking goods higher afforded

One thing is certain the conventional store is doomed Modern shopping precints have to be exciting and atmosphere in order to compete in a highly competitive market

Agricultural Census data give the following averages:

TABLE 2

District, Number of permanent ('regular') Coloured and African men workers employed, number of holdings and average number employed per holding, 1972-73 :

District	No. of workers	No. of holdings	Average No. of workers per holding
Beaufort West	1 015	274	3,7
Fraserburg	591	214	2,8
Middelburg	1 141	204	5,6
Graaff-Reinet	1 384	199	7,0
Total	4 131	891	4,6

SOURCE: Report on agricultural and pastoral production, Agricultural Census No. 46, 1972-73, Report No. 06-01-10.

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Blacks on white beach

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Mercury Reporter

A BEACH on the Natal South Coast is being used by all races through lack of necessary legislation to proclaim it for whites only.

Mr Ken Joffe, Mayor of Kingsburgh, said yesterday that this had come to the notice of the council when Mr M F Smith, the director of a block of beach flats, had complained that blacks were using the beach in this white residential area.

Mr Joffe, in reply to Mr Smith's complaints, said it was unfortunate there was nothing the council could do as Kingsburgh had no legislation to prevent blacks from using the beach.

"The problem is not our but one of numbers," explained Mr Joffe. "We have not the parking, nor the facilities, to cater for other race groups.

"Two councillors and I went down to the Winkelspruit beach and there were 200 coloured people on the beach and only 10 whites.

"We asked the whites if they were residents in the area and whether they often use the beach. They replied that they were residents and used the beach but because of the large number of coloured people now coming to this beach they could no longer send their children down on their own."

Mr Joffe said he was quite happy to open the beach to all races but did not see why the council should.

"There are blacks-only beaches on both sides of the borough and an Indian beach nearby which the other race groups can use. Besides, if the beach was opened to all race groups, the facilities would have to be improved and this would have to be covered by an increase in the rates — rates paid by the residents of this mostly white area.

"Contrary to a Sunday newspaper report, we are not going to formally open the beach to all race groups. Instead we are hoping that, by mutual agreement, we can stop them using our beach," Mr. Joffe added.

Mr Smith had also complained that the black men were swimming in the nude and the women were swimming topless. Mr Joffe suggested in reply that Mr Smith refer this to the South African Police.

The table below lists the distribution of workers according to the value of the weekly meat 'subsidy' (the difference between the value of the meat to the farmer and the price demanded from the worker).

TABLE 10

Distribution of workers according to value of meat subsidy.
(R per week)

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KINGSBURGH's dilemma at having no legislation to prevent throngs of blacks from patronising its 'white' beach poses questions which most other coastal local authorities — even those with ample beach legislation at their disposal — would be wise to contemplate. For one would need to have one's head firmly buried in the beach sand not to recognise the inevitability of mixed beaches being a fact of life in South Africa in the not too distant future.

Kingsburgh's problem, according to its mayor, 'is not colour but one of numbers'. And there, undoubtedly, lies the difficulty which overshadows most moves to open up hitherto whites-only amenities to all races. There is simply not enough room to invite all race groups to a facility that has been designed to cater for only one sector of the community. Unless there is proper planning and expansion before race bars are dropped, there must always be the risk that resentment and racial incidents will develop.

Cape Town has overcome the problem to some extent by installing turnstiles at mixed beaches that lend themselves to that restriction. A beach constable limits the number of people entering, and turns away those who may be unruly. The scheme is said to be working well — and certainly provides part of the answer to complaints by Kingsburgh residents that some black men swim in the nude and that some women bathers go topless. Proper policing and supervision of the beach should be enough to put a stop to that.

However, turnstiles might not be a practical proposition on many of Natal's easily accesible dune beaches, as they could entail the erection of long and unsightly stretches of wire-mesh fences. In that event the alternative would be to expand existing beach facilities so that mixed patronage did not become a burden, and for a small local authority with that end in view it would not be unreasonable to expect the Province to assist financially.

Meanwhile it is important that in areas where major difficulties at present stand in the way of opening beaches to all races — Durban's already overcrowded stretches of sand are a case in point — every effort should be made to maintain basic facilities at separate beaches at a uniform standard, while planning for a long term that must inevitably witness a change in the status quo.

BEACH PROBLEMS

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APPENDIX 1.

This appendix contains an attempt to value meat and milk rations at the prices workers would have to pay for them in shops, and to adjust payment in kind, total payment and family income accordingly.

Supermarkets in Beaufort West were charging about R10 for half a sheep (9 kg) at the time of the survey. If sheep are valued at R20 instead of at the farmers' price of R15 in the text, the distribution of the meat ration changes to that in Table 10 (a) below.

TABLE 10 (a)

Distribution of workers according to value of meat subsidy (R per week)

Value of meat (R per week)	Number of workers	Cumulative %
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Mercury Reporter

ALL-RACE local authorities would receive the hearty approval of urban blacks, the chairman of the Hambanathi Community Council at Tongaat, Mr Ian Mkhize, said yesterday.

Mr Mkhize was speaking at a joint meeting of the council and the executive committee of the Port Natal Administration Board, arranged for the signing of an agreement handing over certain functions and duties to the council.

He described the move as the first step to self-government for the residents of Hambanathi.

Functions which have been handed over to the council include the letting of dwellings, allocation of building sites, approval of building plans, beautification of the township, administration of sport and recreation and of libraries

Mr Mkhize appealed for loyalty from the seconded staff of the board.

'Without in any manner wanting to be negative, some homeland Government ministers have voiced serious grievances about seconded senior officials from Pretoria. They accuse them of delaying the implementation of Cabinet resolutions on purpose.

'Apparently these are the people who lack the sense of mission that is so essential if what we are trying to do is to succeed.'

Mr Mkhize said he now represented the most powerless section of the community. That was not always going to be so

'When our turn comes to be strong, we will look after the other sections of the community.'

Mr Charles Purvis, for the Chief Commissioner, pointed to the high level of unemployment, and malnutrition in the Inanda area and urged the establishment of an aid centre at Verulam.

He said that nearly 500 blacks from the area had been admitted to mental institutions in the past three years.

'Malnutrition has been prevalent for some time. And there have been no apparent prospects of jobs. When this happens, the brain snaps,' he pointed out.

'We'd back multiracial authorities'

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All-race buses called for in Durban

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Argus Correspondent

DURBAN — The desegregation of Durban's municipal buses would result in an improved level of service and great financial savings to ratepayers, the public and the city's transport department, the Local Road Transport Board heard

The LRTB is considering an application by the Durban Transport Management Board to desegregate its white and black bus services

Giving evidence general manager, Mr Marshall Cuthbert said the application was 'sensible and logical' from an energy conservation point of view

It would eliminate duplicated services, which at present involved an additional R470 000 and 230 000 litres of diesel fuel

The current situation means that we are operating separate buses on practically identical routes merely to cater for different races, Mr Cuthbert said

He told a packed boardroom that there had been a fall off of passengers on the white service over a number of years 'primarily because of the quality of life enjoyed in this country'

This was due also to the increasing car ownership.

He said the DTMB estimated the loss on the white service to be R1,7-m this year

Mr Cuthbert said the board was in favour of desegregating the white and black services at existing fare structures

He said the main 'racial mix' would be during valley (off peak) periods, over weekends and in the evenings, 'but it is not expected to be big.'

EVIDENCE

A number of organisations and individuals were due to give evidence at the hearing

Those in favour of the application and who would address the board include Professor Gavin Maasdorp on behalf of the University of Natal; Mrs A Cobden of the Domestic Workers' and Employers' project, Mr A W Stowman, Diakonia' Miss J A Davidson, Women for Peaceful Change Now, Mr B K Dludla, Durban and District Council of Chur-

information about how wages were determined, the existence of a shortage or surplus of labour at current wages and farmers' requirements in their labour force (in particular, whether schooling was considered an advantage or not).

3) a questionnaire to workers on their motives in coming to the farm, their attitudes to alternative jobs and their problems on the farm.

The information in this part is largely drawn from the first and second questionnaires.

A total of 35 farms were visited during the survey, but three farmers preferred to fill in the questionnaires alone and post them. They have not done so, so that the results below apply to a maximum of 32 farms, 18 in the Beaufort West magisterial district, 6 in Fraserburg, 6 in Middelburg and 2 in Graaff-Reinet.

Section A : Area of farm. number of sheep and numbers employed:

The average (me was 9 548 hectares (distribution of far size categories can be seen in Table 3). Agri ta for 1972-1973, however, give the following rea as a whole:

Union becomes 19/5/81 multiracial

Mercury Reporter

THE Natal Liquor and Catering Trades Employees' Union has been given the green light to accept blacks as fully-fledged members — a move making it a fully integrated body

Announcing this yesterday, Mr A C Reddy, the union's general secretary, said the nearly 4 000 black workers in the hotel and catering industry would be permitted to join the union.

Mr Reddy, who was recently appointed to the South African Indian Council, said the opening of the union's membership to blacks followed a successful application to the registrar of trade unions

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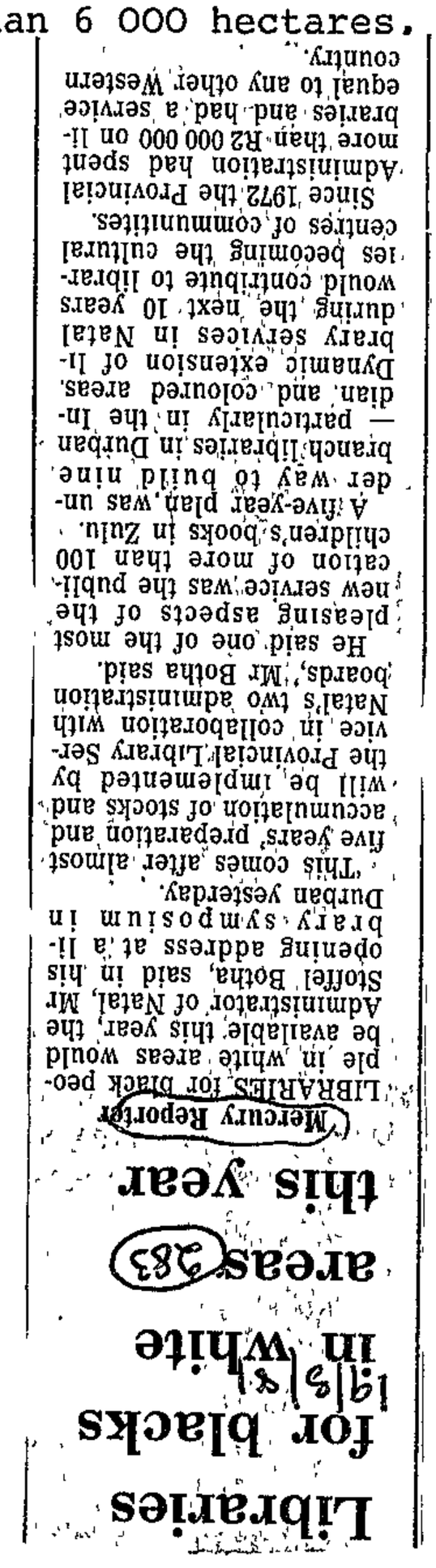

Libraries for blacks in white areas this year

LIBRARIES for black people in white areas would be available this year, the Administrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha, said in his opening address at a library symposium in Durban yesterday.

"This comes after almost five years' preparation and accumulation of stocks and will be implemented by the Provincial Library Service in collaboration with Natal's two administration boards," Mr Botha said.

He said one of the most pleasing aspects of the new service was the publication of more than 100 children's books in Zulu.

A five-year plan was under way to build nine branch libraries in Durban — particularly in the Indian and coloured areas. Dynamic extension of library services in Natal during the next 10 years would contribute to libraries becoming the cultural centres of communities.

Since 1972 the Provincial Administration had spent more than R2 000 000 on libraries and had a service equal to any other Western country.

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'Open up beaches' call

. . . and, in some cases, charge people for going there, says councillor

Municipal Reporter

A CALL for desegregation of Durban's beaches was made by Councillor Peter Corbett yesterday.

He also proposed a charge for use of beaches where most of the city's tourist industry was located.

In a statement to the Mercury, Mr Corbett said he believed it was 'morally indefensible' to discriminate by race, sex, religion or any criterion in any matter

This applied to beaches as much as to anything else.

'I also believe that in South Africa we have a very limited time left to us to remove hurtful racial discrimination.

'However, I realise that we have an existing situation which has developed over many years, that Durban has a valuable tourist industry and that whites are apprehensive about sharing facilities with other race groups.

'This is why there was at the time so much furore about integrating the libraries, going multiracial in sport and, currently, about desegregating the buses,' he said

Reconciling the moral necessity with the practical problems required considerable tact and, perhaps, the wisdom of Solomon.

'But it does seem to me that one way of doing so might be to divide the beaches into two categories.

'The first, where most of the tourist industry exists, would be in some way enclosed and a charge made for entry. High-quality facilities would be provided.

'The rest of the beaches would remain free as at present.

'All races would have freedom of choice as to which kind of beach they frequented.'

Before any definite steps were taken in this matter, the public should be consulted and kept informed, he said.

Councillor Margaret Ambler, the Progressive Federal Party's Durban North provincial candidate, said bold signs telling race groups which beaches to use were offensive.

'To me a sign that excludes somebody anywhere on the grounds of race is offensive. I think we are reaching a stage where this sort of thing will have to go. It has happened in Cape Town with very little trouble.'

She said she had called for the establishment of at least one multiracial beach in 1979.

'Two years later, nothing has happened.'

Management Committee chairman Neil MacLennan said:

'Several years ago the council realised that with the changing attitudes in the country it was necessary to provide beach facilities for more people than were originally catered for

'Because of the restricted area and the possible presence of crowds too great to control, it was decided at that time to set aside areas for the various races — and these are laid down in terms of our bylaws.

'For any definition of an area to be effective, it must be adequately described by suitable signs.'

(Report by R B Page, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

Fee row while injured child waits

Mercury Reporter

AN INJURED black child waited for almost two hours while a private ambulance company demanded guarantees for payment, the regional representative for the National Road Safety Council said last night

Mr Peter Luxton, said he was distressed to hear of the plight of the child — knocked down by a vehicle during the latter part of the Comrades yesterday — between the Radnor guest farm and Inchanga about 1 p m

'I find it totally deplorable that people should haggle over prices when somebody is injured and perhaps dying' he said

According to Mr Luxton he received the information from a Natal provincial official who said because there were no ambulances available they decided to ask a private ambulance company to take the child to the Edendale Hospital

The ambulance company — Pilani Ambulance Company from Hammarsdale — refused to collect the child unless the Province was prepared to pay the fare, according to Mr Luxton

The provincial official then contacted the St John Ambulance who took the child to Edendale Hospital

The driver of the Pilani ambulance, who did not want his name mentioned said he was acting within the law

'Accidents which occur on the main road have to

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Ambulance fee 'haggle'

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be handled by Edendale Hospital and the magistrate of Camperdown has forbidden us to touch these patients' he said

The driver said his manager — who was not available last night — had discussed this matter with the Camperdown magistrate and had been told the Province would not pay for patients the company picked up on the old main road between Durban and Pietermaritzburg

'That is why we have to make sure somebody can pay'

Special facilities for 'traditional' cooks

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Municipal Reporter

THREE 'traditional' cooks, the cause of concern to Durban's city health officials, will be given kitchen facilities near the Old Fort Cafeteria.

A spokesman for the City Engineer's Department said yesterday that although the cafeteria had been designed to serve municipal employees of all races, it had been found that Zulu workers preferred food prepared according to their custom.

Mrs Philisile Ngobese, Miss Dilo Ngobese and Miss Jabu Msomi had been cooking over an open fire within the Old Fort municipal complex. There were no storage facilities for offal which they had been buying in bulk.

The City Council had agreed to equip a kitchen which had been built separately from the cafeteria but used only occasionally as a pay office, he said.

The kitchen would be furnished in a month or two, and the women would be allowed to continue cooking outside in the meantime.

Collegians 'whites-only' motion gets thrown out

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Pietermartizburg Bureau

A PROPOSAL to reserve membership of Collegians Sports Club for whites only was defeated 'by an overwhelming majority' at a special meeting of the club here last night.

'We didn't even bother to count the votes, there were so many against,' said club president Dave Cobalt.

'About an hour-and-a-half of heated discussion was spent, mainly against the proposal. I am delighted that commonsense prevailed,' he said

The bar on black membership was mooted by Mr Norman Hohls and Mr Wimpy Elgin.

No black sportsmen belong to the club at present but they may join subject to committee approval and a ballot by members.

Cinema groups to keep on trying

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Mercury Reporter

CIC-Theatres was not deterred by a Government decision to turn down its application for a permit to open its 22 cinemas to all races, general manager of the company, Mr Kevin Hyson, said yesterday.

Speaking from Johannesburg, he said the company had, since 1976, applied regularly for permission to allow multiracial audiences into its cinemas and would continue to do so.

CIC-Theatres was one of nine owners of cinemas whose requests for multiracial cinema audiences was not accepted by the Government.

It was said in Parliament this week by the Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze, that it was against Government policy to allow joint attendances of cinemas by members of different population groups, 'where adequate facilities exist or can be readily provided'.

Mr Hyson said much live entertainment was now multiracial and in the two years he had been in the country, he had heard of no racial friction as a result of this.

'I feel the next stop is definitely to open cinemas to all races and I am surprised this is taking so long. I thought the Government would have opened some cinemas to all races for a test period,' he said.

Mr Hyson said the Durban cinemas for which multiracial status had been sought were the Metro 1 and Metro 2.

The company acquired Durban's Kine 500 (now renamed Oscar) in July, before the application was made

'In the years we have sought multiracial status for our cinemas, only the Metro Halfway House drive-in was approved. The permit was granted, possibly, because patrons are in cars,' Mr Hyson said.

He explained that the company wanted to open cinemas to all races not for financial reasons but because CIC-Theatres represented a number of overseas film companies and received much entertainment featuring, and made by, multiracial groups.

The marketing manager for Ster-Kinekor in Johannesburg, Mr Fanie Steyn, said the company had also been applying regularly for some of its cinemas to be opened to all races.

'Because it is an on-going process, the Government decision came as no surprise. The decision is nothing new,' he said.

Mr Steyn would not stipulate how many cinemas the company wanted to have multiracial or what cinemas in Natal were being considered, 'because that information is more of a business matter'.

It was also from a business point of view that Ster-Kinekor was applying for multiracial permits for some of its cinemas, he added.

Thumbs down to integrated beaches

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This is YOUR city

DURBAN'S white citizens are prepared to share their buses with blacks, but most emphatically are not prepared to share their beaches with them

This emerges with startling clarity from the Natal Mercury's Opinion Survey, which showed that two out of three white ratepayers favour integration on the buses, but that an overwhelming 85 percent want the beaches to stay segregated.

In fact, it seems that the apocryphal question 'would you want a black man to marry your daughter?' is hardly more frightening than 'would you want a black man to see your daughter in a bikini?'

The question of throwing Durban's beaches open has always been a hot potato at City Hall.

It was used as a platform in the last municipal elections. The PFP-dominated Amenities Committee of the Council had pronounced views on desegregation, which Councillor Cornelius Koekemoer tried in vain to bring out of the cupboard in April.

A month later Manco hotly denied that it planned to rush through legislation to desegregate the beaches in time for Republic Day. And this month Councillor Dick Burgess is in hot water with fellow councillors and the Indian community for trying to ban Indians from the Bluff beaches.

Durban is one of the few Natal municipalities where beach apartheid is backed by law. Most other beaches along the Natal coastline are open to all races. And Mr Frank Martin MEC, has stated that the Province will not pay for the building of amenities unless they are for all races.

Our Opinion Survey asked the question:
What do you think should happen to the beaches of Durban?
You answered:

Should be integrated for all races	12%
Should be integrated but with a reasonable charge (50c) for their use with turnstiles	4%
Should remain segregated but with the addition of one mixed beach	21%
Integration preferred, but fear incidents so they should remain as at present	14%
Should remain separated for the races as is presently the case	50%

Prof Lawrence Schlemmer, director of the survey, comments: 'The issue of mixed bathing evokes all kinds of sexual symbolism.

'Even though it may sound irrational, many people actually perceive the bikini or scanty swimsuit as some kind of invitation to the opposite sex.

'Within this context, the issue of racial integration or separation of beaches acquires an emotional content which hardened beachgoers would find difficult to credit.

'For this reason it is one of the most difficult of political issues. Our results show that the Durban public, although relatively enlightened and rational as regards bus integration, is extremely cautious about beach integration.

'Nearly two-thirds of Durban residents are opposed to any kind of beach integration.

'Mixed bathing, therefore, seems to be one of the hotter issues in our political life, which requires to be lifted out of the realms of emotion and symbolism and subjected to much more rational and logical public debate, in which all the problems people perceive should be given a fair and calm hearing.

'This is a task for the Durban City Council to pursue in the appropriate manner.'

One wonders whether any Durban city council will dare to grasp this particular hot potato.

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'No decision yet' to print warnings on muggings for hotel guests

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Mercury Reporter

THE head of the Durban Publicity Association, Mr Terry Toohey, said yesterday that the DPA had not definitely decided to issue special printed warnings to Durban hotel guests on the danger of mugging on the beachfront.

Reports saying the warnings were to be issued were premature, he said.

'We had considered including a low-key paragraph on mugging in the card we issued to hotel guests earlier this year advising them not to leave valuable articles in their cars, but this is not definite.'

Mr Toohey said he intended to ask Brig J van der Westhuizen, Divisional Detective Officer of Port Natal, if it were advisable to print a warning on the danger of muggings, after which a decision would be made.

'Mugging incidents on the beachfront seem to flare up from time to time, but I believe the police can sort the problem out. They have done so in the past.'

He said he did not believe that recent reports of muggings on Durban's beachfront would affect the city's tourist industry.

'Cape Town has had a mugging problem for years, and so has Johannesburg. I don't believe things are any worse in Durban.'

On Friday night police, in conjunction with the Durban Corporation Security Department, arrested 25 people on the beachfront for various offences.

Eight crushed to death by panic-stricken crowd

THEY lie bruised and battered in their hospital beds, the eight seriously injured victims of KwaMashu station's fatal stampede.

Most of them are unable to communicate yet their faces and bodies speak loudly of their harrowing experience — of a mammoth panic-stricken crowd tramping over them as they lay crushed beneath its feet.

"I was frightened. They were pressing me and running over my body. I felt I was being strangled — it could have been the hand of the lady in front of me who had also fallen."

Sebenzile Zamisa, one of the victims of the stampede, lay back on her hospital bed recounting the horror she felt at the feet of the crowd as it surged across the station bridge. Eight people died in the crush and she considers herself lucky to have got away with her life.

Her terrifying ordeal began as she alighted from the over-crowded KwaMashu train she had caught in Durban after work on Thursday.

"The train was very full, fuller than usual, because there had been no trains in the afternoon because of the power cut. All those who usually catch the afternoon trains had to catch later trains," she said, her eyes bloodshot and bruised and her body racked with pain.

A 27-year-old machinist from KwaMashu, she said a second train had arrived at the station minutes later. And as the crowd crushed onto the platform and then made its way across the station bridge panic broke out.

She was swept along as people began shouting and running.

"Everyone was pushing. I was following another lady. When we got to the steps to go down she fell. I tripped over her and then I felt people running over me. My nose was bleeding because I had hit my head on the steps. I tried to get up but I had no chance. I was screaming and praying to God to help me. That's all I know," she said.

Sebenzile lost consciousness and awoke to find herself in King Edward VIII Hospital. Her shoes, handbag and wristwatch were gone. Later, because her condition had improved, she was transferred to Clairwood Hospital where she is now recovering.

She reflects now that he might have died had she not fallen to the side of the bridge. If she had fallen in the middle of the bridge she believes she could have died.

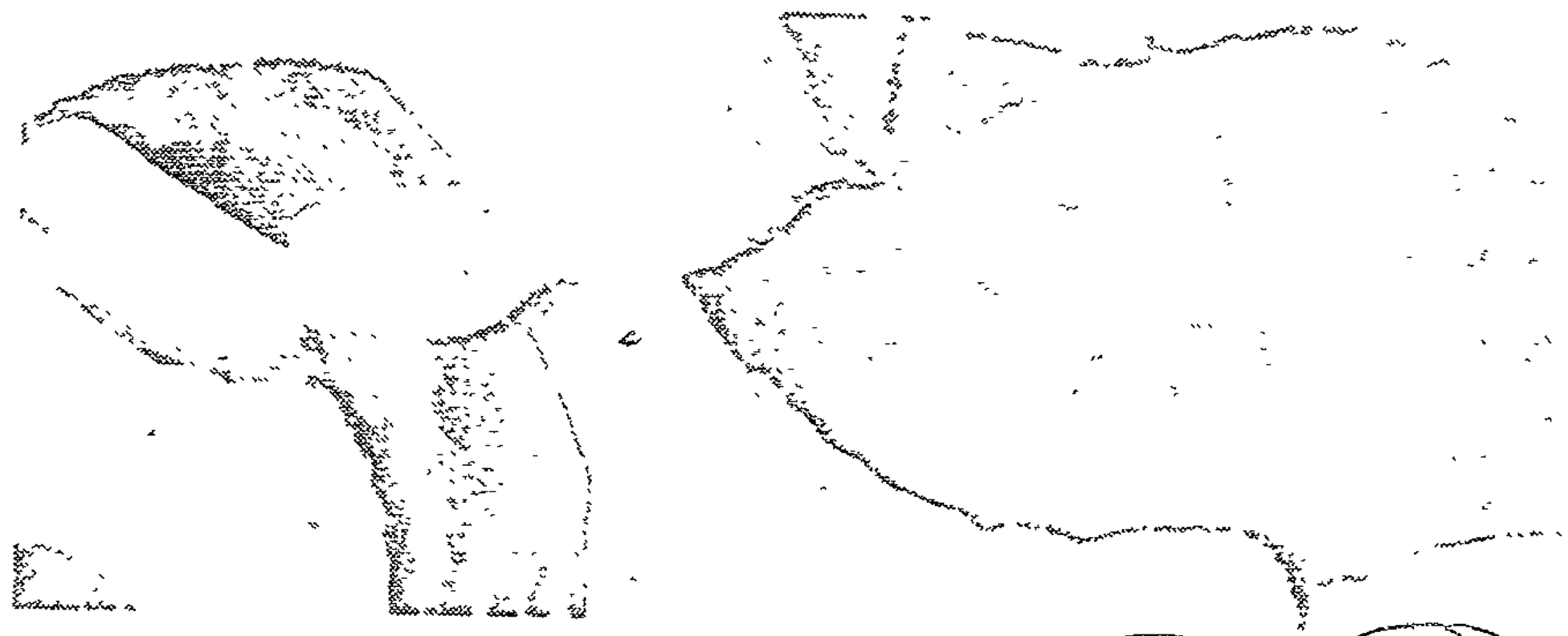
Thandi Jali, 22, of Ntuzuma, was crossing the ill-fated bridge to catch a bus home when she fell and was trampled by the thousands of workers who rushed through the station.

Her head was bashed and her body horribly bruised as people walked over her after she had fallen.

"I was shouting and crying 'We Mali' but no one stopped. They just went over me. I don't know what happened after that."

Thandi, also a machinist, suffered injuries to her head, arms, legs and stomach. She is recovering at King Edward VIII Hospital. In a ward across the way several other victims are also recuperating from the killer crush.

Thirty-eight people were injured in the stampede. According to King Edward VIII Hospital's superintendent, Dr Margaret Truter, 10 people — eight women, one man and an eight-year-old girl — were admitted. Two of the women died later, one aged about 28 of multiple injuries to the abdomen and another aged about 35 of internal injuries. Six other people were dead on arrival, she said.



VICTIM: Sebenzile Zamisa (27) believes she is lucky to be alive

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MOST Natal coastal towns do not want the Province to finance beach facilities for non-whites in their area.

The Provincial Council has received R115 000 from the Government to help white local authorities provide beach facilities for other race groups and has asked towns to submit applications for aid.

But it appears that most of the money will be left unused.

A Mercury survey showed that while the matter was still to be discussed by some councils, spokesmen for most of the towns, including Port Shepstone, Scottburgh and Port Edward, said they had no beaches zoned for black use and as such did not need the aid.

Several who did not wish to be quoted added that they believed the provision of these facilities would attract large numbers of blacks into white areas.

Provide facilities

Ramsgate Town Board chairman Reg Mayne said he didn't see why the town should provide facilities for blacks in an area financed by whites.

'We have no black residents,' he said. 'Why can't facilities be provided in less densely populated areas?

'There are plenty of beaches past Southbroom where black bathers could congregate without upsetting anyone.'

Mr Mayne said that as things stood the board was faced with the problem of bus loads of blacks who travelled from Durban to use Ski Boat Bay.

'They drive right past Umgababa where they have every facility, including a bar, and come to Ramsgate.'

Mr Mayne said that even if the Province paid for facilities for non-whites they would still have to be maintained by 'white money'.

Uvongo Town Clerk Rod Turner said that while residents did not mind the local blacks using the beaches, holidaymakers — who brought an influx of black nannies to the beach — caused unpleasant racial incidents.

So Uvongo would not be taking advantage of the offer 'at this stage'.

Umhlanga has also declined the offer 'at this stage'.

Acting Town Clerk J W Mackintosh said there were no immediate plans to provide facilities for non-whites. All but a small section of beach was zoned white in terms of the Group Areas Act.

Amanzimtoti's Deputy Mayor, Mr H E Tunmer, said the council felt that as there were non-white beaches in local authorities north and south of the town there was no need to provide additional facilities

Richards Bay, has applied for financial assistance to provide faciilties for Indians and coloureds.

Mr Frank Martin, MEC in charge of local government, is not impressed with the towns' claims that their beaches are not zoned black.

He said: 'The only beaches in Natal that are specifically zoned white are in Durban and Richards Bay.

'In all the white local authorities they employ non-whites, such as waiters and domestic servants, who also want a place to fish or paddle in the water.

Next door

'And while there is a need for facilities for these people the local authorities always want the town next door to provide them.'

'We felt that as we were given money in terms of the Separate Amenities Act we would assist the white local authorities with the costs before circumstances got out of hand.'

Durban, he said, had been sensible in providing facilities for all races.

'A family man doesn't want a confrontation situation when he takes his wife and children to the beach. He would rather go to one where he knows he won't be harassed. And its no good telling a black man in your town that he must travel 22 km to fish or swim.'

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Apartheid beach bluff by Toti council is exposed

THE popular Natal South Coast resort of Amanzimtoti has enforced apartheid on its beaches for the past 12 years — reserving them exclusively for Whites — although it had no legal authority to do so.

Investigations this week showed that the beaches — which have a history of discriminatory incidents — are not zoned for any particular race group — a fact the Amanzimtoti municipality has kept a closely guarded secret since 1969.

Prominent notice boards erected by the town council at all the popular beaches — bordered in the north by the Indian township of Isipingo — warn that in terms of a May 1969 proclamation the beaches are "reserved for the use of Whites only".

But this week the MEC in charge of local government in Natal, Mr Frank Martin, told the Sunday Express that Amanzimtoti's beaches were unzoned and open to all race groups.

Mr Martin said in terms of present legislation there was nothing to stop Blacks using most of Natal's beaches, except those in Durban, which are owned by its council, and Richards Bay, which had permission from the Natal Provincial Administration to keep its beaches White.

By DARYL BALFOUR

"People generally believe because a local authority is White that in terms of the Group Areas Act the beaches there are White too. This is not so. The local authority's responsibility is only down to the high water mark — after that it is Admiralty Land," he said.

Mr Martin said town councils could apply to have beaches zoned but most found it unnecessary in the present political climate.

Amanzimtoti has a history of apartheid incidents and there have been many prosecutions of Blacks who used its beaches.

Less than a year ago the Amanzimtoti Town Council caused a stir when it banned Black spectators from the 1980 South African Inter-provincial Surf Lifesaving Championships held on Amanzimtoti's main bathing beach.

The open beaches are a result of an Amanzimtoti Town Council slip-up 12 years ago when it attempted to have a section of beach, then zoned for Blacks, rezoned for Whites only.

The council asked for the regulation involved to be revoked rather than only a section of it.

The Government obliged — with the result that the beaches became totally unzoned.

The Amanzimtoti council then applied to have the beaches rezoned but because the authority to zone beaches was being transferred to the provincial authorities, the Government could not help rectify their error.

Then, through bureaucratic stalling and the changing political climate the status quo remained.

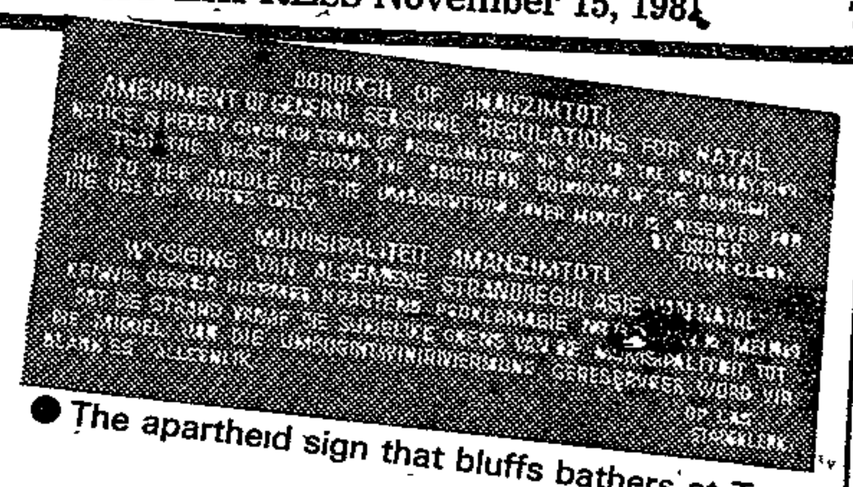
But Amanzimtoti maintained the impression that the beaches were for Whites only, and continued as if the law was on their side.

Mr Bobby Hardin, Mayor of Isipingo, said: "If it's true they don't have a legal zoning of their beaches and pretend they do just to keep Blacks out I think its disgraceful. Perhaps they should build a wall right around their town."

The Mayor of Amanzimtoti, Mr Alan Crockart, said the fact that the beaches were unzoned was news to him.

"I think it's something that was overlooked years ago and nobody knew anything about it until now," he said.

Mr Crockart said he could not comment on the zoning or whether Amanzimtoti would apply to the province for the beaches to be zoned White as the matter "will have to go to the committee and council first".



● The apartheid sign that bluffs bathers at Toti

Provide 'for all races at beaches'

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Indian Ocean not white monopoly, says the NRP

Political Reporter

UMTENTWENI—A method had to be found to enable all race groups to use South Coast beaches, Mr Peter Miller, New Republic Party MPC for South Coast, said yesterday

'The Indian Ocean does not belong to the white people alone. From Hibberdene to Port Edward all beaches adjoining admiralty areas are zoned for whites.

'We say provide facilities for all races at beaches. If the facilities are there, people will naturally gravitate to those that the bulk of their people are using,' he told a report back meeting attended by 40 people.

Mr Miller hit out at the Nationalist Government segregationist education policy.

The Natal Provincial Administration was rejecting applicants for teacher training (white) whereas other population groups did not have enough teachers.

Matriculation pupils were being guided through their final year by teachers with Standard 8 certificates.

Mr Aubrey Thompson, MP for South Coast, said the President's Council was expected to report next year on its recommendations for a new constitutional arrangement.

If Prime Minister P W Botha took the recommendations to National Party congresses and they were rejected, he could — if he 'is a man of courage' — hold a referendum before the end of 1982.

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Durban moves closer to an all-races beach

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Municipal Reporter

DURBAN is a step closer to getting an open beach and municipal officials have been asked to prepare a report on the most suitable stretches for desegregation.

Mr Neil MacLennan, chairman of a sub-committee looking into the matter confirmed yesterday that municipal officials had been asked to prepare a report on suitable areas and the implications of any one becoming multiracial.

He said: 'I can tell you specifically that no established beach will be suggested and the report will not be ready this year.'

Meanwhile multiracial beachfront toilet facilities are to be discussed jointly by the council's amenities and works committees on December 2.

Toilets

If approved the toilets would be built beneath the ramp next to Noddy's Milk Bar at an estimated cost of R73 000.

According to a City Engineer's report, one-third of the area would be designated for toilets of a high standard for which an entrance fee would be charged.

The rest of the toilets would be built on a lower standard and access would be free.

Two items on the amenities committee agenda were shelved yesterday until the question of the open beach was settled, according to the chairman Mr Pieter Breytenbach.

Request

One of the items was a request from Mr K T Makan of Mobeni that the Rachel Finlayson Baths be opened to all races, and the second item was an appeal by the Natal Board Sailing Club — backed by a report from the Director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches — that a section of beach be allocated to board sailors.

Section

The director had suggested a section of Battery Beach as being most suitable.

He reported that board sailing had become increasingly popular and sailors were operating from areas set aside for other surf craft such as paddle skis and surfboards.

But, as sailboards were not primarily for surfing they should be given a specific area of their own

Durban's Port Captain had been approached but had not been able to help

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Black doctor told to leave beach

A CAPE Town doctor and visitors from East London, Kimberley and Durban were among about 40 people ordered by police to move off Hout Bay beach yesterday.

Two uniformed policemen in a van stopped the doctor and his visitors from East London and Durban as they were preparing to spend an hour or two on the Chapman's Peak side of Hout Bay beach before driving to Constantia Nek to braai.

The doctor, who did not want to be named, said: 'You read about a Piet Koornhof and improved conditions for blacks, but apartheid is still alive and well in Cape Town.

ANGRY

'This is the first time I have been kicked off a beach. It made us angry, particularly as I probably pay more in rates and taxes than many of the people on the beach. The harbour side where we were supposed to go was congested.'

A group of about 20 people on the 'whites only' beach were told by the police they could finish their meal but should then leave. When approached by The Argus, police said they were responding to a complaint made at the Hout Bay police station yesterday morning.

'That is not what they told us,' said one member of the party which included holidaymakers from Kimberley. 'They said we had to move in case someone complained and threatened to fine us R30 each.'

Another member of the group, Mrs M S Carolus, of Surrey Estate, said: 'It's a nasty way to treat us.

Black visitors enjoy easy-going Cape Town

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By ANDILE NTEYI

A NUMBER of black families from the Transvaal have spent their annual holidays in Cape Town, and yesterday some of them said they had enjoyed their stay by the sea.

Mr Joe Mokone of Soweto said he had come to Cape Town for the first time with his wife and two children. They are staying with friends in Guguletu.

His family was one of an estimated 150 black visitors from the Transvaal. At some houses in Guguletu, Langa and Nyanga, tents were pitched to accommodate visitors because of a scarcity of spare rooms.

Mr Mokone said he was "really impressed" with Peninsula beaches, specially Camps Bay, where there was no beach apartheid. He said Cape Town beaches were "really nice".

"We were also touched by the hospitality of Capetonians," Mr Mokone said.

He was also impressed by the scenery. He mentioned the Cape Point Nature Reserve, Table Mountain and the view of Cape Town at night from the top of the Table Mountain as some of the highlights.

The only disadvantage was the weather, he said.

"The weather was unreliable and made us miss enjoyable hours on the beach, which we will not see till our next holiday at the coast".

Mr Mokone said he and his family would be back next year.

● Beaches from Camps Bay to Sea Point were not crowded yesterday.

The chairman of the Green and Sea Point Ratepayers' and Residents' Association, Mr Chris Joubert, said yesterday that although New Year's Eve and New Year's Day had been more peaceful than usual, many of the beaches had been seriously overcrowded.

He said the large numbers of small children on the beaches had annoyed many people. Mr Joubert suggested an entry charge of at least 20c would discourage people from bringing many children to the beaches in the Sea Point area.

Mrs L Jones of Bellville telephoned the Cape Times to complain about the behaviour of black people at the tidal pool in Camps Bay.

"I am not a racist and I have lots of non-European friends. But the way many of the black people walked around half-naked is a disgrace.

She said she saw black people changing in front of children and said that she would not be able to take her children to the beach any longer.

There were about 2 000 people at Mnandi Beach, near Strandfontein, on New Year's day. However, yesterday there were fewer people — about 800.

There were about 500 campers in about 100 tents pitched at the beach.

● The Cape Times correspondent in Port Elizabeth reported that several of Port Elizabeth's most popular whites-only beaches which became unofficially multiracial on New Year's Day, apparently escaped police attention and public protest.

Numerous black bathers are said to have mingled with white bathers at Summerstrand, King's Beach, Cape Recefe, Sardinia Bay, Beachview, Bluewater Bay and the Willows. There were few flare ups.

The only alleged incident was on New Year's Day, when the assistant ranger at the Beachview holiday resort, Mr H Landman, ordered a coloured bather from a rock pool after receiving a complaint from a holidaymaker.

A police spokesman said no complaints had been received about illegal mixed bathing. He said mixed bathing was frequent on New Year's Day, which was the coloured people's traditional day for beach outings.

Blacks told to leave beaches

Police act on complaints

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EAST LONDON — Police removed about 45 blacks from white beaches here yesterday and warned that from today they would enforce the law segregating beaches "to the letter."

...but races mix on PE sands

PORT ELIZABETH — Several of the most popular whites-only beaches here which became unofficially multiracial on New Year's Day apparently escaped police attention and public protest.

Numerous black bathers are said to have mingled with white bathers, with few racial flare-ups at Summerstrand, King's Beach, Cape Recife, Sardinia Bay, Beachview, Bluewater Bay and the Willows.

The only alleged incident was at 5 am on New Year's Day, when the assistant ranger at the Beachview holiday resort, Mr H. Landman, ordered a coloured bather from a rock pool after receiving a complaint from a holidaymaker.

A lifesaver said he had seen about 200 coloureds, Indians and some blacks on the Summerstrand Beach. "Even though they kept to themselves on the edge of the beach, they caused a lot of indignant jabbering from white bathers, but no one took any action," he said.

A police spokesman said no complaints had been received about illegal mixed bathing. "But we will take a very strict stand with anyone caught bathing illegally. We will not hesitate to arrest any black bathers using beaches south of the harbour, which are for whites only," he said.

The chairman of the Dias Divisional Council, Mr Leo Kohler, said yesterday neither he nor his officials had received complaints about mixed bathing on the council's outlying beaches.

He said mixed bathing was frequent on New Year's Day. — DDC.

The police action follows complaints from the public about a large crowd of blacks, estimated at well over 1 000, who used Eastern Beach on New Year's Day and spilled across the Blind River there towards the rocks on the town side of the beach.

The Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Border, Brigadier J. H. du Plessis confirmed about 20 blacks at Eastern Beach

By ANDRE JORDAAN

News Editor

and about 25 at Bonza Bay were taken to police charge offices where they were cautioned and discharged.

Other blacks sitting on the beach were told to leave.

Brigadier du Plessis said there would be no exceptions from today.

"I have instructed my men to apply the law as stated in the Provincial Ordinance and Gazette. According to the Police Act, we have to execute the provisions of the ordinance. Everybody has to abide by the provisions of the law and I will see to it that this is done.

"We have warned and reprimanded people. There are notice boards there and we will no longer excuse anybody."

Brigadier Du Plessis said there had been many cases of black women bathing topless and even a nude girl yesterday.

"We are there to execute the law and we will do so to the letter."

East London's beach manager, Mr L. Branfield, yesterday estimated the crowd of blacks at Eastern Beach as more than 1 000 on New Year's Day. He put



Crowds of people flocked to the tidal pool at Shelly Beach over the New Year. All beaches south of the Buffalo River up to Hluzi Beach, but excluding Hickman's River beach, are open to all races, according to a Provincial Ordinance.

the numbers yesterday at 500 in the early afternoon

"Behaviour was good, but there is not enough room for such a large crowd and there were complaints from the public."

Mr Branfield said a huge crowd of blacks also used the multiracial tidal pool on New Year's Day He estimated there were out 30 000 people in the ea along the West Bank m the pool to Leach's y He said he had not ticed any whites in the wd.

Large numbers also made use of the beach near Bonza Bay

Beacon Bay's Town Clerk, Mr P. Gerber said his council had always accepted that bona fide servants from Beacon Bay would be allowed to use the beach there and had not interfered with blacks on the beach.

"It is not as though we are depriving people of a facility We have stated our point of view to the Mdantsane Concil," he council," he said

One beach user, Mrs Cynthia Nomatye, said blacks using the Bonza Bay beach on New Year's Day were told by police with dogs to leave "We often swim at Bonza Bay. This is unnecessary," she said.

Brigadier Du Plessis said he was not aware of police taking any action at Bonza Bay on New Year's Day. He denied that the police would have used dogs. "This is impossible. A policeman only uses a dog to pursue a criminal or defend himself," he said

East London City Councillor, Mr Joe Yazbek, who returned from a holiday in Cape Town yesterday, said he was saddened by the situation on East London's beaches.

Meanwhile our Port Alfred correspondent reports that blacks in their thousands flocked to the beach at the Rufanes River mouth 5 km east of Port Alfred on New Year's Day.

Captain P. Lemmer, station commander in Port Alfred, said it was impossible even to calculate the number of people at the Rufanes River mouth. They began arriving at sunrise from as far afield as Port Elizabeth, Grahamstown and the Ciskei.

They came in taxis and other vehicles running a shuttle service from Grahamstown and packed like sardines in trucks from other areas. The police kept the roads under observation from 6 am till 7 pm and there were few incidents.

The East Beach at Port Alfred was used the whole day by whites and coloureds and since there were no complaints from anyone the police did not intervene

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Police enforce race law on EL beaches

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EAST LONDON — Police enforced the whites only law at beaches here over the weekend.

The public relations officer for the police in the Border, Major W. Brown, said yesterday policemen had patrolled white beaches and turned blacks away

He said as far as he knew there were no arrests or incidents.

On Friday the Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Border, Brigadier J. H. du Plessis, warned that police would strictly enforce the provincial ordinance which reserves certain beaches in the East London area for whites only.

His warning followed complaints about large crowds of blacks at Bonza Bay and Eastern Beach on New Year's Day.

On January 2 the police took about 45 blacks who had been using these beaches to charge offices where they were warned and discharged.

The Mayor of East London, Mr Donald Card, said yesterday certain councillors had received complaints and, in an effort to forestall action by the police, had held a meeting which was attended by a member of the black community council for Duncan Village.

He said they had attempted to find a way of warning black beachgoers of the legal provisions involved but, as there was no communication with Mdantsane, where most of the people came from, they had reached a deadlock in preventing action being taken against them.

"We did not want the problem between the police and these people to get as far as it has now," Mr Card said.

He said opening the beaches to all presented an enormous problem. "It is not so much a political problem, although it is that too, as one of providing facilities and controlling the masses of people.

A further aspect was that East London ratepayers would pay for facilities used by people outside the municipal area. "We get nothing from Mdantsane. Whatever facilities we provide would be a cost to the East London ratepayer for people outside our area."

Mr Card said the multiracial tidal pool cost East London ratepayers R27 000 a year in upkeep.

He said three years ago the city council had decided by a majority vote to ask the Provincial Administration to open all beaches to all races. This had been turned down and the alternative was that beaches on the West Bank from the Buffalo River to Hluzi Beach be opened.

One piece at Hickman's River had remained white and an approach to the Provincial Administration to have this area opened to all had been turned down.

Mr Card said the Western Seafront Beach Committee, which consisted of representatives of the city council, coloured and Indian management committees and the community council, had made another approach to have this white strip opened to all, and was still waiting for a decision. — DDR

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Sebe 'perturbed' at harassment on beaches

ZWELITSHA — The Ciskei Cabinet was "deeply perturbed at the harassment" of its citizens who had used East London's beaches during the festive season, the Chief Minister, Chief Lennox Sebe, said yesterday.

In a Press statement issued in Zwelitsha, near King William's Town, he said the Cabinet was surprised at a statement issued by a "very senior" officer in the South African Police that he would "apply the law to the letter" in preventing the use of white beaches by blacks.

"This statement is one which epitomises what has often been stressed by my government, and that is that statements made at top level by politicians bear little relationship to the activities of the State machine.

"While the South African Cabinet Ministers are daily declaring their government's intention to scrap discriminatory practices, the State machine plods on churning out its self-created policies stimulating hate and estrangement."

Chief Sebe said there was "tremendous anxiety" among South African whites to prove to the world that they were moving rapidly towards the achievement of a more just society.

When such incidents occurred, "we wait to hear the voices of our white friends" raised in protest, but they continue to remain silent.

"Instead, we are subjected to statements by the mayor of East London, Mr Donald Card, who declares that blacks in the nearby township contribute nothing to East London and that the cost of maintaining mixed bathing facilities would fall on the ratepayers of East London.

"Let us be honest enough to admit that this is a matter of colour and not of cash," Chief Sebe said.

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He said the anger of the Ciskeians and the blacks in the Eastern Cape had been held in check by one thing, and that was his government's handling of their problems and the plea that they ought to be patient and preserve good race relations.

"Part of their dream for the future is the removal of discrimination. For heaven's sake, let us hear the voices of our white friends before it is too late. The time has come to stand up and be counted." — Sapa.

Travellers delayed at Pretoria station

Pretoria Bureau

Hundreds of travellers returning from Lebowa after the festive season were delayed at Pretoria station yesterday.

After arriving from Pietersburg the travellers tried to board the train for Johannesburg but found that the four third class and one first class coach provided could not take them all and many were left on the platform.

Travellers with third class tickets tried to board the first class coach but were ordered off by ticket examiners who told them to wait for the next train.

Those who could not get on the first train accused the railways of not fulfilling their promise to provide extra coaches and trains during the festive season.

A spokesman for the railways, however, said that the SAR had only promised to provide extra trains and coaches on mainline routes and not on suburban trains.

Woman shot: son in court

A teenager appeared today before a Johannesburg Juvenile Court magistrate in connection with the death of his mother. The case was postponed to January 29 pending further police investigation.

The boy was referred to a place of safety.

His appearance is a sequel to the discovery last month by police of his mother's body at her Melville, Johannesburg, home. She had been shot.

The boy's father was in court today.

Transkeians humiliated says politician

UMTATA — Transkei holidaymakers were among blacks who were humiliated on East London beaches on New Years' Day when police enforced beach apartheid, according to the secretary general of the ruling Transkei National Independence Party, Mr Gibson Bodlani

Mr Bodlani said he was at Bonza Bay and was told to move to Fuller's Bay, on the West Bank

"I did not like the belligerent attitude displayed by white policemen towards us when we told them we were holidaymakers from Transkei We were given five minutes to leave, failing which dogs would be set on us."

He said at the beach where they were bathing, there was no "whites only" signpost.

Mr Bodlani warned the South African Government to change its policy before it was too late.

"Transkei beaches were flooded by holidaymakers of all races, from all walks of life, from all countries, including East London," Mr Bodlani said.

"Heaven did not fall when they bathed together. What a wonderful and magnificent scene it was to witness."

Transkei had given all racial groups access to its public amenities Human beings should be treated with respect, irrespective of skin pigmentation, he said

Transkei had proved beyond doubt to South Africa that people of all racial groups could live together peacefully without friction.

"I was hurt when I saw a young white constable grappling with a young black woman on the beach and thereafter launching her into the sea," Mr Bodlani said. "It was a sorry sight to witness"

He appealed to the divisional commissioner of police for the Border, Brigadier J H du Plessis, who ordered the police to enforce beach apartheid by patrolling white beaches and turn away blacks, to train his men to exercise respect in dealing with the public.

Brigadier Du Plessis said yesterday he did not know if there were any Transkeians on the beaches, and if Mr Bodlani had identified himself.

He said he was satisfield his men conducted themselves in a way that did not give offence. The police were unbiased.

He said the fact that blacks were given time to remove themselves from the beaches and were not prosecuted was already a concession

When dealing with matters of this nature, the police tried to make as much use of black policemen as possible.

The alleged incident in which a white constable grappled with a black woman and then pushed her into the sea had not come to his attention.

He said the woman had the right to lodge a complaint if she felt she was treated roughly But if the woman had refused to go, the constable had the right to use force to take her away.

Brigadier Du Plessis said alhough the police tried to use black policemen in these matters, there was nothing wrong if a white policeman was used. — DDR

Angry black reaction to removal of bathers

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EAST LONDON — The Chief Minister of the Ciskei, Chief Lennox Sebe, yesterday condemned Friday's incident when East London police ordered blacks off beaches reserved for whites.

Chief Sebe said his cabinet was "deeply perturbed" at the harassment of Ciskei citizens using the beaches at East London He said he was surprised that the police had said they would apply the law to the letter.

He said whites in South Africa resisted any attempts by leaders to remove racial discrimination.

Chief Sebe said all East London needed to strike a real blow for better race relations was lots of positive thinking.

The secretary-general of the ruling Transkei National Independence Party, Mr Gibson Bodlani, said he was humiliated when South African police told him to leave Bonza Bay beach on New Year's Day.

The Divisional Commissioner of police in the Border, Brigadier J. H. du Plessis, said yesterday he was satisfied his men conducted themselves in a way that did not give offence. — DDR.

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CHIEF SEBE ... deeply perturbed.

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Beaches: Ciskei cuts SAP ties

KING WILLIAM'S TOWN — The Ciskei Police yesterday broke off relations with the South African Police because blacks were told to leave "white" beaches last Friday.

At a cabinet meeting in Zwelitsha it was decided that the Ciskei Police should no longer liaise with the SA Police and a meeting of the liaison committee scheduled for yesterday afternoon was called off.

Chief Minister Lennox Sebe said the police were "sparking violence" in the townships by their treatment of blacks.

Five buses were stoned in Mdantsane on Monday night and Chief Sebe said it was because the people believed the buses belonged to the East London Municipality. He said he was concerned that this should have taken place so close to the opening of schools and hoped it would have no effect on the attendance at schools which open on January 13.

"Our citizens cannot be treated like this and we will not leave the matter here."

Chief Sebe said the Ciskeian people had been greatly insulted and he had not yet considered what steps would be taken to heal the breach.

The Rev W M Xaba, Minister of Agriculture, criticised the police for doing the "dirty work" of the municipality. The ordinance stipulating that some beaches were for whites only was a municipal one and should therefore be carried out by municipal police.

He said there would be no liaison with the SA Police and the Ciskei Police would deal directly with the Minister of Police should the need arise.

"This incident is particularly upsetting at a time when the South African Government, including the Prime Minister, Mr P. W. Botha, is talking of scrapping harmful discrimination," he said.

"This shows there is no communication between the police and the South African Cabinet."

Mr Xaba said this type of police action reflected poorly on government leaders sich as Dr Piet Koornhof who told people overseas that apartheid was dead.

It was particularly embarrassing when foreigners were involved in the harassment, he said. He was referring to the general secretary of the Transkei National Independence Party, Mr G. Bodlani, who was told to leave Bonza Bay on New Year's Day.

Brigadier J. H. du Plessis, the Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Border, said yesterday that he was not prepared to comment at this stage.

The Mayor of East London, Mr Donald Card, denied yesterday the police were doing the municipality's dirty work.

The proclamation of beaches was done by the Provincial Administrations and not the municipality. The City Council had applied in the past for all beaches to be opened to all and had also applied for the beach at Hickman's river on the multiracial West Bank to be opened.

He said the law was being enforced by the South African Police and not a municipal police force.

"It is not our responsibility. The matter is entirely in the hands of Province and the South African Government," he said.

Mr Card said certain councillors had tried to prevent matters getting to this stage and had called a meeting to try to find ways of preventing the situation. — DDR.

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Don't use white beaches defiantly Ciskeians warned

Own Correspondent

EAST LONDON — The Mayor of East London, Mr Ronald Card, today appealed to blacks not to use the city's white beaches in defiance of the law.

Mr Card was reacting to the arrest of 15 blacks yesterday on the Orient and Eastern beaches. Black bathers were issued summonses and given the option of paying R10 admission of guilt fines.

The divisional commissioner of Police, Brigadier J H du Plessis, said today that as far as he knew, none of the bathers had paid the fines yet.

He declined to comment on the arrests saying the whole issue had already had too much publicity.

The blacks going to white beaches were obviously doing so in deliberate defiance of the law, according to Mr Card, who appealed to them to stop provoking police action.

"Blacks should rather be patient and wait for the beach apartheid laws to be changed," said Mr Card.

Ciskeian politicians reacted strongly yesterday to remarks by the National Party MPC for East London, Mr Petro de Pontes, over police action against blacks on white beaches on the Border during the festive season.

SEPARATION

The separation of races on beaches was designed to "ensure that each group got a fair and equal share of available beaches."

The Ciskei Minister of Education, Chief D M Jongilanga, replied yesterday that Mr de Pontes should know that of all the beaches from the Kei mouth estuary to the Keiskamma River mouth, only Hluzi and Kiwane had been allocated to blacks — "and yet he speaks about a fair deal and equal distribution of beaches."

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15 arrested on EL beaches

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EAST LONDON — Police arrested 15 blacks on the city's "white" beaches yesterday

The public relations officer for the police in the Border, Major W. W. Brown, said after receiving complaints, police arrested a black woman at the Orient Beach and five black men, five black women and four youths at the Eastern Beach.

He said the arrested people were taken to the Fleet Street police station where they were given admission of guilt summonses of R10 each.

Meanwhile, the Ciskei Minister of Agriculture, Rev W. M. Xaba, said in King William's Town yesterday the break in ties between Ciskeian and South African Police affected the border divisional area only.

He said the Ciskei had no complaints against SAP headquarters and the Eastern Cape division of the force.

Criticising Brigadier J. H. du Plessis, the Border divisional commissioner of police, Mr Xaba said: "If he did not have a master-servant attitude, Brigadier Du Plessis would have contacted Brigadier Charles Sebe (head of the Ciskei Central Intelligence Services) to sort out the matter with him before his police moved in against the black bathers.

Brig Du Plessis said last night: "I regard this as an attack on my character as head of police in the Border and I shall later decide what steps to take."

Mr Xaba said the Ciskei worked well with Brigadier E. S. van Rensburg, divisional commissioner of police in the Eastern Cape.

"Our problem emanates only from the Border where police officers have shown a lot of arrogance."

The break in ties with the police in the Border would relate to the liaison committee formed last year between the two police forces in the area and there would be no further co-operation between the two units.

The SAP and their Ciskeian counterparts have worked together on many occasions in the major Ciskeian townships like Mdantsane and Zwelitsha.

A spokesman for the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria said yesterday the police had no alternative but to act on complaints received about blacks on "white" East London beaches.

The spokesman said the police could not comment on Chief Lennox Sebe's statement that the Ciskei would break off relations. "This has a political implication and the police can thus give no comment."

He said the Provincial Ordinance stipulated blacks were not allowed to use white beaches. The police reacted to complaints received and were compelled to see the law was executed. — DDR.

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Ciskei ministers hit back at MPC

KING WILLIAM'S TOWN — Ciskeian politicians have reacted strongly to remarks made by the National Party MPC for East London City, Mr Petro de Pontes, regarding police action against blacks on "white" beaches.

The incidents in which police also allegedly manhandled a black woman, have already caused a rift between Ciskeian and South African Police in the Border.

Mr De Pontes said co-operation could be achieved if each racial group respected the rights of the other groups and it was a reality of life that the different population groups preferred to exercise their rights on their own "and that they have different ways of enjoying themselves."

He said separation of races on beaches was designed "to ensure that each group gets a fair and equal share of available beaches."

Ciskei's Minister of Education, Chief D. M Jongilanga, said yesterday Mr De Pontes was either "deliberately misleading people" or he was "completely ignorant" of whjat was happening in East London.

He said Mr De Pontes should know that of all beaches from the Kei Mouth estuary to the Keiskamma River mouth only Hluzi and Kiwane were allocated exclusively to blacks and yet he spoke about a fair and equal distribution of beaches.

He said the two beaches allocated to blacks were far away from their places of residence at Duncan Village, Mdantsane and Zwelitsha.

"The distance from those beaches is the telling factor in this matter when one considers the people who have to use them earn meagre wages."

He alleged that at Hluzi Beach black bathers were harassed by white farmers who owned the land near the beach.

He said Kiwane was out of the question "Those who can afford to get there are those who are financially well off and are certainly in the minority."

Facilities on the beaches used by whites, coloureds and Indians were non-existent on beaches set aside for blacks.

He said the beach incidents were not caused by lawlessness on the part of blacks but rather by the apartheid policy "which enforces inequality in all spheres of life in this country".

The Ciskei Minister of Agriculture, Reverend W. M Xaba, said he had friends from Zimbabwe, Swaziland and Bophuthatswana visiting him during the festive season.

"It becomes clear now that had I taken them to the beach in East London we all would have been driven away by the police," Mr Xaba said.

When anyone spoke about the economy of East London they mean the buying power of blacks in that area, he said. Blacks who contributed to East London's wealth came from the Ciskei and Transkei "and yet it is citizens of both countries, including a high-ranking Transkei Government official, who were harassed on the beach."

He said it was useless for Mr Donald Card, East London's mayor, to try to evade the issue by saying it was not the duty of municipal police to enforce the law on the beaches.

"He is trying to hide behind the bushes like a schoolboy who cannot explain his failure in his examinations," Mr Xaba said. — DDR.

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R A van Rosenveld.

Le Grange defends beach action

The Minister of Police, Mr le Grange, last night defended the Ciskeian decision to involve the South African Police "in a political conflict it appears to want to create with the South African Government."

Reacting to a statement by the Ciskeian Government that it had broken off ties with the South African Police because of incidents on New Year's Day and the following day in East London when blacks were asked to leave white-zoned beaches, the Minister said during the years it had always been the policy of the South African Police to work very closely with the Ciskeian authorities in their efforts towards independence.

Explaining the East London incident, Mr le Grange said the police had acted correctly and with tact when they requested "the large number of blacks" to leave the beaches which were exclusively zoned for whites.

He said the beaches were "deliberately" crowded by blacks and whites were pushed aside.

"Feeling among the whites ran high and the police received numerous complaints from members of the public and city councillors over the behaviour of some of the blacks which was deplorable," he said. — Sapa.



MR DONALD CARD

Beaches: Card plea to Ciskei

EAST LONDON — The Mayor of East London, Mr Donald Card, yesterday appealed to the Ciskei Government to co-operate in working towards a "greater region of co-operation."

In a statement on the controversy about police action against blacks using white beaches at East London, Mr Card also said it was wrong to criticise the police for doing their duty.

The Ciskei has said it will break relations with the police in the Border area because of their action against black bathers.

Mr Card also appealed to bathers to adhere to the laws to avoid confrontation and said there were aspects other than skin colour to be considered before beaches could be opened to all.

"Once again I am making a plea to the Ciskei Government for co-operation and not confrontation" Mr Card said.

"In fact I have often been criticised but have never retaliated.

"Ciskei has the greatest unemployment problem and East London fears the ultimate, thus our endeavours to have this area declared an industrial growth point and a co-prosperity zone.

"By confontation, even on an issue such as segregated beaches, we will drive potential investors away.

"Surely the time has come for leaders of this area to get together to discuss our mutual problems so that should an approach be made to the South African Government on certain issues, we will speak from one mouth.

"As I have said before, the beach issue is governed by provincial ordinances obviously passed with the knowledge and authority of the South African Government.

"It is therefore wrong to criticise the police or break off relations with them because they are carrying out their duty, whether or not it is thought to be morally wrong.

"Surely if a man steals food when he is hungry, he is in the same position?

"Everyone has the right to criticise but then they should know the facts.

"Some years ago when there was a bus strike between Mdantsane and East London I asked the Ciskei Government to send delegates to attend a meeting and later Chief Sebe said they were not prepared to attend meetings with city councillors as they were a superior body.

Three years ago when the beach issues were being discussed, I approached the then mayor of Mdantsane with the request that they send delgates to our meeting.

"The mayor told me he first had to obtain authority from the Ciskei Government before they could attend and later,he told me the Ciskei Government had told him their beach was at Kiwane and they had nothing to do with the beaches in this area. Thus they did not attend the meeting.

"Although the separate beach facilities are based on the colour of one's skin, there are other aspects which have to be considered before all beaches could be opened to all races.

"Most people want to swim in the existing white beaches areas and should any of these be opened to everyone, we could expect at least an extra 30 000 on these beaches.

"Looking back at the past holiday season, our beaches could not hold another 30 000 people, nor would we like to lose our holiday makers.

"There would be insufficient parking, change room and toilet facilities, so other controls would have to be introduced.

"Who pays and how this is to be done can be settled by sitting together around a table.

"The days of separate development are water under the bridge and the sooner the Ciskei Government realises this, the better.

"They should bury the hatchet with their brothers, Transkei, so that together we could sit around a table, stop unnecessary criticism und work towards a greater region of co-operation.

"My last plea is for bathers to adhere to the laws which exist to avoid confrontation. Solutions to our problems have to be found soon." — DDR

Facilities should be equal — Bell

Understanding is needed — De Pontes

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EAST LONDON — The MP for East London North, Mr Harland Bell, said yesterday the East London municipality should be allowed to make provision for beach facilities for all people living in its area of jurisdiction.

He said the NRP believed proper provision should be made for the needs of all the peoples of South Africa on an equal basis.

"Specifically we would place the responsibility for making adequate provision upon the lowest rung of local authorities, be they municipal or regional.

"We believe the people of a particular area should make the decisions in the context of the broad principle and obviously in terms of our policy the East London municipality should be allowed and obliged in its area of jurisdiction to make provision for beach facilities for all people living there.

"My own personal view is that beach facilities in East London are hardly equitable and provision should be made to accommodate those who wish to consort on beaches exclusively and for those who wish to integrate. This could easily be done with the minimum of disturbance of the existing situation."

