VIOLENCE

1985

AWB member on perjury charges

by
Karen Bowes,
West Rand Bureau

The brother of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) leader, Mr Eugene Terre' Blanche, appeared briefly before a Klerksdorp Regional Magistrate yesterday on several charges of perjury and the unlawful possession of firearms.

Mr Andries Terre' Blanche (45) of Ventersdorp was not asked to plead and was released on R500 bail.

HOSTILE

In 1983 Mr Terre' Blanche was declared a hostile witness in the Pretoria Supreme Court when his brother and three other members of the AWB faced charges of terrorism or the unlawful possession of arms and ammunition.

All three were found guilty on charges of unlawful possession of firearms and received suspended sentences.

During this trial the judge found Mr Andries Terre' Blanche's evidence to have been "watered down".

The hearing continues.

Youth shot, left in agony on roa

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Riaan Abrahams, 16, and his mother Mrs Lena Abrahams. After being shot, Riaan has had two major operations and will need a third.

A FARM YOUTH spent an agonising night at the roadside after he had been shot — allegedly for housebreaking — and left helpless.

By SYLVIA VOLLENHOVEN

A badly-hurt Riaan Abrahams, 16, could not walk, and lay bleeding on the ground until the next morning, when passers-by spotted him.

The incident happened after he and another teenager had been visiting a friend on a farm near their home in De Doorns, near Worcester.

Riaan has since had two major operations to repair gunshot damage.

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He was discharged from hospital this week, but a spokesman for the Eben Donges Hospital, in Worcester, said he would have to have a third operation.

The bullet entered through the top of his left thigh, passed through his stomach, and out of his body through his right side, causing internal damage.

A spokesman for the Boland police said a charge of attempted murder was being investigated.

There was also a police probe into a charge of "housebreaking with the intention of assault" against Riaan.

Both investigations concern the same incident in Orchard, a farming valley outside De Doorns.

There have been no arrests yet.

Riaan said he and a friend, Piet Baardman, 19, were visiting Piet's girlfriend, Sarie Lotter-ing, on a nearby farm.

"I decided to leave early and left Piet there with Sarie. Her parents weren't home.

He had not been far from Sarie's house when the shot rang out.

"I lay all night, moaning with pain.

"Some people coming past picked me up.

"By that time, I'd lost a lot of blood," said Riaan, who lives with his parents on another farm.

He later underwent two major operations — he has been left with a long scar running from his chest to his groin — at Tygerberg hospital, near Cape Town.

Education office's windows smashed

EAST LONDON — Vandals smashed windows at the offices of the South African Committee for Higher Education (Sached) here.

Mr Gavin Hartford, coordinator of Sached in East London, said he had found the windows smashed when he arrived at the office at 7.45 am yesterday. "Inside, I found a rock and broken glass.

"There was also glass on the pavement outside, indicating some of the windows must have been broken from the inside," he said.

Frosted glass from the main shop window was lying inside, and clear glass from two other windows was lying outside. "The stunning thing was that nothing was taken. There seemed to be no purpose for the break-in."

Mr Hartford said it was the second time vandals had struck at the offices of Sached, which offers tuition to private matric and university students, and runs an advice office.

Windows had been broken in the first week of December. He said he now planned to put in plastic, unbreakable windows.

Asked why he thought vandals had targeted the group's office, Mr Hartford said: "It can only be because we provide legal aid to poor people who otherwise don't have access to legal representation.

"This seems to annoy certain quarters." Such incidents were "an irritation which is costly and annoying."

"Sached is an open, public organisation and anybody who has problems with us is welcome to come and discuss them with us."

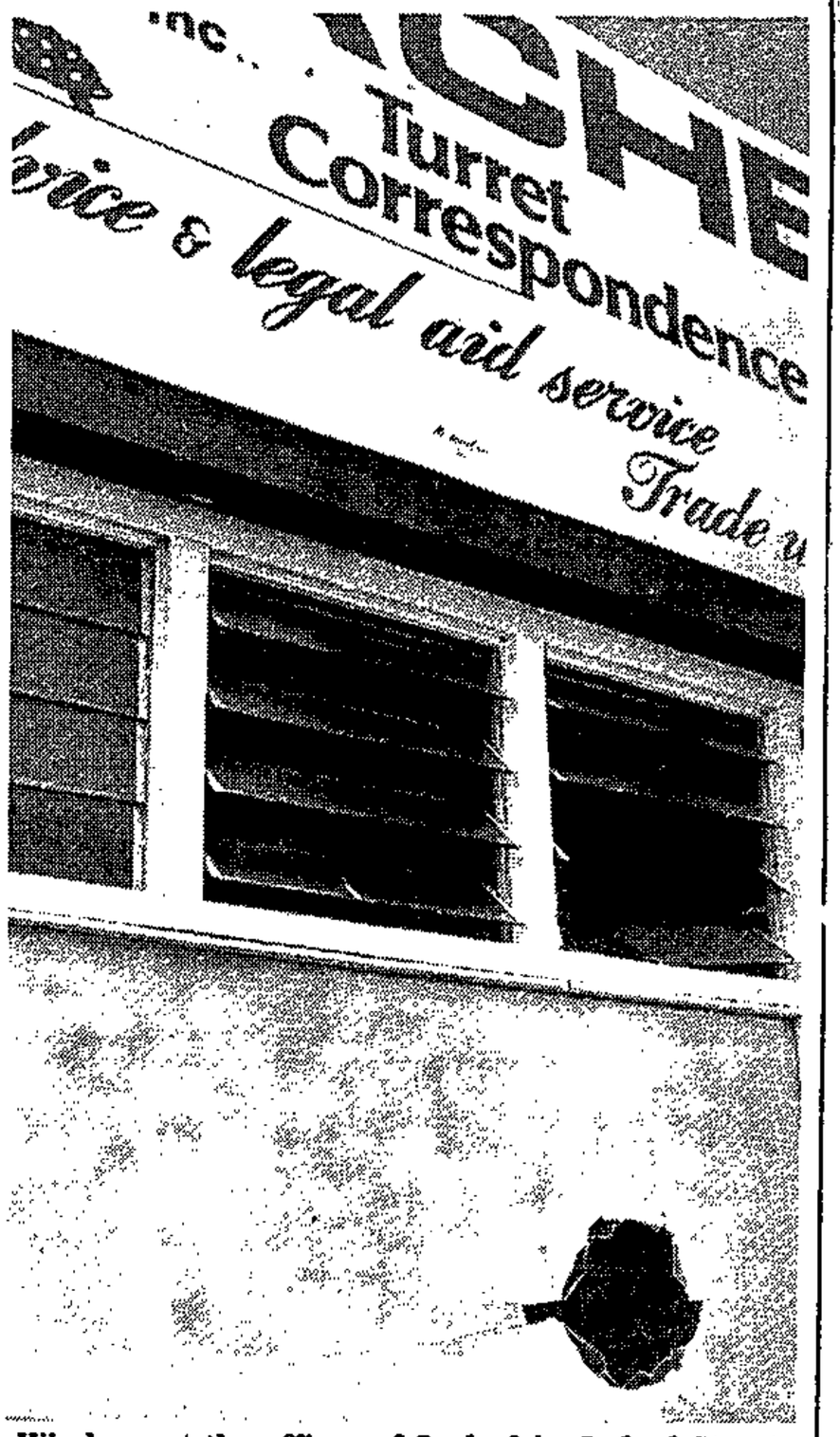
The advice office was previously accommodated in the offices of the South African Institute of Race Relations, before it moved into the Sached office.

Mr Joe Mati, who runs the advice office, said there had been other incidents of vandalism then. Shots had been fired at the SAIRR shop, and teargas had been placed inside on another occasion.

He said, however, he did not believe these earlier incidents had anything to do with the advice office.

Mr Hartford said he had reported yesterday's incident to the police. Lieutenant Dot van der Vyver, police public relations officer for the Border, confirmed police were investigating a case of malicious damage to property.

No arrests had been made yet, she said. — DDR



Windows at the offices of Sached in Oxford Street which were broken by vandals.

Despair as bus hikes hit home

3/2/85 C Pres

IT IS a black Friday today — millions of commuters, already hit hard by rising prices, face a country-wide hike in busfares (344)

CP Reporters

Putco, claiming the increased petrol price will cost them an extra R20-million a year, increased the fare on most of its bus routes countrywide today.

Port Elizabeth fares have shot up by as much as 10 percent — drawing strong protests from the Port Elizabeth Women's Organisation.

At least 30 Pewo members staged a peaceful placard protest in front of the city's tramways depot in New Brighton, watched by police and security police.

On Wednesday, members of UDF affiliates met at the Holy Spirit Church Hall in Kwazakhele to consider ways to counter the bus hikes.

The SA Transport Services will decide on increased train fares soon. They have announced that they will lose R600-million a year if they do not increase fares.

Cape Town Tramways have increased busfares by 7 percent on all routes.

The Transvaal Women's Federation and Black Housewives' League this week slammed the recent price hikes on commodities, saying the increases were a Government strategy to "force blacks to the dry homelands".

Where are the cops?

(344) C. Pers 3/2/85

AT LEAST 100 acts of vandalism, burglaries or acts of intimidation were committed against anti-apartheid campaigners in South Africa last year — but police still haven't got their first conviction.

Many victims believe that right-wing persecutors are using criminals to harass them.

By DESMOND BLOW

The attacks have been frequent in Yeoville and Bellevue in Johannesburg, where many anti-apartheid campaigners live in communes.

But the police claim it is "mere coincidence" that criminals and vandals have picked on anti-apartheid campaigners in the area.

They would only be convinced that the harassment had a political motive if there were several incidents on the same night — within a short space of time — or if the attacks were similar, said a police officer.

Two "persecutors" were caught by their victims and arrested recently. Both had criminal records.

One got a suspended sentence for stealing the ID document and cheque book of a new arrival in a Yeoville commune. But even police had thought that he would get 9-15 years in jail because of his record.

The second, a convicted rapist who had twice been caught peeping through the windows of a commune at young women, was released when the women failed to identify him at an identity parade.

He had been caught by a baseball-wielding young man and had pleaded: "Don't hit me. Jan pays us and he tells us where you live."

When he was released, I interviewed him about the mysterious "Jan". But he flatly denied that he had ever mentioned the name or knew such a person — as he had also told police.

Last December the Yeoville house of young anti-apartheid campaigners was ransacked twice.

A pillow-case that had been stolen was returned in January — stained with blood. It was found on the dining-room table.

Some victims suspect that there may be right-wing extremists in the police, as in all walks of life.

It would be easy for such policemen to force criminals to harass "left-wingers" — and the criminals would not talk if they were caught, the victims speculate.

Blast exiles to flee Botswana

Argus Foreign Service

GABORONE — Two South African exiles who narrowly escaped death in a bomb blast this week are to leave Botswana, the office of the Botswana President has disclosed here.

The bomb wrecked the exiles' home in a suburb of Gaborone early on Wednesday morning, but the two men escaped with minor injuries. Six other homes were damaged by the force of the blast.

The office of President Quett Masire said in a statement that Mr Nat Serache, a journalist, and Mr Gabriel Pule were seeking political asylum in another country. The country was not named, but is believed to be Zambia.

The President's office said the men had decided to leave Botswana quickly because to remain there would pose a "serious threat to their lives".

The statement said that Mr Pule had arrived in Gaborone from South Africa only the day before the bomb blast. He came to seek political asylum.

Mr Serache was formerly a journalist employed by the Rand Daily Mail before leaving South Africa at the time of the Soweto riots in 1976.

In its statement the office of the President expressed the "great concern of the Botswana Government at the attempt on the lives of two refugees and strongly condemns those responsible for this callous and treacherous act".

Meanwhile, police spent this week sifting through the wreckage of the house looking for fragments of the bomb. Police sources said a detonation cable had been found.

Immediately after the blast, in the small hours of Wednesday morning, police and army units sealed off main roads leading from the city but, so far, no arrests have been made.

The Botswana Government has not indicated where it thinks the men who planted the bomb came from but, privately, Government officials believe that the men came from over the border with either South Africa or Bophuthatswana.

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SUSPICIOUS-looking men wearing balaclava caps were seen walking near exiled South African journalist Nat Serache's house in Botswana before it was hit by a massive bomb explosion this week.

This has become very common in Botswana — during the past five years, many bombings on South African exiles' homes have been linked to balaclava-clad men.

Neighbours at first mistook the men for thieves who wanted to break into Mr Serache's house, and called the police.

But the cops took more than an hour to get to the scene, and when they arrived it was too late — the bomb had struck.

Mr Serache and another exile had been taken to hospital to be treated for multiple leg injuries.

Mr Serache is said to have survived by a miracle because he was sleeping in the house when the bomb struck.

The blast was so great that it rocked houses situated about five kilometres away.

The presidents's office in Gaborone said they had not ruled out the possibility that South Africa was involved.

Police are still investigating.

Mayors on money ban

THE mayors of all big South African cities will gather in Cape Town next week to talk about disinvestment and how it will affect cities.

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Homes of former Pewo head and minister stoned

By JIMMY MATYU

THE homes of a minister and a former president of the Port Elizabeth Women's Organisation (Pewo) were stoned early today.

These were the homes of the president of the Inter-denominational African Ministers Association of South Africa (Idamasa), the Rev D Soga, in New Brighton, and the Zwide home of Mrs Buyiswa Siwisa.

Mr Soga, who is the priest-in-charge of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Mhlaba Street, said window panes were smashed at about 2.30am.

Mrs Siwisa said the attack on her Mndani Street home took place at about 2.20am.

"I heard footsteps in the yard and saw a flicker of torchlight. I was expecting a knock," she said.

Two window panes were smashed and another shattered after its window frame was slightly damaged, apparently by a blunt object.

Then she heard a car starting and speeding off.

Mrs Siwisa said on two previous occasions, men wearing Balaclava caps and driving a minibus had thrown stones on her roof and knocked hard on her windows and doors before they left.

Both incidents have been reported to the police. Nobody was injured in the incidents.

Man dies after beating-up

(344) Star 20/2/85

By Chris Steyn

Death came today to Mr Absalom Twale a few hours after he was beaten up by four men, taken to a police station in a car boot and charged with assault. He was 45.

Mr Twale lay unconscious in Newlands charge office for an hour before an ambulance was called.

A witness from Triomf said: "Yesterday I saw a man being chased down the road by another man.

"Suddenly, three more men in cars joined the chase.

"They cornered the man and beat him until he was unconscious. He kept asking: 'What have I done?'

"Three of the men then threw him in the boot of a car and drove off."

A police spokesman said the man was dropped at the station at 1 pm.

An ambulance was called at 2.04 pm and the man arrived at Hillbrow Hospital at 2.31 pm.

No arrests have been made. Police said a murder docket had been opened.

Gas blast kills

LONDON — Innocent men are at risk

Stoning of homes slammed

PORT ELIZABETH — Several black organisations have strongly criticised the stoning yesterday of the homes of a prominent New Brighton minister and a member of the Port Elizabeth Women's Organisation (Pewo).

The organisations were responding to two separate incidents involving the Mhlaba Street home of the Rev D. Soga, president of the Port Elizabeth branch of the Interdenominational African Ministers' Association, and the Zwide home of Mrs Buyiswa Siwisa, the former president of Pewo.

Mr Soga's home was allegedly stoned at 2.30 am and Mrs Siwisa's home was attacked at about 2 am yesterday.

— DDC.

Death threat to Azapo leader after stoning

The Rev Joe Seoka, whose Soweto home was stoned early yesterday morning, was today threatened with death. It was the fourth such threat he had received in two months.

Mr Seoka, the deputy president of the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo), said the caller identified himself as "Oupa" and told him should resign from Azapo.

"The caller said he had been told by 'the people's movement' to instruct me to resign before noon. If I did not, something would happen to me.

"Before my house was stoned yesterday the same man called to convey his greetings."

Hand-grenades thrown during weekend violence

Crime Reporter

There were outbreaks of violence in three separate areas at the weekend including hand-grenade attacks in Huhudi, a black township near Vryburg in the north-eastern Cape.

Three simultaneous hand-grenade attacks on the houses of prominent people in Huhudi left a woman badly injured and two houses extensively damaged.

The attacks occurred early on Saturday at the homes of community council members and a member of the South African Police.

A spokesman for police headquarters in Pretoria said two grenades were thrown at the house of the policeman. One exploded in the bedroom and the other in the street outside.

No one was at home at the time of the attack. The house was badly damaged.

At the same time, a grenade was thrown into the bedroom of the home of the chairman of the Huhudi Council, Mr J Dikole. His 42-year-old wife, who was asleep, was badly injured.

She was taken to Vryburg Hospital where her condition has been described as satisfactory.

In the third attack, a grenade was thrown at the home of a councillor, Mr P Thiba. It exploded outside the house and damage was minimal.

In Alexandra township, north of Johannesburg, the home of the mayor, the Rev Sam Buti, was stoned by a group of 300 mourners who were attending the funeral of Mr Vincent Tshabalala, a former member of the Alexandra Youth Congress.

No one was injured in the attack.

In Thabong, near Welkom, two houses belonging to members of the SAP were gutted and others stoned when a group of youths went on the rampage last night.

According to Captain J Fouche, police public relations officer for the Northern Free State division, the group dispersed before the police arrived.

There were no arrests.

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(iii) Stutterheim	94	None	None	None	3
(iv) Cathcart	51	None	None	None	2
(v) Queenstown	140	48	2	42	33
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TerreBlanche statement is ruled admissible

S/c 346 26/2/85

By Terry Friend

KLERKSDORP — At the trial here today of a farmer on six charges of illegally possessing arms, and one of perjury, the defence contested the admissibility of a statement made to the police on the grounds that it had been made under coercion.

Mr Andries TerreBlanche (54) is appearing in the Regional Court as a sequel to a Supreme Court case in which his brother, Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging leader Mr Eugene TerreBlanche, was charged with arms offences and terrorism.

Mr TerreBlanche has pleaded not guilty to charges of possessing explosive material, a machine gun, four AK-47 rifles, 3 941 rounds of ammunition, teargas equipment and a pistol.

The State has alleged that a statement he made to a police officer differed from his court evidence.

Captain R J Venter said he took a statement from Mr TerreBlanche last September 14 "of his own free will".

For the defence, Mr Chris Jansen SC petitioned that the statement be ruled as inadmissible, because the section of the Terrorism Act under which Mr TerreBlanche had been held contained a "built-in coercion measure".

This was because a person held in terms of this section was compelled to answer all questions "until the commissioner is convinced that all questions have been answered or that it is fruitless to continue to detain the person".

Mr Andre du Toit, for the State, argued that the statement be admitted to enable the court to make a decision on the evidence as a whole. Captain Venter had testified that there was no coercion.

Mr H S van Heerden ruled that the statement was admissible.

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Three people seriously injured in Welkom attacks

UDF HOMES BOMBED

By MZIKAYISE EDOM

THREE people — including a one-year-old baby — were seriously injured when two houses belonging to members of the United Democratic Front were petrol bombed by unknown people in Thabong township, near Welkom early yesterday morning.

The houses belong to Mr Itumeleng Mokobo and Mr Freddy Vanga, both executive members of the organisation's Welkom branch. The incidents happened between 12.30 am and 1 am.

Those injured were Mr Mokobo and his sister Ms Mangi and their nephew, one-year-old Melvin Kgabutla. The three sustained serious body burns when two petrol bombs which were thrown in their home exploded, causing damage estimated at R4 000.

They were admitted to the local hospital where their condition was described as serious but "improving". Ms Felicity Vanga (15) sustained minor injury when three petrol bombs were thrown at her parents' home. She managed to escape through a window but injured her leg.

Rioting

The petrol bombing of the two houses follows rioting in the township which started on Friday after two high schools, Lebogang and Thutagauta, were allegedly closed by the Department of Education and Training after pupils had been boycotting classes since last Wednesday.

The Transvaal region of the UDF yesterday said the past few weeks had seen an intensification of campaigns against the UDF by people who wanted to perpetuate apartheid: "We have seen violence in black areas all over and today's incident is another attempt to intimidate our leaders.

"We have been vilified and denigrated by the enemy and now they resort to violence when all has failed. We will not be deterred," a spokesman said.

UDF activists attacked

A violent campaign is being waged against United Democratic Front activists in towns as farflung as Soweto, Kroonstad and Welkom — where five people have been injured as houses have gone up in flames.

The latest attacks took place early this morning at the Soweto homes of Mr Sydney Rapu Molekane (23), the vice-president of the Soweto Youth Congress, and Mr Kenny Fihla (18), a former national organiser of the Congress of South African Students (Cosas).

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279. Mr P R C ROGERS asked the Minister of Justice:

How many persons were convicted of theft of (a) small stock and (b) large stock in the magisterial districts of (i) East London, (ii) King William's Town, (iii) Stutterheim, (iv) Cathcart and (v) Queenstown during 1984 or the latest specified period of 12 months for which figures are available?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

The statistics for 1984 are as follow:

Magisterial District	(a) Small Stock	(b) Large Stock
(i) East London	36	38
(ii) King William's Town	55	1
(iii) Stutterheim	56	3
(iv) Cathcart	21	1
(v) Queenstown	18	1

Telephones

280. Mr P R C ROGERS asked the Minister of Communications:

What was the backlog in respect of applications for telephone services in 1984 in the (a) King William's Town, (b) Stutterheim, (c) East London and (d) Komga area as at the latest specified date for which figures are available?

The MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS:

(a) 127,

(b) 32,

(c) 1 300, and

(d) 1, as at 31 December 1984.

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Eastern Cape: offences

283. Mr P R C ROGERS asked the Minister of Justice:

How many persons were convicted of (a) assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, (b) culpable homicide, (c) murder, (d) rape and (e) robbery in the magisterial districts of (i) East London, (ii) King William's Town, (iii) Stutterheim, (iv) Cathcart, (v) Queenstown and (vi) Komga during 1984 or the latest specified period of 12 months for which figures are available?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

The statistics for 1984 are as follow:

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
(i) East London	354	77	27	81	141
(ii) King William's Town	52	13	5	14	16
(iii) Stutterheim	94	None	None	None	3
(iv) Cathcart	51	None	None	None	2
(v) Queenstown	140	48	2	42	33
(iv) Komga	77	3	1	2	3

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Trespass

288. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Justice:

How many Black persons were convicted of trespass in 1984 in (a) each of the main urban centres and (b) the Republic?

The MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

The required information is unfortunately not readily available. Statistics of this nature have not been kept by the Department up till now. The keeping of statistics of offences in general is at present the subject of an investigation.

Trespass

289. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

How many Black persons were arrested for trespass in 1984 in (a) each of the main urban centres and (b) the Republic?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(a) Pretoria 2276

Violence against UDF reported

CAPE TIMES 27/2/85

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JOHANNESBURG. — A violent campaign is being waged against United Democratic Front activists in centres as far apart as Soweto, Kroonstad and Welkom, the Star Africa edition claimed yesterday.

● In Soweto, the home of Mr Rapu Molekane, vice-president of the UDF-affiliated Soweto Youth Congress (Soyco), was petrol-bombed early yesterday.

● In Welkom, the homes of two members of the UDF-linked Congress of South African Students (Cosas) and their families fell victim to firebombers. Five people were injured.

● In Kroonstad, Mr Dennis Bloem, a community leader and UDF activist, had his shop stoned and his car vandalized.

Soyco leader Mr Rapu Molekane, 23, who was released last week from detention under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act, said his home had been petrol bombed about 3.45am yesterday.

Outside he found pamphlets, with an Azapo letterhead, which read: "We will not be intimidated any longer."

Mr Molekane said he was doubtful whether the pamphlets originated from Azapo.

Five people were hurt in the Welkom township of Thabong when petrol bombs were hurled at the homes of Teacher Vanga, 16, an executive member of Cosas, and Mr Billy Mokoko, a Cosas member, sources in the township said.

Among those injured in the Vanga and Mokoko homes were Nofona Vanga, aged 4, and 18-month-old Melvin Mokoko, who was reported to have been admitted to the provincial hospital with serious burns.

The government's decision to close Lebogang and Thuthagauta high schools last year appears to have sparked the latest violence in Thabong.

In Brendpark, Kroonstad, vandals shattered windows of the shop belonging to Mr Bloem and damaged his car.

Mr Bloem has played an important role in the funerals of the first two unrest victims in nearby Seeisoville township. He was arrested with UDF publicity secretary, Mr Terror Lekota, last Monday. — Sapa

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Illegal arms: farmer pleads not guilty

West Rand Bureau

KLERKSDORP — A Ventersdorp farmer today told a court how he unwillingly allowed his brother and another man to bury two trunks of weapons on his farm.

Mr Andries Terre'Blanche (54) pleaded not guilty in the Klerksdorp Regional Court to five charges of illegally possessing arms, one of possessing explosives and a charge of perjury.

Mr Terre'Blanche told the court he had wanted nothing to do with the arms brought to his farm by his brother, Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, and Mr Daniel Viljoen.

Mr Chris Jansen, SC, put it to Captain R J Venter of the South African Police that he had added a paragraph to a statement made by Mr Terre'Blanche without the farmer taking an oath on it.

The paragraph was an acknowledgement by Mr Terre'Blanche, written in Captain Venter's handwriting at the bottom of Mr Terre'Blanche's typed statement, to the effect that he had been released from the provisions of Section 29 of the Terrorism Act.

Mr Terre'Blanche said he was so upset at being in prison that he "would have signed anything to get out".

He could not remember whether the paragraph had been there when he signed.

Prosecutor Mr Andre du Toit said Mr Terre'Blanche could remember only those things which suited him.

"It is a serious thing to accuse the captain of what amounts of forgery," said Mr du Toit.

The hearing continues.

AWB leader: I smelt SP trap in illegal arms

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28/2/85

Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging leader Mr Eugene TerreBlanche testified in court today that when he was shown two trunks of illegal weapons he suspected a Security Police trap because "the leftist Press had been trying to link my organisation with violence".

Mr TerreBlanche is a defence witness at the trial of his brother, Mr Andries TerreBlanche (54), who has pleaded not guilty in the Klerksdorp Regional Court to a charge of perjury and six other charges of illegally possessing arms and explosives.

Mr Eugene TerreBlanche said he had been taken by an AWB official, Mr Jan Botes, to the house of a Mr du Plessis in Delmas. There he was shown two trunks of weapons.

"As AWB leader, I thought immediately it was a trap. It smelt bad," he said.

Mr Botes was summarily dismissed from the AWB. Mr TerreBlanche then went to Pretoria to consult his chief secretary, but he was not there.

A Mr Kees Moes, who was on the AWB executive and had long claimed to work for the Security Police, was meant to collect the weapons.

Mr TerreBlanche said he later learnt that Mr Daniel Viljoen had taken the weapons to his brother's farm. He went there, told the men to "get rid of this rubbish" and then stormed off in anger. He denied having helped to bury the arms cache.

Mr Andries TerreBlanche admitted in his evidence that he had handled some of the weapons, helped to grease them, and helped carry the trunks to a car, but he denied having helped to bury them.

The prosecutor, Mr Andre du Toit, said the arms had been buried for seven months and he found it difficult to believe that Mr TerreBlanche could not have found the trunks, buried only centimetres under the surface of a bare mealie field 6 m from the road.

Bombers under attack

By SELLO RABOTHATA

THE United Democratic Front (UDF) and the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) have lashed out at the "South African masters, agents and beneficiaries of apartheid" as the ones responsible for the bomb attacks on the homes of several UDF members.

The reaction from the two organisations also follows the firebombing yesterday morning of the home of the vice-president of the Soweto Youth Congress, Mr Sydney Rapu Molekane (23), who was released from detention last week. Mr Molekane was being held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. His home in Central Western Jabavu was bombed at about 3.45 am and outside pamphlets with Azapo letterheads, reading "we will not be intimidated any longer", were found.

The UDF's publicity secretary, Mr Terror Lekota, said it is noteworthy that the bomb attacks on the homes of several UDF members coincide so closely with the arrest and charges of treason against their leaders. "The UDF has no enemies in the black townships. At no stage have our members and officials been targets of mass anger, but the UDF has been a source of grave discomfort, only to South Africa's masters of apartheid. Hence, only agents of apartheid and its beneficiaries can engage in acts of terrorism against the UDF. We are confident that the people of South Africa will identify the culprits in the deepening conflict in this country and vindicate the UDF," he said.

Azapo, in a statement, said: "We deplore acts of violence which are aimed at weakening the liberation movement and turning black people against themselves. We know that the system has mastered the art of divide and rule. Pamphlets which emanate from the system and its agents and which purport to be from various elements in the liberation movement, have been used to forment conflict in the past (Aug 1983 — UDF launching, June 1984 in Regina Mundi) and it is up to all elements in the liberation movement to be vigilant at these attempts at sowing fratecide. Now more than ever, it is time for us to forget principled unity and mobilise all our forces against our common enemy, namely racism and capitalism."

The Divisional Commissioner of Police in Soweto, Brigadier Jan Coetzee, confirmed that his men were investigating the petrol bomb attack on the home of Mr Molekane. He said a pamphlet purporting to be from Azapo, was also in the possession of the police.

Five people have been injured in the bomb attacks on the UDF activists' homes which have taken place in Welkom, Kroonstad and Soweto. In Welkom, the homes of Mr Itumeleng Mokobo and Mr Freddy Vanga. In Kroonstad, Mr Dennis Bloem had his shop vandalised and his car stoned.

Arms on farm: man guilty

Star 1/3/85

KLERKSDORP — The brother of the leader of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) was today found guilty by a Krugersdorp magistrate of perjury and ilegally possessing four Russian AK 47 machine guns.

Andries TerreBlanche (54) of Witrandjiesfontein, Ventersdorp, was sentenced to six months imprisonment, suspended for three years, for perjury and fined R300 (or 100 days), suspended for three years, for illegal possession of machine guns on his farm from January 1982 till December 1982.

TerreBlanche pleaded not guilty to perjury, possession of explosives and five counts of illegal possession of arms.

He told the court he had wanted nothing to do with the arms brought to his farm by his brother, Mr Eugene TerreBlanche.

Mr H S van Heerden was on the Bench. Advocate A F du Toit appeared for the State.

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UDF MAN TELLS OF ABDUCTION, THREAT

By PATRICK LAURENCE
Political Editor

THE Transvaal administration officer of the United Democratic Front, Mr Patrick Lephunya, yesterday told of his alleged abduction and interrogation for three hours by four men, two of whom wore balaclavas and two of whom identified themselves as members of the National Intelligence Service (NIS).

The NIS yesterday "categorically denied" that it or any of its agents were involved in the incident.

Mr Lephunya told the Rand Daily Mail the abductors, all of whom were white, came to his house in Naledi, Soweto, at 11pm on Thursday and took him to a field where they questioned him on the UDF and the Soweto Civic Association.

They tried to recruit him to work for them, said Mr Lephunya, who is also the secretary of the Soweto Civic Association.

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Mr PATRICK LEPHUNYA "abducted"

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Kidnap claims

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The two men in balaclavas did not identify themselves, but the other two told him they were NIS officers.

"When I asked them if they had come to arrest me, they told me that they didn't arrest people," Mr Lephunya said.

"They said when people didn't co-operate with them, they eliminated them. They said they could frame me. They said they could make the African National Congress believe framed people were informers. They said the MKs would kill anyone they framed."

MKs, Mr Lephunya explained, were members of the ANC military arm, Umkhonto we Sizwe, whose members have assassinated informers and/or collaborators in the past.

Three of his abductors stood with their hands on their hips, as if ready to draw guns, while the fourth fired questions at him.

They wanted to know about the annual meeting today of the Transvaal UDF and about an inter-branch meeting of the Soweto Civic Association tomorrow, Mr Lephunya said.

"They wanted to know where the UDF gets its funds. I said I didn't know where the UDF gets its funds, as I wasn't the treasurer. They repeated that they didn't arrest people, that people either co-operated with them or where eliminated."

Mr Lephunya was ordered by his interrogators to prepare reports on the UDF and Soweto Civic Association meetings and to have them ready for collection by them from his home at 11 tomorrow night.

A NIS spokesman said: "This service (normally) adheres to the policy of not commenting on any allegation in public, but in view of the seriousness of the matter it deviates from policy in categorically denying that NIS or any of its members were involved in the alleged incident."

He added: "It is suggested, if this has not already been done, that the matter be reported to the SAP for further investigation."

POLITICAL comment in this issue by R A Gibson, Benjamin Pogrund, Patrick Laurence; newsbills by Patrick Carfax, Paul Holroyd; headlines and sub-editing by Bryan Pearson; cartoons by David Anderson, all of 171 Main Street, Johannesburg.

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Exiles scared to stay in Botswana

MOST South African exiles in Botswana are thinking of resettling overseas after the recent bomb attack on two exiles.

The bomb almost claimed the lives of fellow countrymen Nat Serache and Gabriel Pule.

The two escaped with multiple leg injuries when a massive bomb reduced their Gaborone home to rubble on February 13.

They have since left the country for Zambia.

The remaining South African exiles — unofficially estimated at 200 — are gravely concerned.

They feel they also face the threat of bombings if they stay in Botswana.

Some of them are single, but others are married with children.

They now see America or Canada as safer havens — since these countries encourage conditional resettlement.

One of the conditions laid down by America is a non-criminal record, the denounciation of communism and totalitarianism and valid proof of refugee status.

Lately, many South African exiles — plus others from Namibia and Angola — have been making enquiries at the United States and Canadian embassies about their prospects for resettlement.

This could lead to a mass exodus from Botswana.

Services obtains on fixed investments.

(b) R7,1 million.

Training centres for agricultural trainees

245. Mr R W HARDINGHAM asked the Minister of Manpower:

Whether private in-service training centres for agricultural trainees qualify for a rebate on predetermined course fees; if not, why not; if so, what is the extent of the rebate?