Mr Bell said he was surprised the South African Police were criticised for enforcing laws. "I wonder if critics would be able to see a stable society emerging if the police were allowed to use their discretion in enforcing the laws of a country," he said.

Another surprising aspect was the amount of publicity given the views of prominent people in the Ciskei Administration.

"That national state has opted for independence from South Africa and yet its leaders are still intent on making critical and disparaging remarks about a country from which they wish to sever themselves.

"Certainly no solution satisfying all will be reached if extravagant statements and actions are taken or instant impractical solutions suggested." — DDC.

EAST LONDON — The National Party MPC for East London City, Mr P. de Pontes, has reacted against criticism levelled at him by Ciskei politicians because of his stand on blacks on white beaches.

In a recent statement Mr De Pontes said the police had no alternative but to enforce the law when they received complaints.

Mr De Pontes said yesterday the use of beaches was a sensitive issue which should be handled with understanding and with the acknowledgement of the rights of all those concerned.

"It will certainly not be solved by having the matter blown up in the press or by emotional outbursts. My stand on the matter, which I believe is the only reasonable and correct one is clear and it is not necessary for me to repeat this.

"Regarding the determination of beaches the position is that from Buffalo to Hickmans Rivers and from Hickmans River to the Hluzi Beach, the beaches are undetermined, meaning that they are open to use by everyone.

"In addition to this the whole of the Ciskei coastline, stretching from Chalumna to the Fish River is also open. In the East London area the beaches reserved for whites are the Nahoon, Eastern and Orient Beaches. The open beaches are some of the finest available and especially the Hluzi Beach must be one of the most beautiful beaches in South Africa. All these beaches are in any event closer to Mdantsane and Zwelitsha than are the Eastern or Orient Beaches.

"Following and incorporated in the Administrator's determination was substantial development of facilities at these open beaches, the present development being as follows:

a) Leaches Bay — existing tidal pool, cafe and changeroom toilet facilities. This being relatively old may be in need of renovation but is still good for use.

b) Rifle Range — the new tidal pool and complex developed here at a cost of R471 133,28.

c) Cove Rock — an access road and facilities established at a cost of R211 000.

d) Rockclyffe-on-Sea — A holiday resort purchased at a substantial amount and currently being used by the Divisional Council for use by coloureds and Indians the beach being undetermined.

e) Further developments are envisaged to a total of approximately R2 million. Of the most important here is a caravan park, the planning of which is far advanced, and the final cost assessments only being awaited before the matter is put out to tender.

"It is clear that from its side and with the resources available to it, the Provincial Administrator is doing everything possible to create facilities and to ensure that everyone has fair and equal use of our beaches." — DDR.

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to ease Liquor Act curbs on blacks

on-the-spot decisions on whether to serve people of race groups other than white.

The present position is that licensees of "white" premises not covered by an international licence must obtain permission from Pretoria to serve persons of other race groups This procedure has given rise to a number of embarrassing situations.

The Minister of Industries, Commerce and Tourism, Dr Dawie de Villiers, said at a press conference in Cape Town this week that he regarded the amending legislation as a positive contribution towards better race relations "which are so essential in this country"

The discretion to be extended to holders of on-consumption licences does not include holders of temporary or sportsground licences, and it will be "subject to such special conditions or restrictions as the minister or any person acting under his directions may from time to time by notice to the said holder deem fit to determine".

Dr De Villiers said the system under which licensees could apply for international status on an annual basis would continue. But when asked about the "no mixed dancing or swimming" conditions currently insisted on by the government, he replied that he was prepared to look into these and into other sensitive areas, where amendments may also be considered desirable at a later stage

He also said it had been decided to phase out the controversial 20-litre "swartvarkies" in which wine was being sold, and that these receptacles would be banned altogether from July 1, 1982, or from an earlier date if this was considered to be desirable.

Where there is no maximum limit specified for wine receptacles in the Liquor Act as it stands, the amending measure lays down a maximum capacity of five litres.

Dr De Villiers said the "swartvarkie" was being phased out because of strong opposition to it from within as well as from outside the liquor industry Objectors to this type of receptacle had said the "swartvarkie" had had a harmful effect on the industry's image.

● The Liquor Amendment Bill also provides for the granting or the transfer of wine-house licences to co-operative societies, and for the transportation by wine farmers of their produce by means other than by rail.

It also enables the minister, or a person acting on his behalf, to grant exemption from the provisions of the Liquor Act for specific enclosures or parts of sports grounds, subject to any conditions or restrictions the minister may determine.

New bill

Chief Reporter

LIQUOR licensees or managers of "white" on-consumption premises will no longer have to telephone or telex Pretoria for special permission to provide liquor, meals or accommodation to people of other race groups, in terms of a proposed amendment to the Liquor Act of 1977.

The act, formerly administered by the Department of Justice, now comes under the Department of Tourism

The amending legislation, published in draft form in the Government Gazette today and to be introduced at the coming session of parliament, gives discretion to licensees and managers to take

Industry welcomes new liquor law

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Staff Reporter

SOUTH Africa's hotel and licensed restaurant industry has welcomed the proposed new liquor law which would allow licensees to decide for themselves to whom they would supply refreshments, meals, liquor or accommodation.

Mr Arnold Brock, president of Fedhasa (Federated Hotel Associations of SA), which represents the hotel and liquor trade, said he hoped as few conditions as possible would be imposed on those providing 'hospitality service' to the public.

Mr Brock was reacting in an interview to last night's announcement by Dr Dawie de Villiers, Minister of Commerce, Industry and Tourism, of proposed new liquor legislation to allow any liquor licence holder to admit — without requiring a permit — any person regardless of race.

The law will apply to hotels and licensed restaurants.

But the blanket right of



MR ARNOLD BROCK

the licence holder to admit any person 'in his discretion' is subject to 'such special conditions or restrictions as the Minister or any person acting under his directions may, from time to time, by notice to the licence holder deem fit to determine.'

Mr Brock said the legislation was a 'major step' from the point of view of South Africa's hospitality industry, and could end the unfortunate incidents which had marred South Africa's image in the past.

'It has always been Fedhasa's viewpoint that the discretion as to who and how he serves a guest should be left with the hotelier. For that reason we are thrilled that the Minister proposes the new law.'

'We hope that the "special conditions" which the Minister may impose in terms of the new law — if indeed he sees fit to impose any — will be as few as possible.

'And we hope that the Minister will yet remove those remaining conditions which still require us to say 'no to some guest facilities and which prevent hotels from treating all guests equally.'

Asked about other aspects of the new liquor Bill, Mr Brock said Fedhasa had hoped the Minister would have abolished the requirement, introduced in 1964, for bottle stores to have 'separate entrances'.

This was an anomaly in that wine licences had now been granted to grocers, who were not required to have separate entrances.

Ciskei bitter says Sebe

ZWELITSHA — The recent arrests of Ciskeians on East London's beaches and the decision by the King William's Town Mayor to hold a referendum on the town's proposed incorporation into the Ciskei had left Ciskeians bitter, the Chief Minister, Chief Lennox Sebe, said yesterday

He was speaking at a ceremony here at which the Transvaal-based International Harvester Company donated 10 tractors worth R100 000 to the Ciskei Government

"The timing of this gift could not have been better It comes at a time when, quite frankly, the nation is feeling a pinch of bitterness at recent actions in South Africa," said Chief Sebe

"King William's Town's mayor has decided to hold a referendum as a result of the demands of a small bunch of extremists Ciskeians have been arrested on the beaches of East London and we are still having problems in our schools as a result of unilateral actions taken by the South African authorities in black schools"

It was good to know that there were some people in the white sector who had "our interests at heart and were prepared to do something about it in a tangible way"

Chief Sebe said the people of South Africa lived in a country of abundance.

"Is it not ironic that I must spend much of my time appealing for assistance from other nations of the world? Why should I go to Taiwan for assistance?"

Chief Sebe said that although the Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, had appealed to the private sector, there had been little positive response

His generation had been born in despair, when the "oppressive racialistic policies were at their peak"

"For the new generation there is only stark reality The mountain is an unscaleable cliff — craggy and granite hard, and the solution is adequate dynamite to blow it into oblivion"

Chief Sebe said he spoke in parables but was sure the meaning was

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Mixed reaction to Liquor Act changes

EAST LONDON — While local hoteliers welcomed the Bill which would change the Liquor Act to allow licensees or managers of white premises to have on-the-spot discretion to provide liquor, meals or accommodation to all race groups, two black leaders received the news with mixed feelings

The manager of a beachfront hotel, Mr Bob Thielscher, said he was in favour of the new Bill and confident all local hotel managers would generally accept it

The chairman of the Hotel and Liquor Association of the Border, Mr A. Lowenthal, said he could not comment much on the new draft legislation until the Act was clearly defined to licensees

"We are not yet 100 per cent sure what is meant," Mr Lowenthal said

A restaurant owner at the Orient Beach, Mr E Steidl, said he felt gratified that this move had been made and was confident that it would be beneficial to licensees

"We shall no longer have to face any embarassment which may arise when local businessmen are entertaining diplomats, government officials or business associates from our neighbouring states and overseas

"We shall be able to accommodate them without any problem Our local clientele of other race groups will now also be able to entertain and be entertained at our restaurant," Mr Steidl said

Another restaurant owner, Mr Rodney Burberry, echoed Mr Steidl's sentiments adding he also believed in the right to reserve admission

The chairman of the Coloured Management Committee, Mr D Alexander, and the vice-chairman of the Indian Management Committee, Mr M Williams, said the entire Liquor Act should be scrapped and people irrespective of their race, should be allowed to enter any hotel of their choice

Mr Alexander felt the relaxation should also apply to sportsgrounds

Mr Williams said when one read about these concessions in newspapers one could not help getting the feeling that the government was moving away from its original verkrampte attitude

Mr Alexander and Mr Williams said they would play the waiting game to see how the new Liquor Act would be implemented — DDR

23 more beach arrests

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EAST LONDON — Police arrested another 23 blacks on the Eastern Beach yesterday and warned that blacks who dressed improperly while swimming on white beaches would also be charged with public indecency.

The public relations officer for the police in the Border, Major W. W. Brown, said complaints had been received about black women swimming topless with only panties on and black men swimming in their underpants.

He said on Friday the police warned three black women who swam at the Eastern Beach but there would be no more warnings.

The 23 people, 10 women and 13 men, were arrested and taken to the Fleet Street police station where they were given admission of guilt summonses of R10 each. — DDR

● See page 2.

CMC memo requests beaches open to all

DD 13/1/81

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EAST LONDON — The Coloured Management Committee will submit a memorandum to the East London City Council asking for all beaches to be opened along the East London coastline to all race groups

This followed complaints that the present beaches on the West Bank side are not adequate for the large crowds which flock there during the festive season

The memorandum says the request should be seen against the background of the Prime Minister wish to foster and maintain racial harmony in a multi-racial society.

"Our request is not a political gimmick and should not be used as political propaganda. However, the opening of all beaches to all racial groups will afford the authorities an opportunity to ease the racial tension surrounding beach amenities," the memorandum says

After beaches on the West Bank were opened to all race groups in 1978, there were no racial incidents and this served to underline the need for the opening of all beaches

"The overcrowded conditions at Shelly Beach, Leaches Bay, and Cove Rock over the past two years, when more than 30 000 people congregate at the present desegregated beaches, are a cause for great concern

"Our beaches overflowed to such an extent that many people in an attempt to find more quiet conditions, flocked to beaches set aside for whites and resulted in 25 being arrested at Eastern Beach"

If beaches like the Orient, Eastern and Nahoon were thrown open to all race groups the pressure from overcrowding at the already desegregated beaches would come as a relief

"At the moment the overcrowding with its attendent evils is a direct result of inadequacy of the existing desegregated beaches. This led to even people of the same race becoming annoyed about the overcrowded conditions.

"Bus apartheid has been abolished and all municipal public toilets have been opened to all races. The Central Library has also received attention.

"No objections have so far been raised about the opening of these facilities, which should serve as an indication that people in general are ready to live together in harmony with each other.

"We therefore cannot see any logic in the belief that the so-called white beaches should be governed by apartheid signs" the memorandum said

The chairman of the CMC, Mr Daniel Alexander, denied an allegation by the owner of the Leaches Bay Tearoom, Mr Abe de Costa, that the New Year's Day crowd at the tidal pools, Leaches Bay and Fuller's Bay, was the most violent in years.

He said Mr De Costa obviously misconstrued the people's excitement when they welcomed the New Year. He could recall only one incident of violence when Mr Zolile Ernest Shooter Madyaga, 20, of Zone Four, Mdantsane, was stabbed at Fuller's Bay, a few kilometres away from Mr De Costa's tearoom DDR

10 arrested in police raid in Beacon Bay

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EAST LONDON — In a combined raid by the police and officials of the East Cape Administration Board, 10 men were arrested and 10 women found to be illegally on residential premises in the Beacon Bay area, were given summonses.

In a late night raid, houseowners were called on by police to take them to their servants' quarters. A number of police vans converged on the area.

The acting Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Border, Colonel J. H. Fourie, said the police in co-operation with the East Cape Administration Board, started a campaign to clean the area of people staying illegally in servants' quarters.

Colonel Fourie appealed to residents not to allow anyone on their premises except their employees.

He said the owners of homes where people were found staying illegally would also be prosecuted.

The public relations officer for the Police in the Border, Major W. W. Brown, said the police acted under Act 25 of 1945, which made it an offence for blacks other than servants to sleep in any area other than a black area after 10 pm.

Major Brown said the arrested men had been charged. The women were dealt with by the administration board officials.

He said police did not act in accordance with the "keys" ordinance which limits occupation of servants' quarters to specifically authorised servants.

One of the clauses states that no one other than the "authorised" occupant of the servants' quarters may be present between midnight and 8 am.

This includes the husband, wife or children of the servant.

The National Party MPC for Griqualand East,, Mr P Oosthuizen, said the "keys" ordinance was not in force here as far as he knew.

He said it was unlikely that it would be enforced in the East London area as it had to be promulgated by the Administrator for a specific area.

The new ordinance makes provision for action against offenders of all races in servants' quarters and not only for blacks.

A spokesman for the Beacon Bay Ratepayers' Association, said the association had complained about the number of illegal dwellers in the area. He said they had been pursuing the matter for seven months and was pleased to hear that something had been done about it.

The Town Clerk of Beacon Bay, Mr Peter Gerber, said police officers called on his house and his wife accompanied them to the servants' quarters. He said the police had been polite.

Another Beacon Bay resident, Mrs C. Bentley, said the police came around at between 11 pm and 12 pm. She and her husband were sleeping. They asked for permission to check on the servants' quarters. She said she told them she did not have a servant and that they were polite.

Mrs H. Ellis said she was also asleep when the police knocked on her door They asked for permission to go to the servants' quarters. After checking on the room they left quietly — DDR.

Plan for all-race facilities at Caves

19/11/81 CT

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Own Correspondent

OUDTSHOORN. — The Town Council here has since late 1980 been considering ways of removing apartheid from its Cango Caves facilities.

This was made clear by the Mayor, Mr A J de Jager, in a statement following an incident involving two coloured leaders at the Caves last Tuesday.

Mr De Jager, who was away on holiday at the time, said the incident had involved a temporary staff member appointed to cope with the holiday rush.

Mr De Jager said he regretted the incident and would like to meet Mr Lofty Adams and Dr Ismael Essop, the two coloured leaders involved, to hear their version and to offer his council's apology

Mr De Jager said the council's architect was instructed last year to present proposals for the conversion of the Caves' facilities to open the restaurant to all races. One of several problems was cost, but the council expected to consider proposals this month and would possibly reach a decision by February

14 years old

The complex at the Cango Caves was 14 years old and had been constructed in accordance with legislation then in operation. The council was also bound by law controlling its liquor licence in the restaurant, but it seemed that these laws would be changed soon

In the incident, a white man assisting in the restaurant allegedly refused to serve Dr Essop and ordered him out. When Dr Essop identified himself as a member of the SA Race Relations Committee, the man was insulting.

When Mr Adams pointed out that he was a member of the President's Council whose task it was to improve race relations, the man allegedly made insulting remarks about the council.

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Beaches matter for Province — ex-mayor

Divisional Council Reporter

A FORMER Mayor of Simon's Town, Mr Gordon Wilson, who is standing for re-election to the Town Council, believes that 'political decisions' about the beaches should be left to the Provincial Council.

Mr Wilson told The Argus in an interview that he thought the Town Council should not make any representations to the Provincial Administration about the beaches.

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He said he was opposed to the council canvassing residents for their views, since this was a matter for the provincial authorities and not for the Town Council, and he was opposed to the council making any representations to the provincial authorities on the matter.

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Mr Wilson and the other two candidates in the by-election on February 6, caused by his resignation, will explain their views at a public meeting in Simon's Town on January 29.

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PE is to open libraries to all

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Port Elizabeth's 10 municipal libraries are to be opened to all races — despite being refused Government permission to do so.

In April last year, the PE City Council's policy and resources committee decided to open the libraries to all races, but the Department of Community Development had twice refused applications for a permit to do so.

The chairman of the council committee, Mr A Wardable, said yesterday the committee had decided to inform the Administrator, Mr Gene Louw, that it had taken legal advice and had been told no permit was needed to open the libraries.

No reasons were ever given officially for the department's refusal. The director-general of Community Development, Mr Louis Fouche, did, however, receive letters opposing the decision. After the first refusal last year, the question of permits was raised by the chairman of the Wards 2 and 4 Civic Association, Mr Patrick Bracher, who argued that the Group Areas Act of 1966 and the proclamations published in terms of the Act, did not apply to libraries.

The council's legal advisers confirmed this view.

The reference section of the main library has been open to all races for a number of years. For this, no permit was ever applied for or obtained.

The council receives a provincial subsidy for the libraries.

The decision to open the libraries resulted from a letter written to the council by a councillor, Mr T Herbst.

Later, in protest, he handed in his library tickets.

His call on like-minded people to follow his example drew no response.

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Meeting On Caves race bar

RDM 23/1/81 (282)

Own Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — The mayor of Oudtshoorn will meet a President's Council member, Mr Lotty Adams, this evening to discuss an incident in which Mr Adams was ejected from a Cango Caves restaurant.

The meeting will be held at Mr Adams' office in Cape Town, following an announcement by the mayor, Mr Arnold de Jager, that an investigation would be launched.

Mr Adams, former Chief Whip of the Labour Party, and Dr Ismail Essop, a member of the Race Relations Committee of South Africa, were ordered from the restaurant earlier this month by a man who is said to have been a part-time employee.

Mr Adams said the Deputy-Minister for International Affairs, Mr Piet Badenhorst, had offered the use of his office for the meeting between Mr Adams and Mr De Jager.

Mr Adams, however, took exception to a statement by Mr Badenhorst, reported in an Afrikaans newspaper this week, that Mr Badenhorst had discussed the matter with Mr Adams and that the issue had been resolved.

Mr Adams changed the venue to his own office. He said in a statement: "I wish to state emphatically that the matter has not been resolved.

"I feel strongly that the report in Die Burger has prejudiced and compromised my position."

Mr Adams said he had told Mr Badenhorst and the town clerk of Oudtshoorn by telegrams of his decision to change the venue.

He said he received a telegram from Oudtshoorn's acting town clerk yesterday morning confirming that the mayor would meet Mr Adams at Mr Adams' office.

Mr Adams said it would be premature to disclose what he would discuss, but said it would involve the "whole situation" regarding amenities and restaurants in Oudtshoorn, with particular emphasis on the Cango Caves.

The discussion would involve how the "situation" affected people, the harm it did to South Africa's image and the hurt inflicted on people of colour.

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Dr Ismail Were asked to leave the premises.

Mr Adams's version of the incident, as told to the Mayor, will be discussed at the Oudtshoorn Town Council meeting on Monday night.

Mr de Jager said there had been no similar incident in Oudtshoorn.

"We have 160 000 tourists a year and 10 percent of these people are coloured. All our whites only signs have been removed," he said.

Mr Adams said after the closed meeting that action would be taken against establishments which refused to serve blacks.

Oudtshoorn Town Council has also recently refused to allow a local coloured cricketer to play for his white club at the municipal sportsground

THE Mayor of Oudtshoorn, Mr Arnold de Jager, met President's Council member Mr Lotty Adams in Cape Town yesterday and gave the assurance that the municipal employee who asked Mr Adams to leave the Cango Caves restaurant had been dismissed.

The incident sparked nationwide interest and the Mayor and the chairman of the Cango Caves Committee, Mr I Barron, travelled to Cape Town to hear Mr Adams's side of the story.

It happened when Mr Adams's travelling companion, Dr Ismail Essop, a member of the Race Relations Committee of South Africa, attempted to take a photograph of the restaurant. Mr Adams and Dr Ismail were asked to leave the premises.

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Cango Caves man sacked

The Cango Caves controversy

Argus 26/1/81

Sign makes it easier for non-whites'

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By Johann Potgieter



THE controversial 'non-white' parking area sign with the caves complex in the background.

THE parking segregation sign at the Cango Caves 'makes it easier for non-white visitors to park near their entrance,' the Mayor of Oudtshoorn, Mr Arnold de Jager, claims.

In an interview Mr de Jager confirmed that the temporary municipal employee who was involved in the incident with Mr Lofty Adams earlier this month had been suspended, pending the outcome of an investigation.

The parking sign, in Afrikaans only, reads: 'Parkeergebied vir Nie-Blankes' (parking area for non-whites) and is placed at the lower parking area a few hundred metres below the entrances to the caves.

BACKDOOR

The sign is the only indication of the de facto segregation at the restaurants and cave entrances above.

A black visitor who parks in the designated area is directed by a second sign at the far end of the parking area.

He follows the directions to the base of the building and then turns up a cement path, entering the building on the restaurant level through what is in effect a back door.

The 'non-white' restaurant is substantially smaller than the 'white' one and furniture is more spartan. Both restaurants are served from the same kitchen.

BARBED WIRE

The 'white' and 'non white' sections on the balcony outside the restaurants are separated by a brick wall with barbed wire on top but no apartheid signs are displayed.

From the 'non-white' restaurant visitors climb a flight of steps to the 'non-white' entrance to the right of the other entrance to the caves.

The only ticket office that was manned last week was the 'white' one and several blacks were seen entering the complex past this office.

Mr de Jager said that about 360 000 tourists came to the caves every

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Picnic left sour taste for Strand bathers

A NEW YEAR'S DAY picnic turned into a frantic search when people could not find a member of their party because he had been arrested for trespassing after he crossed the 'invisible line' on the beach at The Strand.

Mr Theodore Maggot, 23, was 'found' when his friends went to report his disappearance to the police. He had paid a R25 admission of guilt fine and was released.

Mrs Gertrude Witbooi said after lunch, Mr Maggot walked along the beach. When he passed the whites-only sign, police arrested him.

She said the sign faced the road, making it impossible for a bather to realise its significance.

Mrs Witbooi said the police would not allow Mr Maggot to inform his friends.

Ups and downs of 'hurtful confusion'

By HELEN ZILLE
Political Correspondent

A hole was blasted through the mountainside at the Cango caves, in the Cape, to provide a separate entrance to the caves for coloureds in terms of the Government's policy of maintaining "vertical differentiation".

Yet, in the interests of "removing hurtful discrimination", the apartheid signs in the restaurant at the caves had been removed.

These actions were among many examples Mr Colin Eglin (PFP, Sea Point) quoted in Parliament recently to illustrate his charge that the Government's contradictory policy of maintaining "vertical differentiation" and "removing hurtful discrimination" had turned into a farce.

He said this contradiction lay at the heart of National Party policy and was contained in the Prime Minister's 12 point plan, the Government's election manifesto.

Taking examples from what he said was a "very bulky file", Mr Eglin said that:

● In order to get rid of hurtful discrimination the apartheid signs had been removed in the Cango caves.

But in order to maintain vertical differentiation an official had ordered a coloured man, Mr Luff Adams, to leave the restaurant.

In order to get rid of hurtful discrimination the Government had apologised to Mr Adams and an official at the caves had been sacked.

In order to maintain vertical differentiation they had separate parking areas at the caves for different race groups, organised separate tours to the caves and blasted a hole through the mountainside to create a separate entrance for coloureds.

● An Indian performing artist was allowed to live at a five star hotel in terms of the Government's policy of getting rid of hurtful discrimination.

He could also play the piano for the same reason.

But he could not sing on the stage because they wanted to maintain vertical differentiation.

● The navy and navy dormitories could be integrated in the name of getting rid of hurtful discrimination.

But when the sailors went to Kalk Bay beach the coloured sailors were kicked off the beach in the interests of vertical differentiation.

Mr Eglin said: "It is becoming a total farce. It is becoming an increasing source of offence, irritation and anger to blacks and whites in South Africa."

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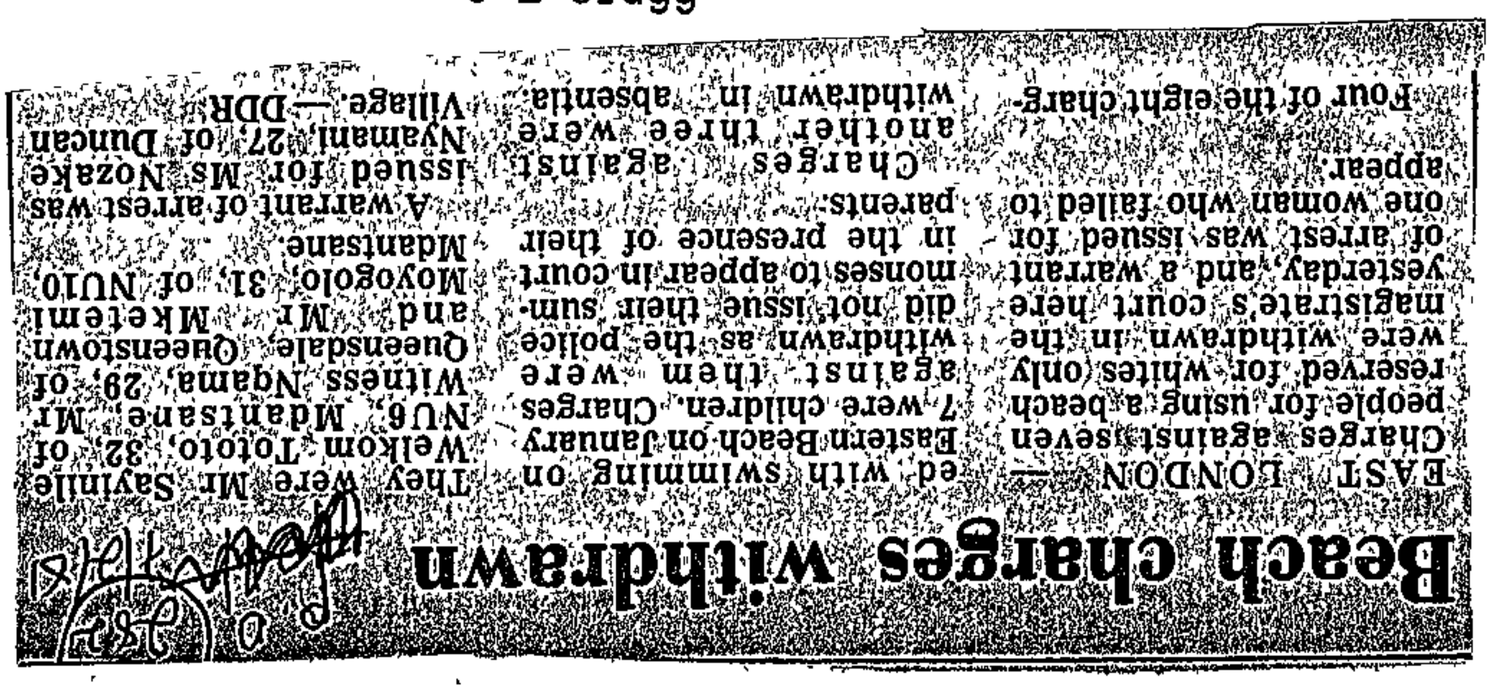

Beach charges withdrawn

EAST LONDON — Charges against seven people for using a beach reserved for whites only were withdrawn in the magistrate's court here yesterday and a warrant of arrest was issued for one woman who failed to appear.

Four of the eight charged with swimming on Eastern Beach on January 7 were children. Charges against them were withdrawn as the police did not issue them summonses to appear in court in the presence of their parents.

Charges against another three were withdrawn in absentia.

They were Mr Sayinile Welkom Tototo, 32, of NU6, Mdantsane, Mr Witness Nqama, 29, of Queensdale, Queenstown and Mr Meketemi Moyogolo, 31, of NU10, Mdantsane.

A warrant of arrest was issued for Ms Nozake Nyamani, 27, of Duncan Village.—DDR.

Plea for all-race theatre missing

RDM 12/2/81

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KIMBERLEY — An application for the unconditional opening of the Kimberley Theatre to all races — which, according to a statement from the Northern Cape Technical College Council, was submitted last October — last — could not be traced yesterday.

The NCTCC statement said the application had been submitted to the Department of Community Development through the Department of National Education.

Spokesmen for the Department of National Education in Pretoria and the Department of Community Development offices in Pretoria and Kimberley said yesterday that the application was not at their departments.

The spokesmen in Pretoria said they had not seen the application.

The spokesman in Kimberley said his office had definitely not received the application but that it would be processed immediately it was received. — Sapa



AT THE CROSSROADS . . . Mr Anwar Ismail, 30, owner of Space Odyssey discotheque/restaurant, faces the problem of closure if he continues admitting whites to the exclusive club.

'Closure' threat to mixed disco

Argus 21/2/81 (82)

SPACE Odyssey, a top city discotheque - restaurant, has been accused of holding strip shows, encouraging racial mixing and provoking immorality.

Now, the authorities have threatened to close it down, says the owner, Mr Anwar Ismail.

Mr Ismail must now adopt an 'apartheid in reverse' stance and turn whites away at the door of the Victoria Road, Salt River club, which sports plush decor and mirrored walls.

His dilemma is made more complicated by the Government's announcement that restaurateurs may now use their own discretion in who they admit to their establishments.

DESPERATE

In an act of desperation, Mr Ismail, 30, who opened Space Odyssey at a cost of R250 000 last April, is placing full-page newspaper adverts discouraging whites from patronising the club.

In an interview in his lawyer's office, Mr Ismail said white and black people patronised the establishment, though the licence was granted to serve the black community.

Among foreign guests who had patronised the club were US Embassy staff, Nigerian dignitaries and a delegation of Saudi Arabians who were so amazed that black and white South Africans were mixing with such ease that they video filmed the entire proceedings.

Cabinet Ministers' sons, Defence Force officials and the elite of Cape Town, both black and white, had also been among the patrons.

Patrons now book three weeks in advance, though no advertising has been done through the media. Neither is the club licensed, though liquor is allowed on the premises.

"We have had no incidents involving liquor abuse and we have certainly never had any friction between the race groups. In fact, everyone had a wonderful time and we always had a marvellous atmosphere," said Mr Ismail.

Then about six or eight weeks ago, the Department of Community Development sent inspectors one evening. "We had them and the vice squad at the establishment as if it was some sort of dive.

"They were very polite, but obviously their presence hurt me.

"But since then, they've been hounding me with various allegations, threatening to close down the business."

GOING WILD

One allegation was that white strip-tease dancers were performing before a mixed audience who were going wild.

Captain Barry Uytenbogaardt, head of the Cape Town Vice squad, confirmed his men had visited Space Odyssey recently, but said his men visited all nightclubs during the course of their duties.

His men were not investigating Mr Ismail's club.

A spokesman for the Department of Community Development refused to comment.

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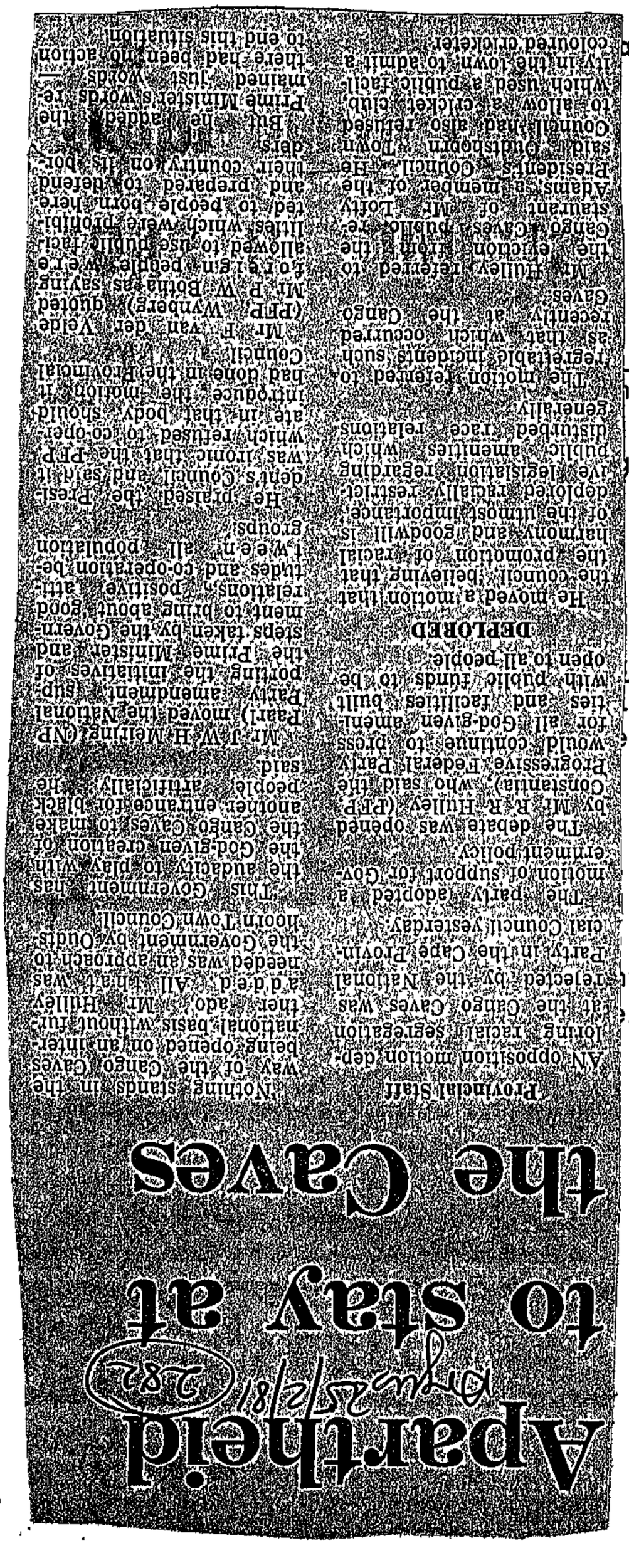

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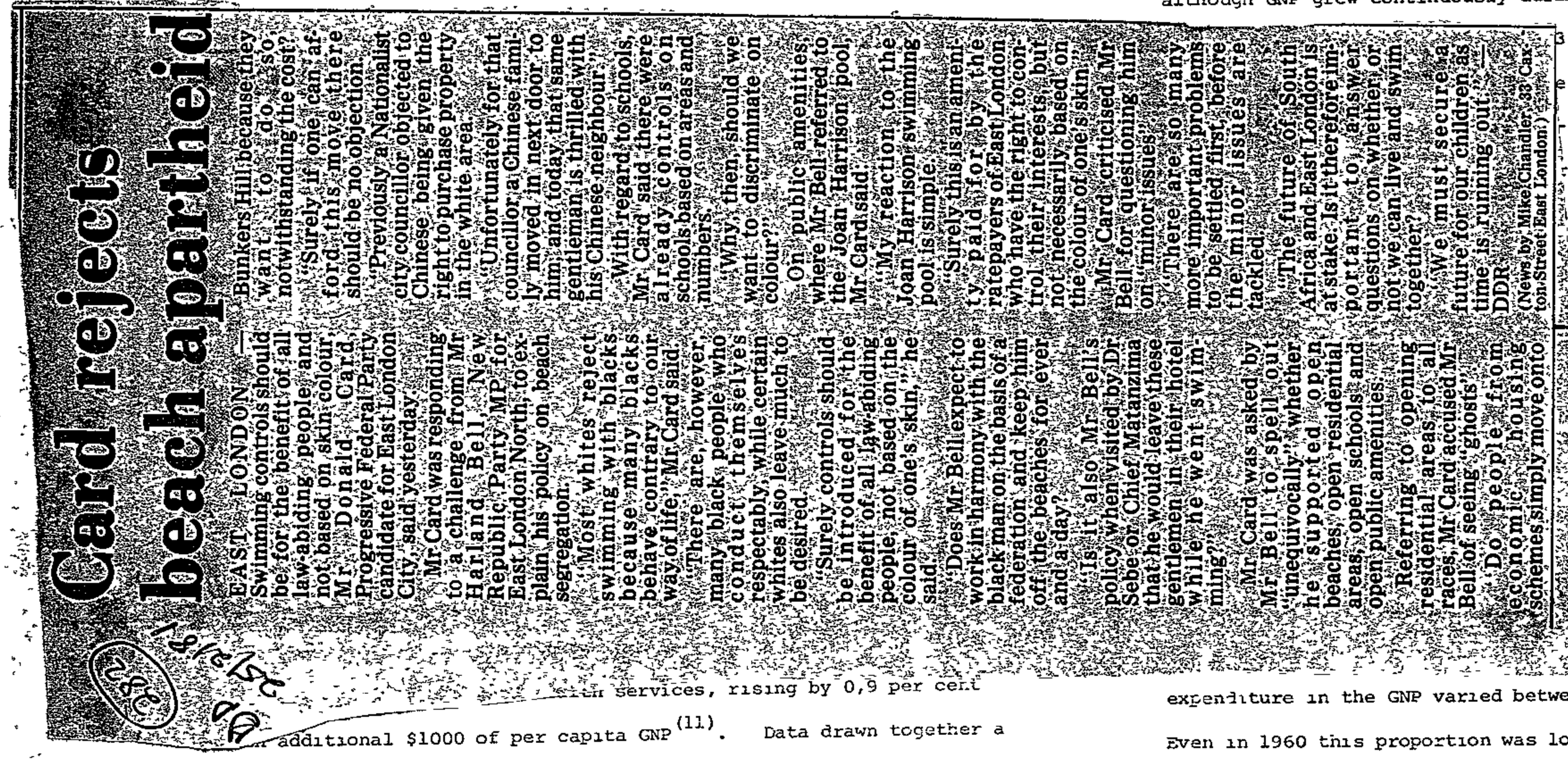

Card rejects beach apartheid

EAST LONDON — Bunkers Hill because they Swimming controls should be for the benefit of all law-abiding people and not based on skin colour, Mr Donald Card, Progressive Federal Party candidate for East London City, said yesterday.

Mr Card was responding to a challenge from Mr Harland Bell, New Republic Party MP for East London North, to explain his policy on beach segregation.

"Most whites reject swimming with blacks because many blacks behave contrary to our way of life," Mr Card said.

"There are, however, many black people who conduct themselves respectably, while certain whites also leave much to be desired.

"Surely controls should be introduced for the benefit of all law-abiding people, not based on the colour of one's skin," he said.

"Does Mr Bell expect to work in harmony with the black man on the basis of a federation and keep him off the beaches for ever and a day?

"Is it also Mr Bell's policy when visited by Dr Sebe or Chief Matanzima that he would leave these gentlemen in their hotel while he went swimming?"

Mr Card was asked by Mr Bell to spell out "unequivocally" whether he supported open beaches, open residential areas, open schools and open public amenities.

Referring to opening residential areas to all races, Mr Card accused Mr Bell of seeing "ghosts".

"Do people from economic housing schemes simply move onto

want to do so notwithstanding the cost?

"Surely if one can afford this move there should be no objection.

"Previously a Nationalist city councillor objected to Chinese being given the right to purchase property in the white area.

"Unfortunately for that councillor a Chinese family moved in next door to him and today that same gentleman is thrilled with his Chinese neighbour."

With regard to schools, Mr Card said there were already controls on schools based on areas and numbers.

"Why, then, should we want to discriminate on colour?"

On public amenities, where Mr Bell referred to the Joan Harrison pool, Mr Card said:

"My reaction to the Joan Harrison swimming pool is simple.

"Surely this is an amenity paid for by the ratepayers of East London who have the right to control their interests, but not necessarily based on the colour of one's skin."

Mr Card criticised Mr Bell for questioning him on "minor issues".

"There are so many more important problems to be settled first, before the minor issues are tackled.

"The future of South Africa and East London is at stake. Is it therefore important to answer questions on whether or not we can live and swim together?

"We must secure a future for our children as time is running out." — DDR

(News by Mike Chandler, 33 Caxton Street East London.)

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...ith services, rising by 0,9 per cent ... additional $1000 of per capita GNP[11]. Data drawn together a decade later for 16 countries yielded similar results, but in addition this study showed that increases in health expenditure per capita between countries were positively associated with the share of government

(10) V.R. Fuchs "The Output of the Health Industry", in Health Economics, ed. M.H. Cooper and A.J. Culyer, Penguin, 1973, pp. 141 and 142.

(11) B. Abel-Smith, An International Study of Health Expenditure, op. cit. pp. 40-44.

consumption expenditure in total consumption, and negatively associated with the degree of income inequality[12].

Total expenditure in the case of South Africa is shown in Table 4. In 1959/60 health expenditures accounted for 4,2 per cent of GNP, but although GNP grew continuously during the 1960's, the proportion allocated ...3,8 per cent in 1969/70, and had dropped ...e mid-1970's. When the 1959/60 ...-Smith's data for 17 countries at a ...rcentage was relatively large, and was ...gdom and France[13]. If South African ...e trend (as indicated by Abel-Smith's ...of GNP allocated to health services ...ximately 5,4 per cent of GNP, as

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Despite the fall in the proportion of health expenditures in GNP it

(12) E. Kleiman's study cited in A.L. Sorkin, Health Economics in Developing Countries, Lexington, 1976, pp. 108 and 109.

(13) B. Abel-Smith, An International Study of Health Expenditure, p. 41.

(14) ibid, p. 43.

POLITICS

Louw warns on beach conflict

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CAPE TOWN — The Administrator, Mr Gene Louw, warned local authorities yesterday to avoid confrontation on the issue of "open" beaches and to adhere to the requirements of existing legislation.

Mr Louw said in the Provincial Council, that certain people were under the impression that beaches would be opened to all races without exception. This was not the case.

"Where beaches are not opened for the use of all racial groups, I appeal to local authorities concerned to avoid confrontation by carrying out the requirements of existing legislation.

"I want to spell it out clearly that we strive at all times for the ideal of sufficient beach facilities within reach of all different race groups within the limits of reason, and for orderly use of beaches.

"There cannot be orderly usage if there is a lack of sufficient facilities, and the facilities cannot be provided if the funds are not available. I am thankful that a Cabinet committee giving attention to this matter," Mr Louw said.

Earlier he pointed out that the authorities could not stay ahead with the provision of beach facilities because of the ever-increasing numbers of people making use of seaside resorts. He was also concerned about anti-social behaviour, but said it was extremely difficult to control this element if finance was lacking.

He believed that local authorities had failed dismally in the past to provide sufficient beach facilities, particularly near to black residential areas.

Mr Louw spelt it out clearly on several occasions that beaches where social problems were experienced, should be fenced in, an admission fee charged and the number of visitors limited to the capacity of the resort in question.

"The province's executive committee had decided to appoint professional advisers to find effective solutions for the anti-social behaviour.

"This administration will not hesitate to take steps to restore order in cases where local authorities neglect to perform their primary duty. I trust that local authorities will give their full co-operation."

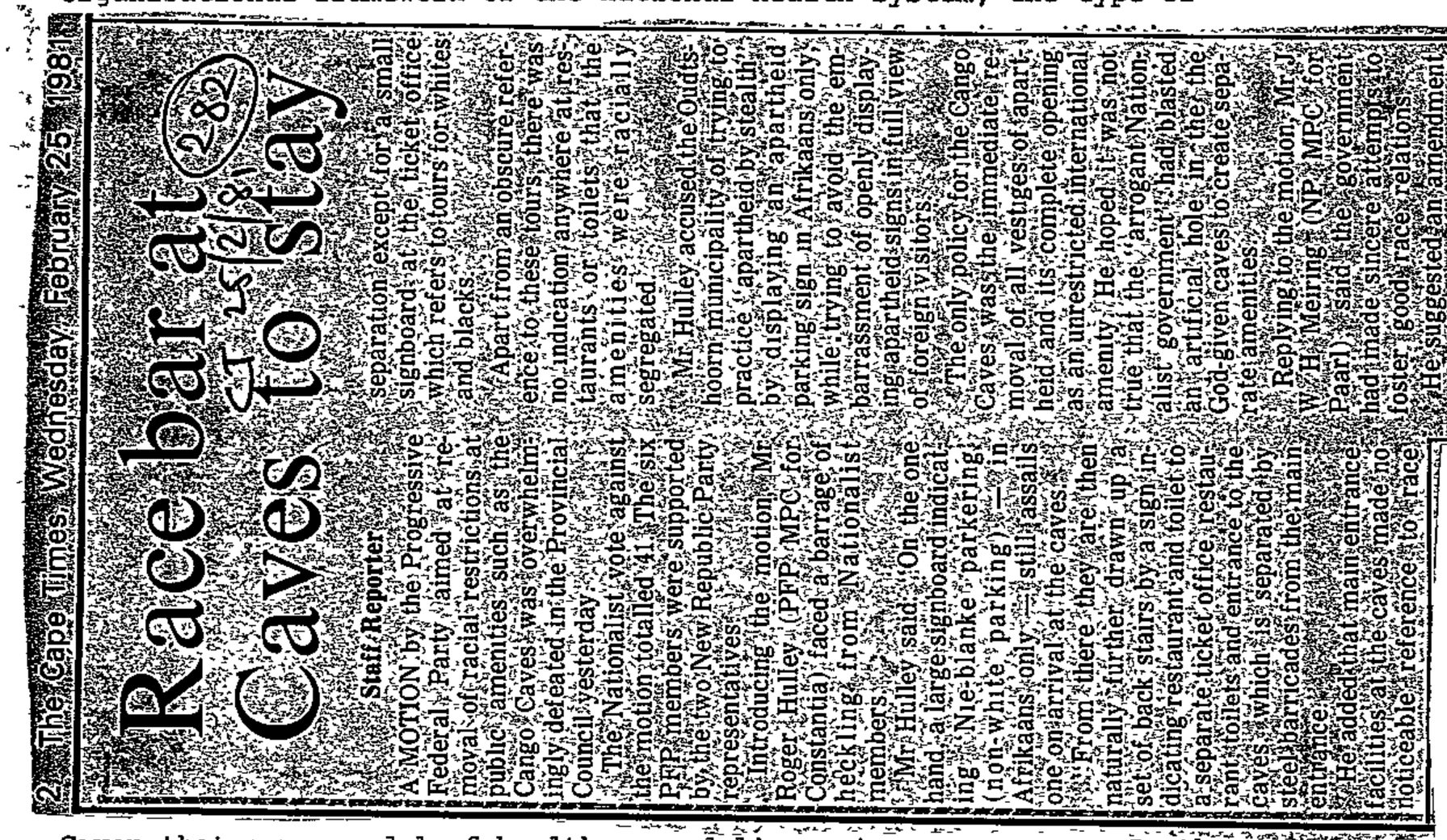
He emphasised that any local authority could make motivated representations to amend present beach allocations. In such cases inspections in loco would be held. Only then would it be decided whether proposed new allocations were viable.

"Changes in existing demarcations would not be made lightly and would at all times be considered against the background of established interests of landowners adjacent to the beach in question." — DDC



MR LOUW

The Lesotho VHW programme is one that is to be expanded shortly and it appears that there is no detailed blueprint that is to be laid down at a national level as to how these programmes should operate. While the programmes are to be coordinated and will embody certain principles, each will be adapted to a local situation. A report of a 1977 workshop on the VHW in Lesotho indicates that many of the basic details about VHW programmes are still under discussion, such as the relation of VHWs to the organisational framework of the national health system, the type of



Race bar at Caves to stay

Staff Reporter

A MOTION by the Progressive Federal Party aimed at removal of racial restrictions at public amenities such as the Cango Caves was overwhelmingly defeated in the Provincial Council yesterday.

The Nationalist vote against the motion, totalled 41. The six PFP members were supported by the two New Republic Party representatives.

Introducing the motion, Mr Roger Huley (PFP, Constantia), faced a barrage of heckling from Nationalist members.

Mr Huley said: "On the one hand, a large signboard at the entrance ... parking ... (non-white parking) ... still assails the eyes as an unrestricted international ... Afrikaans only ... one arrival at the caves ... they are then drawn up ... by a sign in ... true that the ... set of back stairs by ... dicating 'restaurant and toilet ... a separate ticket office, restaurant, toilets and entrance to the caves which is separated by steel barricades from the ... entrance ... facilities at the caves ... noticeable reference to race ... separation except for a small signboard at the ticket office ... which refers to tours for whites ... restaurants or toilets that the ... amenities were racially ... segregated.

Mr Huley accused the Outdoor Republic Party, Boorn municipality of trying to ... practice 'apartheid by stealth' by displaying an Afrikaans only ... parking sign in ... while trying to avoid the embarrassment of openly displaying ... apartheid signs in full view ... of foreign visitors.

"The only policy for the Cango Caves was the immediate removal of all vestiges of apartheid ... and its complete opening ... as an unrestricted international amenity. He hoped it was not ... true that the 'arrogant Nationalist government' had blasted ... an artificial hole in the ... God-given caves to create separate amenities.

Replying to the motion, Mr W H Mering (NP, MPC for Paarl) said the government had made sincere attempts to foster good race relations.

He suggested an amendment to Mr Huley's motion that the council affirm its interests of maintaining good race relations, support the Prime Minister's initiatives. After a division this amendment was accepted by 41 votes to eight.

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Given that a new model of health care delivery is necessary in South Africa, there is much that can be learned from the experience of other developing countries.

If South Africa is to become a health-promoting and healthy society, it needs both new social structures and new medical structures. This means that medicine must reject the belief, unfounded in fact, that its technology by itself can improve the health of any large population. Wage levels, patterns of income distribution, employment opportunities, housing, agricultural production, nutritional programmes all affect the health of any population more than do formal medical services. To be effective, medicine must be directly involved in the promotion of health producing social structures. In South Africa, this results in an immediate obligation on the medical profession to combat all aspects of apartheid

that have institutionalised a range of political and social constraints denying the opportunity of good health to large sections of the population. At the same time, the medical profession and members of the society should be working towards creating a new and innovative model of health care delivery. Neither task will be easy. The challenges facing South African medicine are great, but no greater than its potentialities.

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t aspect of such a proposal poses certain not oblems. Mechanic in the US context suggests that to entry into medical school could sign a legal rk on graduation in under-doctored areas for a . Such a contract could be enforced by a court hibiting those who had signed it from working outside cified geographical areas, the contract could be terminated by repayment of the total real cost of medical education received. One limited step in South Africa toward the channelling of doctors into areas where they are most needed is found in the South African Army where conscripts who are doctors frequently are assigned to work in hospitals in black rural areas.

3. See Assen Jablensky 'Racism, Apartheid and Mental Health', *World Health*, December 1977, 16-21, who gives figures to indicate such racial inequalities in the field of mental illness as the ratio of beds to population being 2,55 per 1000 white and 0,76 per 1 000 black population.

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Louw issues warning on open beaches

By NEVILLE FRANSMAN

THE Administrator, Mr Gene Louw, has issued a warning to local authorities to avoid confrontation on the issue of "open" beaches and to adhere to the requirements of existing legislation governing which beaches were open to whom.

The warning was contained in his opening address yesterday to the Provincial Council

Mr Louw said certain people were under the impression that beaches would be opened to all races without exception This was not the case

"Where beaches are not opened for the use of all racial groups," he said, "I make an earnest appeal to the local authorities concerned to avoid confrontation by carrying out the requirements of existing legislation

"I want to spell it out clearly that we strive at all times for the ideal of sufficient beach facilities within reach of all different race groups within the limits of reason, and for orderly use of beaches

"There can, however, not be orderly usage if there is a lack of sufficient facilities, and the facilities cannot be provided if the funds are not available I am thankful that a cabinet committee is at present giving attention to this matter," Mr Louw said

Anti-social behaviour

Earlier he pointed out that the authorities could not stay ahead with the provision of beach facilities because of the ever-increasing numbers of people making use of seaside resorts. He was also concerned about anti-social behaviour, but it was extremely difficult to control this element if finance was lacking

He said local authorities had in the past failed to provide sufficient beach facilities, particularly near to "non-white" residential areas.

Mr Louw expressed gratitude for improvements brought about over the past festive season mainly as a result of the appointment of beach constables by the Cape Town municipality but the situation

CALL TO OPEN ALL AMENITIES

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Provincial Staff

THE Cape Provincial Administration has received requests from Cape Town, Simon's Town, the Divisional Council of the Cape and the Divisional Council of Dias, to open public amenities to people of all races.

Answering questions by Mr Roger Hulley (PFP, Constantia), Mr W Bouwer, MEC in charge of local government, said the application from the Dias Divisional Council was being investigated.

Following an application from Cape Town City Council, the coastal stretch from a point 500 m east of Sunrise Beach to the municipal boundary on the Lourens River had been declared unreserved — open to all.

LLANDUDNO

'There was no alteration to the status of other coastal stretches,' Mr Bouwer added.

In the Cape Divisional Council area, eight areas had been declared unreserved.

These were the Platboom beach, beaches at Eerste Steen and Tweede Steen between Blouberg and Melkbos, the coast from Bakoven to Llandudno (excluding Llandudno township), the coast from Duiker Point to Hout Bay harbour; the coast from Flora Bay to Ratelklip, the coast from Eiland to Perdebank, the coast from Schuter's Bay to Olifantsbospunt, and the coast between Ribboksdam and Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve.

In Simon's Town, the Cape Provincial Administration turned down an application for Glencairn and Shelley pools to be opened to all.

Poor standard of English criticised

Provincial Staff

COMPLAINTS about the poor standard of English in the biology paper in last year's senior certificate examinations were the subject of questions in the Cape Provincial Council yesterday by Mr Roger Hulley (PFP, Constantia).

Parents and students last year complained that the English in the biology (higher grade) paper was so poor it might have resulted in the loss of marks for those who wrote the examination.

Mr Hulley asked the MEC in charge of education, Mr F A Loots, why the paper had been 'translated into poor English' and whether steps had been taken to rectify the effect of the poor translation and prevent a similar situation in future.

Mr Loots replied that examiners were expected to submit papers in both official languages. 'Therefore, it is impossible to state whether the biology paper was translated into English.'

He added: 'In spite of all precautions, unfortunate errors in both Afrikaans and English occur from time to time.

'Every effort is made to rectify the effect of these errors.

'The Education Department has taken more stringent measures to ensure the elumination or errors in future.'

Education plays a major role in influencing the structure of health services, although I would not presume to stress the importance of equal educational opportunities to an audience at UCT, three specific types of education are of importance:

1. Health Education.

Here, I quote the Secretary for Health, Dr Johan de Beer, who stated: "The extent to which we will be able to reach the potential blessings of even the most forward looking health legislations will largely depend on the success we achieve when we attempt to establish or extend appropriate health education services".[16]

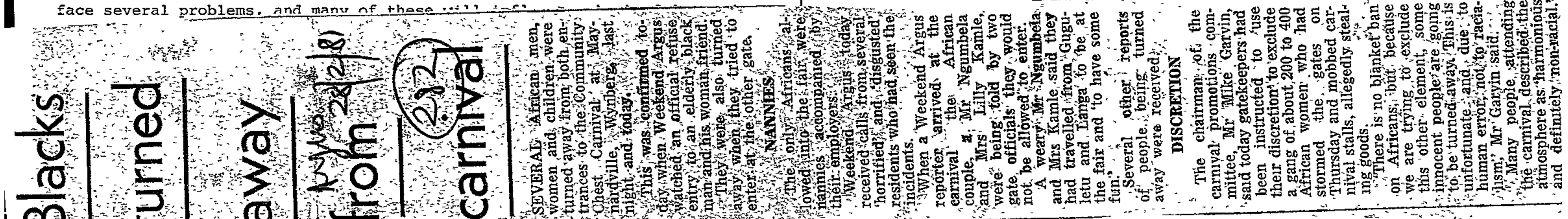
2. I believe that we must educate those in the private sector, in order to convince them that Health is indeed a production investment, rather than consumption expenditure.

3. I would like to examine medical education. The medical schools have to face several problems, and many of these will [illegible] ow the example of the USA, [illegible] ced "We do an excellent job of teaching physicians to take care of a few people and a poor job of educating physicians to take care of most people".[18]

(ii) Another major problem which requires urgent attention, is the geographical maldistribution of graduates to which I have already referred.

(iii) There is an over-emphasis on curative medicine, due largely to the exclusive use of large hospitals in the training of medical students. This has resulted in an under-emphasis on preventative medicine.

(iv) There is a lack of interest in research in community health which may in part be due to the academic reward system which in developed countries such as the USA does not recognise this type of research as being equal to so-called basic research.


Blacks turned away from carnival

SEVERAL African men, women and children were turned away from both entrances to the Community Chest Carnival at Maynardville, Wynberg, last night and today.

This was confirmed by day when Weekend Argus watched an official refuse entry to an elderly black man and his woman friend. They were also turned away when they tried to enter at the other gate.

The only Africans allowed into the fair were employees accompanied by their employers.

When a Weekend Argus reporter arrived at the carnival gate, Mr Ngumbela Kamle, and Mrs Lilly [illegible], they were told by two officials they would not be allowed to enter.

A weary Mr Ngumbela and Mrs Kamle said they had travelled from Guguletu and Langa to be at the fair and to have some fun.

Several other reports of people being turned away were received.

DISCRETION

The chairman of the carnival promotions committee, Mr Mike Garvin, said today gatekeepers had been instructed to use their discretion to exclude a gang of about 200 to 400 African women who had stormed the gates on Thursday and mobbed carnival stalls, allegedly stealing goods.

There is no blanket ban on Africans, but because we are trying to exclude this other element, some innocent people are going to be turned away. This is unfortunate, and due to human error, not to racialism, Mr Garvin said.

Many people attending the carnival described the atmosphere as 'harmonious and definitely non-racial.'

(v) There is a major problem inherent in the centralisation of health care and teaching. The Council for International Organisation of Medical Sciences has suggested the following possible solutions to these problems.[19]

Initially, we may need to reform the selection process for medical students At present, most medical students throughout the world are chosen on the ba: of their intellectual ability. Scant attention is paid to value characteristics, or personality characteristics. The School of Medicine of Ben Guri University of the Negev, which aims at producing doctors who will serve a rural community, has developed the following selection method.[20] Firstly, it demands that a student obtain a University Pass at high school with B grades in at least two subjects. All such candidates then take a written psychometric examination at the end of which 300 candidates are interviewed for the approximately 50 posts. At the interviews, the following characteristics are assessed:

INTELLECTUAL CHARACTERISTICS:

to their suffering, emotional flexibility, tolerance of ambiguity, capacity for co-operation with others, humility, a clear stable self-identify and a capacity for enthusiasm.

It is still too early to know whether this involved and time-consuming system will succeed. It is comforting to know, however, that the Universit of Cape Town has a standing sub-committee to examine the selection of stude Another possible change in the medical curriculum would involve the teachin of social sciences. I hope that from what I have said, it will be obvious that this change could only be for the better.

I have taken the liberty of including a third possible change, that is, the teaching of African languages. It is inexcusable that because of the language barrier, many of us are forced to practise medicine at the level o a veterinary scientist. The need for the inclusion of a course in African languages is highlighted by the fact that this year some 200 medical student have enrolled in a voluntary course in Xhosa, given during the lunch hour o early evening.

Inquiry into incidents at City station

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Staff Reporter

THE Railways will launch a full inquiry into incidents at the weekend when coloured commuters were allegedly told to leave the "non-white" carriages and make way for white passengers.

The incident, involving conductors and railway policemen, occurred on Saturday morning after the University of Cape Town's Rag procession through the City.

Reports that a white man had been arrested at Cape Town station in connection with the incidents could not be verified yesterday.

A weekend newspaper reported that at Cape Town station after the procession "non-white" carriages were suddenly designated "whites only" when hundreds of people arrived to go home by train.

According to one witness quoted in the newspaper the conductors "ordered hundreds of coloured passengers to get out so whites could take their places".

White passengers apparently remonstrated with railway officials but were told the trains would not move until the coloured passengers had either left the train or used another carriage.

Yesterday the assistant chief superintendent of the commercial section of the railways, Mr T Moore, said it was "common practice to change over the name boards when you get a great crowd of one race outnumbering the other race".

"You can equate this with what happens at stations after soccer and rugby matches. Trains run every three to five minutes and if the passengers had only been patient and waited for the next train to come there would not have been any incidents," Mr Moore said.

He said the decision to change the boards designating certain carriages to a certain race group was often left "at the discretion of the man on the spot to exercise his judgment to the best of his ability".

The "man on the spot" was best-trained to deal with these situations, Mr Moore said.

He said the incidents would be investigated.

"We don't take this sort of thing lying down. We are finding out all the pros and cons and if there are any culprits on our side we will see to them."

Complaints concerning Saturday's incidents can de directed to Mr Moore at ☎218 2685.

Good Hope's 'permit problem' over

(282) C. Herald 18/4/87

'HAVE you got a permit?' Cape Herald asked of the Good Hope Centre following queries from readers who were told that the amenity was 'unblemished by the hated document.

An official at the Centre was vague. Yet another at the Department of Community Development (issuers of permits) was rather abrupt and confusing.

'Yes the Good Hope does have a permit. But it is a permit not to have a permit,' he said.

Greater clarity could only be had from the regional representative of the Department, Mr J Walters, we were told later.

Mr Walters, however, was out of town for a few days.

The Town Clerk of the Cape Town City Council (owners of the building) was not available either.

Mr J G Adams, the senior assistant Town Clerk eventually solved the riddle.

The full text of his statement reads:

'The Good Hope Centre is in a controlled area, that is it is not zoned for any particular use. In terms of the Group Areas Act this means that a permit is necessary for persons (who are not of the White Group) to attend as spectators or participants.

'The Council obtained a permit in the latter part of 1977 to allow members of the Coloured and Indian Groups to occupy the Good Hope Centre for the purpose of attending functions at the Centre, excepting mass meetings. A permit was also thereafter obtained to allow Bantu to attend functions, excepting mass meetings.'

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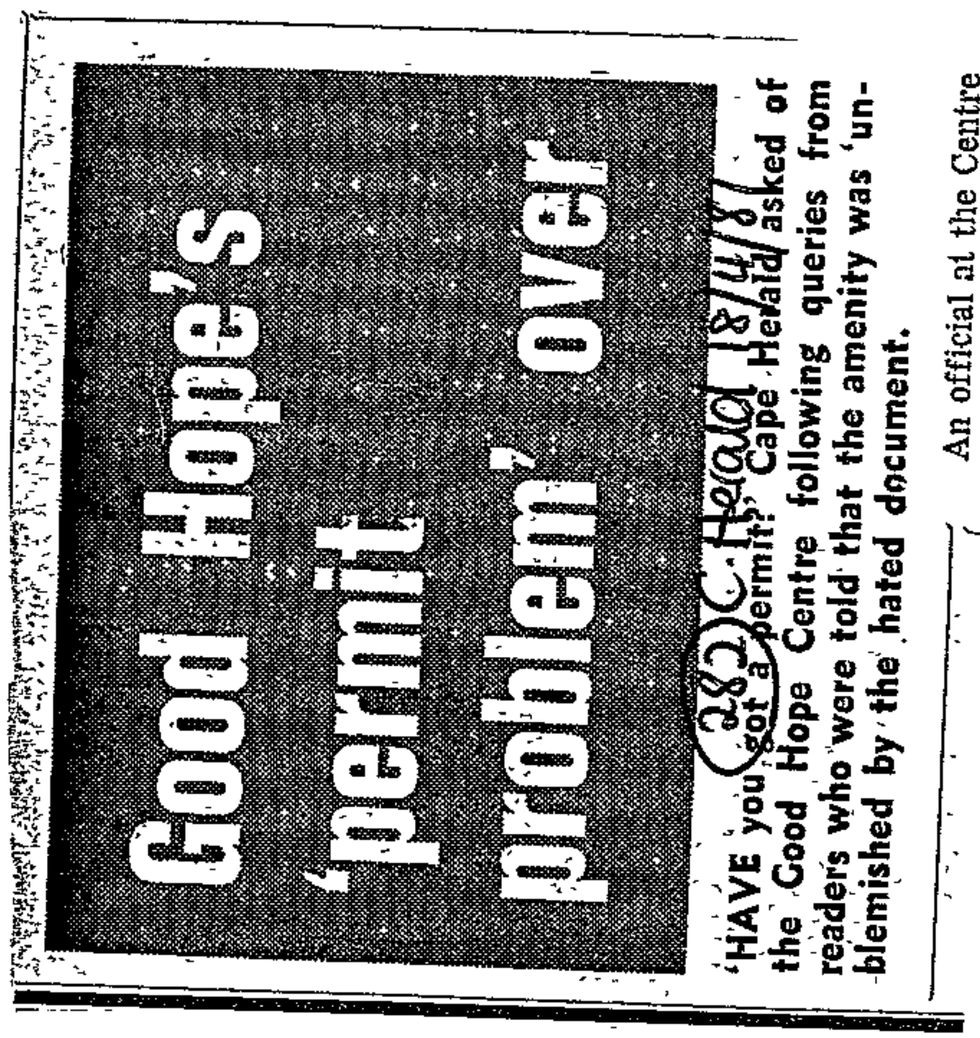
Statement from the dock made by Accused No.1, Mosima SEXWALE, one of the 'Pretoria 12', having been found guilty of 'terrorism' and before being sentenced to 18 years imprisonment on Robben Island.