The MINISTER OF MANPOWER:

No. The Manpower Training Act,1981, does not provide for a rebate on predetermined course fees in respect of private in-service training centres.

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99-year leasehold scheme

254. Mr E K MOORCROFT asked the Minister of Co-operation, Development and Education:

How many plots were surveyed in each province of the Republic in 1984 with a view to the 99-year leasehold scheme?

The MINISTER OF CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND OF EDUCATION:

96 798	Transvaal
37 194	Cape
33 641	Orange Free State
1 948	Natal
169 572	

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Firearms

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268. Mr P H P GASTROW asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(a) How many persons were arrested in each province of the Republic in 1984 for (i) illegal possession of firearms and (ii) being in possession of stolen firearms and (b) how many of the lawful owners of such firearms were traced in each category?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

	(a)		(b)	
	(i)	(iii)	(i)	(ii)
Cape Province	296	300	1 633	181
Natal	830	277	157	127
Orange Free state	59	64	47	35
Transvaal	647	524	301	322

Stock theft

278. Mr P R C ROGERS asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) How many cases of theft of (a) small stock and (b) large stock were reported in the police station areas of (i) East London, (ii) King William's Town, (iii) Stutterheim, (iv) Cathcart and (v) Queenstown in 1984 or the latest specified period of 12 months for which figures are available;

(2) how many persons were charged with theft of (a) small stock and (b) large stock in each such police station area over the said period?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

	(1)		(2)	
	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)
(i) East London	58	45	23	7
(ii) King William's Town	18	4	6	1
(iii) Stutterheim	147	15	130	9
(iv) Cathcart	33	5	16	1
(v) Queenstown	151	31	38	4

Eastern Cape: offences

Q.Col.369 4/3/85

282. Mr P R C ROGERS asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) How many cases of (a) assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, (b) culpable homicide, (c) murder, (d) rape and (e) robbery were reported in the police station areas of (i) East London, (ii) King William's Town, (iii) Stutterheim, (iv) Cathcart, (v) Queenstown and (vi) Komga in 1984;

(2) whether these figures represent an increase or decrease in comparison with the relevant figures for 1983; if so, what is the extent of the increase or decrease in each case?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1)

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
(i) East London	480	57	54	93	256
(ii) King William's Town	147	16	9	27	54
(iii) Stutterheim	109	4	6	18	11
(iv) Cathcart	71	1	4	6	1
(v) Queenstown	448	19	38	38	88
(vi) Komga	35	5	2	5	4

(2) In some cases these figures represent a decrease and in others an increase in comparison with the corresponding figures for 1983.

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Soweto West: offences

305. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

How many cases of (a) murder, (b) culpable homicide, (c) assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, (d) common assault, (e) rape, (f) burglary, (g) robbery, (h) theft of vehicles and cycles, (i) damage to property, (j) housebreaking with intent to steal and theft and (k) possession of drugs were reported at each specified police station in the Soweto West police district in 1984?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
Jabulani	248	37	1 134	890	182	—	283	209	650	182	—
Moroka	395	96	1 739	1 664	320	—	747	304	1 234	340	—
Kliptown	145	83	629	1 195	162	—	462	302	580	484	32
Lenasia	42	15	187	334	22	—	113	219	209	459	7

Note: For statistical purposes burglary and housebreaking with intent to steal and theft are codified under the same code.

Vereeniging: Offences

306. Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order:

How many cases of (a) murder, (b) culpable homicide, (c) assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, (d) common assault, (e) rape, (f) burglary, (g) robbery, (h) theft of vehicles and cycles, (i) damage to property, (j) housebreaking with intent to steal and theft and (k) possession of drugs were reported at each specified police station in the Vereeniging police district in 1984?

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RAND WATER BOARD

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

ON WATER TARIFFS

In a special announcement published in the Press on 7th January 1985 consumers were informed of the Rand Water Board's decision not to make any interim adjustment to its water tariffs and to allow those approved in April 1984 to remain unaltered for the whole financial year to 31st March 1985.

The Board has now considered its estimates of revenue and expenditure for the new financial year beginning on 1st April 1985 and has been forced to take account of substantial cost increases recently announced over a wide spectrum. These include the cost of raw water purchased from the Government, as well as the cost of electricity, coal and chemicals, which are all major components of the Board's expenditure. Indeed, the cost of electricity, coal, chemicals and raw water constitutes more than 30 per cent of the Board's total operating expenditure and the recent increases in the prices of these commodities ranging from about 10 per cent to as much as 30 per cent have a drastic effect on the Board's budget. At the same time the Board's expenditure on the servicing of loans, adding up to more than 40 per cent of working costs, is also adversely affected by prevailing high interest rates. As a result, it is unfortunately no longer possible for the Board to stave off a rise in tariffs beyond March 1985. In order to do no more than balance revenue against expenditure and without making any provision for reserve funds, water tariffs would have had to be increased by about 21 per cent from 1st April 1985.

However, to lighten the burden on consumers, the Board has decided to budget for a deficit of about R6 million so as to limit the tariff increase to 15 percent in the hope that the water position will improve in the course of the year and that the loss of revenue can be recovered through higher water sales.

The Board also wishes to announce that the class of users known as "other consumers" will now have to pay more for water. These are persons and undertakings that are not end-users of municipalities and that have always enjoyed the privilege of obtaining water direct from the Board at a much lower rate than end-users in municipal areas. For the sake of water conservation, this advantage enjoyed by "other consumers" can unfortunately no longer be maintained, as it is inequitable for one category of consumer using 4 per cent of the water supplied by the Board to benefit at the expense of the majority. Thus, the tariff for "other consumers", which is at present only 28,66 cents per kilolitre, will be raised to 45 cents from 1st April 1985 with further adjustments contemplated for the future until the tariff is realistic and is in relation to that paid by end-consumers generally.

As some of the Board's consumers are still exceeding their water quotas by considerable margins, the Board is compelled to take more stringent steps to discourage such excessive usage and the additional charge for exceeding the quota will, with effect from 1st April 1985, be increased from one per cent to one and a half per cent of the water tariff for every one per cent by which the quota is exceeded. Where the quota is exceeded and the additional rate is levied, such rate is applied to the total monthly consumption.

Dale Hobbs
CHAIRMAN
RAND WATER BOARD
1st March 1985

Men accused of terrorising residents

E. Post 12/3/85

By JIMMY MATYU

A GROUP of men speaking Zulu and armed with quirts, are accused of terrorising residents of Kwanobuhle township in Uitenhage last night.

According to people in the township, they raided homes, beat up residents including women, and broke some expensive belongings, one of them a TV set.

Three families in Phalo Street phoned the Evening Post today and reported the incidents.

Mr Fikile Kobese, a trade unionist, criticised the "brutal behaviour" of the men.

Lt-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, police liaison officer in the Eastern Cape, today advised the families to report the matter to the police so that an investigation could be made to track down the culprits.

Mr Yiki "Rubber" Bantom said he was having supper about 8pm when Zulu-speaking men burst in, asked questions aand struck out with quirts.

Miss Ntombi Sokuyeka told the Evening Post she was with Mrs Nombeko Tu and her family watching TV when three men burst in and wrecked the television set, smashed light globes and broke windows.

Petrol bomb attacks 'have achieved little'

(3441) Star 13/3/85

In the past six months petrol bombs have blasted the homes of policemen, anti-apartheid activists, trade unionists and black local government authorities.

Some examples are:

● On February 26 the Soweto home of Mr Rapu Molekane, vice-president of the Soweto Youth Congress, which is affiliated to the United Democratic Front, was damaged by a petrol bomb.

● On the same day, in Welkom, the homes of two members of the United Democratic Front-linked Congress of South African Students were bombed.

● On February 28 five houses belonging to policemen in Seeisoville, near Kroonstad, were petrol-bombed.

● Last week the home of Alexandra's mayor, the Rev Sam Buti, was destroyed by petrol bombs.

By Don Holliday, Crime Staff

NOT CLEAR

It is not clear who is behind the bombings but, whatever the reasons, victims say little of positive value has been achieved.

Soweto's mayor, Mr Edward Kunene, a victim, said it was possible that a single organisation was behind the attacks which could be aimed at dividing black political opinion.

He would not name any partic-ular organisation.

He said the bombings usually became a political issue and responsibility had been attributed to both left-wing and right-wing organisations.

Such accusations were often inaccurate and unfounded, he said.

Nothing, apart from destruction, had been achieved by the bombings.

The United Democratic Front's Transvaal general secretary, Mr Moss Chikane, agreed that a single organisation could be behind the bombings. He, too, declined to speculate which one.

He said that while the United Democratic Front as a non-violent organisation did not condone any attacks, he found bombings of urban council members to be understandable.

"This is the frustrated and angry action of those who wish to show their rejection of a system which is not representative of the people," he added.

But it was not an effective method of showing their rejection.

DISSATISFACTION

Mr Molekane saw the attacks as reprisals.

People occupying government-created posts were obvious targets for bombings by groups who saw them as symbols of repression and immediate obstacles to freedom, he said.

Prominent educationist Dr Franz Auerbach said the nationwide township violence was a clear general manifestation of deep-seated dissatisfaction among the people.

He was inclined to think an underlying cause was the exclusion of blacks from the new political dispensation.

The Government had to accept that blacks in this country were deeply suspicious of its intentions, he said.

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Tyres slashed at Black Sash meeting

Own Correspondents

Several people attending the annual Black Sash conference had their car tyres slashed within sight of a police station here last night.

The vehicles, including that of Walmer MPC Mrs Molly Blackburn, were parked across the street from Baakens Street police station, which has a permanent police guard outside.

At the conference Black Sash president Mrs Sheena Duncan, in a strongly worded statement, called on the business community to prove that its newfound commitment to change would outlast the immediate threat of disinvestment and account for years of "deafening silence" as the injustices of apartheid mounted.

QUESTIONS

Directing questions to those who couched their criticisms of disinvestment in terms of the joblessness that could result, Mrs Duncan asked about their part in creating South Africa's already massive unemployment:

- "How many jobs have you destroyed in the last five years because you have mechanised?
- "Did you worry about unemployment when you merged and relocated and rationalised your operations?
- "What have you done about the monopolistic control over industry and commerce, about price fixing, destruction of competition and squeezing out the small man?
- "Why has South African business become multinational — why are you investing in Massachusetts and Britain and elsewhere? How many jobs could you have created here by bringing those investments back home?"

Mrs Duncan said the political imperative was to establish the principle of one-person-one-vote.

On the proposal to control urban influx by making the right to live in the city dependent on the availability of housing and jobs, Mrs Duncan said: "It sounds a very much more acceptable proposition ... but it is a most dangerous delusion that must be abandoned at once."

She predicted that influx control would become more severe and rigid if housing and jobs became the criteria for admission to city life.

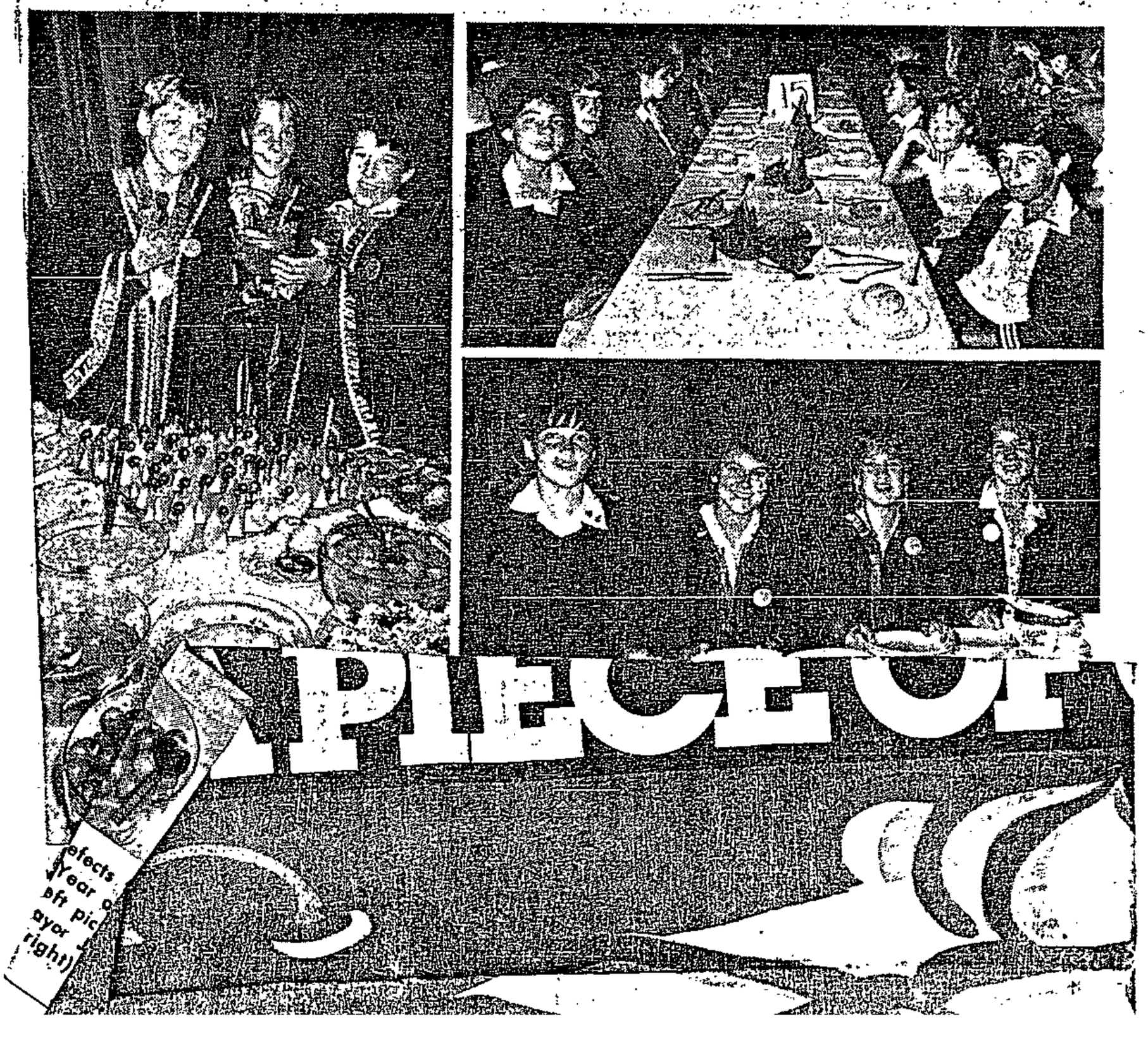
As such it would be a "betrayal of the first magnitude" to South Africa's black majority and it would prove an unenforceable system.

And according to the annual report of the Black Sash Johannesburg Advice Office, administration of black affairs has already become totally unpredictable.

Its bureacratic inefficiency and maladministration have given way to a complete state of disorderliness, the report claims.

The conclusion is based on more than 15 000 interviews with people from February 1984 to January 1985.

The main speaker last night, Sir Richard Luyt, former vice-chancellor of UCT, called for an end to military conscription in South Africa.



Pebco homes fire-bombed

Post Reporters

THE homes of two executive members of the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation, which organised the stayaway at the weekend, were petrol-bombed in the early hours today.

Damaged estimated at about R10 000 was caused to the Kwazakele home of Mr Sipho Hashe, secretary of Pebco.

About R500 worth of damaged was caused to the house where executive member, Mr Ernest Malagas, lives with his parents in Red Location.

The bedroom, the lounge and the dinning room of Mr Hashe's house was damaged.

Two wardrobes, a bed and the ceiling of the bedroom were completely destroyed. The incident occurred at 1.45am today.

Mr Hashe said three petrol-bombs were hurled into the lounge and others into the bedroom and dining room at the back.

He said just before the explosions he had heard a vehicle stop outside the house.

The incident at the home of Mr Malagas occured at 2.30am. A bakkie was also seen.

● Four men died in unrest in Port Elizabeth's townships last night in a flare-up of stone-throwing and arson attempts.

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, said police were busy removing motor car wrecks blocking Johnson Road, Kwazakele, yesterday afternoon.

He said a group of about 30 people stoned the police who opened fire. A 19-year-old youth was slightly injured.

Police patrolling past the Ben Senuka Lower Primary School in New Brighton last night were stoned by a group of people gathered on the school grounds and in the street, he said.

Police fired a shotgun and saw two of the group fall to the ground. A car raced up to where they had fallen, pulled one of them into the car and sped away.

Police picked up the other man who was left lying in the street. He was certified dead on arrival at the hospital.

In Kwazakele last night police came across a group of 500 people armed with assegaais and axes. The mob threw stones at the police who opened fire.

Two men aged 25 were killed and two men, aged 24 and 28, were slightly injured.

In Motherwell last night a police vehicle was stoned. Police fired a shotgun. A 19-year-old man was killed.

A petrol bomb was hurled through the bedroom window of a house occupied by a policeman in Kwazakele yesterday. The policeman extinguished the fire.

A mob which had gathered outside threw stones at the house.

A three-year-old who burnt to death in a shack fire in Soweto yesterday has been identified as Pumzile Mali.

Soyco activists' home struck by three bombs

By SELLO SERIPE

THE HOME of Soweto Youth Congress members Alone and Norman Ngwedzeleni was petrol-bombed in the early hours of Tuesday morning.

The three bombs caused damage estimated at R300 to the Zone 8, Meadowlands house.

Alone said he saw a "suspicious" car – a Valiant Barracuda – parked next to their yard on Friday night.

The same car was seen in the area by a taxi driver just before the bombs were thrown.



Soyco activist Alone Ngwedzeleni shows the damage caused by the petrol bombs.

Man died while held in drum, court told

RUSTENBURG — A labourer died after he was allegedly abducted and held in a steel drum by a Thabazimbi farmer and his two sons, the Western Circuit local division of the Supreme Court heard today.

The 60-year-old farmer and his sons, aged 22 and 15, pleaded not guilty to charges of abducting and murdering Mr Seven Phuti in December 1982.

According to the indictment, Mr Phuti suffocated after being held for a day in a 4 000 l steel drum on the farm.

The drum ends were sealed with concrete and steel pipes were welded over its opening.

ARMED

Advocate J Els (SC), for the accused, said the men suspected that Mr Phuti stole cattle and wanted to question him before handing the man over to police.

The court heard how on December 12 1982 the two sons, who were both armed, fetched Mr Phuti from a kraal on a neighbouring farm.

Farm labourer Mr Phineas Sophika told the court that he heard the farmer the next day tell a worker to "get this thing" out of a drum.

Mr Phuti was dead when he was lifted from the drum and taken to Thabazimbi.

The hearing continues.

Farmer, sons not guilty in 'tank' death

By Janine Simon

RUSTENBURG — A Thabazimbi farmer and his two sons were yesterday acquitted on charges of manstealing and murder laid when a man died after being held in a tank on their farm.

The farmer (60), and his sons, aged 22 and 15, had pleaded not guilty in the Western Circuit Local Division of the Supreme Court.

CATTLE

In explanation of their plea, defence advocate Mr J Els SC said Mr Seven Phuti (25) was held because the accused had reasonable grounds to suspect he had stolen cattle.

Mr Phuti was placed in the four metre by two metre tank on the evening of December 12, after he had voluntarily accompanied the two sons from a neighbouring farm, the court heard.

Thabazimbi district surgeon Dr W A Mulder said Mr Phuti died from technical suffocation after a neck injury, probably "whiplash", caused his lungs to stop functioning.

He said the injury could only have been sustained minutes before Mr Phuti died.

Another witness said that when Mr Phuti, who seemed dead, was lifted out of the tank at sunset on December 13, he hit his head on the tank.

Mr Justice D J H le Roux ruled Mr Phuti's death was not due to the actions or negligence of any of the accused.

On the charge of manstealing, Mr le Roux found the farmer did not intend to deprive Mr Phuti of his liberty.

As a private citizen the farmer was entitled to arrest Mr Phuti for questioning if he believed the labourer was involved in stocktheft and, in the final event, intended handing him to the police.

Civil unrest boosts PE gun sales

E. Post 3/4/85

By KIN BENTLEY

THERE has been a notable increase in the sale of firearms for defensive purposes in Port Elizabeth following the increase in civil unrest.

A spokeman for the arms and ammunition department of a North End firm, who asked not to be identified, said his department was sold out of handguns.

He said that over the past three weeks, "and over the past two weeks in particular", the sale of pistols and revolvers had increased considerably.

"I was very surprised at the sales," he said.

He said people buying the guns said "quite frankly" they were buying them because of the unrest situation.

Despite the boom in gun sales, the company, which is multi-faceted, had decided to close its gun department, he said.

Although they were sold out of handguns they still received calls "daily" from people wishing to price guns.

A salesman at a Central gunsmiths warned of black sensitivity to the trend.

The man, who also asked not to be named, confirmed that sales of handguns at the shop were up.

He said he did not think the increase in gun sales should be publicised because it "stirs up trouble among the blacks".

The owner of the shop said that, as with anything, the extensive exposure of unrest in the media had resulted in an increase in the sales of defensive weapons. The same occured with the sale of golf clubs when there was extensive exposure of a big golf tournament, he said.

A Uitenhage gunsmith refused to comment on his defensive weapon sales.

He said most of his sales were sporting guns.

He added that blacks also bought guns as they too were allowed firearm licences.

A spokesman for the South African Police said they did not have statistics of gun sales available.

Attorney-General speaks after farmer and sons are cleared of man-ste

Case of the man in the water tank to be probed

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The case in which a farmer and his two sons were acquitted on charges of man-stealing and murder is to be investigated, said Transvaal Attorney-General Mr Donald Brunette yesterday.

He added that an appeal would be lodged if the State disagreed with the judgment.

"I hope our courts have not reached a stage where everyone who is charged is found guilty," said Mr Brunette.

He added that police often laid charges on the

By Colleen Ryan, Pretoria Bureau

basis of facts available, but courts might find other reasons to acquit suspects.

The farmer and his sons, aged 22 and 15, were acquitted on Monday in Rustenburg by Mr Justice D le Roux of the Western Circuit Local Division of the Supreme Court.

The court heard that the victim, Mr Seven Phuti, was escorted from his home to the farm in Thabazimbi by the two sons, who were armed.

Mr Phuti was put in a water tank measuring 4 m by 2 m and left there for about 24 hours.

District surgeon Dr W Mulder said Mr Phuti died from technical suffocation after a neck injury, probably caused when he was lifted out of the tank.

The judge found that Mr Phuti's death was not due to the actions or negligence of any of the accused.

The farmer and his sons were also acquitted on a charge of man-stealing because Mr le Roux found the farmer did not intend to deprive Mr Phuti of his liberty.

Black Sash has warned that the acquittal will contribute to greater mistrust by blacks of South Africa's legal system.

Black Sash president Mrs Sheena Duncan said: "People are losing respect for the law and their confidence in the courts as protectors of their rights."

She added that black attitudes should be viewed against the background of other cases where there had been allegations of racial bias.

For example, she went on, many people were upset about the recent case where a policeman was fined R30 for assault and found not guilty of causing the death of coloured dancer Mr Benito Holmes.

Professor John Dugard, director of the Centre for Applied Legal Studies of Wits University, said reports of this kind confirmed widely held suspicions in the black community about the adminstration of justice.

University of South Africa law expert Professor Martinus Wiechers said judges were very sensitive to allegations of racial bias.

He went on: "I cannot comment on this particular case without studying the full particulars, but the racial factor in our courts clearly needs investigation."

The names of the farmer and his two sons were not published by *The Star* because one of the sons is under the legal age and in terms of the law may not be identified.



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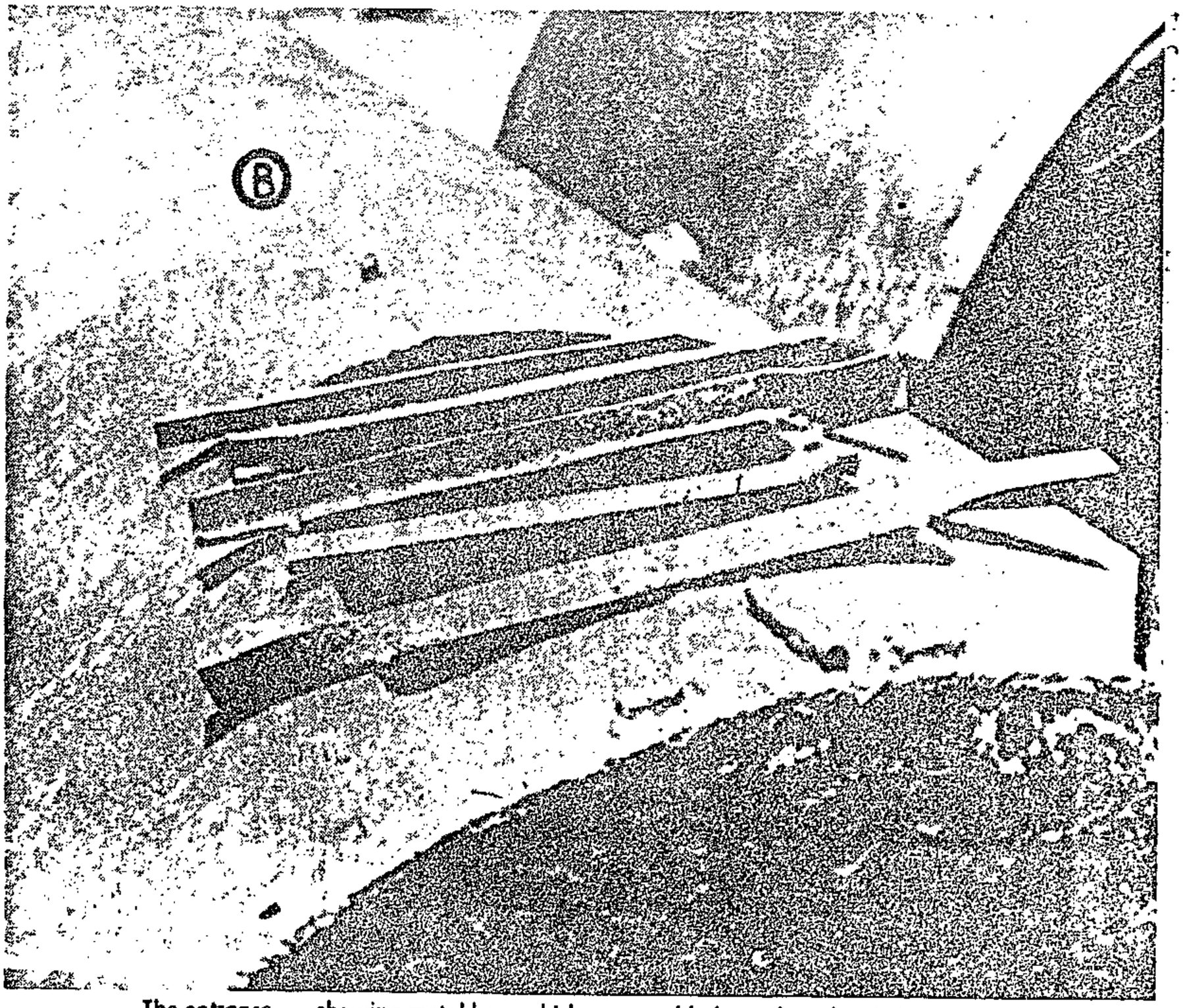

The entrance . . . showing metal bars which were welded on when the victim was inside.

Westdene bus driver knifed

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Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Mr William Horn, driver of the Westdene disaster bus, was yesterday attacked in his home by an intruder who slit his throat several times.

Mr Horn, 41 — discovered seriously injured by his children — underwent emergency surgery last night at Baragwanath Hospital.

Sprayed in brown paint on two walls of the modest Eldorado Park home were the words: "TRAU TEM" in the passage and in the lounge "TRUA TEM".

The attack, reminiscent of that which claimed the lives of Dr Robert Smit and his wife Jeanne-Cora in November 1977, took place while Mr Horn was alone at home.

The severely injured Mr Horn was discovered in his bedroom by his five children, returning from school about 2.45pm.

Mr Horn was at home still recovering from the effects of the horror accident which claimed the lives of 42 schoolchildren on March 27.

Emergency aid

Mrs Mary Horn last night said she had returned from work about 4.15pm to find ambulancemen giving emergency aid to her husband in their bedroom.

She said that when the children, aged between ten years and 18, arrived at the house, the windows were closed and the curtains drawn in all the rooms, something which struck them as very strange.

They entered their parents' bedroom and discovered their father lying on a blood-soaked eiderdown — his throat slashed several times.

"He could not talk but managed to grunt something to our eldest daughter as she held his hand. Our son called the ambulance," a distraught Mrs Horn said last night.

When she arrived home, a horrifying scene awaited Mrs Horn.

"He still could not talk but was conscious for a little while. I got into the ambulance with him. By then he had passed out. At Baragwanath Hospital his eyes were open again.

"I said to him 'Billy, I am here'. His eyes flickered but he could not talk. Then he was wheeled away from me."

A reliable city council source said yesterday it had recently been established that Mr Horn suffered from high blood pressure and that he had had a blackout at the time of the accident.



Mr William Horn

But Mrs Horn said she knew nothing of this and the general manager of Johannesburg Council Transport Department, Mr Les Pettey, said he could not confirm this as the matter was sub judice.

After the tragedy on March 27, Mr Horn was kept under police guard in hospital, for his own protection after threats to his life.

The superintendent at Baragwanath Hospital, Dr H Lazar, told Sapa last night, after an emergency operation had been performed: "He is in no special danger. He was in shock when he was admitted and had lost a lot of blood. He is in a more satisfactory condition now."

Dr Lazar said no "non-medical" people would be allowed to see Mr Horn for the moment, following an "incident" at the hospital last night when "some people pretending they represented his (Mr Horn's) lawyer" tried to gain access to him.

Two Baragwanath guards were "in the area" to keep an eye on things.

● In November 1977, National Party candidate Dr Robert Smit and his wife, Jeanne-Cora, were murdered in their Springs home by killers who sprayed a red slogan across the kitchen walls before leaving the death scene.

The slogan "RAU TEM" — written in large red letters — remains one of the mysteries of the still unsolved murders.

Riddle of attack on Westdene bus driver

ARGUS 22/4/85

JOHANNESBURG. — Police suspect that the alleged attack on Mr William Horn, the bus driver in the Westdene disaster, may not have been a revenge attempt or even an attack.

The senior divisional inspector for Soweto, Brigadier Eddie Oosthuizen, said it was not only the wounds that were "suspicious" but also the circumstances of the attack.

Although reluctant to divulge information, Brigadier Oosthuizen listed several "suspicious" points in Mr Horn's account.

"Mr Horn said he was attacked about 9am and that he was unconscious until about 3pm — six hours," he said.

Brigadier Oosthuizen said Mr Horn told police he was lying on the floor bleeding for those six hours.

Blood-spattered

"Why, then, was the house spattered with blood if he was lying in one spot?

"The doors were locked but Mr Horn had the keys, which he passed to his children through a window when they discovered him.

"There was also a telephone in the house. Mr Horn was obviously not unconscious all the time. Why did he not phone the police?.

"Lastly, if the four people who attacked him intended to kill him, they had all the opportunity to do so," the brigadier said.

Self-inflicted?

He said police were investigating all leads, but had no information beside what Mr Horn had told them.

The brigadier could not comment on whether there were signs that Mr Horn's injuries were self-inflicted.

Brigadier Oosthuizen said Mr Horn was out of Baragwanath Hospital's intensive care unit and would be discharged today or tomorrow.

● A fund has been established to assist Mr Horn's family. People wishing to help may write to the Eldorado Park Distress Fund, PO Box 170, Kliptown 1812. Details from Mrs M Mateman at ☎ (011) 945-4138. — Sapa.

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Phony doctors try to 'finish off' Horn

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Own Correspondent and Sapa

JOHANNESBURG. — Two men posing as doctors yesterday demanded to visit the Westdene "death bus" driver, Mr William Horn, in a Baragwanath Hospital ward.

The two white men were prevented from seeing Mr Horn by security guards at Baragwanath Hospital when they were unable to show proof of their identities.

'Fear of identity'

Mr Don Mateman, MP for Eldorado Park, told residents of the area at a meeting yesterday that "because of fear of identity, the men who attacked Mr William Horn at his home on Friday night went to the hospital to finish him off".

Mr Mateman added that fear of identification also led to an attempt by four unknown white men to see Mr Horn on Friday night after the 41-year-old bus driver had been admitted to hospital with his throat slit. The four tried to gain admission to Mr Horn by pretending to be his lawyers.

Mr Horn who, police are told, lay without help for six hours after his throat was slit, has now been moved from the intensive-care ward at Baragwanath Hospital and put in a general ward.

Mr Horn, the driver of the bus which plunged into the Westdene Dam killing 42 children, was alone at his home in Eldorado Park when the attack occurred.

Detectives spoke to Mr Horn about the attack early on Saturday and learned that the attackers had struck at 8.45am on Friday morning.

Brigadier Eddie Oosthuizen, Senior Divisional Inspector for Soweto, confirmed that police had been told of four white masked men who slit Mr Horn's throat and locked him in the house.

Mr Horn lay without help for more than six hours. He passed out for a considerable time after the attack but revived in time to hear his children come home and throw his house key out of the window about 3.15pm.

At the Horn household yesterday, one of the sons said the entire house had been cleaned up again except for the slogans "Trau Tem" and "Trua Tem" sprayed on the walls.

The graffiti is reminiscent of that left eight years ago by the murderers of Dr Robert Smit, Nationalist parliamentary candidate, and his wife Jeanne-Cora.

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Murder trio convicted

No previous tense race relationships

By Fiona Macleod

None of the three young white Johannesburg men who brutally assaulted four black men, killing two of them, had had previous tense race relationships, probation officers told a Rand Supreme Court judge today.

All three, who have been convicted of two murders and two assaults, had unproblematic relationships with black colleagues in the workplace.

Mark Elliot Macedo (22) of Maud Street, Sandown, Richard Gary Kegel (22)of Branch Lane, Blairgowrie, Randburg, and Jaoa Manuel dos Santos Loureiro (21) of Viljoen Street, Lorentzville, yesterday pleaded guilty to two counts of murder with extenuating circumstances and two of assault with intent to do bodily harm. They were convicted accordingly by Mr Justice T T Spoelstra.

BACKGROUNDS

In the probation officers' reports the three young men were described as average adolescents from fairly stable, happy backgrounds.

Kegel and Macedo left school after Standard 7 and Loureiro after Standard 8, but they were described as of average intelligence, not normally aggressive and generally easily influenced by friends.

Though all three had since shown remorse about the incident — especially about the effect on their relatives — in the days immediately afterwards there had been little perceptible change in their behaviour to indicate their involvement in the incident.

No substantial explanations had been given for the beatings, but in all three cases the intake of alcohol and dagga had affected their actions, the reports stated.

In statements handed to the court yesterday the three explained that they had numerous drinks and dagga pipes while celebrating the birthday of a friend on September 14.

During the course of the evening they had discussed a close friend, Mr Ian Boyd, who had been stabbed by three black men about three weeks before.

"Mr Boyd was in the intensive care unit at the time. We were all upset because of the attack on him and because the previous day we had not been allowed to visit him because his condition was critical.

"After we left a Rosebank hotel at about 1 am on September 15, someone pointed out a black man at the side of the road and we decided to assault him. We felt that this would be retaliation for the attack on our friend," the statements read.

In the rampage of revenge that followed, four black men walking along the roadside were assaulted by the three. The first man, who has not been identified, was beaten by Macedo and Kegel with fists and a baton and was kicked by them.

DIED

Mr Lucky Khunou and Mr Linus Ndlovu both died shortly afterwards of severe head injuries after all three beat them repeatedly on the head with a pick handle, a hammer handle and a knobkierrie.

Mr Joseph Maleka, who was walking near Jan Smuts Avenue with Mr Ndlovu, managed to escape after receiving one blow.

Maceldo, who is the son of former England International football star Tony Macedo, has no previous convictions.

Kegel was convicted of possessing dagga in 1981 and Loureiro of housebreaking with intent to steal and theft in 1978.

Proceeding.



Mark Macedo



Richard Kegel



Joao dos Santos Loureiro

'Three waged war of retaliation on blacks'

By Fiona Macleod

Three young white immigrants attacked four innocent black victims in an unjustified war of retaliation, a Rand Supreme Court judge said yesterday in argument on sentence of the three men, who have been convicted of two murders and two assaults.

Mr Justice T T Spoelstra said the three had formed a gang to wage a war of retaliation against innocent black men in revenge for the stabbing three weeks before of a close friend of theirs by three unidentified black men.

The case was yesterday postponed for sentence tomorrow.

Mark Elliot Macedo (22), of Maud Street, Sandown; Richard Gary Kegel (22), of Branch Lane, Randburg; and Jaoa Manuel dos Santos Loureiro (21), of Viljoen Street, Bertrams, pleaded guilty to and were convicted of two counts of murder with extenuating circumstances and two of assault with intent to do bodily harm.

They admitted beating four black men in the early hours of September 15 1984, with fists, a baton, a hammer handle, pick handle and a knobkierie.

TWO DIED

Two victims, Mr Lucky Khunou and Mr Linus Ndlovu, died of severe head injuries after the attacks.

Witwatersrand Deputy Attorney-General Mr K M Attwell, prosecuting, said it was unrealistic to suggest that colour was of no significance in the case.

A stiff jail sentence should be imposed on the three, he said.

The brutal assaults, which showed a callous and cowardly disregard for the welfare of the innocent victims, caused a sense of outrage, Mr Attwell said.

He said evidence in mitigation of sentence had revealed that the three were fairly normal young men of average intelligence and background.

Defence counsel submitted for the three that their youth, emotional immaturity, lack of direct intention to kill, their subsequent feelings of remorse and the fact that they had consumed large amounts of liquor and dagga on the night, should count in their favour.

Earlier, probation reports handed to the court stated that none of the three had had previous tense race relationships and that they got on well with black colleagues in the work place.

Macedo emigrated to South Africa with his family at the age of five and left school after Standard 7.

Kegel, who emigrated from Germany at an early age, also left school after Standard 7 and Loureiro, a former Portuguese citizen, finished Standard 8, the reports stated.

Death note as home is petrol-bombed

ARGUS 25/4/85

Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG.— The home of a Tembisa youth leader was petrol-bombed today, and the attackers left a note threatening him with death.

The family car was gutted in the attack and a window in a bedroom was shattered by a petrol bomb, which set alight the curtains.

A note written in Zulu was pushed under the front door. It read: "We'll kill you. You are a dog."

"It happened about 2.30am and was all over in about five minutes," said the youth leader, Mr Greg Thulare.

Five people had been sleeping in the bedroom which was bombed, he added. Luckily, the weapon had been stopped by the curtains.

Two more petrol bombs were found near the gutted car, where attackers had also left a container of petrol.

Mr Thulare is branch organiser/secretary in Tembisa for the Congress of South African Students.

He was jailed for several weeks and was granted bail less than a month ago. All charges against him, except one relating to the slashing of car tyes, were dropped.

Pupils in Tembisa staged protests against his jailing.

Meanwhile a tense quiet reigned in Alexandra township today after yesterday's violence in which about 700 protest marchers went on the rampage, stoning and setting alight three vehicles and a building.

A police spokesman said police and military patrols were on standby in the township.

Seven people were arrested yesterday and will face charges of public violence.

Reports that about 200 people were arrested yesterday were denied.

An ambulance spokesman said a man had received treatment for a minor head wound after a brick hit him on the head.

No other injuries were reported.

1 000 march in Pretoria

If police fail to keep order we will, says AWB

About 1 000 supporters of the militantly right-wing Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) marched to Pretoria's central police station last night with a message "of gratitude to the police for their enforcement of law and order".

By Sue Leeman, Pretoria Bureau

But earlier, at a mass protest meeting a few blocks away in the Pretoria City Hall, AWB leader Mr Eugene TerreBlanche had warned that if the police failed to maintain law and order, the AWB would take the law into its own hands.

After leading chanting marchers to the police station, Mr TerreBlanche handed the officers on duty a letter for the Police Commissioner, General Johan Coetzee.

"The AWB is at your disposal at all times for the maintenance of law and order and the protection of our people," the letter said.

Mr TerreBlanche said the gesture would show people such as Bishop Desmond Tutu that the AWB meant business. (Earlier this year Bishop Tutu, Anglican Bishop of Johannesburg, led a march to Johannesburg's John Vorster Square to protest against detentions and riot deaths).

A police spokesman said this morning that the AWB march was peaceful and that the letter would be forwarded to the commissioner.

At the protest meeting Mr TerreBlanche vowed that the AWB would not allow Afrikaner homes to be burnt or Afrikaner children to be harmed.

And he reiterated his pledge that, should the South African Government capitulate to black rule, the AWB would "stand firm to keep this country for God".

Mr TerreBlanche said that President Botha had lied to Afrikaners because he had not told them that a "yes" vote in the referendum would mean "yes" to the scrapping of the sex laws.

The way was being paved for the "bastardisation of the Afrikaner nation", he said.

But he warned that the AWB had already launched its campaign to "take South Africa back".

He demanded that the Transvaal and Free State "Boer republics" in particular be returned to the Afrikaner nation for a white fatherland and called on the nation to march together towards that goal.

"P W Botha will never win another election," he predicted. "With the support of our voters we will take back to Boer republics our holy land".

The meeting was unusually low-key in that the AWB's stormvalke (storm troopers) kept a low profile and their jackboots were not heard drumming through the hall as is customary at the start of any AWB gathering.

This was the second time in a week that the Goverment had been berated for selling out the Afrikaner nation. Last week Dr Andries Treurnicht and Mr Jaap Marais sounded a warning that they too were prepared to fight back on the nation's behalf.

Violence . . . a sort of deadly commodity, says Unisa man

Many South Africans see violence as a sort of deadly commodity which will help them grab what they want from life while giving them an aura of power and even prestige, says Professor T van Heerden, head of Unisa's Criminology Department.

Most South Africans, he adds, are now living by violence to some de gree.

This could manifest itself in something as small as aggressive driving.

Or it could be as devastating as recent family slaughters.

Professor van Heerden said many people were now not looking for alternatives to violence when trying to solve problems and many felt violence was the only way out.

The principle of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth was becoming more popular as people saw violence as a means of holding their own in a violent environment.

Several factors, added Professor van Heerden, had contributed to the growth of violence:

● The mass media.

People saw violence

By Sue Leeman,
Pretoria Bureau

portrayed as a means to an end.

"When you show the quelling of a riot in Uitenhage," said Professor van Heerden, "you are showing that violence can be used to achieve something"

● Police emphasis on coercion.

Professor van Heerden said the South African Police use of heavily-armed Casspir vehicles and camouflage dress in the townships created a type of war situation and could itself incite violence.

He added: "We have reverted to the old policing style where those who oppose the system are enemies."

● The military factor.

The military man lived by violence and could make it part of his philosophy of life, said Professor van Heerden.

The use of the army in the townships heightened the militaristic feel there.

● The splintering of families.

By refusing to exert control or by disciplining too strenuously, said Professor van Heerden, parents could set their youngsters on a violent path.

"The youth are dictating in the townships now," he added.

"Violence has become a power symbol to them."

Professor van Heerden said the death of the extended family also meant the individual had less support when problems arose.

● Feelings of deprivation and frustration, particularly in difficult economic times.

These, said Professor van Heerden, invariably led to a more aggressive outlook and people could be expected to resort to violence more readily than in normal times.

"Other feelings of deprivation were brought about by change," he went on.

"People felt social and political change was too slow and that by using violence they could speed things up."

● A lack of platforms for expression and dialogue at all levels.

"If you want to prevent violence you must attack the root causes," said the professor.

For example a peaceful demonstration, if allowed to continue, could act as a release valve.

And meaningful dialogue with the authorities could follow, as was the case with women demonstrators during the Kannemeyer Inquiry who subsequently had talks with the police.

Professor van Heerden said: "There should be, for example, some kind of policing board where leaders from various sectors of society consult on a regular basis with the police.

"They could raise problems that the public experience not only with crime in general but with the activities of the police."

Colonel Jaap Venter, who heads the police public relations directorate in Pretoria, said he agreed violence was being seen by more people as a means to an end.

He said it was impossible for the police to fulfil their service obligations if society were not orderly.

Police: why we didn't arrest AWB

PRETORIA — Police did not act against the 1 000 supporters of the right-wing Afrikaner Weerstands Beweging who marched on police headquarters in Pretoria on Tuesday because the crowd dispersed on request, a police spokesman said yesterday.

The march, organised by AWB leader, Eugene Terreblanche, set out from the City Hall where the supporters had attended a meeting to protest against the government's moves to scrap apartheid laws.

Mr Terreblanche told the crowd he intended handing a letter to the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, thanking the police for their service in riot-torn black townships.

The spokesman said police were unaware of the march until the crowd arrived at police headquarters, three blocks from the City Hall.

"The crowd was asked to disperse, which they then did," he said. "There was no reason to act against them."

Mr Terreblanche, lifted to shoulder height by supporters, shouted to the crowd: "I ask you, who h ave already shown law and order, to turn around and leave in the same way."

No incidents of riotous behaviour were reported during the march.

● Police arrested 41 people in central Johannesburg yesterday as they marched through the city after being released on bail at the magistrate's court following their arrest on Tuesday for holding an illegal gathering outside the City Hall.

Lunch-hour traffic was slowed to a crawl as several police vehicles stopped at an intersection and heavily armed riot squad police lined up to shepherd the singing marchers into custody.

Thousands of onlookers crowded the pavements and watched from office windows as the marchers were cordoned off and led one-by-one into police vans.

Colonel Fred Bull, the SAP liaison officer for the Witwatersrand, said the 40 people arrested on Tuesday appeared in court yesterday on charges of gathering illegally and were released on bail of R100 each.

"They immediately congregated again and started marching through the city. The same 37 men and four women arrested on Tuesday were arrested again yesterday afternoon for the same contravention," he said.

The people arrested were trade unionists. They gathered outside the the City Hall where wage negotiations for the metal industry were being held. — SAPA

Top ANC rep killed

By HOWARD BARRELL

THE chief representative of the African National Congress in Zimbabwe, who worked under the name Judson Khuzwayo, alias Mthetwa, died in a car smash in Zimbabwe on May Day.

Mr Khuzwayo, who spent 10 years on Robben Island for ANC military activities, died when the car in which he and another ANC member were travelling, overturned on the main Harare-Lusaka road near the Zambian border.

The other ANC member escaped without injury.

Khuzwayo is the second chief ANC representative to die in Zimbabwe.

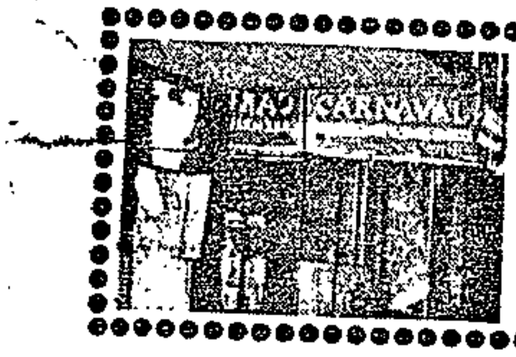
On July 31, 1981, ANC chief representative Joe Gqabi was assassinated — allegedly by a South African hit team — in the driveway of his Harare home.

Zimbabwe authorities are investigating the exact cause of Mr Khuzwayo's fatal accident.

Mr Khuzwayo was an ANC activist inside South Africa in Clermont, Durban, before his jailing and subsequent escape into exile in the early seventies.

He is survived by a wife and two daughters who are also in exile. He was also a former chief ANC representative in Lesotho and Swaziland.

He became ANC's chief representative in Zimbabwe in late 1983.



Anglo bombs — ANC enters a new era

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'Thank you for law and order, SAP'

CP Correspondent

FAR-RIGHT Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging members held a "march of gratitude" on Pretoria police headquarters this week.

They carried banners reading: "SA police, thank you for law and order" and "Back to our promise, back to our land".

At the end of the march, AWB leader Eugene Terreblanche handed police spokesman Colonel J Loots a letter of thanks to the police for the work they were doing in riot-torn townships.

"This will be a statement against (Bishop Desmond) Tutu," he earlier told about 2 000 people in the City Hall — referring to the Nobel Prize winner's protest march with other bishops on Johannesburg police headquarters last month.

Reading the letter aloud to the audience, Mr Terreblanche said the AWB had offered its services to help the police in their duties.

"The AWB is at all times at your (Police Commisioner Johan Coetzee's) disposal for the maintenance of law and order and the protection of our people," the letter read.

"Law and Order Minister Louis le Grange should not restrict the actions of police forces controlling unrest in the townships, he said.

"I am warning that if the police are kept in check, the black man will lose his faith in the police," he said.

Gaboro

'South African refugee' blown to pieces as giant explosion rocks

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GABORONE. — A man said by police to be a black South African refugee was blown to pieces today when a bomb exploded in his car outside a block of flats in central Gaborone.

The man's identity was not immediately available from police sources.

A police spokesman said the bomb apparently went off when the man tried to start the car. Pieces of the car were scattered widely.

The explosion took place near a primary school but no injuries were reported there or in the flats — most of whose occupants were at work.

The roof of the block of flats was left hanging two metres above the walls and four of the flats were severely damaged. All the windows were blown out of two houses opposite the flats.

"Felt nothing"

Only small pieces of the dead man's body have been found. Some were blown 20m into the garden of a nearby house. Other parts were hanging in nearby trees.

"The man was blown apart," a police spokesman said. "He could have felt nothing."

The scene of the blast was cordoned off and was being closely inspected by policemen and members of the Botswana Defence Force.

This is the second bomb explosion in the Botswana capital this year.

Responsible

Two South African refugees narrowly escaped death when their house was demolished and 16 other houses and a shop complex were severely damaged on February 13.

Government officials said they believed those responsible came either from South Africa or Bophuthatswana.

Today's explosion, which went off shortly after 10am, was heard throughout Gaborone.

The Botswana Government recently sent a number of South African refugees out of the country "for their own safety".

SA refugee killed by car bomb

GABORONE. — A bomb blast yesterday blew a South African political refugee and a car to pieces here, police said.

No one else was seriously hurt by the blast, heard in a radius of several kilometres around the Botswana capital.

Reporters visiting the scene of the explosion, near a primary-school mainly for children of expatriates, found mutilated remains of the victim.

Police declined to name the refugee, saying only that he lived in one of five flats near where the bomb exploded.

"It was an overkill," said Mr Paul Marathe, deputy head of the Criminal Investigation Division. — Sapa

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Victim was ANC member

GABORONE. — The man killed in a powerful bomb blast here on Tuesday was yesterday identified as a South African political refugee and member of the African National Congress, who worked for a Canadian aid organization.

The head of the Canadian University Services Overseas in Gaborone, Mr John van Mossel, said Mr Moagi Moeketsi, 29, was married and had worked for CUSO since last October.

A senior police spokesman said no arrests had yet been made and declined to say who police thought were responsible for the attack.

Mr Moeketsi's body was mutilated almost beyond recognition and the car was completely destroyed, said a statement by Botswana's President, Dr Quett Masire.

The blast was the second in Gaborone in three months.

On February 13, a bomb exploded at a house occupied by a South African journalist, Mr Nat Serache. — Sapa

IT WAS NKADIMENG JR.

By HOWARD BARRELL (344) C. Times 19/5/85

THE MAN killed in Tuesday's bomb blast in Gaborone was Vernon Nkadimeng, the son of SACTU general secretary and ANC National Executive Committee member John Nkadimeng, say exiled sources.

Mr Nkadimeng, 27, died instantly when he started his car outside a block of flats in Gaborone at 10am on Tuesday.

The bomb completely destroyed Mr Nkadimeng's car, badly damaged the nearby block of flats and broke windows in houses 30m away.

Mr Nkadimeng's car was parked next to a block of flats alongside a road used by children walking to and from school.

A senior police spokesman said Mr Nkadimeng had been "blown apart – he could have felt nothing".

The explosion – the second in four months in Gaborone – was heard over town.

On February 13, two South African refugees – journalist Nat Serache and Gabriel Pule – had a miraculous escape when their Gaborone house was blown up.

That explosion damaged 16 houses, two cars and shattered the windows of a nearby school.

The explosion follows threats from South Africa and Bophuthatswana to conduct hot pursuit raids into Botswana against refugees allegedly involved in ANC activities.

It is reliably understood that the SA Government gave a list of refugees it wanted removed from Botswana to Botswana.

Post Focus

SA blamed for Botswana blast

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By PETER GREGSON in Gaborone

THE bomb blast which ripped a car in half killing a South African political refugee has sent shock waves through Botswana's normally easy-going capital of Gaborone.

The May 14 blast, the second in three months, was widely feared to herald the start of a violent campaign to force Botswana to stop granting sanctuary to refugees and exiles fleeing from the neighbouring Republic.

The Business Gazette, an independent weekly, headlined its front page report on the killing: "A terror campaign — fears after the blast."

The mid-morning explosion in a quiet street close to a junior school and only three kilometres from the centre of Gaborone, killed 29-year-old Moagi Moeketsi, son of the general-secretary of the South African Council of Trades Unions.

No-one has been officially accused of carrying out the attack, but businessmen, diplomats and officials categorically blame Pretoria.

"There's absolutely no doubt it was the South Africans," commented a senior official who asked not to be named.

"We think this is their new strategy. They first wanted us to sign a peace agreement and now that hasn't worked, they're trying this. They have always wanted us to kick out the refugees," he added.

Throughout most of last year, land-locked Botswana resisted pressure from its economically-dominant neighbour to enter into a non-aggression pact such as the "Nkomati accord" South Africa signed with Mozambique in March, 1984.

President Quett Masire's Government said such a treaty was unnecessary and repugnant as Botswana harboured no aggressive intentions against any state.

South Africa publicly accepted that position after talks in Pretoria in late February with Foreign Minister Mr Gaositwe Chiepe.

This eased relations strained when Masire announced earlier in the month that South Africa had threatened to invade Botswana unless it stopped the passage of African National Congress (ANC) cadres across its territory.

After the Nkomati accord, hundreds of ANC members were expelled from Mozambique. The governments of two other South African neighbours, Swaziland and Lesotho, have also limited the number and activities of members of the ANC and other nationalist groups after pressure and, in Lesotho's case, military action by Pretoria.

There is no official figure for the number of South African refugees in Botswana but most estimates put the total at a few hundred.

Last month, Vice President Peter Mmusi said nobody would force Botswana to expel genuine refugees and there was no question of a clampdown. But in late April armed police made an extensive search of the homes of a number of refugees in which documents were seized.

A Government statement said the operation had been "to flush illegal immigrants and undesirable equipment".

Official sources also said that 17 ANC refugees had been advised to leave the country for their own safety before the May 14 explosion, among them Moeketsi's newly-married wife.

In the previous blast in mid-February a small house was demolished. The two occupants escaped with only slight injuries and have since left the country. — Sapa-Reuter

Police hunt Pebco heads who just vanished

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By JIMMY MATYU

THE South African Police have launched a country-wide search for two of the three missing leaders of the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation (Pebco).

They have been asked to help trace Mr Sipho Hashe, secretary-general of Pebco, and Mr Champion Galela, organising secretary.

The family of the third missing man, Mr Qaqawuli Godolozi (Pebco's president), has refused police offers of help in finding him.

Mr Hashe's wife, Elizabeth, told Weekend Post that the three men disappeared on May 8 after leaving their homes saying they were on their way to meet a visitor at the H F Verwoerd Airport in PE.

Meanwhile the United Democratic Front (East Cape) president, Mr Edgar Ngoyi, said his organisation was busy with its own investigations into the disappearance of the three men. Pebco is a signatory of the UDF.

The Cape Town-based Civil Rights League has offered a R1 000 reward for information which helps trace any of the three men.

Mr Brian Bishop, vice-chairman of the league, said it was rumoured that the three men had been stopped at a roadblock.

If this was so there had to be witnesses, he said.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, SAP Press liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, confirmed this week that police had joined the search for Mr Hashe and Mr Galela after approaching their families.

"We have now opened a missing persons file after the families asked us for help in the search for Mr Hashe and Mr Galela.

"We appeal to members of the public to assist us with any information that might lead to finding them."

Col Van Rooyen said the police spoke to Mrs Hashe, who told them her husband was last seen when he left their home on May 8 at 7pm.

She told the police that her husband is 53-years-old and has a small scar on the left cheek. He was unemployed.

Col Van Rooyen said Mr Hashe's also sometimes used the surname Charles.

He is a former Robben Island prisoner.



Mr SIPHO SAMUEL HASHE



Mr CHAMPION GALELA



Mr QAQAWULI GODOLOZI

Mrs Nomali Ritta Galela told the police her husband, Champion, was born in 1947. He was a photographer.

Col Van Rooyen said Mr Godolozi's family turned down the police offer to help.

"We will now circulate photographs of Mr Hashe and Mr Galela. Their disappearance is a mystery. We really do not know why Mr Godolozi's family has turned down our help," he said.

Col Van Rooyen again emphasised that the police were not holding any of the three men.

The families of Mr Hashe and Mr Galela have signed indemnity forms protecting the police against any civil claims that might arise over invasion of privacy should the men be found.

On May 22 an application calling on the Divisional Commissioner of Police and the Minister of Law and Order to produce Mr Hashe was dismissed with costs in the PE Supreme Court.

The application was brought before Mr Justice Zietsman by Mr Hashe's daughter, Miss Phumeza Hashe, and her application was supported by an affidavit by her brother, Mr Vusumzi Hashe.

In a replying affidavit the Divisional Commissioner of Police in the East Cape, Brigadier C A Swart, said he had contacted all police stations under his control and had received written proof that Mr Hashe had not been arrested or detained in his area.

In his affidavit, Colonel Harold Snyman, head of the security police in the East Cape, said his division had taken an interest in Mr Hashe and his family because they were political activists but Mr Hashe was not in their custody.

People with information have been asked to contact Lieutenant W Toba at 413711 (office hours).

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He said anti-left militants from other nations could be invited to join, including Mozambicans, Lebanese, Ethiopians, Cambodians and Poles.

At a news conference, Mr Lehrman denied that CFA support for the guerillas could cut across US foreign policy toward Marxist-ruled countries where American officials seek to negotiate agreements.

One such country is Angola, where the US State Department hopes to persuade the MPLA Government to send home 25 000 Cuban soldiers as part of a plan to make neighbouring SWA/Namibia independent.

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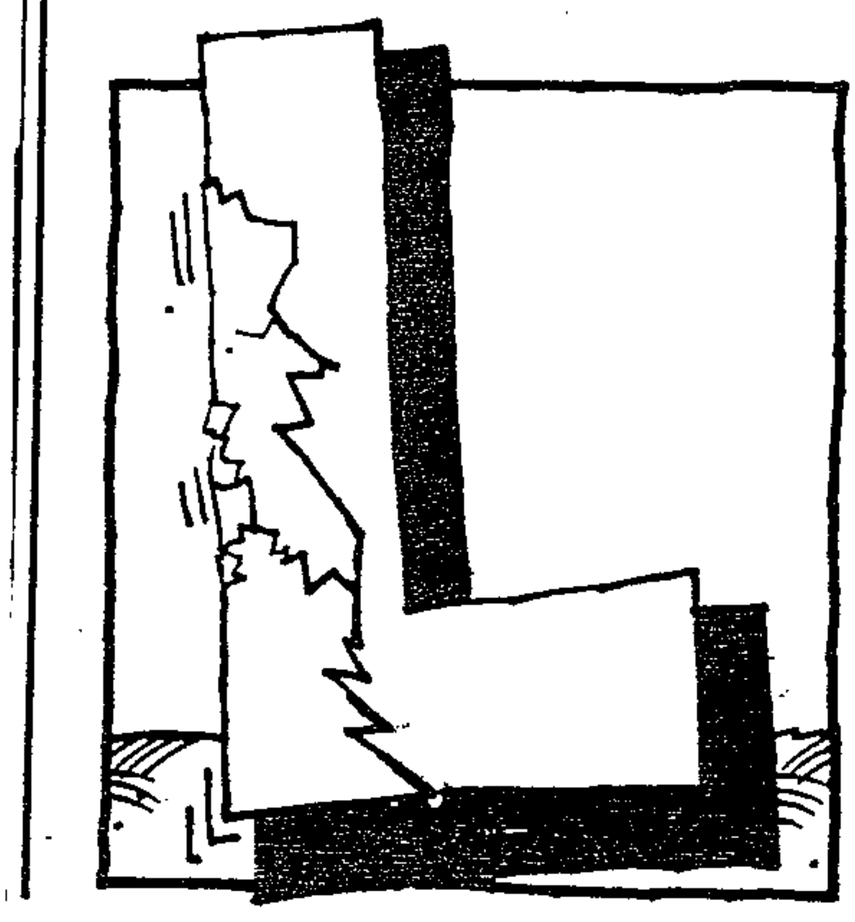
Its president, Mr Russel Crystal, said they were present not as federation representatives but as friends of Mr Abramoff, with whom they had contacts when Mr Abramoff was active in university-level Republican politics.

Mr Abramoff said the gathering was held in Angola because Dr Savimbi "is a prominent symbol of anti-Soviet fighters".

Unita claims undisputed control of one-third of Angola, more territory than is held by any of the other three movements.

Each delegation was given a framed copy of the US Declaration of Independence. Mr Abramoff said the declaration proclaims "rights that are God-given and universal", and thus applicable anywhere in the world. — Sapa-AP



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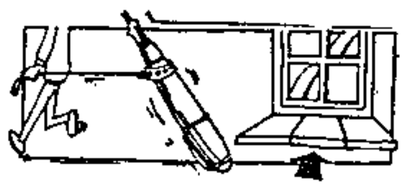

Yesterday's solution: Lead pencil

Deputy Minister wounded in Mitchell's Plain

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DEPUTY Minister-designate Mr Luwellyn Landers was injured in a bomb blast at his Mitchell's Plain home early today.

He was in "satisfactory" condition in Groote Schuur Hospital today after emergency surgery during the night.



Mr Luwellyn Landers ... emergency surgery.

A second and almost simultaneous attack with two grenades damaged the Grassy Park home of Labour Party MP Mr Fred Peters, but no one was injured.

Mr Louis le Grange, Minister of Law and Order who visited the scenes of the blasts today said he had "no doubt" the attacks had been made by the ANC as the grenades were of Russian origin.

Did not explode

Shortly before the attacks on the politicians' homes, a rifle-grenade attack was launched against Langa police station. The grenade, fired just after 2am, did not explode and the building wsas not damaged. About three hours later a limpet mine was found at the building and defused and removed.

Mr Landers was dragged from the wrecked house in Portlands — a well-to-do suburb of Mitchell's Plain — into the rain by his shocked wife Sylvia. They had been alone when the bomb tore the bedroom apart.

Mrs Landers, who was not injured, was at Groote Schuur Hospital while her husband was operated on.

In an anonymous telephone call to Sapa's Cape Town office today, a group calling itself the Western Cape Suicide Squad claimed responsibility for the attacks.

Out of danger

Labour Party leader the Rev Allan Hendrickse said Mr Landers — MP for Mitchell's Plain and recently appointed Deputy-Minister of Population Development — was out of danger.

Argus crime reporter Mark Stansfield reports that Mr Lander's mattress probably absorbed most of the force of the blast, saving his life.



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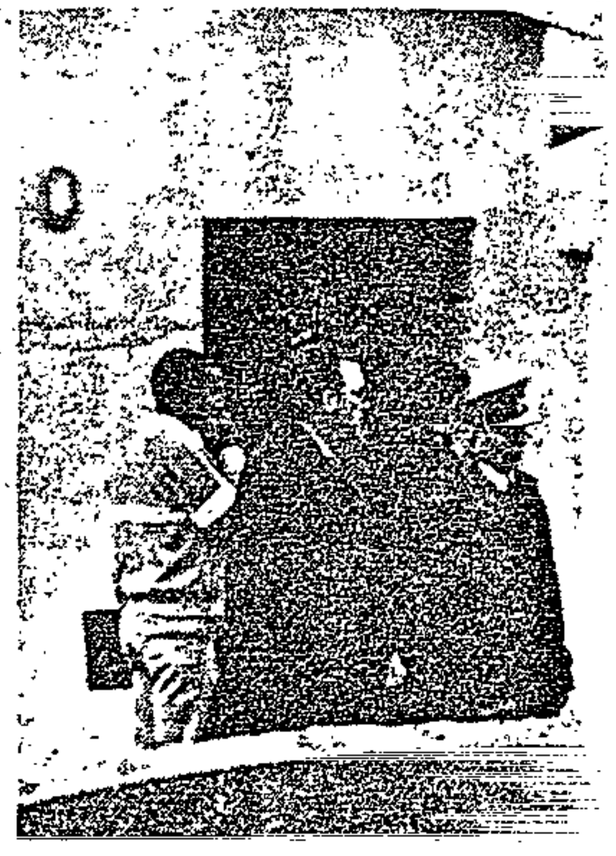
Mr Fred Peters



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In the bedroom close to the window through which the explosive device was thrown, bedding lay pitted, blackened and shredded.

Wife drags husband to neighbours — 'Please help me...'

Staff Reporter

MINUTES after the attack, a shocked Mrs Sylvia Landers dragged her semi-conscious and bleeding husband across the street to a neighbour's home and pleaded: "Please help me".