ACCUSED NO.1, MOSIMA SEXWALE, READS OUT HIS STATEMENT TO THE COURT:

It is more than a year since I was first brought to court to stand trial on the charges which have been brought against me. I have until now said nothing for I was not pre- (10)

to explain my actions so that you, who must sentence me, should understand why I chose to join the struggle for the freedom of my people.

It is necessary that I should begin by explaining to you my background and the circumstances in which I grew up for that more than anything else accounts for my presence in court today. I was born in Soweto on 5th March, 1953, the third child in a family of six children. During most of my childhood, the sole breadwinner in our family was my father. He had fought for his country and his ideals, during World War II, and when the peace returned he was employed as a clerk in the Non-European Section of the Johannesburg

Golfers back caddy in mass tourney walkout

CT 21/4/81 (282)

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — More than 160 black golfers walked out of a tournament held at the Grahamstown Golf Club at the weekend in protest over a "humiliating" racial incident involving a white caddy.

Mr Clive Marx of Port Elizabeth's Northwood Golf Club was caddying for fellow club member, Mr Philip Meke, when he was allegedly ordered by a white Grahamstown Golf Club official to leave the course.

A Northwood official said Mr Marx was told it was a club rule that "white people are not allowed on the course while the blacks are playing".

The walkout occurred on Sunday during the annual Grahamstown Open tournament, in which more than 160 coloured and black players from the Eastern Cape and three from the Transvaal were competing.

The Northwood Club's organizing secretary, Mr Madikane Msiza, said Mr Meke, with Mr Marx caddying, arrived back at the clubhouse after completing the first 18 holes of the 36-hole tournament.

A white man, whom Mr Msiza said was the clubhouse manager, told Mr Marx politely that he could not carry on as it was a club rule that whites were not allowed on the course while blacks were playing.

"They had a long argument, then Clive sat down in a chair with a cool-drink and sandwich he had bought," said Mr Msiza.

Mr Msiza said Mr Marx then went to sit in his car.

The vice-president of Northwood, Mr C Attwell, said he then called all his club's players together and they decided to walk out of the tournament "in protest against the humiliation of a member of our club".

"All the other players felt the same way, and they walked out too," Mr Attwell said.

The president of the Grahamstown Golf club, Mr N G Hutton, last night declined to comment on the incident.

PE council moves closer to ending beach apartheid

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Post Reporter

THE Port Elizabeth City Council moved a step closer to the abolition of beach apartheid yesterday with the tabling of a long-awaited report by the City Engineer, Dr D M McCallum, at a meeting of the council's Policy and Resources Committee.

He recommended that, before beaches were desegregated, certain minimum facilities such as access and circulation routes, parking areas, services and public facilities and holiday accommodation be provided.

He also recommended that no major expansion of facilities along the Humewood and Summerstrand beachfront be encouraged and that its character be retained by implementing the proposals of the "structure plan" for those areas.

In order to control the number of people using the facilities along the beachfront some form of control, such as an entrance fee, needed to be considered.

The committee has referred the report to the Indian and Coloured Management Committees before deciding on the report

In his report on the re-allocation of beaches requested by the committee 15 months ago, Dr McCallum spelt out a number of key findings in his feasability study on the abolition of beach apartheid

At present the greatest demand for facilities was by blacks for whom virtually no facilities existed.

"This demand is currently for short periods of the year but as the socio-economic structure of these people improves, this seasonal participation can be expected to increase

Although the existing facilities along the beachfront had been criticised by certain visitors, they were seen as sufficient for whites

However, if any extra demands on facilities were made at peak times, overcrowding would result

This would lead to a sharp decline in white visitors and to dissatisfaction from nearby residents who would object to the change in their "living environment".

Port Elizabeth's beaches had not been allocated in proportion to the size of the "respective population groups", Dr McCallum said

As such the black community — by far the largest in the city — had the smallest area available, while beaches for coloureds and Indians were sited at a considerable distance from the residential areas.

"The safest bathing beaches have been reserved for the exclusive use of the white population group," he said

"The majority of the facilities along the entire coast have been developed as nodes reserved exclusively for the white population group while a limited number of facilities have been developed for other population groups

"The re-allocation of beaches, without making provision for additional facilities to spread the density over wider areas, could result in overcrowding, lack of control, conflict and greater dissatisfaction.

"From a physical planning point of view it is therefore not only a question of estimating what additional facilities are required but also where they should be provided.

"The precise nature of the facilities which should be provided depends on the most suitable distribution of people and the desired standard of facilites on these beaches in the short and long term."

Dr McCallum said that money would have to be made available on the City Council's estimates to provide for additional and more equitable distribution of these facilities.

Beach apartheid signs to go back

Own Correspondent

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The proposal, he said, had been passed at a special open meeting of the council.

Commodore McMurray also asked how many people had objected to the removal of the signs but no figures were available.

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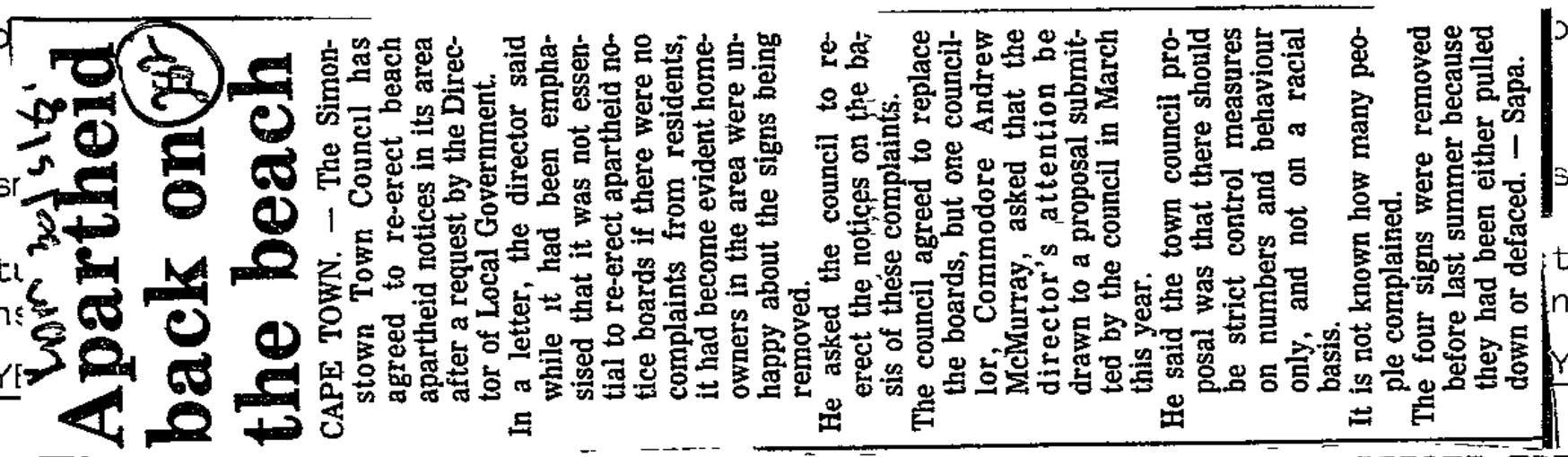

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CHILDREN at the Ruxley Children's Centre — a battle is being fought to allow black children to stay

Police probe blacks at white Claremont creche

A CLAREMONT creche has become the subject of a police investigation because it looks after seven black children.

The parents and the owner of Ruxley Children's Centre in Bell Road have been told to make statements at the Claremont police station.

The investigation involved alleged violations of the Group Areas Act in that the black children were attending a creche in a white area.

A senior Wynberg prosecutor confirmed today that the investigation was taking place at his department's instructions.

Attempts to obtain permission for black children to attend the creche have been made over the past four months, including representations by the MP for Wynberg, Mr Philip Myburgh, to the Minister of Community Development. They have been unsuccessful.

In addition, about 1 000 signatures have been collected for a petition by the parents of the children and the manager of the creche, Mr John Hawkins.

He said today he had been visited frequently by policemen who said they had received several complaints since the black children had been admitted to the creche.

'First, it was the noise. Then, it was the positioning of the swings, then the parking. It just got too much.

'The complainant conducted a witch-hunt against us, either to get the children out of the centre or to get the centre out of Claremont. I don't care a damn. We are going to fight to allow the children to remain,' he said.

Blacks to get more libraries

IN an effort to overcome the lack of library facilities in the townships of the Western Cape, a community-based organisation has set itself the task of opening reading rooms there.

The project was initiated by the South African Institute of Race Relations and was being organised and run by a committee made up of members of the community.

The Impumelelo reading room at St Gabriel Church in Guguletu will be opened at a function tomorrow between 3 and 7 pm by Sir Richard Luyt, chairman of the SAIRR. This was the second reading room to be established in the townships by the committee.

LANGA

The Zama reading room a St Cyprian's Church in Langa was opened last year and has about 600 books.

In Gugeuletu, which has an approximate population of 250 000, there were no library facilities. In Langa, one public library serves a population of about 100 000 residents. Nyanga, new Crossroads and Mfuleni have no library facilities.

MP aid to keep black children at creche

IT was a shocking indictement of our society when five-year-old children, interested only in leading a normal life, were harassed for attending a multiracial creche, the MP for Wynberg, Mr Philip Myburgh, said in response to recent police action against the Ruxley Children's Centre in Claremont.

The owner of the creche in Bell Road and parents of the centre's seven black children, have been told to make statements to the police following investigations into alleged violations of the Group Areas Act because black children were attending a creche in a white area.

Attempts over the past four months to obtain permission for black children to attend the creche have been unsuccessful.

The manager of the creche, Mr John Hawkins, said police visited the creche frequently. They claimed that several complaints had been received since black children were admitted to the centre.

Mr Myburgh said he would give his full support to Mr Hawkin's efforts to obtain approval from the Department of Community Development to allow black children at the creche.

If necessary, he would follow the application through to the Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze.

The Group Areas Act was hurtful and disruptive to society and in this instance was being used against five-year-old children who were only interested in leading a normal life.

The Group Areas Act in its brutal application was causing untold misery and should be scrapped, then this type of problem would never occur, he said.

It was a sad day when one white person could complain and upset the future of these young children, he added.

Blacks choose not to join white clubs

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By LLOYD BODILL

SINCE the Government's decision nearly two years ago to let rugby clubs open their membership to all regardless of race, only one black player has signed on with what were once exclusively white clubs in the Eastern Cape.

He was Lillee Jonas, who toured the British Isles with the South African Barbarians side in 1979, and joined the Crusaders Club in Port Elizabeth last year.

A few months later he left claiming he had been "roughed up" by rival players and because spectators in Uitenhage had called for his blood.

According to the president of Crusaders, Mr Stan Bouwer, no blacks have applied to join since then. Nor have any applied to join any other East Cape club — possibly because some still specifically exclude blacks from membership.

Mr Silas Kanuna, president of the Kwaru rugby club which is affiliated to the South African Council on Sport (Sacos), said the law made non-racial club rugby "impossible".

"People are tackling this problem incorrectly. The problem is the law itself. The Group Areas Act stops the playing of non-racial rugby. We cannot not live in Summerstrand or Walmer and yet play for clubs in those areas."

Not all clubs are open and the constitution of at least one club prevents blacks from signing on.

In Uitenhage the president of the Swifts Rugby Club, Mr Fanie Cloete, said blacks could not join and the president of the Despatch Rugby Club, Mr T C De Jager, said he was unsure of the position there.

At present the club's constitution "states membership shall only be open to white males", Mr Cloete said.

Crusader's Mr Bouwer said any new applications from blacks would be "treated on the same basis as any other. We have the right to accept or dismiss any applicant," he said.

The presidents of two other Port Elizabeth clubs, Mr Colin Patterson, of Olympics, and Dr A Rabie, of Parks, both said blacks could join — but no one had applied.

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4.1 Staff figures

4.2 Budget

4.3 Number of Beds

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Apartheid a spoke in the wheel

APARTHEID has put a spoke into multiracial cycling outings in Fish Hoek.

Members of a 150-strong cycling group are giving the beach there a wide berth because of an incident in which a coloured member of the group was not allowed on the beach.

The recent incident involved a 14-year-old cyclist who wanted to have a cold drink with his white companions in the Fish Hoek beach restaurant.

PERMISSION

Before he set foot on the sand a beach officer stopped him and told him he was not allowed on the beach. The boy was told he could apply to the municipality for permission to walk on the beach.

The incident prompted one member to write to the Fish Hoek municipality expressing his dismay and stating: 'It is quite unbelievable that your council should adopt such an attitude.'

The writer, who sent a copy of the letter to The Argus, said that every Sunday morning the cycling group, ranging in age from six to 74, cycled out to Fish Hoek.

It was after they rode up to the beach restaurant that they realised the coloured boy had been refused permission to walk across to the restaurant.

The town clerk and treasurer of Fish Hoek municipality, Mr E H Fry, replied: 'I have to inform you that the Fish Hoek foreshore and the amenities thereof have been allocated by His Honour the Administrator for the use of persons of the white group only.

'Notices to this effect are prominently displayed at all entry points to the foreshore area, and the failure of your group to take note thereof and make alternative arrangements is regretted.'

SOURED

The incident has soured the group's outing and one of the members said they would 'have to be more selective where we go now.'

He added that often as many as 10 coloured riders were included in the group on a Sunday.

Another member said: 'The Fish Hoek municipality should grow up. This type of incident does great harm to good relations between all people.'

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Post Focus

Beach apartheid in Cape remains a thorny issue

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By VIRGIL GONCALVES, Municipal Reporter

THE Administrator of the Cape, Mr Gene Louw, has announced there is a backlog of R40 million needed to improve beach facilities and inland resort development in the Cape Province

So far, Mr Louw has managed to secure R7.8 million — from the State Treasury and Provincial Administration coffers — for development over the next three years

After extensive negotiations, Mr Louw said another R6 million was expected to be granted for two years until 1983 by the Minister of Finance, Mr Owen Horwood

Mr Louw indicated that a portion of the extra money — R600 000 — allocated this year by the Treasury might be spent on the planning of projects in Port Elizabeth next year

And if the additional R6 million was forthcoming, certain portions of that would also be used for beach development in Port Elizabeth, he said

The Administrator also said R600 000 had been spent on the development of Port Elizabeth's New Brighton Beach — a multiracial venue near Swartkops.

Are the prospects for the city's beach lovers as bright as now seems imminent and is there satisfaction in all quarters?

Dr D M McCallum, Port Elizabeth's City Engineer, will obviously be pleased by Mr Louw's plans, which include the upgrading of facilities on several smaller beaches and also making a start with developments which have to be completed during the next two years

Dr McCallum, with the Director of Parks, Mr P A Gibbs, recently submitted a lengthy report to the City Council's Policy and Resources Committee detailing the amenities available at municipal beaches as well as additional facilities needed

Among their findings was that the existing position was unsatisfactory and there was an increasing demand for coastal recreational areas by the African, coloured and Indian groups.

The call for the desegregation of the city's municipal beaches has been heard in some quarters as a possible means of eradicating the problem of inadequate facilities for other than white population groups

The white population has the exclusive use of 28,4 kilometres of coastline, the coloured community has six kilometres, of which nearly two kilometres is unusable, the Indian population half a kilometre and Africans two kilometres, one kilometre of which is allocated on a temporary basis

Since the existing facilities for blacks were considered inadequate by Dr McCallum and Mr Gibbs, they felt that, before any beaches were desegregated, certain minimum facilities — acccess and circulation routes, public facilities, parking areas and holiday accommodation — should be provided at beaches used by other population groups

This was felt to be a priority because there was expected to be a flow of these population groups to the facilities presently available for whites

Mr Raman Bhana, chairmen of Port Elizabeth's Indian Management Committee, and Mr Laurence Erasmus, chairman of the Coloured Management Committee, disagree however, that there would be an influx of crowds to the white beaches

Mr Bhana feels all beaches should be open to all the city's residents.

"We have always indicated that money should not be wasted to duplicate the city's beaches," said Mr Bhana

"We have never specifically called for the improvement of our beaches, but that beaches set aside for whites should be available for all races to use

"All people would then be given the choice to go where they wanted," he said

Mr Erasmus feels much the same way

Both will study the report by Dr McCallum and Mr Gibbs in the near future.

Although segregated beaches leave a sour taste in the mouths of many thinking South Africans, the problem whites seem to fear most — that they would be subjected to overcrowding if beaches were desegregated — could indeed be solved by providing the same facilities at all existing beaches

Once this is done, application could be made to the Government for beaches to be immediately desegregated and the choice left to the individual to visit whatever beach they want to use.

Many see this as the only legal and logical solution to a problem which has caused bitter disharmony among the city's ratepayers for years

Club members urged to quit

Post Reporter

THE East Cape Council of Sport (Eccos) has called on the Brighton Surf Lifesaving Club to reconsider its membership of the Surf Lifesaving Association of South Africa (Slasa).

The letter, written with letterheads of the St George's Strand Club, which is affiliated to Eccos, calls on members to reconsider their membership of a "racist organisation".

The letter is accompanied by a list of the members of the newly-formed Brighton club.

The president of Slasa, Mr Richard Dubb, said the letter was designed to put pressure on members to resign. It amounted to blatant ostracism and if successful could lead to lives being lost.

Mr M Agherdien, president of the Brighton club, said the aim of the letter was to prevent members of his club from participating in other South African Council of Sport-affiliated sport.

He described the letter as "extremely vindictive".

A member of the St George's Club, who did not wish to be named, confirmed that the aim of the letter was to alienate members of the Brighton club from the community. He said the letter was drafted by Eccos at the request of Sacos.

Mr Dubb said that a meeting of representatives of the Brighton club with representatives of both Slasa and its local branch would be held tonight at the Bluewater Bay Club to discuss the situation.

The policy of Slasa would once again be explained.

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URBAN & REGIONAL PLANNING

State foils bid for all-race N Cape theatre

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Own Correspondent

KIMBERLEY — The application for the unconditional opening of the Kimberley Theatre to all races has been turned down by the Department of Community Development.

The Deputy Director-General of the department, Mr B A van der Vyver, said yesterday the application had been sent to the Minister, Mr Koornhof, and confirmed that it had been refused.

Mr van der Vyver said it was not customary for the department to give reasons for decisions on such applications.

Early last month, unofficial reports indicated that the application had been refused. Neither representatives of the Department of Community Development in Kimberley and Pretoria nor Mr G H Venter, chairman of the Northern Cape Technical College Council, could confirm this

The application for an open theatre was submitted by the college council in October last year after an intensive campaign conducted by the junior city council.

The application was made in terms of a statement made by the Minister of Community Development at the time, Mr Steyn. It was said that a theatre or hall in a community could be opened unconditionally to all people if there was no proper alternative facility for black people.

Local cultural and community leaders have said they will support any effort made by the college council to appeal against the decision.

Last week the chairman of the college council, Mr Venter, said he would make a statement at a more opportune time.

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This year the exhibition will be opened by the Minister of Manpower Utilisation, Mr S P Botha.

The statement said more than 15 000 people visited last year's careers exhibition.

It would be held in Cape Town from September 17 to 25.

However, another exhibition organised by the Chamber of Commerce and Manpower 2 000 would be open to all races.

The statement said that "for organisational reasons" the Cape Education Department could not accommodate black scholars at these exhibitions.

Two of are being held now — at the University of Port Elizabeth and the Kimberley Teachers' Centre — and another is to be held at the East London Teachers' Centre.

Instead the exhibitions will be repeated "to cater for them", according to a statement released by the organisers, the Cape Town Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with Manpower 2 000.

Mail Correspondent

Mixed shows are out — so blacks get their own

BLACK scholars have been barred from attending three Cape Education Department careers exhibitions.

Exhibits: blacks to see second shows

Mail Correspondent

AFRICAN pupils will not initially be able to attend Manpower 2000 careers exhibitions in Port Elizabeth, East London and Kimberley — not because they have been barred on racial grounds but because the venues are unable to accommodate the numbers involved.

This was stated by Mr Piet Rossouw, Western Cape chairman of Manpower 2000, yesterday.

He was reacting to reports that the careers exhibitions held outside Cape Town would be segregated.

"White and coloured scholars will be accommodated at the initial exhibitions, which will then be repeated to cater for black scholars," said Mr Rossouw.

"Administrative delays led us to underestimate the numbers involved and by the time we realised the demand for the exhibitions it was too late to arrange larger venues.

Discrimination

"Since white, coloured and black students will be taking part together at the exhibition in Cape Town, there is obviously no question of racial discrimination."

The careers exhibition in Cape Town is organised by the Cape Town Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with Manpower 2000. It is to be held at the Civic Centre from September 17 to 25 and will be opened by the Minister of Manpower, Mr S P Botha.

The Cape Town Chamber of Commerce is not involved in the exhibitions at the other centres.

Last year more than 15 000 people saw the exhibition in Cape Town.

Race barriers go on Camps Bay beach

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Municipal Reporter

APARTHEID is dead on Camps Bay beach, in spite of a controversial two-metre-high fence going up around the tidal pool.

With residents and business people hotly debating the merits of the fence, large numbers of bathers — with skin colours ranging from lily-white to deep black — went to the beach yesterday on one of Cape Town's most summery days so far.

No one seemed to care about the fact that almost every race group in South Africa was represented.

Students

Best represented were the students.

A group of 12 white Afrikaans-speaking students from the Cape Technikon were unanimous that no one should be prevented from being on Camps Bay beach merely because of his colour.

A spokesman for the group, Mr John Kilian, drew applause from his fellow-students when he said. "If the fence around the tidal pool is being erected to control numbers, and not to keep away those of other colours (anderskleuriges), it's okay."

His words were echoed by two coloured students, Faried Osman and Wahied Gamiet, from Hanover Park High School. They said they were regulars at Camps Bay and had never experienced racial problems.

White families

A spokesman for 30 black students from Witsieshoek High in the Orange Free State, Somewhere Ntamane, said: "This beach is beautiful. Don't spoil it with fences."

A short distance away white families basked in the brilliant sunshine, paying little attention to the large number of black people on the beach.

Meanwhile, residents and business people across the road expressed mixed feelings about the fence being erected by a contractor to the Cape Town City Council..

Mr Joe Glickman, a shopkeeper in Camps Bay for the past nine years, was furious. "We don't need a fence. We've never had any trouble in spite of there being no fence. The beach and the pool have been patronized by people of different colours for a long time and we've had enormous crowds here during holiday times. But no trouble," he emphasized.

Beaches 'are free'

Mr Colin Elliot, another businessman said: "Beaches are free. God gave them to you and me."

Mrs Eleanor Sansom, a resident directly opposite the tidal pool: "Last week we had six cars and 10 fires on the lawns. Perhaps the fence will put a stop to this."

● A spokesman for the City Council said yesterday that the fencing, at a cost of R57 000, should be completed by the end of October. Also being built at Camps Bay were a toilet, a refreshment kiosk and a superintendent's office costing R104 000. All the costs were being borne by the Provincial Administration.

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Father, crying children ordered from beach

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Staff Reporter

A RETREAT man and his two crying children were ordered to leave Sunrise Beach at Muizenberg yesterday by a "policeman".

Mr Terence Calvert said he and his wife Pam had decided to spend their first anniversary at the beach. They were accompanied by his brother Ferdinand and his family.

They had parked for 10 minutes when Mr Ferdinand Calvert's two children, Mark, 4, and Joy, 2, asked to go to the water.

"As we walked across the sand, a guy jumped out of car and pulled out a wallet with an identity card. He was dressed in jeans and sweater, but told us he was a policeman. He said we had to leave the beach

"The children started crying. I asked him what I should tell them He said he was just doing his job. He pointed towards Bluewaters and said: 'Your beach is over there'," Mr Calvert said.

He said the man had been sitting in a car with another man and two women. He did not look closely at the identity card which the man produced

Mr Calvert said a police-van then drew up and the man who had ordered him to leave went to speak to the driver. As the Calverts drove off, they saw several other black families also leaving.

"It was very humiliating to be ordered off the beach like that. My kids were very upset. They are too young to understand about apartheid."

A spokesman for the Muizenberg police confirmed that a number of black families had been warned to leave Sunrise Beach yesterday afternoon.

● About six coloured families were ordered to leave the car park at Sunrise Beach yesterday, according to a man who witnessed the incident from where he was parked.

The man, who did not want to be identified, said three police vans had entered the car park about 4.30pm and approached six coloured families sitting in their cars.

Four of the families drove off in their cars immediately after police had spoken to them, he said.

'Not enough funds' for Grassy Park's needs

Divisional Council Reporter

THE Divisional Council spent a total of R1 331 000 on streets, sewerage and street lighting in Lotus River and Grassy Park this year, the secretary, Mr W R Vivier, said in a report

It has insufficient funds and manpower to carry out improvements more rapidly

The Grassy Park-Lotus River Residents' Association has asked the council to receive a deputation to complain about unmade roads and other grievances

The association has also asked the council to bypass the Management Committee for the area and deal directly with it.

In his report, Mr Vivier explained that the provision of sewerage was given top priority and it was only after this and the installation of storm water drainage that roads were surfaced.

He said that about 90 percent of the area now had sewers and 69,9 km of road had been permanently surfaced out of a total of 108,9 km.

'It is only in the third catchment, which is in the Lotus River area, that work remains to be done,' said Mr Vivier

The report goes on 'Finance, or the ability to afford desired expenditure, is the key to the problems of the Grassy Park local area

OVER YEARS

'Where any area is to be developed the work has to be carried out over a number of years since the local authority will not have the funds or the manpower to provide services to the whole area in a short period of, say, one year.

'The tempo according to which the work will be done will depend on the amount of money which the area can afford to meet the interest and redemption on the loan and, as the assets age, also on maintenance'

The report explained that, under the Divisional Council's Ordinance, local areas were meant to finance their own services but this is not the case in Grassy Park

HIGH RATES

Mr Vivier said the reason why some people in Grassy Park have to pay high rates is that valuations in the area, based on current market value of land and replacement cost for buildings, are generally low.

'If valuations are generally low then it can be expected that those owning more expensive properties will be more severely hit,' he went on

'While there is every sympathy with the people of Grassy Park in their desire to improve their environment it does not seem that there is any short-term solution to the financial problem.

'The Government has rejected both subsidies and alternative sources of taxation'

Mr Vivier suggested that a deputation from the association should meet the council's Works Committee rather than the full council

He said the council was obliged by law to consult the Management Committee over any proposals for the area.

MIXED BEACHES (282) (81)

The dividing line

FM 27/11/81

The mountain which runs down the Cape Peninsula separating the Atlantic and Indian oceans also seems to be the dividing line where inter-race swimming is concerned What is allowed at Camps Bay is illegal in Muizenberg.

Coloured families have been told to leave the beach at Muizenberg. However, at Camps Bay — also officially a "whites only" area — a fully integrated beach is operating without incident

According to Cape Town's assistant town clerk, Dawie de Villiers, official council policy is that all the beaches under its jurisdiction are open to all the citizens of the city.

However, Col A J Van Wyk, district commandant of the Wynberg police area, under which Muizenberg falls, says this only applies to beaches from Sunrise Beach to Froggy Pond in Simonstown.

Police will continue to enforce beach apartheid regulations wherever they exist

He says Camps Bay, Clifton and Sea Point beaches "were never proclaimed 'whites only' " when beach apartheid became law in 1966

"In those areas you can't ask people to leave just because they are coloured," he says. Cape Town council disagrees The Atlantic beaches, with a few exceptions, are white beaches by provincial ordinance, says De Villiers.

The provincial administration, not the council, is responsible for erecting signposts at all the beaches indicating for which race the beach is reserved.

De Villiers says council beach constables only control unsocial behaviour — colour is not a factor Any action against people who ignore the signposts is taken by the police

In effect Cape Town council has opted out of enforcing apartheid provisions on its beaches. It takes the attitude that the city's beaches should be open to all and that, as it has no hand in passing apartheid regulations, it will not enforce them.

However, it can do nothing about provincial ordinances or about police action to make them effective.

Confusion still exists as to which beaches are open In Camps Bay, for instance, it is now accepted that the beach is multiracial and the council's new amenities and facilities are open to all races.

Van Wyk sees beach incidents as provocative.

"These people are coming here with the sole purpose of confrontation with the police They are turning it into a political exercise."

He feels that anyone who reads the newspapers should know which beaches are reserved for whites Those who don't qualify should stay away. Police patrols will continue, he says

While government, however slowly, is doing something to eliminate "unnecessary" discrimination, it is a pity that provincial authorities still maintain such outmoded legislation

b. @COB,IL PFA.ELTA,PFB.ELTB

Cobol Sources Statements

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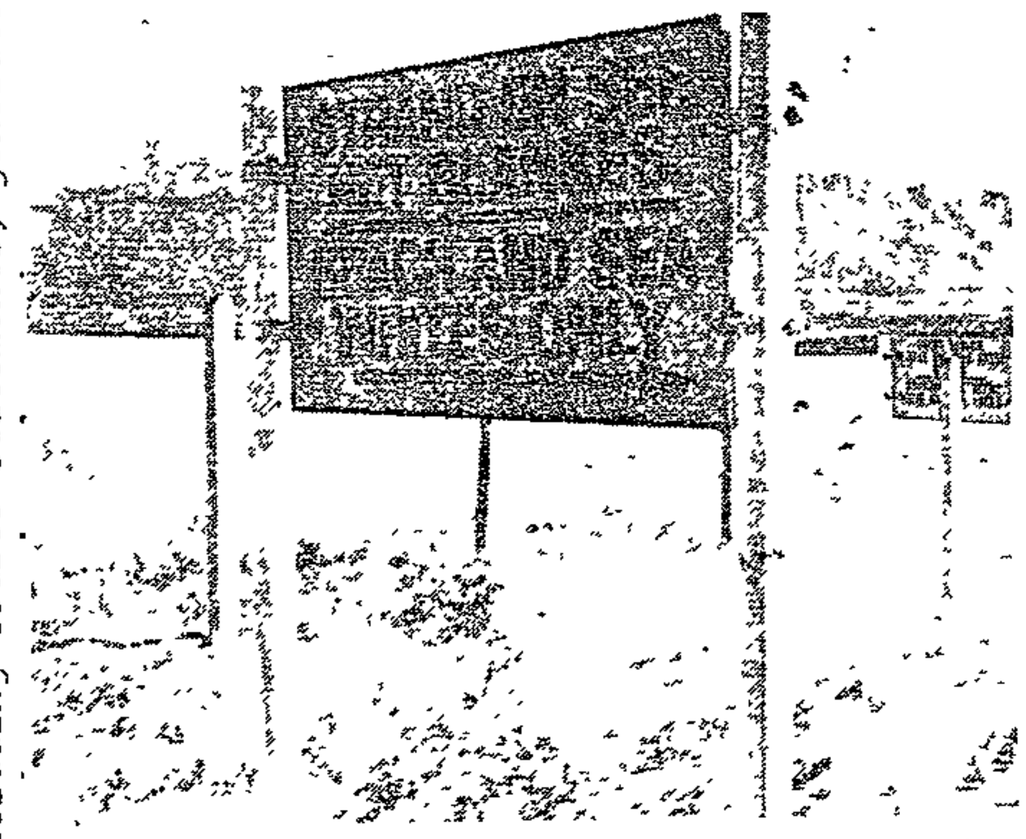

The Strand municipality has replaced its old "whites only" signboards with bolder and more obvious ones This signboard is on the boundary between the white and "all races" beaches. On the left of the boundary is a signboard reading "Beach and sea All races."

24 'whites only' beach signs

CAPE TIMES 4/12/81 (282)

By YAZEED FAKIER

COLOURED beachgoers in the Strand are now confronted by no less than 24 signboards telling them that the 3 ½ kilometre beachfront is for whites only

This follows complaints by Strand police to the municipality that the lettering on previous signboards was too small and people could not see it

The police had said because the signs were so small they often had to act against people who did not know they were contravening the law', a spokesman for the municipality said yesterday

The police told us if they were to enforce the law and do their work properly we must put up bigger signs," the spokesman said

A few years ago a public prosecutor had also said it was difficult to prosecute people who were not even aware of the signs he said

As a result of the complaints the full eight-member council had had a meeting a few months ago and unanimously decided to put up larger signs and increase the number

The spokesman emphasized that no new racial allocations had been made with the erection of the new signboards

The new signboards, in orange and bearing bold black lettering, are mounted between two poles about 1½ metres high They are posted at intervals all along the beachfront

According to the spokesman several Strand residents had telephoned the municipality offices to complain that the new signs were offensive

The station commander of Strand police station was not available for comment yesterday

● On September 21 this year a 29-year-old Strand woman, Mrs. Washiela Brown, had her conviction and sentence under the Separate Amenities Act set aside by the Supreme Court She was convicted for walking along a 'white' beach at the Strand and fined R20 (or 20 days)

At the appeal hearing Mr Justice P W E Baker ruled that there was no evidence that the beach was clearly demarcated between 'white and coloured" in terms of the Separate Amenities Act

It was not clear where one area began and the other ended, he said

Hout Bay call for open beach

ARGUS 2/12/81

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Divisional Council Reporter

HOUT BAY and Llandudno Residents' Association wants the whole of Hout Bay beach to be opened to all races.

This request will be discussed by the Divisional Council on December 15.

The request arises from the recent erection of 'whites only' signs on a stretch of beach near the Disa River mouth, traditionally used by coloured people.

TRADITION

In a letter considered by the council's works committee yesterday the association's chairman, Mr Len Pothier, wrote: "Without our in any way expressing support for such an arrangement, your council will be aware of a long-standing unwritten tradition to the effect that the beach stretching from the Chapman's Peak Hotel to the Disa River mouth has been used by white bathers and the remainder of the beach from the Disa River mouth to the harbour has been the special preserve of coloured bathers.

'Developments over the years have changed this arrangement and now coloured bathers are limited to a stretch of beach probably no more than 100 metres long, stretching from the harbour breakwater to the mouth of the unnamed stream near the yacht club.

'The recent erection of fresh signs at the Disa River mouth prohibiting bathing by coloured bathers was a most unfortunate development and elicited an understandably negative response from the coloured community.'

FAIR PLAY

Mr Pothier's letter continued: 'It is the view of this association that the time has come in Hout Bay for all such control measures to be done away with and for the entire beach to be declared open to all races.

'The Administrator of the Cape Province has seen fit to make such a move at other beaches and in the interests of fair play and the removal of unnecessary race friction, we would like your council to set in motion the necessary procedures in order to achieve the same result in Hout Bay.'

The letter ended: 'There is little doubt in our minds that if all such restrictions were to be lifted the old traditional understanding would be naturally observed and the few remaining sensitive souls could rest easily on their own extreme corner

Beach apartheid 'getting worse'

ARGUS 21/12/81

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IN a new drive to enforce beach apartheid on the False Bay coast, scores of coloured people have been turned away from Simon's Town beaches, according to Mr Ebrahim Mather of Wynberg.

Mr Mather, an engineering foreman, said he had frequented the beach near the fresh air camp beyond Simon's Town for the past four years.

'I've been under the impression petty apartheid was being phased out. But they seem to be reverting to the worst days,' he said

Mr Mather, his wife, and their children, aged 11 and 12, went to the beach again last Wednesday, the Day of the Vow, with his sister-in-law and her two children

'When we arrived we saw they had erected a fence between the road and the lawn above the beach, and people leaving the beach area told us policemen had told them to go

'There are new signs on the beach, and unlike earlier years, police are actually enforcing this,' Mr Mather said.

From there they went to Glencairn, where two coloured policemen in blue uniforms told them to leave the beach.

'The one told us he felt lousy about having to tell coloured people to go.

'One guy got a bit worked up and scolded some white kids coming down to the beach. 'It's all yours," he shouted.'

No decision yet on Hout Bay beach apartheid

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CAPE TIMES 16/12/81

Municipal Reporter

THE Divisional Council yesterday postponed a decision on whether to support the removal of apartheid measures at Hout Bay beach, as requested by the Hout Bay/Llandudno Ratepayers' Association.

After a short debate, the council chairman, Mr Louwtjie Rothman, said he had received a letter "vehemently protesting" against the association's request. "The council has got to take all the community's wishes into account, not just a portion," he said

The decision will be postponed until the council discussed the matter further with the association.

The council was asked to set in motion "the necessary procedures" for the removal of control measures and the opening of the beach to all races.

In a letter before council yesterday from Mr Len Pothier, the chairman of the ratepayers' association, it was told that "the time had come" for restrictions to be lifted.

Mr Pothier said the council was aware of an unwritten tradition that the beach from the Chapman's Peak Hotel to the Disa River mouth was used by whites and the remainder of the beach stretching to the harbour by the coloured people. Developments over the years had changed the situation and now coloured bathers were limited to a stretch of about 100 metres.

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The collector can be called explicitly by the @MAP control statement or implicitly as a result of the user asking for the execution of a program which cannot be found in its absolute form. For example, the user may wish to compile and execute a program. As previously stated, the language processor will produce an RB element in a program file. The user may use his own assigned file or the temporary program file (TPF$) provided by the Operating System as his program file. He may also elect to name his program file elements or, if only one of each type is produced in a file, may elect to have the Operating System provide names for the elements (NAME$). The user may then call the collector with the @MAP control statement and supply names of files and/or elements to be used an inputs and/or output of the collector. (See Section 4). The user may, however, simply ask the Operating System to execute his program. If the user selects this course of action, the collector will be called by the Operating System in order to produce an absolute element for execution, thereby relieving the user of the responsibility. The user may execute his program by the use of the @XQT control statement.

2.7.1 THE @XQT STATEMENT

The @XQT (execute) statement is used to initiate execution of an absolute program prepared by the collector. In the absence of an absolute element, the relocatable elements in TPF$ will be collected and the resulting absolute element will be executed.

Format:

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@XQT,OPTIONS    FILENAME.ELTNAME/VERSION
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2.7.1.1 OPTIONS

The options field may be used to contain options for use by the program by means of the ER OPT$ function.

Option letters generate a 36 bit mask with bit position 25 set to a 1 bit for an A option letter, bit 24 for a B, etc. This mask may then be tested by the executing program. See the 1100 Operating System Programmers Reference Manual.

2.7.1.2 FILENAME.ELTNAME/VERSION

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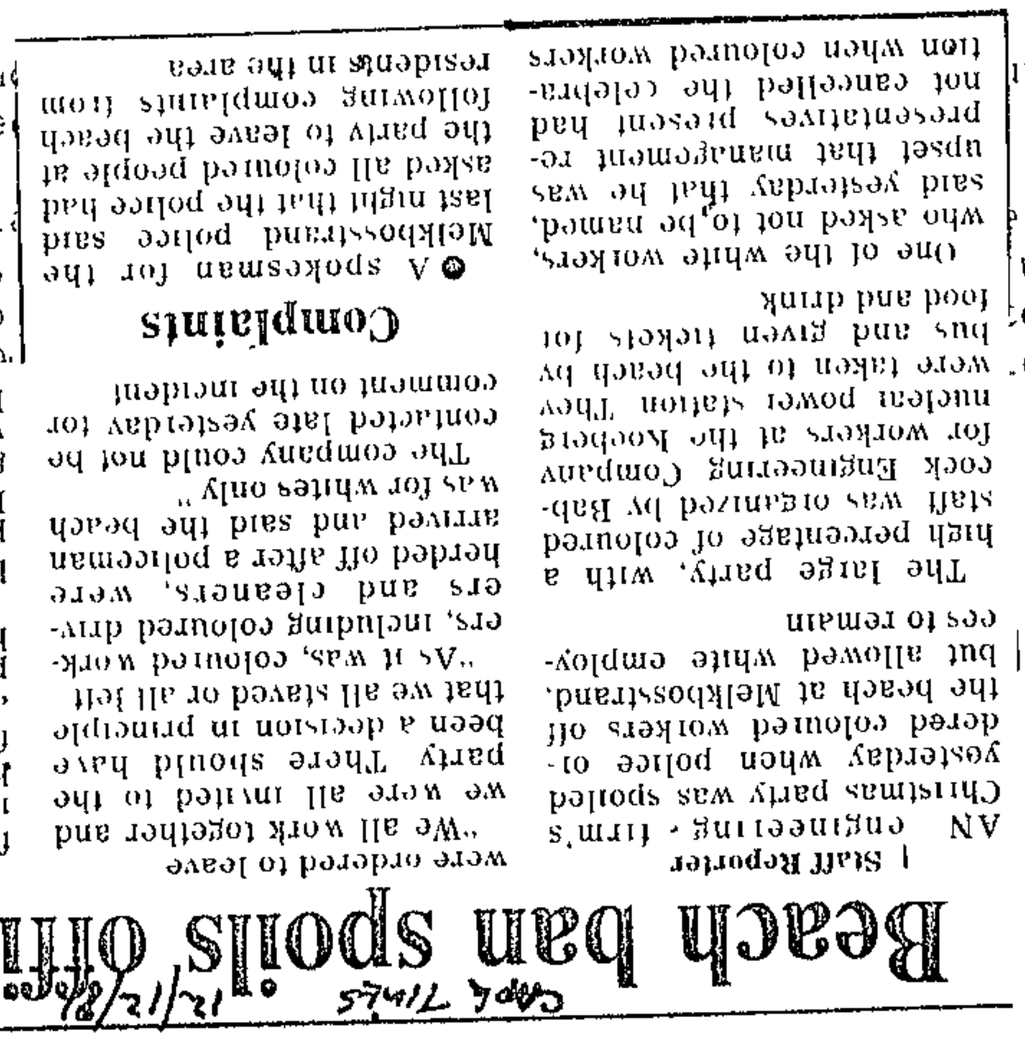

Beach ban spoils office party

Staff Reporter

AN engineering firm's Christmas party was spoiled yesterday when police ordered coloured workers off the beach at Melkbosstrand, but allowed white employees to remain

The large party, with a high percentage of coloured staff was organized by Babcock Engineering Company for workers at the Koeberg nuclear power station They were taken to the beach by bus and given tickets for food and drink

One of the white workers, who asked not to be named, said yesterday that he was upset that management representatives present had not cancelled the celebration when coloured workers were ordered to leave

"We all work together and we were all invited to the party There should have been a decision in principle that we all stayed or all left

"As it was, coloured workers, including coloured drivers and cleaners, were herded off after a policeman arrived and said the beach was for whites only"

The company could not be contacted late yesterday for comment on the incident

A spokesman for the Melkbosstrand police said last night that the police had asked all coloured people at the party to leave the beach following complaints from residents in the area

"We received complaints from people and went out to investigate These people had not obtained permission from the Divisional Council and we asked the coloured people to leave the beach," he said

The spokesman said the beach, near the old caravan park, was in a 'white area' He said the coloured party-goers whom, he claimed, were in the minority had left the area peacefully

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The @COPY statement will then transfer this file from FILEA to tape. The @COPY,F is used because a data file is not in program file format and no processor procedure tables, etc., need to be transferred. The @FIN statement releases both TPF$ and the tape file. To place the data back into mass storage, the file on tape will have to be @COPY'ed from tape to mass storage.

EXAMPLE 12

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@RUN        RUNID,1744Ø8,PROJFLD
@ASG,A      DATAFILE
@ASM,IL
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@XQT
@ADD        DATAFILE
@FIN
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ment. The assembler p into TPF$ and the execution
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read by the executing the @XQT card, but in this in-
stance the data is bei file, DATAFILE, rather than
having the actual card ollowing the @XQT card.
When the run @FIN's, b released. However, the data
file will still reside catalogued file.

EXAMPLE 13

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@RUN        RUNID
@ASG,CP     DATAF.
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@END
@FREE       DAF
@START      DATAFI
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Nineteen councilors present 9/12/81 282

Staff Reporter

THE mayor, Mr Kosie van Zyl, who opened the new "whites only" Muizenberg Pavilion yesterday, said 19 city councillors had attended the opening in spite of received threats of a mass boycott.

Councillor Tom Walters told the Cape Times he knew of at least 15 councillors who would not attend the opening.

"This was wishful thinking, irresponsible and unfair," said the mayor.

"Three councillors were on leave, five sent in their regrets for business and other commitments, three accepted and did not attend and only four did not reply."

Mr Walters stressed yesterday that he had not organized a boycott, but had accurately judged the feelings of his fellow councillors, fifteen of whom had not attended the opening.

"The opening of the Multizenberg Pavilion was a most insensitive operation. Any denial that there was a mass stayaway on these grounds is a manifestation of the Jurgen collective self-conscience operating."

After the opening yesterday, the mayor was asked whether he agreed with another councillor's view that the opening should not be "a great fanfare of tea and cakes" but a discreet event from which we depart quietly with our tails between our legs."

The mayor replied "Everyone enjoyed their cakes and tea, and I do not think it would have been intrudig if the opening had been more ostentatious."

Beach apartheid: 7 charged

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Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — Seven people have been charged here under the Separate Amenities Act for bathing on beaches reserved for whites.

This was confirmed today by the Police Liaison Officer for the Eastern Cape, Major Gerrie van Rooyen.

Police charged the people and warned others to leave the beaches after receiving complaints from the public, said Major van Rooyen.

The seven people have all been given the option of paying R30 admission of guilt fines.

The police action coincided with a decision by City Council yesterday to retain beach apartheid.

The council's policy and resources committee decided to call for further reports from senior municipal officials on the facilities available and to find out the Provincial Administration's stand on beach development.

The Coloured and Indian management committees had recommended that beach apartheid be scrapped.

Testing time on beaches

ARGUS 26/12/81

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BY VIVIEN HORLER

TROUBLE on Cape Town's beaches over the holiday period could mean the introduction of enclosures, turnstiles and other measures designed to control crowds.

The City Council has steadfastly refused to enforce beach apartheid but problems over this holiday season could result in the situation being taken out of the council's hands by the Provincial Council.

NO EXCUSE

In a statement which carefully avoided any mention of race, the Administrator, Mr Eugene Louw, warned that if the situation on certain beaches could not be controlled by the council, the Provincial Executive Committee would seek special powers to enforce control at provincial level.

Now the leader of the opposition in the Provincial Council, Mr Herbert Hirsch, says reasonable order is vital 'to ensure that the Provincial Administration is given no excuse to carry out its veiled threats.'

Mr Hirsch went on: 'I support the Administrator's call on the public to exercise courtesy and good behaviour. But I would go further and call for tolerance and understanding, especially on those few days when the beaches are likely to be overcrowded.'

Mr Hirsch said the Administrator's threats, similar to those issued by the MEC in charge of local government, Mr Hernus Kriel, did not contribute to the maintenance of the happy spirit of the holiday period.

'In fact, seen together with the National Party's ideological legislation, such utterances can only lead to a deterioration in race relations and are likely to create problems rather than prevent them.'

Mr Hirsch said he wanted to pay tribute to the vast majority of those people who used our beaches during the past few summers, especially those from Sea Point to Hout Bay.'

'They displayed tolerance and goodwill and demonstrated that the problems caused by overcrowding were limited to relatively few days and weren't as bad as the small number of vociferous voices would suggest.'

With the increased number of trained beach constables available this season Mr Hirsch said it should be possible severely to limit the activities of hooligans

The Town Clerk designate of Cape Town, Dr Stan Evans, said he was sure the people of Cape Town and visitors would do their best to see that the beaches were properly used to the benefit of all.

'There will be big crowds of all people on the beaches, and naturally crowds can lead to intolerance. But tolerance is needed,' he said.

EXPECTATIONS

He would be sad if control was taken out of the hands of the council, he said, because the council had put a lot of money and care into looking after what happened on the beaches.

'We'd like to feel that the beach users will live up to our expectations and that the introduction by province of further measures will be unnecessary.'

Apartheid of the beaches

THE racial designation of the Peninsula beaches is:

From Silwerstroom to the boundary of the reserved Koeberg area: coloured.

From the Koeberg area south to the laybay known as Derdesteen: white.

From Derdesteen to Eerstesteen: open.

From Eerstesteen through Blouberg to the Milnerton boundary: white.

Between Mouille Point to Bakoven: white, excluding Sunset Beach and Malden's Cove, which are coloured.

From Bakoven to Llandudno: open.

From Llandudno beach to Duiker Point (just beyond Sandy Bay): white.

From Duiker Point to Hout Bay harbour: open.

From the harbour to the Disa River: open.

From Disa River to Flora Bay: white.

From Flora Bay to Ratelklip: open.

From Noordhoek beach through Kommetjie to the Slangkop lighthouse: white.

From the lighthouse to the end of the Soetwater recreational area: coloured.

From Soetwater to the corner of Witsands: open.

From Witsands through Scarborough to the beginning of the Nature Reserve: white.

From the reserve boundary round Cape Point to Buffels Bay (excluding two areas which are closed to the public): open.

Buffels Bay: white.

From Bordjiesdrif to Venus Pool: coloured.

From Venus Pool to Smitswinkel Bay: open.

From Smitswinkel Bay through to Miller's Point and Simon's Town as far as Long Beach (near Simon's Town station): white.

Long Beach: coloured.

From Long Beach through Glencairn to Fish Hoek (excluding 100 m on the Fish Hoek side of Silvermine River which has been set aside for coloured Fish Hoek workers): white.

From Clovelly to Kalk Bay: white.

Kalk Bay harbour and beach: coloured.

From Kalk Bay to a point 500 m east of Sunrise Beach: white.

From that point to Swartklip: open.

b. File Assigning - Once a file is catalogued, each time a run requires the use of the file, it may be assigned via the @ASG statement in the run stream or dynamically from the user program or automatically by certain system processors.

c. File Utilization and Referencing - The System examines file accesses to determine the access mode in which the file is being referenced. In sequentially accessed files, only the current granule table is retained in main storage.

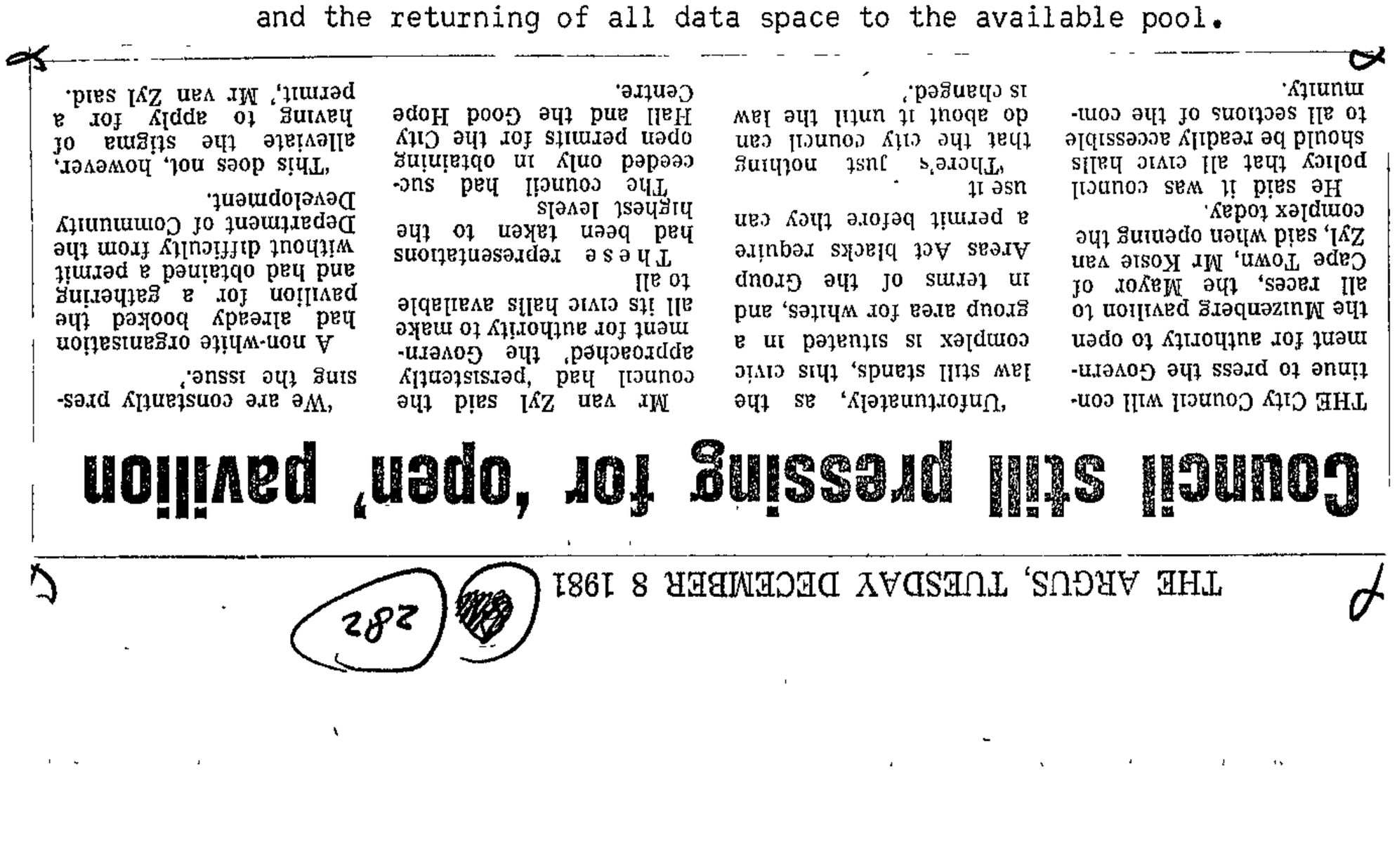
In randomly accessed files, the necessary granule tables are called into main storage on an as-needed basis, and retained in main storage until the file is released. Granule tables are normally stored in the Program Control Table. If two or more runs have the same file assigned, then only one copy of the granule table is kept within the System's general pooling space (EXPOOL).

d. File Expansion - The file control routine is responsible for creating and maintaining the Master File Directory. When dynamic expansion is required, a greater number of granules are acquired than are needed to satisfy the request. This technique tends to reduce the number of times the file will need expansion. However, inappropriate use of the dynamic file expansion capability can be responsible for an inordinate amount of processing overhead.

e. File Contraction - Storage areas within a file may be returned to the 'available' status, thus reducing the number of assigned granules. This user initiated process is called file contraction. This function is performed by a user program, not control statements.

f. File Release - If write activity has taken place, the newly created or modified granule tables are returned to the Master File Directory when a file is released (via a Free Control Statement) or at the conclusion of a task.

g. File Decataloging - File decataloging results in the removal of the file directory items from the Master File Directory, and the returning of all data space to the available pool.



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Council still pressing for 'open' pavilion

THE City Council will continue to press the Government for authority to open the Muizenberg pavilion to all races, the Mayor of Cape Town, Mr Kosie van Zyl, said when opening the complex today.

He said it was council policy that all civic halls should be readily accessible to all sections of the community.

"There's just nothing that the city council can do about it until the law is changed."

"Unfortunately, as the law still stands, this civic complex is situated in a group area for whites, and in terms of the Group Areas Act blacks require a permit before they can use it

Mr van Zyl said the council had 'persistently approached' the Government for authority to make all its civic halls available to all

These representations had been taken to the highest levels

The council had succeeded only in obtaining open permits for the City Hall and the Good Hope Centre.

"We are constantly pressing the issue."

A non-white organisation had already booked the pavilion for a gathering and had obtained a permit without difficulty from the Department of Community Development.

"This does not, however, alleviate the stigma of having to apply for a permit," Mr van Zyl said.

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Post Focus

Beach apartheid in PE: the few score to the detriment of the many

By MOKONE MOLETE

ONE of the most controversial issues in the Eastern Cape this year was the question of opening beaches to all races.

In 1981, there were six reported incidents — and who knows how many unreported ones — of blacks being "removed" from beaches reserved for whites.

The most recent published incident occurred on the Day of the Vow when 50 coloured bathers were forced to leave Sardinia Bay beach after a single complaint to police

One of the incidents — at East London's Orient Beach — led Ciskei's Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, the Rev W M Xaba, to say that the then homeland's police force would break off ties with the South African Police in East London.

The Minister of Police, Mr Le Grange, reacted by deploring the action of Ciskeian police to involve the SAP in "a political conflict it appears to want to create with SA"

Earlier, the Border Divisional Commissioner of Police, Brigadier J H du Plessis, had declared that beach apartheid would be enforced "to the letter"

"We have warned and reprimanded people. We will no longer excuse anybody," he said.

A recent report by the Port Elizabeth City Engineer set out the beach facilities available in the city as follows:

● The white population (155 000 persons) has an exclusive use of about 28,4km of coastline.

This includes the coastline to the north and south of the Swartkops River and the southern coastline from the harbour breakwater to Sardinia Bay, but excludes small "open" areas between Willows and Schoenmakerskop

● The coloured population group (116 200 persons) has the exclusive use of roughly 6km of coastline, of which 2km is unusable for general family recreation because of the sea wall.

The major beaches at Joorst Park and King Neptune are at a considerable distance from the major coloured residential areas.

● The black population group (223 000 persons) has the exclusive use of about 2km of coastline, of which 1km to the south of St George's Strand is allocated on a temporary basis.

Both areas are fairly reasonably located to the main black residential areas.

● The Indian population group (5 300 persons) has recently been allocated the exclusive use of roughly 500m of coastline to the south of Joorst Park.

This area is at considerable distance from the Indian residential area

From the above, it is clear that whites not only have the biggest area of coastline available to them, but they also have the advantage of beaches close to where they live.

And the best recreational facilities are at "white" beaches.

The chairmen of both the Indian and coloured management committees have repeatedly stated their opposition to beach apartheid.

"Beaches are God's gift to mankind and do not belong to any one section of the population," said Mr Raman Bhana, chairman of the Indian Management Commitee (IMC).

The Administrator of the Cape, Mr Eugene Louw commented as follows in a speech to the Cape Municipal Association held in Port Elizabeth in May:

"Local authorities should not exploit the issue of integrated beaches for political ends.

"I ask the local authorities to assist the provincial authorities with the maintanance of order, with the greater control over numbers, with the appointment of beach constables when necessary and with the adoption of municipal regulations if neccesary.

"Without the full co-operation of local authorities we cannot secure orderly life, orderly recreation and orderly lifestyles," he said.

Yet there have been very few incidents of racial friction at mixed beaches. And it takes only one offended bather to complain about the presence of blacks at a reserved beach for police to take action.

The safest bathing areas are found between the harbour and Cape Recife. Major white residential areas within the municipal area are generally conveniently located in relation to these area.

Earlier, at the opening of the Provincial Council, Mr Louw said: "I want to spell it out clearly that we strive at all times for the ideal of sufficient beach facilities within reach of all population groups within the limits of reason, for the orderly use of beaches.

"There can however, not be orderly usage if there is a lack of sufficient facilities, and facilities cannot be provided if the funds are not available".

He indicated that R40 million was needed to improve the beach facilities and and inland resort development in the Cape Province.

He also said R600 000 might be spent on projects in Port Elizabeth this year.

What happened? The Dias Divisional Council was provided with R215 000 by the Cape Provincial Administration for its plans to start a multiracial beachfront project between the Willows and Schoenmakerskop. The entire project would cost R750 000.

Two reports from the the City Engineer, Dr D M McCallum, before the Policy and Resources Committee this year recommended that before any beaches were desegregated certain minimum facilities, such as access and circulation routes, parking areas, services and public facilities, and holiday accomodation be provided at beaches reserved for other population groups.

The reports also recommended that to control numbers using the beachfront facilities, an entrance fee be considered, and that a substantial increase be made in the annual allocations for beach facilities

He also said desegration would cause a flow of blacks and coloured to beaches re

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served for whites due to lack of facilities for blacks at their beaches.

These suggestions have been rejected by the IMC and the CMC.

The chairman of the IMC, Mr R Bhana, said it was "only logical" to improve all facilities and open them to all.

Lack of action on the part of the city seems to be another problem.

A spokesman for the Black Sash said in a statement recently, that the municipality had taken a "long, long time" to recommend the opening of beaches and had stalled by calling for final studies and more recomendations.

A councillor, Mr T Herbst, reacted to the Sardinia Bay incident by saying: "Nobody in authority wants to act on this crucial issue, and we are now faced with a situation of confrontation".

He said the time had come for the council to take a realistic look at the situation. If left unsolved, it would be even worse later.

"We are faced with a period of adjustment and of give and take. The longer we ignore it the worse the consequences," he said.

Beach visitors fined

Daily Dispatch 30/12/81

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PORT ELIZABETH — Ten black holidaymakers, including some from Johannesburg and the Western Cape, were fined for being on whites-only beaches along Port Elizabeth's Marine Drive.

A bus load of coloured people and an undisclosed number of Indian people were ordered off Pollok beach earlier this week.

This was confirmed yesterday by the police liaison officer, Major G. van Rooyen.

Mr Omar Mallick, said he and his Johannesburg friends intended paddle-skiing at Flat Rocks beach when they were approached by policemen and fined R20 each.

They realised it was a white beach only when a distant sign was pointed out to them, he said. — DDC.

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A SECOND CLASS START TO ARMY LIFE FOR NOEL

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Sunday Tribune 3/1/82

APARTHEID reared its ugly head once again yesterday when a young coloured military recruit had to use a second class coach while his white colleagues sat in a first class one.

Noel Fynn (19) of Highflats was the only black person to leave Durban yesterday for Belville in the Cape to undergo two years of army training. He volunteered for Cape Corps.

His father, Mr Morris Fynn, Natal chairman of the Congress of the People, said he was very proud of his son going to the army but was disappointed that he could not share the same coach as his white colleagues.

"There is nothing we can do about it but at our next conference I will be taking up the issue very strongly," said Mr Fynn.



Mr Morris Fynn says goodbye to his son Noel, while mother Maureen and sister Noelene look on

Mr Fynn, a former member of the CRC, said that he believed that every South African should undergo army training.

"When I visited the operational area a few years ago I was very impressed at what I saw and I believe that every South African irrespective of race has a duty to defend his country," said Mr Fynn.

All races can swim together in a hired municipal pool

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Mercury Reporter

ALL races can swim together in any municipal pool in Durban if it is hired, Mr E D Scarr, deputy director of the Department and Parks, Recreation and Beaches, said yesterday.

Mr Scarr was reacting to claims that there might be opposition from a particular race group if there was mixing of races at municipal pools in areas set aside for the different race groups, after the Amateur Swimming Association of Natal and the Southern Natal Swimming Association (African) merged on Sunday.

He said that if the new organisation hired any of the municipal pools in Durban it would have control over the pool for the period it was hired.

'The organisation can invite any race to swim in the pool without any interference from my department or from the council,' said Mr Scarr, adding, however, that it was the responsibility of the hirer to see that the laws of the country were not transgressed in any way

The two swimming bodies meet at the Teacher's Centre in Durban on Sunday to merge.

Mr D K Singh, vice-chairman of Amateur Swimming Association of Natal, said yesterday that the merger was a mere formality.

'After a merger of all the provincial organisations there will be a meeting between the South African Swimming Federation and the South African National Amateur Swimming Association (African) in Cape Town on January 31 where the two bodies will officially merge,' he said.

After the merger of the two Natal bodies a swimming gala will be held in Durban early next month.

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Pretoria rejects all-race cinema

By JOUBERT MALHERBE

THE management committee of the Pretoria City Council yesterday rejected an application by two theatres in the city to have all race status granted to them

The committee also rejected an application by Edgars for a multi-racial restaurant at the Standard Bank Centre branch on the corner of Church and Van der Walt streets.

The committee supported the application by the coloured community of Eersterust for the use of the Pretoria City Hall for the Jacaranda Ball in October this year

The two cinemas are a few hundred metres from the Breytenbach Theatre which sparked a major row in 1979 when the Performing Arts Council of Transvaal applied for all-race status at the theatre.

The management committee then refused to grant the application because it said the theatre was in a "white area"

Mr Bennet Ndlazi, president of Mamelodi's Vulamehlo Vukani People's Party, appealed to the council to grant the CIC application.

Opposed

A spokesman for the Herstigte Nasionale Party — which is fielding 20 candidates in March's municipal elections — said his party was opposed to the opening of cinemas in Pretoria

The Edgars application was rejected because the management committe said there was no demand for more open restaurants in Pretoria's city centre

Two restaurants of OK Bazaars branches were granted all-race status at the beginning of last year

Indian rejected by white golf club

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Mercury Reporter

THE application by a businessman, the son of an Indian Council member, to join the all-white Greytown Country Club's golf section has been rejected, Mr Ken Harris, chairman of the club, said yesterday.

And the golfer's father, Mr Rabindranas Bheekie, Indian Council member for Greytown, said the bar on his son from the only golf club in the Midlands town would be taken up at the next Indian Council meeting.

Mr Harris said the application by Mr Sursuray Bheekie, a promising golfer, to become a member had been rejected some time ago and after reconsideration this week club members again refused to accept him.

'It is a private matter therefore I cannot give you the reasons why the application was rejected,' Mr Harris said

Mr Bheekie senior said he had been asked by the Indian Council executive chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, to make a full report so that the matter could be discussed at the first Indian Council session in Durban in February

His son sometimes travelled to Durban to have a game of golf as there was nowhere in Greytown for him to play.

According to Mr Bheekie senior the young golfer had made it clear to the club that he was only interested in using the course and not the other facilities.

'In view of this I cannot see why the white members of the club are objecting,' said Mr Bheekie.

He said that because there were only one or two Indians who were keen on golf in Greytown it would be unfair to ask the local authority to provide a course for blacks

Families stranded without water after failing to meet cash demand

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Mercury Reporter

TWENTY-TWO Indian families and several blacks in Greylands, Tongaat, are still without water a week after the Tongaat Town Board cut off piped water to the area.

Residents in the area said yesterday that the water was stopped without notice because they had failed to pay R12 650 which the board is demanding for supplying the area with purified water.

Mr Gerald Ramsesar, a spokesman for the affected families, said they had only learned of the board's demands after the water was cut off. He said all the residents had contributed towards paying for the water for more than 20 years.

The Town Clerk of Tongaat, Mr V Parkhouse, said a letter calling on the residents to pay had been sent to the landlord to whom the water was supplied. The 22 families were not ratepayers of the town, he said

According to the letter the board called on the residents to pay the R12 650 in six months at 14 percent interest.

Can't pay

Reasons given for wanting payment were to remove some of the financial burden from the ratepayers of Tongaat, and also to raise capital to improve the service.

A majority of the 22 families spoken to yesterday said they could not afford to meet the board's demands.



MRS Daramathie Maharaj ... the taps are dry.

'We agreed to pay the R2 592 deposit but we can't afford the balance,' said Mrs Saris Rooplall.

She said that without piped water, which they had been receiving for many years, some of the people in the area were now getting water from ponds and a nearby stream.

'With cholera so rife in many areas I wouldn't be surprised if it spreads to Tongaat,' Mrs Rooplall said.

Mr Ramesar said he could not understand why the board wanted payment of R12 650 when all the pipes in the area had been put in at the expense of the residents. He also failed to understand how Tongaat ratepayers were being burdened because all water consumed by the 22 families was paid for.



JOSEPH Gasa, who has worked at the market for 25 years, heartened by the news that the market will be re-sited nearby. In the background is stallholder Mr A Singh, trading there for 36 years.

'Out you go'

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Stallholders told to quit Port Shepstone market by end of month

Mercury Reporter

MORE than 100 Indian and African market gardeners and stallholders in the Port Shepstone Market have been served with notice to vacate the market by the end of the month.

But Town Clerk J J Steyn yesterday assured them that they would not be thrown on to the street if they were not found alternative accommodation by February 28.

He said his council was presently looking at plans for a new market, costing 'in the region of R25 000' to be sited near the main Harding road.

The present market in Aiken Street, which has been there for more than 40 years, has been sold.

Worried market gardeners and stallholders told the Mercury yesterday that they were having sleepless nights after receiving the notice to vacate.

'Some of us have been trading in the market for more than 30 years and depended on it for our livelihood,' said Mr A Singh, a stallholder for the past 36 years.

Mr Kisten Mooiley, chairman of the Marburg Town Board, who is also chief spokesman for the market gardeners and stallholders, said he had been in constant touch with the Town Council for a suitable alternative site for the market.

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No, says Mayor to 'fun' park for blacks

Mercury Reporter

DURBAN'S mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, said yesterday there was no way in which she would agree to the Durban Country Club golf course being turned into an amusement park for Indians, coloureds and blacks.

Reacting to a suggestion by Mr Nick Steyn, former Durban councillor and beachfront amusement park owner, that the course should be used as a picnic area for blacks, she said that she was totally opposed to separate facilities being provided for the different race groups in Durban.

'There is adequate land along Durban's beaches to provide facilities for all races therefore I would not like to interfere with the Country Club,' she said, adding that she would hate to see facilities go up on the beachfront for any particular race group.

Mr Steyn said yesterday that although his suggestion might sound silly now it would have to be considered later.

He said if the club were turned into a black park it would improve the inadequate facilities for blacks on the beachfront.

'Indians, coloureds and Africans are presently being herded like cattle into a narrow strip on the beachfront which is separated from the Country Club by the North Coast freeway, while only a few golfers use the course,' he said.

Mr Steyn said several suggestions had been made in the past to improve beach facilities for blacks in Durban, but little had been done.

'There is no other place except the Country Club which can be used to provide better beach facilities for blacks,' he said.

Durban Councillor Stan Lange said yesterday that Mr Steyn was merely kite-flying.

'First of all I cannot see the Country Club giving up the course, just as I cannot see Mr Steyn quitting his amusement park,' said Mr Lange.

A spokesman for the Durban Country Club last night refused to comment except to say that the club had a long lease on the land which expires some time in the next century.

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Coloureds shun 'foreign' resort traders

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By GEORGE MAHABEER

NATAL coloureds are up in arms over the purchase of properties at "inflated" prices in Ifafa Beach by "foreign" coloureds from Transkei.

Ifafa Beach, on the Natal south coast, was proclaimed a coloured area last year by the Department of Community Development.

The area had been owned and occupied by whites who had developed it into a beautiful complex with several holiday cottages, a hotel, caravan park and a trading store.

Ifafa Beach has its own post office and tidal pool ... all trains operating on the main South Coast line stop about 200m from the shoreline.

Since the area was expropriated by the department, the hotel and trading store have been taken over by two Transkeian businessmen.

Row

Mr Ivan James bought the Ifafa Beach Hotel for an estimated R200 000, and Mr Brian Hughes purchased the trading store for an undisclosed amount.

Mr James owns a cartage and brick manufacturing company in Umtata, and Mr Hughes operates a fleet of buses between Transkei and Durban.

Mr Hughes is believed to have paid R95 000 for a house which overlooks the Indian Ocean.

The caravan park — which has its own swimming pool, cafetaria and entertainment hall — has been leased from the Department by a former Durban schoolteacher, Mr Tommy Abrahams and his wife Valda.

However, the takeover by the coloureds has started a row.

Mrs Sarah James said that



Mrs SARAH JAMES
Hotel was boycotted

the hotel was being boycotted by Natal coloureds.

"They claim we have encroached into their area and that we have paid exorbitant prices for these trading sites and homes.

"They have called us all sorts of names, but they will never get us out of here," she said.

"My husband has been a very successful businessman in Umtata, and he has also been a building contractor.

"When he looked at this 21-bedroom hotel, he knew we were getting a good deal.

"If the Natal coloureds cannot afford to buy in Ifafa, they should not be angry if wealthy Transkeians take over," said Mrs James.

She said the objections against the presence of Transkeian coloureds at Ifafa were felt during the December holiday season when Natal coloureds attempted to boycott the hotel.

"We are now going on a big publicity campaign to attract holidaymakers from outside Natal," said Mrs James.

The new owners also plan to make an application for an international licence.

Mrs James said several whites, who have not sold up and moved out of Ifafa, join local coloureds for a pint.

"We have told the whites if they wish to join our people they are welcome.

"We also allow blacks and Indians into the hotel."

Since local whites left their homes, and only a few coloureds have moved into the area, business has not been good at the trading store.

But the Hughes get their fleet of buses, travelling between Durban and the Transkei, to stop at the shop.

Mrs Valda Abrahams said white caravaners from the Transvaal and Orange Free State seem shocked when they were told the area was for coloureds.

"The park is fully booked for the holiday season, and we have so far attracted very well-behaved caravaners," she said.

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City warned about all-race beaches

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Municipal Reporter

DURBAN City Council could find itself in trouble with the Administrator if it applies for permission to desegregate the beaches.

This warning has been issued by the City Engineer, Mr Don Macleod, in a letter to the Town Clerk, Mr Gordon Haygarth, which the subcommittee considering desegregation of beaches will discuss on Monday morning

In November last year the subcommittee called for a report by the City Engineer on the opening of Battery Beach I and II and the beach adjoining the Snake Park for multiracial use. This would be on the basis of either charging an entry fee or allowing free entry to the area

Mr Macleod's letter says that in 1977 — when awarding the contract for the separate facilities at the beaches — the council had given racial friction and the need for urgent action as its reasons for not going to tender

Shortly afterwards the Administrator had appointed a committee to investigate alleged maladministration and malpractice on the part of the councillors and the tender question was very closely examined.

Mr Macleod says that although the council and its officers were not found guilty, it must be remembered they had argued that the urgent provision of separate facilities on the beachfront had been necessary to avoid racial friction

Difficulty

The letter says 'Even if a charge were to be made for entry, which is the second alternative envisaged by the subcommittee, the re-introduction of Africans into the area might cause some difficulty, but this certainly would be a situation different from that existing in 1977.'

Mr Macleod asks the committee to decide whether or not people should be charged to use the beach, because the design for multiracial facilities would be vastly different in each case.

The letter is dated January 6 and Councillor Peter Corbett said yesterday 'I am appalled that it has taken four months to come up with nothing and that the Town Clerk or subcommittee chairman should have sat on the City Engineer's letter for 2½ months One wonders if it is just inefficiency or whether they are trying to delay matters I am staggered that nothing at all has happened'

Another councillor, Mr Cornelius Koekemoer, has predicted that no progress will be made 'because we are so close to the next municipal election'.

He had first called for an international beach in 1976 and suggested Blue Lagoon It was just before the municipal elections and he had been nearly lynched by his fellow councillors who had quickly put the matter to bed.

Hotly debated

In October 1980 — a month before the General Election — Mr Corbett raised the matter again It was hotly debated by the Amenities Committee which decided to drop the issue in view of the election

In a Natal Mercury Opinion Survey, conducted by Prof Lawrence Schlemmer last year, it came through loud and clear that while two out of three white ratepayers favour integration on the buses, only 12 percent favour all the beaches going multiracial and another 14 percent wanted segregated beaches to stay, with the addition of one mixed beach

Prof Schlemmer commented 'The issue of mixed bathing evokes all kinds of sexual symbolism Even though it may sound irrational, many people actually perceive the bikini or scanty swimsuit as some kind of invitation to the opposite sex.

'With this in context, the issue of racial integration or separation of beaches acquires an emotional content which hardened beachgoers would find difficult to credit

'For this reason it is one of the most difficult political issues Our results show that the Durban public, although relatively enlightened and rational regards bus integration, is extremely cautious about beach integration.'

Apartheid signs defaced

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BEACH apartheid signs in The Strand were defaced with black paint last night and an organisation called Alles Vir Almal Suid-Afrika (Avasa) has claimed responsibility.

The controversial bright orange signs with the words 'beach and sea area for whites only' were erected at the end of last year.

A Strand resident who discovered the defaced signs said the signs were all sprayed with black paint and in most cases the word white had been obliterated.

A spokesman for the Avasa who phoned The Argus later said the organisation would continue to attack similar signs of racial discrimination in South Africa.

He emphasised that the organisation was an Afrikaans one.

ENFORCED BY POLICE

When the signs were put up coloured people who live at The Strand were deeply offended. Mr Nadeen Daniels, chairman of the coloured management committee, described the signs as 'an advertisement for apartheid, blatantly offensive and an insult to our community.'

During the holiday season policemen patrolling the area enforced beach apartheid.

The resident who saw the defaced signs today said it would be very expensive to replace the signs.

Multirace beach talks may be lengthy

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THE meeting to discuss Durban's proposed multiracial beach will probably only be held at the end of April and the City Engineer, Mr Don Macleod, says if the council opts for free access to the beach it would take a 'very long time' to produce the necessary report.

In November last year the sub-committee called for an engineer's report on the opening of Battery Beach I and II or the beach adjoining the Snake Park for multiracial use.

The sub-committee met for the first time on Monday but the meeting was deferred after it had taken 50 minutes to form a quorum and there was insufficient information available.

The chairman, Mr Neil MacLennan, said the meeting would probably be reconvened on Friday or Monday.

But a committee clerk said yesterday that it was proving difficult to settle on a date that suited all nine sub-committee members. The Easter Holidays had complicated matters and it was unlikely the meeting would be held before the end of April.

The City Engineer has asked for a firm directive from the sub-committee on whether his report should be based on facilities for controlled entry to the beach by charging a fee or whether access should be free — as the facilities in each case would be vastly different.

Yesterday he said:'If they decide to charge a fee for access to the beach I could probably have a report out in a couple of weeks. But if access is to be free the matter will have to go to the Management Committee. It is a sensitive issue.

'There is a limited stretch of beach and we could have problems if the multiracial beach proved too small to accommodate all those who wanted to use it. I would not be happy to press ahead with a report until public opinion had been sought and I can't see the council acting without doing so. Someone like Prof Schlemmer would probably be asked to conduct an opinion poll and all this could take months.'

Mr Macleod said controlled access posed fewer problems, the only beach that was suitable for controlled access was the one adjoining the Snake Park.

'You can't go erecting fences to set aside a beach and the Snake Park Beach is the only one not used by a special race group which has natural barriers — stormwater drains at either end, sand dunes and bush.

He had told the Director of Parks and Beaches he was not opposed to the Natal Board Sailing Club being allowed to upgrade the facilities at the section of beach adjoining the Snake Park.

He said: 'Besides the fact that it would probably be the most suitable to convert to a multiracial beach, I cannot approve the club digging into the sand dune to provide parking, as their plan indicates they would do.'

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Council looking at open beaches

By FAY SALEH

THE Durban City Council is considering opening part of the city's beachfront to all races and has appointed a sub-committee to investigate the matter.

The council has also approached Durban's local affairs committees (Lacs) to give their views on desegregating beaches and swimming pools in their areas.

This is the first time that the council has officially asked the Lacs, which represent the Indian and coloured communities of Durban, to give their opinions on the matter.

The four Lacs have declared that they are unanimously in favour of opening beaches and swimming pools in their areas to all race groups.

Enlightened

The three Lacs representing Indians — the Northern Durban LAC, the Southern Durban LAC and the Grey Street LAC — and the coloured LAC have indicated that, not only are they in favour of opening beaches and swimming pools in their areas, but they also want all public facilities and amenities opened to all race groups.

The chairman of the sub-committee, Mr H N C Maclennan, said a decision would be taken only after the reports of the city engineer on the implications of desegregating beaches, and reports by the Department of Parks and Recreation had been considered.

The sub-committee consists of four council members, including the chairman of the city council's amenities committee, Mr Pieter Breytenbach, the city treasurer, the city engineer (or his representative) and various officials from the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Mr A K Pillay, a member of the Southern Durban LAC, said he welcomed the council's move towards desegregation.

"The council is adopting an enlightened approach," he said.

The Southern Durban LAC represents Merebank, Chatsworth, Karwastan, Mobeni and Umhlatuzana Township.

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Classmate barred — so class shuns cinema

By FAY SALEH

A PUBLIC-relations class from the Natal Technikon refused to attend a showing of international prize-winning advertisements after they discovered that an Indian classmate could not attend because the cinema would admit only whites.

Eileen Pillay, 18, the only black in the class, said she was touched by her classmates' decision to stay away rather than attend without her.

"This is the first time something like this happened to me," she said.

"I know that in a racist society like ours people come across incidents like this all the time, but it really affected me. Even my family were hurt by this.

"I was glad that our lecturer had actually checked with the cinema before taking the class there, because it would have been 10 times more embarrassing had I been turned away from the cinema itself.

"The most touching thing for me was that my classmates, all of whom are white, decided to stand with me and not go to see the adverts," Eileen said.

Lecturer Mr Mike Brown said he had decided to check with the cinema before the show to see if it was open to all races.

When he was told that the show would be open only to whites he and the class decided not to go.

"Our students are of equal value. We don't have any second-class students, and we felt that if the students could not go as a class we would not see the show."

Mr Bernard Brown, manager of the Embassy Cinema, which is in the Ster-Kinekor group, said the show was playing to all-white audiences only because of a "capacity problem".

"The adverts are playing this week to white audiences at the Embassy and will play to blacks next week in the Isfahan Cinema.

"This is because we cannot accommodate everybody here and also because we are licensed as a white cinema," he said. The Embassy has 1 960 seats.

Durban boards move over all-race beach and pool

DURBAN City Council's subcommittee for desegregation of the beaches yesterday voted for a multiracial beach at Snake Park, to which an entry fee would be charged, and to open the Rachel Finlayson pool to all races.

After the meeting the chairman, Mr Neil MacLennan, said: 'We agreed to recommend to the Amenities Committee that a controlled beach be established between the Somtseu Road stormwater outfall and the one to be built at Argyle Road.'

Mr MacLenann said that although the committee felt there would be a need to control the density of crowds on the beach, it agreed it would be highly undesirable to fence a beach off

Snake Park Beach was considered ideal, with stormwater outfalls creating natural barriers at either end.

The decision to charge an entry fee was carried by one vote, with the only Local Affairs Committee member present, Mr B D Naidoo, voting in favour of the fee.

Another subcommittee member, Mr Cornelius Koekemoer, said he was strongly opposed to the choice of the multiracial beach and predicted an outcry from residents in the area.

He said 'While I support the establishment of an open beach, I do not think Snake Park Beach will be acceptable to those living in the area. Their views should be tested by referendum before any decision is taken

'My view is that whether people are required to pay or not, the subcommittee's recommendation will resuscitate the racial friction experienced in past years in the North Beach area.

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'The open beach will attract large numbers of blacks to the white beaches on either side because once the open beach is full they will overflow on to the others.

'This will place an onerous and unnecessary responsibility on council officials and the South African Police, who will be called on to exercise control.'

Mr Koekemoer said it would be better to turn the old African beach, between the existing coloured beach and a white beach, into an open area

Mr MacLennan said the subcommittee had agreed that the Rachel Finlayson pool should be opened to all races as the only saltwater pool in the city.

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Battle launched against multiracial beach



HAYDN Bradfield



HENRY Klotz

DURBAN city councillors Haydn Bradfield and Henry Klotz yesterday pledged to oppose the establishment of a multiracial beach at Snake Park, and angry ratepayers in the area moved to call a public protest meeting.

At the same time the Hotel and Bottle Store Association and Mr Nick Steyn, owner of beachfront amusements, welcomed the recommendation of the subcommittee for desegregation of the beaches, which voted on Wednesday to establish a multiracial beach at Snake Park and to control crowd density by charging a fee.

Their recommendation will go to the Amenities Committee, which will make recommendations to the city's Management Committee and finally the matter will be discussed by the full City Council.

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Yesterday Mr Bradfield and Mr Klotz issued a joint statement saying: 'We learned of the proposal with total amazement.

'We have had first-hand experience of the problems arising from the old African beach north of Snake Park.

'The North Beach area and Carpendale Park in particular were overrun by black people and the racial incidents were so bad that the council had to undertake a crash programme to adjust beach facilities.

'We even entered into a contract for facilities at the new African beach without going to tender in order to expedite the programme. And although the Administrator set up a commission of inquiry to look into the validity of our actions, we were completely exonerated.'

Objected

The Ward 1 councillors said they were not racists but experience had shown that the beach would not be truly multiracial — it would become a black beach by sheer weight of numbers and would be of no service to other race groups.

They discounted the value of levying a charge, because blacks, with their current spending power, would not be deterred

Mr Klotz and Mr Bradfield also did not believe the stormwater outfalls at Snake Park Beach would prove effective control barriers and objected to a multiracial beach in one of the city's most densely populated white areas.

Mr Phillip Kairuz, chairman of the Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association, said he had been inundated with calls of protest.

An emergency meeting would be called next week with the aim of collecting 250 signatures to press the Mayor into calling a public meeting.

Meanwhile, the Hotel and Bottle Store Association chairman, Mr Gerald Stanek, said. 'With the large number of international hotels in the city it is obvious that the multiracial beach must be within easy walking distance

'The principle of charging an entrance fee is accepted all over the world'

Mr Steyn, whose amusement park is multiracial, said there was a popular misconception among whites that other races created litter and dirt.

'Even our toilets are multiracial, but we clean them every two hours. Once you make people pay for a facility they become careful I believe all beachfront facilities should be multiracial but people should be charged for their use.'

The council could use the income from this to employ enough people to exercise control.'

Yesterday the Assistant Town Clerk, Mr D de Villiers, said the city did not charge a fee but special control officers had been employed.

There had been no need to regulate the number of people allowed on a beach because people could see for themselves when a beach was full.

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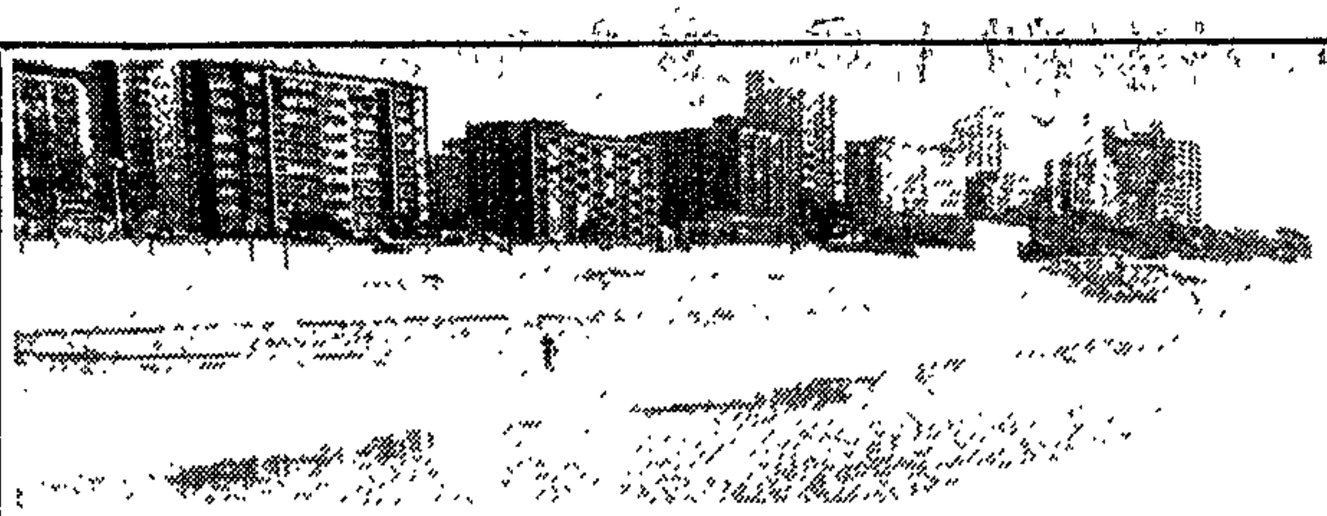

SNAKE Park beach. Quiet yesterday, but what does the future hold? Plans to throw it open to all races have stirred up a hornets' nest of controversy.

Snake Park beach 'dangerous'

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THE wisdom behind the Durban City Council's proposal to desegregate Snake Park beach was questioned yesterday, not because of the multiracial issue but because interested parties agreed that the beach was one of the most dangerous bathing areas in Durban

The only objectors to the council's idea on multiracial grounds were beachfront flat dwellers and owners

Reaction to opening the Rachel Finlayson saltwater pool to all races was also mixed, with those against the council's idea insisting that it was not a matter of race but of numbers

Mr Fritz Muller, owner of the snake park just off the beach, said yesterday that he had no objections to the beach being multiracial but felt that the City Council had not chosen the best site.

'Multiracial beaches seem to be working reasonably well in Cape Town, and I agree that charging people is probably the best form of crowd control, but if I was black I might object to that particular beach being given to me

'It is not the safest beach in Durban for bathers, which I think is what black people will want to use it for. And at the moment it is used almost exclusively by surfers and paddle-skiers.'

A group of surfers supported Mr Muller's claim that Snake Park beach was dangerous' for bathers, and argued that they were against the City Council's proposal because 'the sea would be swamped with swimmers'.

Jack van der Linden, who has been surfing off the beach since 1967, said he had no objection to blacks using the beach but believed that if it was desegregated it would become too crowded for surfers to use.

'There is not much surfing space in Durban. This is one of the few beaches we can use. I think the council should choose another beach,' he said.

Life guards on duty at Snake Park beach agreed that it was a dangerous bathing area, but said they would be able to hand beach officials by accepting responsibility for the safety of board sailers and making sure they all surf in the same spot'

Mr Wevill feared that the publicity the issue was attracting would encourage black bathers to start using the beach prematurely, which would be dangerous while board sailers were still using the area

Local fishermen had no objection to the beach becoming multiracial, and 76-year-old Mr Albert Tramontino said there had been no problems when Durban beaches were multiracial back in the 1920's.

One local resident, however, objected strongly. The supervisor of a block of flats opposite Snake Park beach said she was speaking for many of her tenants by opposing the move to desegregate the beach.

'It's bad enough as it is at the moment,' she said. 'When buses of blacks come down to the beachfront there is chaos They enter the flats, asking for money for schools and churches, and litter the streets outside our flats'

She said the beachfront's mugging problem would increase if



LOCAL fisherman Jean-Paul Dewaal had no objections to Snake Park beach becoming multiracial. 'Shad know no race,' he said.



SURFER Jack van der Linden said there were not many surfing spots left in Durban, and feared that surfers would be pushed out if Snake Park beach were

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Black bathers sensitive to the problems, says prof

Municipal Reporter

A SURVEY conducted among Durban's black beach users revealed that while most of them favoured integration, they were 'sensitive to the problems and delicacy of the situation', according to Prof Lawrence Schreached the stage where blacks and whites can work together on this issue and remain sensitive to each others needs. In fact Dr Valerie Moller and I are busy carrying out a further in-depth survey into the problems surrounding beach into the international hotels

Mr de Beer also objected to the subcommittee's proposal to create a multiracial beach being made public before the matter had reached a standing committee

Yesterday Mr Neil

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lemmer, head of the University of Natal's Center for Applied Human Sciences.

The professor also said while Durban's white citizens were split down the middle over a multiracial beach for the city, the majority of leading opinion-makers in the city favoured the proposal.

He said: 'A survey revealed that while 50 percent of the whites objected to integration, the other half accepted it, albeit with qualifications. And we found that two-thirds of the city's leading opinion-makers — people of all persuasions in positions of influence — were also in favour of integration'

He said: 'We have

Neutral

Prof Schlemmer warned that civic leaders who pandered to those resisting integration were being 'irresponsible with the future of our country'.

Commenting on the suitability of the Snake Park beach for open facilities, he said: 'I think a multiracial beach needs to be on neutral territory and it appears to come closest to this.'

Meanwhile Mr Louis de Beer, Bluff city councillor, has renewed his claim that 'a group of Prog councillors are giving the city away'

Durban, he said, had perfectly adequate separate facilties for each race group within easy access

the subcommittee for desegration of beaches said. 'Everybody knows that multiracial beaches are going to come, so surely it makes sense to prepare for this eventuality by learning how to handle it in a small way.'

The subcommittee has recommended that control of crowd density be by means of an entrance fee.

In Cape Town, where all the beaches on the Atlantic side are multiracial, the assistant town clerk there, Mr D de Villiers, said so far there had been no need to regulate the number of people allowed on to a beach. And in the three years since the beaches had been opened to all there had been very few problems.

dle large crowds of bathers by demarcating a bathing area.

They anticipated trouble however between bathers and surfers if the beaches were opened to all races.

Another group who will be affected if the council's proposals are accepted are Durban's windsurfers.

Mr Alan Wevill, president of the Natal Board Sailing Club, said that Snake Park was presently the only beach in Durban were board sails could be launched — another beach would have to be used if Snake Park was desegregated, he said.

'The Department of Parks, Recreation and Beaches allocated this beach to us for temporary use We take pressure off

the beach was opened to all races.

'The city councillors don't live here. They would realise the problems we face if they did,' she said.

At the Rachel Finlayson pool, opinions about the council's proposals were mixed yesterday, with the main objection being a fear that the pool would become overcrowded.

A regular bather for the last six years said he would not be using the pool anymore if the proposals were accepted, not for racial reasons but because of the numbers involved.

Another regular bather said that with the price one had to pay to get into the pool he felt that desegregation would not make any difference.

Mr Eroll Scarr, Director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches, said it was up to the council to decide on policy matters, and his department would implement any decisions they made.

Asked to comment, the chairman of the beach desegregation subcomittee, Mr Neil MacLennan said: 'We were assured by the City Engineer and the Director of Parks and Beaches that the Snake Park beach was safe for bathing.'

Protests on open hotels are likely

Political Reporter

MIXED dancing and bathing will be allowed in South African international hotels which apply to the Liqour Board to become fully multiracial.

The quietly introduced changes to regulations governing hotels were gazetted in March and became effective from April 1. They are likely to stir up strong protests from conservative elements in South Africa.

The concessions have not been publicised because of Government fears of a backlash.

Dr Ernst Uken, executive director of the Federated Hotels Association, said yesterday it was expected that the new regulations would have taken effect by the start of the holiday season in December.

Open theirs first, call

Political Reporter

IF IT were true that the majority of 'non-whites' wanted open beaches in Durban, then their beaches should be opened before those of the whites, Mr Brendan Willmer, Natal spokesman for the Conservative Party, said yesterday

He was reacting to the news that the Durban City Council will consider a sub-committee's recommendation to open the Snake Park beach to all races.

'The C P's view is that city councillors do not have a mandate to decide on this issue. No councillor in his election manifesto stated he supported multi-racial facilities. I doubt if any would have been elected had he done so.'



SNAKE Park owner Fritz Muller warned that the beach would be dangerous for bathers.

Coffins only 'fraction' of high cost of dying

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THE price of a coffin is only a fraction of the cost of professional services offered by undertakers, and should not be considered the most important feature.

Replying to the criticism that high-priced woods used in the manufacture of coffins made funerals unreasonably expensive, and put respectable burial beyond reach of many, a leading firm of Durban undertakers said yesterday that the public had been misinformed.

'What must be realised is that undertakers do not sell coffins, they sell funerals,' said one funeral director.

'The coffin is merely the container in which the deceased is put to rest — arrangements must be made and carried out for every stage of welfare from the time a person dies until the grave is covered or after the cremation.'

He emphasised that charges affecting funerals should be regarded in two categories: those of the undertakers, which include collection of the body; use of the parlour's mortuary; preparation of the body; supply of the coffin; use of the chapel for the service; transportation of the body by hearse to the cemetery or crematorium; and use of a 'family car' for relatives and necessary staff.

If the coffin were made from South African pine, these charges would not exceed R375.

The second category, or dispersement charges, include the grave-digging fee in the case of a ground burial, cremation fees, doctor's certificates and Press notices.

These, totalling nearly R210 in the case of burial, and R140 for cremation, were standard and were paid by the undertakers on the client's behalf and recovered later. A flower-spray was included.

Delicate

The charges total R585 for burial and R515 for cremation.

Archdeacon A J Draper said that in his experience undertakers were always very sympathetic and went out of their way to accommodate and console the bereaved.

'A lot of people do not appreciate the enormous amount of work, and delicate nature, of handling funerals. In many instances undertakers do their utmost to financially meet, and even assist, those who cannot afford a decent burial.'

Mr Draper said that because of the nature of the job, the right sort of man had to be found to handle funerals, and the cost of employing him obviously had to be shared.

Another minister said that in his dealings with Durban undertakers, the traditional belief of them being financial ghouls was nonsense.

'I have never heard of anyone being turned away, irrespective of a person's means or social status. I know they are always treated respectfully,' he said.

All-race beach plan gets the nod

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THE principle of a multiracial beach in Durban and the opening of the Rachel Finlayson pool to all races was given the go-ahead by the City Council's Amenities Committee yesterday.

But the committee voted against any fee being levied for use of the beach and was divided as to which beach it should be — Snake Park or the old African beach north of Battery Beach.

The recommendations will next be discussed by the full council in committee.

Amenities Committee chairman Pieter Breytenbach, said: 'We agreed on the need to establish an open beach, but felt it would not be right to levy an admission charge while the other beaches in the city are free.

But Amenities Committee votes against fee

'We also endorsed the opening of the Rachel Finlayson pool to all races because it is the only salt-water pool in the city. The Management Committee will be asked to formulate the necessary amendments to the bylaws.'

Mr Breytenbach said the committee had decided there should be no move at this stage to open all municipal swimming pools to all races.

He did not envisage a need for artificial barriers if the old African beach became multiracial.

Abstain

Two members of the Amenities Committee who did not attend the meeting were Mr Cornelius Koekemoer, who had asked for leave of absence because he was ill, and Mrs Ros Sarkin who had to fly to Pretoria on Film Festival business.

Those who did attend were Mr Neville Herrington, Mr Peter Mansfield, Mrs Margaret Winter and Mr Dick Burgess, the only member to abstain from voting for an open beach and who voted against opening the Rachel Finlayson pool to all races.

Meanwhile, the Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association has organised an emergency meeting at the Blue Waters Hotel at 7.30 p.m. on Friday. The chairman, Mr Philip Kairuz, said they were hoping to collect the 250 signatures required to get the Mayor to call a public meeting to protest against moves to open a beach to all races in their area.

Hundreds of angry residents turn down all-race beach

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No



SOME of the people who said no last night

LORRAINE TULLEKEN
Municipal Reporter

ABOUT 550 irate residents and ratepayers of Durban packed the pool deck of the Blue Waters Hotel last night to protest loudly against any form of multiracial beach in the city and the opening of the Rachel Finlayson Pool to all races.

By the time petition forms at the meeting, called by the Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association, had run out, most had signed calling for a public meeting to stop the council from going ahead with the proposal that an open beach be established at Snake Park or north of Battery Beach, or anywhere else.

In terms of the bylaws, 250 signatures are needed for the mayor to call a public meeting.

Amusement Park owner Nick Steyn was shouted down as he tried to call the meeting that the paddling pool and other facilities were already unofficially multiracial, the bulk of the muggings in the beachfront area were carried out by 'white trash', and that the Prime Minister would have been ashamed of the gathering, which put any Waterberg meeting in the shade.

The only other person to speak in favour of an open beach, Mr D Swallow, 25, was booed as he recorded that he had just returned from the border where he had fought side by side with black men

The Ward 1 councillors, Mr Henry Klotz and Mr Haydn Bradfield, were given tumultuous support as they highlighted the

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Blacks welcome

(PROVIDED THEY DON'T GO IN THE SEA)

By TICKS CHETTY

WHITES-only signs went up at beaches on Durban's Bluff on Monday — two weeks after a special beach desegregation sub-committee recommended that an all-race beach be established on Durban's famous Golden Mile.

But blacks are still welcome to the Bluff's Ansteys and Brighton beaches, despite the signs — as long as they don't try to cool off in the sea.

The signs — displayed on long poles sunk in concrete — state that in terms of Durban's beach by-laws, the "bathing areas" at these beaches are reserved for the sole use of whites.

The sudden re-appearance of the signs is being viewed by black civic leaders as a clear contradiction of recent Durban City Council efforts to move away from beach apartheid.

Mr C Troger, manager (recreation) of the council's Parks, Recreation and Beaches Department, explained that the signs at the Bluff beaches had been put up previously, but were now being replaced because the old ones had been damaged, stolen or washed away.

He said the signs prevented blacks from swimming in the sea but not from walking, picknicking or fishing in the area.

Mr Troger emphasised that the signs had been there before and had not been put up there for the first time this week.

The beaches, frequented by Indian and coloured fishermen and bathers, also have separate toilet facilities for blacks.

But the re-appearance of the signs is almost certain to keep away even blacks intent on fishing there.

Mr A K Pillay, a member of the Southern Durban Indian Local Affairs' Committee, said racist signs such as the ones at the Bluff beaches might appear to be of little consequence to many whites, but they hurt blacks deeply.

"For how much longer do whites think they can make us look like lepers in the country of our birth?"

The Durban City Council special sub-committee's recommendation to establish a multi-racial beach at Snake Park went a step further this week when the council's amenities committee agreed in principle to an all-race beach.

The amenities committee also endorsed the special sub-committee's recommendation that the Rachel Finlayson Pool on t beachfront be opened to all rac

Although the recommendati has divided the council, black ganisations such as Inkatha a others have welcomed it as positive step towards the elin nation of racism.

Mr Pieter Breytenbach, chai man of the amenities committe has already made it clear that t opening of beaches to all rac was inevitable and that the soo er it happened the better.

But people such as Councill Haydn Bradfield hold a differe view.

Mr Bradfield says a refere dum should be held on the iss before any firm decision is take on the matter.

More than 500 angry whit packed a Durban hotel on Frid night to protest against the mul racial beach and the opening

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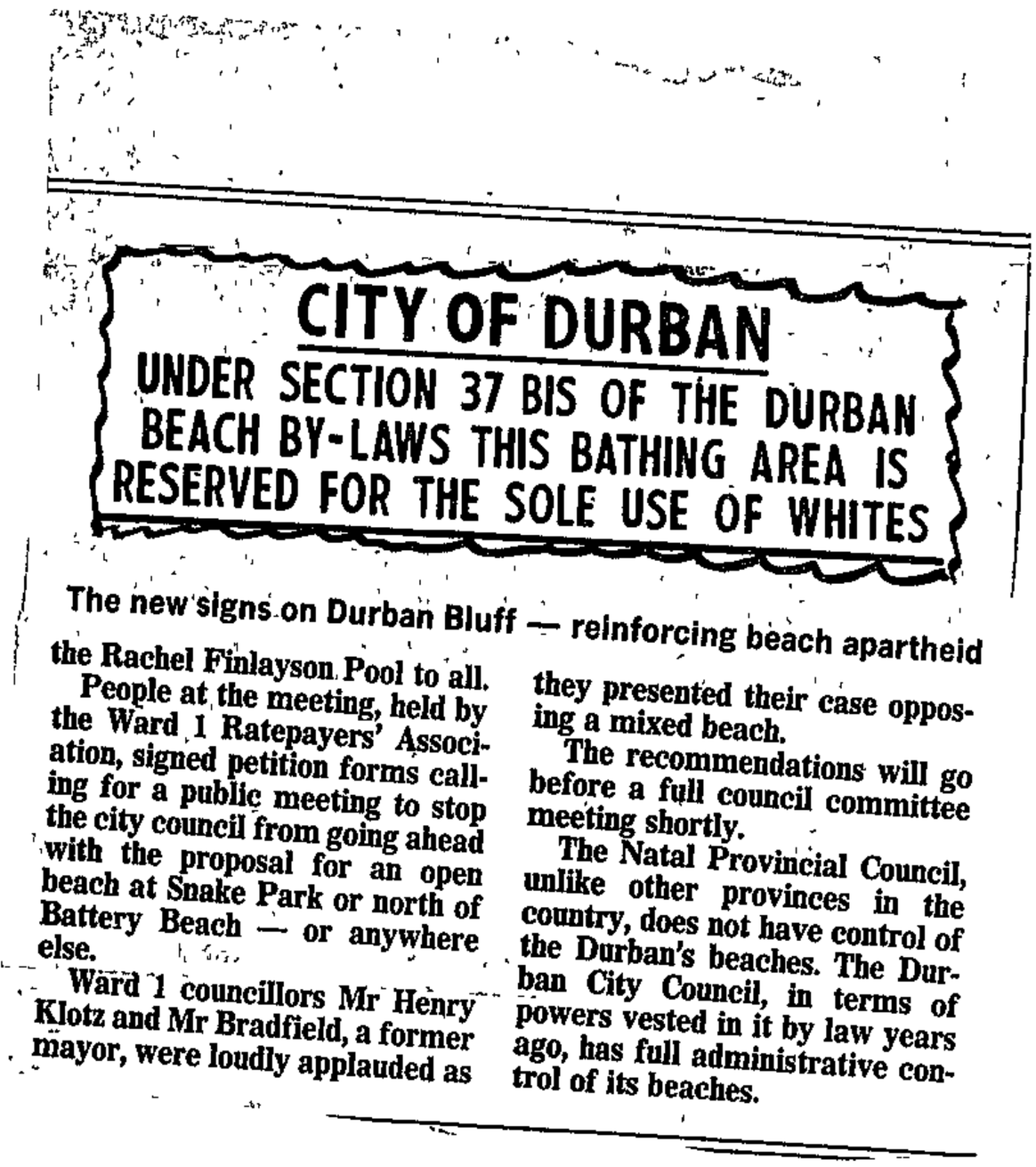

The new signs on Durban Bluff — reinforcing beach apartheid

the Rachel Finlayson Pool to all.

People at the meeting, held by the Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association, signed petition forms calling for a public meeting to stop the city council from going ahead with the proposal for an open beach at Snake Park or north of Battery Beach — or anywhere else.

Ward 1 councillors Mr Henry Klotz and Mr Bradfield, a former mayor, were loudly applauded as they presented their case opposing a mixed beach.

The recommendations will go before a full council committee meeting shortly.

The Natal Provincial Council, unlike other provinces in the country, does not have control of the Durban's beaches. The Durban City Council, in terms of powers vested in it by law years ago, has full administrative control of its beaches.

'Hopeless situation' after beach race talks

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WHEN white people spent hours speaking out against multiracial beaches, one realised just how hopeless South Africa's situation was, said the Rev Wesley Mabuza, the newly elected chairman of Diakonia, at the organisation's annual meeting in Durban yesterday.

Mr Mabuza, who took over the chairmanship from Archbishop Denis Hurley yesterday, was referring to a meeting on Friday when 550 Durban ratepayers protested loudly against any form of multiracial beach in the city and against the opening of the Rachel Finlayson pool to all races.

'I find it shocking that in 1982 people can spend so much time speaking out against multiracial beaches. I don't think they can be aware of how much they hurt and insult us when they do this,' Mr Mabuza said.

He said the only way that any change would occur in South Africa was when there was a change of attitude among whites.

'It's is no good trying to change laws if people's attitudes don't change as well,' he said.

Mr Mabuza said that as the new chairman for Diakonia he would continue the struggle for justice in this country not as a political leader, but as 'the servant of God'.

Thousand say no to all-race city beach

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MORE than 1 000 signatures have been collected by the Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association in protest against any multiracial beach in the city.

And Point councillors Clarence Cheek and Ken Varner say they are being strongly pressurised, and even threatened, by residents in their area who insist that they oppose the move to establish one open beach in the city.

Points

Either Snake Park Beach or the old African beach north of Battery Beach seem the most likely choices. The full city council will inspect these beaches on Monday morning and meet afterwards, in committee, to discuss the proposal.

Mr Varner said: 'Mr Cheek and I have set up a table at various points in our ward in recent weeks where we have assisted with the registration of voters and sounded out the problems of our area.

'There have been several instances where people have stormed up to the table threatening to cut our throats if the proposal goes through.

Collection

'A number of visitors have also warned of physical violence if the Transvaalers had to share a beach with other residents. They said they would never visit Durban again.'

He said residents feared the beaches would be taken over by non-whites in the same way that several parks in the city had been overrun.

Mr Philip Kairuz, chairman of the Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association, said the collection of protest signatures probably would continue until 'some time next week' and would be handed to the mayor.

In terms of the Provincial Ordinance, a call for a public meeting requires signatures from 250 ratepayers.

The Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, will be asked to call a public meeting for the consideration of three resolutions agreed on at a stormy Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association meeting last week. They are:

Working

First, that the status quo in regard to the segregation of beaches is working satisfactorily and has resolved the previous racial problems in the North Beach area which caused the city council to spend vast sums of money on the provision of separate facilities;

Second, to call on the council not to proceed with the proposal that a multiracial beach be established either in the Snake Park or Battery Beach areas; and

Third, to call on the council to reject the opening of the Rachel Finlayson Pool to all races, in view of the potential of overcrowding inside and outside the precincts of the swimming bath and in view of the vast sums that have been spent on swimming facilities for other race groups in their own areas.

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Ratepayers 'furious' over council's beachfront decision

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Municipal Reporter

THE chairman of Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association, Mr Philip Kairuz, said yesterday that residents were furious about the Durban City Council decision to persevere with the integration of a city beach and the Rachel Finlayson pool; and that nothing would change their opposition to the plan

On Monday, following a council-in-committee meeting, the council decided to recommend to the Management Committee that the old African beach be opened to all races, instead of the Snake Park beach as had originally been suggested. It also ratified its earlier decision to open the Rachel Finlayson pool, but in both instances on condition that no action would be taken until after a public meeting in the City Hall which had been called for by Ward 1 ratepayers

Mr Kairuz said that many residents had telephoned him yesterday saying that the choice of the old African beach in place of Snake Park beach would not help He said they stuck by the views expressed in a petition, which was signed by more than 1 000 residents.

'I have had telephone calls from Transvaal people saying that if any beach is declared multiracial, they will stop coming for holidays'

Asked when the petition would be handed to the Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz — she cannot call a meeting until she receives it — Mr Kairuz said that was up to the councillor for Ward 1, Mr Henry Klotz, to decide

Mr Klotz said the petition was in his possession but he had no idea when he would hand it in

Rates

Mayor calls for petition

'Multiracial beach issue endangering the image of Durban'

Municipal Reporter

IN AN effort to clear the air of comment which she said was endangering the city's image, the Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, yesterday called upon the Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association to hand her their petition on multiracial beaches so she could organise a public meeting as soon as possible.

The petition was signed on Saturday May 15 in protest against any form of multiracial beach in the city, as well as the opening of the Rachel Finlayson Pool to all races.

It was signed to comply with bylaws which state that 250 signatures are needed to call for a public meeting.

Mrs Hotz said while she was aware the petition had been signed, nothing had been forwarded to her. She said that in the interests of the city she was prepared to call the meeting without the petition if necessary, but she was reluctant to adopt this course.

'I contacted Mr Philip Kairuz, chairman of the association, whom I believe is responsible for the petition, requesting that it is passed to me as soon as possible.'

No idea

However, between Mr Kairuz and Councillor Henry Klotz, the representative for Ward 1, there seemed to be some confusion as to who would decide when the petition would be handed in.

On Tuesday Mr Kairuz said it was up to Mr Klotz to decide, and Mr Klotz said then he had no idea when it would be

Yesterday, however, Mr Klotz denied that the responsibility was his, pointing out that he had only a few pages of the petition in his possession so he could check the signatures were those of registered ratepayers.

Mr Kairuz then said he had told the Mayor in response to her request that the petition would be handed in next Tuesday, by which time all names would have been checked.

Councillor Peter Mansfield, who strongly supported the Mayor's plea, accused Mr Klotz of 'playing a silly but potentially dangerous game'.

He said whatever the council finally decided about an open beach, it was clear that letting the matter drag on would do nothing but harm

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Durban in the swim

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At a time when the great power-sharing debate is gaining momentum, a proposal that beachfront bathing facilities be shared by all race groups is raising tempers in Durban.

It is not the first time the question of opening the city's beaches to all races has been publicly aired. The item has appeared on city council agendas many times in the past. A special subcommittee has even been appointed to investigate the desegregation of the beachfront.

But the latest flare-up came after the council's amenities committee took the decision, in principle, to establish one multiracial beach along the Durban beachfront and to open the Rachel Finlayson pool, the only seawater pool in Durban, to all races. Neil Maclennan, chairman of the subcommittee investigating beach desegregation, says the decision was taken out of a genuine desire to share facilities and to prevent overcrowding of the beaches.

Under the proposals a section of the beach near the snake park would be cordoned off and crowds would be controlled by making patrons of all race groups pay to enter. Maclennan denies that pressure from four international hotels along Durban's Golden Mile, which have consistently campaigned for a multiracial beach, had anything to do with the decision.

He says. "Anyone who doesn't realise the pressure for change in SA and that pressure on all facilities is increasing, has his head either in the sand or in the clouds." Not all of Durban's councillors share his enlightened views. Some have pledged to do all in their power to have the amenities committee's decision overturned. There is a good chance that they will succeed.

Durban's mayor, Sybil Hotz, points out that the proposals are only committee recommendations at this stage. They still have to go before council-in-committee and the management committee before they are finally debated in open council. At the same time, the anti-mixed bathing lobby is growing steadily.

A stormy meeting of beachfront ratepayers recently voted, with few dissensions, to reject the proposals for mixed bathing both on the beach and in the swimming pool. Enough signatures were collected to petition the mayor to call a public meeting to discuss the issue. The Administrator of Natal is also being petitioned to intervene in terms of the Separate Amenities Act.

The public outcry, was, if nothing else, predictable. The relaxation of race barriers, especially when it comes to bathing, has never enjoyed an easy passage. Even in Cape Town, where some beaches have been opened due to the enlightened efforts of the Cape Town City Council, there is still a stubborn resistance to beach integration — especially on beaches controlled by other authorities.

Professor Lawrence Schlemmer, director of the Centre for Applied Social Sciences at the University of Natal, gave an indication of public attitudes through a survey he conducted last year. It showed that 50% of the people polled were openly hostile to beach integration while a further 35% had serious reservations about mixed bathing

By contrast, 62% of citizens had no objections to travelling with blacks in the same bus. Schlemmer says that as the question of mixed bathing is one of the more sensitive political issues confronting SA "it needs to be lifted out of the realms of emotion and symbolism and subjected to far more rational and logical debate."

The great debate it seems is set to become even greater and hopefully reason will prevail

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Mayor rejects move to put off public meeting

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THE call for a public meeting on the issue of a multiracial beach in Durban took a surprise turn yesterday when a petition with 1 000 signatures was handed to the Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz.

Mr Philip Kairuz, chairman of the Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association — which has spearheaded a move to prevent any multiracial beach in the city or the opening of the Rachel Finlayson Pool to all races — also handed over a letter calling for the public meeting to be held after mid-July, when nominations close for the forthcoming municipal elections.

'No way'

The letter says: 'My executive feels that on a matter of such public importance all candidates seeking election or re-election to the council should have the opportunity of attending (the public meeting) and putting their views unambiguously to the voters of Durban. We believe the voters are entitled to know the attitude of those contesting the election before being asked to make a choice.'

But last night Mrs Hotz said there was 'no way' she could delay the meeting on such a vital issue. It was imperative that it be called as soon as possible.

She said: 'Nomination day is six weeks away and I don't believe that, with the things that are being said on both sides, we would do the city's image any good to allow the situation to escalate.

'Take the sludge issue, we had to delay calling a public meeting for quite a time while the City Hall was being revamped. By the time the hall was ready, there was a lot of misunderstanding on the issue. I would hate to see the beach and pool issue degenerate the same way.

'It is customary for an election candidate to declare his or her attitudes in a manifesto and this should give voters a guide on how to vote.'

Last week, after a heated four-hour meeting, the full City Council agreed in committee, that the Rachel Finlayson pool be integrated and the old African beach, north of Battery Beach, be opened to all races.

Moscow tells Israel to get out

LONDON—The Soviet Union yesterday bluntly warned Israel that its invasion of Lebanon was affecting Soviet interests in the Middle East and demanded an Israeli withdrawal.

The tough Soviet Government statement was issued after Israel confirmed that its army had cut off Beirut and as artillery exchanges continued to the south of the Lebanese capital.

The Soviet statement described the Israeli invasion as a 'criminal act of genocide' and added. 'The Middle East is an area situated in the direct vicinity of the Soviet Union's southern borders and events there are bound to affect the interests of the USSR We warn Israel of this'

But Israeli Chief of Staff Gen Rafael Eitan, speaking from the front line near Beirut, said Israel intended destroying the PLO's nerve centre His forces were inflicting heavy losses on the terrorists though a few of their leaders had managed to flee.

Linked up

Israeli intelligence estimated that between 5 000 and 6 000 were still in the city.

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir told reporters Israeli troops would observe a ceasefire as soon as the PLO did.

Israeli radio stations carried unconfirmed reports that the Israeli Army had already linked up with Lebanese Christian forces in East Beirut

The Christian Falangists, who have spent years fighting Lebanon's PLO and Muslim factions, are viewed as allies by Israel.

Mr Begin yesterday briefed the Knesset's defence committee and replied with a clear-cut no when asked whether Israeli troops would try to capture Beirut

An official communique said a concentration of local and foreign terrorists were dug in and were holding a number of local residents hostage in war-devastated Sidon —(Sapa-Reuter-AP)

500 at Mayor's meeting to discuss multiracial beach

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ABOUT 500 people last night attended the public meeting called by the Mayor of Durban, Mrs Sybil Hotz, to discuss the City Council's plan to create a multi-racial beach and open the Rachel Finlayson pool to all races

In response to the Mayor's request, those attending listened with few interjections to the first two speakers — Mr Philip Kairuz and Councillor Neil MacLennan — but became progressively more emotional as a series of speakers called for the plan to be abolished

Mr Kairuz chairman of Ward 1 Ratepayers Association, said that his association was not motivated by racial prejudice, but believed that the move was counter to good race relations

Mr MacLennan explained how the council wanted to cater for the 'left out' group, those people who would like to swim together with friends of a different race

He said that whites had nearly three times the beach area of any other group, pointing out that libraries and parks had been opened successfully to all race groups

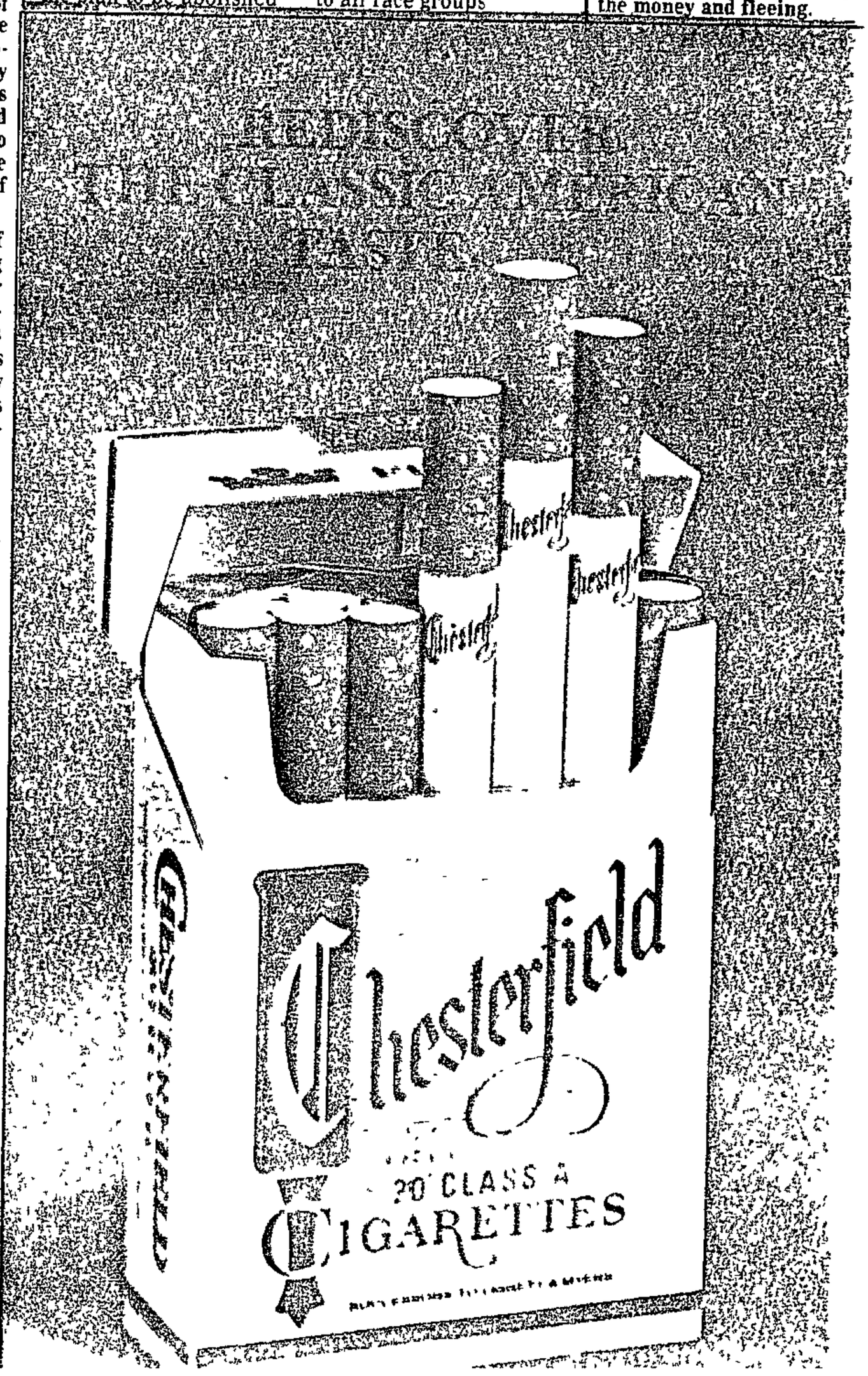
Robbers kick woman cashier

Mercury Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—Robbers kicked a cashier in the stomach, ordered her colleague to lie on the floor and then snatched R25 000 from the Allied Building Society in Rosettenville yesterday.

Mrs Ilene Jacobsohn, 35, and Miss Karen Berridge, 25 told police that five black men — four with guns and one with a hunting knife — walked into the building society in Geranium Street.

Using 'foul language', they ordered both women to lie on the floor and kicked Mrs Jacobsohn in the stomach when she was slow to obey, before taking the money and fleeing.



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speaking in the KwaZulu Legislative Assembly, emphasised that KwaZulu would in no way encourage the people in the area concerned to submit themselves to the administration of the Swazi Government.

Not acceptable

The KwaZulu Cabinet would have to review the continued existence of the newly-established Bureau of Natural Resources if the Maputaland area and several game reserves were given away.

On the Government's

Manco gives multiracial beach the green light

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN'S Management Committee has decided to press for the opening of Battery Beach 2 and the Rachel Finlayson Pool for all races in spite of the outcome of Monday's public meeting.

After yesterday's committee meeting the chairman, Mr Neil MacLennan, said while the public had voted 305 to 115 against the proposal, none of the arguments put forward in the City Hall had produced new evidence to persuade the committee to change its mind

He said: 'We considered the results of the public meeting very seriously but there was no new evidence All the objections raised related to fears people had about insufficient control of crowd movement, rather than to the beach itself

'The committee is satisfied that their fears will not be realised, as has been the case on every other occasion when the use of facilities such as libraries, parks and bowling greens have been extended to all races.'

The committee's recommendation calls for the immediate provision of temporary parking, a pedestrian crossing and refreshment kiosk at Battery Beach 2.

Mr MacLennan said the committee was also proposing that buses be provided from New Durban Station and Umgeni Station to serve the African beach.

The council will consider the committee's recommendation probably on Monday and there seems every likelihood that the majority of councillors will agree with the recommendation

At the recent council-in-committee meeting when the proposal was accepted in principle, the vote was carried by 17 to 9.

Against

Although voting in committee is not made public, the Mercury has since ascertained that the councillors who voted in favour of opening the beach and the pool to all races were Mr N Herrington, Mr J Higginson, Mr P Corbett, Mr P Mansfield, Mrs M Cook, Mrs M Winter, Mr Don Smith, Mrs Ros Sarkin, Mrs M Ambler, Mr I Morrison, Mr C Hemson, Mr P O Connor, Mrs L Sprague, Mrs S Hotz, Mr C Willimason, Mr P Breytenbach and Mr Neil MacLennan

Those who voted against were Mr L de Beer, Mr C Cheek, Mr V Christoforos, Mr R Burgess, Mr Ken Varner, Mr P Badenhorst, Mr H Klotz, Mr S Lange and Mr H Bradfield

Mr Barry Clark was out the council chamber when the vote was taken and Mr C Koekemoer, Mr G Muller and Mr Lew Phillips had leave of absence

If the council agrees to press ahead the bylaws relating to the beach will have to be changed and objections will be called for.



Muddle over mixed-race beach

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN'S Snake Park Beach is not the proposed multiracial beach and Management Committee chairman Mr Neil MacLennan has appealed to non-white bathers not to use it.

'There seems to be some misunderstanding,' he said, 'but the beach we intend opening to all races is much further north. It is next to the coloured beach and is known as Battery Beach Two'.

Mr MacLennan also appealed to bathers to be patient as it would take 'at least six weeks' to follow through on the legal procedures for opening the beach.

While the council had approved the principal of opening the beach the change in the bylaws had to be advertised and objections considered.

Tizzy in 'Toti over multiracial facilities

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By MICHAEL CADMAN

ANOTHER 'keep our beaches white' campaign is causing a rumpus on the Natal South Coast

Following Durban's row over multiracial beaches and facilities, holiday town Amanzimtoti has its own racial row.

An association, which is totally opposed to any form of beachfront development which might attract blacks to the area, has been formed.

The association is not official in the eyes of the town council.

There have been several meetings in Durban recently where the issue of opening a multi-racial beach was hotly debated.

Despite acrimonious opposition the Durban City Council decided to open part of the beach north of the Snake Park to all races as well as the Rachel Finlayson swimming pool on the beachfront.

Mr Danie van den Bergh, chairman of the Amanzimtoti Beachfront Association said: "We are against this sort of thing happening on our beachfront

"Anything of this sort would be detrimental to the area."

The association claims to represent about 1 000 people and one of its targets is the proposed extension to the amusement park on the Amanzimtoti beachfront which, it says, will attract blacks.

"They want to put in dodgems and 10-pin bowling," Mr Van den Bergh said "As in Durban, this sort of thing attracts hundreds of blacks.

"Not only will these people want to use the amusement park facilities but they will want to use the beaches as well

"The tone of the area will be lowered and property values will fall."

The owner of the Funland amusement park, Mr Chris van Oudshoorn, said the extensions were purely a business venture and the association's opposition to the move had upset him

"My partner and I are pretty cut up about the whole thing.

"These people are trying to prevent us expanding our business, which we have every right to do.

"If they are so worried about attracting blacks why don't they try to close down the massive supermarket over the road? It attracts far more people than we ever will.

"At present very few of our clientele are black and the additions would not make that much difference."

Mr Dave Ongley, the Amanzimtoti town clerk, said the association had not yet officially approached the council with its proposals.

"Once they have a proper constitution they may receive official recognition. Until then they are regarded as individual ratepayers."

Another aim of the association is to have the beaches zoned for whites only.

The beaches above the high-water mark are zoned for whites but below that they are unzoned.

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Toti beach row looms

Mercury Reporter

A BODY avowing to 'protect the interests of Amanzimtoti' has been formed in opposition to the local ratepayers' association and is determined to oppose any future moves towards provision of integrated facilities at the holiday resort.

But, without a formal constitution or other official status, it has yet to be recognised by the Town Council.

The Amanzimtoti Beachfront Association's self-appointed chairman, Mr Danie van den Bergh, said yesterday there were several issues concerning the borough which he felt were not getting the attention they warranted and which his association wanted to highlight.

'Number one on the list is the bathing area. Speaking for several fellow owners of blocks of flats, I can tell you we'd stand to lose millions of rands if the beach were opened to blacks.

'They'd cover the place. They've got a beautiful beach at Umgababa. Why not let them stay there? That's where they belong.'

Complaints

Mr van den Bergh would not say how many members belonged to his association. 'But give us time. We'll grow,' he said.

Town Clerk Dave Ongley said there was no specific zoning of Amanzimtoti's beaches. 'Whites only' restrictions had not been imposed.

'And that's how the council wants it to be,' he said.

'We've had complaints from whites and complaints from blacks.

'The council wants to wait and watch how things develop to see what pattern emerges before deciding on definite zoning.

'The way I see it is that we've got blacks everywhere else in town, on the shops — so why not on the beaches, too?'

Meanwhile, plans are afoot by a group of local businessmen to extend facilities at the town's existing beachfront amusement park — which will almost certainly be opened to people of all races.

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All-race beach pool protests mount

The Natal Mercury, Tuesday, August 10, 1982

Municipal Reporter

EIGHT formal objections, representing an estimated 3 500 people, have been lodged with Durban City Council in protest against the opening of the Rachel Finlayson Pool and Battery Beach Two to all races.

And a number of objections, including an 8 000-strong petition, have been sent directly to the Administrator, who will be handed another petition from 1 600 'Golden Mile' families next week.

The council had advertised its intention to change the bylaws affecting the beach and pool and objections had to be in by July 30.

Many object to open pool

Among the objectors is the Ward 1 Ratepayers Association which has about 2 000 paid-up members, and the two Ocean Beach councillors Mr Haydn Bradfield and Mr Henry Klotz.

Mr Brendan Willmer also objected on behalf of the S A First Campaign and the Civic Action League.

The objections will be forwarded to the Administrator, who already has a protest petition with 8 000 signatures, collected under the auspices of the S A First Campaign.

Collected

He has formally notified the city council of this.

The S A First petition, objecting to the opening of any beaches or amentities, was launched when it was thought that the council would desegregate all the beaches for the Republic Day Festival last year.

According to Mr Willmer, 5 389 signatures were from people living in Durban.

Councillor Henry Klotz has also announced that he will be handing the Administrator a petition on behalf of the Ward 1 Ratepayers' Association on Monday.

On it are protest signatures from 1 600 homes in the city's Golden Mile.

The Provincial Executive Committee will probably consider the council's application to change the bylaws next week.