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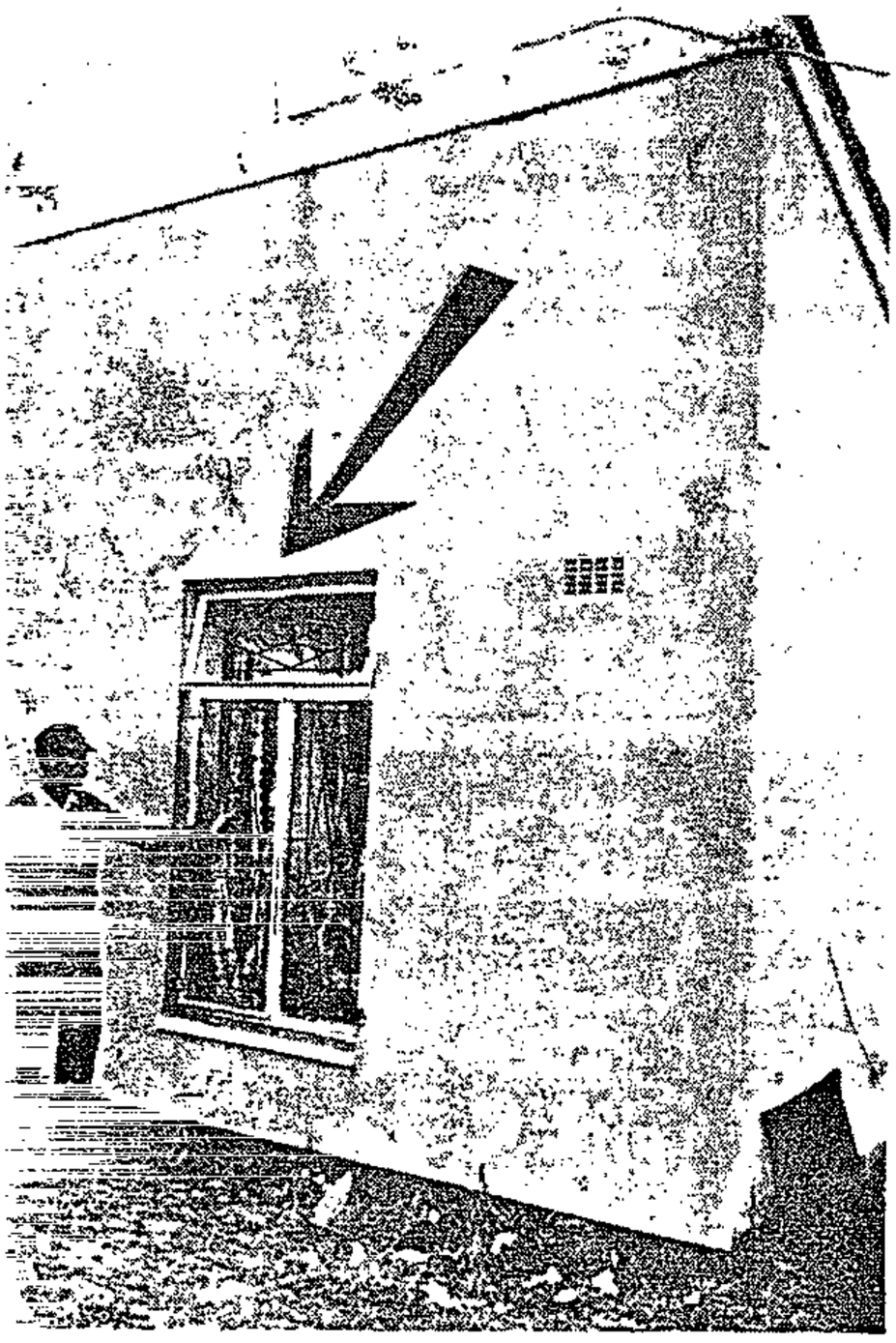

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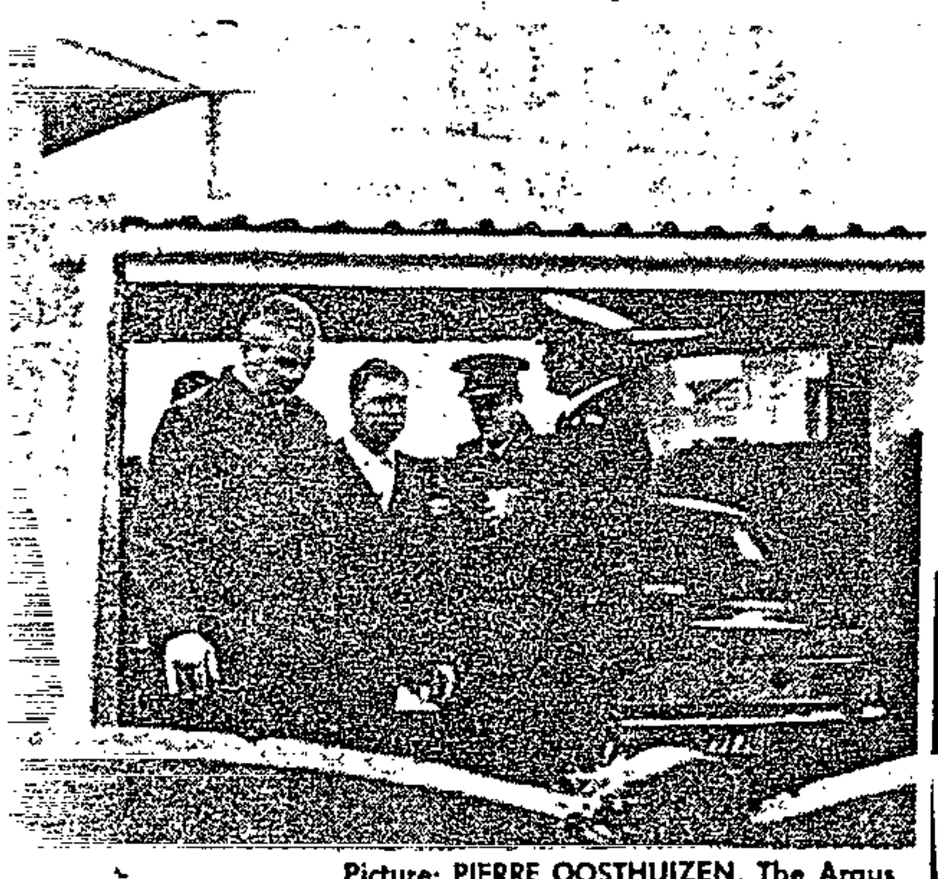

Picture: PIERRE OOSTHUIZEN, The Argus

er Mr Louis le Grange confers with top po- Fred Peters's Grassy Park home today.

Le Grange blames ANC

Staff Reporters

THE Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, said today he had no doubt that the African National Congress was responsible for the attacks.

At Mr Fred Peters's home in Grassy Park Mr le Grange said: "Two grenades of Russian origin were thrown into the house."

Accompanied by high-ranking police and security officers, he also visited the home of Mr Luwellyn Landers in Mitchell's Plain and inspected the devastated bedroom.

"It's shocking to think that public figures can be attacked in this way," he said.

"It was a premeditated murder attempt."

Mr le Grange said the attack showed what the police were up against, and "confirms our own evidence that we're not dealing with children's games here".

Asked whether he was satisfied with security measures at Mr Landers's house, Mr le Grange said: "There are security measures in force regarding ministers and deputy-ministers.

POLICE GUARDS

"However, we will be investigating these as a result of this incident. A statement will be issued later."

The Argus Political Correspondent reports that ministers and deputy-ministers have police guards at their homes. The coloured ministers live in a high-security block of flats in Rondebosch. Three villages for MPs from out of town are closely guarded.

Leaders of political parties were unanimous in their condemnation of the attacks.

Dr F van Zyl Slabbert, leader of the Progressive Federal Party, said he found this kind of action totally reprehensible and beneath contempt.

"No matter how strongly one may feel about another person's political opinions, South Africa cannot afford to let the law of the jungle and of terror settle such differences," he said.

Reports by Tos Wentzel, Gaye Davis, Sharkey Isaacs, Mark Stansfield, Dick Usher and Sybrand Mostert.

"I wish Mr Landers a speedy recovery and also wish to register my dismay and revulsion of such political action."

Mrs Helen Suzman, the party's spokesman on law and order, said the attacks were shocking.

"Nobody can condone this sort of terrible violence and it is no way to solve problems. It must be most vehemently condemned," she said.

RETALIATION

Mrs Suzman added that attacks of this nature would simply mean retaliation of some kind or another.

"We are entering a cycle of violence which can be broken only by dramatic action," she said.

Dr Andries Treurnicht, leader of the Conservative Party, said any such attack must be strongly condemned, no matter who was involved.

The Indian Minister of the Budget, Mr Boeti Abramjee, said the attacks were shocking. Injuring innocent people would never bring about change, he said.

Mr D de la Cruz, Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives, strongly condemned attacks on fellow members of Parliament.

He called on the State to take the strongest possible action to bring the terrorists to book and to take further steps to protect MPs.

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"I rushed to put on some clothes and when I got to my front door Mrs Landers was on the doorstep with Luwellyn.

"She said: 'Please help me'.

"He was conscious, but in pain. We laid him on the carpet in the lounge and covered him with a towel and a blanket.



Mr Reginald October

"His back was full of holes," Mr October said.

Mr October's wife, Hilary, said: "I was amazed at Sylvia's strength. She was deeply shocked but she knelt beside her husband telling him: 'Hold on, don't give up on me now'."

Shocked neighbours in Windsor Close, Portlands, Mitchell's Plain were awoken just after 2am today by the explosion. Some saw Mrs Landers carrying her husband across the road.

Many, still shocked by the incident, refused to identify themselves because they feared that the explosion had a political connotation and were scared of reprisals.

"You never know what can happen," one said.

A woman said a policeman had told her the explosion was caused by a grenade.

Most neighbours were shocked at the incident and described Mr Landers as a well-liked and hard-working member of the community.

MORE SECURITY

A neighbour living directly across the road from the Landers's house said Mrs Landers had come over to visit them yesterday afternoon.

She said she felt she and her husband should leave the neighbourhood because they needed more security.

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Out of danger

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Argus crime reporter Mark Stansfield reports that Mr Lander's mattress probably absorbed most of the force of the blast, saving his life.



Mr Fred Peters

In the bedroom close to the window through which the explosive device was thrown, bedding lay pitted, blackened and shredded.

A wall directly opposite the shattered window and about 5m away is pitted with craters, some more than 2cm deep.

The blast, at 2.15, awakened many neighbours.

Mr Peters said an explosion had awakened him and his wife Elaine about 2am. The blast damaged his lounge and furniture, but none of the five occupants was injured.

"My wife thought there were two explosions. She awakened shortly before me," he said.

Mr Peters, a Cape Corps sergeant in World War 2, said he recognised the smell of cordite and when he blew his nose he saw black cordite specks on his handkerchief.

He believed the blasts at his home had occurred almost simultaneously with the attack on Mr Landers's house.

Mrs Elaine Peters said she, her husband, two sons Peter and John, and grandson Terence George were asleep at the rear of the house when they were awakened by explosions at about 2 am.

It was a cowardly act

"At first we thought it was lightning, but then my son John came through and told us the house had been bombed," she said.

Neighbours said they had been awakened by the blasts but had not seen or heard anything else.

Mr Landers, 37, was appointed in President Botha's most recent executive shuffle.

UDF publicity secretary Ms Zo Kota said today the attacks on the two Labour Party MPs "arose directly out of the fundamental discontent that the new constitution is generating.

"Things are going to get worse unless the apartheid system is dismantled," she said.

Questioned, she said the UDF did not support violence but it could "understand the anger of the people.

"All peace loving people can avert the dark days that lie ahead if they commit themselves to dismantling apartheid."

Mr Hendrickse said it was a cowardly act to use instruments of violence to maim others. He was deeply thankful that it had largely failed.

"It is obvious that our participation in the structure is effective in that some people are seeing the result of this. This is why intimidation is being stepped up. This follows continued pressure on people not to participate."

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Call for safety to be reviewed after attack

By ANTHONY JOHNSON
Political Correspondent

THE bombings of the Cape Town homes of two Labour Party MPs met with unanimous condemnation in Parliament yesterday and led to a call for an urgent review of safety measures at MPs' homes.

It was understood last night that beefed-up security arrangements were already being investigated, and the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, could make an announcement in this regard when he speaks during the special debate on the Kannemeyer Commission Report today.

Most coloured politicians have in the past been opposed to the undue attention that would result from an overt police presence outside their homes, but MPs in the House of Representatives yesterday resolved not to be intimidated by the latest attacks.

Convey his sympathy

President P W Botha yesterday expressed his shock and regret at "the cowardly acts of terror" against the MP for Mitchells Plain and deputy minister-designate, Mr Luwellyn Landers, and the Labour Party's secretary and MP for Silvertown, Mr Fred Peters.

Mr Botha, who visited Mr Landers at Groote Schuur Hospital yesterday afternoon, earlier telephoned Labour Party leader the Rev Allan Hendrickse to convey his sympathy to two MPs and their families.

Mr Le Grange said in a statement that the "cowardly acts" on the homes of the politicians and the Langa police station "confirms the ANC's policy to eliminate civic and political leaders".

Mr Le Grange said the hand-grenades used in the attacks were manufactured in Russia, as was the limpet mine defused by police in a building adjacent to Langa police station.

He said he had "no doubt" that the attacks had been launched by the ANC but a group calling itself the Western Cape Suicide Squad yesterday claimed responsibility for the attack in a call to Sapa's Cape Town office.

The Minister of Justice, Mr Kobie Coetsee, said in the House of Assembly yesterday that it was appropriate that the entire House express its "absolute abhorrence" at the "despicable deeds" that had been perpetrated.

In the House of Representatives, Mr Hendrickse condemmned the "cowardly acts" that had been perpetrated by "forces of darkness" and resolved that Labour Party members would not allow grenade attacks to intimidate them or deter them from participation in the tri-cameral Parliament.

He expressed his party's "shock, outrage and condemnation" at and of those who resorted to violence against people they differed with politically.

The leader of the Democratic Workers Party, Mr Dennis de la Cruz, said such "callous, premeditated and barbaric acts of terrorism cannot be condoned" and called for a review of security measures at MPs' homes.

The leader of the Freedom Party, Mr Arthur Booysen, said the attack should be regarded as an assault on Parliament and the government and urged the government to do everything in its power "to outlaw these gangs of stealthy terrorists".

The leader of the Progressive Federal Party, Dr Van Zyl Slabbert, said the attack was "totally reprehensible and beneath contempt".

'Law of the jungle'

"No matter how strongly one may feel about another person's political opinions, South Africa cannot afford to let the law of the jungle and of terror settle such differences."

The PFP's spokeswoman on law and order, Mrs Helen Suzman, condemned the act and said "this sort of mindless violence — political or otherwise — can only further increase tension".

The leader of the Conservative Party, Dr Andries Treurnicht, said any such attack had to to strongly condemned, no matter who was involved

Possible shift in ANC strategy

Chief Reporter

IF the African National Congress was responsible for the early-morning attacks on the homes of Mr Luwellyn Landers and Mr Fred Peters, this could indicate a significant shift in ANC strategy in the Western Cape, in which till now the ANC has aimed at installations and "soft targets" rather than at people.

While ANC activity has been stepped up in other parts of the Republic, the Western Cape has been relatively free of attacks linked with them.

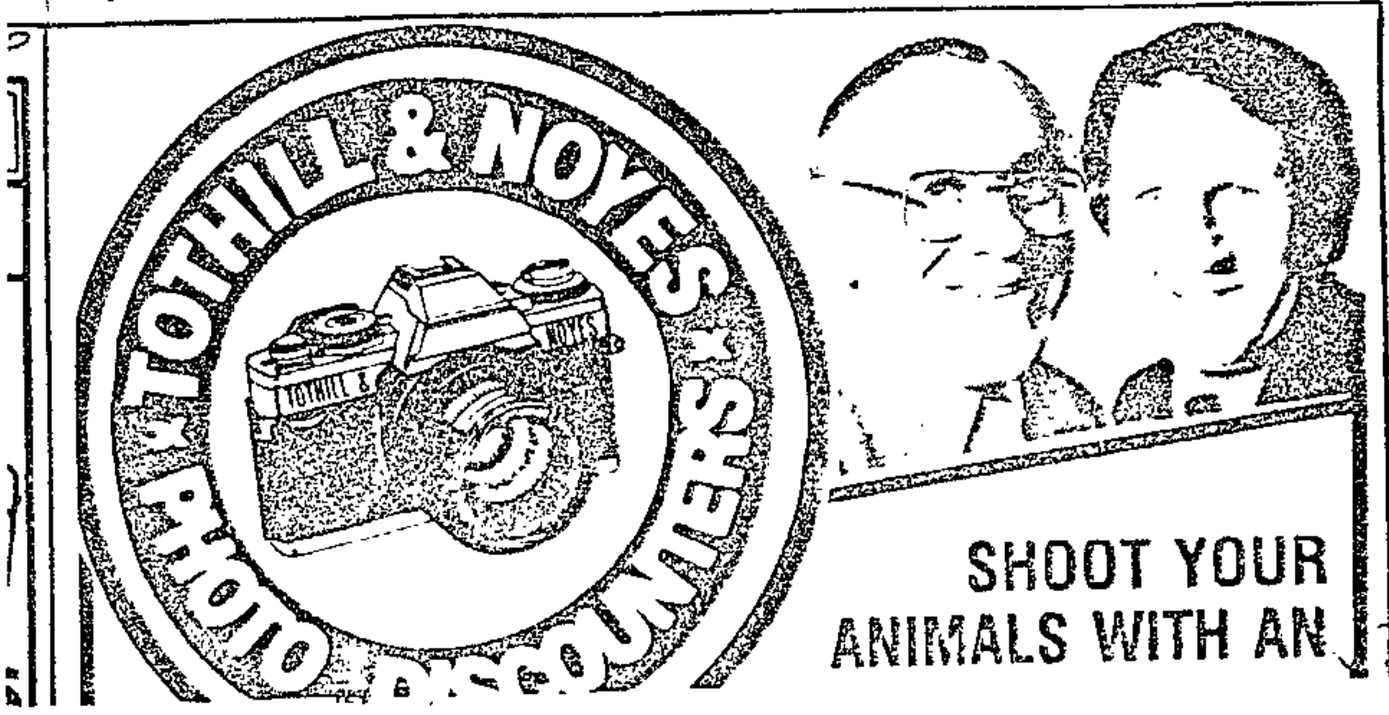
Confirmed or suspected ANC activity in the region has been sporadic.

● In January 1979 an unexploded bomb was found near Pierie railway station, and four months later a bomb exploded in a toilet in the Supreme Court building in Cape Town. A member of the ANC was subsequently convicted under the Terrorism Act and jailed for 20 years.

● About the same period, early-morning or weekend bomb blasts caused damage at the Langa Commissioner's Court building and at the Administration Board's offices in Observatory. The ANC was blamed in both cases.

● In December 1982, a series of four explosions rocked the Koeberg nuclear power station. The Koeberg blasts caused considerable damage but no one was injured. A subsequent ANC statement issued in Dar-es-Salaam claimed responsibility for planting limpet mines at the Koeberg plant.

● Those responsible for a blast in a lift in Cape Town Centre, which housed the President's Council at the time, in December 1982, have not been identified. A SA Defence Force spokesman denied at the time that there was an ANC link. The blast killed Mr Michael Younghusband, who was in the lift.



Top blacks on 'hit list of death'

From SOPHIE TEMA

JOHANNESBURG. — A black "hit squad" has been hired by a group of whites to eliminate members of the United Democratic Front and Azanian People's Organization, and prominent black leaders, it was alleged yesterday.

The "30-man hit-squad" had been paid a large sum of money and would be heavily armed. The killings were scheduled to be carried out between 4am yesterday and 6am on Sunday, June 16.

This was claimed at a press conference yesterday by a group of prominent black leaders whose names appeared on the "hit list".

No report made to police

However, a police spokesman said last night: "No such report has been made to us. We cannot investigate what has not been brought to our attention."

The statement at yesterday's press conference said: "The gang has been ordered to systematically remove the listed persons by kidnapping them on sight — four at a time — or kill or hold them hostage."

Those on the list include Nobel Peace Prize-winner and Bishop of Johannesburg, Bishop Desmond Tutu; the Rev Lebamang Sebidi, former member of the Committee of Ten; the Rev Frank Chikane, executive member of the UDF; Mrs Deborah Mabiletsa, housing organizer for the Urban Foundation; Ms Amanda Kwadi of the Federation of Transvaal Women; Mr Stan Kani, a black actor; Mr George Wauchope, an office-bearer in Azapo; Mr Percy Qoboza, associate editor of City Press; Mr Dave Niddrie, chief sub-editor of City Press; the Rev Joe Seyoka, vice-president of Azapo; Mr Saths Cooper, chairman of the National Forum Committee; Mr M Mthembu (not identified any further) and Mr Piroshaw Camay, general secretary of the Council of Unions of SA.

Speaking at Khotso House in Johannesburg yesterday, Mr Chikane said he and the other listed people had in their possession a document listing those to be eliminated.

"Investigations since Monday this week have disclosed that a plan is under way to get rid of us between now and June 16." Sunday is the ninth anniversary of the Soweto riots of 1976.

"But we have not been able to get hold of the names of the culprits."

He said his parents received a telephone call at 2am this week and a man, sounding like a white, warned that his house was to be bombed. He ascertained from others — now on the list — that they had received similar threats.

They then set up a committee to investigate the threats and had uncovered the concerted plot to kill them.

Mr Chikane said that some of the "hit men" were known to the committee and their names would be released at a later stage, along with the identities of those who had hired them. He said it had been decided to make the matter public in an effort to stop any possible attempts on their lives — keeping in mind the attacks were scheduled to begin yesterday.

"Apartheid mercenaries want it to appear as if the conflict between the UDF and Azapo — in which several members of both groups have either died or have been injured — could be linked to the plot."

Urgent security moves after grenade attacks on MPs' homes

Staff Reporters

URGENT attention is being given to security measures for senior Government representatives and members of Parliament following the grenade attacks on the homes of two MPs yesterday.

Mr Luwellyn Landers, MP for Mitchell's Plain and Deputy Minister-designate who was badly injured in a blast, was in satisfactory condition in Groote Schuur Hospital today after a restful night.

There were no police guards at either Mr Landers's Mitchell's Plain home or the Grassy Park home of Mr Fred Peters, Labour Party MP for Silvertown, when the almost simultaneous attacks were made.

Ministers

The Argus Political Correspondent reports that the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, gave an assurance today that security measures were being scrutinised.

He declined to give details of the measures as this would give information to anyone with a criminal or violent intent.

Mr Le Grange would not say whether armed guards would be provided at the homes of MPs. Apart from out-out-town parliamentarians, who live in closely-guarded villages, local MPs have not had guards at their homes.

Ministers and Deputy Ministers have guards at their residences.

Police headquarters in Pretoria refused to comment on whether Peninsula police had inside information before the attacks on the two homes and the Langa police station.

Roadblocks

Police roadblocks, set up on most routes leading to the Cape Flats on Tuesday night, were normal procedure and were carried out "from time to time", said Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, police liaison officer for the Peninsula.

Numerous roadblocks were operating on routes leading into the Peninsula from early on Tuesday evening.

Mr le Grange today dismissed an African National Congress denial that it had been responsible for the attacks. The attacks were typical of the methods of the ANC, which used Russian-made "instruments of murder" such as the grenades used to bomb the MPs' homes.

A spokesman for the Ministry of Law and Order has said that this claim was "not an assumption but was based on solid information".

The spokesman pointed out that Mr le Grange had recently announced that the police had information that the ANC had changed its policy from limiting its attacks to "hard" targets and was now prepared to attack "soft" civilian targets.

Unknown group

An unkown group called the Western Cape Suicide Squad claimed responsibility for the attacks.

A message telexed from the ANC's Lusaka office said that, "contrary to assertions" of ANC responsibility by Mr le Grange, the "suicide squad" had claimed responsibility.

Late yesterday, the Cape Town head of security police, Colonel E F Coetzee, said police were trying to establish whether the "Western Cape Suicide Squad" was known to the police.

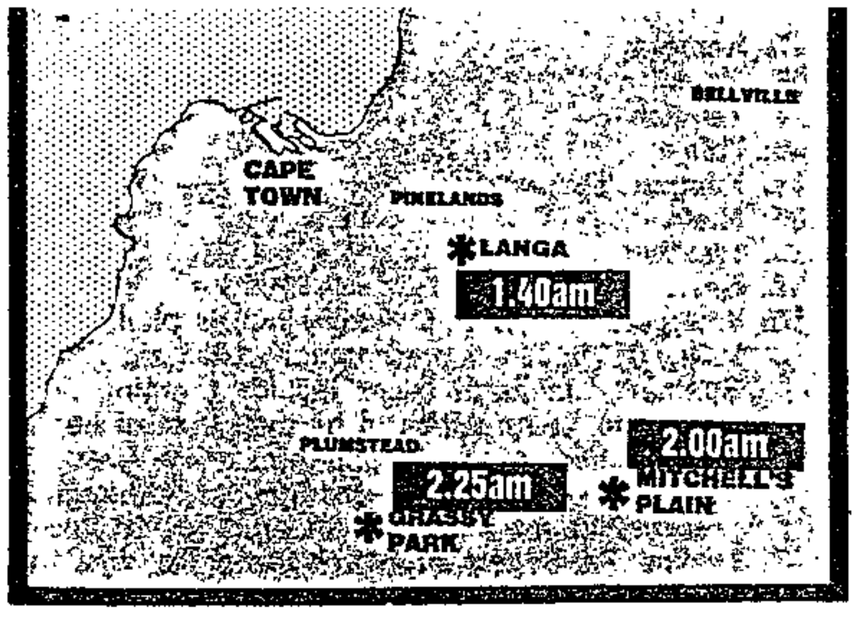
"To my knowledge they have never been heard of before," he said.

Arms cache

● Police have discovered a cache of Russian arms near Durban, the Public Relations Directorate in Pretoria disclosed today. It included limpet mines, RPG rockets and hand-grenades.

The Argus Correspondent in Johannesburg reports that a group of black "apartheid mercenaries" in the pay of unidentified whites is alleged to be planning to begin tonight to abduct political leaders in Soweto and Johannesburg.

Those on the alleged hit list include Bishop Desmond Tutu; United Democratic Front (UDF) treason trialist the Rev Frank Chikane; Azanian People's Organisation leaders Saths Cooper and George Wauchope; City Press editor Percy Qoboza, and women's activist Amanda Kwadi.



The graphic shows the sequence of events — according to police — in yesterday's hand-grenade attacks.



Mrs Elaine Peters, wife of Mr Fred Peters, says she woke up after hearing bangs and thought it was 'lightning'.



Mr Landers is in a "stable" condition after surgery.

Bombers esc

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By STEPHEN WROTTESLEY
Crime Reporter

A TEAM of terrorists who exploded hand-grenades in the homes of two leading coloured parliamentarians and at the Langa police station yesterday morning are believed to have slipped through a police dragnet thrown up around the Peninsula.

Mr Luwellyn Landers, the deputy minister-designate of Population Development, was wounded in the attack on his Mitchells Plain home and underwent emergency surgery at Groote Schuur Hospital.

Mr Landers, who was in a "stable" condition, was paid an eight-minute visit by the State President, Mr P W Botha, yesterday afternoon.

The well-briefed team of terrorists are believed to have moved from one target to the next with split-second timing.

The Grassy Park home of Mr Fred Peters, national secretary of the Labour Party and MP for Silvertown, was also bombed.

Road-blocks

Captain Jan Calitz, a police liaison officer for the region, said road-blocks had been set up around the Peninsula but no arrests had been made.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, said Russian equipment was used in the attacks and blamed the ANC. However, a person claiming to be a member of the "Western Cape Suicide Squad" telephoned the South African Press Association and claimed responsibility.

Police spokesmen said they had never heard of the squad before but an expert on terrorism said that after previous attacks, an organization calling itself the Soweto Suicide Squad had claimed responsibility.

Mr Landers's home was bombed less than two weeks after it was announced that he was to be appointed a deputy minister from July 1.

Disquiet was expressed over the fact that the MPs had not had armed guards.

The bombers must have been well briefed on their attack points and must have moved with great speed if only one group was responsible for all three attacks.

The expert said the bombing "was a major propaganda win".

The attack on the Langa police station occurred at 1.40am, according to a spokeman for the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria. The attack on the home of Mr Landers took place about 2am and the attack in Grassy Park — an 18-minute drive away — at 2.25am.

The police spokesman said a grenade was thrown on to the roof of the Langa police station and that it caused minimal damage when it exploded. About three hours later, a limpet mine was found attached to the building and was defused.

The chairman of the Mitchells Plain Ratepayers' Association, Mr Stan Fisher, said Mr Landers was injured in the back and buttock by shrapnel when a grenade was hurled into the room in which he was sleeping with his wife, Sylvia. They were alone at home at the time.

It would appear from the nature of Mr Landers's wounds that he was sleeping with his back to the window.

The blast was so severe that it twisted window handles and pock-marked a wall some distance away. In the back garden yesterday, glass lay littered around the window amidst shredded copies of newspaper cuttings.

The bombs thrown at the Peters home in Seventh Avenue, Grassy Park, badly damaged the contents of the sitting room, but did not do much structural damage.

Mrs Elaine Peters said she was sleeping with her husband in a room at the back of the house when the grenades exploded.

"I thought it was lightning. But then my son John went to investigate and discovered what had happened," she said.

Police cordoned off the area and are understood to have found footprints in the mud on a pathway across the road.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, who visited the bombing sites with the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, and the Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Western Cape, Brigadier G J Odendaal, said he believed the ANC was responsible for the attacks.

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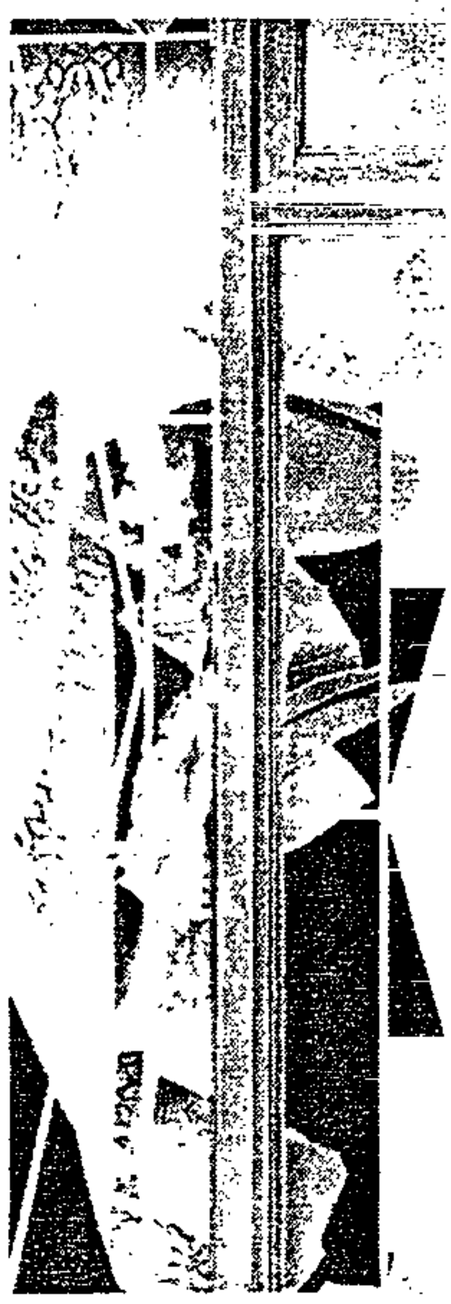
ANC 'not responsible'

LUSAKA. — The African National Congress said last night it had had no contact with the "Western Cape Suicide Squad" which claimed responsibility for attacks on two politicians. An ANC spokesman rejected a statement by Mr Le Grange that the ANC was responsible for the attacks. — Sapa-Reuter



Detectives examine th grenades thrown int



Mr Fred Peters



Terence George, the 15-year-old grandson of Mr Fred Peters who lives at the Peters family home, slept through the attack.



President P W Botha and the Minister of Communication and Public Works, Dr L A P A Munnik, leave Groote Schuur Hospital after visiting Mr Landers. With them is the chief matron, Miss L J du Preez.

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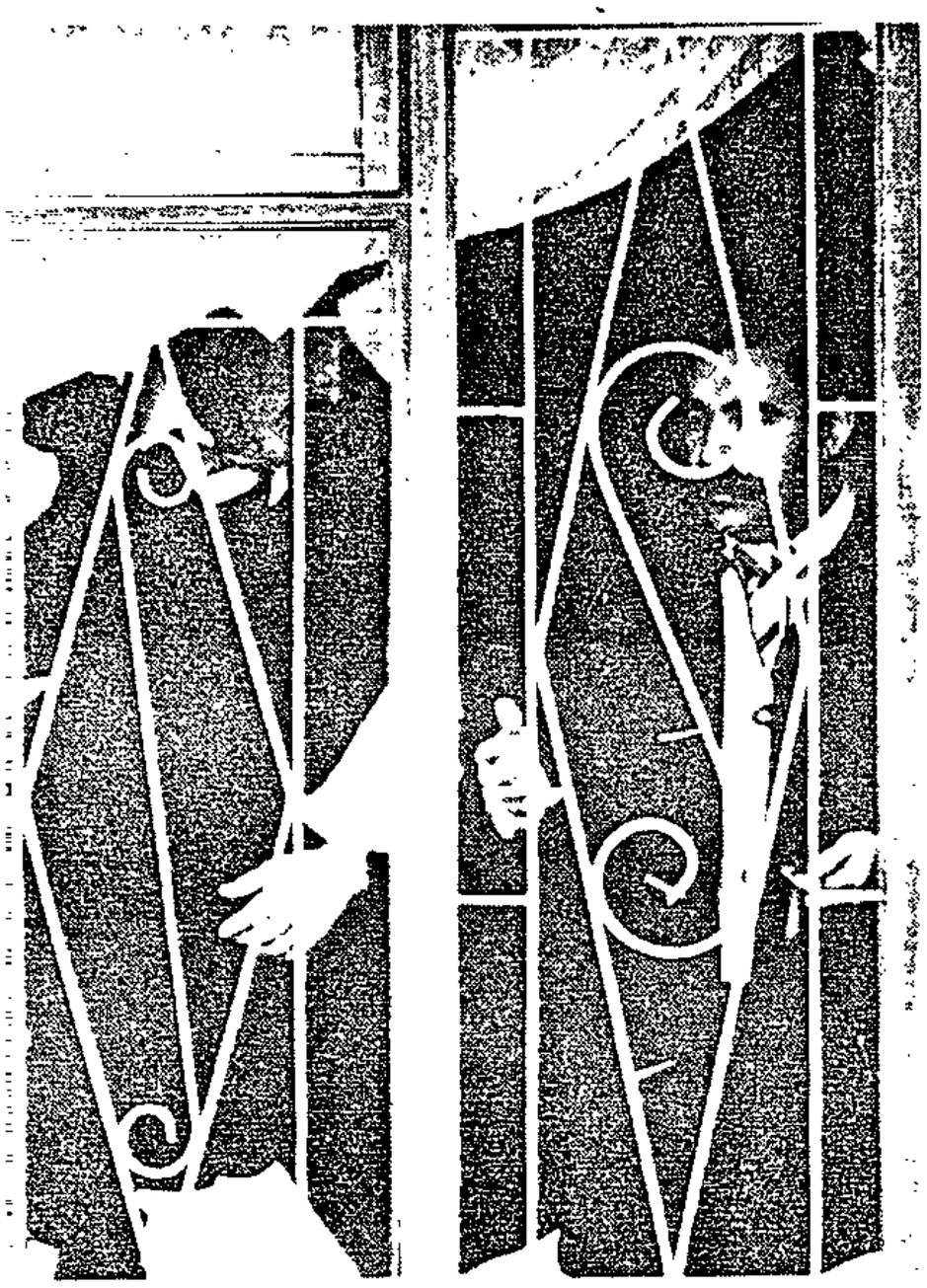

the debris and damage caused by the hand- into the Grassy Park home of Mr Fred Peters.