(Report by L Tulleken, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

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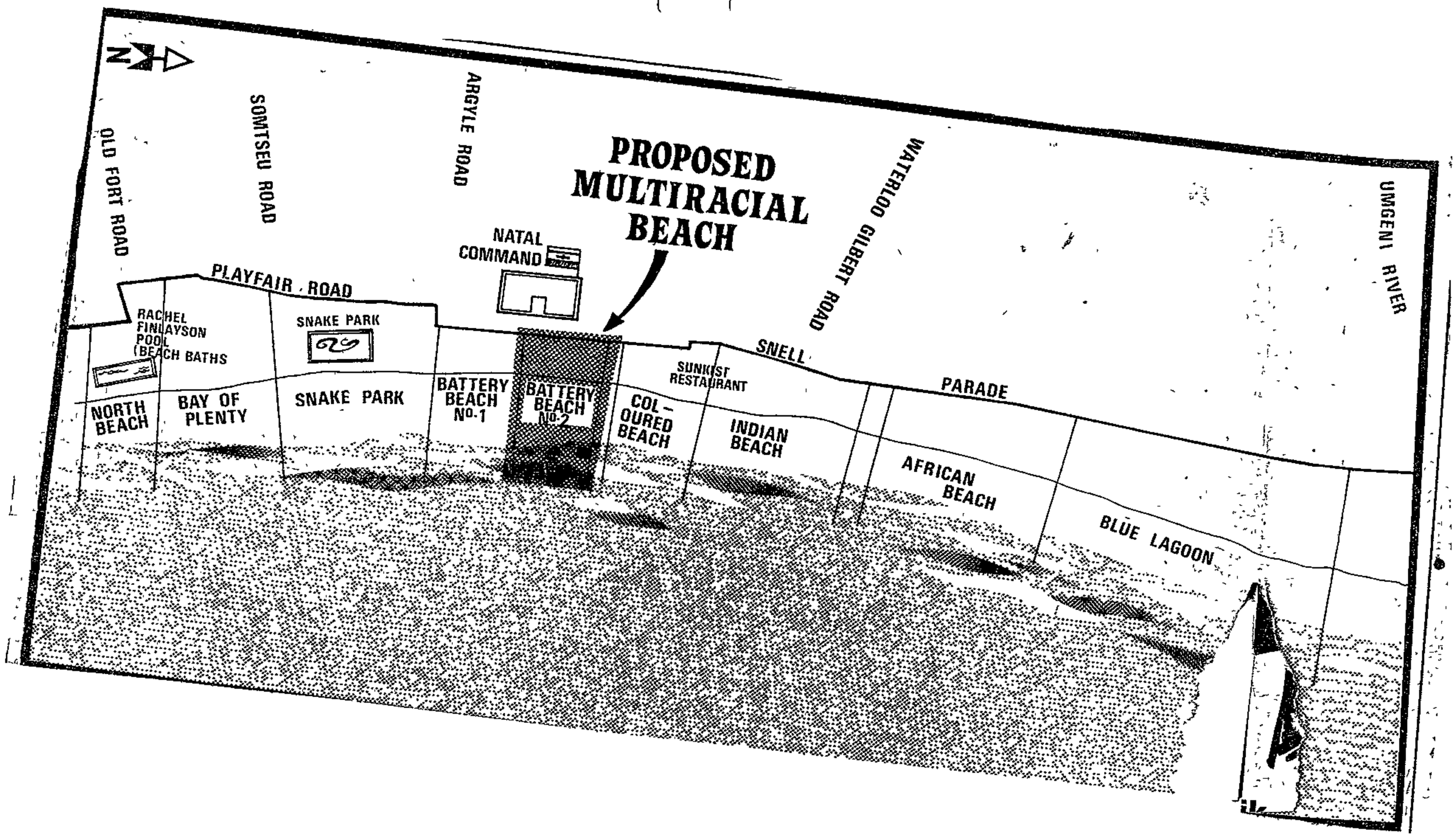
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All-race beach 'a step closer'

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DURBAN'S proposed multi-racial beach, Battery Beach Two, represents 650 m of a 7 km stretch of beaches in the city. It is opposite Natal Command and next to the coloured beach.

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN is a step closer to its first multiracial beach but the proposed opening of the Rachel Finlayson Pool has been deferred, once again.

Although the multiracial beach and pool has been approved in principle by the full city council, the necessary change in bylaws had to be advertised.

Eight formal objections were lodged but the Amenities Committee decided to defer the matter until yesterday so all protests, including those sent to the Administrator and the Mayor, could be carefully considered.

Yesterday the committee agreed to recommend to the city council that Battery Beach Two — a small beach next to the existing coloured beach — be opened to all races and the bylaws be changed accordingly.

The chairman, Mr Pieter Breytenbach, said most of the objections had been the result of misrepresentation and failure on the part of the public to understand what was in fact planned.

Careful consideration of two protest petitions sent to the Administrator had shown that they referred to a completely different situation to that planned by the council.

The 8 000-strong petition from the S A First Campaign had been launched at least 18 months before the council move to open just one beach. It objected to all amenities and beaches being desegregated.

The Ward 1 Ratepayer's Association petition, signed by 1 600 'golden mile' families, had been in response to letter from Councillor Henry Klotz written in April when Snake Park Beach was being mooted.

Off the mark

Whereas the council had voted on June 1 in favour of opening Battery Beach Two. This petition also referred to all beaches.

Mr Breytenbach said: 'Both petitions were off the mark. I believe this was done unwittingly and I hope that having put the record straight it will undo a lot of the harm that has followed from misrepresentation of the council's plans.'

The vote to press ahead with desegration of the beach was carried by 5 votes to 2. Councillors Breytenbach, Nevil Herrington, Peter Mansfield, Ros Sarkin and Margaret Winter voted for and Councillors Cornelius Koekemoer and Dick Burgess voted against.

The committee had also emphasised the need for subsidised transport to be provided on a direct service between the railway stations and the existing non-white beaches.

The desegragation of the Rachel Finlayson Pool was considered as a separate issue.

Afterwards Mr Breytenbach said the matter had been deferred so the Natal Amateur Swimming Association could be invited to urgent discussions on the possible upgrading of the pool to Olympic standard, as an alternative to the council having to spend R8 000 000 on a new pool.

Abstained

He and two other councillors, Mrs Winter and Mr Koekemoer, voted in favour of the deferment, Mr Mansfield had abstained and Mrs Sarkin opposed it. Mr Burgess had had to leave the meeting before the vote.

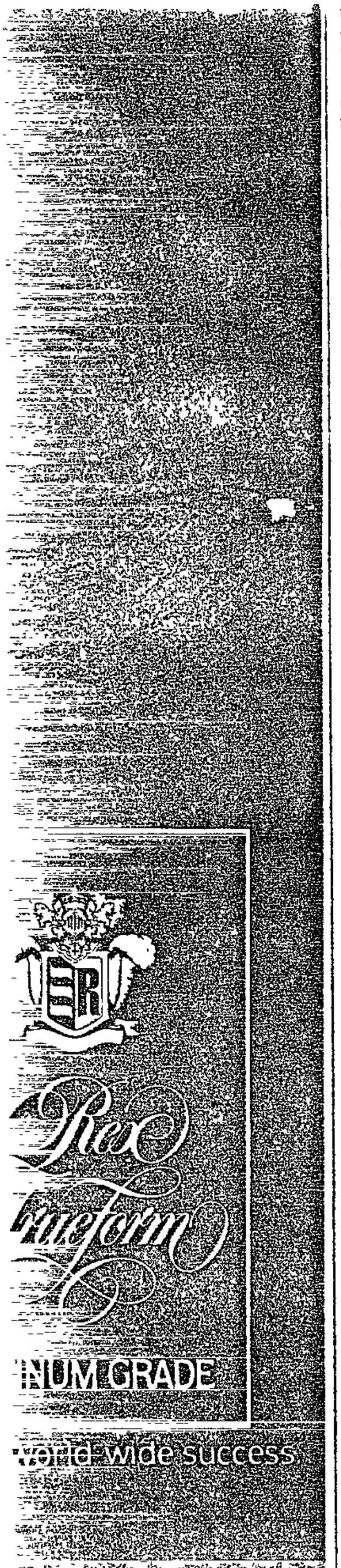
Mr Mansfield told the Mercury he had abstained because of the lack of information on plans to upgrade the pool for competitive swimming.

'If there is a real possibility of doing so, it would probably be better to delay a decision on its usage until such changes have been implemented. If not, the council must make a decision. It must not get involved in delaying tactics.'

Meanwhile Councillor Don Smith has slammed municipal election candidates for making 'political hay' of the beach issue by misleading voters.

Although Battery Beach Two represented only 650 m of a 7 km stretch of beaches, several candidates were claiming that all the beaches and pools were about to be desegregated. Others, who knew better, had done nothing to clear up the misconception that North Beach was being mooted.

A typical example, he said, was a recent letter sent out to Point ratepayers by Councillors Ken Varner and Clarence Cheek, in which they had specifically referred to North Beach.



duced the suspension motion

The four page paper dealing with Racism and South Africa was read by Dr Lucas Visscher of Switzerland

It stated clearly 'We declare with black reformed Christians of South Africa that apartheid (separate development) is a sin and that the morals and theological justification of it is a travesty of the Gospel and in its persistent disobedience to the word of God, the theological heresy

Then followed the key paragraph which stated that the general council 'reluctantly and painfully is compelled to suspend the NGK and NHK from the privileges of membership in the WARC until such time as the executive committee has determined that these two churches in their utterances and practices have given evidence of a change of heart'

It added 'They will be warmly welcomed once more only when the following changes have taken place

'Black Christians are no longer excluded from church services especially from holy communion

'Concrete support in word and deed is given to those who suffer under the system of apartheid (separate development) and

'Unequivocal resolutions are made committing the churches to dismantling the apartheid system in both church and politics

Dr Pierre Rossouw, NGK chief executive officer, raised a procedural objection, arguing that the rules did not provide for a move to suspend members, and that it was against the spirit and letter of the constitution

Overruled

But president McCord overruled him He said it was an inherent right of the conference, even though the constitution did not specifically provide for it

Prof Johan Heyns of the University of Pretoria argued that changes were under way in South Africa and in the NGK He said there was no difference between suspension and expulsion

'With this motion the WARC has yielded to radical forces which could lead to dangerous consequences'

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Council to decide after Manco clears all-race beach

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Municipal Reporter

DURBAN S Management Committee has agreed, in spite of objections that Battery Beach Two should become multiracial

But the committee felt a decision on the desegregation of Rachel Finlayson Pool should be deferred in case the pool could be upgraded to Olympic standards

The final decision now rests with the city council which will consider the necessary change in by-laws on Monday

Last night Manco chairman Neil MacLennan said 'After considering the objections to opening the beach, we agreed with the Amenities Committee that only one was valid

'It referred to the difficulties that occurred when Battery Beach Two was the only African Beach But, in view of the complete change in conditions since then we felt the objection no longer applied

'We will be recommending to council that a subsidised-bus service be provided between the railway stations and the non-white beaches in order to facilitate transport during the peak periods at the beach,' he added

The Natal Amateur Swimming Association was pressing for an Olympic standard pool and there was a possibility that the Rachel Finlayson Pool could be ugraded he said

Park might adopt lion cub orphans

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when their mother attacked Mr Kanfer

Mr Martin Engelbrecht, senior ranger at the reserve said the cubs had still been covered with blood and other signs of birth including their umbilical cords when they were found

'This could explain the aggressive benavior of the lioness' he said

The eyes of the cubs two females and one male were partly open yesterday, and they had already learned how to climb out of the dog's basket where they are being kept at the house of game warden Herman Bentley

They are being bottle fed on a mixture of milk glucose soda and lime

Mr Engelbrecht said the cubs would be kept at the park until they were through their critical period, which would be for at least the next few weeks

Mr Kanfer mauled when attacked by the cub's mother, is in a satisfactory condition in the War Memorial Hospital in Empangeni, according to fellow rangers who visited him

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All-race beach okay gets even votes

Municipal Reporter

A LAST-DITCH conservative battle in Durban City Council was lost last night after three hours of bitter debate when councillors voted 18-11 to ignore objections and open Battery Beach Two to all races.

Approval will now be sought from the Administrator to change the beach bylaws accordingly.

But the council decided to defer a decision on the Rachel Finlayson pool until further discussions with the Natal Amateur Swimming Association, which was pressing for the pool to be upgraded to Olympic standard.

The majority felt that objections did not apply specifically to Battery Beach Two — a 650 m stretch next to the existing coloured beach.

Wider afield

Two major petitions presented to the council had objected to all beaches being opened.

Councillor Peter Corbett said there had been objections from people in the immediate area and from wider afield. The council had often had to make decisions in the face of parochial protest, in the interests of the city as a whole.

Durban's one- and two-star hotels were now following the higher grade hotels and becoming multiracial. Those people in multiracial hotels would expect to be able to swim on a multiracial beach.

However, the city had a strong responsibility to provide a multiracial beach which would not create too much friction Battery Beach Two was 100 m from the nearest white habitation.

But an angry Councillor Henry Klotz said the issue was being steam-rollered through with scant regard for democracy.

Challenged

Ward 1 ratepayers, who sent in a petition signed by 1 600 Golden Mile families, were being treated as non-entities, he said.

Councillor Louis de Beer said the issue had created ill-feeling between blacks and whites. The present system was working well and things should be left as they were.

Councillor Ros Sarkin did not think the pool issue should be delayed.

'When we have the opportunity to vote against the discriminatory laws of this country, it is wrong to even delay one day'

Councillor Lew Phillips said he had fought a war to ensure that South Africa would be a decent place to live, and anybody who did not like the discriminatory laws should find another country.

The only solution was an international beach with 'seven-star toilets' and hot and cold running showers to which a R1,50 entrance was charged.

It was ridiculous to open the floodgates on a multiracial beach with free access, he said.

Councillor Pieter Breytenbach said the preamble to a petition signed by 8 000 people had asked for a straight yes or no to the question 'Do you favour all-race beaches?'

Obviously those who had signed had not been aware of the council's intention to open only one small beach.

Councillor Haydn Brad-

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Vote on the beaches

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field dissociated himself from Right-wing objections but warned that sheer weight of numbers would make Battery Beach Two a black beach

If the council continued to ignore public opinion, the people would revolt

Councillor Gys Muller said there had been a distinct drop in the number of visitors to Durban.

Councillor Peter Mansfield said it was a tragedy that such a small measure had inflamed so much racial prejudice

The Durban Publicity Association director, Mr Terry Toohey, had told him that the concern was that so many people in the city and elsewhere had been led to believe that all the beaches were going multiracial

There also had been a terrible misunderstanding in that several of the election candidates were claiming that the council intended to run a free bus service from the railway stations to the beach

This was not true The plan was to bus people to the African Beach, so as to avoid overcrowding at the multiracial beach

● Those who voted in favour. Mr Charles Williamson, Mr Pat O'Connor, Mrs Lesley Sprague, Mrs Margaret Ambler, Mr Pieter Breytenbach, Mrs Margaret Cooke, Mr Ian Morrison, Mrs Margaret Winter, Mr Neville Herrington, Mr Peter Corbett, Mrs Ros Sarkin, Mr Crispin Hemson, Mr Barry Clark, Mr Don Smith, Mr Peter Mansfield, Mr Jim Higginson, Mr Neil MacLennan and Mrs Sybil Hotz.

Against were Mr Louis de Beer, Mr Gys Muller, Mr Cornelius Koekemoer, Mr Vic Christoforos, Mr Phillip Badenhorst, Mr Henry Klotz, Mr Ken Varner, Mr Lew Phillips, Mr Stan Lange, Mr Clarence Cheek and Mr Haydn Bradfield

Mr Dick Burgess had leave of absence

Move to provide piped water supply for Rensburg Drift

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Mercury Reporter

HUNDREDS of Indian and coloured families in Rensburg Drift, near Estcourt, living on privately owned land under the threat of eviction, may be reprieved

Mr Baldeo Dookie, executive member of the South African Indian Council, said yesterday that a meeting attended by representatives of the Estcourt municipality, various Government departments and the Indian Council had agreed to investigate the provision of a piped water supply to the homes.

He said the lack of water supply to the area led to many families being prosecuted because of the unhygienic living conditions The landowners had been warned by the Department of State Health to evict the 400 shackdwellers following the outbreak of cholera in the area recently.

Solution

Mr Dookie said yesterday he was pleased the meeting had agreed not to evict any more families as it would not solve the Indian housing problem in the Midlands town.

'A permanent solution to the Rensburg Drift problem can be achieved only by the provision of a piped water supply direct from the local reservoir at an estimated cost of R30 000

'The Estcourt municipality is also of the opinion that the provision of a piped water supply is the only lasting solution to the problem, but it is powerless to provide the service as Rensburg Drift fell outside its jurisdiction'

Pleased

He said the property owners and representatives of the municipality would meet this week to discuss the finer points of the project and also decide on how the costs would be met

'The local residents are extremely pleased that they will be allowed to remain in their homes Some families have been living there since 1938 and many people were having sleepless nights over their future

'If they are forced out of the area there is no alternative accommodation for them in the town,' he said

Mr A E Firman, Town Clerk of Estcourt, said yesterday the affected property owners would meet next week to decide whether to provide the piped water supply, the cost of which would have to be met by each property owner.

'If they agree then the matter will be referred to the Estcourt Town Council for consideration'

An all-race Christmas on the beach?

By VAL CARTER-JOHNSON

DURBAN's first multiracial beach could be open by Christmas — despite a last-ditch bid to keep the beaches segregated.

And while some enthusiastic councillors were certain the beach would be opened in time for the year-end holidays, Councillor Henry Klotz has vowed to keep up his campaign against mixing at the seaside.

Mr Klotz, who retained his seat in this week's municipal elections, said he had received a clear mandate from his voters to carry on his fight.

"I think my feelings on the beach issue were vindicated when my voters gave me a clear mandate to continue my fight against the multiracial beach," Mr Klotz said.

He has already written to the Administrator of Natal about the issue.

For the first time in local elections in Durban a major right wing assault was mounted against the Progressive Federal Party dominated council — but it failed miserably.

Made up of a loose alliance of the Herstigte Nasionale Party, the Conservative Party and the South Africa First Campaign, the right wing made the small area of Battery Beach Two their battefield.

But only the day before the election, months of heated and often bitter debate was ended when the council voted 18 to 11 to open the beach to all races.

Yet the beach issue did not seem to influence voters, according to many of the election candidates.

Several candidates said they had been surprised at the lack of concern or interest over the beach issue.

One councillor who felt the "open" beach issue had effected his voters was Mr Klotz. He won his seat in the Ocean Beach area by a 920 majority.

But Councillor Peter Mansfield, who also retained his seat in one of the most hard fought municipal elections in years, said it was "very possible" the beach would be opened by the end of the year — even if objections were lodged with the Administrator.

"We will apply to the Administrator of Natal to change the beach bylaws following the decision by the council to open Battery Beach Two to all races," he said.

"This should not take very long and there should be no problem because the Administrator has made it clear he believes it should be the responsibility or decision of the local council and municipality.

"We certainly do not expect the Administrator to override the council's decision."

Battery Beach Two — a 650m stretch nex to the existing coloured beach — has bee known for years as a "no man's land".

The council has decided to defer a decisio on integrating the Rachel Finlayson pool Durban's salt water beachfront swimmin pool, until further discussions with the loca amateur swimming association.

Mr Errol Scarr, director of parks, recrea tion and beaches, said he had "no idea" ho long it would be before the beach was opene to all races.

"Generally we allow about three month for a bylaw to be changed — but I have no way of telling if this is always the case," he said.

The director of the Durban Publicity Association, Mr Terry Toohey, said there had been an urgent need for a multiracial beach.

"We cannot offer international hotels and then tell tourists they cannot mix on the beaches.

"Although Battery Beach Two is enjoying a lot of publicity, it does not mean that Durban or its council are trying to enforce mixing on all the beaches. It is just providing an option.

"Whenever it opens, whether in three months or not, it will be just one step towards extending facilities towards all people."

Mr Toohey said having an "open" beach would help in marketing South Africa to the rest of the world.

Chatsworth pool for all

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Mercury Reporter

A NEW swimming pool, built by the Durban City Council in Chatsworth, would be opened to all race groups, Mr Thulkana Palan, chairman of the Southern Durban Indian Local Affairs Committee, said at the weekend.

Officially opening the pool in Bayview, he said the Chatsworth community was following the beacons set alight by Durban's Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, and her enlightened councillors who had already given the green light for the establishment of a multiracial beach.

'Times and events are changing fast and as such let us all make a concerted effort to keep abreast and not be found dragging our feet on major issues.'

He appealed to the council to speed up the opening of all its amenities to all race groups.

R6 m sports complex awaits go-ahead from housing

Mercury Reporter

WORK on Chatsworth's R6 000 000 sports complex would start as soon as the National Housing Commission gave the go-ahead to Durban City Council to use the R1 700 000 profit from the sale of sub-economic houses in the township for the amenity

A meeting between the South Durban LAC, the council's Health and Housing Committee, Amenites Committee and Management Committee, agreed to approach the National Housing Commission for permission to use the money for the centralised complex

Mr V Pillay, vice-chairman of the South Durban LAC, said yesterday that the amount accrued to the Community Facility Fund to date from the sale of sub economic houses was in excess of R1 700 000.

The LAC wanted the homes to be sold at cost but the council refused and sold them at a profit, he said.

Sale

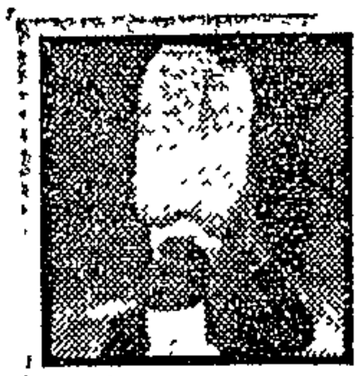
Subsequent to the sale of the houses the council argued that the profits should be used by the National Housing Commission for the provision of more houses, but the move was opposed by the LAC who asked that the money be ploughed back in the form of community facilities

He said the objective of making such a decision was to see that Chatsworth would be provided with the much-needed community facilities since the money was derived from the people of the township

Mr Pillay said the National Housing Commission had agreed to plough back the money towards amenties, and had granted a special dispensation which was received from the Department of Community Development in July 1982

He said the LAC pointed out to the council that one of the priorities in Chatsworth was a centralised sports complex which included a stadium

The council had allocated R600 000, he said



RIGHT: Mrs Martha Khumalo carries 25 cents worth of water back to her Home in Amawotana

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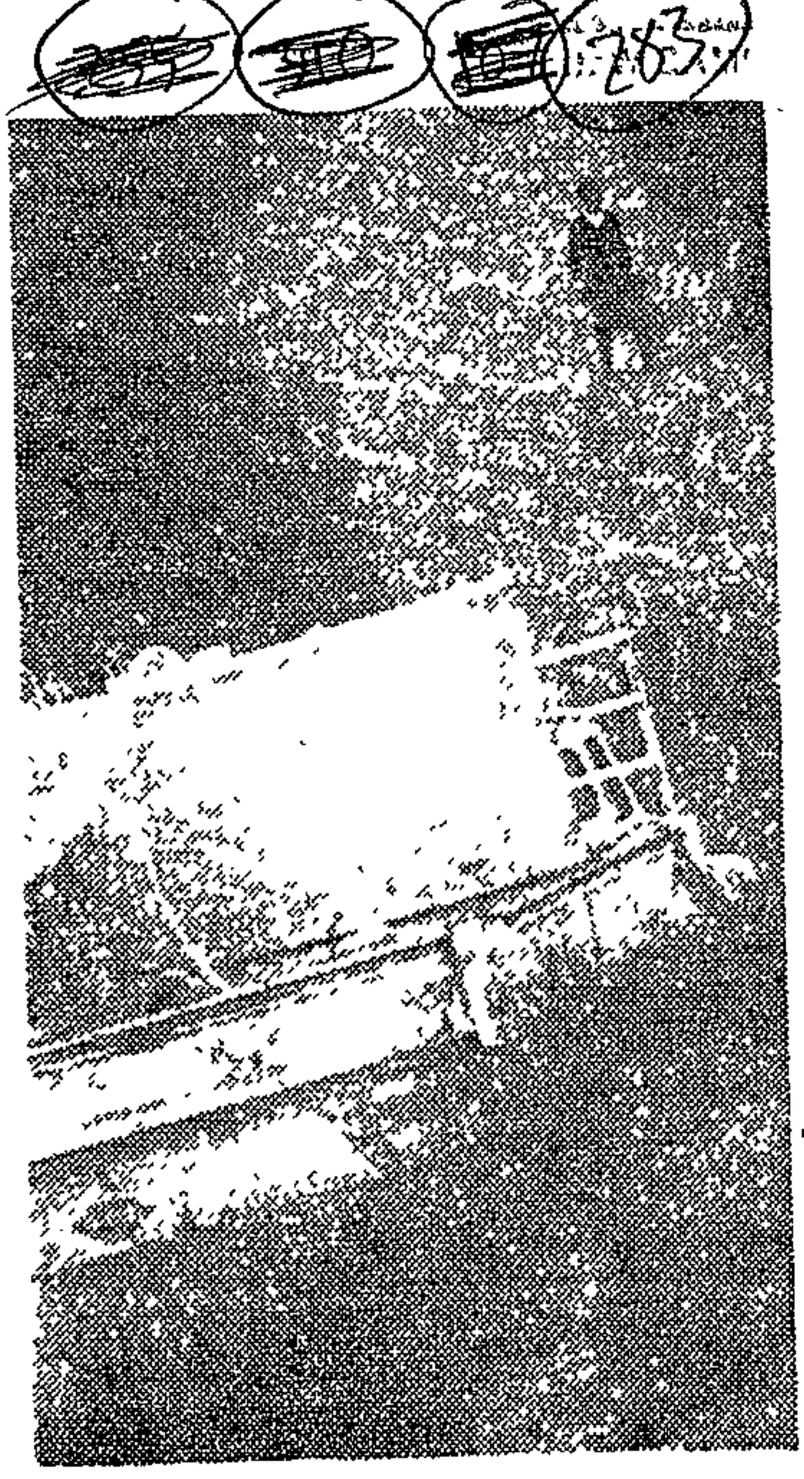

The Department of Co-operation and Development truck arrives in Amawotana to deliver the daily supply of water to the area

AMAWOTANA RESIDENTS ANGRY OVER 25c CHARGE

By INGRID STEWART

THE people of Amawotana near Verulam are confused and angry. They have to pay 25 cents for 25 litres of water delivered to their area by Department of Co-operation and Development trucks while their neighbours in other parts of Inanda are getting it for nothing.

And, they claim, the water which they get is "bad". They believe it has been taken from the impure Piesang River. Their neighbours in other parts of Inanda are getting fresh water, from the same trucks, pumped from a borehole in nearby Phoenix.

This week the **Sunday Tribune** visited the drought-stricken Amawotana — home to about 4 000 people — where all forms of water supply dried up in May this year

Even a borehole sunk by the Jaycees recently is dry and, because Amawotana falls into a rain shadow area, tanks donated by Rotary are empty.

The residents have pleaded with the local authorities to give them water. The Verulam Town Board says it has no jurisdiction over the area and the Verulam office of the Department of Co-operation and Development has told community leaders it does not have the resources to supply Amawotana with water.

But on Thursday we found a Government-registered truck filling a storage tank attached to the local store.

Owner of the store, Meshack Mchunu, said the people had to pay for the water — 25 cents for 25 litres — and the money was handed over to the driver of the truck.

The driver that day was Robert Sibiya who said he worked for the Department of Co-operation and Development He said he gave the money "to the boss at the office"

We then watched as the people queued to fill their 25 litre plastic containers from the tank, their ages ranging from about five to well over 50

We didn't see any money changing hands but were told by everyone who carried the water away that they had had to pay 25 cents for water

Sonny Subhan, Mayor of Verulam confirmed that the town board could do little to help the people of Amawotana

"The area is outside our jurisdiction and we do not have the facilities or equipment to truck water to the area in tankers

"All of us in Verulam are closing our eyes to the fact that the people of Amawotana collect water from the taps in the town. We are paying the higher water bill At the moment, that's all we can do" he said.

He added that the board had made a donation to the cost of a borehole in the area

The **Sunday Tribune** approached the chief commissioner for the Department of Co-operation and Development, in Natal for an explanation

Mr Blumrick confirmed receipt of the telex and said the matter was being investigated.

"I can't give you an answer until the matter has been checked," he said.

Point ratepayers to lodge complaint on all-race toilet move

Mercury 12/10/82

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN'S Point Ratepayers Association would object if the council opened public toilets to all races, because it feared this would increase the incidence of venereal diseases among whites.

But several doctors have said these fears are unfounded.

Mr Clarence Cheek, ward councillor and member of the Point Ratepayers' Association executive committee, said: 'Although the matter has yet to be debated in council, reports have been called for on toilets which could be integrated.

'We are going to lodge a formal objection with the Town Clerk and will call on all the other ratepayers' associations in the city to do the same.'

Durban's deputy Medical Officer of Health, Dr N Becker, said if toilets were integrated there would be a greater chance of white users picking up secondary syphilis and advanced gonorrhea from toilet seats.

Other doctors in private practice disagreed that VD could be caught from toilet seats. One quoted an article by the Medical Association of South Africa which stated categorically that VD could not be passed on in this way.

A cheeky outcry over all-race toilets

Mail Correspondent

DURBAN. — Durban's Point Ratepayers Association is objecting to a council move to open public toilets to all races, because it fears this will increase the incidence of venereal diseases among whites — but several doctors have said these fears are unfounded.

Mr Cheek, a ward councillor and member of the Point Ratepayers Association's executive committee said: "Although the matter is yet to be debated in council, reports on toilets which could be integrated have been called for."

Mr Cheek said the high incidence of VD among blacks had to be taken into consideration. He felt real concern for the Indian population, who were already having to share facilities with blacks.

Blacks leaders lash councillor's VD slur

Mail Reporter

LEADING blacks have been infuriated by remarks made by Mr Clarence Cheek, a Durban ward councillor and member of the Point Ratepayers Association, who said blacks were carriers of venereal diseases and should not be allowed to use white toilets

Dr Nthato Motlana chairman of the Soweto Committee of Ten said "There is convincing evidence that the perverted pill-popping white community is as riddled with venereal diseases as blacks"

He said there was no evidence that VD could be transmitted through toilet seats

"VD is transmitted through the age-old method which Mr Cheek should know at his age" Dr Motlana said

Mr Cheek is objecting to a council move to open public toilets to all races He said the high incidence of VD among blacks had to be taken into consideration

Mrs Bernadette Mosala, director of Home and Family Life Division at the South African Council of Churches asked whether Mr Cheek and members of his association had examined their domestic workers for VD infection before employing them

"We cook their meals clean their houses and do their washing but suddenly when it comes to toilets, we are riddled with diseases"

Durban about to get its all-race beach

DURBAN'S first multiracial beach, Battery Beach Two, will probably be open tomorrow week. Mercury 27/10/82 (283)

Mr Frank Martin, MEC in charge of local government, said yesterday the Executive Committee had agreed the city was legally able to amend its bylaws for a multiracial beach.

He said: 'We do not interfere with the domestic policies of autonomous local authorities.'

Muncipal Reporter

Battery Beach Two, a 650 m stretch adjoining the existing coloured beach, is oppposite Natal Command.

Some of the strongest opposition to the integrated beach came from residents in the area who anticipated heavy black pedestrian traffic from the station to the beach.

Yesterday the Management Committee agreed that a free bus service should be provided between the stations and the African beach during peak holiday periods.

They also agreed that, to reduce congestion at peak periods, no buses should be allowed entry between Walter Gilbert Road and Argyle Road.

And temporary catering facilities should be established at the African Beach and Battery Beach Two until permanent facilities had been installed.

Manco chairman Neil MacLennan said he was pleased with Exco's decision. He thought it would be gazetted Thursday week, when the beach would become multiracial.

The question of opening the Rachel Finlayson Pool was still in abeyance. The council still had to consider a Natal Amateur Swimming Association appeal that it be upgraded to Olympic standard.

Mayor Mrs Sybil Hotz said: 'I really thought it would happen. I just couldn't see Exco turning it down. It was obviously just one of the many moves that have got to come.'

Ocean Beach councillor Henry Klotz said: 'If Exco has approved the open beach its talk about local option doesn't hold. The move is very much against the wishes of the people of this area who are not racialists but are worried about sheer weight of numbers.'

Mr Klotz said the Ocean Beach Ratepayers' Association was opposed to a free bus service to the African Beach.

They did not believe this would ease congestion on Battery Beach Two and reduce pedestrian traffic through the white residential area.

'It is not the duty of any council to provide free buses for any particular ethnic group.

'If anybody wants to get to the beach they should do so under their own steam. And even with a free service most of them will opt to walk anyway.'

The city council's application to Exco said an open beach would be part of a process of seeking to eliminate discrimination where appropriate.

The municipal golf courses, bowling greens, parks and libraries were already integrated.

Advertising deadline

TOMORROW'S Mercury will be printed in two sections so the deadline for classified linage advertisements is noon today.

All-race toilet debate

Municipal Reporter

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MULTIRACIAL public toilets have been given the nod by Durban's Management Committee and Monday is D day for the council to discuss the proposal.

Manco chairman, Mr Neil MacLennan said: 'We are recommending that discriminatory signs on all public toilets be replaced as soon as possible by recognised international symbols, except where the relevant departments can prove that the status quo should remain.'

The Medical Officer of Health would be required to ensure a proper standard of cleanliness.

Mr MacLennan said if the council approved the proposal,changing signs would take two or three weeks.

In many parts of the city there were no toilet facilities at all and it was not economical to duplicate everything.

The only two Manco members who voted against the proposal were Mr Clarence Cheek and Mr Stan Lange.

Overwhelming council vote for multiracial public toilets

Mercury 2/11/82

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN City Council voted by an overwhelming majority for multiracial public toilets yesterday, and Councillor Lew Phillips immediately warned it would be 'sewerage suicide'.

But the council decided that the health and housing committee could retain separate toilets in circumstances it felt necessary.

In an unusal alliance of conservatives and Progressive Federal Party supporters, councillors voted by 24 votes to three to spend R5 000 on signs bearing recognised international symbols for men's and women's toilets.

The Medical Officer of Health was instructed to ensure an acceptable standard of cleanliness in all toilets at all times.

Mr Phillips didn't see how third-grade toilets could warrant an international sign.

Beachfront amusement park toilets were multiracial but were 'seven-star' because they were constantly attended. It would cost a lot of money do this in the city toilets.

The council was putting the cart before the horse. It should first find the funds to upgrade and provide full-time attendants in all the city's toilets.

20 years

Mr Pieter Breytenbach said Mr Phillips had predicted that impis would rush through the city libraries threatening the lives of white women and their daughters, but the libraries had been open for several years and nothing of that nature had happened.

Mr Peter Mansfield said it would take 20 years to upgrade all the toilets.

Mr Ken Varner said he had a mandate from the Ward Two Ratepayers Association to vote against open toilets.

Old people had enough to contend with without having to worry about their safety in public toilets.

Distressed

The Deputy Mayor, Mr Stan Lange, said he was basically in favour of opening the toilets except where adequate provision had been made for all races.

Mrs Margaret Ambler said it distressed her to hear Durban's second citizen, who presumably aspired to be mayor, say this.

The time had long gone when people could hide their 'blatant racialism behind the buts'.

And Mr Peter Corbett said racially discriminating signs were offensive and that alone was 'the very best reason for removing them'.

Only Mr Phillips, Mr Varner and Mr Clarence Cheek voted against.

Those who voted in favour were Mrs Hotz, Mr Lange, Mr H Bradfield, Mrs M Cooke, Mr Breytenbach, Mr N Herrington, Mr L de Beer, Mr H Klotz, Mr P Badenhorst, Mrs M Winter, Mr E Bush, Mr M Webber, Mr D Bennett, Mrs L du Toit, Mrs R Sarkin, Mr R Burgess, Mr P O'Connor, Mrs Ambler, Mr P Corbett, Mr C Hemson, Mrs L Sprague, Mr P Mansfield, Mr D Smith and Mr N MacLennann.

Mr Gys Muller and Mr Charles Williamson had left the meeting and Mr Ian Morrison had leave of absence.

All-race centre

Mercury 3/11/82

Mercury Reporter

AN Indian Council and North Durban LAC member, Mr Ashwin Mohanlall, has urged Durban City Council to take over the Shah Jehan cinema in Grey Street, which has closed down, and convert it into a cultural centre for all races.

Mr Mohanlall has asked the council's Management Committee to discuss the matter at its next meeting.

The building is being put up for auction on November 18.

'It has a seating capacity of 2 000 and there is no other building, except the City Hall, which can accommodate so many people,' Mr Mohanlall said.

'Give us Umdloti'

Mercury Reporter

VERULAM'S Mayor, Mr S G V Subban, yesterday asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, to return the white-zoned Umdloti Beach to Indians.

Mr Heunis visited Verulam yesterday where he opened the town's R415 000 Olympic-size swimming pool.

Welcoming the Minister, Mr Subban said Umdloti Beach was traditionally a part of greater Verulam.

Addressing more than 200 guests at the rain-drenched opening, Mr Heunis said the completion of the modern pool underlined the dynamic growth and development potential of Verulam.

Mixed toilets save Durban R2 million

Mercury 4/11/82

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN City Council has saved R2 000 000 in building costs by adopting a policy of multiracial toilets.

The City Engineer, Mr Don Macleod, said when the council decided last year that any new toilets would be multiracial because it would be too costly to duplicate facilities, there were 10 toilets on the building schedule The cost of these would be about R2 000 000

'If we had duplicated facilities we would have had to spend double that amount,' he said.

One of the first multiracial blocks went up in Durban North, earlier this year

This week the city council decided all the municipal toilets in the city would become multiracial, except where the Health and Housing Committee found this not to be feasible.

The Medical Officer of Health has been instructed to ensure a high standard of cleanliness in all the municipal toilets.

Ratepayer slates councillors over their support for multiracial toilets

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Municipal Reporter

BY VOTING for multiracial toilets, three Durban City Councillors, elected on segregationist tickets, have lost their credibility and aligned themselves with a PFP-inspired social revolution, according to a Bluff ratepayer.

Mr D L du Bois of Brighton Beach said Mr Louis de Beer, Mr Philip Badenhorst and Mr Dick Burgess — all National Party supporters — had pledged to oppose multiracial beaches.

'If you are in favour of multiracial toilets, how can you continue to oppose mulitracial beaches?' he asked.

It was no good claiming that the city council was saving R2 000 000 by not having to duplicate toilets; principles had no price tag, he said.

'Although the issue of multiracial toilets may seem insignificant, seen in the context of other amenities such as buses, beaches, pools libraries and parks, they are in the frontline of the integration process', he said and predicted it would lead to a descent 'into the melting pot of a common society'.

Mr de Beer said his first duty was to act in the interests of the ratepayers. If Mr du Bois wanted to foot the R2 000 000 bill he was welcome to do so but a survey had shown that of 280 000 whites in the city only 4 000 had used municipal toilets over a period.

'I wonder how often Mr du Bois has used a public toilet in 10 years. I asked many people on the Bluff the same question before voting on the issue and none of them used municipal toilets.

Hygiene

'Whites can always ask to use a toilet even in a shop where there is no public facility, but it's not so easy for blacks. The alternative to opening the municipal toilets is to force people to use small passages between buildings or to go between parked cars to relieve themselves. Nature doesn't wait just because there is no facility readily available.'

Mr Burgess said he stood as an independent in the election. His objections to opening the toilets were based on fears regarding hygiene and an increase in muggings. These fears had been allayed by assurances that the toilets would be monitored by the Medical Officer of Health and manned where necessary.

Mr Badenhorst said most toilets in the city were multiracial. If the multiracial toilets at the beachfront amusement park worked well there was no reason why municipal ones should not.

Record library ready soon

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By Lynne Kelly

A RECORD lending library costing between R40 000 and R50 000 is expected to open in Durban early next year It will start with 2 000 records which will be lent free of charge.

Open to all races, it will be attached to the City Library and members must belong to this before they can join

Although there would be no charge for borrowing records, there would be stringent controls, according to the Assistant City Librarian, Mrs H Moran. 'In the first place, we scan people's credentials thoroughly before they become members of the City Library

'Members will have to bring in their needle — we will insist on a diamond needle — and it will have to be examined regularly. Records will be noted for damage when they are returned and those responsible will have to pay pro rata. We expect 50 playings for each record.'

The collection, she said, would be purely classical to start with 'It will include the basic repertoire from heavy to light as well as the spoken word including Shakespeare plays.' There would also be children's records, but as children would not be allowed to become members these would have to be taken out by the parents.

'Later we may consider branching out, perhaps into jazz classics But we will never go for popular music.'

The library, to be housed with the Reference Library on the 8th floor of the Martin West building, will be run by Miss Eileen Webb

'We can't give a definite date but we expect to open within the next four to five months, Mrs Moran said. We had hoped to be open by now, but the initial processing, cataloguing and organisation is taking a lot of work.

'We already have 800 records and all the equipment for testing, as well as the stationery and membership cards'

Mrs Moran said that R30 000 was being spent on the initial collection and R45 000 would be set aside to buy more records during the first year.

Move to open more beaches to all races

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Municipal Reporter

NATAL'S Administrator and Executive Committee spent two days last week looking at possible multiracial beaches along the South Coast and will soon be doing the same on the North Coast.

Mr Ray Haslam, MEC in charge of town and regional planning, said they had looked at beaches from Isipingo to Port Edward 'with a view to establishing multiracial beaches while causing the least disruption'.

The committee had made no firm decisions yet but would probably consolidate its thinking on multiracial beaches 'very soon'. People who feared their beaches would be swamped by non-whites had nothing to fear — the beaches would probably be some distance apart.

Asked to comment on a call by the Amanzimtoti Beachfront Association for the town's main beach to be zoned specifically for whites, Mr Haslam said it would be premature to make a statement.

Exco had appointed a committee of representatives of the Development and Services Board, the Anti-Shark Measures Board, the Natal Parks Board and local government to study the overall picture on the North and South Coasts.

Offer

He said: 'We are not concerning ourselves with zoning. Instead the Province is happy to provide money for the development of facilities for various race groups such as change rooms, ablution blocks and refreshment kiosks. We do this in the hope that people of colours other than white will patronise those beaches.'

Richards Bay had taken advantage of the offer and was developing a multiracial beach.

Its Town Clerk, Mr J P J Truter, said a road was being built to the beach, which would open probably early next year. The first phase for the road, toilets and reticulated water was costing R200 000. The Province had given the town R160 000 towards this.

Meanwhile, Durban's controversial multiracial beach, which opened a fornight ago, has had no more than 60 people in the water at any one time.

Beach managerCharles Troger said accurate crowd statistics were being kept to ascertain how many lifeguards were needed.

Council indignant over Administrator's tour

'White beaches only' demand by Kingsburgh

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Mercury Reporter

A ROW has erupted between Kingsburgh Town Council and the Executive Committee over the possibility of creating multiracial beaches in the borough.

There has been an indignant reaction from the council to the recent unofficial tour by the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, and members of the Executive Committee to investigate the allocation of beaches for various race groups.

The council is insisting that the beaches of Kingsburgh are zoned for whites only.

The council resolved this week to tell the committee that any deviation from its commitment to local option would be regarded as a breach of faith.

It also expressed its disquiet at Press reports that multiracial beaches would be implemented by the Provincial Administration.

The resolution said the tour of the beaches was conducted without the courtesy of notifying the Mayor, Mrs Joan du Plooy, or the Town Clerk.

Mr Ray Haslam, the MEC in charge of town and regional planning, said in reply that the whites of Kingsburgh should have no fear of being swamped on the beaches.

As far as local option was concerned, Mr Haslam said, the committee did not want to override the wishes of the local authority.

Co-operation

'We hope that, through discussion and negotiation, we will obtain the co-operation of the local authorities,' he said.

Mr Haslam said he regretted that the Kingsburgh council had taken umbrage at the fact that the visit had been unofficial

The reason it had been unofficial, he said, was to enable the Administrator and Executive Committee to have an inspection in loco so that they were better informed.

'We have no intention of wielding the big stick,' he said.

'The visit was purely exploratory.'

Meanwhile, Margate has also applied to the Province for its beaches to be zoned for the use of whites.

'The beaches belong to all' Stoffel Botha tells meeting

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Municipal Reporter

THE beaches belonged to all South Africans and could not be used exclusively by a single race group, according to the Adminstrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha.

Speaking to the Natal Municipal Association in Queensburgh yesterday, he said so far the country's natural assets such as rivers, mountains, beaches and forests, had been used mainly by whites for their enjoyment and recreation.

All the best bathing beaches had been developed to a greater or smaller degree by whites for their own use. Many were of the view that the beaches belonged to adjoining owners or occupiers.

That was not the case, the seashore belonged to the State, in trust for all the people of the State.

The Seashore Act ensured that no barriers could be erected on beaches to prevent free access.

'As our other population groups progress economically and adopt the urbanised Western style of living, we must expect that they will exercise their right to part of South Africa's natural assets,' he said.

By the year 2000 more than 7 000 000 blacks, more than 1 000 000 Indians and 200 000 coloureds would be living in Natal.

Claim

'These are projections the Provincial Administration and local government dare not overlook if we want a peaceful and prosperous future for our children,' Mr Botha said.

He was not offering any solutions yesterday but the Administration was engaged in finding answers to the challenges.

Afterwards Mr Frank Martin, MEC in charge of local government, said the days were gone when the selfish could claim that there were only white residents and white ratepayers in a town so the beach had to be for whites only.

The Administration was trying to provide multiracial facilities on beaches where there would be the minimum of friction

Mr Ray Haslam, MEC in charge of town planning, said last week that Exco and the Adminstrator had inspected the South Coast beaches between Isipingo and Port Edward with a view to establishing multiracial beaches.

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Beach dog ban in Kingsburgh

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KINGSBURGH Town Council has decided to ban dogs from some of its beaches and does not want blacks on any of them.

The council recently applied for whites-only zoning for all its beaches and this week it agreed that dogs would only be allowed on some stretches.

This follows complaints that dogs fouled the beaches and created a nuisance.

The Mayor, Mrs J du Plooy, said Kingsburgh had no Indian, coloured or black ratepayers and there was barely enough beach for its white residents. The application for a whites-only zoning had nothing to do with racialism.

Assurances

The council was angered to learn that the Administrator and the Executive Committee had been in Kingsburgh looking for suitable multiracial beaches along the South Coast.

It accused the New Republic Party-controlled Executive Committee of a breach of faith. The council had been given definite assurances before the last general elections that beach usage would be left to local option.

But the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, has issued a warning that whites could no longer regard the country's natural assets as exclusively theirs. Other races were adopting Western recreation habits and also wanted a share of the beaches, he said.

Natal waves in second open beach

(283 sheets 27/11/82)

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Natal gets its second multiracial beach next year — and a third is on the cards. New beach facilities for black race groups are also planned.

These developments are part of a concerted effort by the Provincial Administration to give all race groups fair access to beaches.

Durban established the province's first multiracial beach last month and an "international" beach is expected to be opened at Richards Bay early next year.

Mr Ray Haslam, MEC in charge of town and regional planning, said an extensive survey of the Natal coastline was in progress and no decisions had been made where to establish new facilities.

He believes money will be allocated in the next financial year to provide facilities for black groups at two or three beaches and possibly for one all-race beach.

He said the province would not force the issue of integrated beaches.

"We believe in local option and will be seeking the co-operation of local authorities. We have to take public opinion with us."

The province has given R160 000 towards the cost of establishing Richards Bay's international beach.

A provincial committee has spent a year investigating the use of Natal's beaches by the different race groups.

The Administrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha, and the executive committee carried out a survey along the South Coast recently.

Mr Botha, in an address to the Afrikaanse Sakekamer at Margate, said it was a matter of urgency to the Government and the Provincial Administration not to be caught off guard in providing facilities at the beaches to prevent friction between different race groups.

He warned that the present situation was causing friction between the race groups and the potential for greater friction was large as the population grew.

Margate has applied for its beach area to be zoned for the exclusive use of whites.

A similar move is being made by Kingsburgh.

Margate's Town Clerk, Mr Duncan Collocott, said there was nothing political in the town council's decision. It was based on economics and Margate's dependence on the holiday industry.

"The foreshore here is very restricted and there is high-density development all along it. The town's lifeblood is in the holiday industry. If beaches were to be zoned for all, this would have a very serious effect," he said.

Mr Botha, indicated recently that a decision on Margate's application would be made only after the province's investigation of Natal beaches was completed.

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Botha pushes all-race Natal beaches

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By Leon Bekker

MULTIRACIAL beaches will soon become a reality all along Natal's coastline, and the Minister of Finance, Owen Horwood, has assured Natal the money will be available to create the necessary facilities.

The Administrator, Stoffel Botha, told the **Sunday Tribune** yesterday that he and the Provincial Executive Committee (Exco) were "on the brink of taking certain decisions" to enable people of all races to enjoy free access to the coastline.

Mr Botha's initiative has set him on a collision course with the mayors of Margate and Kingsburgh, but his uncompromising stance was welcomed yesterday by the mayor of Umhlanga Rocks, Ken O'Connor.

A request by Margate to have its beaches zoned white seems certain to be rejected.

Mr Botha said Margate would have to accept the necessity of providing beach facilities for people of all races.

"Margate can't claim their beach only for whites. There are other people who live and work there who can't be denied the use of a beach," he said.

He also delivered a thinly-veiled warning to local authorities that they would have to play ball on the issue. The province's beaches belonged to all South Africans and could not be used exclusively by a single race group, he said.

The Seashore Act laid down that no barriers could be erected on beaches to prevent free access, he said. The seashore belonged to the State, in trust for all the people of the State.

Mr Botha disclosed he had discussed the issue of the province's beaches with Mr Horwood and the province had been assured of the necessary finance to upgrade beach facilities.

"This is not only in the context of multiracial beaches, but beaches generally," he said.

He said the last thing he wanted was for Natal's coastline to become an area of racial friction, and this did not have to occur because there was enough seashore available for everyone to have a place in the sun.

Mr Botha's initiative has placed the New Republic Party in a difficult position. The party said during the last election that decisions about beaches would be left to the local residents to decide.

The Kingsburgh Town Council also does not want blacks on Kingsburgh beaches, and has applied for white zoning. The **Tribune** has established that, as with Margate, it is unlikely this will be granted.

Kingsburgh Town Council said this week it was "angered" to learn that the administrator and Exco had been in Kingsburgh looking for a suitable multiracial beach.

The council accused the NRP - controlled Exco of a breach of faith, and said it had been given "definite assurances" before the last election that beach usage would be left to local option.

Ray Haslam, MEC in charge of planning said a special provincial committee had already reported on the South Coast, and was now busy on a more specific analysis of the coastline. Once the final report was in, Exco would be in a position to see what needed to be done about the issue of multiracial beaches.

But this week NRP MEC Frank Martin told the Natal Municipal Association, "The days are gone when the selfish can claim there are only white residents and white ratepayers in a town so the beach has to be for whites only."

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Beaches earmarked for all races

Secret study pinpoints north, south coasts

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SPECIFIC beaches on the Natal coast have already been identified for multi-racial zoning.

The Sunday Tribune also established this week that the North Coast has been the subject of a study by a special provincial committee looking at the question of multiracial beaches.

By LEON BEKKER

This committee has decided on certain beaches on the South Coast and the North Coast for multiracial use, but provincial authorities have refused to say which beaches are involved.

"The committee's report is very confidential", Mr Ray Haslam, MEC in charge of planning, said in an interview.

Mr Haslam added that Exco was still studying the issue, and had requested the committee to do another in-depth investigation of the coastline.

The committee — which is staffed by officials from Development and Services Boards, the Anti-Shark Measures Board, the Parks Board and the Provincial Local Authorities section — has submitted interim reports to Exco on both the South and North Coasts.

Meanwhile, the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, has invited coastal local authorities to a top-level indaba early in the new year to discuss multiracial beaches.

Mr Botha said yesterday he had decided to "invite them to tea" so that the potentially emotional issue could be discussed in a friendly atmosphere.

The Administrator decided on this gesture of friendship after a number of South Coast civic leaders had expressed anger and dismay at the fact that Mr Botha was intent on establishing multiracial beach facilities on Natal's coast.

Both Kingsburgh and Margate have applied for whites-only zoning for their beaches, but the **Sunday Tribune** has established that this is unlikely to be granted

Township taps dry



FETCHING water from a tanker has become a daily chore for Mrs Thembisile Nteshane (left) and Mrs Betty Mngomezulu.

Water cut for two weeks

Mercury Reporter

PEOPLE living at Klaarwater and St Wendolins have been without piped water for the past two weeks — but according to the Port Natal Administration Board's director of works, Mr Leon van Rensburg, the supply should be restored by tomorrow.

Community leaders told the Mercury yesterday that although water tankers had been supplying the sprawling townships west of Durban since the main pipe was accidently cut two weeks ago by a national road building team, people had been suffering because the available water was scarce.

The damaged pipe supplies water between the water works and the Klaarwater reservoir.

'What has made the people of St Wendolins angry is that they were never told by the administration board what had gone wrong One day they woke up to find the taps dry, and they have still not received an official explanation about what happened,' said Mr H B Dlamini, chairman of the St Wendolins Welfare Committee.

Problems

Mr Zulu Shongwe, a member of the Klaarwater Advisory Board, said that the shortage of water had caused problems in the township.

'We are grateful to the administration board for providing us with tanked water, but there has often not been enough to go round and this has caused hardship.'

Men who live at the Klaarwater men's hostel told the Mercury yesterday that the cut had meant that their running water ablution system could not be used. Other residents said if they arrived home late at night and did not have children to fetch water for them they often had to go without.

Mr van Rensburg told the Mercury yesterday that he expected the water main to be repaired by tomorrow.

The pipe was accidently cut by a road construction team. Attempts had been made to repair it but on two occasions the pipe had burst.

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Peace reigns as crowds flock to an 'open' beach

SHARING SUN AND SEA — IN PERFECT HARMONY

DURBAN'S controversial multiracial beach — Battery Beach Two — has been a resounding success over the holiday period. Thousands of people — of all races — have used it in total harmony.

By DARYL BALFOUR

The beach, at the north end of the famous Golden Mile, caused a bitter division in Durban's municipal politics recently and led to a number of public protest meetings by Right-wing groups

There were fears that a mixed beach would bring 'undesirable elements' into the high-density white holiday and residential area and lead to racial incidents.

But a survey conducted by Durban's parks, recreation and beaches department showed there was no trouble at all at the beach last month

The survey found that 2 702 blacks, 1 940 coloureds, 1 889 Indians and 1 667 whites made use of the beach.

Throughout the holiday season the beach has been packed ... with upcountry visitors rubbing shoulders with local black beachgoers with equanimity

Said Brakpan father of four Mr Flip Wentzel, after spending a day on the beach:

"We've always come to this beach on our holidays because it is nicer than most of the others on the beachfront. Now it is mixed, but I haven't seen anything that makes me want to move to another beach As long as people show each other respect it's okay with me."

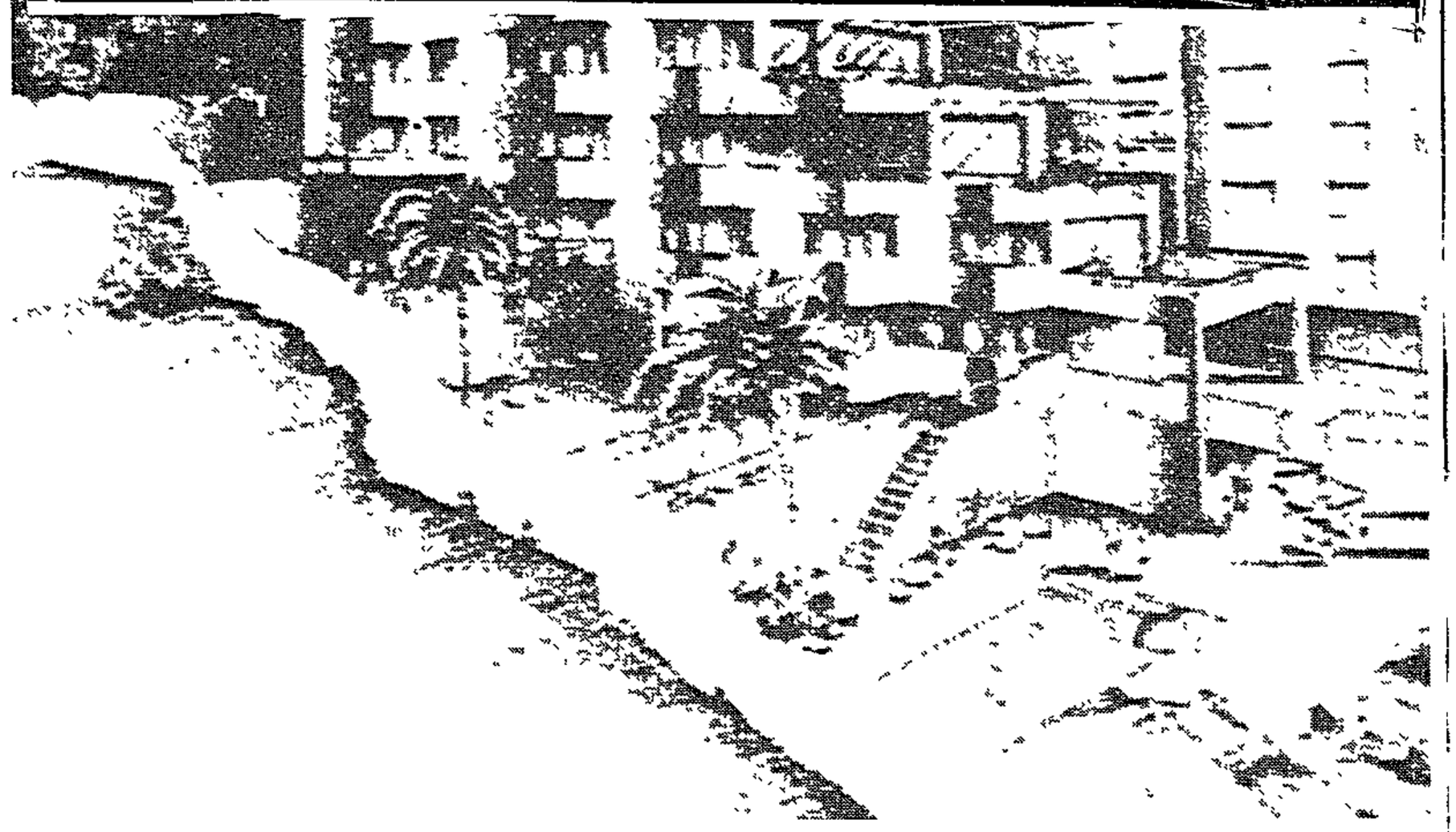
And Durban resident Mr Govind Reddy, also at the beach with his four children, said he was happy to share with all races

"This beach is showing people that they can get along in harmony with other race groups I've been here all week and it's been very happy No trouble."

Both the parks department and the Durban publicity department reported that they had no complaints about the beach since it was opened to all race groups

ALL RACES MIX IT AT DURBAN —

AND MILLIONAIRES MOVE IN ON CLIFTON



● An artist's impression of the six luxury flats which are to be built on a prime beach site in Clifton. An unknown consortium of 'influential Cape Town businessmen' is behind the project, which has still to be given a name.

R625 000 Cape 'Riviera' flat snapped up

Sunday Express Correspondent

CLIFTON — South Africa's Riviera — is fast becoming the exclusive property of the country's millionaires.

This week the most expensive flat offered in Clifton was sold within six days of going on the market — for a cool R625 000. And it hasn't even been built.

Three other flats in the same complex, expected to be completed next year, are on the market for between R375 000 and R575 000.

The agent, Mrs Pam Golding, would not disclose the name of the buyer of the apartment.

"All I can say is that he is the chairman of a public company and a leading Cape Town businessman," she said.

The luxury flat is one of six to be built on a prime beach site between the Valhalla and San Michelle apartment blocks.

An unknown consortium of 'influential Cape Town businessmen' is behind the jet-set project, which has still to be given a name.

It is believed the two lower-level flats, to be retained by the consortium, would have fetched a higher price than the flat already sold had they been put on the market

According to Mrs Golding there is no shortage of buyers for the other flats on sale — options have already been taken on all three.

For his R625 000, the buyer will get 239m² of luxurious living space — which works out at R2 615/m².

Besides the stupendous setting, he will have two bedrooms (one en-suite), study, laundry, labour-saving kitchen, combined diningroom and living room, servant's quarters en-suite, large sea-facing balconies, double parking bays, use of a communal swimming pool and a private lift to the beach.

The other flats on sale — which are higher up — cost less, but are not in fact cheaper.

The 'cheapest' unit in the complex is 124m² in size, for which a buyer would pay about R3 024/m².

Mrs Golding said "anything on the sea in the Clifton area" would cost in the region of R500 000 today.

She puts this down to building costs, scarcity of land and the "demand by wealthy people".

Indians told to leave resort

Mercury Reporter

A PARTY of 11 Indian families, among whom were several professors of the University of Durban-Westville, have had to cut short their seaside holiday at a private Margate resort — because they are not white.

Police, acting on a complaint by a local resident, gave the families 24 hours to pack their bags and go home.

Mrs Liz Jones, who runs the Seahorse Chalets, yesterday referred to the incident as 'most unfortunate' and said she had believed there would be no problem as long as no mixed dancing or drinking took place on the premises.

She described the Indians as a 'wonderful bunch of people'

She said their number also included an employee of the Department of Internal Affairs and his wife and children.

Sympathetic

'It makes me boil to think that just one prejudiced person can spoil a holiday for so many people who were doing nothing but enjoying their stay.

'Although the police were very sympathetic they had no alternative but to act.'

NRB MP for South Coast Mr Aubrey Thompson said he in turn sympathised with the police — because they had had no choice in the matter.

'All this talk of exercising local option obviously doesn't mean anything,' he remarked.

The Progressive Federal Party's leader in Natal, Mr Ray Swart, said the incident highlighted the many injustices brought about by the existence of discriminatory legislation.

'I'm appalled. This sort of thing should be taken into account when considering the Government's new dispensation, which supposedly gives Indians and coloureds a better deal.'

The Natal Mercury, Friday, January 21, 1983

Clansthal residents irate as campers 'invade their privacy'

'Keep off my beach' says landowner

Mercury Reporter

PEOPLE who stroll along Clansthal beach on the Natal South Coast may find themselves in hot water as sections of the beach are privately owned, angry residents warned yesterday.

Mr Peter de Beer, one of the residents, told the Mercury that his property extended 9,2 m on to the beach — up to the high water mark which is usually recognised as the limit of private ownership on beaches.

He has erected a signboard warning picnickers to keep off his property.

Mr de Beer said neighbouring property owners, whose properties also extended as far as the high water mark, were also resorting to similar action following frequent invasion of their privacy by campers.

He said as there were no ablution facilities at the Clansthal beach campers trespassed on their property.

'Some people even broke up my wooden garden furniture to light beach fires,' he said.

'Some property owners had now resorted to concrete furniture.

The Development and Services Board recently banned fishing on the beach for the safety of bathers.

Rockpools

Rejecting reports that the ban was imposed because Indians were using the beaches, Mr de Beer assured the Mercury that it applied to all race groups, including the local residents.

'There are no shark nets at our beach, so the rockpools are the only safe place for bathers and often children and adults who use the pools find themselves snarled up with carelessly discarded fishing tackle,' he added

A spokesman for the local office of the Development and Services Board, yesterday confirmed that the Clansthal properties extended to the high water mark

He said the property owners were entitled to take legal action against people who trespassed on to their property.

'This has been a bone of contention for many years. Hardly a weekend goes by without complaints from angry residents about campers messing up their front lawn,' he said, adding that the residents had tolerated the invasion of their privacy for a long time but because of the blatant abuse of their properties they had now resorted to the ban.

Multiracial beaches question set to become big issue in 1983

THE whole question of Natal's beaches 'going multiracial' has burst into contention again and is set to become a countrywide political issue in 1983.

Latest move in the controversy is a surprise decision by Kingsburgh Town Council to hold a public referendum on the matter — unless Natal's Executive Committee agrees to set aside Doonside, Warner Beach, Illovo Beach, Winklespruit and Karridene for whites only.

There are strong indications that more coastal towns, including Margate, could soon follow suit.

At present the situation is that none of the beaches has any zoning — which technically means they can be used by all, though this does not always happen.

Responding to Kingsburgh's new move yesterday, the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, said the results of referendums would not necessarily influence his committee's final decision, which could be expected within a few weeks. It would be made only after consultation.

Harmonious

Exco's general policy was that seaside facilities were 'for everyone to enjoy' and that zoning of beaches for specific community groups was 'not the answer to this problem'.

Discussions were aimed at working out a 'harmonious solution'.

Kingsburgh's Mayor, Mrs Joan du Plooy, who is opposed to the resort's beaches being integrated, said the object of the referendum was to determine the wishes of the local electorate.

'As their representative council we are morally bound on a big issue like this to find out what they want. What we want is to excercise local option, which now seems to be the policy of both the New Republic Party and the Government.'

Kingsburgh had neither the space nor the facilities to cope with blacks who had taken to frequenting its beaches 'in droves'.

Moreover, the overcrowding of local beaches by non-white anglers had given rise to numerous unpleasant racial incidents — which were becoming more violent as time progressed.

Mrs du Plooy also referred to cases of littering and 'indecent behaviour' by those who fished at Kingsburgh.

She pointed out that beaches for non-whites existed to the north at Isipingo and to the south at Umgababa.

'Kingsburgh is a close-knit white community whose members have invested life savings in their right to live that way, and we feel they are entitled to keep it the way they want.'

Margate's Mayor, Mr Dennis Cominos, said he expected to be meeting the Administrator and Exco again within the next few weeks, but talk of his council holding a referendum was 'not official at this stage'.

Finality

Natal's MEC in charge of town and regional planning, Mr Ray Haslam, who, with his colleagues, will be meeting several Cabinet ministers in Cape Town next week, said he did not wish to 'apply the big stick to anyone' regarding the issue.

However, it was time the matter was brought to finality — it was being regarded as a priority. There were beaches which lent themselves to development because they were being visited by large numbers of beachgoers.

The Province had already voted money for facilities at some of these.

'It makes a lot of sense,' Mr Haslam said. 'We hope to come to an amicable arrangement for everyone.'

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South Coast to vote to keep beaches white

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Tribune Reporter

AS D—DAY approaches for the Provincial Executive Committee and the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, to make some hard decisions on the racial zoning of Natal's beaches, Kingsburgh municipality is making preparations to hold a referendum on the issue.

Mr Botha and members of the New Republic Party-controlled Exco have indicated that decisions will be made before the end of February.

A special provincial committee set up to look into the question of beach zoning is to make its final report to Exco within a fortnight.

Kingsburgh and Margate have applied for their beaches to be zoned white, and there is strong opposition on the South Coast to Mr Botha's stand that beach facilities must be made available to all races.

The mayor of Kingsburgh, Mrs Joan du Plooy, told the **SUNDAY TRIBUNE** this week that if the request for white zoning had not been granted by the end of January, Kingsburgh would hold a referendum to underline the position of Kingsburgh's white residents to the provincial authorities.

Kingsburgh's hardline stand follows "friendly chats" on the subject of beach zoning between provincial and municipal authorities earlier this month.

Mr Botha and members of Exco met the full councils of Margate and Kingsburgh, with their mayors and town clerks, in two separate meetings to discuss the issue.

While Mr Botha expressed himself as "happy" with the talks, there was no sign this week that the civic authorities of Margate or Kingsburgh had changed their minds about whites-only beaches

Mrs du Plooy said Kingsburgh's town council had decided to go ahead with the referendum unless a favourable decision was received from Mr Botha by the end of January.

Residents of Doonside, Warner Beach, Winkelspruit, Illovo Beach, Karridene, Whitfield Park and St Winifred's would be involved in the referendum, she said.

The council has not yet decided whether inhabitants or municipal voters would be allowed to vote.

There would be problems identifying intending voters if the ambit of the referendum included all inhabitants, she said

Plan for multiracial beachfront

DURBAN'S beachfront between West Street jetty and the Rachel Finlayson Pool will be open to all races if the city's Management Committee has its way.

This would affect the beach, the paddling pool and the pool.

Yesterday the committee voted to open the beach and remaining whites-only facilities to all.

The recommendation will probably be considered by the full council on February 7.

The committee recommended that the existing paddling pool be closed off by extending the seating right around the pool, and an entrance fee of 50 c for adults and children be introduced.

The adjacent pool, presently used by Mr Nick Steyn for water rides, would be converted to another paddling pool for all races, but would be free.

The only stipulation would be that it be used by small children accompanied by adults.

The council has already voted in favour of opening the Rachel Finlayson Pool to all races, but was waiting to consider the alternative of converting it into an Olympic standard facility.

Fees increase

The Management Committee recommends that funds be set aside for an Olympic pool at Kings Park instead.

The entrance fee to the beach baths would be increased from 35 c for adults and 15 c for children and spectators to 50 c for everybody.

Municipal Reporter

The stretch of beach between the jetty and the first Patterson groyne is not a swimming beach, but could become one as the sand-pumping scheme progressed.

The Dolphinarium, Aquarium and amusement park are already multiracial.

Management Committee chairman Neil MacLennan said: 'The council has known for a couple of years that the paddling pool was not going to cope with the pressures of increasing usage.

'We contemplated building additional pools but a new fresh water pool would cost R1 000 000 and a salt water pool much more.

'The situation this Christmas has shown that it is imperative that we solve the problem before next Christmas, if we are to avoid friction.

'The forward planning committee and Manco agree that, apart from the expense of a new pool, it would be impossible to build one in time.

'The only remaining option is to recover the paddling pool which we presently lease for amusement rides on a monthly tenancy.

'It also became apparent this Christmas that the paddling pool can no longer be retained as a whites-only facility.

Already so

'Looking at the whole area from the Dolphinarium to the first Patterson groyne at the northern end of the Rachel Finlayson Pool we found that to all intents and purposes it was already multiracial.'

Mr MacLennan said investigations had shown that the Rachel Finlayson Pool was not suitable for conversion to an Olympic facility.

The other members of the Management Committee are Mr Don Smith, Mr Clarence Cheek, Mr Crispin Hemson, Mr Stan Lange, Mr Peter Mansfield and Mrs Lesley Sprague.

Mr Cheek was the only one who voted against multiracial facilities and Mr Lange was prepared to

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vote for the recommendation but did not think any of the facilities should be free.

The Town Clerk, Mr Gordon Haygarth, confirmed there had been complaints about black bathers using Snake Park Beach and the paddling pool during the Christmas season.

Mr R Philips, Port Natal Administration Board recreation officer, addressed the Management Committee yesterday on the urgent need for recreational facilities in the black areas.

He warned that because there were none in the KwaZulu areas and not enough in the townships the city could expect an influx of black bathers on the beaches.

Open beach proposal lost by a single vote

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Municipal Reporter

A PROPOSAL to open Durban beach between the paddling pool and the Rachel Finlayson pool was lost by a single vote at a joint meeting of the Management Committee and Amenities Committee yesterday.

After three-and-a-half hours of intense debate, the meeting decided that the paddling pool should be open to all races and that there should be no charge, although entry would be restricted to children under 12.

The meeting agreed that all races should be allowed to use the Rachel Finlayson pool, but the entrance fee should be increased to 50 c for all, including spectators.

It also agreed that Mr Nick Steyn should not be given a month's notice to vacate a large section of his amusement park for the council to convert into another paddling pool.

Not clear

However, while the Management Committee voted for a multiracial beach, the Amenities Committee voted 4-3 against. Those who voted against were Mr Clarence Cheek, Mr Dick Burgess, Mr Neville Herrington and Mr Stan Lange.

The three who voted for an open beach were the chairman Mr Pieter Breytenbach, Mrs Margaret Winter and Mr Patrick O'Connor.

Mrs Ros Sarkin left before the vote and several councillors felt she would have swung the decision the other way by staying since she is known to favour open facilities.

Last night Mrs Sarkin said it had not been clear that there would be a vote on the beach and she had had to leave to take an important international call.

The Management Committee will now draw up recommendations, along the lines agreed upon, for the full council to vote on.

After yesterday's meeting the committee chairman, Mr Neil MacLenann, said the paddling pool would not be closed off in any way, but control of the area would have to be stepped up.

Asked if it would be practical to have all the facilities along one side of the street operating on a multiracial basis and to keep the rocks and sand on the other side of the road for whites-only, Mr MacLennan said he did not think it would be possible.

Mr Peter Mansfield called the outcome of the joint meeting: 'A hodgepodge of recommendations that will be impossible to implement.'

Mr Clarence Cheek, a beachfront councillor, said he was launching a petition to object to opening the pools, and hoped other councillors who objected would do the same.

Wits water pump works by leg-power

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By BRIAN McCULLOCH

A UNIQUE leg-powered pump described as looking a bit like a go-kart was handed over to a rural settlement in KwaZulu this week.

It was designed by engineering students as a vacation project.

They had been taking part in a Red Cross rural development programme which has supplied water for irrigation and drinking to the settlement 15km from Empangeni

The project was the brainchild of Professor Mike Rodd and Professor Roy Markus of the electrical and mechanical engineering departments at the University of the Witwatersrand.

Professor Rodd is the chairman of the National Development Committee of the Red Cross, and became aware of the need to have a system of water supply which could be used in underdeveloped areas all over the country

The Anglo American Chairman's Fund provided the main sponsorship, and engineering students were given the chance to gain practical experience and to put the skills they were learning to the aid of others

At a ceremony held last Thursday, the KwaZulu Minister of Health, Dr Denis Madide, praised everyone who had been involved in the project and said that it was particularly good to see that there had been such a large degree of community involvement in the water scheme

The Wits students initially spent two weeks camping in the area determining what the needs of the area were and what the best ways of meeting them would be.

They found the settlement of 5 000 people relied for all its water on the Mhlatuze River half an hour's walk away, where it was collected in 25l drums

The pump uses as few moving parts as possible and it is hoped that it will have a working life of at least ten years

A small dam was built by the students and a local youth group to ensure that there is a perennial supply of water for irrigation purposes

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Coloured beach offer gets support

Municipal Reporter

ALL Durban's beaches will be multiracial by next summer, according to City Councillor Patrick O'Connor who was asked to comment on a move to open the coloured beach to all races — a move that looks set for an easy passage through council.

The Coloured Local Affairs Committee has indicated that it will vote in favour of desegregating the coloured beach, thus doubling the size of the existing multiracial beach.

But it will be the white city councillors who will have the final say. And most say they will happily support the LAC recommendation.

Mr O'Connor said: 'I would be quite happy to support the recommendation and I think we are going to have to face the fact that by next summer all the beaches will be multiracial through general usage anyway.'

Mr Pieter Breytenbach, chairman of the Amenities Committee, said it would save the city 'a few hundred thousand rands'.

'Tatty'

The refreshment facilities at the multiracial beach were 'very tatty' and would have to be replaced. But the facilities at the coloured beach were very good.

Mr Haydn Bradfield said the coloured beach was even further away from the residential area than Battery Beach Two and, if the LAC's offer was sincere, he foresaw no problem in linking the beaches.

His ward mate, Mr Henry Klotz, who strongly opposed Battery Beach Two going multiracial, agreed. If the coloureds wanted to desegregate their beach they had every right to do so

Generous

Mrs Margaret Ambler, Mrs Margaret Winter, Mrs Ros Sarkin and Mr Neville Herrington said the gesture was a very generous one, as it was the only beach the coloured community had. They would vote in favour of an LAC recommendation.

Some councillor weren't so keen Mr Ken Varner said he would have to ask his ratepayers what they wanted. Mr Mark Webber said every community should have its own facilities.

And Mr Gys Muller warned that the beach would just be swamped by blacks and the coloured woulds have nowhere to bathe.

Mr Lew Phillips would 'have to think this one over'.

DURBAN'S BEACHES

Not all at sea

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Durban City Council is under pressure to open its beaches to all. The mixed bathing lobby has gained substantial momentum since the opening of Durban's first multiracial beach, Battery Beach II, in November last year. The desegregation, which went off without incident, has prompted a clamour for racial barriers on the city's remaining beaches to be dismantled.

Last week, the Management Committee (Manco) approved a proposal to open to all races a stretch of beach between the West Street jetty and the Patterson Groyne. This includes the children's paddling pool and Rachel Finlayson baths.

Manco chairman Neil MacLennan's argument was logical. He maintained that the area was already *de facto* multiracial. "All we would be doing is legitimising the situation," he said. Though the proposal was narrowly defeated by a vote at Amenities Committee level, mixed bathing lobbyists do not intend to let the matter rest

Says councillor Ros Sarkin· "We feel that the matter has not been properly debated and intend to raise it again" An opportunity to extend the debate could present itself at a full meeting of council next week.

Meanwhile, the Coloured Local Affairs Committee has indicated that it is in favour of desegregating the existing coloured beach, which adjoins Battery Beach II This would double the size of the multiracial bathing area Though the move still has to be ratified by council, it looks set for an easy passage, judging by the current mood in the council chamber.

Powerful interest groups, however, are trying to block moves to open more beaches. They claim that holidaymakers from the platteland, the mainstay of Durban's tourist industry, could shy away if more beaches become multiracial.

Council challenged to call public meeting

'Delay decision' on beach decision

DURBAN City Council has been asked to delay its decision on another multiracial beach and the opening of the paddling and Rachel Finlayson pools to all races until a public meeting has been called.

And the Durban Sakekamer warned that the council would be answerable for the economic consequences of opening these facilities.

On Monday the council is due to decide whether to desegregate the stretch of beach between the West Street jetty and the Rachel Finlayson pool, known as Dairy Beach.

Although bathing is banned along that stretch, it includes a premier surfing beach and the area could be opened for bathing in two years when the sand-pumping scheme has had effect. Also on the agenda is a proposal to open the beach baths and the paddling pool.

Municipal Reporter

Yesterday a representative of the Civic Action League, which operates under the auspices of the Right-wing South Africa First Campaign, handed in a petition signed by 568 municipal voters who want the issues debated publicly before the council votes.

In terms of the Local Government Ordinance, 250 signatures are needed for a request for the mayor to call a public meeting.

The Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, returns from America tomorrow, where she attended a presidential breakfast.

Meanwhile, Mr J W Verster, chairman of the Durban Sakekamer, has written to the council recording the association's 'strongest objections to the proposals'.

The letter says there is no doubt the city will suffer serious financial loss if the facilities were opened.

Holidaymakers spend an estimated R500 million in the city every year. Most of them come from the Transvaal and the Free State, tend to stay in the South Beach area and frequent the beach area in question.

Disturbing

There was a strong negative reaction from holidaymakers when Battery Beach Two was opened to all races and, considering its location, there would be an even stronger reaction to opening the stretch opposite the paddling pool.

Mr Verster says: 'Also disturbing is the recent statement by a city councillor to me. He said one of the reasons for the proposed move of the fun fair to Hoy Park was to eliminate the racial friction which has occurred in that beach area.'

The Sakekamer chairman says desegregation of the beach will undoubtably lead to further friction. It will also be detrimental to business interests and lead to a deterioration of facilities.

The council will have to account to the business sector for its losses.

Public meeting on all-race beach

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DURBAN City Council has agreed, in principle, to open to all races the paddling pool, the Rachel Finlayson Pool and the beach opposite.

No action will be taken until the matter has been aired at a public meeting, according to Mayor Sybil Hotz.

It was agreed that the paddling pool would not be enclosed and there would be no charge. The existing entrance fee at the Rachel Finlayson Pool would be retained.

If the council decision were endorsed by a public meeting the Administrator would be asked to approve the necessary change in the bylaws.

Durban moves to integrate popular beach

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Argus Correspondent

DURBAN — The Durban City Council has voted to integrate all amenities along one of the most popular sections of the beachfront

After a marathon eight-hour meeting in which liberal and conservative elements clashed repeatedly, the council voted in principle to.

OPEN PADDLING

● "Open the paddling pool to use by all races free of charge

● "Integrate a second city beach, which stretches between the West Street jetty and the southernmost end of North Beach

● "Allow all races to use the Rachel Finlayson swimming pool at a charge of 35c for adults and 15c for children

● In addition, any other amenity not listed above will be open to use by all races Because the proposals have been approved only in principle another meeting to make the necessary by-law changes will have to be held

HEATED

This will take place after a public meeting has been held to discuss the moves.

Mayor Sybil Hotz had difficulty maintaining control of the heated debate. Several councillors stormed out of the meeting and at one stage Mr Henry Klotz refused to continue a speech after liberal councillors had repeatedly heckled him.

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Mixed feelings on mixed facilities

DURBAN City Council's decision to desegregate the paddling pool, Rachel Finlayson pool and the beach opposite had a mixed welcome from organised tourist bodies and commerce yesterday.

Holiday Inns is building a R60 million hotel in that section of beachfront and yesterday the group managing director Mr Nigel Matthews said: 'If there is a slight change in emphasis and we have a few more black holidaymakers than white holidaymakers it wouldn't phase me one bit.

'We can only welcome multiracial facilities because the future tourist market lies with the blacks.

'I don't pretend to be an expert on Durban's holiday trade but there are 20 million black people out there just waiting to have enough money to spend on holidays.'

Municipal Reporter

But while the city's hotel association agrees with the principle of the council proposals, it wants the corporation to build more facilities first.

The Durban Publicity Association also believes the area is already overcrowded and agrees with the Durban Chamber of Commerce that the council may be acting hastily.

The beach in quesiton stretches from the West Street jetty to the first Patterson groyne it is not open to bathing but could become a prime swimming beach two years hence when the sand-pumping scheme has had effect.

The council decision to desegregate the facitities was made in the face of dire Sakekamer warnings that the tourist industry would be adversely affected.

Mr Terry Toohey, director of the Durban Publicity Association, said: 'Tourism could suffer in the short term if Durban got a multiracial image, but the situation will change once all the beaches along the South African coastline are multiracial.

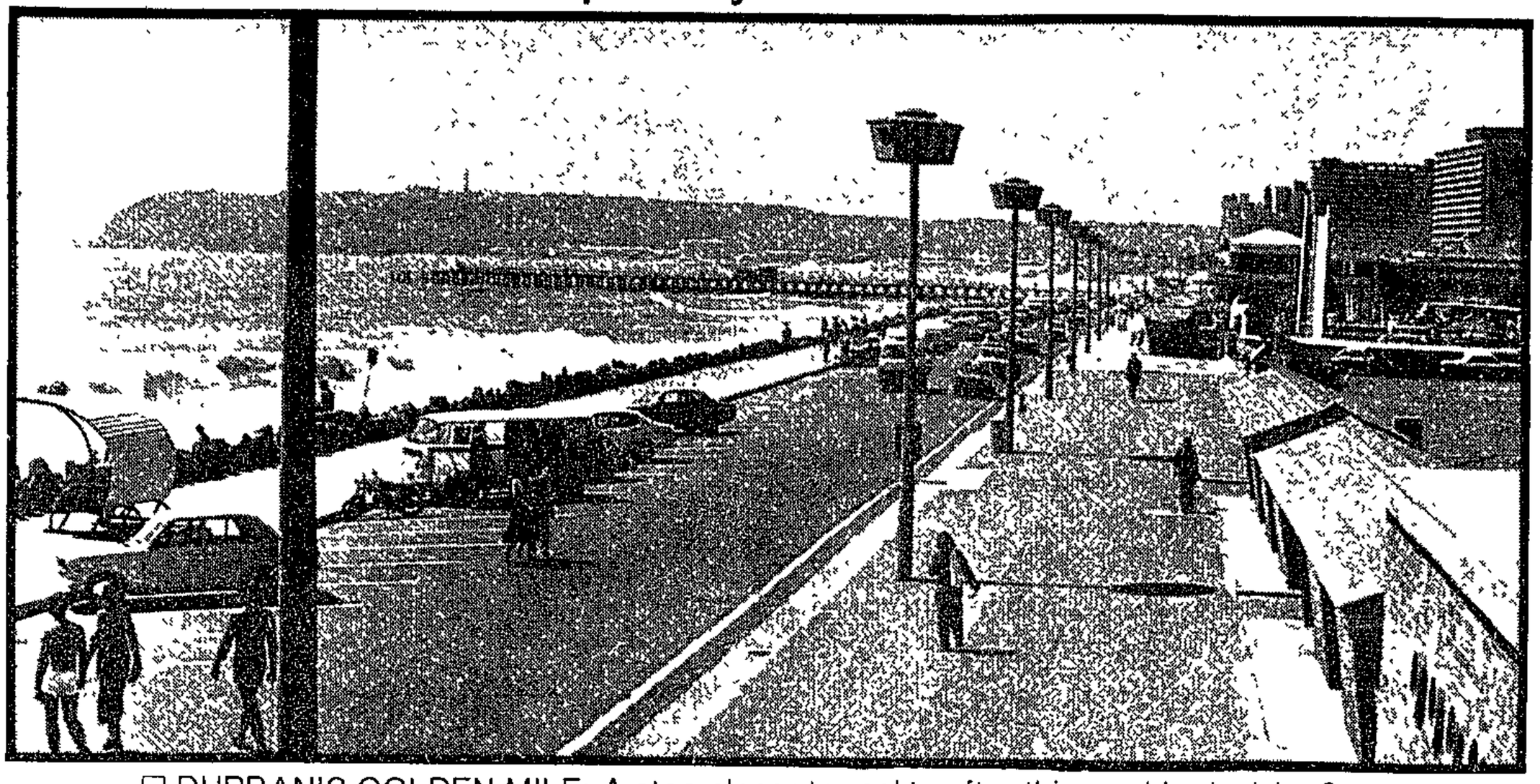
Meeting

Mr Jeremy Whysall, president of the Durban Chamber of Commerce, was worried that the council was making a decision concerning the beachfront which might prove completely out of context with the Revel Fox plan for the beachfront.

He said: 'The question of multiracial facilities is an important aspect of the whole plan. We do not feel it should be dealt with in isolation and have asked for a meeting with council representatives to clarify this.'

Big week for beaches

Natal to decide on policy for multiracial seafront



☐ DURBAN'S GOLDEN MILE: A step closer to reality after this week's decision?

A DECISIVE week for the future of Natal's beaches lies ahead. Far-reaching decisions on the issue of multiracial beaches are to be taken by the Administrator and the Executive Committee in Pietermaritzburg.

Exco will be receiving a lengthy report from a special committee which has been investigating the subject before deciding on an "overall policy," Mr Ray Haslam MEC said this week.

Local authorities all along the Natal coast, property owners and holidaymakers of all races are eagerly awaiting this week's decisions, which will remove much of the recent uncertainty about the future status of the province's beaches.

Mr Haslam made it clear that the province is not about to force through any unpopular decisions.

Exco's goal was to decide on overall policy, and it would then approach the local authorities which were affected for further consultations, he said.

However, there is no doubt that local authorities will have to accept the reality of beaches for all races.

The Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, has made it clear that he regards adequate and convenient beach facilities for all races a necessity.

He has mentioned specific examples, such as Margate, where the blacks and Indians who work in the business and residential areas were in need of a beach close to their places of employment.

The issue was to be finalised by Exco this week, but discussion was postponed to enable the special committee to make its final report.

The committee has already compiled its report on the south coast, but its recommendations on the north coast were still being formulated this week, Mr Haslam said.

Members of the committee, which include Mr Brand Pistorius (the Director of Local Government), Mr Geddes Page of the Natal Parks Board, Mrs Beulah Davis of the Anti-Shark Measures Board, and a senior Town and Regional Planning official, will attend this week's Exco meeting which will be chaired by the Administrator.

Mr Haslam said he did not want to predict what steps would follow the Exco meeting, as future strategy would be decided on at the meeting.

However, Exco would probably ask the special committee to remain active to report on the situation "as it unfolds", he said.

Behind the hoopla, hatred that could turn the US Olympics into a bloodbath

Terror Games!

WASHINGTON: Behind all the hoopla and excitement over the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles, California, is a real fear that terrorists will use the occasion for a spectacular act of violence.

The Americans are spending millions of dollars to prevent it.

But the serious possibility of a terrorist outrage was raised at a closed meeting here of a Congressional committee on security and terrorism.

The committee's chairman, Senator Jeremiah Denton of Alabama, told members he had received word from police and others in Los Angeles that something was in the wind.

Members of the committee staff refused to disclose details this week, pointing out that the meeting was confidential, but I learned from intelligence sources here that the main cause for concern are Armenian terrorists who have been active in California, notably in Los Angeles

By NEIL LURSSEN

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D-day for usage of Natal beaches

Mercury Reporter

NATAL'S Administrator and Executive Committee meet today to decide what to do about declaring the province's beaches black, white or mixed for the use of all.

None of the beaches has any zoning at present — meaning they are all 'grey' areas.

In spite of this, however, there has been strict enforcement of apartheid-while-you-bathe rules at certain of the affected resorts, mostly to the exclusion of members of the non-white communities.

Facts of the matter are that no change-rooms, lavatories or other such public facilities exist for them at these beaches at present — so they have no option but to go elsewhere for their fun in the sun.

Provincial authorities have set themselves the task, in the words of MEC in charge of town and regional planning, Mr Ray Haslam, of 'seeking a solution to satisfy everyone'.

Interest

The outcome of the matter has become the subject of intense interest — and considerable speculation — among the local public and in political circles, especially in view of a statement by the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, that beaches 'are for everyone to enjoy'.

Mr Botha's attitude has all along been that the provision of adequate and convenient beach facilities for all races is a necessity.

But whether he means these will be provided for mixed or exclusive, use is still to be decided.

The controversial issue, affecting not only local residents but all coastal property owners, has been coming to a head for several months — and this is the week in which it is scheduled to be settled.

Discussions towards this end will culminate with the adoption of an overall policy, to be deployed throughout the province in future.

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Council election challenge on beaches

By Eddy Andriés

NINE conservative Durban city councillors yesterday offered to fight an election over the issue of multiracial beach facilities if liberal colleagues did the same.

Last night the liberal councillors agreed with Management Committee chairman Neil MacLennan that the conservative call was childish.

The Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz said: 'The country can't afford this sort of nonsense, here or at Waterberg. Instead of calling for elections the councillors should get on with the job of running the city.'

But Nationalist Gys Muller said: 'We've been pushed so far and will go no further.' He, along with councillors Lew Phillips, Dick Burgess, Mark Webber, Eric Bush, Ken Varner, Henry Klotz, Louis de Beer and Phillip Badenhorst, is opposed to the integration of further beachfront facilities in Durban.

Mrs Hotz, Mr MacLennan and councillors Peter Mansfield, Donald Smith, Crispen Hemson and Margaret Ambler were named by the conservatives as 'the nucleus we are up against'.

Our Pietermaritzburg Bureau reported that Natal's Executive Committee would meet again tomorrow to resolve the question of who might use the province's beaches.

Mr Ray Haslam, MEC in charge of town and regional planning, said yesterday no decision had been reached and investigations were continuing.

It is understood that the status of Durban's beaches are not in question as they are owned by the municipality and the Province has no say in their administration.

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Govt to block all-race pools?

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DURBAN moves to open the beachfront paddling pool and Rachel Finlayson baths to all races are likely to be blocked by the Minister of Community Development, it was learned yesterday.

A National Party caucus of Natal parliamentarians decided in Cape Town yesterday to oppose the move and, in a statement issued by the Deputy Minister of Community Development, Mr Pierre Cronje, accused the 'PFP-inclined' Durban City Council of a serious dereliction of duty.

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He said that as far back as 1976 the council had decided to develop certain beach areas for blacks, coloureds and Indians.

But so far very little had been done by either the council or private enterprise to provide the necessary amenities.

In contrast, several Cape local authorities had spent large sums on the development of beach amenities for non-whites.

'It is clear,' Mr Cronje said, 'that the PFP councillors are politically motivated and not primarily concerned with the development of beach and bathing facilities for the other race groups.'

Durban's beach amenities were a tremendous tourist attraction worth about R500 million a year.

The opening of the paddling pool and Rachel Finlayson baths would lead to racial friction because there already was overcrowding at peak periods.

'This will have a disastrous effect on the tourist trade,' he said

The caucus had reaffirmed the declared policy of the National Party that separate amenities for the various race groups had to be provided except where this was impossible.

Along Durban's long coastline, beach and related beach facilities could clearly be duplicated.

The council was strongly urged to rescind its decision to open the pools.

Mr Cronje said the caucus had not concerned itself with the council's decision to desegregate Dairy Beach. The Natal Provincial Executive would have the last word on that.

Final say

He confirmed that 'several Durban city councillors' had written to the Minster of Community Development asking what legal power he had to intervene in the issue.

The minister would reply soon.

The department has the final say on whether pools should be opened. Some time ago, Cape Town City Council was refused permission to desegregate a pool.

Councillor Donald Smith, vice-chairman of the city's Management Committee, and a supporter of the PFP, commented last night: 'In 1976 the council was dominated by a Nat-NRP coalition which had obviously lacked the ability to plan ahead.

Separate

'And in making their decision to build separate amenities, they did not take into account the ordinary sequence of events which would lead to the implementation of that idea.

'It has taken the present PFP-inclined council to formulate a plan which would reroute the main heavy traffic from the Marine Parade and make space available for additional facilities.

'Provision had already been made in the draft budget for the first stage of the plan,' he added.

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'Open up Natal beaches' order

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Pietermaritzburg Bureau

NATAL beaches outside Durban would no longer be segregated, the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, said yesterday.

Releasing a policy statement after a special two-hour meeting of the Executive Committee, Mr Botha said that if there were any Natal beaches with 'whites only' signs — other than in Durban — they would have to come down.

Durban was in a unique position because beaches were owned by the city council down to the low-water mark and parts could be reserved for use by different race groups.

In the statement Exco said their powers to zone stretches of beach for use by the various races had not been used in Natal because they had been convinced that racial zoning creates more problems than it solves'.

They conceded that prejudices existed and that these were aggravated by fear of invasion by large numbers of people of other races and by irresponsible actions by aggressive minorities.

But where zoning had been tried, it had caused resentment and invited confrontation, and was almost impossible to enforce without an army of policemen.

'The Executive Committee believes that there is a better solution, based on the natural inclination of people to seek the company of their own kind and to avoid, rather than seek, confrontation.'

The statement referred to provincial policy to improve facilities on beaches used traditionally by blacks, Indians and coloureds, and to develop facilities on beaches where none existed.

Local authorities could not, however, be expected to finance these improvements but Exco was confident that the large sums needed would be made available by the Government.

Mr Botha would not be drawn on whether this amounted to a major new development programme down the length of the Natal coast, but said further statements would be issued in due course.

Referring to applications from Kingsburgh and Margate for permission to zone their beaches, Mr Botha said letters had been sent to them, but declined to reveal their contents.

As far as beaches within KwaZulu were concerned, these were not under the control of the NPA and the policy statement did not affect them.

Willing

However, Natal was more than willing to extend its services, such as the Anti-sharks Measures Board, to KwaZulu's beaches if asked to do so, Mr Botha said.

Responding to Mr Botha's statement yesterday, the Mayor of Kingsburgh, Mrs Joan du Plooy, said if her council did not receive a favourable reply to their application to zone Kingsburgh's beaches white by February 28, the issue would be thrown open to a public referendum.

'All that will remain will be for us to set the date for the referendum,' Mrs du Plooy said last night.

The Mayor of Margate, Mr Dennis Cominos, declined to comment on the matter last night without first reading Mr Botha's letter.

Mr Bert Tunmer, Mayor

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of Amanzimtoti said there were no segregation signs on his beaches.

'Signs were erected by the council or some of our northern beaches against the Isipingo beach border — on to which, incidentally, we are no permanent boundaries — but these were ripped down by the public and never replaced.

'We are not opposed to anyone using our beaches as long as they behave themselves. But tell me, why can we not use the beaches south of Karradine River which is the southern boundary of Kingsburgh, or those north of Amanzimtoti?' Mr Tunmer asked.

Richards Bay signs 'will stay up'

Natal 18/2/83

Mercury Reporter

WHITES-ONLY signs on Richards Bays' Alkantstrand will not be removed, the town's mayor indicated last night.

'We have an international beach which is nearer to the town centre than the white beach, and is bigger then Durban's Golden Mile,' Mayor, Dr J C van der Walt said last night.

'We won't take the whites-only signs down because we feel it is the white ratepayer's right to a beach reserved exclusivly for whites, knowing that there is an attractive alternative in the form of the international beach.

'A R270 000 building scheme has already started which will provide the international beach with up-to-date facilities open to whites, blacks, coloureds and Indians.'

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The battle of the beaches

Cronje lays it out

Municipal Reporter

MR PIERRE Cronje, Deputy Minister of Community Development, has slammed the Natal Executive Committee decision not to segregate North and South Coast beaches, saying that although it was contrary to Government policy there was nothing the Government could do about it.

The Group Areas Act did not apply to beaches because the Government had delegated control of these to the Provincial Administration. In turn, Durban had been delegated control over its own beaches.

This was why the city's beaches were excluded from the policy statement.

Mr Cronje accused the New Republic Party-controlled committee of 'inconsistency'.

The party claimed to believe in local option but had ignored applications from Margate and Kingsburgh to zone those beaches for whites only.

Although the policy statement on beach zoning had been made by the Administrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha, a member of the National Party, he had merely spoken on behalf of the committee.

The Government believed that amenities should be shared only when they could not be duplicated and there was plenty of beach along Natal's coastline for separate faacilities.

Durban's Director of Publicity, Mr Terry Toohey, welcomed the decision, saying it had taken 'the heat off Durban'.

Welcomed

Margate, Uvongo and Amanzimtoti are likely to fight the decision.

Other towns such as Port Shepstone and Isipingo welcomed the move.

Hibberdene Health Committee chairman Mr T Bouwer said the sooner people got used to the idea the better.

And several towns, such as Umtentweni, said they would take up an offer by the Province to spend money on facilities at the beaches which were traditionally used by other race groups

Uvongo's Mayor, Mr Digger Ryley, said the town's beaches were already jam-packed in peak season.

Next door, Shelley Beach was rapidly expanding but had no beach of its own.

This put increasing pressure on St Michaels and Uvongo beaches and if these were thrown open to all races there would be total chaos.

Sanitation

Mr Ryley felt Palm Beach, about 10 km down the coast, should be developed for non-whites

Southbroom Health Committee secretary Mr F Engels said their policy was to let anyone use the beach, but it had become very popular with windsurfers and over Christmas the sanitation system there had collapsed.

Giant step

Hopefully it would ease the pressure which had built up over the Durban City Council's decision to desegregate the paddling pool, beach baths and Dairy Beach.

He said: 'The Administrator's announcement has obviously taken us a giant step closer to a beach which people pay to use and where they can enjoy special facilities.

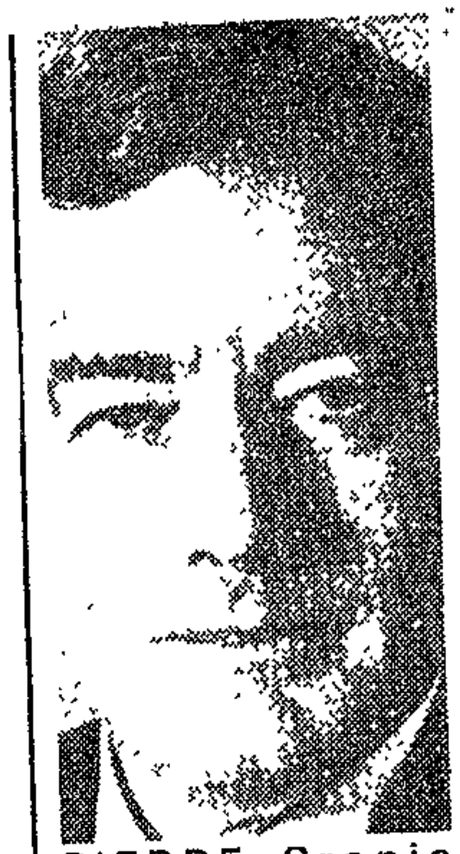
'This system has been most successful in other parts of the world and is a little overdue here.'

Durban has beaches zoned specifically for use by the various race groups, and one multiracial beach.

There was varied reaction to Exco's decision among North and South Coast towns

Spokesmen for Richards Bay, Umdloti and Scottburgh all claimed their beaches were zoned and they would enforce the zoning.

Scottburgh's Acting Town Clerk, Mr Dennis Marshall, said blacks were politely asked to leave the beach.



PIERRE Cronje ...'inconsistent' charge

Free ride to City Hall

Municipal Reporter

RESIDENTS in the Point area will have a free bus service to take them to the public meeting in Durban City Hall on Tuesday night — thanks to their ward councillors and ratepayers' association.

Mr Clarence Cheek, Mr Ken Varner and the Ward 2 Ratepayers' Association will foot the bill for two buses which will leave Bell Sreet at 7 30 p m, travel along Prince Street, into Rutherford Street, along Marine Parade and up West Street — making as many trips as necessary.

The buses will wait outside the City Hall until the meeting is over and travel back to the beachfront.

The meeting has been convened by the Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, to give citizens a chance to air their views on a council decision to open the paddling pool, Rachel Finlayson Pool and Dairy Beach to all races.

Minister slams Natal move to open its beaches

Mail Correspondent

DURBAN — The Deputy Minister of Community Development Mr Pierre Cronje has criticised Natal's Executive Committee for deciding not to segregate north and south coast beaches

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Films seized: Top SA photog may sue

By CHARLOTTE BAUER

INTERNATIONALLY acclaimed South African photographer Peter Magubane may sue the police if films confiscated by police this week are not returned intact

Magubane, now based in New York, said several films



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were confiscated at Jan Smuts Airport on his arrival from Lusaka

He flew from Johannesburg to Lusaka two weeks ago to be with his American wife, Dr Lenora Taitt, who works for the UN High Commission for Refugees

Magubane said that when he arrived at Jan Smuts two police officers — one identified himself as Captain D Brune — confiscated a number of unexposed colour films and a black and white contact sheet of "holiday snaps" taken by Dr Taitt

The policemen said they were acting on instructions from a Brigadier Goosen in Pretoria

Magubane said he was also asked to remove his pants for a body search

He said when he phoned Brig Goosen the next day, the officer said he would establish what had happened to the confiscated film

He phoned the brigadier again on Friday and was put in touch with the police at Protea He was told he could collect his 30-odd films from the station tomorrow (Monday) and that any damaged films would be replaced .

Mr Magubane's lawyer said "If Mr Magubane does not get his films back intact, we will claim damages as our client was hindered in carrying out his work"

Storm blows up over Durban's open beach plan

A DECISION by the Durban City Council to go ahead with plans to open a major section of beachfront to all races has stirred up a storm in a paddling pool

By LINZI HOWARD

The decision follows a ruling made this week by the Natal Provincial Council's executive committee that no beaches in Natal may be zoned for the exclusive use of one race group — apart from those in Durban and Richards Bay where the local authorities own the beaches

The opening of the province's beaches to Indians coloureds and blacks falls under the Seashore Act (No 21 of 1935)

Durban's opening of the beachfront section, including the popular paddling pool and the Rachel Finlayson beach baths would fall under the Group Areas Act

The deputy Minister of Community Development, Mr Pierre Cronje — while appearing to have no objection to the ruling by the NPC concerning other Natal beaches — warned this week that the Government would block all moves to open Durban's beaches and pools

And the Administrator of Natal Mr Stoffel Botha said that while it had been ruled that beaches in Natal could not be reserved for one race group this did not mean the NPC would approve the Durban City Council s moves

He said any change in Durban s bylaws concerning the use of beaches and pools would have to be approved by the administrator-in-executive

It would be taken into consideration, he said, that the city's beaches, utilised only by whites, were already overcrowded Opening them to other race groups would worsen the problem

Mr Botha said one reason why the NPC had approved the opening of Durban's Battery Beach last year was the fact that it was an underutilised beach and overcrowding would not have been a problem

However, the chairman of the Durban City Council's management committee, Mr Neil MacLennan, said other race groups were already using the pools It would be useless to try to stop that, he said

He could not understand the Government's attitude to the opening of the facilities to all races

A Natal Provicial Administration spokesman explained that the issues were separate and came under separate Acts, and that the Government could by an Act of Parliament, alter any decision taken by the NPC which it did not approve

In this case the NPC was confident the Government would finance the upgrading of facilities on multiracial beaches

Australian bush-fire death toll rises to 71

MELBOURNE — The known death toll in the Australian bush-fire disaster rose to 71 yesterday as fires continued to burn around the cities of Melbourne and Adelaide, officials said

Police had found two more bodies in the devastated region east of Melbourne, near the town of Cockatoo

So far 45 people are known to have died in the state of Victoria — 29 of them in or near Cockatoo — and 26 in neighbouring South Australia

Senior firefighters are also worried that the present light winds could freshen and blow the fires out of control again

With estimates of the number of people left homeless in the tragedy now at 6 000, the Prime Minister, Mr Malcolm Fraser, has announced an immediate grant to the two states to provide rapid aid. — Sapa-Reuter

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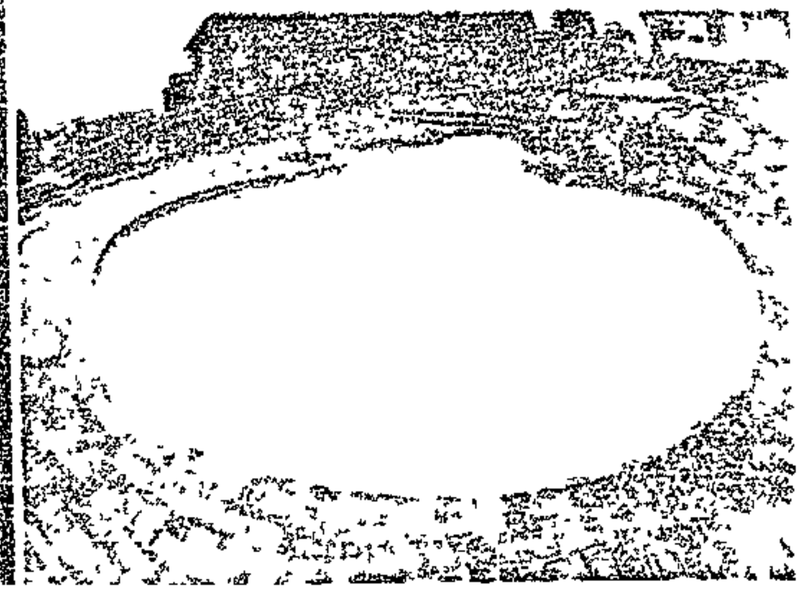



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No choice: white-only beaches must open up

By LEON BEKKER

ANY attempts by local authorities to reserve their beaches for whites only are illegal and members of all races are entitled to be on any beach in the province outside the Durban area.

This is the effect of a decision taken this week by the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, and Natal's Executive Committee.

The ruling applies not only to the area between the surf and the high-water-mark, but also to a 45-metre strip of land above the high-water-mark known as the Admiralty Reserve, which is also owned by the State.

The landmark decision is to be fought by at least one local authority, Kingsburgh, which will hold a referendum on the issue. Margate, which with Kingsburgh had applied for whites-only zoning, is still considering its next moves.

The ruling has also placed Durban in the unusual position of being politically to the right of a Nationalist administrator and has also created severe problems for the New Republic Party's local-option policy.

Durban has the right to decide for itself which races may use the beaches and has over the years decided to reserve certain beaches for different races. Recently the city opened Battery Beach Two to all races but other beaches are still racially segregated.

A senior source in provincial headquarters in Pietermaritzburg said Mr Botha and Exco had learned from the Cape's mistakes and decided to avoid any attempt to segregate the beaches

In the Cape there was racial friction over the use of beaches by different races when they became busy and this was largely because of the province's decision to apply segregation.

For the NRP this week's ruling could prove to be a major embarrassment

The party has stressed its policy of letting local authorities decide on issues such as open beaches and a few weeks ago NRP spokesmen said whatever decision was taken on the issue would be followed by further consultations with local authorities.

However a statement released by Mr Botha and Exco to the **Sunday Tribune** makes it quite clear that local authorities have no choice in the matter their beaches are open to all races.

The statement said Mr Botha and Exco had decided to build on the natural good sense and forbearance which Natallians have traditionally shown towards one another.

Racial zoning created more problems than it solved, caused resentment and invited confrontation.

"Fishermen (who are almost a separate race of their own) do not take kindly to debarment from their favourite fishing spots when the shad or sardines are running there For these and other reasons Exco believes that zoning of beaches disturbs rather than promotes intergroup harmony," it said.

I won't take down signs, says Richards Bay mayor

RICHARDS BAY is Natal's maverick in the battle of the beaches.

The mayor, Dr "Jaycee" van der Walt, says he will not take down whites-only signs on the town's white beach, Alkantstrand, and maintains that he is within his rights in refusing to do so.

"I am going for a win/win situation here. We are busy creating an excellent international beach and even my Conservative Party and HNP pals say my plan is a winner. I feel conservative whites have the right to their own beach," he said.

Dr van der Walt said when Richards Bay was proclaimed it was given the right to administer the area as it saw fit

Alkantstrand was declared a whites-only beach and R300 000 has been spent on it, all the council's own money.

Later on it was decided that for the sake of good relations an international beach should be created and the Administrator and Exco were asked for R750 000 to help pay for it.

So far the province has put up R185 000 and Richards Bay R60 000. An access road has been completed and work has begun on other basics.

However, Dr van der Walt says Richards Bay will be paying the balance.

"All races swim together on that beach and members of all the races helped clean it up the other day. At the same time the conservative whites have their own beach and everbody wins," he said.

A spokesman for the Administrator's office told the Sunday Tribune that the province would be looking into the matter of Richards Bay's legal standing.

The Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, said in an interview this week that any whites-only signs on beaches in Natal outside Durban were illegal and would have to come down.

Richards Bay will 'not be forced'

'No big stick on beaches'

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Mercury Reporter

THE Administrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha, said yesterday he would not resort to strong-arm tactics to force Richards Bay to open its beach to all races.

At least three municipalities, Richards Bay, Margate and Kingsburgh, indicated that they were determined to stay segregated after Mr Botha announced last week that all 'whites only' signs at Natal beaches would have to come down.

The Mayor of Richards Bay, Dr J C van der Walt, said the borough was within its rights keeping 'whites only' signs at one of its beaches — Alkantstrand — as it had been delegated this right at the time of its proclamation.

Mr Botha confirmed that Richards Bay, Durban, were the only municipalities in the province which had this authority.

Asked whether Exco had the power to cancel that special zoning, the Administrator said a higher authority could withdraw powers it had delegated to a lower authority.

Some people had tried to set him up against Richards Bay, but he wanted to commend the borough on its pioneering spirit in establishing facilities for an international beach.

'We are certainly not going in to wield a big stick,' he said yesterday.

As far as Margate and Kingsburgh were concerned, Mr Botha said letters had been sent to them, but he was not prepared to discuss the contents of these letters.

Neither municipality had received the letters by the weekend but were expecting them today.

Margate Mayor, Mr Dennis Cominos, and Mrs Joan du Plooy, of Kingsburgh, said they had made application to keep all the beaches under their jurisdiction for use by whites only.

Approval

In Kingsburgh's case these included Doonside, Warner Beach, St Winifreds, Winklespruit, Illovo Beach and Karridene Beach. Margate has only the town's main beach under its control.

Mr Botha said last night that Durban would have to get provincial approval before opening the beachfront paddling pools and Rachel Findlayson bath to all races.

Mr Botha said certain of Durban's bylaws would have to be changed, and only the the province's Executive Committee had the authority to do this.

He made it clear that Exco's recent policy statement concerning opening Natal's beaches to all races had not been influenced by the Durban City Council's moves.

When Exco gave the green light to open Battery Beach 2 it was because the beach was well placed and had been poorly used, but the paddling pool and Rachel Findlayson pool were another matter altogether.

'The committee members would have to apply their minds to whether the area was already overcrowded, and if opening the area would not be a disfavour to everybody.'

Indians, coloureds can vote at beach meeting

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Municipal Reporter

INDIAN and coloured residents and rate payers would be able to vote at the public 'beach protest' meeting in the City Hall tonight — and the Indian and Coloured Local Affairs Committees intend providing free buses and offering lifts to people from their wards

Durban's Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, confirmed yesterday that they would be able to vote, and that this had added a new dimension to the meeting

It was called for by the Civic Action League to protest against the council's decision to desegregate the paddling pool, beach baths and Dairy Beach

The meeting, which begins at 8 p m, will probably end fairly early because Mr Brendan Willmer, who heads the league and the South Africa First Campaign, wants the vote taken at 10 30 pm

The Coloured LAC has organised free buses from Newlands East and Wentworth and the Indian LACs have launched a lift campaign

A bus will leave the corner of Newlands East Drive and Barracuda Road at 7 p m It will travel along Hangberger Road and Maasbanker Road, along John Dorey Drive and into town

Another bus will leave Wentworth from Durban East Primary School, along Austerville Drive, past the Post Office and Palm Springs Hotel

The Point Ratepayers' Association, which is strongly opposed to the council decision, has decided with City Councillors Clarence Cheek and Ken Varner, to provide free buses to and from the beachfront

Two buses will leave Bell Street, travel along Prince Street into Rutherford Street, along Marine Parade and up West Street, making as many trips as necessary

'We should have a say on our beaches'

Mercury Reporter

KINGSBURGH Mayor Joan du Plooy believes the borough's 3 000 residents should still have a say regarding the future of their beaches — in spite of a statement on the matter by Natal's Administrator and Executive Committee.

'We can't just sit back and accept what we don't want,' the conservative civic leader said yesterday.

A public referendum over the issue was planned for next month.

Mrs du Plooy did not think multiracial bathing should be allowed at Illovo Beach, Warner Beach, Doonside and Karridene — all popular holiday spots among Transvaalers and Free Staters.

She was not so concerned about what happened elsewhere.

Margate's Town Council also believes the beaches under its jurisdiction should remain white.

Mayor Dennis Cominos has indicated that he might also call a referendum — unless the Administrator agrees to his application to keep the beaches white

Big 'no' vote to all-race beachfront

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Municipal Reporter

A ROWDY public meeting attended by 1 700 people, mostly whites, in Durban City Hall last night overwhelmingly rejected City Council plans to open more beach facilities to all races.

The meeting called on the council to provide separate facilities for each race.

The meeting had been called to discuss council plans to open up to all races the paddling pool, Rachel Finlayson Pool and the beach opposite.

The voting was 990 to 345, with one abstention, after about 450 people had already left.

Noisy opponents of the council plan dominated the meeting from the start.

Mr Brendan Willmer, chairman of the South Africa First Campaign and the Civic Action League, accused the council of instructing officials not to enforce whites-only bylaws along the beachfront during the Christmas season and of precipitating the council's decision to open the beachfront facilities.

He accused Progressive Federal Party councillors of being directly responsible for an upsurge in crime and racial friction in the city.

Excellent

He said history would 'condemn the mouth-frothing fanatics who were forcing integration on the city'.

Management Committee chairman Neil MacLennan said Durban had, in fact, an excellent crime record according to the South African Police.

It was not true that the city's officials had been told not to enforce the law.

The police had been called out in response to complaints at the paddling pool and it was them who had said: 'There is nothing we can do.'

There were loud cries of 'yes' from the crowd when Mr MacLennan asked: 'Do you want us to arrest children?'

The Manco chairman said it was quite wrong for whites in the city to say they had paid for the

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Big 'no' vote to all-race beachfront

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beachfront facilities.

The bulk of the rates came from non-whites directly and indirectly, he said.

Those who were worried about tourism should ask where the tourists would go to, seeing all the other beaches in the province were open

Earlier Mr Dave Taylor, an unsuccessful municipal candidate in the Point ward, called for the Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, to recuse herself and for another chairman to take her seat.

There was loud support for Mr Taylor's suggestion

The mayor adjourned the meeting for 10 minutes to decide on Mr Taylor's suggestion

Later Mr Gordon Haygarth, the Town Clerk, announced that the call had been turned down, and that Mr Willmer had accepted the decision

Mr Haygarth said that although the Mayor had voted in council, she was entitled to her opinion

He said the Mayor was the convenor of the meeting and therefore should remain chairman.

There was also enthusiastic support for the Mayor to hold her seat.

In his call for the Mayor to stand down as chairman of the meeting, Mr Taylor said he would like the Deputy Mayor, Mr Stan Lange, to take over

He was not prepared to have Mr MacLennan or any other 'Prog councillor' to act as chairman, he said.

Mercury accused of 'twisted reporting' over beach zoning issue

Opinion

Who's twisted?

WITHOUT knowing all the facts and clearly poorly informed of the circumstances, New Republic Party provincial councillor Mr Peter Miller has accused this newspaper of deliberately trying to create a situation of confrontation out of a policy statement on the zoning of Natal beaches by the Administrator-in-Executive-Committee. Such an allegation, which we reject with contempt, is outrageous poppycock.

The report to which both Mr Miller and, rather belatedly, Administrator Stoffel Botha, have taken exception was not based solely on Exco's prepared statement. It included additional comment, sought for clarification, from Mr Botha. He was asked specifically — and he confirmed both the question and answer again yesterday after the attack in the Provincial Council — what would happen if there were any 'whites only' signs on Natal beaches and his reply was that they would have to come down. From this emphatic statement it was concluded, we contend not unreasonably, that except where the law allowed otherwise, Exco's insistence was that there would be no beach apartheid and that if there were any restrictive signs their removal would be ordered.

The use of the word 'order' was at most a misinterpretation and to describe the report therefore as a deliberate attempt, through 'twisted and irresponsible' reporting to provoke confrontation is to abuse the facts grossly.

In the case of the Administrator's belated objections — he says he telephoned the Mercury three times last Sunday (the report complained of appeared on Friday) — we can only say that he has not at any time complained to the Editor, the News Editor or anyone else in authority about the story — nor has any other member of Exco — and the reporter who spoke to Mr Botha about 3 30 p m on Sunday for a further interview said he was his usual charming self, needed little prompting in discussing beach zoning and did not once refer to any previous story or complain about the report, which he said yesterday must have had 'some other motive'.

That innuendo we also reject with contempt.

Being human and fallible we do make mistakes, but to impute such despicable purpose to this newspaper or any of its staff members is something which could be done only from behind the shield of Provincial Council privilege.

Natal Mercury
23/2/83 Pietermaritzburg Bureau

THE Natal Mercury was accused in the Provincial Council here yesterday of 'twisted and irresponsible' reporting of a policy statement on the zoning of beaches by the Administrator-in-Executive-Committee.

The Chief Whip of the majority New Republic Party, Mr Peter Miller, singled out the Mercury's lead report of February 18 in particular.

He quoted the headline: 'Open up beaches, order', and said if any reference could be found in the policy statement to an order; he would eat the statement.

Deliberate

'I believe there is a deliberate attempt to try to create a situation of confrontation out of a simple, evolutionary process which has been put into effect by the Administrator-in-Executive-Committee,' he said.

He added that the statement was merely a reaffirmation of the status quo, but the Press had treated it as some new, revolutionary turnaround.

Later in his speech, Mr Miller said the NRP accepted that nobody had an exclusive right to a beach.

'But we are pleased to note that there are still some good, undeveloped or sparsely developed stretches of beach which can be improved to satisfy

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P.T.O.

Govt to fund all-race beaches

Natal Mercury 24/2/83

CAPE TOWN—The Government would fund Natal efforts to provide all-race beach facilities, it was learned yesterday.

Mr Frank Martin, Leader of the New Republic Party-controlled Provincial Council, told a Press conference here that the council was hoping for about R8 000 000 over the next few years.

Because of the tight financial situation, Natal did not expect funds this year and therefore would be providing R2 000 000 of its own funds immediately.

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Mr Martin emphasised that people who said Natal was being forced to have open beaches were incorrect because they always had been open.

Notices on beaches proclaiming them for one race group only had no legal standing.

'As long as people remain on the beach they are well within the law. The problem arises in the use of amenities not on beaches,' he said.

The council would provide open facilities at selected beaches on the North Coast and South Coast.

Mr Martin did not think Natal's approach was in conflict with the Government. The council would hold discussions with local authorities about open facilities

Mr Vause Raw, leader of the New Republic Party, said he believed there should be a referendum of council voters on the issue of opening Durban's beaches and pools.

Meanwhile, the Minister of Community Development, Mr Fen Kotze, has indicated that a decision on whether Durban City Council needed a Group Areas Act permit to desegregate the facilities would be up to a Court.

He appeared to contradict a statement by his Deputy Minister, Mr Pierre Cronje, who had said the council could not open the pools without a permit, and the decision lay with the minister.

Durban City Councillors Louis de Beer, Henry Klotz, 'Dick Burgess and Gys Muller had written to Mr Kotze asking if he could intervene.

In reply, he said the matter revolved around 'the use of these amenities by non-whites' and whether this would constitute occupation in terms of the Act.

He also said that while the Government had no power to interfere with the council's proposal to desegregate Dairy Beach and there was no 'intended legislation', the Act was being investigated.

Mr Kotze said local authorities could apply to the National Housing Commission for loans to build facilities.

Mr Brendan Willmer told a public protest meeting on Tuesday that the Civic Action League, which he heads, would file a criminal complaint in terms of the Group Areas Act against the city council if it went ahead with plans to desegregate more beachfront facilities.

Durban's Management Committee indicated yesterday it would seek ways of easing crowd congestion at the paddling pool if it were opened to all.

Justified

This follows an overwhelming vote by the huge crowd at Tuesday's meeting against opening the paddling pool, Rachel Finlayson pool and Dairy Beach to all races The major fear was of overcrowding.

Manco chairman Neil MacLennan said the fear of overcrowding at the pool did seem justified and he would support some form of control

Councillor Peter Mansfield has called for an urgent investigation into the possibility of building another all-race paddling pool between Natal Command and the Durban Country Club in time for the Christmas season

Mr Mansfield said suggestions that the council enforce the whites-only bylaw and embark on a policy of arresting children were nonsensical

Town slams Exco, NRP on beach zoning

Mercury Reporter

KINGSBURGH Town Council last night slammed the Natal Executive Committee for its discourtesy on the beach issue, and accused the New Republic Party of lacking in political integrity on beach zoning.

A special meeting of the council last night named April 13 as the date for a referendum.

The council is to write to the Minister of Community Development asking him to intervene in the same way his department intervened to block Sunday cinemas

Undertaking

Other Natal coastal local authorities are to be canvassed to see whether they would be prepared to join a combined protest against Exco's beach policy.

Kingsburgh councillors, in a unanimously adopted resolution, pointed out that the NRP had gone back on its undertaking that racial zoning of beaches would be a matter of local option only months after making the promise 'to secure votes'.

Last night's meeting said the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, and members of Exco had been guilty of discourtesy by ignoring an undertaking to meet the council on the question of beach zoning before taking a decision or making it public.

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Beach cop turns up — and off go the black bathers

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DURBAN'S by-laws are to be changed to open up the Rachel Finlayson paddling pool and Dairy Beach to all races following a meeting of the town's management committee on Friday

The decision will either dampen or add fuel to the arguments that have raged over the issue Strong opposition has been obvious over weeks of debate

However, municipal beach inspectors are still strictly enforcing beach apartheid — despite the city council's latest moves and avowed intentions to desegregate a major portion of the city's famous Golden Mile

This week both sides did verbal battle over proposals to open the popular children's paddling pools

Although the Progressive Federal Party-inclined council appeared to win the day, beach inspectors were still zealously chasing blacks off 'white' beaches

By DARYL BALFOUR

A Sunday Express reporter saw an inspector ride on to the rarely used Snake Park Beach and order a group of black bathers to leave

And on Wednesday night, racist jibes flowed at a public meeting called by the Right-wing Civic Action League (CAL) to debate the proposed desegregation of beaches

About 1 700 people attended the meeting, held at the city hall and chaired by Durban's Mayor Mrs Sybil Hotz

Noisy opponents of the council's desegregation plans dominated the evening and 990 people eventually voted against the plans, with 345 voting for them About 400 people had already left at that stage

During the meeting Mr Brendan Willmer, chairman of the far Right wing South Africa First Campaign and the CAL, accused the council of instructing beach officials not to enforce whites-only bylaws along the beachfront during the Christmas holiday period

Mr Willmer said this had led directly to an upsurge in racial friction and crime in the area

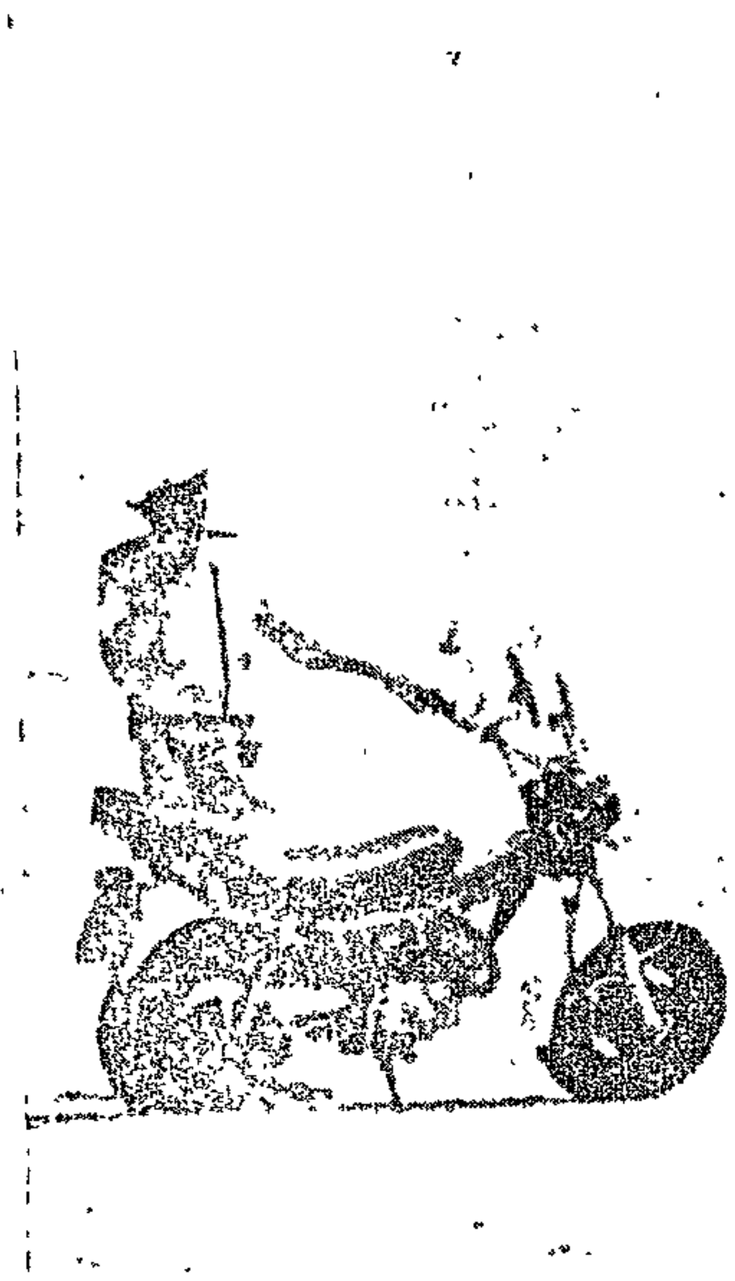
He said the CAL would file a criminal complaint in terms of the Group Areas Act if the council went ahead with the proposals

The chairman of Durban's management committee Mr Neil Maclennan denied officials had been told not to enforce the bylaws

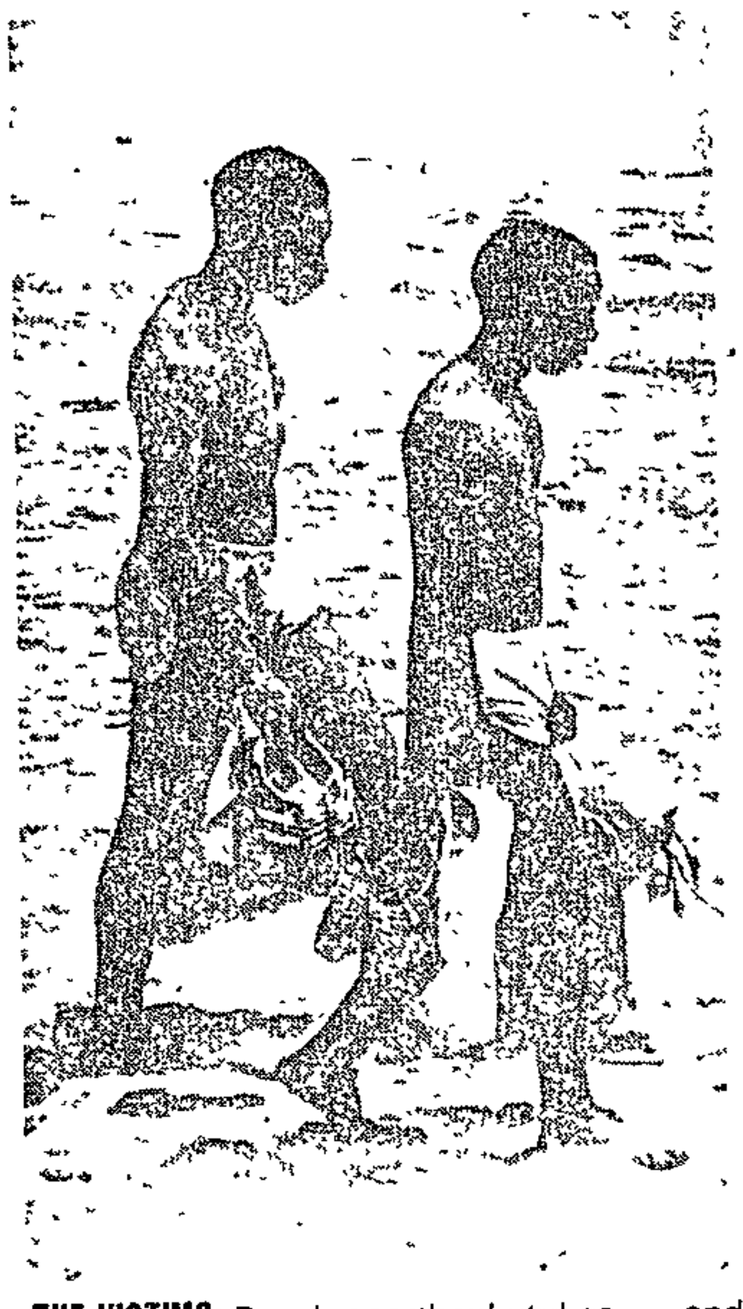
He said police had, in fact been called to deal with complaints about blacks using the paddling pool and they had responded by saying there was nothing they could do

Mr Maclennan asked "What do you want us to do — arrest children?"

There were loud cries of 'yes, yes'



THE LAW: Beach inspectors were still enforcing the whites-only by-laws this week.



THE VICTIMS: Beach apartheid strikes — and bathers are ordered off a Golden Mile beach.