The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, leaves the home of Mr Fred Peters after visiting the scene of the attack yesterday.

Politicians can expect attacks — LP

By EBRAHIM MOOSA

'IF one is in this game (politics) you can expect things like this" was the reaction of Mr Fred Peters, the Labour Party's secretary whose Grassy Park home was the target of a grenade attack early yesterday morning.

"I feel bad about it but it only encourages me to fight for the community," he said yesterday afternoon.

Mr Peters said he heard an explosion about 2am yesterday. He recognized the odour of cordite and his army experience led him to the conclusion that the explosion had been caused by a bomb.

Police found two exploded grenades in the dining room of his Seventh Avenue residence in Grassy Park.

Mr Peters said he could not say who was responsible for the attack. He said it was similar to the one on the home of Mr Luwellyn Landers (LP Mitchells Plain).

Asked if he was shocked and upset by the incident, he said: "I am used to these things for years ago I was in the army.

"My family is taking it very well," he said, adding that he was thankful that no one had been hurt.

He said the whole dining room was damaged and everything had to be replaced. Describing the destruction, he said: "It was as if the whole room was machine-gunned."

No estimate of the damage had been made yet, he said.

Mr Peters was back on duty at Parliament yesterday, but left early in the afternoon. He said he would attend today's proceedings.

He confirmed that a police guard had been set up at his home.

FOCUS ON TOWNSHIP UNREST

Missing: The list grows longer



Drawing: CARL BECKER

Own Corespondent: East London

THE mysterious disappearance of three Port Elizabeth civic leaders who vanished while travelling to collect a person from the airport on May 8 is the latest and most dramatic addition to the growing list of missing persons in the Eastern Cape.

Prominence has been given to the more than 20 people who were unnaccounted for after the police shot dead 20 people in Langa, Uitenhage, on the anniversary of Sharpeville in March.

But hundreds of people have been reported missing since the beginning of the year.

The long search for two Uitenhage residents who disappeared on March 8 ended more than two months later on May 15 when their families discovered the well-preserved body of Mthuthuzeli Mlilwane, 30, and that of 15-year-old Thebisile Nenga in Port Elizabeth's New Brighton mortuary.

Relatives had combed police cells, mortuaries and hospitals in Uitenhage, Humansdorp, Jeffrey's Bay, Kirkwood and Port Elizabeth for months prior to the discovery.

According to records of the Uitenhage legal advice office, relatives of 15 other people are still continuing their search.

In their search for seven children from Uitenhage's KwaNobuhle township, residents, led by Molly Blackburn, the PFP MPC for Walmer, happened upon a young man allegedly shackled to a table being beaten by police.

Blackburn said there had been no records of the 18-year-old Norman Kona at the police station.

Last month, 47 child-sized coffins and three adult coffins were seer being buried under a police guard in Zwide cemetary.

A private white firm of undertakers said they had been instructed to carry out a pauper's burial and had requested police protection, but suspicions have not been completely allayed.

The search for the missing Port Elizabeth Black Civic Association (Pebco) leaders has also revived the memory of Siphiwo Mtimkulu, who was 28 years old when he went missing in 1981.

Mtimkulu - who collapsed shortly after being released from six months of detention and was found to have been poisoned by thalium, which is banned in South Africa — went missing shortly after he had instructed lawyers to sue for R150 000 damages.

Brian Bishop, chairman of the Cape Town-based Civil Rights League, which has offered a reward of R1 000 for the missing Pebco three, said he had offered the same reward for information which helped establish the whereabouts of Mtimkulu. He believed the reward was offered too late to save Mtimkulu.

"We will not be surprised if solving the problem of the missing Pebco men also solves the mystery surrounding Mtimkulu's disappearance," Bishop said.

The Pebco three were last seen at about 7.30pm at a police roadblock at one of the exits from the New Brighton township.

And, according to two members of the Congress of SA Students who were detained at the Baakens Street Police Station in the centre of Port Elizabeth, they were subsequently seen in the police station.

Police have repeatedly denied that Qoqawuli Godolozi, Pebco's president, Sipho Hashe, Pebco's general secretary, and Champion Galela, the organising secretary, have been detained.

The mysterious disappearances were preceded by petrol bomb attacks, which were seen by the organisation as assasination attempts.

In the small hours of March 19, petrol bombs were flung at Mr Hashe's New Brighton home. Shortly afterwards, another petrol bomb which did not ignite was thrown at the New Brighton home of Pebco's organising secretary, Earnest Malgas.

When the search by families, lawyers and associates failed to bear fruit, and in the face of repeated denials from police that the men were in custody, the family of Hashe made a Supreme Court application calling for the Divisional Commissioner of Police and the Minister of Law and Order to produce his body.

The case was dismissed with costs when Judge Zietsman found there was not enough evidence to substantiate the application.

Phumeze Hashe, Hashe's daugher, testified in an affidavit that during her 11-month detention in solitary confinement, security police had told her on two different occasions that her father was the cause of the unrest in the Eastern Cape.

One of the policemen had said her father was inviting problems for himself and that he was going to get what he was asking for. The day after her father's disappearance, her home was surrounded by policemen, two shots were fired, the house was raided, furniture was broken and people in the house were arrested.

In a replying affidavit, the Divisional Commissioner of the Eastern Cape, Brigadier C A Swart, said he had contacted all police stations under his control and had received written proof that Hashe had not been arrested or detained in his area.

The head of the Port Elizabeth Security Police, Colonel Harold Snyman, said while his division had taken an interest in Hashe and his family because they were political activists, Hashe was not in their custody.

Snyman referred to the feuding between the UDF and Azanian People's Organisation and said there was a possibility, if not a probability, that Hashe may have been abducted by Azapo and killed.

The judge said the allegations by Hashe's family were unfounded. He said it seemed very little had been done to ascertain whether Hashe was in police custody.

Henry Fassi, Pebco's vice-president, disputed claims that Azapo had any involvement in the disappearance of the three.

Meanwhile, relatives of the missing men have vowed not to give up their search until the men are found — dead or alive.

Explosion at house in New Crossroads

Crime Reporter

THE home of a prominent New Crossroads resident was damaged today in an explosion believed to have been caused by a grenade.

Police said the blast shattered windows and pitted the walls of the house.

To safeguard the intended victim, his name and address would not be released, said Captain Jan Calitz, police liaison officer.

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The explosion happened soon after midnight and left a gaping hole in the back yard of the house.

The resident, who woke up when the charge went off, told police the windows in the bathroom and kitchen were shattered by the blast.

"The man did not investigate until later this morning, when he discovered the hole and the marks in the walls," Captain Calitz said.

Landers tells of grenade attack

Crime Reporter

THE life of Mr Luwellyn Landers, Deputy Minister-designate of Population Development, might have been saved by his mattress and his duvet.

Mr Landers, who is also the Labour Party MP for Mitchells Plain, was injured during a hand-grenade attack on his home about 2am on Wednesday morning. The attack, one of three in the space of an hour, severely damaged his bedroom.

Yesterday Mr Landers spoke to the press from his hospital room at Groote Schuur. Journalists were escorted to the private suite by "control officers".

Present during the press conference were Mr Landers's wife, Sylvia, his father, Mr Harry Landers, who had flown to Cape Town from Durban, and the Rev Allan Hendrickse, leader of the Labour Party.

Mr Landers said he was feeling very tired but was not in much pain from the shrapnel that struck him.

He said he was sleeping with his back to the window when the hand grenade was thrown in. He was first aware of glass breaking and then the "bomb" exploding.

He said he pushed his wife off the bed and then rolled over, landing on the floor on his knees.

The bedroom door had been jammed shut by the blast and his wife had to break out of the room. Mrs Landers went to a neighbour's home for help and then returned to "half drag" him to the house across the road.

Asked whether his mattress had saved him from the full force of the blast, Mr Landers said he slept covered with a duvet and this, too, could have saved him.

He was not prepared to comment on security precautions before the blast or whether he would move back into his home when discharged from hospital.

Mr Landers said the attack had proved "what we are doing is successful. It let us know that the radical left or right has admitted to losing the fight and we are winning. Am I deterred? No way, I am more determined than ever".

ANC has suicide squads, say police

POLICE said yesterday that no arrests had yet been made in connection with the hand-grenade attacks on the homes of Labour Party leaders Mr Luwellyn Landers and Mr Fred Peters on Wednesday or the attack on the Langa police station.

Spokesmen were not prepared to say how investigations were progressing.

At the same time the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, rejected the possibility that any organization other than the ANC was responsible for the attacks.

Shortly after the attacks, Mr Le Grange accused the ANC. However, an ANC statement from Lusaka denied responsibility.

Nevertheless, in a subsequent statement, a spokesman for Mr Le Grange said: "The claims of a so-called suicide squad which were made to Sapa yesterday are not in the least surprising because it is a known fact that the ANC has so-called suicide squads."

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Home damaged by grenade

By STEPHEN WROTTESLEY
Crime Reporter

THE home of a man, believed to be a prominent member of the New Crossroads community, was damaged by a hand-grenade yesterday in the latest attack on non-white leaders in the Cape.

Police were not prepared to identify the victim of the attack but the Rev Allan Hendrickse, leader of the Labour Party, said in a statement that he was a Mr John Belise.

The grenade attack came two days after the blasts at the homes of two Labour Party leaders, Mr Luwellyn Landers and Mr Fred Peters.

Police said they were not prepared to identify the latest victim as he had been attacked in the past and they did not want to label him as a target for future attacks.

"His name is being held for security reasons," Captain Jan Calitz, a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, said yesterday afternoon.

Police did not disclose details of the attack for several hours after it occurred and it was not mentioned at a routine daily conference with journalists yesterday morning.

Yesterday afternoon Captain Calitz said that soon after midnight, a resident at New Crossroads heard a blast followed by the breaking of glass.

He thought it was youngsters misbehaving and did not investigate.

Later in the day when he went into the backyard, he found extensive damage. Police believe the damage was caused by a hand-grenade.

No claims

Captain Calitz said no one had claimed responsibility for the blast and could not say whether the hand-grenade was of Russian orign. This was the case in the attack on Mr Landers home and the blast at the Langa police station early on Wednesday morning.

The captain also confirmed that police roadblocks were placed around the Peninsula yesterday. He said they were part of a "normal crime-prevention exercise that had been put into motion in part because of the recent attacks"..

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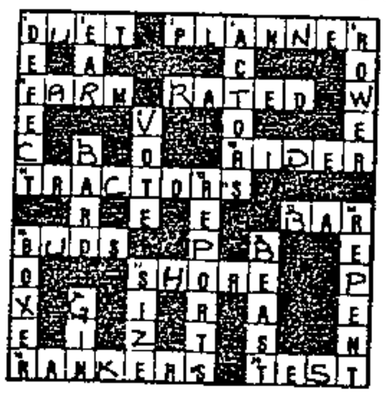

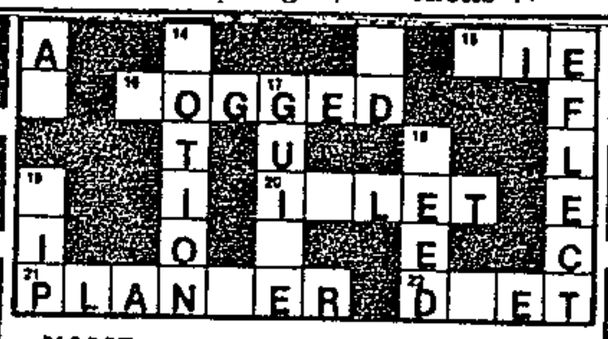

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Police defuse two limpet mines at East London hotel

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By PETER FABRICIUS,
Weekend Argus Reporter

EAST LONDON police bomb-disposal experts today neutralised two limpet mines placed in a beachfront tourist hotel.

The night manager of the three-star Kings Hotel, Mr C Kruger, discovered the two loaf-shaped mines on top of a low wall in the back yard of the Kings Hotel at 3.15am, the hotel owner, Mr Norbert Baumker, said.

"He contacted me and the local police, who were here within two minutes. The area was cordoned off and the guests and staff evacuated in little more than five minutes," Mr Baumker said.

"We have an emergency procedure which we practise often. At no stage was anyone in any danger.

● The home of the Mayor of Langa, Mr Roland Njoli, was damaged early today by a grenade thrown at his house. The blast pitted the wall and shattered windows. Mr Njoli was not injured. His home is about 500m from the Langa police station.

Call for extra

protection after grenade attacks

MPs

buy guns

w/e Argus 15/6/85

PETER FABRICIUS
Weekend Argus Reporter

MOST MPs in the Houses of Representatives and Delegates have bought guns and are taking weekly shooting lessons given by instructors of the Cape Corps.

"A number of parliamentarians decided that this could assist in their security," the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives, Mr Dennis de la Cruz, said this week.

Mr de la Cruz said the gun lessons began a few months ago after MPs met the police to review security. The MPs were represented by Dr Ismail Essop, Labour MP for Griqualand West, who is a Springbok pistol shottist.

"Dr Essop arranged a one-day seminar at the SAP shooting range where they showed us how a few different pistols worked and we then fired a little. Most of the MPs went."

Dr Essop said the MPs had been meeting every week for training and practice. Most were using 9mm parabellum pistols.

School cadets

"There already was a gun club for the House of Assembly and as parliamentarians we had the right to join," Dr Essop said.

"Most MPs are businessmen and already had guns for protection but they didn't know how to use them properly. Whereas many whites have several guns and have handled them since they were school cadets, non-whites were not allowed to own guns until recently."

Dr Essop is the official Griqualand West representative on the SA Pistol Association and chairman of the all-race Northern Cape Shooting Union. He has been a Springbok shottist since 1981.

"There are people who say we are taking these lessons because we are panicking. But there is no panic among MPs.

"What happened this week proves me are on the right track. They would only attack something that is strong, that is succeeding."

Guard

Police have placed a dusk-to-dawn guard at the Grassy Park home of Mr de la Cruz.

He requested protection after this week's hand-grenade attacks on his fellow parliamentarians, Mr Luwellyn Landers and Mr Fred Peters.

"As the Leader of the Opposition I am a prime target," he said. "I live a few hundred metres from Mr Peters."

'Hit squad' ready to shoot activists on sight

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They're on the hit list



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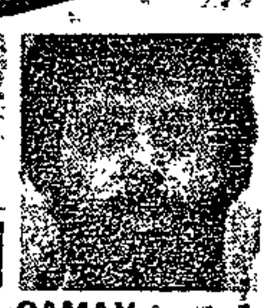

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By MUDHINI MAIVHA

SEVERAL OPPONENTS of apartheid — many of them members of the United Democratic Front, the Azanian People's Organisation and the trade union movement — have been threatened with "elimination" between Wednesday and Sunday, the ninth anniversary of the June 16 uprisings.

Heading the list is Johannesburg's Anglican Bishop, Nobel winner Desmond Tutu.

Others are Reverend Lebamang Sebidi, who is on a committee of clerics trying to restore peace between clashing political organisations, UDF publicity secretary Terror Lekota, who is charged with high treason; National Forum convenor Saths Cooper; Urban Foundation official Deborah Mabiletsa; Cusa general secretary Piroshaw Camay; Fedsaw executive member Amandi Kwadi; Azapo Transvaal vice president George Wauchope; Azapo member Kehla Mthembu; UDF Transvaal vice president Rev Frank Chikane; Azapo deputy president Rev Joe Seoka; City Press associate editor Percy Qoboza; City Press chief subeditor David Niddrie; and Funda Centre director Stan Khan.

There is no apparent motive behind the alleged death threats and little evidence to indicate which elements were responsible because investigations on the matter were not yet complete, according to some of those whose lives have been threatened.

At a Press conference at Khotso House this week they said a gang of 30 black men had been paid large sums of money to accomplish the "mission".

Replying to questions, Mr Qoboza said: "When people go crazy it is difficult to identify the motive. Who would like to kill a nice person like me?"

The men said they had not reported the matter to the police, but had taken protection measures of their own. Mr Chikane said they were depending on "peace-loving South Africans to help us". They had also organised patrols near and around the houses of the listed men.

Mr Chikane said the information they had gathered revealed that:

- There is a group of whites who have employed 30 blacks to kill the group on the list.
- The squad is rehearsing regularly for the mission.
- Despite the above-mentioned list, there were other whites in Johannesburg who were also on a hit list.
- The listed men and women would be shot on sight or disappear at the rate of four a night until June 16.

Grenade attack — two men detained

Crime Reporter

SECURITY police have detained two men for questioning following the grenade attack on the home of a prominent Nyanga resident

And they have cleared a wounded man who was detained following a shoot-out shortly after the blast.

A 22-year-old man was detained shortly after the blast on Saturday evening.

Security police detained a third man aged 23 about 1am on Sunday, said Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, Peninsula police liaison officer.

Suspicion

The wounded man, who had been under police guard in Tygerberg hospital since Saturday, was questioned early today and cleared because of insufficient evidence to connect him with the grenade attack on the Nyanga East home of the Cape Town Community Council vice-chairman, Mrs Elfie Shwabane, said a Pretoria police spokesman.

He said: "The man was detained on suspicion of creating public violence but there is insufficient evidence against him and he has been released."

A chance encounter between a police patrol and three men, soon after the grenade blast rocked Mrs Shwabane's home, led to a shoot-out in Nyanga East and the wounding of the man on Saturday evening.

The police spokesman said he may have been the victim of a stray bullet because he lives close to Mrs Shwabane's house.

Two other men in the vicinity escaped.

Extensive

Police said they hoped the two detained men could assist their investigations into a suspected terror gang believed responsible for a spate of grenade attacks in the area.

Early on Saturday a grenade caused extensive damage to the home of Mr Roland Njoli, chairman of the Cape Town Community Council.

Mr Njoli said he suspected "people apposed to the community council system" of being responsible for the 5am grenade blast.

The similarities in the five grenade attacks carried out on the homes of two parliamentarians, a police station and the homes of Mr Njoli and Mrs Shwabane last week had led police to believe that the same team of attackers were responsible, said a Pretoria police spokesman.

Arrest

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attack

AN injured man under guard in Tygerberg Hospital may proyide police in the Western Cape with a vital breakthrough in their investigation of a suspected terror cell responsible for hand-grenade attacks in Cape Town during the past week.

The unidentified 22-year-old was shot and wounded in Nyanga at the weekend following a chance encounter between a police patrol and three men believed to be responsible for a hand-grenade attack on the home of Cape Town Community Council vice-chairman Mrs Elfie Shwabane, of Nyanga.

The incident follows the hand-grenade attacks on the homes of the Deputy Minister-designate of Population Development, Mr Luwellyn Landers, in Mitchells Plain, the Labour Party secretary and MP for Silvertown, Mr Fred Peters, in Grassy Park, the Langa police station and the home of Cape Town Community Council chairman Mr Roland Njoli.

The incident occurred on Saturday morning when a police patrol encountered three men believed to be engaged in the attack on Mrs Shwabane's Nyanga East home.



Foreign newsmen wear gas masks as police teargas crowds in Soweto.

One man was wounded and arrested and police fired shots at two other men who got away.

The wounded man is reported to be in a satisfactory condition, a police spokesman said last night.

No one was injured in the house and it was not badly damaged when one grenade exploded outside.

An unexploded grenade was found in the veld next to Mrs Shwabane's house.

● Meanwhile, two services commemorating the ninth anniversary of the start of massive rioting which erupted in Soweto on June 16 were held yesterday in Hazendal and Wittebome.

The rioting which flared in Soweto in 1976 later spread around the country. During the following eight months, at least 575 people died in riotous incidents, according to the Cillie Commission, and more than 250 of the deaths occurred in Soweto.

The situation in Cape Town yesterday was quiet with no reported incidents and minimum police presence.

However, other parts of the country were not as peaceful with three bombs exploding in the Durban area and one in a Port Elizabeth township.

And in Soweto police used tearsmoke and sneeze machines to disperse more than 1 000 people after a church service attended by 6 000 people at the Regina Mundi Catholic Church. No one was injured.

Bishop Desmond Tutu, Anglican Bishop of Johannesburg, and Dr Nthatho Motlana, head of Soweto's Committee of 10, were among speakers who addressed the crowd attending the service.

● A bomb blast shattered a window and damaged the gate of a home in Ferguson Street, New Brighton, Port Elizabeth, yesterday morning.

A window of an adjoining house was also shattered in the blast, but no one was injured.

Lieutenant-Colonel G Van Rooyen, police liaison officer for the Western Cape, said the house belonged to Mr Bigboy Douse, a lorry driver, who was not at home at the time. He said Mr Douse was not affiliated to any political organization.

In East London a duty manager, Mr Christo Kruger, averted a possible tragedy when he found two limpet mines planted outside the King's Hotel where more than 400 patrons had wined and dined earlier in the night.

Other incidents of unrest in the Eastern Cape were reported in Fort Beaufort and Bongweni, near Cookhouse. No one was injured.

● Two bombs — about 20 minutes apart — rocked KwaZulu police buildings still under construction in Umlazi last night, bringing to three the number of explosions yesterday in the Durban area apparently

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connected with the anniversary of the 1976 Soweto riots.

Police said the first bomb went off about 9pm at the construction site of the new KwaZulu police offices, which are next to the main Umlazi police station.

Before bomb experts could get in to investigate the first explosion, a second bomb went off at 9.25pm. Damage was slight.

Earlier, about 4am, a powerful explosion rocked the offices of the Natalia Development Board in Lamontville near Durban.

Nobody was hurt in the blast which ripped a hole in an office roof, broke several windows and damaged part of a wall.

There were also sporadic incidents of stone-throwing and other unrest in Durban's black townships but there were no reports of serious injuries.

● In a separate incident yesterday, a number of youths were injured by birdshot when Alexandra Town Council police opened fire on a chanting crowd returning from a commemoration service at the Nobuble Hall in the township.

Late yesterday it was not possible to establish how many people had been injured. Steven Radebe, 17, of Second Avenue, was treated at the Alexandra Clinic for birdshot wounds in the face, hand and body.

Last night some police vehicles patrolled the streets while others guarded the homes of several councillors.

Earlier, the meeting heard Mr Azhar Cachalia, the UDF national treasurer, say an increasing number of people were paying the "supreme sacrifice" in the fight against an oppressive government.

He also said that "the murder of our people in Botswana is not only the responsibility of the South African Government and its arm, the SADF, but also of Rajbansi and Hendrickse".

● A youth was shot dead and another was arrested when mobs stoned the home of the Mayor of Daveyton on the East Rand yesterday afternoon, police said last night.

A policeman and two Administration Board officials, who were guarding the house, had opened fire on the youths, a police spokesman said.

● Lebowa police yesterday dispersed a crowd of 2 000 people in Seshego, Pietersburg, when they marched in the streets in protest against the banning of a commemoration service for the 1976 riots.

Three children were arrested and an executive member of the Seshego Action Committee, Mr Phokela Rasethaba, was arrested and later released. — Staff Reporter, Own Correspondent and Sapa

Grenade attacks: Two men freed

CAPE Times 18/6/85

Crime Reporter

TWO men held in connection with hand-grenade attacks in the Peninsula in the past week have been released from police custody.

A third man is still being detained in terms of the Terrorism Act in connection with the blasts.

Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, declined to name the men yesterday.

He said said one of the men, detained on Sunday following an explosion in Nyanga, was released yesterday. The other, wounded in police follow-up operations after the blast, was released on Sunday. He declined to name either of the men or to say how one of them was wounded.

The detentions took place after the blasts last week at the Langa police station, the home of Mr Luwellyn Landers, a Deputy Minister-designate, the home of Mr Fred Peters, a Labour Party MP, and the homes of various local black leaders.

On Sunday police said that a wounded man had been found at a home in Nyanga after shots were fired following an expolsion near the home of Cape Town Community Council vice-chairman, Mrs Elfie Shwabane.

Man dies after shack shooting

Cape Times 19/6/85

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Staff Reporter

A 22-YEAR-OLD Nyanga man who was shot in an incident following a hand-grenade attack on a community council vice-chairman early on Sunday morning, died in Tygerberg Hospital yesterday.

Mr Dumisani Ntlangeni, of E11 27, Nyanga, was asleep in a shack at the back of his parents' house when he was shot in the arm, leg and chest.

The shooting followed a hand-grenade attack on the home of the Cape Town Community Council vice-chairman, Mrs Elfie Schwabane, of Nyanga.

The brother of the dead man, Mr Mpumelelo Ntlangeni, who was also sleeping in the shack, told the United Democratic Front's Western Cape branch yesterday afternoon that bullets had come through the shack and wounded his brother about 3am on Sunday.

He said policemen had entered the shack and had taken his brother to Tygerberg Hospital where he was kept under police guard.

A spokesman for the hospital confirmed last night that Mr Ntlangeni died at 10am yesterday. The spokesman said the patient was a "police case" and would give no details of the cause of his death.

The UDF were also told that at the time of the incident the parents of Mr Ntlangeni had woken their neighbours and asked for assistance. The neighbours' 19-year-old son, Mr Rooi Ntlondi, went to the shack to see what was going on.

Mr Ntlondi said policemen at the shack beat him up. He ran back to his home but they followed him and beat him up again. They also beat up his brother Vuyani and his girlfriend. The police took all three of them to the police station.

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, confirmed last night that a 22-year-old man had been shot where he was lying in a house near where the hand-grenade attack took place.

He said the man was seriously wounded and was taken to Tygerberg Hospital.

Investigation

Lieutenant Laubscher could not say whether police were responsible for the shooting.

Mr Ntlangeni was not arrested and "later on we found he had nothing to do with the (hand-grenade) incident".

Lieutenant Laubscher declined to comment on allegations that neighbours had been beaten up by police and taken to the police station.

"We are investigating and that includes everything," he said.

Man shot after blast dies in hospital

Crime Reporter

A 22-year-old Nyanga man, found wounded in bed soon after Sunday's grenade attack on the home of Community Council vice-chairman Mrs Elfie Shwabane, has died.

Police said Mr Dumisani Ntlangeni, of E11 27, Nyanga, was detained for questioning afer the grenade blast early on Sunday. He was believed to have been wounded by stray bullets fired at three men who fled the scene of the blast, said Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, police liaison officer.

Mr Ntlangeni was detained in hospital for questioning in connection with the grenade attack but was cleared on Monday.

POLICE SEARCH

It is now believed that Mr Ntlangeni was wounded while lying in bed at home. He was found during a police search of houses near the blast, said Lieutenant Laubscher.

"Although Mr Ntlangeni was detained for questioning in connection with the grenade attack, police were satisfied with his explanation," he said.

Mr Ntlangeni died of his wounds in Tygerberg Hospital yesterday.

He was wounded in the right forearm and upper left leg.

Security police detained two other people in connection with the blast. Both were released, one on Monday and the other late yesterday, said Lieutenant Laubscher.

He declined to say whether police had found bullet holes in the walls of Mr Ntlangeni's home, which is about 200m away from Mrs Shwabane's house.

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The man behind 'Operation Demolition'



EXCLUSIVE!

The plot to kidnap 14 South Africans — and hold Reagan to ransom

MESHACK Mabogoane, former journalist and self-styled leader of the Society of Young Africa, has been exposed as the mastermind behind the "Operative Demolition" — the plot to kidnap 14 top activists and journalists.

By KHULU SIBIYA

Precise details of "Operation Demolition" were revealed this week by Molotov Bizzah — one of the "hit squad" recruited for the operation.

Fourteen people — including UDF and Azapo executive members — were to be abducted and kept at a farm owned by mysterious white man in Parys, Mr Bizzah revealed at a Press conference at St Hilda's Presbyterian Church in Soweto this week.

Two white men, known only as Westhuizen and Pieterse, were also behind the plot, he said.

On the hit list were:

Anglican Bishop Desmond Tutu,

UDF Transvaal vice-president Frank Chikane,

Azapo deputy president Joe Seoka,

Fr Lebamang Sibidi,

Funda Centre director Stan Kahn,

Cusa general secretary Phiroshamy Camay,

Urban Foundation member Deborah Mabiletsa,

Azapo's Kehla Mthembu and George Wauchope,

National Forum convenor Saths Cooper,

UDF publicity secretary Terror Lekota,

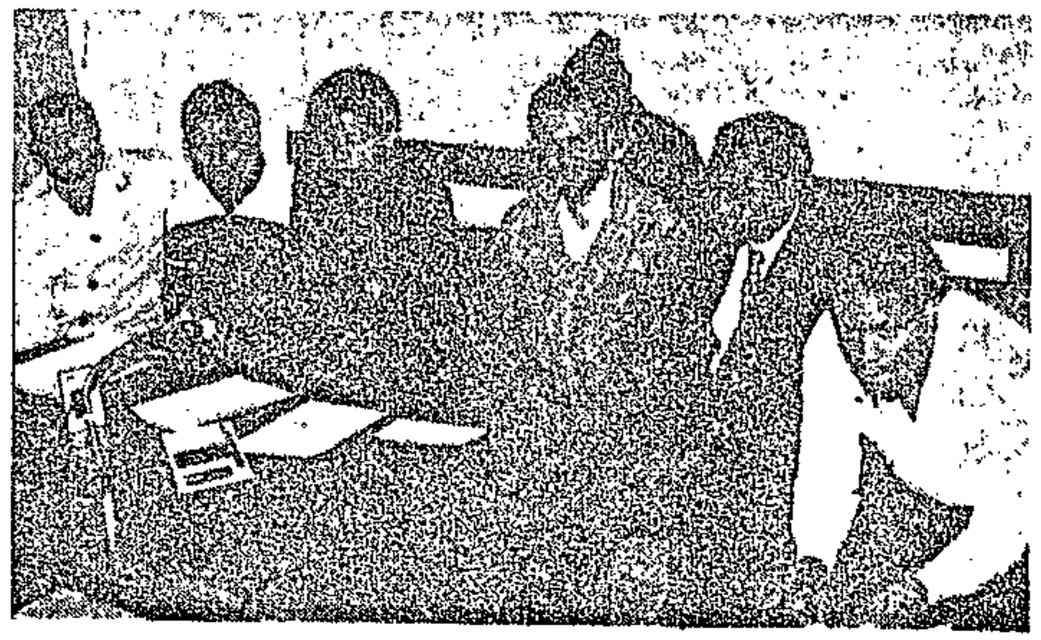
Federation of Transvaal Women president Amanda Kwadi,

City Press associate editor Percy Qoboza,

City Press chief sub-editor David Niddrie.

Countdown to kidnap

THIS is the kidnap timetable of "Operation Demolition": Wednesday, June 12: Bishop Tutu (11,30pm) Father Sebidi (12 midnight), Rev Chikane (12,30am), Rev Seoka (1am) Thursday, June 13: Mr Kahn (11,30pm), Mrs Mabiletsa (12 midnight), Mr Camay (12,30am), Mr Cooper (1am). Friday, June 14: Mr Lekota (11,30pm), Ms Kwadi (12 midnight), Niddrie (12,30am), Qoboza (1am). Saturday June 15: Mr Wauchope and Mr Mthembu.



AT the Press conference: Fr Lebamang Sebidi, Fr Frank Chikane, George Wauchope, Fr Joe Seoka, Percy Qoboza and Kehla Mthembu — all on the "hit list". At the back: "hit squad" member Molotov Bizzah — who exposed "Operation Demolition".

"When we confronted Mr Mabogoane, he admitted he was behind the plot," Mr Wauchope told the Press conference.

"We have a signed statement by him," Mr Wauchope added.

The plotters held several meetings at the Soya offices at Executive House in Johannesburg. At these meetings, Mr Mabogoane and the two white men allegedly worked out a formula on how the 14 people were to be abducted and taken to a farm in the Free State.

To learn how to abduct people, the squad was shown films such as Hostages over and over again, Mr Bizzah said.

Physical exercises were also conducted by a former policeman in the basement of Executive House, he said.

Mr Bizzah — who runs a consumer co-operative in Soweto — told a group of newsmen that the 30 "hit squad" men knew each other only by code names such as BA, Machel, Mugabe, Arafat, Castro, Savimbi, Kolobe, Masepa, Phiri and Motla.

"Everyone in the group was given an assignment to check and report on the movement of the individuals in the list," said Mr Bizzah.

The "hit squad" was to be armed with pangas, guns and knobkerries.

The aim of the operation was not known to the participants — instructions were placed in post boxes, said Mr Bizzah.

All the meetings were chaired by Mr Mabogoane — and Westhuizen and Pieterse always supported any suggestions, said Mr Bizzah.

After the 14 targets were abducted — four at a time — a Press conference was to be called.

Three demands would be made:

- The United States Congress must stop its campaign for disinvestment in South Africa;
- A Commission of inquiry must be instituted into the affairs of Funda Centre and Soya;
- A "Bi-National Third Republic of South Africa" must be established!