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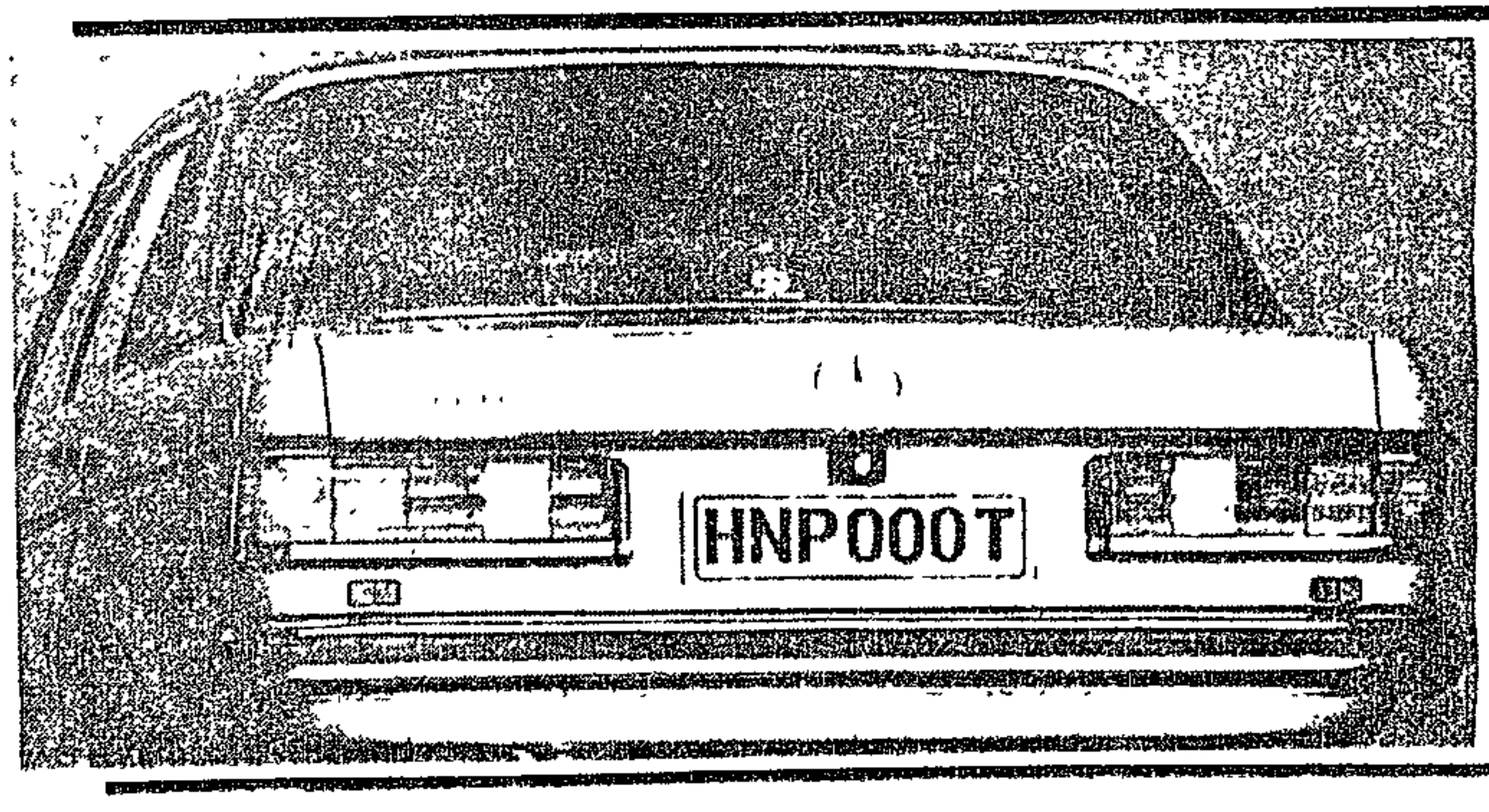

● If the political hat fits, wear it — only in this case it is a car Dr Piet Barnard's new car sports the licence registration HNP000T — and suitably enough Dr Barnard, a Pretoria City Councillor is a member of the Herstigte Nasionale Party

No beach cash says Natal NP

Natal Mercury 26/2/83 (28)

CAPE TOWN—The National Party's Natal executive yesterday denied that the Government had agreed to finance open beach facilities in the province.

But Mr Frank Martin, MEC, who had announced earlier in the week that Natal was expecting Government funding of the plan to open all beaches to all races, angrily hit back and said: 'What are they talking about?

'Their own leader Mr Owen Horwood, Minister of Finance, knew about it.

'He knows what our policy is.'

Mr Martin said at a Press conference here earlier this week that Natal was hoping for R8 000 000 from the Government to improve facilities at its beaches which would be open to all races.

The National Party Natal executive said after a meeting here yesterday that they had not been able to confirm Mr Martin's claims with any responsible minister or Government department.

A statement said that Mr Martin had been 'stung into action' by accusations that little or nothing had

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been done to provide adequate beach facilities.

'Mr Martin's statement is no more than a reprehensible attempt to involve the Government in the NRP's own neglect over the years which is now forcing them to consider so-called open facilities.'

The Government's view on this matter had never been in doubt and facilities could only be shared where separate provision could not be made.

The Government had provided funds for the Strandfontein Pavilion, near Cape Town, which had been completed recently for R4 400 000.

It catered for 40 000 coloured bathers daily.

In a statement from Pietermaritzburg Mr Martin said he could not understand what the fuss was about and suggested it had something to do with by-elections in Waterberg and Soutpansberg.

A letter asking for R8 000 000 had been written to the Treasury and the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, and the provincial accountant, had seen Mr Horwood.

He had not promised the R8 000 000 but had been sympathetic about the need for funds for beach facilities.

'I have no doubt that they knew what our intentions were,' said Mr Martin.

'They have known for a long time that our beaches are not zoned and they also knew that the NPA was giving Richards Bay R185 000 for open facilities.'

Meanwhile, Durban's Management Committee indicated yesterday that it would go ahead and change bylaws to open the paddling pool, Rachel Finlayson Pool and Dairy Beach to all races.

Speaking after a special meeting with Mr Martin, Manco chairman Mr Neil Maclennan said the Beach and City Steering Committee would be asked to approve a site for a new pool.

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THE TURNING OF THE APARTHEID TIDE ON NATAL'S WHITE SANDS

By LEON BEKKER

NATAL'S multiracial beaches this week became a political hot potato for the New Republic Party, and all three levels of government — including two Cabinet ministers — have been drawn into the battle of words on the issue.

Senior Natal Nationalists are also already at loggerheads.

The Deputy Minister of Community Development, Mr Pierre Cronje (MP for Port Natal), has come out against the province's decision to keep the beaches open to all races — thereby openly opposing Natal Administrator Stoffel Botha.

Mr Botha has made it clear all along that he is completely in favour of the open beaches policy, and is not trying to pretend that it was foisted on him by the NRP-controlled Exco.

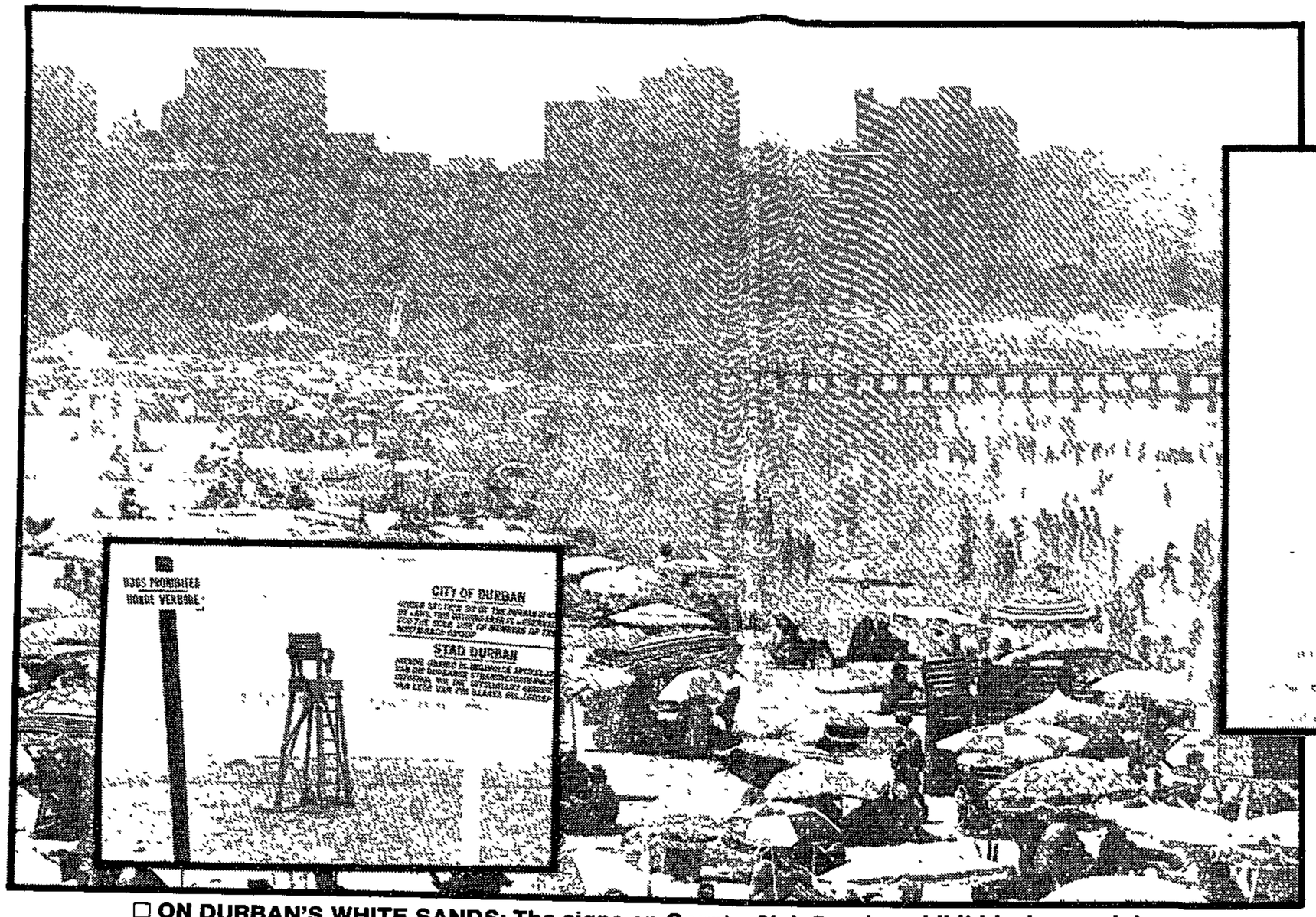
Meanwhile, a survey this week by the **Sunday Tribune** showed that local residents and businessmen on the Natal coast are generally happy with the province's decision not to apply racial zoning to the beaches

However, many are wondering what Transvaal and Free State holidaymakers think of the move.

If enough of them object to sharing the beaches with people of other races, it is feared it could effect the tourist industry.

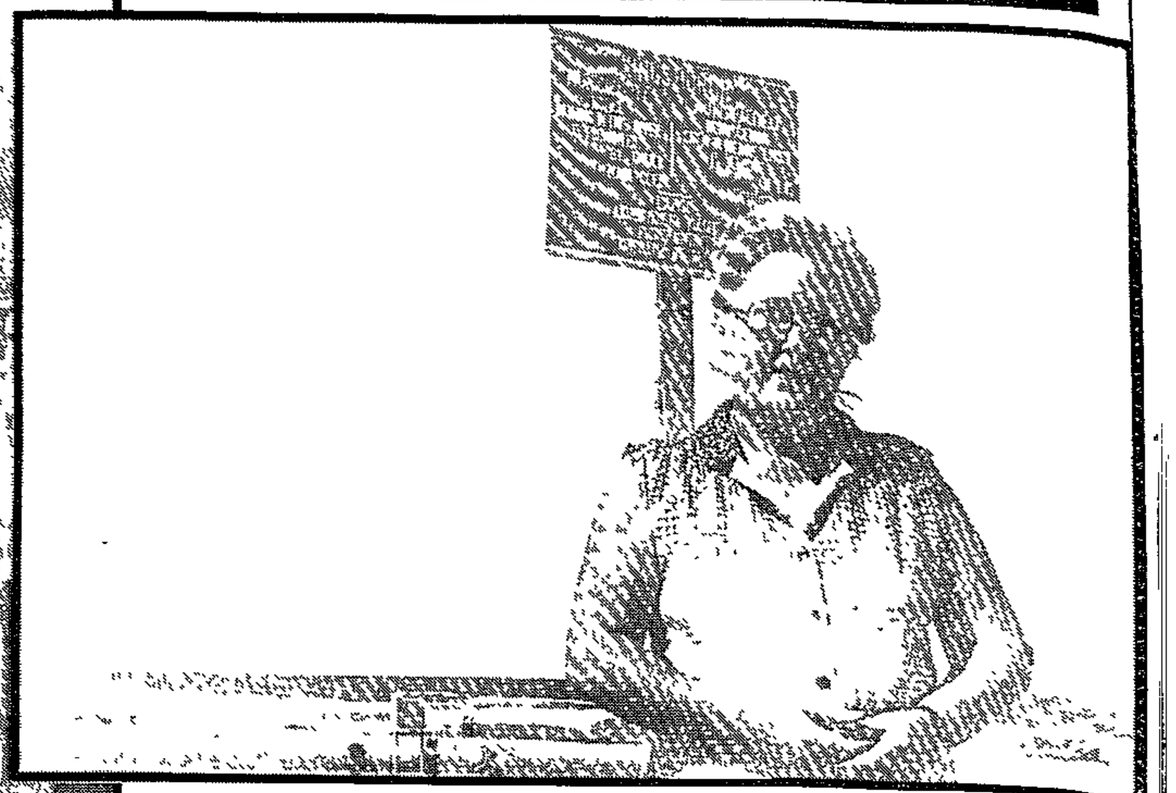
Durban's City Council is set to continue with their plan to open to all races the Rachel Finlayson swimming pool, the paddling pool and the nearby beach despite Government opposition and an overwhelming "No" vote at a rowdy Durban City Hall meeting this week which was dominated by rightwingers.

At least one borough, Kingsburgh, is going ahead with a whites-only referendum on the issue of open beaches, in the words of its mayor, Mrs Joan du Plooy, "to prove to the Province what the people here think about it".



☐ ON DURBAN'S WHITE SANDS: The signs on Country Club Beach prohibit blacks. . and dogs

'We're not racists. . .we just want to give whites their due'



☐ RIGHT: Kingsburgh Mayor Joan du Plooy

QUOTE

By Kingsburgh Mayor Joan du Plooy (above):

☐ WE are not racists. . .We just want to give whites their due. The irony of this is that I'm not even South African really. I'm British, but now I'm in the middle of this

Battle of the beaches

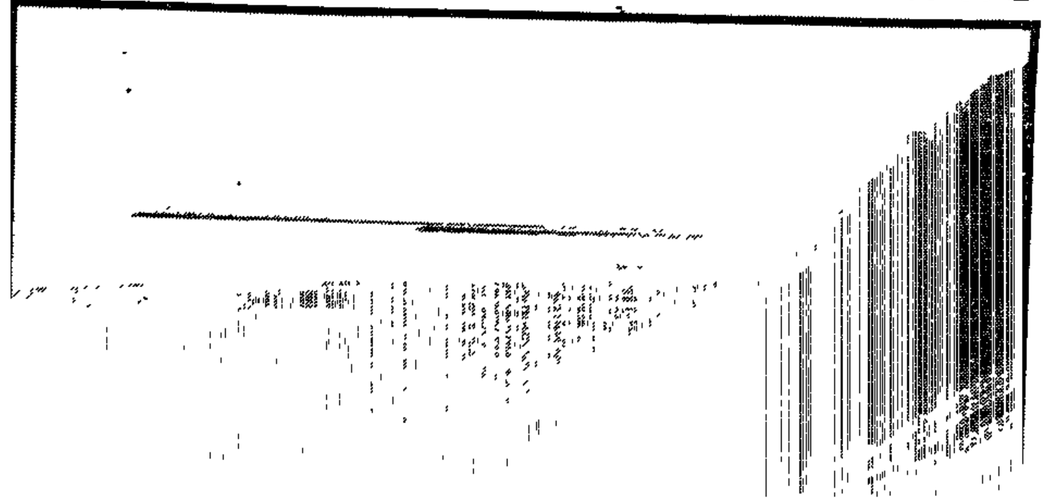
THE WAR OF WORDS RAGES ON WITH THE NRP HOLDING A HOT POTATO AND THE ADMINISTRATOR CAUGHT IN THE CROSSFIRE

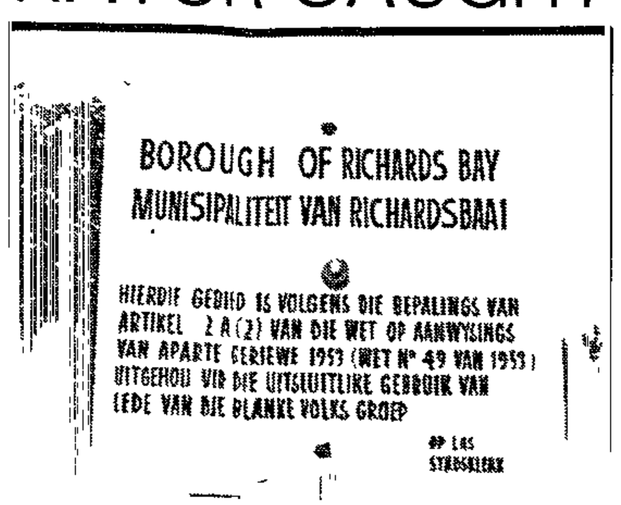
By LEON BEKKER

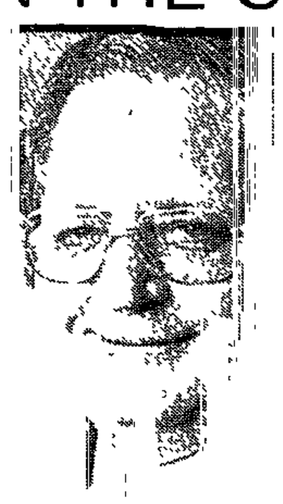
Kingsburgh has also come up with a suggestion in an attempt to solve the thorny problems surrounding the issue: A permit system for local blacks, Indians and coloureds who work in the borough area.

Mrs du Plooy told the **Sunday Tribune** she felt local workers had a right to use the beaches and Kingsburgh was considering the possibility of issuing permits to all blacks who are bona fide employees in the area.

A storm blew up this week between the Kingsburgh Council and Exco. The council accused the NRP-controlled Exco of a "lack of political integrity" in handling the issue, and said it had reneged on an election promise that the NRP's policy of local option wo[illegible]







Quote

By Richards Bay Mayor Jaycee van der Walt

☐ My HNP and Conservative Party pals think my

"WE are not racists, so please be kind to us in your newspaper. We just want to give the whites their due."

These were the words this week of Kingsburgh Mayor Joan du Plooy, who is fast emerging as the champion of those who want to see beaches reserved for whites only.

She is an unlikely-looking spokesman for Natal's "beach conservatives", and could easily be mistaken for somebody's granny out doing the shopping.

But Mrs du Plooy is a determined granny.

As the Sunday Tribune spoke to her at Warner Beach this week she was quite firm: "I represent the people of this area and I want to make sure they get their due. I'm going to get Province to change its mind".

Kingsburgh, along with Margate, applied for "whites-only" zoning for its beaches.

The Natal Executive Committee appointed a special committee to look into the question, and the upshot was the decision to leave Natal's beaches unzoned and therefore open to all races.

Both Kingsburgh and Margate have been notified that their applications have been turned down.

The Tribune asked Mrs du Plooy this week why she was so determined to have whites-only beaches in her area.

An angry Frank Martin, MEC, said in an interview that Exco "will not be threatened by Kingsburgh"

He said the NRP's policy of local option had not been understood by the local buroughs The burough councils only had the right to exercise local option over their swimming pools and change rooms, but not the beaches

Only Exco had the right to racially zone beaches if it chose to do so

He also pooh-poohed Kingsburgh's decision to hold a referendum, and said it would not give the town the right to declare its beaches white

The Cabinet became involved in the "battle of the beaches" when the Deputy Minister of Community Development, Mr Pierre Cronje, castigated Exco for forgetting about its policy of local option

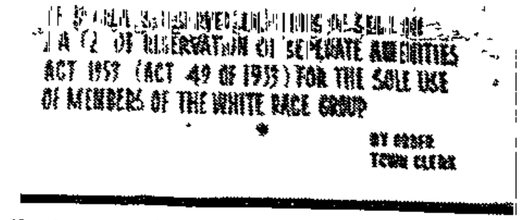
He said he disagreed with the decision, but added that the Government could do nothing about it as the Province administered the beaches.

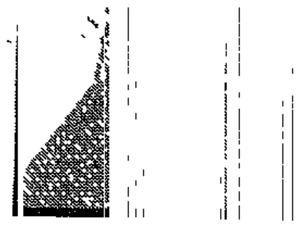
A new development at the week's end was a claim by a source in Cape Town that the Cabinet might introduce legislation to enable it to overturn Natal's moderate stand.

If the Government does interfere with the law in order to force Natal to segregate its beaches, this will lead to a major row between Natal and the Government.

And Natal's Nationalist Administrator will be caught in the crossfire.







lily-white beach as well as an international one is a winner

"Because the people here want it. Many of our residents are pensioners and the feeling is that white beaches are a necessity," she replied.

Had there been complaints from residents about blacks using the beaches?

"Yes. In some places the blacks swim naked and local residents don't like it."

She said the borough had not considered taking action against these bathers for public indecency.

The other problem was Winkelspruit, where the fishing is reputed to be good.

Local whites often arrived in the morning to find their favourite fishing spots occupied by Indians and blacks, Mrs du Plooy said, and this occasioned friction.

She said there had "definitely been racial friction" in her area as a result of the lack of racial zoning.

For all her determination on the subject, Mrs du Plooy is not prepared to break the law and put up whites-only signs.

"Oh no, that would be against the law. All we can do is battle on and change Province's mind," she said.

She chuckled: "The irony of this is that I'm not even South African really. I'm British, but now I am in the middle of this".

Speaking of her ratepayers, she said: "We are a very nice community here, mostly pensioners, very friendly, and not looking for any trouble.

"We want to avoid problems and that is why we think the blacks should have their own beaches, and the whites theirs as well."

☐ **LEFT: Richards Bay's unspoilt kilometre-long 'international' beach in the foreground Behind it the whites-only signs (centre) stay up ☐ RIGHT: The town's Mayor Jaycee van der Walt**

What will the Transvalers say?

THAT'S THE QUESTION MANY NATALIANS ARE ASKING

By LEON BEKKER

IRONICALLY, the views of people who don't live in Natal are worrying Natalians far more than local opinion when it comes to the controversial issue of multiracial beaches.

The Administrator and the Executive Committee referred to the "natural good sense and forbearance which Natalians have traditionally shown towards one another" when they announced that beaches would remain open to all races.

In interviews on the South and North coasts this week, the Tribune found this statement to be borne out by most people who adopted a tolerant view of all races using the beaches.

However, in many interviews the question was asked. "What will the Transvalers think?"

Mr John Bartholemew of Margate, who owns a small business and says he depends on the tourist trade for his living, said: "If they read in their newspapers that our beaches are going multiracial, will they still come down here on holiday?"

Mrs Jane Barkhuizen of St Michaels said she was unconcerned "As far as I'm concerned it's fine. There are never so many people of another colour that it becomes a problem

"Besides, its time we learned to mix. If we don't start now, when will we learn?", she asked

Mr Roland Pretorius of Amanzimtoti said he was unhappy about the fact that the whites had not been canvassed on the issue

"We were told by the NRP that we would have local option Where is local option now? We are just being told that's how it is Besides, what am I going to tell my family in the Free State — that there are going to be blacks on the beach with them and that's just how it is. I thought this was supposed to be a white man's country"

A hotelier on the North Coast said he was concerned about the effect on tourism, but only because of the newspaper publicity the issue was getting.

"You know how people are This decision is not changing anything, the beaches have always been open and there have hardly ever been any problems.

"In all my years here I've never heard of a problem and my black staff sometimes swim in the sea in front of the hotel. No-one has complained. But now it becomes a political issue. The best thing you newspapers can do is to forget all about it, then things will be the way they always were and there won't be a hassle", he said.

Mrs Angie Kramer of Ballito said she thought the whole thing was a "storm in a teacup" In Natal people lived together happily and the issue was not the colour of people's skin, but their behaviour.

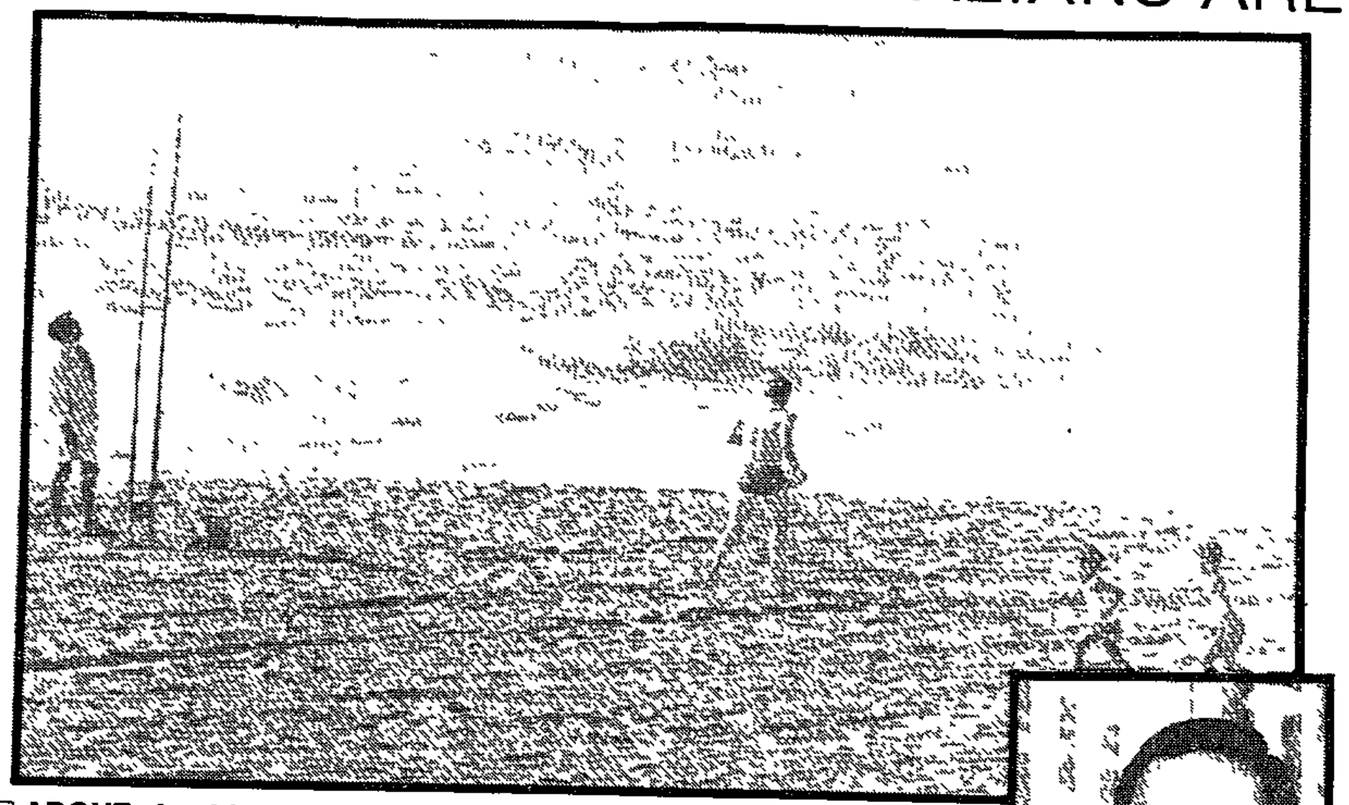
Mr Joe Watson, a cafe owner, said he could not understand Exco's attitude. He was convinced that tourists would rather go to the Cape than put up with racial mixing in Natal

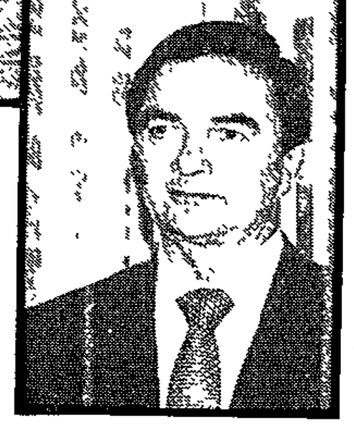
"You know these Free Staters. I don't mind, but what are they going to think?", he asked

Mr Johnson Khumalo, who works in a hotel on the north coast, said he was pleased with the province's decision.

"It's good to be together with people of another race so that we can understand each other. Now if we can eat and drink together as well, then things will be looking up", he said.

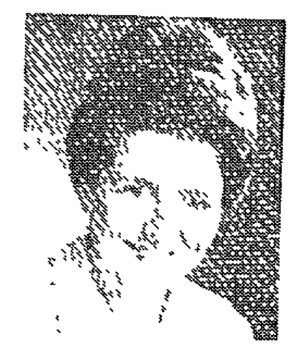








☐ **ABOVE: A white jogger takes to the sand on a 'black' Durban beach ☐ RIGHT: Men in the middle Administrator Botha and MEC Martin ☐ BELOW: A vociferous 'keep-the-beaches-white' group at the rowdy protest meeting in Durban City Hall early this week**







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Mayor of Kingsburgh slams MEC

24/2/83 Notice

Mercury Reporter

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KINGSBURGH'S Mayor, Mrs Joan du Plooy, has hit back at Mr Frank Martin, MEC in charge of local government, accusing him of issuing a statement about the zoning of the town's beaches which was 'diametrically at variance with the facts'.

According to Mr Martin, Kingsburgh had agreed two years ago that there was an urgent need for beach facilities within the borough for non-whites.

Yesterday Mrs du Plooy said: 'The true facts are that when a Kingsburgh delegation met the Administrator and Executive Committee in March 1981, they made it perfectly clear to Exco that matters had got out of hand on the beaches and the council wanted the beaches reserved for the white group.

'I repeat, and I cannot repeat often enough, that Exco was left in no doubt regarding our intentions.'

Kingsburgh had Exco's solemn undertaking that they would not disclose their beach proposals before discussing the matter with the Kingsburgh Council. Yet the media were given the details along with a soft-soaping policy statement before the council was even informed that Exco had come to a decision.

'If that's not a breach of faith, I should like to know what is. It is this sort of thing that has led my council to believe the whole exercise was one of delaying tactics.

'We have already had a large number of unpleasant incidents, and it is all very well for idealistic pipedreamers in Pietermaritzburg to envisage a string of golden-sand utopias along a happily integrated coastline.

'It'll only be a matter of time before there is large-scale violence,' she said.

Move on mixed beaches

Mercury Reporter

A NEWLY-FORMED body representing several hundred ratepayers in Kingsburgh's flat-land area of Doonside, the Doonside Flat Owners Liaison Committee, has come out strongly against the racial integration of beaches in the town.

The nine-man committee met on Friday night when it was unanimously decided to write to the Kingsburgh town clerk deprecating Exco's proposal to allow integrated beaches and requesting the town council to continue to resist the move.

It was also decided to request the town clerk to raise the matter in open council.

Nat accuses NPA over all-race beach facilities

Political Correspondent

THE row over open beach facilities flared up in Parliament yesterday with the National Party's MP for Umlazi, Mr Con Botha, accusing the New Republic Party's Natal Provincial Administration of hiding behind the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha.

NRP members rejected accusations that the NPA had done nothing to provide facilities on beaches, as Mr Con Botha had charged.

Quoting from newspaper headlines, which the NRP repudiated last week, Mr Botha charged the NPA with ordering resorts to open their beaches.

Mr Vause Raw, leader of the NRP, said: 'That is a wrong headline. If you had any intelligence you would know.'

Mr Botha accused Mr Frank Martin, MEC, of reading things into a hearsay report of the Minister of Finance's sympathy towards providing money for beach facilities.

But the policy of the National Party was not for open facilities. The policy was that they could be shared only when facilities could not be provided for separate race groups.

He denied that the Government had offered to provide R8 000 000 for open facilities on the beaches.

Footnote: Mr Martin did not say the Government had agreed to give R8 000 000. He said the NPA was hoping for it and in a later statement said that the Government should know that the NRP's policy was for open facilities.

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2/3/83

Durban beach front: desegregation

*6 Mr R A. F SWART asked the Minister of Community Development

(1) What is the attitude of his Department in regard to the Durban City Council's intention to desegregate certain public amenities along the Durban beach front;

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

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

(1) In terms of the Reservation of Separate Amenities Act, 1953, the power to reserve public premises is vested in

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the person who is in charge of or has control of such premises, with due consideration being had to Proclamation R 228 of 1973 issued in terms of the Group Areas Act, 1966 As far as beaches are concerned supervision and control are vested in the executive committee of the relevant province

(2) No

Surfers want no-bathing guarantee on Dairy Beach

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Mercury Reporter

DURBAN'S surfing community has called for a council guarantee that Dairy Beach will not be opened to bathers if it goes multiracial.

The chairman of the Natal Surfriders' Association, Mr Baron Stander, said yesterday that surfers were not opposed to desegregation, but suspected that it was only a matter of time before the beach would be out-of-bounds to surfers if it were opened to blacks.

The increase in numbers of people at Dairy Beach and the increase in its area from sand-pumping would lead to pressure for rezoning, he said.

If it were closed to surfers — there were about 15 000 regulars — they would have only the Bay of Plenty and Wedge.

Mr Stander said it had been very encouraging to read a letter by Councillor Crispin Hemson, published in the Mercury, which said he was 'concerned to ensure that surfers continued to have access to good surfing beaches on the Durban beachfront'.

Convincing

Professional surfer Anton Brodowicz said the surfing community would have to be given a very convincing assurance that Dairy Beach would remain a surfing area before they relented on its desegregation.

Manco chairman Neil MacLennan said yesterday that the council had no immediate plans to change the zoning, but that no permanent guarantees could be made.

Mr Hemson said the proposal to desegregate the beach and its zoning were separate issues.

'Given the attitude of surfers at the public meeting held in the City Hall last month, it is time for their spokesmen to come out and make a cut-and-dried policy statement on the beaches.'

Sybil, Stoffel, Exco thanked on beaches

African Affairs Correspondent

ULUNDI—The Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, has congratulated the Mayor of Durban, Mrs Sybil Hotz, as well as the Administrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha, and members of the Natal Executive Committee on their statements regarding opening beaches to all race groups.

Commenting yesterday on the issue, Chief Buthelezi said the decisions of the Durban City Council and Exco in this respect were significant.

While blacks were grappling with the question of non-representation in a tricameral parliament, it was a bold step for the bodies concerned to prepare whites to accept a sharing of power with blacks.

Publicity

Chief Buthelezi said he was appalled at the Right-wing utterances made at last week's public meeting in the Durban City Hall to discuss the beach issue.

South Africa complained that it received unfavourable publicity overseas, but nothing could produce worse publicity than those utterances, he said.

The Chief Minister said such racialistic language was unfortunate because it gave credence to those blacks who maintained that violence was the only answer.

Those utterances made black people desperate and caused them to believe whites were not ready for fundamental changes, he said.

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MRS SYBIL HOLTZ
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Confusion over water curbs

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JOHANNESBURG and the Reef have been thrown into confusion by the Government's decision to impose tighter water restrictions amid one of the country's most crippling droughts.

In Cape Town, homeowners within a stone's throw of the Indian Ocean are using bath water to save their gardens, while new water curbs in Durban will place a total ban on the use of hosepipes from Wednesday

In the drought-ravaged Eastern Cape, Port Elizabeth is one of the few places that is not experiencing a critical water shortage and no water restrictions have been imposed in the city

The Johannesburg and Pretoria municipalities are awaiting further details from the Government

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- Rendering any military service or undergoing any military training or performing any task in connection with any armed force.

People classified as bona fide conscientious objectors will be catered for respectively as follows

- He will render service or undergo training in a non combatant role in the SADF for the same period as ordinary conscripts
- He will serve, out of uniform but in prescribed dress in a maintenance function not connected with combatant duties in the SADF He will be liable for a service period one and a half times the normal length of call-up
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Black mail, says the 'race Canute'

By EVELYN HOLTZHAUSEN

DURBAN'S "King Canute", Mr Brendan Willmer, who has been accused of "stirring up naked racism" over the integration of beach facilities, said this week that he was being "blackmailed" by the Government over his illegal residence in South Africa.

It was revealed this week that the arch-conservative Mr Willmer, chairman of the Civic Action League and South Africa First campaign — which has been engaged in a bitter struggle with the Durban City Council over integration — is an illegal resident.

Mr Willmer is a British citizen and his temporary residence permit expired on Thursday.

The question of Mr Willmer's citizenship was raised in Parliament on Friday by the New Republic Party MP for Umhlanga, Mr Brian Page, who asked whether Mr Willmer had ever applied for, or been granted, South African citizenship

The Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr B J Badenhorst, said Mr Willmer was not a South African citizen, and later confirmed that his temporary residence permit had expired.

Meanwhile, the Durban City Council is collecting affidavits in connection with speeches made by Mr Willmer, and in the light of a newspaper edited by him distributed in Durban last week attacking members of the council for their plans to integrate beachfront facilities.



Mr Brendan Willmer ... "I stand firm in my belief

Illegal resident is shouting the odds

In a statement released yesterday, Mr Willmer said that whatever he had done was in the interests of South Africa

He said he had been a resident since 1969, and was more loyal to the country than many of his critics who "happened" to be South African by a mere "accident of birth".

"The fact that I do not possess the necessary bits of paper to formalize my South Africanism in no way detracts from my commitment to this country", he said.

He said that after a brief visit to Rhodesia in 1978 — on behalf of the Save Rhodesia Campaign — he had been granted "temporary resident — alien" status

"Whatever the outcome of this campaign against me, in which it seems that the Progs, NRP and the Nats have joined together in unholy alliance, I stand firm in my belief, and am prepared to accept the cost of my allegiance to white South Africa," Mr Willmer said.

Mr Page said that while he respected the democratic right of anyone to criticise the politics of this country, "it behoves Mr Willmer to become a South African citizen and make himself part and parcel of this country before stirring up naked racism".

Legal status

Mr Willmer said that "pressure of work" had kept him from re-applying on Friday for legal status.

"But I will be there first thing on Monday with my application for permanent residence."

A spokesman for the Department of Internal Affairs denied that the department had launched an inquiry into the "political affairs of Mr Willmer", and added that once he had applied for permission for permanent residence, his case would be considered on its merits.

Second knock for beach apartheid

By EVELYN HOLTZHAUSEN

SOUTH Africa's top holiday resort could have its second multiracial beach by July this year.

This week Durban City Council's management committee voted to advertise that it intends changing city by-laws to declare a section of the "Golden Mile" — including the paddling pool, the salt-water Rachel Findlayson "beach" baths and a strip of rocky beach opposite — open to all.

Objectors will be given 14 days after the advertisement is placed in newspapers to lodge any objections with the town clerk.

After the objections have been brought before a sitting of the full council, the file will be forwarded to the Administrator of Natal for the final decision.

It has been predicted by some councillors that the Administrator will approve the by-laws change — despite organized and bitter opposition to the move by a number of local ratepayers.

The disputed area is bordered by the aquarium, an amusement park and a fast-food outlet, which are already "open".

Last year Battery Beach Two, north of the "Golden Mile", was declared multiracial.

Heuris warns on beaches

THE racial zoning of Durban's beaches has been taken over by Mr Heunis, Development and Constitutional Planning, who issued a thinly veiled warning that "Government must be strictly applied and that policy in dealing with racial problems will not be allowed to lead to violence."

Mr Heunis said: "The statement was not made in any way to threaten anybody, but it is a fact that the principle of Group Areas is available to all races and that is the principle that will be applied."

He said: "Government policy is to ensure that all people in South Africa have the opportunity to develop themselves in their own areas and in their own way, and that is the principle that will be applied."

Mr Heunis said: "However, I must say that I am not prepared to allow the principle of Group Areas to be undermined by the establishment of open beaches in certain areas

Govt attitude to Durban beaches disturbs Labour

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By HUGH ROBERTON
Political Staff

THE Labour Party was "not completely happy" with explanations it had been given for racist statements by Cabinet Ministers this week, the Rev Allan Hendrickse, leader of the party, said today.

He disclosed that the issue had been raised at a meeting yesterday with the Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Chris Heunis, and that the Labour Party still found the Government's attitude to such matters as the desegregation of Durban's beachfront facilities "most disturbing".

"Among other things we discussed with Mr Heunis his own statement to the effect that Government segregation policy would have to be observed in Durban even though the City Council there wants to open facilities to all races.

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"And we raised with him the statement by the Minister of Transport Affairs, Mr Hendrik Schoeman, that coloured or Asian Ministers in the envisaged multi-racial Cabinet would have to live in their own segregated group areas."

Mr Hendrickse added: "There were other issues raised as well — the scrapping of the permit system, the removal of the proposed system of quotas for blacks at white universities, for instance. But, on the question of statements by members of the Cabinet, we are not completely happy with the explanations we were given."

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The party had impressed on Mr Heunis that racist statements by Government leaders undermined coloured leaders who were battling to convince their community that a useful purpose was being served by negotiating with the Government on constitutional reform.

It was possible that the issue would be raised again when the Labour Party met Mr Heunis later this month for further talks on constitutional changes.

Mr Hendrickse said yesterday's talks had brought up "nothing new on the constitutional front" but that Mr Heunis had given an assurance of a further meeting before legislation on the new constitution was finalised.

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

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

(1) No. It is not a matter to be dealt with by my Department and the contents of any specific proposals in the particular regard are therefore unknown.

(2) Should the proposals to which the hon. member refers come to a change in a by-law, it must in terms of the provisions of the Local Authorities Ordinance No. 25 of 1974 and the Durban Extended Powers Consolidated Ordinance No. 18 of 1976 be submitted to the Administrator of Natal for approval.

(3) and (4) Although my Department is not informed of the existence or contents of any specific proposals in the particular regard the Central Government nevertheless expects Provincial Authorities to strictly adhere to Government policy and directives to effect and promote racial harmony when considering applications by Local Authorities.

(5) No. The hon. member is referred to the statement which I issued in Cape Town on 14 March 1983 in consultation with, and with the concurrence of the Administrators of the four Provinces.

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Durban: opening of beach facilities

*9. Mr. R. A. F. SWART asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether his Department has considered the proposals of the Durban City Council relating to the opening of beach-front amenities to all population groups, if so, what is the purport of such proposals;

(2) whether an application has to be made to the Natal Provincial Executive in respect of such proposals, if so, why;

(3) whether such proposals are in line with Government policy, if not;

(4) whether his Department will take steps to ensure that such proposals are carried into effect, if so what steps;



MRS Shirley Savory, assistant in the Town Clerk's Department, sorts through the record pile of objections.

8 000 against open beach plan

Loraine Tulleken

DURBAN City Council is faced with a record number of objections to its plans to open beach facilities to all races.

More than 8 000 people have signed petitions, individual letters and objections on behalf of associations.

The response to advertisements announcing the council's intention to change the bylaws was unprecedented.

When Battery Beach was made multiracial last year, only 13 objections, representing fewer than 1 000 people, were submitted.

Although a petition with 8 000 signatures was submitted to the Administrator later, these had been collected over a year in response to several issues.

Management Committee chairman Neil MacLennan has warned that the council would consider only reasoned argument and new evidence, when examining objections.

It was not good enough for people to say they 'don't like it'.

While many objections give no reasons, the council would appear to be forced to give consideration to the strong response.

The objections had to be lodged with the Town Clerk by noon yesterday and a last minute rush kept senior assistant Shirley Savory, busy until 5 p m.

One petition, organised by Point councillors Clarence Cheek and Ken Varner, was signed by more than 4 000.

The objections will have to be considered by several committees and the matter could take weeks to reach an open council meeting.

Before the council could go ahead and desegregate amenities it would have to apply to the Administrator for permission to change the bylaws

Natal's Executive Committee will consider all objections, many of which have been sent direct to the provincial authorities

Mr Frank Martin, MEC in charge of local government, believed there was nothing to stop the Government interfering to veto Durban's beach moves, which affect the Rachel Finlayson Baths, the paddling pool and Dairy Beach.

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326. Mr D J. N MALCOMESS asked the Minister of Co-operation and Development:

(1) Whether the financing of a scheme to construct a pipeline to provide fresh water to the Black township at Steytlerville, as referred to in his reply to Question No. 190 on 2 March 1982, has been approved, if not, why not, if so,

(2) whether work has commenced on such scheme; if not, when is it expected to commence, if so, when is it expected to be completed?

The MINISTER OF CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT

(1) An application for the approval of a scheme by the National Housing Commission, was submitted by the Eastern Cape Administration Board to the Department of Community Development and will be considered by that Commission soon

(2) Depending on the approval of the scheme as well as the availability of funds, the work could be completed within six months

Indians angered by evictions from pool

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By Joanne Shepherd Smith

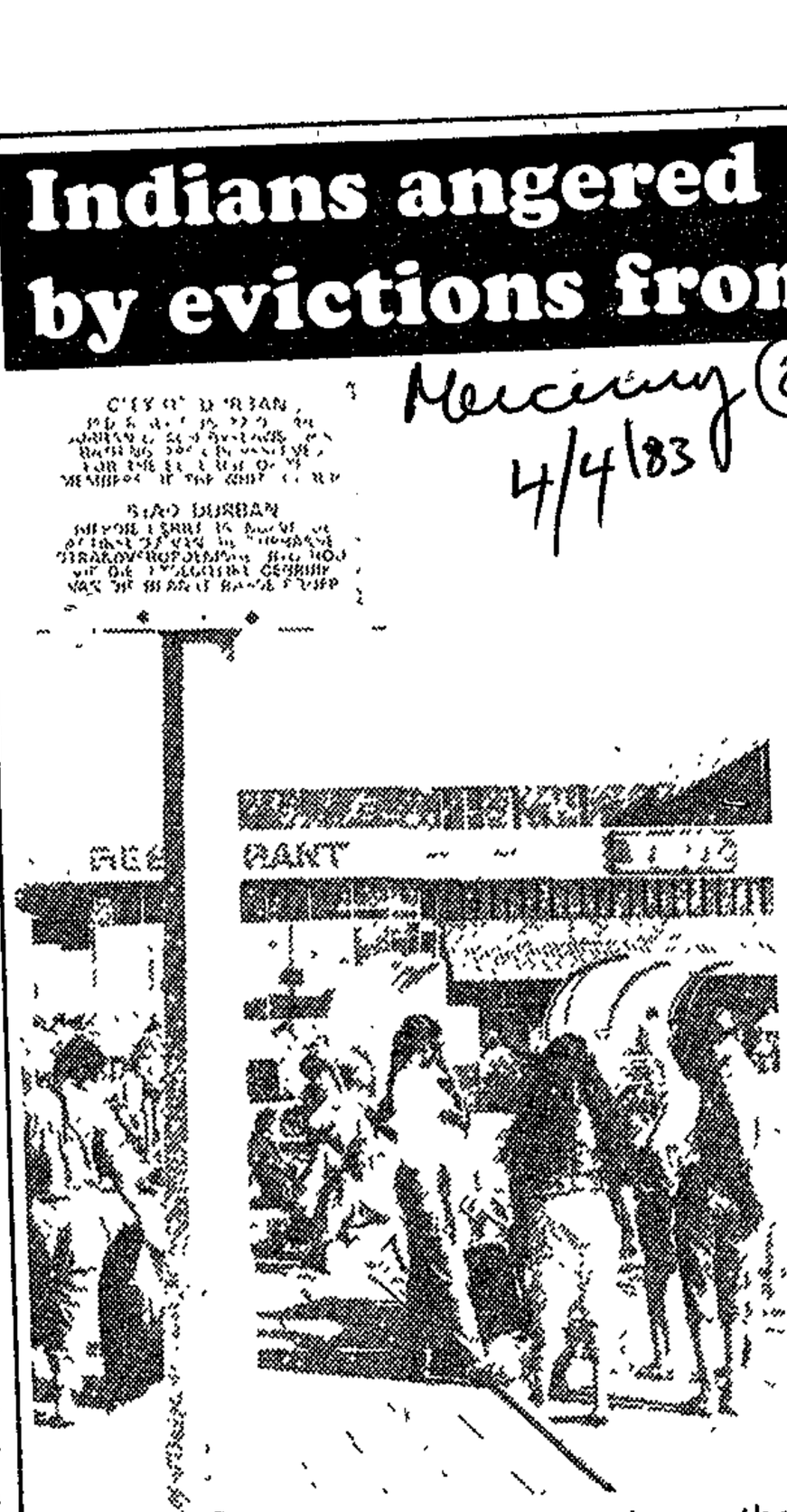
TWO fathers spoke out angrily against the manner in which their toddlers were ordered to 'get out' of the paddling pool on Durban's beachfront yesterday.

Mr Mickey Narainsamy and Mr Jay Naidoo, of Durban, said their families had finished their meal at a beachfront restaurant and were walking past the pool when their children asked if they could swim.

'We took them to a quiet corner of the pool where they could crawl into the water because they are so small. We hadn't even been there for 10 minutes when an inspector approached us,' said Mr Narainsamy.

'He asked if we were from Durban and when we replied "yes" he got angry and told us to get our "children out of the pool or you'll be arrested". He asked us if we had seen the signs saying "whites only", which we hadn't.

'A young white man, who was with his child, told the inspector that there was nothing wrong with our kids being there ...



AN INDIAN family prepares to leave the paddling pond after beach inspectors had ordered them to leave.

Embarrassed

'The inspector was very rude to this man and used bad language, in front of not only our wives and children, but other women and children.'

Mr Naidoo said it was embarrassing and unnecessary.

'We heard the three inspectors asking non-whites where they were from. If they said they were holidaymakers they were very politely asked to leave. When it came to local people their attitude became rude,' he said.

Mr Errol Scarr, director of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Beaches, said he would investigate the matter.

'I don't believe he used such language but if he did then action will be taken,' said Mr Scarr.

'I would like these two men to come and see me on Tuesday and if they don't have the inspector's number, they could possibly identify him,' he said.

Application by the Durban City Council to open the pool to all races was placed last month. Until then, the pool will remain exclusively for the use of whites.

Few beach hitches

Municipal Reporter

ATTEMPTS by the Durban City Council to integrate some of its beachfront facilities were surprisingly well accepted by Easter weekend visitors, according to beach officials and people involved in the tourist industry

Where there was strongly antagonistic reaction it was generally by people who believed, incorrectly, that the city's popular North and South Beaches were about to go multiracial

Although the paddling pool is not legally multiracial and whites-only signs are prominently displayed, the area has been used by an increasing number of children from other race groups over the past two years. The council's attempts to desegregate the pool and the non-bathing beach opposite it have been given wide publicity upcountry.

Concern

A beach official said inspectors who had asked non-white parents to remove their children from the pool had only acted on complaints. There had been complaints by a number of people, but they were very much in the minority.

Durban's director of publicity, Mr Terry Toohey said: 'Our major concern was the total onslaught on the city in terms of bad publicity but, as in most things, anticipation proved far worse than actuality'

The association had received no complaints at all but some problems had to be expected, not necessarily in terms of black and white, when there were many people

Mr Pieter Breytenbach, chairman of the council's Amenities Committee, said an estimated 800 000 people had used the city's beaches over the four-day Easter weekend. There had been a few minor racial incidents but they were insignificant in relation to the vast number of people.

Not affected

Mr Nic Steyn, beachfront amusement park entrepreneur, said this had been one of the happiest weekends in his experience. But he could not understand why the council had not completed the new toilets at Noddy's Milk Bar in time for the heavy season. The shortage of toilet facilities had been the only real problem

Spokesmen for the Four Seasons Hotel, Killarney Hotel and Blue Waters Hotel — all non-international family hotels — said while they had had pre-season cancellations because of bad publicity over the desegregation issue, they had not really been affected

However, one small beachfront family hotel said several parents and grandparents had expressed fears about hygiene at the paddling pool.

Petition

A holiday flat receptionist said several visitors had complained that Durban was deteriorating, but most were under the misconception that all Durban's beaches and beachfront facilities were to go multiracial.

'I also thought so,' she said. 'A petition, brought around the beachfront area a little while ago, indicated this.'

The city's Management Committee vice-chairman, Mr Don Smith, said an investigation had shown that the only bad language used when inspectors asked two Indian families to remove their children from the pool on Sunday afternoon had come from a white man who had objected to the inspectors' actions.

When beach officials had explained the legal situation, he had apologised, Mr Smith said.

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Kingsburgh beach poll labelled 'futile'

Mercury Reporter

TOMORROW'S referendum among Kingsburgh's 8 000 residents over the zoning of local beaches has been labelled a 'futile exercise' which is to be mounted at considerable cost in time and money to ratepayers.

It is the culmination of a vociferous campaign by the Town Council, headed by the Mayor, Mrs Joan du Plooy, to have seaside facilities at Winklespruit, Warner Beach, Illovo Beach, Doonside and Karridene declared for the exclusive use of whites.

But no heed will be taken of the vote, whatever the outcome, by the Natal Provincial Administration.

And a stay-away by anything more than half the voters — several councillors fear apathy — will make a mockery of any result.

Low polls

Past municipal elections at Kingsburgh have been plagued by polls as low as 30 percent.

Mr George Bartlett, MP for Amanzimtoti, said yesterday that the Kingsburgh council had adopted the wrong attitude by calling such a referendum when other options existed and when in any event the borough had no jurisdiction over its beaches.

'It is a great pity that any local authority should wish to clear its areas of responsibility for the exclusive use of the privileged white community,' Mr Bartlett said.

Not racists

He believed most people at Kingsburgh were not racists and would at least opt for separate beachfront facilities if given the choice.

The future of beaches in Natal was for the NPA alone to decide — with the best interests of the whole of the province to consider.

Mr Ray Haslam, MPC for the constituency and MEC in charge of beaches, also expressed reservations about the wording of the referendum, which he felt did not explain the full position.

The referendum would have been 'possibly worth something' had residents been asked to respond to two or three questions instead of one, Mr Haslam said.

Nevertheless, he was awaiting the outcome of the poll with interest.

Mrs du Plooy said she hoped for a poll of about 60 percent.

Beach permits for blacks plan

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Mercury Reporter

KINGSBURGH would be prepared to make concessions to allow domestic servants, hotel waiters and other blacks who were employed in the borough to use certain stretches of local beaches.

A permit system would be introduced, the Mayor, Mrs Joan du Plooy, said yesterday.

This would enable municipal officials to keep close tabs on non-white bathers.

'It will mean we will know the names and addresses of any non-whites who are seen, say, making a mess about the place or carting home lavatory doors from the beach toilets.'

However the position at present was that the whole stretch of coastline from Karridene to Warner Beach was still unzoned, which meant all the beaches could be used by members of any race group.

Mrs du Plooy confirmed that no action could be taken against non-whites who chose to frequent Kingsburgh's beaches — but it was the council's intention to change this.

Black people were free to enjoy themselves on the sand and in the sun — but no amenities such as restaurants, picnic spots and ablutions were provided for them.

'I don't know what they would do if they wanted to go to the toilet. This is the crux of the whole problem,' she said.

Margate council opts for equality

Mercury Reporter

MARGATE Town Council's attitude to beach zoning was that equal facilities — whether mixed or separate — should be made available for all races, says Mayor Dennis Cominos.

The legal position on the matter had been clearly pointed out by Natal's Administrator-in-Executive Committee and the council had accepted this position, said Mr Cominos.

Margate would not be holding a referendum over the issue.

Mr Cominos revealed that Kingsburgh's Mayor, Mrs Joan du Plooy, had approached him last month with the suggestion that the two boroughs should hold a combined referendum, but his council rejected her scheme.

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Whites ordered off an Indian beach

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By FAY SALEH

SIX white youngsters were this week ordered off a beach zoned for Indians by a lifesaver.

The bathers were ordered over the public address system to leave the Durban beach.

The lifesaver asked "the Europeans" to please leave the beach and go to a beach zoned for "Europeans".

The bathers, all teenagers, hesitated for a few moments and then left the beach.

Two Indian bathers who were swimming at the time shouted to the white bathers to stay.

"I was disgusted. In this day and age this should not happen. They were just little boys having a good time," one of the Indian bathers, who did not want to be named, said.

The director of Parks and Beaches for the Durban City Council, Mr Errol Scarr, said the lifesaver had the right to "advise" the white bathers to stop swimming.

Erred

"The beach is zoned for Indians. The white bathers were therefore transgressing the by-laws," he said.

The assistant beach manager said the lifesaver erred in using the public address system to order the bathers off the beach.

"He should have gone to them personally to warn them that they could not use an Indian beach," he said.

The chairman of the Amenities Committee of the council, Mr Pieter Breytenbach, said the lifesaver was right to ask the white bathers to leave.

"But I agree that he should have asked them personally rather than having used the public address system," he said.

Mr Breytenbach said he personally deplored laws which set aside amenities for different races.

Ex-SP bather tastes beach apartheid

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Mail Correspondent

DURBAN. — Apartheid in reverse was imposed on a former security policeman at the weekend when he was kicked off a Durban beach because he is white.

Mr Fred Kruger, who now owns a Berea Road tearoom, had gone swimming with two friends and his black shop assistant near Country Club beach, which is reserved for coloureds.

No sooner had they entered the water when a voice across the public address system asked "those Europeans" to please leave. The message was repeated a few minutes later.

"There are no prohibiting signs visible, it was midday, the sun was out and we just wanted to enjoy ourselves," Mr Kruger said.

When he had asked a coloured lifeguard why they could not stay and swim he was told: "We don't have to answer your questions."

According to the director of Parks and Gardens, Mr Errol Scarr, livesavers were entitled to "advise" bathers where and when to swim.

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Apartheid works both ways

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Mr Fred Kruger, who now owns a Berea Road



MR FRED Kruger ... his and his friends' swim was cut short.

tearoom, had gone swimming with two friends and his African shop assistant at that stretch near Country Club beach which is reserved for coloureds.

No sooner had the men entered the water when they were ordered out.

A voice across the public address system asked 'those Europeans' to please leave. The message was repeated a few minutes later.

'There are no prohibiting signs visible, it was midday, the sun was out and we just wanted to enjoy ourselves,' Mr Kruger said. 'But our fun lasted five minutes.'

Referring to the incident as 'embarrassing and unnecessary', Mr Kruger added that there had only been a half-dozen people on the beach at the time.

When he had asked a lifeguard, a coloured, why they could not stay and swim he was told: 'We don't have to answer your questions.'

According to the director of Parks and Gardens, Mr Errol Scarr, livesavers were entitled to 'advise' bathers where and when to swim. He pointed out that zoning still applied to certain beaches in Durban.

The chairman of the city council's amenities committee, Mr Pieter Breytenbach, said he deplored apartheid — but the lifeguards had been within their rights.

He considered that Mr Kruger and his friends should rather have been approached personally than be addressed through loud-speakers.

When a Mercury reporter approached lifeguards at the beach yesterday he was told the incident was regretted but had been unavoidable because they had acted on complaints

'We hate doing it. But the same thing happens to us — in reverse — when we go to white beaches,' said one.

MP rejects town council resolution

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AMANZIMTOTI MP Mr George Bartlett says Kingsburgh Town Council had quoted him 'selectively' in claiming he had gone back on his pre-election manifesto assurances regarding beach zoning

Yesterday he responded to the council's official resolution which called on him — and the constituency's MPC, Mr Ray Haslam — to resign by saying he would do nothing of the sort.

He stood by everything he had ever had to say on the issue

He admitted saying he believed in pluralism and that a local authority had the right to decide what should happen within its area of jurisdiction

But he believed the right to exlusivity applied an acceptance of responsibility to other race groups — that local option did not mean a licence to grab the assets of a nation 'as Kingsburgh wishes to do with its shoreline'

Kingsburgh certainly had the right to apply for its established beach amenities to be declared for whites only, but it also had a responsibility to other race groups — a responsibility it did not accept

'And the Natal Provincial Council also has a responsibility to other groups,' Mr Bartlett said.

It had been interesting for him to note that the only local authorities in Natal which had legal powers to zone their own beaches — Durban and Richards Bay — had applied for permission to zone And the Provincial Council had not only conceded, but supplied funds for the construction of facilities.

'My recommendation is that Kingsburgh Town Council should apply to the province's Executive Committee for the creation of separate amenities for the various groups. The location and extent of these amenities should be arrived at by negotiation and consultation.'

MPC Mr Ray Haslam, who is also MEC in charge of beaches in Natal, said he did not wish to comment on Kingsburgh's challenge until he had personally received a copy of the council's resolution.

Kingsburgh's council unanimously adopted the resolution which called on the representatives to resign and contest a by-election on the basis of their policies in regard to beach zoning.

Old surveys show 'beach' support

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THERE is 'substantial support' for beach integration among all race groups, according to attitude surveys conducted in 1981 and 1982

The results of these surveys are to be published by Prof Lawrence Schlemmer of the University of Natal's Centre for Applied Social Sciences.

One of the conclusions Prof Schlemmer drew from the attitude surveys was that while 'whites tended to be more cautious in their support ...the majority of Durban whites expected that beaches would be fully integrated in time'

He also found that blacks were generally more willing to accept mixed beaches.

Prof Schlemmer found that 71 percent of white beach users in Durban gave full or qualified support toward beach integration. However only 50 percent of white Durban ratepayers shared the beach users' attitude

In comparison 93 percent of black beach users gave full or qualified support to beach integration.

According to a nationwide survey conducted in 1981, 84 percent of coloureds, 53 percent of Indians and 40 percent of whites gave full or qualified support toward mixed beaches

Prof Schlemmer concluded that 'generally, blacks and whites wished to retain segregation in the more intimate spheres of life while sharing was acceptable, tolerated or welcomed in semi-public and public spheres according to the situational circumstances'

He found there was also survey evidence which showed that 'the majority of white bus users who stand to gain from the integration of buses would welcome the move to desegregate buses'.

Prof Schlemmer summed up his report by saying that 'it would appear that gradually the structural requirements for inter-group contact in most public and semi-public spheres of life are being met'.

And the newest integration issue, according to Prof Schlemmer, is 'the integration of public toilets'.

1 000 families face crisis

Mercury Reporter

MORE than 1 000 families from Inanda, who depend on the generosity of a Phoenix shopkeeper for their daily supply of fresh water, will have to find another source

Durban's City Engineer, Mr Don Macleod, said yesterday he intended investigating a report that more than 25 000 ℓ a day of Durban's water was being given to people in Inanda — which falls outside the Durban municipal area

A report in a newspaper on Saturday stated that Mr Abdul Razak, owner of the Whetstone Supermarket, had for the past two-and-a-half years been supplying the Inanda families with water — free of charge — while he footed a bill of between R300 and R400 a month

The report also stated that Mr Razak had been warned by an inspector from the City Engineer's Department that he could face a R2 000 fine unless he stopped

'But I can't stop, even if I do have to pay a fine These people have no tap water of their own If I cut off their supply from my shop, they'll have no alternative but to get their water from the cholera-infested river near their homes,' he said

Mr Macleod denied that Mr Razak could be fined.

'There is no law to prevent him from giving water to those people and shops are not affected by water rationing

'But what I intend finding out today is whether the people are, in fact, from Inanda

'If so, I shall have to ask the Umgeni Water Board to make arrangements for them to get water from the Hazelmere Dam instead — probably in tankers,' he said

He could not allow water intended for Durban — supplied by the sorely depleted Midmar and Albert Falls dams — to be given to Inanada residents who should be supplied from Hazelmere Dam, which was still fairly full, he said

The people would probably then have to pay for their water

'Perhaps the Department of Co-operation and Development, who are responsible for the area will consider helping out' said Mr Macleod

The Mercury's Pietermaritzburg bureau reports that the chairman of the Water Contingency Planning Committee, Mr Ray Haslam, is to meet the Property Owners Association tomorrow to discuss the 200 litres-a-day water rationing for flat dwellers announced last week

Flat landlords have complained that the tough restrictions ordered by the emergency committee on Thursday could cost them hundreds of thousands of rands a month while property owners claim the penalties for individual flats which use more than 200 ℓ a day were unfair and would be impossible to bear

Mr Haslam told the Mercury yesterday 'We know the problems and I want them to tell us the solutions'

Representatives of the association would outline the position regarding flat residents and the difficulty in monitoring the ration

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Mixed reaction to beach survey findings

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Mercury Reporter

THE results of Prof Lawrence Schlemmer's surveys on black and white attitudes to beach integration were both welcomed and rejected by Durban city councillors yesterday.

In a paper to be published shortly, based on five surveys, Prof Schlemmer found there was 'substantial support' for beach integration among all race groups.

Management Committee chairman Neil MacLennan said from what he had read and heard he could not regard the survey results as conclusive, but believed opposition to integration would gradually disappear.

However, a prime opponent of the beachfront proposals, Mr Henry Klotz, said he could not accept the findings.

'Prof Schlemmer has changed his tune since the studies he did in 1981. In my opinion attitudes towards beach integration have got progressively worse since then.'

Councillor Peter Mansfield said he believed there was a growing acceptance that discrimination was on the way out.

'Provided the city council supplies sufficient facilities along the beachfront to prevent overcrowding there should be fewer problems than expected when the beaches are integrated.'

Point Councillor Ken Varner said he was surprised by Prof Schlemmer's report and could not accept his findings.

'Greed' blamed for whites-only beaches

By EVELYN HOLTZHAUSEN

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CLERGYMEN have blamed "greed and selfishness" for the decision by residents of a coastal town to vote for segregated beaches.

The clergymen have issued a statement in response to a beach referendum in the North Coast town of Kingsburgh, early last month.

Most residents voted for Kingburgh's beaches to be zoned exclusively for whites.

The town mayor, Mrs Joan du Plooy, has denied claims made in the statement.

She said she wanted a place for everyone under the sun, "but not necessarily the same place".

The statement was issued by the Rev James Gray of the Kingsburgh Presbyterian Church, and signed by the Rev Ian Gourlay and the Rev Jannie van Wavered of the Methodist church, the Rev Henk Zeeman of the Dutch Reformed Church, the Rev Bob Magnus of the Anglican church, and Father Hugh Daly and Father Isidore Maher of the Roman Catholic church.

The churchmen say that they "believe that the response of Kingsburgh residents is not based on God's standards of wisdom and justice, but rather on man's greed and selfishness".

Mr Gray said this week the statement was signed by churchmen as individuals and did not necessarily reflect their parishes

He said after the statement had been issued a number of parishioners had said they would leave the church — but none to his knowledge had done so.

He said he was not a politician and that the statement was "a spiritual issue".

It had to be established how wrong greed was and that people should strive for fairness and justice.

The churchmen had "slipped up" by not issuing the statement before the referendum to guide voters but it had, nevertheless, to be issued.

Relevant

Churches and churchmen could not "retreat into a ghetto" and had to face up to totality of life in South Africa, and become relevant to the issues of the day.