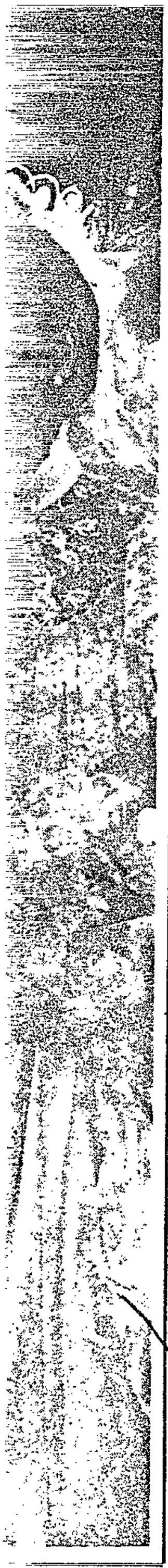
Mr Mabogoane recently caused a controversy when he announced his dream parliament — called the "Bi-national Government of the Third Republic of South Africa".

He said the plan provided for an "African Legislative Assembly", a white parliament and "supernational Chamber of State".

The African Assembly would have power over secretariats responsible for the infrastructure of black areas, separate taxation, housing and urban development.

The white parliament would have control over the same affairs in the white spheres.

The non-racial "Chamber of State" would have overall responsibility through the "high commission for the economy".



'WE'RE ON THE HIT-LIST'

Cosas members say businessmen want them dead

By DERRICK LUTHAYI

DUDUZA CIVIC and youth organisation leaders this week made startling allegations that individual policemen and local businessmen had compiled separate "hit lists" of 10 people in the township who were to be "eliminated".

Our informants claim the police list — which is different to the one compiled by tycoons — names four top Congress of SA Students members and a prominent member of the Duduza Civic Association.

They claim the cops want to eliminate Veli Mazibuko, John Mlangeni, Archie Mbatha, Buti Mabe — all of Cosas — and DCA's Alexandra Montoedi.

They say the tycoons' list contains the names of Montoedi, former mayor Kebane Moloi — now a member of the DCA — Nanton Matsega, Sakkie Kekana and a man known only as Popo.

Reports of its existence surfaced last week when a member of the "hit squad" was caught by a group of activists after the death of fellow activist Alexander Pailane two weeks ago.

According to reports, Mr Pailane was abducted from his home on June 11, tortured on a mine dump and then dumped — unconscious — outside his home. He was rushed to hospital, where he died the next day.

East Rand police spokesman Major CR Liebenberg said police had no information about a "hit list".

One of the men on the list said they had been told they were to die at the rate of two members at each meeting or funeral held by their organisations.

"They claim we are instigating unrest in the township," he said.

This week, houses belonging to 10 cops and a tycoon were burnt in the township. A shop was also burnt.

According to reliable sources, the tycoon's properties went up in flames because of his "negative attitude" towards a group of youths, who wanted to catch a man who sought shelter in his house on Tuesday afternoon.

DUDUZA residents are angry at what they call the police's "inability" to maintain law and order — and they're calling for a "people's court".

Duduza Civic Association spokesman Alexandra Montoedi said the DCA had received numerous complaints from residents about being harassed and frustrated by the cops.

"We have details of people trying to report criminal cases at the police station but being turned back and told to report their complaints to the Congress of SA Students.

"We see no reason for this and we are to submit a petition and a letter to the Law and Order Minister to establish a people's court," said Mr Montoedi.

But East Rand Police spokesman Major CR Liebenberg dismissed the allegations as "rubbish and nonsense".

"We will attend to any complaints. We would never refer people to Cosas," Major Liebenberg said.

A KWAMASHU garage owner and another Durban man have been arrested in connection with the hijacking of two petrol tankers on the Natal North Coast.

Mtukabongwa Makhanya and Douglas Shange appeared briefly in a Durban court this week, and cops are searching for a third man.

Learning to spread the word

FIVE black and white a white journalist flew to Britain this week to participate in a three-month mass communication course.

They are Capetonians S Ntsane, who plans to start his own journal, Cape Times journalist Yazeed Fakier, Maritzburg journalist Khaba Mkhize, Mike Robertson and M J Doman.

The course will be run by the Thomson Foundation.

★ A NEW ZEALAND lawyer appeared in Chepstow Court this week on a charge of arming herself with imitation dynamite and robbing a bank to "raise funds for starving millions in Africa".

Deborah Ayton is alleged to have stolen R4 000 from the Midland Bank.

'Let the people judge'

Seven die, 8 hurt in township explosions

Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Seven people were killed and eight were injured in explosions in East Rand townships early today. The blasts are thought to have been caused by hand-grenades.

A spokesman for the Police Public Relations Directorate in Pretoria said two people were killed and eight injured in three hand-grenade explosions at Tsakane, Brakpan, in a street near a private home.

Two men were also killed in explosions in Kwathema, Springs.

THREE KILLED

Police said one died in a hand-grenade explosion near a private home and the other near an electrical substation. He had apparently tried to throw a grenade at the substation.

Three youths were killed at Duduza, Nigel.

Duduza residents said the township was rocked by six hand-grenade attacks.

Mr Magansel Radebe, of the Duduza Civic Association, said that besides the three people killed three were admitted to hospital with injuries.

COSAS MEMBERS

The three killed were Mr Solomon Mashabane, Mr Lucky Mgodi and Mr Mbowa Mashiane. The injured are Mr John Mlangeni, Mr Veli Mazibuko and a man known only as Pai-Pai — all founder-members of Cosas, the student organisation.

A source claimed that the six had been wanted by the police since the beginning of the week.

One of the youths who died reportedly peeped throught a window and saw a police vehicle. He alerted the others, who tried to run away. Dogs were let loose. At that moment grenades were thrown.

"HEAD BLOWN OFF"

The Pretoria police spokesman said he could not yet confirm that those who died at Duduza were killed by an explosion.

A Duduza resident said one of the youths killed had his head "blown right off".

Residents had gathered round the bodies in Nala Street and refused to go to work, he added.

The police spokesman said no incidents of unrest preceded the deaths.

He said the only incidents reported concerned a bus damaged slightly by stone-throwing youths and a zinc hut damaged when arsonists set it alight.

HOUSE BOMBED

● Sapa reports from Johannesburg that the house of the Bishop Suffragen of Johannesburg East, the Rt Rev J S Nkoane, was bombed in Kwathema, near Springs, early today.

No one was injured in the attack.

Bishop Nkoane today provisionally estimated the damage at about R 2000.

This was the second bomb attack on the house within a week. Bishop Nkoane said both attacks — one last Friday and the one today — took place at 1am.

A police spokesman in Pretoria was unable to confirm the attack immediately.

Grenades 'meant for booby-traps'

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Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Ignorance may have been responsible for the East Rand hand-grenade fiasco in which seven people died when grenades apparently exploded in their hands.

The grenades — Soviet manufactured RGD5s — were probably not even designed for throwing.

Military experts today said it appeared the grenades had been manufactured for use in booby-traps only, rigged for instant detonation as soon as the pin was pulled.

The men died on the East Rand yesterday. Police said the targets were the homes of policemen.

NO FUSE DELAY

Six of the men had their right hands blown off.

One had a grenade pin in his left hand when his body was found.

An eighth man was blasted to pieces apparently while trying to sabotage an electricity sub-station. Seven other people were seriously injured in the blasts.

Military experts asked to speculate put forward possible scenarios.

A likely explanation is that the grenades were specially manufactured without any fuse delay in their detonation mechanism.

The standard infantry version of the RGD5 has a 3,2 to 4,2-second delay after the pin is pulled and the trigger mechanism is released.

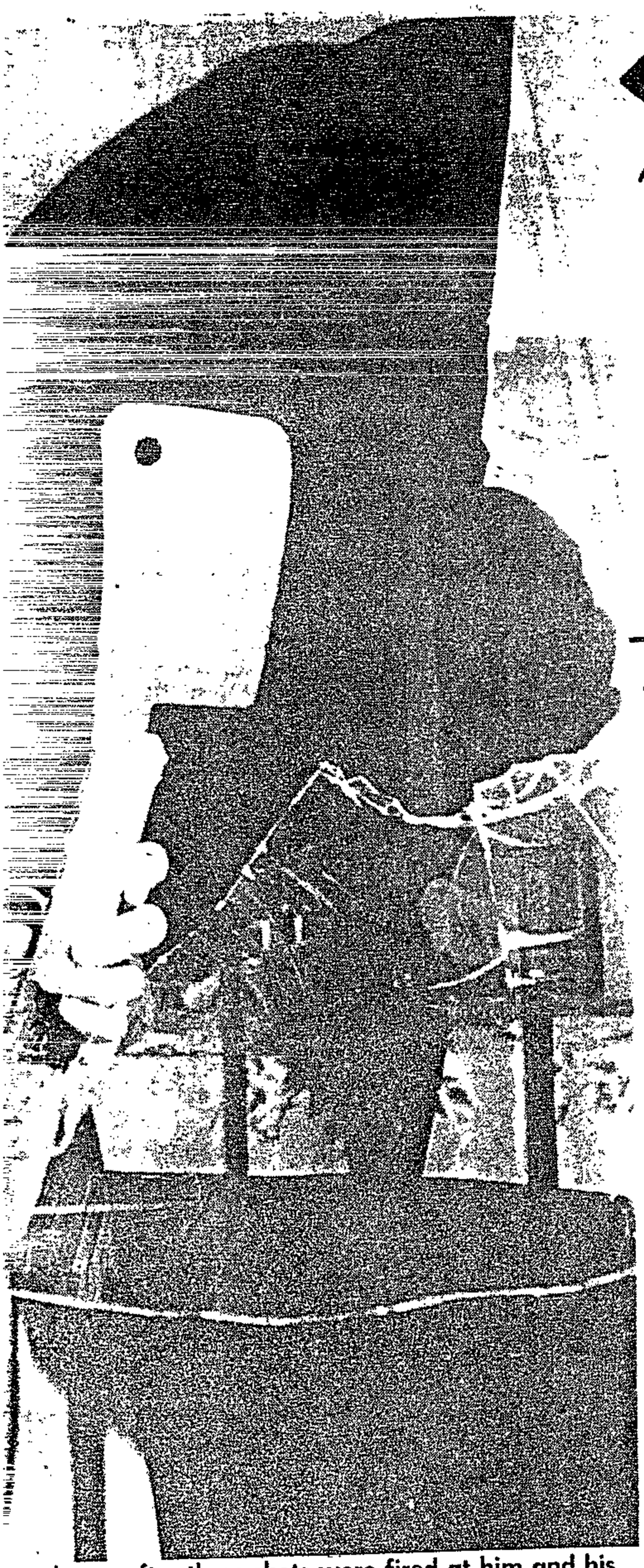
But an instant detonation version is known to have been made to be used as a booby trap.

A South African explosives expert said an RGD5 found by security forces in 1978 injured a group of explosives trainees when it went off instantly.

The trainees had been using it to familiarise themselves with Soviet arms.

Mystery surrounds the death of the man who was blasted by a limpet mine while he was climbing over a wall in Kwathema.

The limpet mine is regarded as a safe weapon.



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Men fire three shots at bishop

Argus 2/7/85 Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Confusion and anger reigns in the townships over an attack on the home of the Bishop Suffragan of Johannesburg East, the Rt Rev Simeon Nkoane.

His house is in Kwathema township, near Springs, the scene of recent unrest and violence.

The bishop said he was awakened by noises in the early hours yesterday. He went to a window and saw men on his property wearing balaclavas.

"I watched through my bedroom window as three tall, hefty men broke the dining-room window with a home-made axe."

The bishop switched on a light, went outside and called out to the men. Three shots were fired at him after petrol-bombs were hurled at the house. He said petrol was also thrown at his doors and set alight.

The fire trapped him and his 82-year-old mother in the house. He fought off the flames and neighbours came to the rescue.

The bishop's home was also attacked last week. No one was injured yesterday.



The Rt Rev Simeon Nkoane surveys the damage a few hours after three shots were fired at him and his house was set alight by petrol-bombs. He is holding the "home-made axe" with which the attackers broke a window.

Grenade 'attackers' lost hands

JOHANNESBURG. — Police are investigating the possibility of a co-ordinated terrorist attack after seven people died, one was reported missing and seven were seriously injured in separate hand-grenade and bomb explosions on the East Rand early yesterday morning.

Six of the seven men killed had missing right hands, an official statement from police headquarters in Pretoria said yesterday.

The attacks were aimed at the houses of policemen and at an electrical sub-station in Kgaswane Street, KwaThema, the police statement said.

The body of a black man was found at the scene of the sub-station blast. Although the blast was caused by a powerful explosive device — presumably a limpet mine — the nature of the explosive has not yet been established, it said.

No damage was caused to the sub-station and police explosives experts were conducting investigations to establish the nature of the blast.

Minor damage was caused at a number of the other scenes.

The bodies of those killed have not yet been positively identified, but preliminary investigations tend to indicate that they handled the hand-grenades and explosive devices themselves, police said.

'ANC'

All the grenades were of Russian origin, which had to date been used only by ANC terrorists in the Republic, the police statement added.

The seven injured people were admitted to various East Rand hospitals, where they are under police guard.

One of those injured was the publicity secretary of the Duduza branch of the Congress of South African Students (Cosas), Mr John Mhlangeni, who lost a hand.

The other incidents happened at the following places:

● Two hand-grenades exploded on the corner of Nala and Letsapa streets in KwaThema, near Springs. Although police found scraps of clothing, no bodies were found here.

● Another explosion occurred at Thage Street, in KwaThema, and the body of a black man was found. An unexploded RGD5 grenade was found near the body.

● Three bodies were found in Nala Street, Duduza, near Nigel. Their injuries were consistent with those of hand-grenade injuries, the police statement said.

Crowd

No remains of an explosive device were found here as the gathering of a large crowd hampered police investigations, it said.

The family of another man — Mr Osborne Dlamini — said he had gone missing after the explosions.

● And, also in KwaThema, the home of the Bishop Suffragan of Johannesburg East, the Right Rev Simeon Nkoane, was petrol-bombed early yesterday morning for the second time in a week.

Shots fired

Three shots were also allegedly fired at the bishop by three men masked in balaclavas, but nobody was injured in the attack. Petrol was thrown on the doorsteps of the house, trapping Bishop Nkoane and his family — including his 82-year-old mother — inside the house.

The house was first attacked at 1am last Friday. A police spokesman could not confirm yesterday's attack.

Police confirmed yesterday that a limpet mine was used in the blast which caused extensive damage to AECI offices on the 15th floor of Johannesburg's Carlton Centre on Monday evening.

Several panes in the R25-million glass-and-steel dome nextdoor were badly cracked by the force of the explosion.

In the Peninsula, security police acting on information are holding

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a group of people for questioning about a series of terrorist attacks in the area. No charges have been brought.

A police spokesman said security police had the names of other suspects allegedly connected with terrorist activities and were conducting follow-up operations.

● In other incidents of unrest reported in the Transvaal and the Eastern Cape yesterday rubber bullets were used to disperse a large crowd at Tinus, near Fort Beaufort, after people ignored a police order to leave.

A petrol bomb was then thrown at a police vehicle and birdshot was used to disperse the crowd. A youth was slightly wounded and admitted to hospital, police said.

Five people were arrested after cars were stoned near Adelaide.

A police spokesman said the arrests were made after cars were stoned on the national road between Adelaide and Fort Beaufort yesterday afternoon.

At KwaZakele, Port Elizabeth, early yesterday morning, damage estimated at R20 000 was caused when a mobile ticket office was petrol-bombed and gutted, the spokesman said.

Also at KwaZakele, the house of a member of the Azanian People's Organization was damaged by fire about 6.15pm yesterday, according to the spokesman. He said damage was estimated at R5 000.

Another KwaZakele home was destroyed by fire about 2pm yesterday, but the spokesman said last night the incident had not been reported to him.

At Duduza on the East Rand yesterday morning, a group of people stoned a police vehicle causing damage estimated at R200.

At Daveyton, near Benoni, a petrol bomb was thrown at the home of a member of the United Democratic Front member yesterday afternoon causing damage estimated at R200. No injuries were reported.

At Duduza near Nigel a group stoned a police vehicle, causing R200 damage. — Sapa and Own Correspondent.

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Le Grange reacts to ANC's charges

Political Staff

THE Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, confirmed today that he was aware of allegations that Government agents provocateur were responsible for this week's grenade explosions which claimed seven lives.

In an interview, Mr le Grange also made a thinly veiled warning in response to the announcement by the African National Congress that it would now go for "soft" as well as "hard" targets.

Mr le Grange said he had been told of allegations that the authorities had been involved in the grenade explosions which killed members of the Congress of South African Students, but until he had full details he had no comment to make.

A police spokesmen has dismissed the claims as "total nonsense".

Mr le Grange was asked for his comments on claims by the ANC that the police were responsible for the explosions on the East Rand.

In a statement from Lusaka the ANC alleged that police posing as guerrillas gave grenades to inexperienced activists and deliberately instructed them incorrectly, causing the weapons to explode in their hands.

The South African Council of Churches endorsed this view and has sent a telex to President P W Botha alleging that reports that the violence was perpetrated from the side of the authorities had to be taken seriously.

The Bishop Suffragan of Johannesburg, Bishop Simeon Nkoane, has claimed that he was tipped off that his home would be attacked "by police" before the attack took place on Wednesday.

He suggested on a BBC radio programme that the police might have been responsible for petrol-bomb attacks on his home.

Friend's warning

"It is not very easy to disbelieve that it is the police," he told Carole West of the BBC in a telephone interview. He said a friend told him the police had said they would come again and set his home on fire.

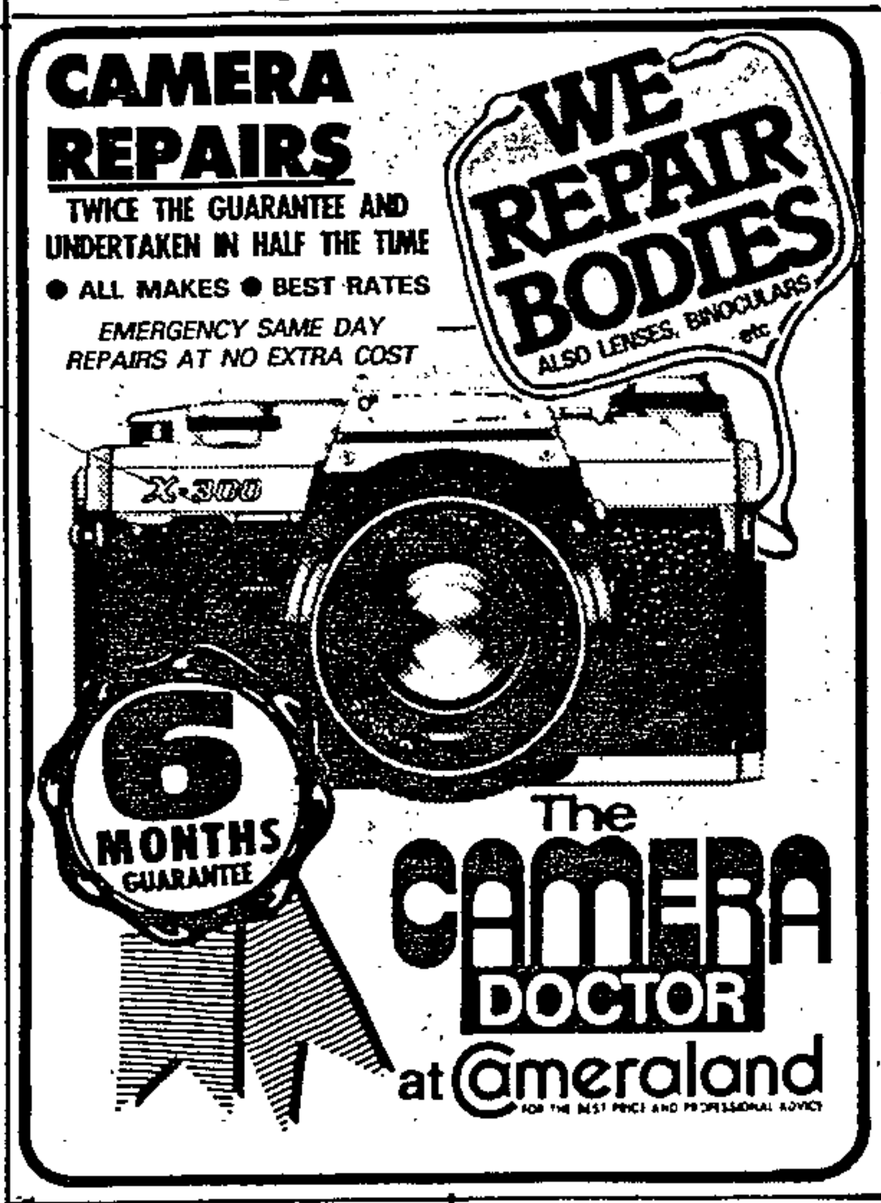
Asked what evidence his friend had for saying that the police were responsible, he replied: "I'm not aware of this, but I'm not the first person to have been petrol-bombed."

Referring to the statement by the ANC leader, Mr Oliver Tambo, that the banned organisation is to step up its offensive and would even go for soft targets such as shopping areas, Mr le Grange said: "This is nothing new but it is very important that the public is made aware of the ANC's policies."

Asked whether the police were taking further steps as a result of the statement, Mr le Grange said that, for obvious reasons, he could not give details of police actions but he gave an assurance that the police were giving the issue proper attention.

Asked whether the Government could consider further raids similar to the attack on ANC bases in Gaborone earlier this month, Mr le Grange said: "I wouldn't like to comment on that except to say that our policy is clear and it is well-known to our neighbours."

He said the public should continue to inform the police of anything suspicious to counter ANC attacks.





Terror probe after blast deaths

Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Police are investigating charges of sabotage or terrorism against seven men in hospital under police guard following hand-grenade and limpet-mine explosions on the East Rand in which eight people died.

Six men were killed and seven seriously injured in seven hand-grenade explosions yesterday, and another man died later in hospital. One man was killed in a limpet-mine explosion.

The blasts occurred in three East Rand townships — Duduza near Nigel, Kwathema near Springs and Tsakane near Brakpan.

Police are investigating the possibility that the men accidentally killed themselves when their grenades exploded prematurely as they were carrying out a "co-ordinated terrorist attack".

Six of the eight people killed had their right hands blown off.

Clutching pin

Police said the homes of policemen and an electricity substation were the targets of attack.

They said one of the victims was still clutching a hand-grenade pin when police recovered his body.

A police spokesman said the grenades were of Russian origin and had, up to now, been used only in ANC terrorist attacks.

Two grenades exploded in Ndabazitha Street, Tsakane, killing two men.

Three men

Three exploded on the corner of Nala and Letsapa streets in Duduza, killing three men. Residents say the three were Lucky Mogodi, 19, Solomon Mashabane, 19, and Mbowa Samuel Mashiane, 22. Residents named some of the injured as John Mlangeni, Veli Mazibuko and a man known only as Pai-Pai. They were all members of the Congress of South African Students (Cosas).

One grenade exploded in Thage Street in Kwathema, killing one man.

Police found an unexploded grenade near the victim's body.

The limpet mine which exploded in Kgaswane Street in Kwathema killed another man.

● Police had to use tearsmoke to disperse about 6 000 people in Duduza yesterday because they were being hindered in the execution of their duties.

This was said by the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria following complaints by residents about the use of tearsmoke to disperse crowds around the bodies of three youths who died in the explosions.

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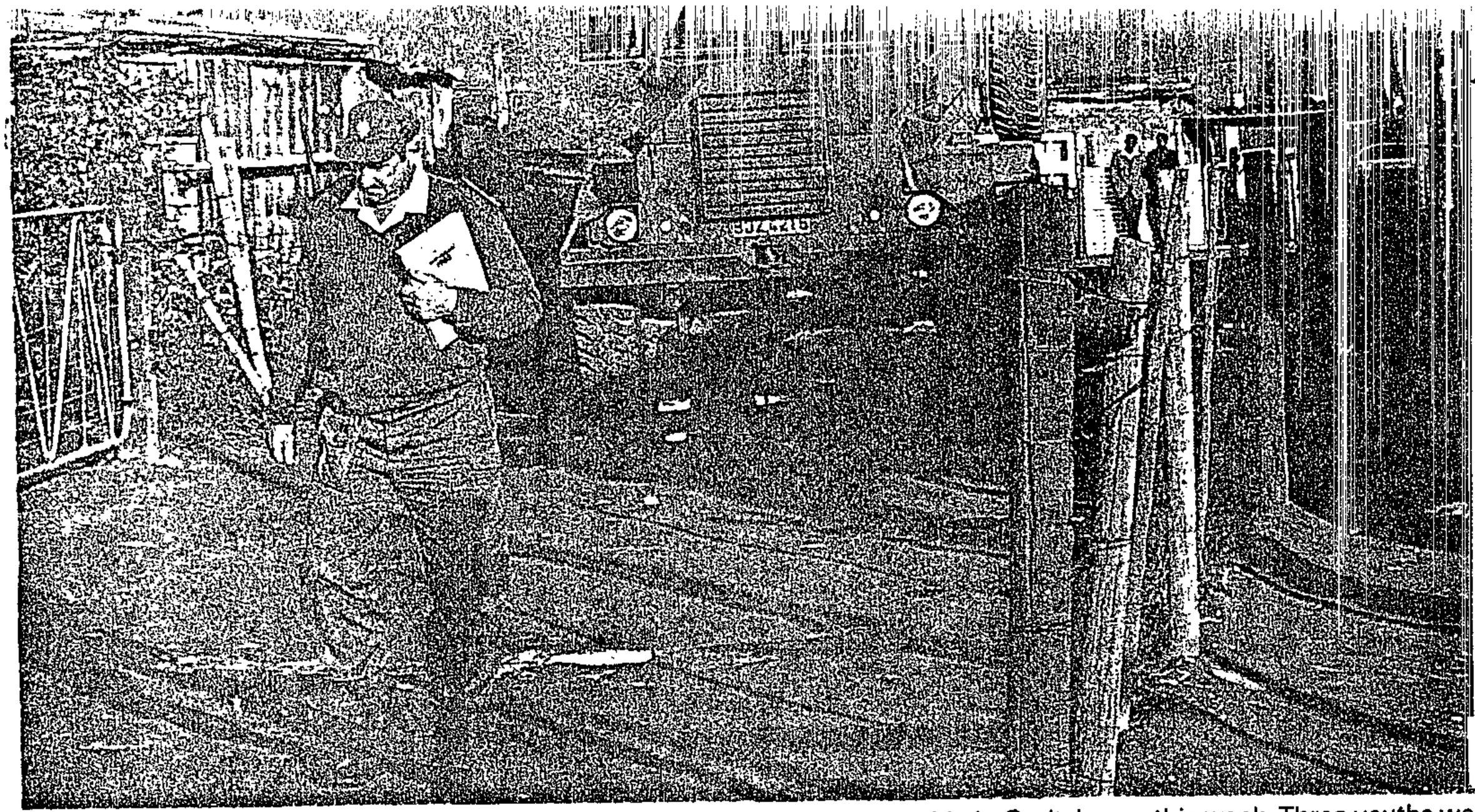

A Casspir stands outside the home of a policeman in Bongolethu township in Oudtshoorn this week. Three youths were shot dead at the same spot last week.

Cape Times Newscolour: Riaan de Villiers

Eight held in E Cape crackdown

CAPE Times 28/6/85

By ANDREW DONALDSON

SECURITY police cracked down in the unrest-torn towns of Oudtshoorn and Port Elizabeth yesterday, detaining several high-profile activists — including those interviewed by the Cape Times this week.

Four people were detained at Oudtshoorn after a police raid on the offices of "Saamstaan" a community newspaper based in the Bridgton township near Oudtshoorn — and in Port Elizabeth another four were detained.

They first four are Mr Reggie Oliphant, treasurer of the Southern Cape region of the United Democratic Front (UDF) and chairman of the controlling committee of Saamstaan, Mr Humphrey Josephs, organizer and staff member of Saamstaan, Mr Clive Stuurman, co-ordinator of an advice office for community members in the Saamstaan building, and Mr Mzukizi Skosana, vice-president of the Bongolethu Youth Congress.

Some were interviewed by visiting pressmen earlier this week.

Major Steve van Rooyen of the Directorate of Public Affairs at SA Police headquarters in Pretoria said Mr Stuurman, Mr Oliphant and Mr Josephs were detained in terms of Section 50 of the Internal Security Act.

Mr Oliphant was held on Tuesday together with a Dutch journalist and South African correspondent for the Amsterdam-based Trouw, Mr Fertz van Exter. Mr Oliphant was later released after being charged with crimen injuria and resisting arrest. Mr Van Exter was released after his luggage had been searched and police had copied his notes.

On Wednesday night Mr Van Exter's hotel room in Port Elizabeth was burgled and camera equipment, a tape-recorder, notes, news clippings and a micro word processor were reported missing.

The incident occurred after he left the hotel to spend the evening with the MPC for Walmer, Mrs Molly Blackburn.

Mr Van Exter told Sapa there was no sign of a forced entry and he was told by a night porter that his room key had not been removed from the reception desk.

"The notes were espe-

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cially important as they contained all the information I had gathered during my stay here. While in Cape Town I interviewed members of all three parliamentary chambers and I also spoke to people in Oudtshoorn and Windhoek.

"They also took a collection of press clippings — most of which come from this country. The only clippings they left were about Chief Gatsha Buthelezi," Mr Van Exter said.

"I'm just here — with the permission and co-operation of the South African Embassy — to talk to as many people as possible."

In Port Elizabeth, the Eastern Cape chairwoman of the End Conscription Campaign (ECC), Miss Janet Cherry, was picked up by security branch members at her workplace, the Adult Literacy Project.

According to the ECC's press officer, Mr David Shandler, she was then taken to her home, which was searched, before being detained.

The branch secretary of the General Workers' Union (GWU) in Port Elizabeth, Ms Nomonde Ngumane, was also detained at the union's offices.

Two other detainees are Mr Thobile Mhlahlo, vice-president of the Motor Assemblers' and Component Workers' Union of South Africa (Macwusa) and United Democratic Front executive committee member, and Mr Notho Gunto, regional executive member of the UDF.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, SA Police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, confirmed that the four arrested in Port Elizabeth were beind held under Section 50 of the Criminal Procedure Act, in terms of which they may be detained for 48 hours.

The ECC has condemned the detentions, while a local spokesman for the GWU commented: "We are outraged at Miss Ngumane's detention. We regard this as an attack on the union as a whole and demand her immediate release."

Mr Shandler said apartheid ruled through the use of force and of detention to silence its opponents, but attacks "on the security of peace-loving South Africans are to be expected in a country in the grips of civil war and one ruled by a minority government".

Flesh covered streets

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The gruesome remains of one of the grenade victims.

Pretoria taxi rank can stay a while — judge

By DERRICK LUTHAYI 30/6/85

PIECES of human flesh were strewn in the streets of three East Rand townships for several hours this week — and were only removed hours after the victims had been blown beyond recognition by a series of grenade blasts.

Three senior Congress of SA Students members in Duduza near Nigel were killed instantly and two others reportedly died in hospital.

The dead are Solomon Ngungunyane Mashobane, 19, Lucky Mogodi, and Paipai Mashiane. Titus Mazibuko and an unnamed man are reported to have died in hospital.

At KwaThema, four grenade explosions blasted two men beyond recognition.

In Tsakane, two explosions killed two unidentified men.

Vusi Mashobane said he was called late at night to go to his brother, Solomon, who was lying in the street.

"My brother lay in a pool of blood," he said.

"His head was flattened, his body riddled with holes and one of his feet was missing. I noticed his body was full of dog bite marks and his jersey was torn.

"Earlier he had told us there were people trying to kill him," said Mr Mashobane.

"Before he left home to sleep with friends, he took our mother to a place of safety. His body and those of Mr Mogodi and Mr Mashiane were found a few metres from a councillor's house."

A group of Cosas members whose lives "were in danger" had gone to a friend, Sandile Noble, to ask for transport to get out of the township, said Mr Mashobane.

Mr Noble — who drove one of the injured men, John Mlangeni, to hospital — has not returned home. His wife Sally said the last time she saw him was when he drove away.

"The boys were in the house for less than five minutes when a Hippo arrived. They tried to run away but failed and were seriously injured," she said.

Mr Mlangeni returned to the house covered with blood and minus one arm.



Bishop Simeon Nkoane shows the homemade axe used in the attack on his home. Pic: THEMBA NKOSI

Second attack on Nkoane's home

By DERRICK LUTHAYI

MYSTERIOUS figures in camouflage uniforms and balaclavas were responsible for the petrol bombing of Bishop Simeon Nkoane's KwaThema home this week.

The claim was made by the bishop and two other people whose houses were bombed.

Pretoria police spokesman S van Rooyen said nobody had reported the incident. No arrests had been made and police are still investigating, Major Van Rooyen said.

Bishop Nkoane, whose house was bombed for the second time in a week, said he saw the figures were wearing balaclavas, but could not get near enough to see them because they were shooting at him.

He said the attack on his home occurred at about 1am, when he heard the breaking of glass. The doors were doused with petrol before being set alight.

"I dashed out through the back door and they missed me with three bullets. When I came back into the house, I found an axe which they used to smash the windows. I phoned cops, but they never came," he said.

"After I complained to the Pretoria cops, a policeman was sent. I thought they would send a senior official but they did not. I chased the police away."

Nursing sister Fedile Kodisang, a member of the Students' Parents Committee, said when the mystery figure realised she had seen them they shot at her before driving off in two cars.

Chemical factory worker Edward Malinga's two cars, furniture and clothes were burnt in the bombings.

"I heard footsteps in the yard and saw people in camouflage uniforms fiddling with my cars. I asked them to leave and the next thing, I heard a gunshot and the cars and my house were on fire."

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'R8 000 reward' for E Rand blast victim

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Relatives and close friends of a student leader who lost his right hand in one of Wednesday's hand-grenade blasts on the East Rand claimed yesterday that police put out an R8 000 reward for his arrest a month ago.

Mr John Mlangeni, publicity secretary for the Congress of South African Students, is one of seven injured men under police guard at Natalspruit Hospital. They are being held under section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Named

Mr Mlangeni's brother, Mr Tebogo Mlangeni, who was held for questioning soon after the blasts, said: "A month before the blasts, my brother told me the police were looking for him and had put out a reward of R8 000 for his arrest."

Six of the eight men killed instantly when Soviet-made grenades and a bomb — suspected to be a limpet mine — exploded in their hands on Wednesday were named by police yesterday. They are Mr Jabulane Mahlangu, Mr Petrus Modisane and Mr Kholekule Vincent Mokwindla, of KwaThema, and Mr Lincoln Mogodi, Mr Solomon Mashiane and Mr Montsoa Mashabane, of Duduza.

A police spokesman said yesterday he had "no knowledge" of the R8 000 reward.

He said investigations had "proved the ANC was involved" in the hand-grenade incidents. He also said some of the injured had made confessions but refused to say whether the injured men had "confessed" to having been involved specifically in an ANC operation.

Yesterday's police statement reads: "Investigations instituted by the SA Police have proved that the ANC was involved in the incidents on the East Rand during which people were killed and wounded by hand-grenades and an explosive device.

"Some of the injured have already made confessions. The SAP is conducting a thorough investigation into the whole matter, the outcome of which will eventually be made known during normal judicial proceedings.

"For this reason, police do not intend to speculate on possible reasons why the hand-grenades and explosive device exploded in close proximity to those involved. Scientific evidence in this regard will be advanced during the judicial procedings.

'Ridiculous'

"It is clear, however, that the ANC is desperately attempting to disprove the possibility that the hand-grenades and explosive device were defective.

"It is obvious that, should this prove to be the case, the image of the ANC, as well as the actions of ANC terrorists still in possession of such hand-grenades and explosive devices, will be detrimentally affected."

A spokesman at the Ministry of Law and Order described allegations made by the ANC on Thursday that undercover policemen, posing as guerillas, had given the grenades to inexperienced activists and had "deliberately instructed them wrongly", as "absolutely ridiculous and unfounded".

Police probe new ultra-right group

From COLIN HOWELL

JOHANNESBURG. — Security police are investigating the activities of a secret right-wing organization, the Blanke Bevrydigingsbeweging (BBB), after the distribution of scores of pamphlets in Johannesburg.

The BBB (White Liberation Movement) appears to have been formed after the Westdene Dam bus disaster in March in which 42 schoolchildren died.

The pamphlet, headlined "Westdene bus disaster and the murder attacks on the white man on the roads of South Africa", calls for all "anti-white forces" to be "wiped out".

The BBB claims responsibility for placing posters which said "Bus Disaster — an act of terror against the white man" at Westdene Dam in April and sympathizes with parents who "had to witness a non-white transporting their children".

Among those to receive the BBB pamphlet was Mr Johan Botha, the headmaster of Vorentoe Hoërskool.

Yesterday, parents who lost children in the bus disaster said they had no knowledge of the new organization and wanted nothing to do with it.

In the pamphlet, the BBB also attacks the SABC and "other leftist media" for their coverage of accidents invoving "non-whites".

Johannesburg security police are investigating the pamphlet and a copy has been sent to the Attorney-General of the Transvaal, Mr Klaus von Lieres und Wilkau.

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UDF men's bodies found

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — The bodies of two of four community leaders who went missing on Thursday night have been found near the burnt-out shell of their car outside Port Elizabeth. The other two men are still missing.

Mr Fidelo Mhlawuli, an Oudtshoorn teacher, was found in the bush between Bluewater Bay and the sea. He had been stabbed and set alight, and his right hand severed.

Mr Sparrow Mkhonto, a member of the Cradock Residents' Association (Cradora), was found on Friday night, one kilometre from the car. He too had been stabbed and burnt.

Mr Matthew Goniwe and Mr Fort Calata, both Cradock community figures, are still missing.

The men, except for Mr Mhlawuli, were members of Cradora and members of the United Democratic Front regional committee. They were in Port Elizabeth on Thursday to attend a weekly UDF briefing and were due to return to Cradock the same night.

The UDF yesterday blamed the government for the deaths of the two UDF members.

Speaking in Athlone to about 500 people at a meeting commemorating the 30th anniversary of the Freedom Charter, UDF Western Cape secretary Mr Trevor Manuel said Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata could also be presumed dead.

Mr Manuel said that Mr Stone Sinzani, a UDF spokesman who was to have addressed the Athlone meeting, was also missing.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen,

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police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said yesterday the two dead UDF men had been identified by a nephew of Mr Mhlawuli.

He said the second body was discovered after a fisherman telephoned the police radio branch and told them where to find the body. Colonel Van Rooyen said the man did not wish to be named as he did not want to get involved.

Colonel Van Rooyen said a charge of murder was being investigated.

There are also fears for three other prominent Port Elizabeth activists who went missing on May 8.

They are Mr Qaqawuli Godolozi, 30, president of the Port Elizabeth Black Community Organization (Pebco), the Pebco secretary, Mr Sipho Hashe, 58, and Pebco organizing secretary Mr Champion Galela, 37.

All attempts by their families, friends, the police and other community leaders to discover what happened to them have failed. The family of Mr Sipho Hashe, believing that he might have been secretly detained, applied to the Supreme Court for an order ruling that the police produce him.

The application was dismissed.

Journalist

A report late last night said that an Eastern Province Herald correspondent, Mr Mziwakhe Hlangani, has been missing since Friday. Mr Hlangani left the Herald offices about 7pm on Friday night.

Mrs Hlangani said she had expected her husband home about 8pm on Friday, and it was unlike him not to alert her if he was going to be late. She had contacted friends and relatives, but none had seen him.

The police and Livingstone Hospital had no knowledge of Mr Hlangani's whereabouts yesterday.

Jobless

● Mr Noel Williams, chairman of the Atlantis Residents' Association, told the UDF meeting in Athlone yesterday that about 3 500 people had lost their jobs in Atlantis this year.

At present 250 Atlantis residents had their water supply cut off, Mr Williams said. People could not pay rents and maintenance accounts. Eviction notices were increasing on a daily basis.

People had been forcibly removed to Atlantis and promises from the government of jobs, homes and security had not been fulfilled.

"After 30 years of the Freedom Charter, our demands have not been met."

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Councillor's house destroyed

From SOPHIE TEMA

JOHANNESBURG. — The house of Soweto councillor Mr Michael Madikane was destroyed in a petrol bomb attack on Sunday night.

The official residence of the mayor of Soweto, Mr Edward Kunene, was also bombed, but there was no damage.

A relative of the Madikanes said the bombing occurred shortly after a church service on Sunday to commemorate the signing of the Freedom Charter in Kliptown in 1951.

Last week the home of councillor Mr Julius Mdlalose, chairman of the Soweto Town Council's housing committee, was attacked by a group of people, all wearing balaclavas.

He and his family fled their home and sought refuge with neighbours.

● In Welkom, two cars belonging to the Rev J Pathe, the Orange Free State regional chairman of the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM), were set alight at his Thabong home at the weekend. Mr Pathe is also chairman of the Thabong Residents Action Committee.

● Sapa reports that in Durban a House of Delegates MP, Mr A K Pillay, of the Solidarity Party, had a narrow escape yesterday when two petrol bombs hurled at his home in Merebank, Durban, failed to explode.

"I shouted to my family to get out of the house. I ran to the car and pushed the bottle off the bonnet while my family managed to put out the other bomb's flames," Mr Pillay said.

"Luckily the bombs did not explode. They could have caused a lot of damage."

He could not say who was responsible for the incident, as he had "no enemies".

● In Hobsonville near Oudtshoorn, the Development Board offices were extensively damaged by fire yesterday. There were no reported injuries or arrests, police said.

● In Port Elizabeth, extensive damage was caused yesterday in Kwazakele township where buses, delivery and municipal vehicles were stoned and petrol bombed. Police said a police patrol vehicle was also damaged in a stoning incident.

In Walmer township police used birdshot on two occasions to disperse groups of stone throwers, while in Aberdeen near Graaff-Reinet, police arrested 14 people after dispersing a crowd with tearsmoke. In another incident in the township, a policeman's house was stoned. A black youth was slightly wounded, medically treated and arrested on a charge of public violence.

In Petrusville near De Aar, police arrested eight men on charges of public violence after dispersing a mob with birdshot.

UDF blames 'death squad' for killing

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Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — The UDF in the Eastern Cape believes that a right-wing "death squad" may be responsible for the killing of Mr Matthew Goniwe and three other prominent members of the organisation.

The United Democratic Front's general secretary in the Eastern Cape, Mr Derrick Swartz, blames the same group for the disappearance of three other UDF members two months ago.

He said today: "There is no doubt that this is a political assassination."

Mr Swartz disclosed today that the UDF was to offer a reward of "at least R5 000" for information leading to the arrest of those responsible for the deaths. He said a high-level national UDF team was due in the Eastern Cape soon with members of Amnesty International and a standing United Nations committee on missing persons to investigate the case.

Mr Swartz said he was the last person to see Mr Goniwe and the others alive — when he and Mr Goniwe attended a briefing on Thursday night at a Gelvandale house.

He had tried to persuade Mr Goniwe to sleep over in Port Elizabeth rather than risk the long drive to Cradock.

However, they had chosen to drive straight home and their intention was not to stop for anyone except somebody in authority.

Mr Swartz believes this is crucial because in spite of Mr Goniwe's car having been burnt, there was no body damage to suggest it had been forced off the road.

"This is a political assassination. Of that there is no doubt and we believe that a right-wing death squad may be operating in the Eastern Cape and is responsible for this terrible crime."

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Blood trail traces dying moments

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vor Roux. The bullet struck him a glancing blow on the head. Mrs Roux then went to her bathroom and shot herself.

Mr Trevor Roux later received treatment in hospital for a head wound.

Police who arrived on the scene said it appeared as if Mrs Roux had spent the night contemplating the shootings. Her bed had not been slept in and a Bible lay on top of it.

Letters were found, including a typed note, a letter addressed "to whom it may concern" and a two-and-a-half page letter to her husband.

The contents of the letters have not been disclosed.

Shocked relatives and friends gathered at the Rouxs' single-storey home in Mauritius Road hours after the shootings.

A neighbour, Mr Kevin Hopkins, said: "They were a good family. They used to have religious meetings at home on Saturday afternoons. I cannot understand why this happened."

Lieutenant Laubscher confirmed that Mr Alec Roux was arrested on Sunday in connection with a fraud allegation.

He was in police custody last night but was released on bail this morning. He had been due to leave for Aliwal North later today to face trial.

A neighbour said she heard noises and sent her husband to investigate.

SA denies blasting ANC

LUSAKA. — A bomb damaged the Southern African headquarters of the African National Congress here on Monday night and both the ANC and the Zambian Government blamed South Africa. But an SADF spokesman denied South African involvement.

The ANC said in a statement the explosion destroyed a gate outside its offices and broke windows.

A Zambian Government statement said the bomb was part of South Africa's policy to destabilize the region.

But in Pretoria an SADF spokesman said: "I can categorically deny any suggestions of Defence Force involvement or of South African involvement." — Sapa-AP



The first person in the search posse to stumble across the bodies of Cradock community leader, Mr Matthew Goniwe, and Mr Fort Calata, was Warrant Officer FANIE ELS (right) of the murder and robbery squad. Making entries in his diary is Lieutenant-Colonel ERIC STRYDOM, head of the squad. The bodies in the photograph have been obscured.

Picture by Evert Smith

Slain man's wife is pregnant

THE widow of the 28-year-old Cradock community leader and schoolteacher, Mr Fort Calata, is expecting the couple's third child in about two weeks time.

The charred bodies of Mr Matthew Goniwe and Mr Calata were found yesterday in a clearing near St George's Strand during a combined security forces search.

According to Mrs Nyameka Goniwe, widow of Mr Goniwe and a close friend of the Calata family, 29-year-old Mrs Sheila Calata is expecting the baby "any day".

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, was asked today to explain why the impression had been given that the police had not searched for the missing Cradock community leaders.

He said a team from the Eastern Cape murder and robbery squad searched for three days for the missing men.

Col Van Rooyen sketched the background to the investigations since the discovery on Friday afternoon of the body of Mr Sparro Mkhonto, an executive member of Cradora.

At first police had no idea that the charred body had any link with the burnt-out wreck of Mr Goniwe's car which was found about 10 kilometres away.

Only on Saturday afternoon did a nephew of Mr Mkhonto identify the body.

Col Van Rooyen said police had tried throughout Friday to contact the Goniwe family in Cradock and only late on Friday night were they able to make contact with the family, who said Mr Goniwe was in PE.

On Saturday a passing fisherman came across the body of one of the four, Mr Ficelo Mhlawuli, an Oudtshoorn primary school principal, between Bluewater Bay and the beach.

A team from the murder and robbery squad searched the bush in the vicinity on Sunday, Monday and yesterday.

A fullscale search party, which included members of the SADF, could not be organised until yesterday afternoon because of the police's tremendous workload in the townships.

Mrs Molly Blackburn, MPC for Walmer, said today that Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata were men of exceptionally strong character and high ideals.

Killings: UDF offer reward

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Post Reporter

THe United Democratic Front is to offer a R5 000 reward for information leading to the arrest of people responsible for the deaths in Port Elizabeth of Mr Matthew Goniwe and Mr Fort Calata and two other members of the UDF.

This was disclosed today by Mr Derrick Swarts, general secretary of the UDF in the Eastern Cape.

The UDF believe that a South American-style right wing death squad may be responsible for the deaths.

The four were found dead in the veld. Three other senior UDF members have been missing for two months.

The burnt bodies of Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata were found yesterday. The bodies of Mr Sparro Mkhonto and Mr Ficelo Mhlawuli were found on Friday. All were prominent in Cradock community affairs.

A team of national UDF members is expected in the Eastern Cape shortly, along with members of Amnesty International and a standing United Nations Committee on Missing Persons, to investigate the case.

"There is no doubt that this is a political assassination," said Mr Swarts. "The situation in the Eastern Cape is getting worse, and now people are beginning to go missing without trace."

Mr Swarts said that he was the last person to see Mr Goniwe and the three other dead men alive. This was when he and Mr Goniwe had had a briefing on Thursday night at a Gelvandale house.

"We met every week. He would fill me in on the rural situation and I would brief him on the urban situation in the Eastern Cape," Mr Swarts said.

"The last topic we discussed on Thursday night was the safety of our people. I said he should sleep over in Port Elizabeth rather than risk the long drive back to Cradock, but he just laughed off the idea and said he would not allow anyone stop him."

"We believe that a right-wing political death squad may be operating in the Eastern Cape, and that it is responsible for this terrible crime," Mr Swarts said.

"A short time ago the UDF in Johannesburg revealed that such a group had compiled a hit list of prominent UDF members, including Bishop Tutu. What we are now seeing in the Eastern Cape may be a part of that hit list."

Mr Swarts dismissed the idea that the present feud between the UDF and Azapo in the Eastern Cape could have been connected with the deaths of Mr Goniwe and the other three men.

● In another development, Mr Dan Sandi, an executive member of the Grahamstown Civic Association, alleged today that callers identifying themselves as the killers of the Cradock four have threatened to kill civic leaders in Port Elizabeth, Grahamstown and Port Alfred.

Mr Sandi said he and Mr Douglas Rwendela, who administers an educational project in Grahamstown, had received numerous threatening calls today.

He said these had been reported to the police.

A friend of the vice-president of the UDF in the Eastern Cape, Mr Henry Fazzie, who did not wish to be identified, claimed today that Mr Fazzie had received similar calls.

● The community of Cradock's Linglihle township has reacted with outrage to the deaths of Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata.

Mrs Nyameka Goniwe said today there was a feeling of anger and hatred among the community over her husband's death.

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Mob stabs, stones hiker

A PORT ELIZABETH man hitch-hiking on the main road outside Cradock was attacked, stabbed and stoned by a group of about 20 people in broad daylight yesterday.

Mr S F Swanepoel, 29, of Third Avenue, Cradock Place, was rescued by a member of the SA Defence Force who happened to be driving past.

He rushed the injured Mr Swanepoel to Cradock Hospital. A police spokesman in Pretoria said Mr Swanepoel was "out of danger".

The spokesman said Mr Swanepoel was surrounded and attacked at about 10.45am yesterday.

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Burnt bodies of 2 Cradock leaders found

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — The burnt bodies of two Cradock community leaders, Mr Matthew Goniwe and Mr Fort Calata, were found in a clearing near St George's Strand outside Port Elizabeth yesterday afternoon — five days after they went missing.

Mr Goniwe — a listed person — and Mr Calata, both teachers, were central figures in the 15-month Cradock schools boycott which ended in April this year. They were also executive members of the Cradock Residents' Association.

The bodies were lying in a small clearing about 1,7km from the place where the body of Mr Ficelo Mhlawuli, an Oudtshoorn primary school principal, was found at the weekend.

Mr Goniwe, Mr Calata, Mr Mhlawuli and Mr Sparro Mkhonto, another executive member of Cradora whose body was found last Friday, travelled to Port Elizabeth to attend a UDF briefing on Thursday and were due back in Cradock the same night.

Their burnt-out car was found off the road to Grahamstown outside Port Elizabeth on Friday. Mr Mkhonto's body was discovered about a kilometre away that night. Both Mr Mhlawuli and Mr Mkhonto had been stabbed and burnt.

Police, helped by the Defence Force, found their bodies yesterday afternoon after they decided to search the area where Mr Mhlawuli's and Mr Mkhonto's bodies were found, as part of the investigation into their murders.

A police spokesman said that police did not initially launch a search for the two men because no one had officially reported them missing.

Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata were lying about three metres apart on their backs, their burnt arms outstretched. Between them lay a sports shoe, the only article of their clothing which was not burnt.

The bodies were so charred that it was difficult to tell whether they had been stabbed or mutilated, although some of Mr Calata's fingers appeared to have been burnt or chopped off.

There were no apparent signs of a struggle.

A devastated Mrs Nyameka Goniwe said her husband's death was not unexpected.

"When I heard about the deaths of Mr Mkhonto and Mr Mhlawuli, I knew my husband was also dead. What more can I say. I am just empty."

Speaking in a voice that was barely audible, Mrs Goniwe said she expected to bury her husband next week.

Mrs Di Bishop, acting chairperson of the Black Sash in the Western Cape, last night said Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata were highly respected teachers.

"South Africa cannot do without men of their

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calibre. The loss of Mr Goniwe is as great a loss as Steve Biko. Mr Goniwe was a most inspired leader — a man of peace, free of bitterness, full of enthusiasm for teaching and totally committed to the attainment of justice and democracy."

Mrs Bishop said Mr Goniwe had applied to be a member of the Black Sash this year and the organization had been honoured to have him as an associate member.

Mr Gladwell Makhawula, president of Cradora, said he was too upset to speak to anyone about the deaths.

Mrs Molly Blackburn, PFP MPC for Walmer and a friend of Mr Goniwe, said that when one looked at motives behind the deaths one arrived at a frightening conclusion.

Mr Andrew Savage, PFP MP for Walmer and spokesman for black affairs in the Eastern Cape, said: "Whoever murdered Mr Goniwe and his companions, the responsibility for their death lies squarely on the shoulders of this government.

"Its attempt to implement apartheid is responsible for the chaotic and violent conditions that exist in the Eastern Cape."

Mr Derrick Swarts, regional general secretary of the UDF, said: "The nation and the international community knows full well who is responsible for their deaths."

He added that the UDF planned to investigate the deaths with the assistance of Amnesty International and the United Nations Commission on Missing Persons.

Political violence 'acceptable'

Political Correspondent

THE majority of South Africans regard violence as an acceptable means of achieving political aims, the HSRC has found.

A series of surveys conducted by the HSRC showed that 63 percent of Africans, 40 percent of Indians, 37 percent of coloured people and 30 percent of whites reacted positively to the question on whether it was acceptable to use violence to attain political ends.

One of the surveys showed "convincingly" that militancy among Africans was due almost entirely to their feelings of economic deprivation.

The HSRC report blamed much of the high conflict potential characteristic of South African society on the separation and division of people as a result of the government's apartheid policies.

A credibility crisis had developed around the whole socio-political system that had led increasingly to the use of force as the only basis for maintaining social order.

The HSRC investigation said it was an "indisputable fact" that there would not be much consolation for those who were under the "illusion" that the transition from an apartheid society to a broader democratically oriented social order would occur overnight and without a hitch.

In addition, it was misleading to believe that whites had such control over their own destiny that they could dictate the rate, direction and nature of change according to their own needs.

There was also no consolation for those who believed that uncontrolled violence would lead to the ideal society.

On a more positive side, the report identified various forces which could help improve intergroup relations:

- The government's growing willingness to enter into dialogue with black leaders on the accommodation of Africans' political aspirations.
- Recognition of the rights of Africans to be involved at the highest level of government in decision-making regarding their own interests.
- Current reform initiatives to repeal or relieve offensive discriminatory measures.
- The irreversible accommodation of Africans, coloured people and Indians in the South African economy.
- The growing willingness among whites to accept Africans as fully fledged South African citizens.
- The increase in interests and associations that cut across the "colour line" and thus promote common interests and values.

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Burnt bodies of UDF men found

Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — The five-day search for missing Cradock community leaders and prominent United Democratic Front members Mr Mathew Goniwe and Mr Ford Calata has ended with the discovery of their burnt bodies.

Almost beyond recognition, they were found in a small clearing in thick bush at St George's Strand near here yesterday.

The discovery has confirmed fears for the men's safety after the burnt shell of Mr Goniwe's car was found at the weekend off the main road to Cradock.

The bodies were spreadeagled on the ground almost 2km from where Mr Goniwe's car was found and near the spot where a fisherman found the body of Mr Ficelo Mhlawuli on Saturday. Mr Mhlawuli was in Mr Goniwe's car when it was last seen heading for Cradock after a UDF meeting in Port Elizabeth last Thursday.

The body of a fourth passenger, Mr Sparro Mkhonto, was found in the bush near the burnt-out car on Monday.

The worst

The men attended a UDF committee meeting in Port Elizabeth on Thursday and were last seen at 9pm as they drove towards Cradock.

Post-mortem examinations take place today.

Mrs Myameka Goniwe said from Cradock she was "empty" at the death of her husband, but had expected the worst after the discovery of the bodies of Mr Mhlawuli and Mr Mkhonto.

Police did not search for Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata after the discovery of the car and other bodies because they had not been officially reported missing.

Yesterday afternoon members of the Port Elizabeth Murder and Robbery Squad, aided by troops, scoured the dense bush at St George's Strand. The bodies were found after an hour.

The death of the men is being mourned by community leaders from all walks of life, black and white.

Mr Goniwe rose to prominence when his sacking from a teaching post in Cradock started a 15-month school boycott which spread and paralysed all black schools in the Eastern Cape.

He was held in Cape Town's Pollsmoor Prison for several months as the boycott progressed and, when released, his name was placed on the list which prevented him being quoted.

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Police at the scene where the bodies of UDF members Mr Mathew Goniwe and Mr Ford Calata were

Killings: police also offer a reward

—Post Reporters

THE South African Police have offered a R1 000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the killers of Mr Matthew Goniwe, Mr Fort Calata and the two other members of the United Democratic Front.

This is the second reward offered.

Yesterday the UDF offered a R5 000 reward for information leading to the killers being brought to justice.

These rewards follow the grim finding this week of the mutilated and burnt bodies of Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata on Tuesday.

The bodies of Mr Sparro Mkhonto and Mr Ficelo Mhlawuli, both UDF members and executive members of the Cradock Residents Association, were found last Friday.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, police Press liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said anyone with any information should contact the murder and robbery squad in Port Elizabeth at ☎ 547892.

Yesterday the general secretary of the UDF in the Eastern Cape, Mr Derrick Swarts, blamed a right-wing political death squad he believed might be operating in the Eastern Cape for the four murders.

This force were responsible for the "political assasinations", Mr Swarts said.

● All knowledge of the existance of such a force was denied by a spokesman for the police directorate for public affairs in Pretoria.

The spokesman said all murders would be investigated thoroughly "and if such a force exists it will form part of the investigations".

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Post Focus

Goniwe did not seek confrontation

Post Reporter

IN a violent world, Matthew Goniwe was an unlikely hero.

He was a small, trusting man with a big, friendly smile.

Neatly built and mild-mannered, he had no thoughts of being a celebrity and shied away from public speaking.

Being home with his young family appealed to him more than standing in front of an audience.

But he was a brilliant teacher and saw it as his duty to use whatever talents he had to uplift the black community — a duty that extended beyond the classroom at Sam Xhalli Junior Secondary School in Ilingelihle, Cradock, where he became acting principal.

In 1983, in the shabby township beyond the school gates, support rallied spontaneously around him for the formation of Cradora, the residents' association that challenged township rent increases and first brought him into conflict with the authorities.

Goniwe was not a seeker of confrontation, and he desperately tried to dissuade children from boycotting classes in his support when three cruel blows dislocated his work and his family life in late 1983 and last year.

First he was transferred to Graaff-Reinet. Then he was dismissed for refusing to go. And finally he was detained.

Throughout the months of his detention, his wife, Nyameka, was as optimistic as he was that the sacrifices would in the end be worthwhile and all would turn out well.

After he was released, the Department of Education and Training even invited him to apply for his old teaching post. His application went in but it was never approved.

At the time of his death last week, Goniwe was rising rapidly as a popular hero.

But he had no personal political ambition for his own sake, other leaders say. His concern was the people.

Today the black community in Cradock mourns the death of Goniwe and the other three leaders who died with him — Fort Calata, Sparro Mkhonto and Ficelo Mahawuli.

They were found dead in mysterious circumstances near Goniwe's burnt out car on the outskirts of Port Elizabeth. The men were returning to Cradock after attending a United Democratic Front (UDF) briefing in Gelvandale.

At the time of his death, Goniwe had been elected rural organiser of the Eastern Cape region of the UDF, having refused the post of vice-president. He felt he had too many civic commitments in Cradock.

Mrs Goniwe said he hated violence, so much so that he had dropped boxing for yoga. He was bitterly opposed to the apartheid system and was concerned for its victims.

He had suffered detention and harassment, but coped by talking about it, and then laughing it off.

A friend, Mrs Molly Blackburn, said Goniwe was non-political in his personal life, and entered politics because of popular pressure.

She said his ability to appraise current issues, to understand what was right or wrong, was astounding.



MATTHEW GONIWE

As a teacher, using limited resources, he began to churn out students with A and B symbols in science and mathematics.

He waged a campaign against alcohol and sex abuse among the youth, and won their respect.

He was 38 when he died.

As a youngster, Goniwe attended primary and junior school in Cradock, then went to Hill Town boarding school for the final two years. He completed a higher teacher's diploma at Fort Hare and returned home to teach at the Cradock Bantu Secondary School, later to be called Sam Xhalli Junior Secondary.

In 1972, he and the late Cradock stalwart, John Hlehlekani, principal of Cradock Bantu Secondary School, left to teach in Bityi village in Transkei.

After a year they left for the Mqanduli, 40 kilometres outside Umtata where he and Mr Hlehlekani started a school in a dilapidated church hall. They called it the Holomisa Secondary School, later to become a high school.

There he taught until he was convicted under the Suppression of Communism Act and imprisoned in 1977 for four years.

At the end 1981 he was released from prison in Umtata. While in prison he obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree through Unisa. He majored in education and political studies.

Goniwe then took a post at Nqweba High School in Graaff-Reinet. In his third month there the principal left, and Goniwe was promoted from acting teacher to acting principal.

In 1983 Goniwe was appointed acting principal at the Sam Xhalli Junior Secondary School in Cradock.

His wife said: "It was wonderful. The community loved it. Everything flourished. It produced beautiful results. He brought together parents, teachers and pupils."

Later that year the Cradock Youth Association was born. It coincided with the development of a new section of the Cradock township, which was introduced under a new and perplexing system of "sliding rents". Residents who moved into the new, but essentially identical four-roomed houses, had to pay R54 more than before. They took the houses because there was no other accommodation.

Concern over the rent hike, plus encouragement from those around him, prompted Goniwe to involve himself in civic matters. This was not well-received by the authorities.

In December, 1983, he received a telegram from the Department of Education and Training transferring him back to Graaff-Reinet. He was to start in January, 1984.

But residents met and insisted that he refuse the transfer. His wife said they saw the transfer as a political move to get rid of an emerging community leader.

The schools boycott began on February 3 in protest against his dismissal, and in support for the demand for Student Representative Councils at schools.

It did not end until 15 months later. South Africa's longest schools boycott was finally called off at the insistence of Goniwe and the Cradora executive, which included Fort Calata, whose body was found alongside that of his friend and colleague on Wednesday.

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UDF deaths: Police accused

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The United Democratic Front (UDF) claimed yesterday it was the "popular view" that there was police complicity in the recent deaths of four Eastern Cape UDF leaders.

The bodies of two of the men, Mr Matthew Goniwe and Mr Fort Calata, were found days after the charred bodies of their travelling companions, Mr Thomas Mkhonto and Mr Sicelo Mlawuli, were discovered in the burnt-out hulk of their car.

Mr Murphy Morobe, acting publicity secretary of the UDF, said the organization was "deeply angered at the painful and brutal deaths".

He said this incident, and the recent disappearance of three other East Cape community leaders — Mr Sipho Hashe, Mr Champion Galela and Mr Qaqa Godolezi — left all "self-respecting South Africans" with a "deep sense of revulsion".

Since 1981 more than 10 activists in the Eastern Cape had either disappeared or been murdered but no one had been charged.

The police's failure to find leads left "many questions".

He said: "Because of this inability to make any headway, the popular view has become that there is police complicity in these incidents."

A spokesman for the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, said the statement appeared to be "very harsh".

However, he said, the police wanted to study the statement before responding to it.

● About 300 people paid tribute to Mr Goniwe at a moving session of the Nusas July Festival last night.

The festival is being held on the Wits University campus and was to have been addressed by Mr Goniwe last night.

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South Africans who mysteriously disappear

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JO-ANNE COLLINGE reports from Johannesburg on an alarming trend as black unrest continues — the 'disappearance' of opponents of apartheid

PEOPLE don't simply disappear without trace in this day and age — or do they?

Ask Mrs Nyameka Goniwe of Cradock whose husband, Matthew, disappeared some time last Thursday evening while visiting Port Elizabeth. The gutted wreck of his car was found on the Port Elizabeth-Grahamstown road.

The charred bodies of two of his fellow travellers, Mr Sparrow Mkonto and Mr Sicelo Mhlawuli, were discovered at different locations, well away from the wreck. The fourth man in the party, Mr Fort Calata, has also vanished without trace.

Or ask Mrs Pinda Molefe, whose father, Mr Sipho Hashe, set off from his home for Port Elizabeth airport on May 9 with two companions. Casual farewells exchanged that may well have been final goodbyes — for none of the men has been glimpsed by his family since.

Then again one might put the question to the mother of 16-year-old Sowetan Jabu Maluleke, who was reportedly removed from a home-bound train by men in plainclothes on May 10. Since that day life in the Maluleke home has been one of waiting for the return of the first born.

Matthew Goniwe, Sipho Hashe and Jabu Maluleke have one thing in common - they are all leaders of organisations which are vehemently opposed to apartheid and have been part of mass protest action in the last year.

With the exception of Mr Mhlawuli, their fated companions — Mr Mkhonto, Mr Champion Galela, Mr QaQawula Godolozi — are likewise prominent figures.

Not surprisingly, some human rights groups and progressive political organisations have begun to speak of a programme of systematic elimination of opponents of apartheid by agents unknown.

They remind us that the disappearances and murders take place against an ominous backdrop, where:

☐ Popular leaders' homes are petrol-bombed — even the home of a man such as Anglican Bishop Suffragan Simeon Nkoane who has no sectional identity.

☐ The smouldering differences between the United Democratic Front and the Azanian Peoples' Organisation are repeatedly stoked by bogus pamphlets, purportedly issued by the two organisations.

☐ The UDF and Azapo leadership insist their organisations are not at war, yet battles rage between their members and suspicion that their ranks have been infiltrated by pro-apartheid forces grows.

☐ The existence of a "hit list" for the abduction of 14 leaders in Johannesburg and Soweto (including Bishop Desmond Tutu) is revealed.



The MP for Houghton, Mrs Helen Suzman, has described the deaths and disappearances of UDF members in the Eastern Cape as "very sinister" and warned that unless "this very suspicious incident" was cleared up it would cause further problems in the townships. She called on the police to get to the bottom of it without delay.

er cases are being treated as missing person investigations and in May a court dismissed with costs an application for the Minister of Law and Order to produce Mr Hashe.

But many people in the Eastern Cape still clearly suspect that their leaders have been bumped off. Some weeks ago, when mass burials were conducted under the supervision of

Who are these leaders who are regarded at grassroots level as enough of a threat to apartheid for some pro-apartheid "third force" (as Azapo and the UDF call it) to want them out of the way?

Mr Goniwe, Mr Calata, and Mr Mkonto filled top positions in the Cradock Residents' Association (Cradora) which waged rent battles, opposed the local council (which eventually resigned en masse) and supported the pupils' school boycott over a period of about 18 months.

Mr Goniwe — the general secretary of Cradora — was virtually the embodiment of the community struggle in Cradock. The school boycott — which lasted solidly for over a year — was sparked when he was removed from his position as acting principal after playing a leading role in the rent strike.