Not all clergymen in the area had signed the statement as some were bound not to comment by their churches and others could not be reached in time.

Mrs du Plooy, a driving force behind the referendum, said she did not want to deny all beaches to blacks, but there should be separate facilities.

She would like to see as much money spent on improving facilities at black beaches as at beaches for any other race.

She has said that the reason for separate facilities stemmed from incidents between races on Kingsburgh's presently "open" beaches.

There were no facilities for blacks at Kingsburgh beaches.

Meanwhile, Kingsburgh has sent a letter to the Administrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha, Mr Vause Raw, leader of the New Republic Party and Mr P W Botha, informing them of the referendum result.

Waves of anger in wake of Durban mixed beach survey

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POLITICAL scientist Professor Laurence Schlemmer has been the victim of angry phone calls and vicious threats from whites following a survey which showed that half the city's whites would accept mixed beaches.

Prof Schlemmer, head of the social sciences department at the University of Natal, has angered Durban residents and city councillors

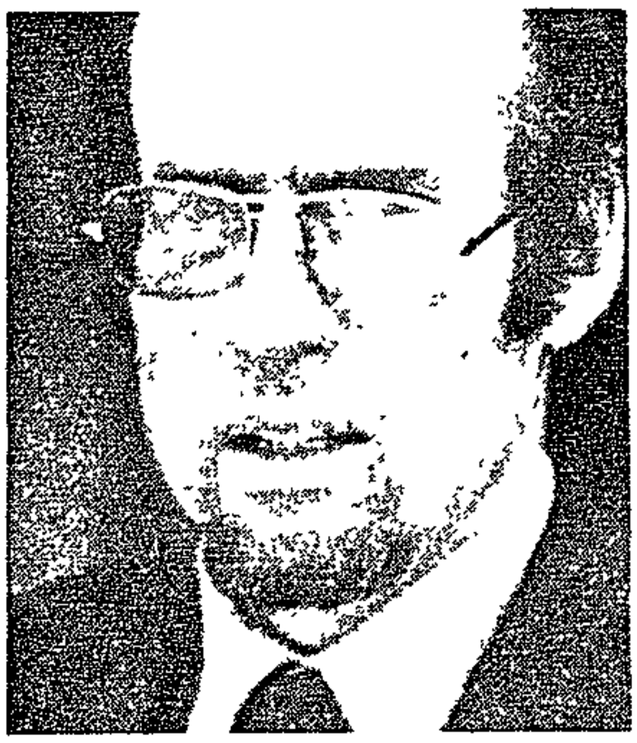
Many refuse to accept the findings of his survey in the wake of the recent referendum, conducted by the City Council, in which massive opposition was expressed to the introduction of mixed beaches and paddling pools

Some councillors have also compared a similiar survey Prof Schlemmer conducted in September 1981 with the latest one — and have found the two to be contradictory

One, Mr Henry Klotz, said the 1981 survey showed that about 85% of whites were against racial integration on beaches, while the new one showed only 50% were totally opposed to multiracial beaches

Mr Klotz said he could not accept the new survey because people in Durban had become increasingly anti-integration since 1981

Point councillor Mr Ken Varner said "It does not make sense to me I can't see how two separate surveys can so drastically be at variance"



● Professor Schlemmer — his findings have upset residents and councillors

Report by LINZI HOWARD

Prof Schlemmer replied to the criticism, saying his recent survey should not be seen "in black and white". "They do not fully understand the meaning of this survey

"I do not mean that 50% of whites want integration, but they will accept it. There is a big difference between wanting something and agreeing to accept it," he said

"The proportion in favour of immediate, complete and unqualified integration of all beaches is about 25% Another 25% are willing to have a limited and phased integration

"That makes it 50% who will accept mixed beaches The remaining 50% do not want integration of any kind at any stage"

Another councillor, Mr Peter Mansfield, believes people are more concerned about over-crowding than sharing beaches with other races

"People's fears about change are often not realised and once there is integration there will not be friction," he said

On the question of overcrowding, he said "Plans are going ahead to spread beachfront facilities A 12ha amusement park is going to be built near Natal Command together with a three hectare water park, a paddling pool and perhaps an Olympic-sized swimming pool"

Meanwhile, **DARYL BALFOUR** reports that more than 8 000 objections to Durban's proposals to open a major section of the Golden Mile to all races have been sent to the Town Clerk — and the council will have to respond to all of them

"They object to the mixed beach proposals for a variety of reasons .. they differ from letter to letter," the Town Clerk, Mr Gordon Haygarth, said this week.

The Durban City Council resolved several weeks ago to go ahead with plans to open Dairy Beach — opposite the aquarium — and the Rachel Finlayson beach baths and paddling pools to all races

The decison caused a minor row and objections were raised in many quarters, including the Durban Chamber of Commerce and the Durban Publicity Association

Both the DPA and the Chamber of Commerce felt overcrowding of the area would be a major problem.

And the Durban Sakekamer warned that Durban's tourist trade would suffer if beaches were integrated.

Nothing but the best for Chiavelli's Cape mansion

By GERALDINE FARLEY

BIG spender Mr Marino Chiavelli is sparing nothing to create his dream home in Cape Town.

The Italian millionaire will have spent almost R4-million on renovations to his Bishopscourt mansion, Benguela, by the time he takes up residence next March.

Mr Chiavelli bought the R1-million Georgian house two years ago from Cape Town businessman Douglas Ovenstone, as well as adjoining plots which have since been incorporated into the grounds.

A 1 000m-long brick wall now surrounds the entire property, a paved jogging track has been laid and lamps have been installed — total cost: R2-million.

Vast areas of scrub were cleared in the transition process, trees were felled and transplanted, and the finished area will consist of sweeping lawns and botanical gardens

"In the middle of all this will be a fountain surrounded by palm trees, which will be sent down from Durban," said Mr Chiavelli.

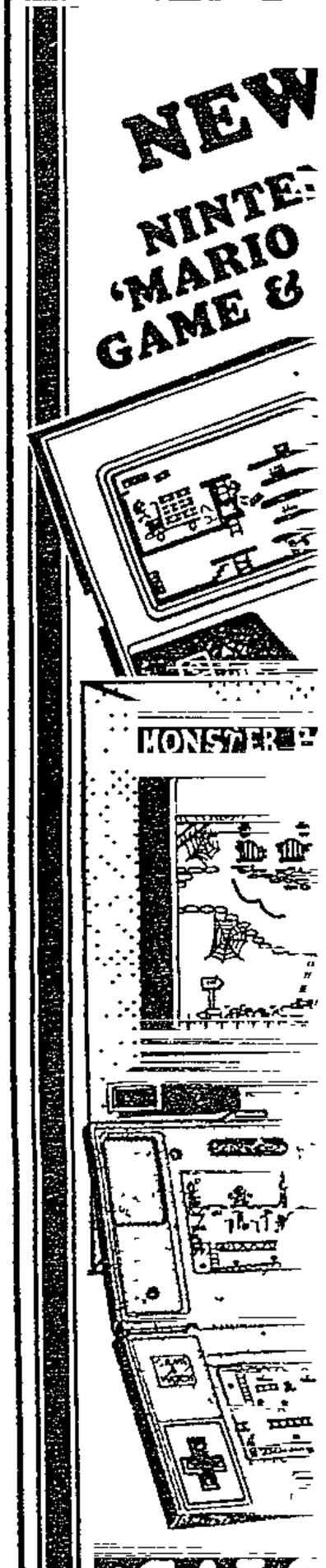
Meanwhile, builders elsewhere are hurriedly laying the foundations for lavish outhouses before the onset of the Cape winter rains.

A separate complex will finally include eight en-suite servant's rooms, a wine cellar and four garages, while extensive renovations to the main house will incorporate a manager's flat.

The permanent staff will included a chef, two housemaids, two chauffeurs and gardeners

They will attend Mr Chiavelli when he stays at 'Villa Chia-Mar' — for about seven weeks a year.





Mayor challenges South Coast to cater for blacks

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DURBAN'S Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, threw down the gauntlet to South Coast towns yesterday and challenged them to provide black holiday facilities.

Speaking to the Lower South Coast Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Port Shepstone, she said the tourist industry was caught up in the processes of change.

Black buying power would exceed that of whites in all commodities by 1985 and an increasing number of blacks were spending money on holidays.

The Wild Coast Casino had presumably had a considerable impact on Margate. Unless the South Coast towns catered to black needs these spenders would disappear over the border into Transkei

Mrs Hotz also urged commerce and industry to work towards improving the quality of life in the black areas on their doorstep.

Viewed from the air the South Coast was a narrow strip of white luxury development. This was bordered by vast KwaZulu areas with an increasing density of people living in poverty, aggravated by the drought

Durban was in the same position but the city had donated ratepayers' money for the KwaZulu Water Development Fund. This was not only for humanitarian reasons but also as an investment in the future.

Share

For the same reason, the council had invested R2 000 000 in housing for black municipal employees. Durban service clubs, commerce and industry were playing their part as well.

Lower South Coast commerce and industry could share its expertise and encourage black businessmen. The black population in the Umzinto and Port Shepstone magisterial districts had increased by 61 500 in the past decade while the white population growth had been only 5 000

'Obviously,' Mrs Hotz said, 'the white population swells in the holiday seasons but one of the greatest challenges facing this area is the provision of job opportunities.'

Mr Aubrey Thompson, South Coast MP and former mayor of Port Shepstone, said he was confident that Port Shepstone would designate a beach where facilities could be developed for blacks.

Margate recently applied unsucessfully to the provincial administration to zone its beaches white.

Greytown to cut water to black township

Pietermaritzburg Bureau

GREYTOWN Town Council decided yesterday to restrict water supplies to Enhlalakahle Township to six hours a day from June 1

The council decided that the water main supplying the township would be turned on from 5 a m to 8 a m and from 5 p m to 8 p m to reduce consumption from the town's only storage dam, Lake Merthley, which is just over 33 percent full

The acting Town Clerk of Greytown, Mr Ken Gregory, said, 'There has been no saving from the township and that is why the council felt it necessary to enforce this rationing'

Most of Enhlalakahle's 7 000 residents draw water from standpipes on the pavements, each tap supplying four to five houses. Only a few homes have running water

The township's community council chairman, Mr P J Duma, said yesterday 'If we do not ration water now maybe in the future we will have to go without.'

The situation in Greytown was 'becoming serious'

Another councillor, Mr C M Hlongwa, a junior school principal, said people were not too worried about the restrictions.

'They realise the seriousness of the drought. Last Sunday at a residents' meeting it was suggested from the floor that water restrictions be imposed because water was being used haphazardly The water level in the lake is very low'

Mr Gregory said 'If we find there is a need to have another look at the

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situation, we will do so.'

It would be possible to provide a continuous supply to schools in the township

Deputy Mayor Peter Mason said the decision had been taken because of the enormous amount of water being used in the township.

'Unfortunately none of the houses with running water is metered'

The council was already considering an appeal to allow water between 12 30 pm and 1 p m.

Mr Gregory said Greytown's overall water saving had been between 12,5 percent and 17 percent The average monthly domestic consumption was 26 677 kilolitres for Greytown and 9 200 kilolitres for the township

According to Mr Gregory the town had enough water in the lake to see them through to next year

The chief director of the Drakensberg Administration Board, Mr Roy de Wet, said circulars were being sent to all townships drawing attention to restrictions and encouraging residents to save water.

The board would sink two boreholes in the township to alleviate the situation, he said.

The regional director of health in Natal, Dr J W J van Rensburg, said the restrictions would be an inconvenience but as long as there was enough water to flush toilets, there should be no health problem

R11m for mixed beaches

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Pietermaritzburg Bureau

THE Government is to spend R11 million on multiracial beach facilities at seven places on the Natal coast.

This emerged in a statement by Natal's Executive Committee on beach facilities for 'other' population groups, released to the Press yesterday by the Province's senior MEC, Mr Frank Martin.

The statement lists the seven sites where it is hoped to make specified facilities available over the next five years for this sum, which includes tbuying land.

The Province has R2 400 000 available from the Treasury to make a start in the current financial year, the statement adds.

It emphasises, however, that these sites do not constitute the Administration's total plan for open-air recreational facilites for the 'other' population groups in Natal.

Mr Martin said the sites had been chosen after two surveys had been conducted, both by air and on land, including one during the Christmas period.

Preliminary discussions with the local authorites concerned had been held and had met with a positive response.

Not restricted

Mr Martin said all the sites chosen were beaches which were already popular among Indians and coloureds, but which had no facilities such as parking, changerooms or toilets.

In line with Exco's policy that beaches should not be zoned for use by different races, the facilties would not be restricted to the use of any one race.

The sites named were:

Port Shepstone, where improved access and parking, as well as ablutions and toilets, would be

Tongaat Beach, where the same basic facilites would be provided along with picnic areas and a swimming pool;

Reunion-Isipingo, where a caravan park and picnic area would be provided along with ablutions and provision for traffic,

Isipingo South, which was regarded as a high priority for access, parking and ablutions;

Blythedale Beach, for similar facilities and a picnic area;

Tinley Manor, which would feature a picnic/-camping area and swimming pool; and

Ifafa Beach, where the basic facilities would be provided

originally envisaged.

Some of a wide range of unforseen eventualities which had pushed up costs mentioned by Mr Haslam were the demolition of part of a parking garage, difficulty in the foundations and the decision not to reuse the old seating.

While comparisons were odious, a provincial theatre complex currently under construction in Bloemfontein, featuring only one auditorium, was expected to cost R60 million.

'What we are going to get is something that will stand to the credit of this province well into the 22nd century by which time people will look back and say "R35 million for all that? How well worth it it was".'

Costs rising but theatre 'worth it'

Pietermaritzburg Bureau

THE all-inclusive cost of Durban's new provincial theatre complex could rise to R37,5 million by the time it was finished.

But for this Natal could expect a range of four auditoriums, seating for between 150 and 1 400 people, in a building worthy of the province through to the year 2100 and beyond.

Elaborating on an answer given by the Administrator earlier in the Provincial Council sitting, Mr Ray Haslam MEC admitted the initial estimate of R12 800 000 in 1978 was way out.

'It is clear that the initial estimates were extremely low and that we were unreasonably optimistic in thinking we could get anything like the conversion (of the Playhouse) for R12 million,' he said during the budget debate yesterday.

Unforeseen

'It is not only escalation in costs but we have got tremendously improved facilities over what we

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Song vigil in prison

Own Correspondent

PRISONERS at Pretoria Central Prison sing throughout the night before a hanging, to give support to those who are about to die.

The singing starts when the condemned prisoners eat their last meal — a special supper prepared by the Prisons Service.

It goes on through the night and reaches a climax when they are taken out of their cells at dawn.

Few details of the ritual of a hanging are known to anyone but those who have witnessed it. The Prisons Service will not give many details, saying they have to respect the prisoners' last moments.

They will only say that "foodstuffs additional to the normal meals are provided at the State's expense".

If the prisoner wishes, he may ask the district surgeon to prescribe a sedative for him.

Probably the only people present at the execution are a district surgeon, a priest and a couple of prison officials.

It is believed that the rope is used only once and a new one supplied for each person hanged, but the Prisons Service would not comment on this.

The family has to wait outside the prison until the district surgeon pronounces the prisoner dead and officials post at the gate a notice of the execution.

The Commissioner of Prisons then decides whether his department will bury the body at the place of execution or release it to the family for burial

Poet Breyten Breytenbach, recently released from Pretoria Central Prison, created a controversy about the last meal.

White prisoners were given a whole chicken, black prisoners only half a chicken, he wrote recently. The Prisons Service denied there was any difference between the last meals of black and white prisoners.

Buthelezi: Blacks can end apartheid

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THE HAGUE. — Blacks had a stranglehold on the South African economy which they could use to eliminate the apartheid system, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi said at a press conference here on Friday.

Chief Buthelezi, Chief Minister of Kwazulu and leader of Inkatha, said blacks "already have a stranglehold on the economy. They can use their economic clout in their country to liberate themselves".

The chief, who is on a tour of European capitals, added that the recent legalization of black trade unions could swell that economic power once the unions acted together.

He pointedly refused to condemn black nationalist violence, such as the recent Pretoria bomb attack, but added: "The situation in South Africa is such that if violence is pursued by any side, there won't be any victors or any vanquished."

However, he characterized the government's proposed constitutional reforms as a "recipe for violence" that "slams the door completely" on the possibility of peaceful negotiations for change.

Chief Buthelezi, who has held meetings with Foreign Ministry officials in West Germany and Holland, described Western governmental attitudes toward South Africa as hypocritical.

He charged that they condemned apartheid but offered no financial aid to help blacks' struggle against it.

He said: "I think it would be a good thing if Holland put its money where its mouth is and not just condemn South Africa." He also called for aid for education.

Chief Buthelezi said he opposed international economic sanctions against Pretoria as ineffective, and added that he recognized that other countries "have got their own interests" regarding South Africa.

He is scheduled to leave tomorrow for London, and plans to visit Geneva before returning to South Africa. — Sapa-AP

Massive boost for Indian beaches in Natal

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Mercury Reporter

AT LEAST R3 000 000 is to be spent on beach facilities at Tongaat and Tinley Manor, near Stanger, as part of a Government scheme to provide additional amenities.

The Government had allocated R11 million for seven beaches, and the provincial authority, which is responsible for the improvements, has R2 400 000 available from the Treasury.

Other beaches where facilities are to be provided are Stanger's Blythedale Beach, Isipingo, Reunion, Ifafa and Port Shepstone.

Dr Chota Bhorat, a member of the Tinley Manor Health Committee, said yesterday that their share of the allocated money would be spent on an Olympic-size swimming pool, caravan park, parking facilities, changerooms and toilets.

He said although there was a call for a tidal pool instead of a fresh-water pool, the committee had decided against a tidal pool.

Dr Bhorat said the cost of facilities at Tinley Manor — about R1 000 000 — had been discussed with provincial authorities.

Mr Manoj Singh, a member of the Tongaat Town Board, said about R2 000 000 had been promised to Tongaat, but it would not be enough to provide proper facilities because of the 9 km stretch of beach from the Umdloti to the Tongaat rivers.

He said that the facilities at Tongaat Beach and La Mercy would be open to all races.

'Since our beaches have been opened to all races, so will the new facilities,' he said

Isipingo Deputy Town Clerk Ebrahim Hoosen said R500 000 had been promised to the Isipingo Municipality.

Durban stalls on opening pools to all

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DURBAN — The Durban City Council's plan to open more beaches and paddling pools to all races will not come into effect until new paddling pools have been built.

The amenities committee decided yesterday by five votes to one to recommend to the management committee that the city's beach paddling pools should be open to all races.



The Star/Mazda Marathon. Setting the field off from Milner und the West Rand is Johannesburg mayor Mr Alan Gadd.
● Picture by Sarel van der Ro...

"But in view of the new paddling pools under construction and taking into account the large numbers who patronise the beach paddling pool during the summer holiday period, we recommended that the paddling pool should not be opened to all until the new pools are fully operational," amenities committee chairman Mr Pieter Breytenbach said

The decision came after the committee met for 4½ hours to discuss objections to the change in beach by-laws.

Altogether, 8 539 objections to the plans have been received by council. Most of the objections expressed fears of overcrowding, racial disharmony and a decline in the tourist trade.

The decision will also affect the Rachel Findlayson Pool, the reserved area between the southern boundary of West Street and South Patterson Groyne

8 500 fail on open beachfront

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Municipal Reporter

DURBAN'S Amenities Committee yesterday decided, in the face of more than 8 500 objections, that the city should open beachfront facilities to all races, but only when new paddling pools were completed later this year.

The committee studied an analysis of 8 539 objections, and the chairman said most had expressed fears about overcrowding.

Extra paddling pools, being built by Mr Nick Steyn near Natal Command, would greatly ease this problem.

The objections had been 'very carefully studied' and the only two dissenters on the committee had been Mr [illegible]ck Burgess, who was against opening the facilities, and Mr Pat O'Connor, who felt they should be opened immediately.

Among the organisations that objected were the Afrikaanse Sakekamer, the South Africa First Campaign, the National Party, the Conservative Party and several ratepayers' associations.

Four petitions were submitted.

Surfing

The biggest — with 4 340 signatures — was submitted by Councillors Clarence Cheek and Ken Varner on the grounds that integration would affect the holiday trade, compound parking problems and lead to an overflow on the white beaches.

The Natal surfing community collected 1 458 signatures, objecting to forced integration and pointing out that Dairy Beach was the last major surfing area. It also claimed holiday trade would be affected.

Another petition, signed by 1 129 up-country visitors, was strongly opposed to integration while the fourth petition bore 973 signatures but gave no reasons.

There were 631 signatures to a large number of letters submitted by individuals.

Analysis of the objections revealed that 63 percent feared overcrowding, 51 percent predicted economic repercussions, 41 percent said the move was contrary to the Group Areas Act while 24 percent predicted an increase in litter and health hazards.

Eight percent foretold an increase in the crime rate and 4,5 percent objected on religious grounds.

A petition in support of the proposals was submitted by Women For Peaceful Change Now It had 1 229 signatures.

Councillor Pieter Breytenbach said the committee's recommendations would be forwarded to the Management Committee and then to the full council

But it had been agreed, by a split vote, that the council meeting should be deferred until after July 31.

Councillor Henry Klotz, a prime objector and ward representative for that area, would be overseas until then.

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Club's vote on blacks sparks rumpus

5 lines

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By VAL CARTER-JOHNSON

A MEMBER of a country club which has banned blacks has called for a extraordinary general meeting to be held to rescind the decision.

Mr Bill Redpath, a member of the Port Shepstone Country Club, said he had more than the required 10 votes to call the special meeting.

Mr Redpath said that the recent vote taken at the club's annual meeting, to ban all blacks from the club was invalid, because of the "highly irregular" manner in which the voting took place. The vote should be taken again in a proper manner, he added.

Rules

"Although the matter was raised under 'general', with no forewarning to members, this is permissible under the rules of the club.

"But I feel the manner in which the voting took place was highly irregular — the chairman called upon everyone to simply write the word 'black' or 'white' on their slips of paper, making an already highly emotive issue even more emotional.

"The issue was not whether we open the club to blacks but whether we retained the existing limited facilities we offered them."

Mr Redpath said that some of the people at the meeting had been so "disgusted" at the way they had been instructed to vote that they destroyed their papers.

The club's chairman, Mr Carl Grobler, refused to comment.

Blacks do their bit

Mercury Reporter

PEOPLE in the black township of Umlazi, outside Durban, last week recorded a water saving of 35 percent — 26 percent better than their cut-back three weeks ago

Mr Roger Phelines, chairman of the Umgeni Water Board, said he was very pleased with the efforts being made in all the townships in the Durban and Pietermaritzburg areas

Last week Kwa Mashu cut consumption by 38 percent and Edendale, near Pietermaritzburg, recorded a 33 percent drop in water usage

Mr Phelines said 'Black townships have done very well indeed considering that they started on a lower base — whites were able to cut consumption more easily by not watering gardens or washing cars.'

'Cut-backs in the black areas are real savings,' he added

Mr Phelines said at the present rate of consumption Durban and Pietermaritzburg had enough water to last until the end of the year

However he said 'The one thing we must guard against is complacency because we have water for six months We would like an overall saving of 55 percent to be maintained.'

Consumption in Durban was cut by 55 percent last week, but Amanzimtoti consumers could manage only a 36 percent drop in usage Mr Phelines said the situation in the town was 'worrying'

The North Coast Regional Water Corporation notched up a 70 percent saving, as did Camperdown Cato Ridge and Westville both saved 68 percent and Pietermaritzburg cut consumption by 55 percent.

Long queues, long wait for the tankers

Mercury Reporter

PRE-DAWN queues for water are 'normal' for hundreds of Inanda residents, many of whom have to wait all day for their family ration of 80 ℓ, delivered in tankers to a number of dispersal points in the sprawling township.

Water is carted to the Inanda dispersal points every day — starting about 8 a m — but people have been forced to queue from about 5 a m daily to be sure of collecting their quota.

Some walk many kilometres to the dispersal points.

A resident said tankers delivered water about four times a day.

However, they could never be sure when they would arrive.

Residents are not charged for the water, which is bought by the KwaZulu Government from the Umgeni Water Board.

She said the daily wait usually began before dawn and tail-enders could expect to spend most of the day waiting for water.

Another resident said they could fill only four 20 ℓ containers with water each day for domestic use

Waiting in the sun for water had become a daily occupation and a 'normal way of life' for hundreds of residents, she said 'We need the water and we must wait for it.'

Some people who could not spend time waiting for water paid others to queue for them.

Tourism fears over all-race beachfront

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Mercury Reporter

THE December opening of Durban's beach baths, the paddling pool and Dairy Beach to all races has put a question mark over tourism in the city, South Africa's premier holiday playground.

A survey of travel agents, hotels and business experts yesterday made it clear that in the short term — from about six months to two years — tourism could drop off alarmingly.

It should resolve itself once people had become accustomed to the change

Difficult

Some people expected there to be serious racial friction, aggravated by the periodic influx of white holidaymakers from traditionally more conservative areas of the Free State and Northern Transvaal.

Marna Grobbelaar, marketing manager of Thomas Cook Travel in Johannesburg, said her firm feared that certain locals would find it difficult to tolerate sharing the beaches with blacks

But Mr J Weinstein, managing director of Peltours Travel, Johannesburg, said the move was a good one.

More and more blacks could afford holidays, and there was excellent long-term growth potential in this area.

Whites who resented the company of blacks could go to white beaches, he said.

Hotel managers were reluctant to make any prediction on the affect on tourism, although a spokesman for the industry, Mr Alan Gooderson, was adamant that it would help.

Mr Gooderson, president of the Hotel and Bottlestore Association and managing director of Kondotel, which owns beachfront hotels, said it was an absolute priority that entrepreneur Nick Steyn's waterworld was completed in time for the Christmas season.

Councillor Peter Mansfield said the extent to which tourism would suffer from the beach opening had been grossly exaggerated.

Resorts which were competing with Durban for holiday trade were all new multiracial resorts, such as Sun City and the Wild Coast and Maseru casinos.

Slump

The opening of the waterworld, newer and more exciting than the beach baths and the paddling pool, was planned to coincide with the holiday season.

Councillor Louis de Beer, who voted against the move, said tourism would slump.

He said the PFP faction had persisted in making the debate a racial affair, and used it as a cheap and nasty ploy to discredit the conservative argument. His concern was to prevent friction.

Durban Publicity Association director Terry Toohey said the coming Christmas season looked pretty gloomy. In the short term tourism would suffer, but ultimately it would sort itself out.

'Just like other facilities that have become multiracial — hotels, sports clubs and restaurants, people take a little while to get used to it,' he said. 'Toll beaches had come a step closer because of the move.

Council may go to court over buses

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Durban's City Council seems is set to go to the Supreme Court in a last-ditch bid to remove apartheid on its buses.

The council was informed yesterday by the National Transport Commission that it had ruled Durban Transport Management Board buses would remain segregated.

This was the second time in the past three years that the NTC has rejected Durban's efforts to get rid of bus segregation.

The chairman of the Durban management committee, Mr Neil Maclennan, said the decision was both unrealistic and ridiculous He felt the council must go to court over the matter

Manco vice-chairman Mr Don Smith said the council had wanted to go to the Supreme Court the last time the NTC had rejected its desegregation proposals.

"We were persuaded to go and see the Minister instead

"A delegation was sent and reading between the lines of what he had to say we believed our proposal would be accepted if we restricted it to routes that did not affect Indian bus owners This application has now been turned down.

"The DTMB has a mandate from the council to run a cost-effective service. In effect this means working towards running one service"

Mr Smith said he expected that within the next two weeks the DTMB would indicate to the management committee it wanted to contest the decision.

One of South Africa's top senior counsels said today he believed the DTMB could be successful in getting the Supreme Court to overrule the NTC decision

Airways: fuel bill

*11. Mr. D. J. N. MALCOMESS asked the Minister of Transport Affairs:

What is the estimated monthly saving in respect of the South African Airways fuel bill in the light of the recently announced fuel price reduction?

†The MINISTER OF MANPOWER (for the Minister of Transport Affairs):

The price of aviation fuel purchased by S A. Airways is linked to the import parity rates based on the monthly average price paid for fuel imports.

Although the recent reduction in fuel prices represents no direct saving to S.A. Airways, the South African Airways has in fact benefited from the changed market situation which gave rise to the Government's decision to reduce fuel prices. This resulted in a saving of approximately R1 million per month for the current financial year. When air fares and tariffs are revised in the future these factors will be taken into account.

Commission of Inquiry into Electricity Supply in South Africa

*12. Mr. D. J. N. MALCOMESS asked the Minister of Mineral and Energy Affairs:

Whether the Commission of Inquiry into Electricity Supply in South Africa has met; if not, (a) why not and (b) when is it anticipated that it will begin sitting; if so, (i) how many times has it met and (ii) when is it anticipated that it will submit a final report?

†The MINISTER OF MINERAL AND ENERGY AFFAIRS:

Yes.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(i) Once. The Commission proceeded to business immediately after its appointment and is still continuing with its work. Three further formal meetings have been scheduled provisionally for the next two months.

(ii) This date is not determinable at this early stage.

*13. Mr. P. A. MYBURGH —Defence—Reply standing over.

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Hotels: international status

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*14. Mr. P. G. SOAL asked the Minister of Industries, Commerce and Tourism:

(1) Whether any hotels have applied in 1983 for international status to be granted to portions of those hotels; if so, how many of these application had been (a) granted and (b) refused as at the latest specified date for which figures are available:

(2) whether these hotels have been informed of his Department's decision concerning their applications; if not, (a) why not, (b) which hotels have not been informed and (c) when is it anticipated that they will be informed?

†The MINISTER OF INDUSTRIES, COMMERCE AND TOURISM:

(1) Yes

(a) and (b) Two applications have been received and are presently under consideration.

(2) (a), (b) and (c) As soon as decisions have been arrived at, the hotels concerned will be informed thereof.

Hotels: permits

*15. Mr P G. SOAL asked the Minister of Industries, Commerce and Tourism:

(1) Whether any hotels have applied in 1983 for permits to employ entertainers of different race groups; if so, (a) how many application had been (i) granted and (ii) refused as at the latest specified date for which figures

are available and (b) what reasons were given for the refusal in each case,

(2) whether these hotels have been informed of his Department's decision concerning their applications; if not, (a) why not, (b) which hotels have not been informed and (c) when is it anticipated that they will be informed?

The MINISTER OF INDUSTRIES, COMMERCE AND TOURISM

(1) No In terms of the Liquor Act, 1977, as amended, it is no longer necessary to apply for such permits.

(a) and (b) Fall away

(2) (a), (b) and (c) Fall away

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Eastern Cape: houses/services

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*16. Mr. T. ARONSON asked the Minister of Co-operation and Development:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No. 807 on 26 May 1983, his Department has studied the report of the Metropolitan Black Planning Council. Greater Algoa Upgrading Project; if so, (a) what will be the total estimated cost of implementing this project and (b) what is the anticipated date of (i) commencement and (ii) completion of the project;

(2) whether a plan has been submitted to his Department by Mr Louis Rive for the provision of houses and the upgrading of existing services in the rest of the Eastern Cape; if so, (a) what will be the total estimated cost of implementing this project and (b) what is the anticipated date of (i) commencement and (ii) completion of the project;

(3) whether permission will be granted for the necessary funds for these projects to be borrowed (a) locally and/or (b) abroad;

(4) whether he has received any representations in this regard; if so, from whom;

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

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF CO-OPERATION:

(1) Yes

(a) R203,33 million (January 1983 prices without escalation) based on a sub-minimum level.

(b) (i) Detail planning has been commenced with and tenders for certain works have been invited

(ii) Approximately 5½ years i e 1989.

(2) No

(a) and (b) Fall away

(3) (a) and (b).

Subject to the Cabinet's approval of the report and the amount involved, arrangements will be made to borrow the necessary funds locally and abroad.

(4) Yes From nine members of Parliament regarding the implementation of the report.

(5) No, not at this stage.

De Hoop: weapons testing site

*17. Mr R R HULLEY asked the Minister of Environment Affairs and Fisheries:

Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No. 18 on 8 June 1983, the committee appointed to carry out an environment impact study with regard to the proposed weapons testing site at De Hoop has finished taking evidence from the public; if so, when is it anticipated that this committee will complete its work?

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Council men say attitude typical of 'Prog clique'

DURBAN'S National Party councillors have issued a statement 'totally rejecting' the actions of Councillor Don Smith.

Mr Smith, vice-chairman of the Management Committee, has predicted that the outcome of an opinion survey being conducted by Prof Lawrie Schlemmer would lead to all beaches north of West Street being multiracial within a few years.

He also said that the council's best option regarding its bus services was probably to desegrate them, in spite of a National Transport Commission ruling.

Yesterday Councillors Louis de Beer, Henry Klotz, Gys Muller, Flip Badenhorst and Dick Burgess publicly aligned themselves for the first time as Nat councillors to denounce Mr Smith.

They accused him of anticipating the outcome of the survey, and propagating civil disobedience with regard to the bus services.

Shocked

'His actions are symptomatic of the arrogance and insensitivity of the Prog clique controlling the city and we totally-reject their attitude.

'We are shocked that Mr Smith, as vice-chairman of Manco, and as one who professes to believe in peaceful co-existence, should adopt such an irresponsible attitude in respect to such an important and sensitive matter.

Last night Mr Smith said: 'At last we have evidence of what we have believed to be the case for many years — that the councillors who are also members of the Nat Party are caucusing.

'I believe it goes further than that and that most NRP-elected councillors are also part of that lobby.

'I am convinced that both the National Party and New Republic Party are gearing themselves up to fight municipal elections on a party basis.

'In respect of the beaches, I am not pre-empting any survey but merely expressing my personal opinion.

Options

'As pressures for more beach facilities for races other than white are experienced, it would seem logical that the beaches sandwiched between Dairy Beach, shortly to become multiracial, and Battery Beach Two, which is already multiracial, will be the next to go

'With regard to the buses, I merely set out three options which council will no doubt consider: to do nothing, to go to court or to integrate unilaterally.

'I did not urge the council to adopt any one of them.'

Mr Smith said it would be a good thing if the now obviously Nat-aligned councillors would stop pre-empting council decisions.

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BUS SEGREGATION (283)

Durban fights

Durban's hopes of integrating some bus routes have been dashed But transport officials say they are not going to take the National Transport Commission's (NTC) refusal lying down They will fight through the courts if they have to

Town Clerk Gordon Haygarth tells the *FM* that the Durban Transport Management Board (DTMB) has written to the NTC asking for an explanation If the commission does not respond, the board will consider seeking a court injunction to force a reply Further legal action to overturn the decision is contemplated

The chairman of the board, Marshall Cuthbert, is optimistic about the chances of success He notes that East London applied three times to desegregate bus services before the NTC finally agreed Durban has already had three stabs at it, but the intention is to try again "We wouldn't have applied in the first place if we didn't think the cost effectiveness and rationalisations would be of benefit to the city," says Cuthbert

He says he is perplexed and mystified by the NTC ruling Johannesburg, Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, East London and Maritzburg all run mixed services of some type, yet Durban's application has been persistently turned down Some believe that the many objections and leverage from militant rightwing pressure groups weighed heavily against the DTMB The speculation is that with the referendum coming up, government is reluctant to do anything to upset the Right

According to Cuthbert, the board has a strong case for desegregation Durban runs two separate bus services — one for whites and one for blacks. While the black service operates at roughly break-even, the white service incurs substantial losses — mainly because it is under-patronised In 1978-79 the white service deficit was running at around R2,5m This year it is expected to be down to around R500 000 — but only because the level of service offered has been drastically trimmed.

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The drift in Durban

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Durban has set a cracking pace in desegregation — at a cost in tourism. But long-term benefits should outweigh this.

Few SA cities can claim to have done as much as Durban in opening up amenities to all races. In recent years the city has moved boldly to lift racial barriers, and its catalogue of achievements is impressive. Parks, libraries, toilets — even licensing queues — have all had their racial tags removed and are now fully integrated.

But the strong anti-racialism of the Durban City Council has not been without its cost. In fact, its well-intended gestures have often backfired. Plattelanders, for example, frequently perceive all Durban's beaches as multi-racial although, to date, only one small beach to the north of the city has been set aside for mixed use. These visitors have traditionally made a big contribution to Durban's revenues. Not surprisingly, the last July holiday season was the worst on record. And tourist authorities remain pessimistic over prospects for the summer. Of course, the recession must be playing a part.

There have been other, less tangible, drawbacks. Steps towards integration have led to voting in the council chamber along strict party political lines, with the ruling PFP element generally holding sway. Previously the Durban City Council had been apolitical. And the council's integrationist moves have provoked a strong rightwing backlash which has seen the emergence of a powerful Civic Action League with ties to the radical Right.

Its stated objective is to counter the council's leftward drift. For all that, the liberal councillors in the forefront of change remain undeterred. Durban, they claim, has a deep moral as well as social obligation to ensure that ratepayers of all races can enjoy the amenities it has to offer. They intend continuing on their chosen course.

Few would question their motives, especially in the light of SA's changing racial climate, and government's own commit-

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ment to reform. But it can be asked if, by polarising racial attitudes, they are laying the framework for a greater or lesser degree of racial confrontation.

Town clerk Gordon Haygarth thinks not. Expressly stated in government's published guidelines on constitutional development, he says, is the concept that there should be change across the broad spectrum of social, economic and political spheres. All Durban is doing, he argues, is ensuring that change occurs in an evolutionary and responsible manner. The fact that desegregation motions are hotly debated and generally passed with only a slender council majority, and that none of the changes has been marred by racial incidents, tends to reaffirm his views.

Chairman of the council's management committee (the body responsible for instigating most of the changes), councillor Neil MacLennan, adds further endorsement. He says the council is merely responding to a growing need to share the city's amenities with people of all races. None of the changes is in conflict with the law. Whether or not they are in conflict with government policy is moot. That policy, MacLennan notes, is not clearly defined. It is generally accepted that government favours the notion of separate but equal facilities; but where it is not possible to duplicate facilities (the Durban beachfront, say) amenities should be shared.

Diehard Nationalists might disagree But MacLennan says the climate seems to be changing more and more in favour of mixed facilities. He cites the tendency towards open sporting links as a case in point.

Not everyone, however, has such a balanced view of government policy. Brendan Wilmer, for one, the controversial chairman of the Civic Action League, maintains that Durban's actions are an open contradiction of official policy. Wilmer is particularly hot under the collar about a recent council decision to open one of the city's



Desegregation ... not all the signs have gone

main surfing beaches, Diary beach, the childrens' paddling pool, and the Rachel Finlayson swimming bath (all in the same area) to all races.

The decision was taken only after objections had been called for, a public meeting had been held, and a marathon five-hour council debate on the matter. The administrator has now been asked to approve the by-law change. But given that the NRP-controlled provincial council tends to favour a "local option" policy, he is expected to view Durban's request sympathetically

There has been little provincial, or for that matter government, opposition to previous desegregation moves So far all changes have been approved virtually without comment.

Durban's only setback has been a refusal by the National Transport Commission to accede to a request to open up certain bus routes to all races. And that, some believe, was only because Wilmer effectively mobilised conservative opposition groups against it. Councillors who favour opening up a portion of the central beachfront to all races point out that some amenities like the amusement park, aquarium and restaurants are already multiracial They claim all they would be doing is legitimising a *de facto* situation.

But Wilmer believes differently. He says that tensions being what they are, overcrowding at high season could well provoke racial incidents.

Of course the final decision rests with province. But if Wilmer's ugly scenario is correct, non-racialism in Durban would receive a serious setback. There could be an economic cost involved as well.

Blacks (Africans, coloureds and Asians) constitute around 5% of SA's total annual tourist market. Projections are that this figure could well grow to around 50% by the turn of the century. If Durban is as concerned about its tourist potential as some say it is, then desegregated beaches should certainly be high on the agenda. In fact, some councillors freely admit that future tourist trends were certainly a "consideration" in the moves towards integration.

Director of Durban's publicity association, Terry Toohey, who has the job of selling Durban's new image, contends that the changes which have taken place are not extraordinary. He envisages similar changes taking place at a much sharper rate in future and not only in Durban but the whole of SA. The catalyst, he says, will be government's constitutional reforms.

Toohey is optimistic. He sees the bold initiatives taken by the council as further strengthening the "cosmopolitan melting pot" of Durban, and possibly pointing the way towards a new future for SA. If that proves so, then the Durban City Council would truly be progressive — and not merely in the party political sense of the word.

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ew protest on mixed beaches

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ALL Durban's beaches are multiracial and have been for many years. It is only swimming that is not racially mixed and the city has never made a secret of this, according to Mr Donald Smith, acting chairman of the Management Committee.

A Civic Action League claim that the council was introducing integration by stealth was an attempt to discredit a forward-looking council at a critical time in the history of the country, when the leaders of all sections were trying to find one another.

Municipal Reporter

The league has issued pamphlets advertising a protest meeting, to be held in the Jubilee Room tomorrow. Its director, Mr Brendan Willmer, has claimed that beach inspectors were only acting in response to complaints instead of automatically enforcing segregation, and that the council was interpreting the existing bylaws to suit its own purposes.

Yesterday Mr Smith said the council was fully aware that full integration of the beaches and paddling pools could not occur without Administrator-in- Executive approval.

'But the existing beach bylaws allow any one of any race to be on any beach without fear of prosecution, unless it is obvious they are there to swim.

'The city's officials by and large know that they have to comply with the letter of the law and beach inspectors have specifically been instructed to do so,' Mr Smith said.

'One must see the league's activities in perspective. The aim, by whatever means it can dredge up, is to discredit the council and drive ever deeper the diversive wedge between our peoples. Their activities are detrimental to the future of our country

'Extremists such as these often resort to the meanest tactics to attain their ends and this is yet another example. One must not underestimate them. Similar tactics succeeded when Hitler coerced a nation to war against the world.'

The Deputy Director of Parks, Mr Martin Edwards said: 'We are applying the beach bylaws as they were legally interpreted a number of years ago If an Indian couple strolls fully-clothed across a white beach we leave them to enjoy themselves. If they arrive in bathing costumes we enforce the bylaw.'

The Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz, said the Civic Action League pamphlets were 'full of inaccuracies and highly imaginative'.

But councillors in the beachfront wards were concerned and wanted the bylaws changed.

Mr Clarence Cheek said 'Section 39 of the bylaw does not clearly prohibit the promenade on sand to a specific race group and I fully appreciate Mr Willmer's concern. Until now we've never really had a problem but with the latest move to open Dairy Beach and all the publicity things have changed.

'This could prove the fears which I had at the very beginning when I strenuously opposed such integration. One of my main fears was an overflow of non-whites on to the beach sands. I don't think this would be good for racial relations And I'm sure all beachfront property owners have this same fear

'If we are to avoid any racial conflict and to keep white beaches white then we must amend the bylaws to bring into effect the exclusive use of the various beaches for particular race groups

'Of course the way the council is presently constituted any amendment to Section 39 would be an impossibility.'

Mr Henry Klotz agreed He thought there'd be more, not less control, once Battery Beach Two became multiracial and felt there was still a chance that Natal's Executive Committee would make the council hold a referendum on the question of opening the Rachel Finlayson Baths, paddling pool and Dairy Beach to all races.

Mr Frank Martin, MEC in charge of local government, said Exco had not yet considered the city's application to open the pools and Dairy Beach. The next Exco meeting was on September 27 and it possibly would be considered then.

Durban is black holiday mecca

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Mercury Reporter

DURBAN is becoming increasingly the holiday mecca for black shoolchildren, with busloads rolling into the city during the current holidays at the rate of 20 or more a day.

Most head straight for the beachfront where as many as 35 buses have been counted on occasion this week

According to officials of the Department of Parks, Beaches and Gardens, some of the children go into the sea but most remain on the beaches

Lovely

In terms of the city's by-laws it is legal for members of any races to use the beaches but only members of the specific race group for which the beach is zoned may enter the water to swim

'This is the first time many of us have been to Durban and we all think it is a lovely place,' said a Kroonstad headmistress, Miss Elizabeth Moleke, who visited the beachfront yesterday with her pupils from Likubu School

Mr Don Smith, vice chairman of Manco, said he had noticed that more black tourists had been coming to Durban over the past few years and that it was 'perfectly expected'

But Bluff councillor Mr Louis de Beer said that it was the fruit of the council's PFP clique's decision to advertise the beachfront to all races'

A group of black schoolchildren from Natal were asked yesterday by the police to leave a Port Elizabeth beach because is was reserved for whites only

THE FIGHT TO CONTAIN CORROSION AT HOUT BAY

DC urged to take control of Disa River

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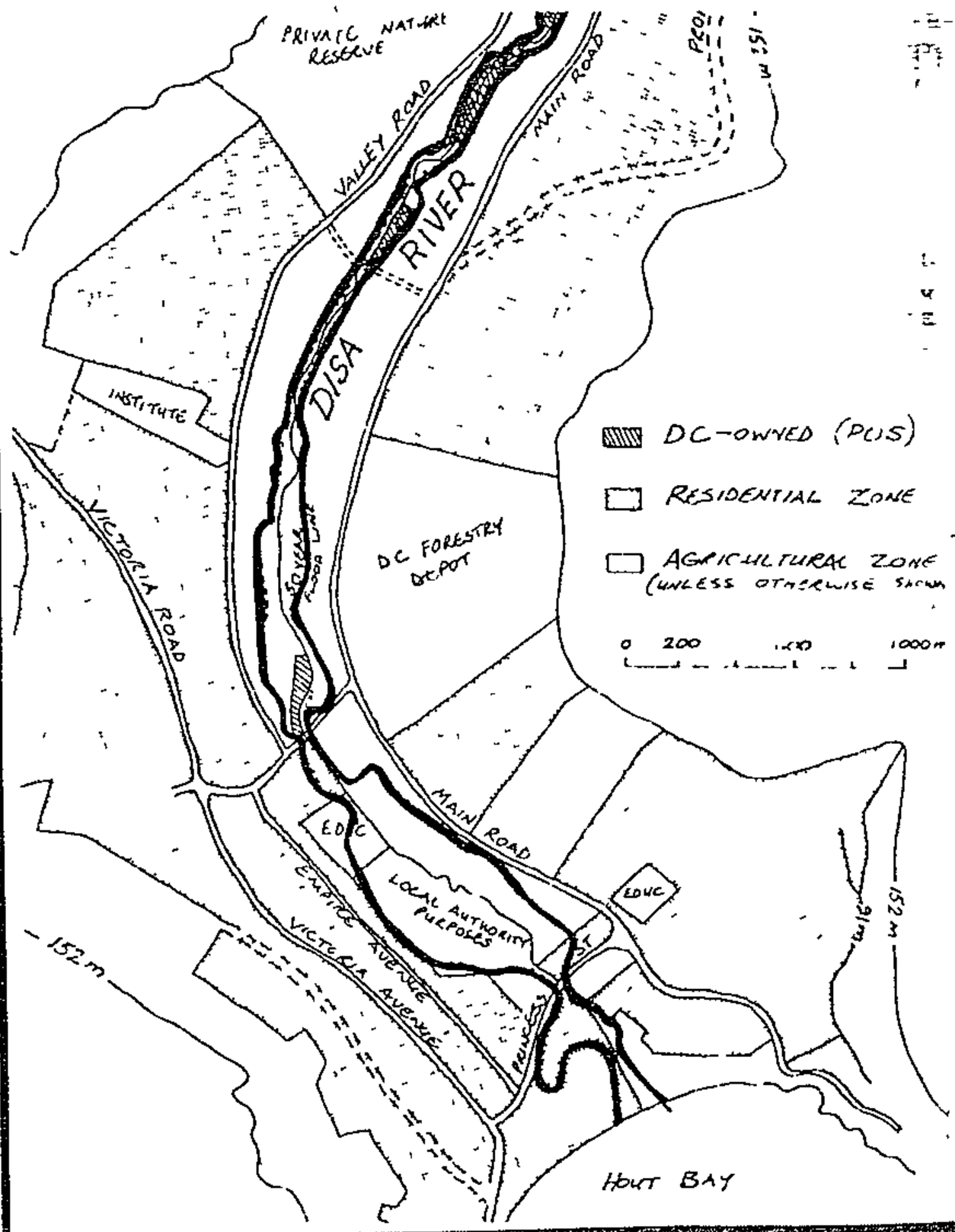

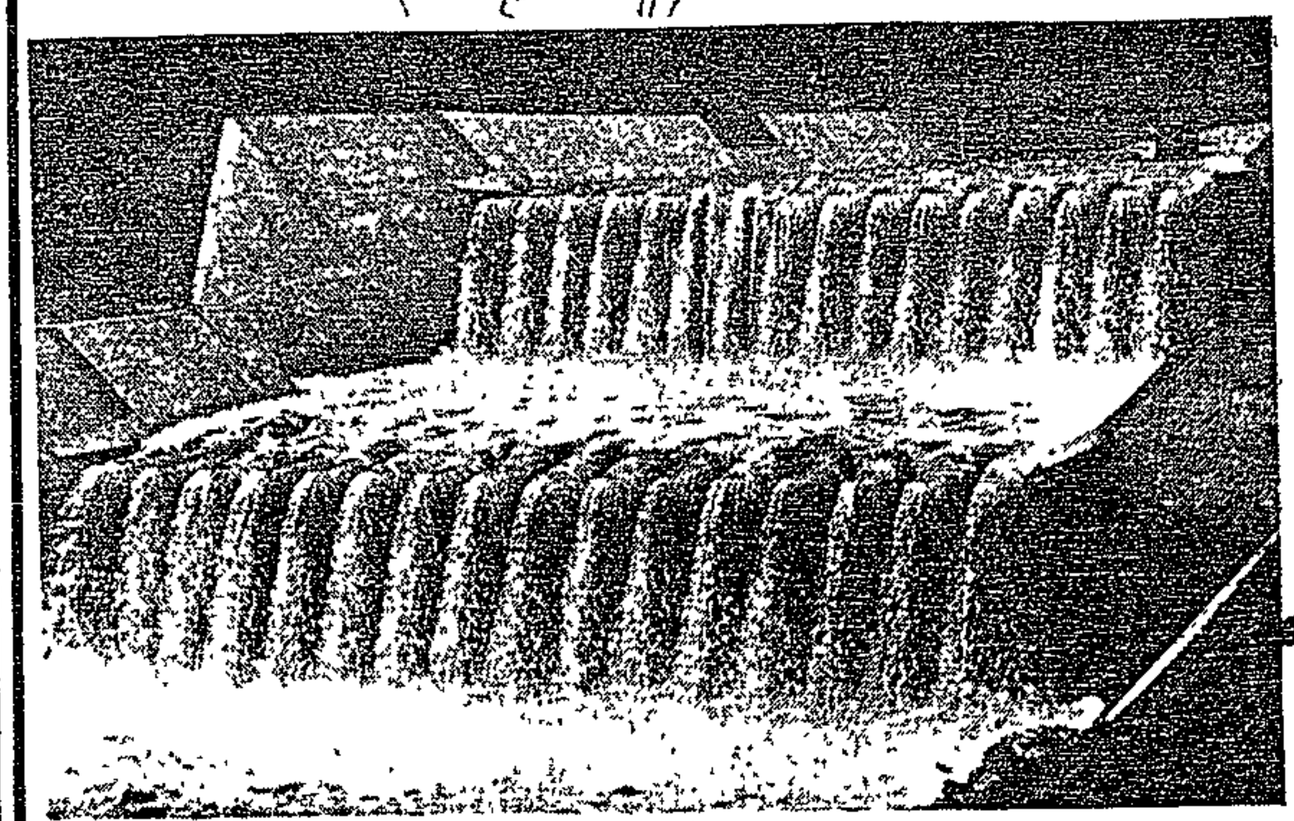

Early attempts to contain the unpredictable river.

Weekend Argus Reporter

THE Divisional Council of the Cape has been urged to take over control of the Disa River to halt erosion and prevent floods such as those which ripped through the Hout Bay area this winter.

This recommendation is included in a detailed report prepared for the newly formed Disa River Advisory Committee by Mrs Shirley Grindley, a master's student in environmental studies at the University of Cape Town and wife of Professor John Grindley, professor of environmental studies.

The advisory committee which commissioned the report will consider it soon and frame a strategy.

Among the numerous recommendations in the report, gleaned from studies made of the river by various bodies in recent years, it is suggested that the divisional council should expropriate the river and various areas adjacent to it.

Legally forced to meet

Legal means which allow private ownership but allow council access for maintenance should also be looked at, the report says.

Riparian owners who refuse to cede a servitude to the council should be legally forced to meet certain maintenance requirements themselves, the report recommends.

Environmentalists suggest a section of the river should be selected as a pilot project for river reclamation, with professionals supervising the clearing and replanting of the banks.

Detailed recommendations on controlling stormwater run-off into the river include leading stormwater from new developments into drains which would run parallel to the river and discharge directly into the sea instead of adding to the load of the river

A buffer for floodwater

The report also recommends a dam be constructed on the lower part of Orange Kloof to act as a buffer for floodwater

Other recommendations are aimed at promoting indiginous vegetation and eradicating alien plants with shallow roots which do not stabilise the river banks

There are further recommendations on pollution control, flood control, stabilising the banks and a policy on bridges and other structures near the river.

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Beach zone decision delayed

Pietermaritzburg Bureau

THE rezoning of part of Durban's beachfront for multiracial use is unlikely to be discussed by Natal's executive committee before December, according to the acting MEC in charge of local government, Mr Ray Haslam.

Although the Durban City Council decided in August that the beach between the West Street pier and the first groyne, as well as the Rachel Finlayson baths and paddling pools, should be multiracial, Exco's approval is required before the council's amendment to their bylaws can be enforced.

The council particularly wanted the bylaw changed in time for the peak holiday season, in the hope of avoiding friction in an area which is already multiracial.

Denied

Mr Haslam said yesterday that the documents from the council had only recently reached his desk after being processed by the Province's legal advisors and other departments.

The papers and maps amounted to a pile 32 mm deep and the members of Exco had simply not had time to read them, particularly as they had been obliged to devote a lot of time to the referendum last Wednesday.

Asked when the matter was likely to be discussed, Mr Haslam said the absence of Mr Frank Martin, who is normally responsible for local government but is overseas at present, meant it was unlikely to come up until after the next Provincial Council session, which starts on November 21.

He categorically denied, however, that a decision on the controversial issue was being willfully delayed for any reason.

Last night Management Committtee chairman Mr Neil MacLennan said: 'It will be very disappointing to the city council if we don't get an answer in time for the Christmas season. We know from experience that that season will produce the sort of overcrowded conditions which could, in the absence of definite information, lead to difficulties. I would hope that the Province makes every effort to give us an answer really early in December.'

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Barberton-trial prisoners 'harassed'

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — A lawyer acting for the assaulted Barberton prisoners rushed through letters of demand on Friday for nearly R1 million against the Minister of Justice and Prisons, Mr Kobie Coetsee, and prison warders.

Mr Frank Berman, Johannesburg attorney acting for 28 prisoners who were assaulted by warders at Barberton Prison in December last year, said yesterday he had received reports from prisoners claiming they were being severely harassed for their part in the trial.

The prisoners' claims ranged from R3 000 to R22 500 — the highest claim coming from J Shunge, who alleged he became deaf in one ear after the assault.

The minister and the warders were called on to make the payments by December 19.

Six of the Barberton prison warders were found guilty in October of assault on more than 40 prisoners, three of whom died.

The prisoners were now suing for injuries, pain and suffering, temporary disablement and the costs of future medical treatment.

The letter of demand also blamed the Prisons Department for several "aggravating factors" which had increased their suffering — including failure to co-operate in investigating the convicts' injuries or to provide adequate medical treatment to badly assaulted prisoners in all except one case.

And a principal witness in the trial against the warders, prisoner Mr Barry Bloem, had slashed his wrists in March last year following assaults and threats to his life, Mr Berman claimed.

Mr Berman said yesterday that a letter smuggled out of prison claimed witnesses at the warders' trial were being severely harassed.

Only one of the assaulted prisoners had been given medical attention since the immediate treatment for injuries sustained during the assault, although several believed they had internal injuries and had asked for X-rays, he said.

They had been dispersed to prisons across the country and Mr Berman had to collect statements from Waterval Prison, Utrecht, Witbank, Baviaanspoort and Zonderwater, both near Cullinan, and Modder Bee near Benoni.

Last-ditch move to halt open beaches

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A DEPUTATION headed by Durban City Councillor Haydn Bradfield is to see provincial authorities in Pietermaritzburg tomorrow to try to delay Durban's move to open more multi-racial facilites on the beachfront because of the effect on the city's tourist trade.

Political Reporter

A provincial spokesman confirmed last night that a deputation had asked for an interview at which problems faced by the city's tourist trade and beachfront residents could be aired.

The deputation fears that Durban will face a bleak Christmas holiday season because many up-country holidaymakers are under the impression that all the city's beaches are multiracial.

Mr Peter Miller, MPC for the South Coast, said yesterday that the South Coast resorts which had had a bumper July season were looking forward to a record Christmas.

'Durban's problem is that most Transvalers have come to believe that all the Durban beaches are multiracial,' he said.

Several Durban hotel managers have expressed concern at the many Transvalers who have cancelled or taken their reservations elsewhere in the province where they know the beaches are not open to all races.

Mr Ken Jacobson, owner and manager of the Pavilion Hotel, said there was no doubt that holidaymakers were giving Durban 'the bye' this season.

Details

'Hoteliers have lost a lot of business through the multiracial beaches issue because details have not been made clear enough,' he said

'The fact is that there are still beaches exclusively for the use of whites, coloureds, Indians and blacks, and if people don't want to mix then they still have their own beaches.'

Further confirmation of Durban's loss of popularity came from Mrs Lorraine Kleynhans of Ballito Holiday Accommodation Estates, who said most of their customers used to holiday at Durban but were now moving to other areas.

'They are mainly from the Transvaal and have left Durban because the beaches here are not multiracial,' she said.

Mr Miller said that another factor was that visitors knew they could have a decent bath on the South Coast, where there were no water restrictions.

'This is hardly Durban's fault, but can make the world of difference to a holiday.'

Durban City Councillor Henry Klotz said a man 'on the beachfront' had sent duplicated copies of Natal Mercury articles on the multiracial beaches issue to friends and farmers' co-operatives in the Transvaal and Free State.

These pamphlets were to dissuade holidaymakers from visiting Durban.

Mr Alan Gooderson, director of the Hotel and Bottle Store Association, said there was no reason for people to adopt negative attitudes about the multiracial beaches.

Mr John Tack, director of the Margate Publicity Association, said he believed the migration of holidaymakers south was because the beaches were better and there were more facilities to attract them.

Mr Frank Vincent, administration director of the Durban Publicity Association, said Durban was just as popular as it had been before.

Although Durban City Council had hoped for approval to open the paddling pool, Rachel Finlayson baths and Dairy Beach to all in time for the Christmas season, Natal's Executive Committee is unlikely to consider the matter for two weeks.

Mr Frank Martin, senior MEC, said the file was exceptionally thick and would have to be carefully considered.

Hotz slams critics of 'secret plans'

283 Mercury 29/11/83

Municipal Reporter

SOUTH Africa needed leadership badly but when people took the initative there was a public outcry, according to Durban's mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz.

Slamming councillors who claimed that her 'think tank' steering committee has operated in secrecy, Mrs Hotz said the 2 001 Conference last year had been well publicised and widely reported.

More than 350 decision-makers had attended, including representatives of the Prime Minster's Department and other Government departments.

One of the problems with conferences was that nothing was done afterwards.

This was why she had set up a steering committee, at the conference, of outstanding men and women to look towards the next century and consider the future needs of the city.

Welcome

The committee had no executive powers and was merely due to report back to the second annual conference in March.

This had also been well publicised and every councillor had been notified of the nine meetings held so far.

Councillors who were interested would have been welcome to attend the meetings but not one had done so.

She had only attended one meeting because she felt the committee should be left to get on with the job. They were extremely busy men and women of high calibre

There had been a public outcry because inter-departmental notes had been leaked to the Press revealing that the committee had considered the feasibility of a multi-racial Free Port area south of Addington.

What had not been highlighted was the committee's recognition that the 'international' concept ran contrary to Government policy.

Bluffing

Critics had also lost sight of the fact that they were looking at least 17 years ahead, when South Africa would certainly not be the same. Those who thought it would be, were bluffing themselves

Mrs Hotz said: 'The trouble is that people don't want to look ahead. History is scattered with the graveyards of civilisations which died because of their inability to change with time.

'I would like to see the city well-prepared to cope with the transportation, job opportunity, housing and tourism needs when we move into the next century,' she said.

Mrs Hotz said it was terribly sad that the hard work of men and women prepared to give valuable time to the future planning of the city should have been deliberately distorted and exaggerated.

'It is soul destroying. It gives one an insight into what the Prime Minister put up with in trying to introduce reform', she said.

MEC says there's no contradiction

283 Mercury 1/12/83

Political Reporter

MR FRANK Martin, Natal's senior MEC, has taken strong exception to claims that Exco failed to apply the New Republic Party's policy of local option by refusing Durban's application to open the paddling pool, Rachel Finlayson Baths and Dairy Beach to all races.

He said 'Anyone who says that doesn't understand how our policy works. Local option operates from the lowest level of government, in this case the city council.

'When there is a clear-cut decision within the council we accept it, but when the decision is not clear cut and if it will change the character of a neighbourhood then it should be put to the people in the form of a referendum or election.'

When several conservative councillors called for a referendum among white municipal voters earlier this year, the Town Clerk, Mr Gordon Haygarth, said he believed the referendum would have to include Indian and coloured residents on the local affairs voters roll.

But last night Mr Martin said this was not so The bylaw restricting the use of the beachfront facilities to white usage had been passed by white councillors, elected by whites. The Indians and coloureds had had nothing to do with it

Mr Martin said the decision on beachfront facilities had been carried unanimously. The Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, Mr Dering Stainbank, Dr Fred Clarke and he had all agreed. Mr Ray Haslam did not attend the meeting as he was at a conference.

Our municipal reporter writes that the South African Police have worked out a strategy to handle any racial problems which might arise on Durban's beachfront this season.

But, said Divisional Inspector Brig G Schmidt 'We are not prepared to disclose it.'

He did, however, reveal that the SAP would not meet the City Police or city councillors to discuss any problems that might arise.

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The whites of Palm Beach have just one thing to say to casino visitors seeking a bed . . .



Mr Arlow, left, and Mr Sakkie Coetzee of the Palm Beach Ratepayers Association discuss the site for the proposed resort :Picture: JIMMY HUTTON

By SHAUN HARRIS

A CALL has been made for a small Natal South Coast settlement to be made multiracial as a "starting point for reform in South Africa."

But the white residents of Palm Beach, a coastal area near Port Edward, on the Natal South Coast, are up in arms and adamant that they will not live cheek by jowl with Indian and coloured people.

Their attitude has been slammed by Dr Farouk Meer and Mr M J Naidoo of the Natal Indian Congress, as racist and "typical of white mentality".

Campsites

The row between the Palm Beach Ratepayers Association and the Province began when plans were announced for a holiday resort to be built there earlier this year

The resort, which will be built when "funds are available", includes open-air campsites, a car park, ablution blocks and change rooms

It will fall under the control of the Natal Parks Board

According to white residents of Palm Beach, if the proposed resort for Indians and coloureds is built in their area then "Palm Beach should be re zoned for Indian settlement".

We don't want blacks here

The Palm Beach Ratepayers' Association, headed by Mr Koos Arlow, who moved to the coast from the Transvaal three years ago, is involved in a bitter battle with the Natal Provincial Administration to block plans for the proposed resort

Plans

"If the Government goes through with its plans we will fight them in the Supreme Court.

"If that fails, then Palm Beach should be re-proclaimed an Indian area so whites living here can get their money back for their houses and move to another area."

Several Palm Beach residents' interviewed by the Sunday Times agreed with Mr Arlow, saying if the 17 hectare holiday resort was built they feared they would be "swamped" by other races and "forced out" of their homes.

They also claimed that if the resort was built and the area was not reproclaimed Indian, they would lose they money they had invested in their houses.

Involved

"But," said Dr Meer, "I don't think Indian people will stoop so low as to become involved in this petty issue. This type of racism is unfortunate, but not surprising — whites must be reeducated to accept all races,"

Mr Naidoo said the arguments put forward by Palm Beach residents against the holiday resort for Indians and coloureds were " as old as Natal itself "

"And anyway, we don't want little pockets of mixed areas along the coast. We want a free society where people and can live where they want to," he said

But Mr Krish Raidoo of the Northern Durban Local Affairs Committee said the proposed holiday resort was sorely needed to cater for Indain and coloured people and should be used as a first step towards reform

"Palm Beach should be made a multiracial area where all races can live side by side

"There is a move for change from the Government downwards — an area like this could be the first step in the reform process"

"We would welcome whites with open arms into our areas, as holidaymakers or as permanent residents

Problem

"They should do the same, and Palm Beach would be a good starting point," he said

Mr Arlow dismissed the idea that the resort should be part of a reform process, saying the Administrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha, told him at a meeting that the resort was being built to cater for Indian and coloured people visiting the Wild Coast Casino

"The province has a problem with people who visit the casino sleeping on the roads, beaches and farmlands around here

"The resort is being built merely to cater for people who cannot afford to stay at the casino hotel," he said

Mr Botha was not available for comment, but according to the province's Director of Local Government, Mr R A Pistorius, the motivation for the holiday resort was to "even out the standard of facilities available to other race groups"

"Whites have the lion's share of holiday facilites and there is a need for holiday resorts for other races."