Mr Calata and Mr Mkonto were Cradora executive members. The Calata name is revered in Cradock. Fort Calata's grandfather was Canon Calata, the first general secretary of the African National Congress.

Mr Calata and Mr Goniwe were among four Cradock men held in preventive detention for six months last year. They were released without charge.

Mr Hashe, Mr Galela and Mr Godolozi led the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation (Pebco), the body which commanded almost 100 percent support in its March work stayaway in protest at cost of living increases.

Mr Hashe (58), Pebco general secretary, had his home petrol bombed twice prior to his disappearance. He joined the ANC in 1956 — when it was a legal organisation — and was jailed for 10 years for furthering its aims after its banning.

Mr Godolozi (30) is a founder member of Pebco. He was elected to the position of president in 1982 and has held office since then, becoming the longest serving president of the organisation.

Mr Galela (38) fills the position of organising secretary in Pebco and also belongs to the General Workers' Union.

Young Jabu Maluleke, the youth who was mysteriously taken off a Soweto-bound train at Dube station, is publicity secretary of the local branch of the Congress of South African Students. He was carrying pamphlets concerning a pupil-parent meeting at the time of his disappearance, says a friend who witnessed his removal. Railways Police

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Then again one might put the question to the mother of 16-year-old Sowetan Jabu Maluleke, who was reportedly removed from a home-bound train by men in plainclothes on May 10. Since that day life in the Maluleke home has been one of waiting for the return of the first born.

Matthew Goniwe, Sipho Hashe and Jabu Maluleke have one thing in common - they are all leaders of organisations which are vehemently opposed to apartheid and have been part of mass protest action in the last year.

With the exception of Mr Mhlawuli, their fated companions — Mr Mkhonto, Mr Champion Galela, Mr QaQawula Godolozi — are likewise prominent figures.

Not surprisingly, some human rights groups and progressive political organisations have begun to speak of a programme of systematic elimination of opponents of apartheid by agents unknown.

They remind us that the disappearances and murders take place against an ominous backdrop, where:

☐ Popular leaders' homes are petrol-bombed — even the home of a man such as Anglican Bishop Suffragan Simeon Nkoane who has no sectional identity.

☐ The smouldering differences between the United Democratic Front and the Azanian Peoples' Organisation are repeatedly stoked by bogus pamphlets, purportedly issued by the two organisations.

☐ The UDF and Azapo leadership insist their organisations are not at war, yet battles rage between their members and suspicion that their ranks have been infiltrated by pro-apartheid forces grows.

☐ The existence of a "hit list" for the abduction of 14 leaders in Johannesburg and Soweto (including Bishop Desmond Tutu) is revealed.

☐ Vigilante groups operate seemingly unchecked — abducting people and meting out rough "justice" which has cost several lives.

Police in the Eastern Cape have opened murder dockets in the cases of Mr Mkonto and Mr Mhlawuli. The other cases are being treated as missing person investigations and in May a court dismissed with costs an application for the Minister of Law and Order to produce Mr Hashe.

But many people in the Eastern Cape still clearly suspect that their leaders have been bumped off. Some weeks ago, when mass burials were conducted under the supervision of police at Zwide cemetery, Port Elizabeth youths refused to believe that the bodies were those of paupers who had died in hospital — they conducted an unauthorised "exhumation" of about 20 bodies to see if their leaders were among the dead.



The MP for Houghton, Mrs Helen Suzman, has described the deaths and disappearances of UDF members in the Eastern Cape as "very sinister" and warned that unless "this very suspicious incident" was cleared up it would cause further problems in the townships. She called on the police to get to the bottom of it without delay.

Who are these leaders who are regarded at grassroots level as enough of a threat to apartheid for some pro-apartheid "third force" (as Azapo and the UDF call it) to want them out of the way?

Mr Goniwe, Mr Calata, and Mr Mkonto filled top positions in the Cradock Residents' Association (Cradora) which waged rent battles, opposed the local council (which eventually resigned en masse) and supported the pupils' school boycott over a period of about 18 months.

Mr Goniwe — the general secretary of Cradora — was virtually the embodiment of the community struggle in Cradock. The school boycott — which lasted solidly for over a year — was sparked when he was removed from his position as acting principal after playing a leading role in the rent strike.

Mr Calata and Mr Mkonto were Cradora executive members. The Calata name is revered in Cradock. Fort Calata's grandfather was Canon Calata, the first general secretary of the African National Congress.

Mr Calata and Mr Goniwe were among four Cradock men held in preventive detention for six months last year. They were released without charge.

Mr Hashe, Mr Galela and Mr Godolozi led the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation (Pebco), the body which commanded almost 100 percent support in its March work stayaway in protest at cost of living increases.

Mr Hashe (58), Pebco general secretary, had his home petrol bombed twice prior to his disappearance. He joined the ANC in 1956 — when it was a legal organisation — and was jailed for 10 years for furthering its aims after its banning.

Mr Godolozi (30) is a founder member of Pebco. He was elected to the position of president in 1982 and has held office since then, becoming the longest serving president of the organisation.

Mr Galela (38) fills the position of organising secretary in Pebco and also belongs to the General Workers' Union.

Young Jabu Maluleke, the youth who was mysteriously taken off a Soweto-bound train at Dube station, is publicity secretary of the local branch of the Congress of South African Students. He was carrying pamphlets concerning a pupil-parent meeting at the time of his disappearance, says a friend who witnessed his removal. Railways Police and the SAP have been unable to locate Jabu.

Certainly a significant number of significant opponents of apartheid have disappeared. It is impossible to assess whether a similar proportion of people in lesser positions is affected.

Radicals to blame for deaths — govt

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From PHILLIP VAN NIEKERK

JOHANNESBURG. — The South African government has taken the "strongest possible exception" to claims this week that the authorities were involved in the murders of four United Democratic Front (UDF) activists in the Eastern Cape.

Responding to local and international concern over the deaths, Mr Louis Nel, the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, said yesterday that the government had persistently tried to restore law and order in areas affected by the unrest.

He said this was "exactly to prevent such tragic incidents" as occurred in the Eastern Cape where an "internecine power struggle by opposing radical organizations" had claimed many lives and resulted in untold damage.

But the United Democratic Front (UDF) reiterated the claims at a press conference yesterday and declared July 13 and 14 as national days of protest against the murders last week of the activists — Mr Fort Calata, Mr Mathew Goniwe, Mr Sparrow Mkhonto and Mr Sicelo Mhlawuli.

Mr Murphy Morobe, acting publicity secretary of the UDF, told the conference that South Africa was heading towards a situation similar to fascist South America where thousands of people disappeared.

He said 27 political leaders were now missing in the Eastern Cape, Transvaal and Free State; two hit-lists of 20 activists in Duduza and Soweto had been uncovered, with one person dying as a result; and there had been at least 11 political assassinations.

"Leaders of the people and ordinary members of our organizations have been forced to go into hiding as they flee the townships for fear of their lives.

"Many people have died or disappeared in circumstances which only allow us to conclude that they have been victims of political assassinations or abductions carried out by the regime or its agents."

Mr Morobe said that while comprehensive evidence about the identity of the killers of the four men was not available, there was circumstantial evidence to back up the allegations.

● Before leaving Port Elizabeth last Thursday evening the group agreed they would not stop for anybody other than uniformed police.

● The body of the car was not damaged, implying that they had not been forced off the road.

● There was a police roadblock near the Bluewater Bay turnoff last Thursday night.

● Arrangements for the visit were made on the telephone. The only people who could have gained access to this information were those who had access to "sophisticated listening equipment".

Mr Morobe said the UDF called on "all those who form part of the democratic movement" to "close ranks" and observe the weekend of July 13 and 14 as days of protest.

In London

Three UDF spokesmen made the same claims at a press conference in London yesterday. They said more than two dozen political activists had disappeared in South Africa over the past few years.

Mr Zac Yacoob, Mr Yunus Mohammed and Mr Ray Suttner were in Britain on a brief stopover on their way to Washington to attend an international conference on the legal aspects of apartheid.

Meanwhile, the South African Police have offered a R1 000 reward for information in connection with the killings of the activists.

'He was a man to be proud of'

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By MONO BADELA

THE DEATH of Cradock schoolmaster and community leader Matthews Goniwe has stunned the strife-torn Lingelihle township.

His wife Nyameka Goniwe was shattered by his death. She said the deaths of Mr Goniwe, Cradock Residents' Association official Sparrow Mkonto, chairman Fort Calata — grandson of first ANC general secretary Canon Calata — and Oudtshoorn teacher Sicelo Mhlawuli have shocked and horrified the villagers.

Three homes, including that of a school inspector, were set alight as youths in the area vented their anger following the disappearance of the four leaders.

Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata's bodies were found at Blue Water Bay near Port Elizabeth on Tuesday — a few days after the charred remains of the two others.

The two other officials were found about two kilometres from the area where Mr Goniwe's gutted car was found by cops last Friday.

Port Elizabeth politician and Black Sash official Molly Blackburn said the men were people South Africa could really be proud of. Their death was shattering and the manner in which they died was appalling.

Mrs Blackburn, closely associated with Cradora, also said it was a privilege to have known and worked with Mr Goniwe.

"His death is a crippling blow to those who are fighting for a real change in South Africa," she said.

A former political prisoner and later Section 28 detainee, Mr Goniwe emerged as a popular leader in the Eastern Cape during a period of rent hikes.

In September 1983 he and others formed Cradora to fight the introduction of the town council system in Lingelihle later that year and for the improvement of living conditions in the drought-stricken township.

He was elected Cradora chairman.

Security cops had shown interest in him and Cradora from the early days, said Mrs Goniwe.

After qualifying as a teacher at Healdtown in 1968, he taught for four years in Cradock before taking up a post in Transkei in 1971. In 1976 he was arrested by Transkeian authorities and in 1977 he was sentenced to four years in terms of the supression of the communist act for teaching youths Marxist doctrine.

Mr Goniwe obtained his BA degree, majoring in political science and education, while serving his sentence. Soon after his release in 1982 he went teaching in Graaff-Reinet. The following year he returned to Cradock as acting principal of Sam Xhalie Secondary School.

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A poignant pic: Fort Clata and family shortly before his death.

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The leader and his family — Matthew Goniwe.

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In December that year the Education and Training Department transferred him back to Graaff-Reinet. DET's decision to transfer and later dismiss Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata led to the country's longest school boycott ever, with more than 4 500 school children demanding their immediate and unconditional reinstatement.

Unrest followed, resulting in four deaths and several homes belonging to school inspector and teachers being gutted.

In March this year students returned to classes after boycotting for 15 months, but unrest continued.

Mr Goniwe's dismissal — coupled with the school principal's refusal to allow the election of an SRC at Lingelihle High — sparked the start of the school boycott. For six months — while Mr Goniwe, his nephew Mbulelo, Mr Calata and Madoda Jacobs languished in detention — Law and Order Minister Louis le Grange banned all political meetings in the area.

In January, Cradock's Lingelihle Village Council members resigned en bloc.

At the time of his death Mr Goniwe was a full-time organiser for the United Democratic Front in the Eastern Cape. His specific task was to visit smaller towns in the area, spreading the UDF's message.

Mr Goniwe is survived by his wife and two children.

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Synod rejects use of violence

MARITZBURG. — "The Anglican Synod here unanimously passed a motion yesterday condemning violence as a means of achieving political ends, after hearing that the Bishop Suffragen of Johannesburg East, the Right Rev Simeon Nkoane, had received a second death threat on Monday.

The synod also heard the fear expressed that agents of the State were behind the death threats to Bishop Nkoane.

Bishop Nkoane's home in KwaThema, near Springs, has twice been attacked with petrol bombs and shots have been fired at it.

Bishop Nkoane said yesterday he would not leave the township in spite of threats to his life.

Prayers

The Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev Phillip Russell, told the synod that he had received a letter from Bishop Nkoane, saying: "They have said they will be coming for me. They don't want me in the township. I ask your prayers for all of us."

Speaking to the motion, Canon Briggs of Pretoria said there was a fear that the police and the SADF were behind the death threats. "After being told lies about the involvement of the SADF in Angola and the involvement of the government in Renamo, there are fewer and fewer people who believe in ministerial statements."

Meanwhile, the Bishop of Namibia, the Right Rev James Kauluma, said that Anglican chaplains in the operational area would be withdrawn if an amendment to a church law was given the Anglican synod's final blessing.

Assurance

This was in spite of an assurance from the head of the church, the Archbishop of Cape Town, that as long as he was archbishop, Anglicans serving in the SADF would be ministered to by a priest.

To become church law, the issue has to be decided by a committee of the synod.

The synod has agreed to amend a church canon, placing military chaplains under the control of bishops in the diocese in which they are working rather than under senior SADF officers.

In effect, this would mean some 37 Anglican chaplains would be answerable to the Bishop of Namibia when visiting the operational area.

The Anglican Church in Namibia did not participate in any chaplaincy programme with the SADF, Bishop Kauluma said last night.

"I will consult my diocese on the issue but I doubt that they will agree that priests take part in the programme."

Foreign army

"The Council of Churches in Namibia has taken this stand because we see the SADF as a foreign army. Any participation would jeopardize our position with the other churches. We cannot license chaplains to attend to a foreign army.

"SADF personnel may attend church services in our parishes if they do not wear uniforms or weapons, but come as ordinary worshippers."

The Anglican Church in South Africa has called for a judicial inquiry into activities of the police and the SADF in black townships during the past month.

Cadets

Bishops of the Anglican Church were last night urged by the Provincial Synod to do everything in their power to discourage the practice of cadets at church schools.

They were also asked to consider their positions as chairmen of school councils if there was an ongoing refusal to heed this call.

A resolution to this effect was passed by a large majority [illegible]

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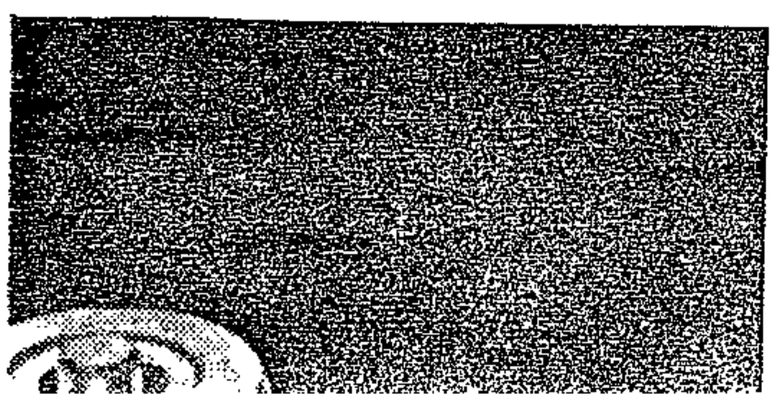

Cradock families angry over release of bodies

Post Reporter (344)

THE bodies of three murdered Cradock civic leaders were released to a firm of undertakers in irregular circumstances, according to the undertaker instructed by the families.

The bodies were those of Mr Matthew Goniwe, Mr Fort Calata and Mr Sparro Mkhonto, who were all executive members of the Cradock Residents' Association.

No release forms were shown to Avbob, the firm of undertakers who took the bodies from PE to Cradock, as these were already with Zwide Funerals, the firm employed by the families. (Post 10:07:85)

The bodies were to have been returned to PE last night.

Mr Richmond Vantyi, owner of Zwide Funeral Parlour, said he had been told by Avbob that the bodies were released by the police on a verbal promise.

He said the families were angry because they had not given the company permission. Zwide Funeral Parlour had obtained the release forms five days previously and family representatives had travelled to PE to ensure that the operation went smoothly.

He said the police had promised to release the bodies to the family undertaker in PE today.

He said he waited the whole of yesterday to receive the bodies.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said Avbob, which was the only funeral parlour in Cradock, had been commissioned to fetch the bodies from PE. "This is where the confusion must have started."

Call to probe four murders

CAPE TOWN — There should be a full investigation into whether "State employees" had murdered the four Cradock community leaders whose bodies were found in the bush outside Port Elizabeth this month, the vice-chairman of the Civil Rights League, Mr Brian Bishop, said last night.

Speaking to about 800 people at a memorial rally for the four men at the Athlone Civic Centre, he said the Commissioner of the South African Police, General Johan Coetzee, had accused people of spreading "lies and twisted reports" about the killings.

The general should therefore welcome an investigation to establish the truth, Mr Bishop said.

Recently top members of the Government had justified the crossing of international borders and the killing in cold blood of people who were said, without proof, to be acting against the interests of this country.

Who could therefore blame State employees for believing that a "local" operation, similar to the Gaborone one, was justified, he said.

In all, 10 Eastern Cape community leaders had died in mysterious circumstances over the past few years and "not one case has been solved", Mr Bishop said.

He rejected the theory that Azapo-UDF conflict led to the murders.

"I discussed the issue with Matthew Goniwe (chairman of the Cradock Residents' Association and one of the murdered men) eight days before his death and he confirmed there was no UDF-Azapo tension in Cradock."

Mr Bishop said that when Mr Goniwe was in detention at Pollsmoor Prison last year he had developed a fascination for the Third Reich and had asked Mr Bishop for books on the subject "because it was racist and oppressive — and beaten".

Candles were lit for Mr Goniwe and the other three men, Mr Sicelo Mahlawuli, Mr Sparrow Mkhonto and Mr Fort Calata, at the rally last night.

● Cape Town police are searching for those responsible for hanging an effigy and banner from a pedestrian bridge on the Eastern Boulevard, near Woodstock, yesterday.

The effigy of a man hung from the bridge next to a banner on which "Who murdered Matthew Goniwe" was written in red and black.

The effigy and banner were removed by a traffic officer yesterday morning and taken to the Woodstock Police Station. — Sapa

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Call for inquiry into deaths of 'Cradock 4'

Staff Reporter

THE recent disappearance and subsequent deaths of Mr Matthew Goniwe and three other Eastern Cape community leaders and activists should be fully investigated to determine whether they were murdered by State employees, the vice-chairman of the Civil Rights League, Mr Brian Bishop, said last night.

The four men, Mr Goniwe, the chairman of the Cradock Residents' Association; Mr Fort Calata, Mr Sparrow Mkhonto and Mr Sicelo Mhlawuli, all disappeared after leaving Port Elizabeth for Cradock on June 27.

Addressing a United Democratic Front memorial rally for the "Cradock Four" at the Athlone Civic Centre, Mr Bishop said the government was no stranger to violence.

"We have recently seen top members of the government justify crossing an international border and killing in cold blood people who are claimed — without proof — to support a change in government.

"State employees must be forgiven if they believe that similar deeds must therefore be morally justifiable this side of the border.

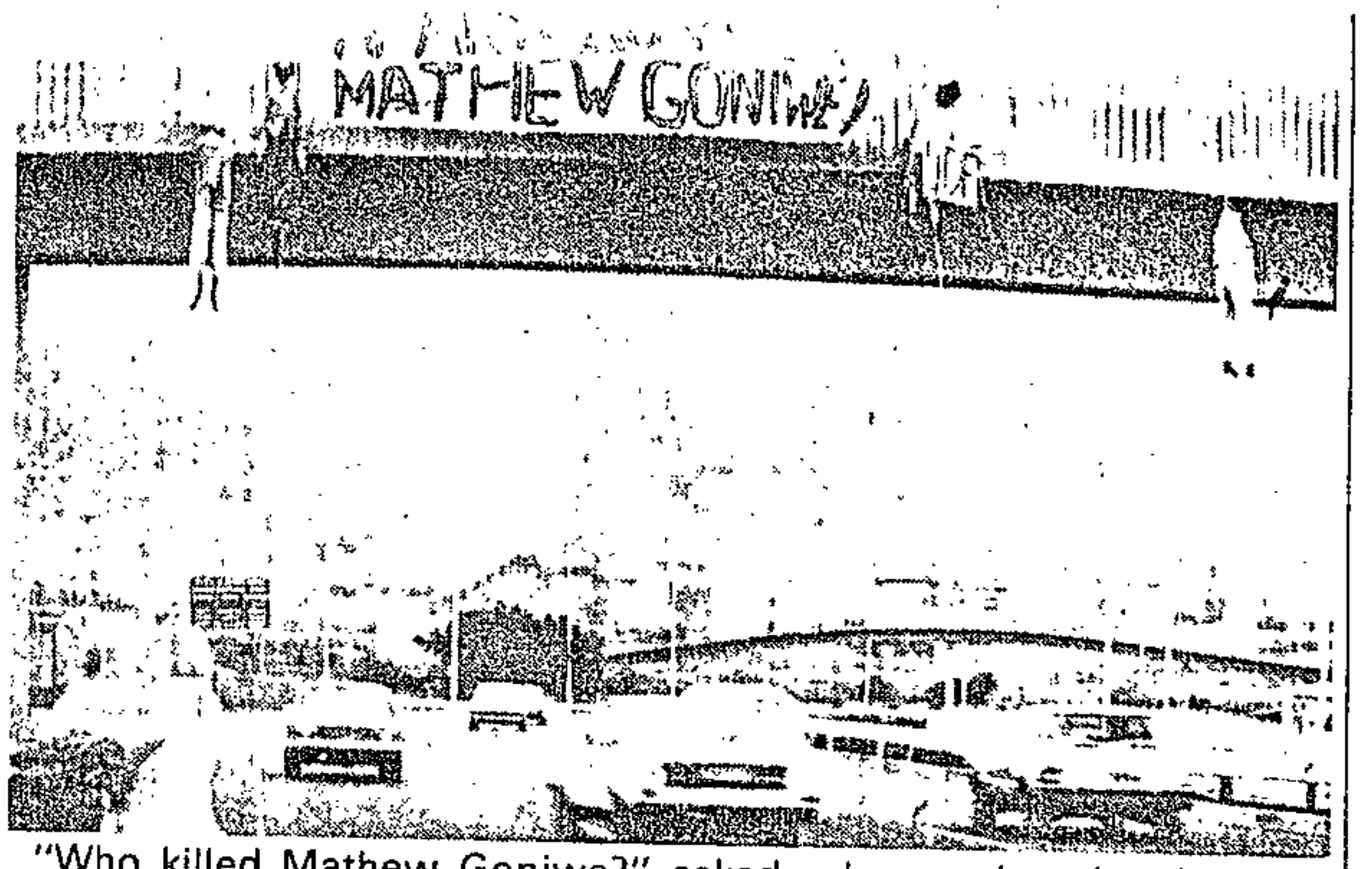
"About ten East Cape leaders have died mysteriously. Not one case has been solved. In this recent case, as before, it could only have been telephone tapping that made the murders possible. The police deny tapping telephones. That is what an inquiry must establish. Who does?"

Mr Bishop said three other Eastern Cape leaders had also disappeared after being lured to the airport by a false phone call and that a roadblock had been operating on the road they had been using.

"By coincidence, there was a roadblock when the Cradock Four disappeared."

Mr Bishop referred to a recent Sunday newspaper report quoting a senior police official as saying that he had "good reason to believe that Azapo sympathizers" could be connected with the deaths of the four.

"I discussed the very issue with Matthew Goniwe eight days before his death and he confirmed that there was no UDF-Azapo tension in Cradock," Mr Bishop said.



"Who killed Mathew Goniwe?" asked a banner hanging from a pedestrian bridge near the University of Cape Town yesterday morning. About three kilometres further on, a banner on another bridge over Eastern Boulevard read "Apartheid killed Mathew Goniwe". Four life-size dummies hung next to the second banner. The dummies and one banner were removed by a traffic officer soon after 7am. The second banner was removed soon afterwards by unidentified people. The banners referred to the disappearance of Mr Matthew Goniwe, former headmaster of Cradock's Sam Kali Lower Primary School and executive member of the United Democratic Front, and three companions on June 27. Their charred bodies were found days later.

ZIMBABWE ELECTIONS

Fear and loathing

Zimbabwean whites are now more fearful than at any time since the 1972-1980 bush war. At the same time, members of black minority parties are falling victim to a vicious pogrom by mobs of Zanu (PF) supporters. That is why no one would mourn the fact that the June 27-July 2 elections may be the last resembling the Western notion of a democratic test of opinion.

Three people are reported to have been killed and hundreds left homeless and destitute as weekend jubilation by Zanu (PF) victors turned to well-organised victimisation of the losers.

Joshua Nkomo, leader of the main opposition party, Zapu, believes that the wave of attacks on people suspected of not voting for PM Robert Mugabe is designed to pave the way for the banning of Zapu and the proclamation of a one-party state.

Zimbabwe, says the veteran nationalist leader, has been polarised by the election into ethnic groups. The poll, he claims, has created a false appearance of unity under Mugabe's leadership of the three main Shona tribes — the Cezuru (to which Mugabe belongs), the Karanga and the Manyika.

Nkomo himself won all 15 Matabeleland seats compared to the 63 scooped by Mugabe in all the predominantly Shona-speaking areas except the remote south-east, where Shangaan fellow tribespeople of the exiled Zanu founder, the Rev Ndabaningi Sithole, returned a lone Zanu MP.

Whites have also rallied round a traditional leader, former Rhodesian PM Ian Smith. His Conservative Alliance Zimbabwe (CAZ) won 15 of the 20 reserved white seats whose existence is entrenched until 1987 under the British-designed Lancaster House constitution.

But seasoned observers agree that if whites knew then what they know now, many of them would probably not have voted for Smith. They were sincerely shocked when it became clear how their support for Smith had been perceived by Mugabe and other black Zimbabweans. It is a "we did not mean it like *that*" kind of attitude, and few whites are now prepared to state openly that they voted for the CAZ.



Smith

When a by-election has been held to fill a vacancy caused by the death of a candidate, Mugabe is expected to hold 64 seats in the House of Assembly — six short of the total he will need to remove the white seats constitutionally when the guarantees expire in two years' time.

But he is not prepared to wait, he told a press conference, regardless of the damage unconstitutional action would cause to Zimbabwe's relations with Western trading partners and aid donors.

"When we believe we are right, the Western countries can say what they want — they can go hang," said Mugabe.

Mugabe's threats to retaliate against the 100 000 white community here for Smith's



PM Mugabe ... "the West can go hang"

poll successes have raised fears of a witchhunt by Zanu (PF) informers in shops, offices and factories for alleged Smith supporters.

Even whites long opposed to Smith have been alarmed, since black workers have been giving them first-hand reports from the townships, where mobs of screaming Zanu (PF) women have been jogging around with lists of addresses.

In Harare's Mufakose township alone over 400 homes of alleged minority party supporters have been ransacked. Policemen confessed they were under orders not to intervene so long as no lives were lost while homeowners and their belongings were thrown out into the street.

Nevertheless, a defeated Zapu candidate was axed to death by a mob in Harare's Dzvivaresekwa township.

There was an indication that the situation was getting out of hand even by Zanu (PF)'s broadminded standards when politburo members appealed for rank-and-file supporters "not to take the law into their own hands."

Zimbabwe is not yet a one-party state, noted Information Minister Nathan Shamuyarira.

The irony of the election hysteria, according to constitutional analysts, is that most key functions of Parliament have in any case been taken over by the Zanu (PF) central committee, while the national policymaking function of the cabinet has been assumed by Mugabe's 15-member politburo which is not answerable to the legislature.

Holders of cabinet portfolios, such as Zimbabwe's internationally-respected Agriculture Minister Dennis Norman, who is expected to be brought in again from outside party politics, only have a say in day-to-day technical application of policy.

Unlike Western cabinet ministers, they are powerless to influence plans, for example, to commit a massive force of Zimbabwean troops to fighting Renamo rebels in Mozambique before the next rains break — an imminent move which may have momentous consequences for southern Africa.

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THE UDF SLAYINGS

Who is responsible?

Who murdered the four United Democratic Front (UDF) leaders on their way from Port Elizabeth to Cradock last week? If this question is not answered soon, wild speculation could give way to firm conviction — with unpredictable consequences.

Theories abound on who could have been responsible for the death of Matthew Goniwe, Fort Calata, Sparrow Mkhonto and Sicelo Mhlawuli. It remains to be seen which stands up to close examination.

The four men were on their way back to Cradock after attending a secret meeting in Port Elizabeth last Thursday night. Their car was found the next morning next to the road between Blue Water Bay and St George's Strand on the Port Elizabeth-Grahamstown road. The bodies of Mkhonto, chairman of the Cradock Residents' Association (Cradora), and Mhlawuli, a school principal from Oudtshoorn, were found in the vicinity of the burnt-out car on Friday and Saturday, respectively. They had been stabbed and their bodies burnt.

On Tuesday, a police and military search found the stabbed and charred bodies of Calata and Goniwe further away from the car. Friends who saw their bodies claim that Goniwe's hands had been broken and Calata's fingers had been severed.

Goniwe (38) was the founder of Cradora and the Cradock Youth Organisation (Cradoya). Both organisations are affiliated to

the UDF. A brilliant teacher and community leader respected far outside his hometown, Goniwe was sacked from his teaching post last year and became the central figure in a school boycott in Cradock which spread to almost all schools in the eastern Cape. He had been detained for several months and was about to be reinstated as a teacher when he was killed. Calata (29) was an executive member of Cradora and chairman of Cradoya.

UDF leaders immediately voiced the suspicion that the authorities could be responsible. An indication of the importance government attaches to the incident, the allegations, and the prominent attention it immediately received in the international media, is that its denial was first made not by the Minister of Law and Order, but by Deputy Foreign Minister Louis Nel.

Government, Nel said in a statement, "takes the strongest possible exception against the callous insinuations" regarding the deaths. "The government has persistently tried to restore law and order in areas affected by unrest exactly to prevent such tragic incidents as have occurred in the eastern Cape where the internecine power struggle between opposing radical organisations has claimed many lives and resulted in untold damage.

"The alarming statistics of blacks killed during violent unrest in recent months is indicative of a deliberate campaign of terror by black radical organisations directed specifically against moderates and those prepared to negotiate. In the period between April and June 1985 some one hundred blacks died as a result of this campaign."

Nel then referred to Goniwe's pending reinstatement and said that the Chief Director (Control) of the Department of Education and Training, Jaap Strydom, had already requested an appointment with Goniwe for July 1 or 2 "to finalise matters regarding re-appointment."

Added Nel: "I can only trust that Mr Goniwe's untimely death had nothing to do with these negotiations ... I wish to express my condolences to the families of the deceased and assure them that the legal processes will continue in order to bring the perpetrators of these deeds to justice."

The head of Port Elizabeth's Murder and Robbery Squad, Lieutenant Colonel Eric Strydom, followed this up with a statement that he had "good reason" to believe that Azapo sympathisers were responsible.

Azapo's Eastern Cape vice-president, Phambile Ntloko, quickly denied this and said: "The deaths were clearly the work of the system. Azapo would never engage itself in such acts. The system is exploiting the present feud between the UDF and Azapo to remove elements it realises are a danger to them."

UDF spokesmen also stated their belief that it was not Azapo, but "agents of the regime" that are to be held responsible.

UDF executive member Trevor Manuel says there is "a deep-seated anger within the ranks of the UDF" at the murders. Manuel explains why they do not believe Azapo members could have been responsible by pointing out that:



UDF's Manuel ... not blaming Azapo

- ☐ On their departure from PE on Thursday the group agreed that they would not stop for anybody other than uniformed police;
- ☐ The body of Goniwe's car was not damaged at all — an indication that they were not forced off the road;
- ☐ It has been reported that there had been a police roadblock just before the turn-off to Bluewater Bay on the same night; and
- ☐ Arrangements for the meeting in PE had been made by phone and no-one except the people at the meeting knew of the visit.

A spokesman for SAP headquarters in Pretoria would not tell the *FM* more than that the case is being investigated thoroughly by Colonel Strydom and his team. The police have offered a reward of R1 000, and the UDF a reward of R5 000, for information leading to the arrest of the murderers. ■

Lingelihle boycotts to mark leaders' deaths

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STRIFE-torn Lingelihle township residents are boycotting local white traders in response to the death of their leaders.

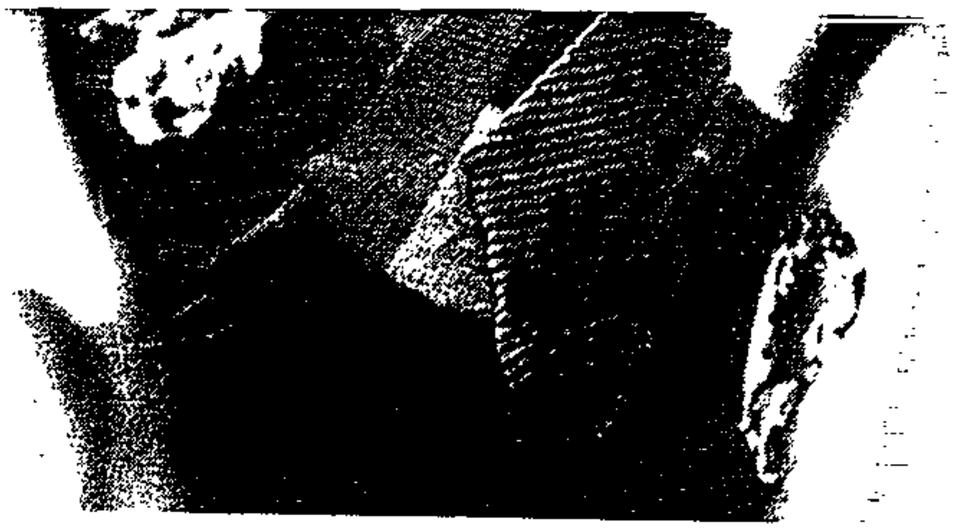
The Cradock township residents have also called for a week-long period of mourning, during which memorial services for Cradock Residents' Association chairman Matthew Goniwe, executive members Ford Calata and Sparrow Mkhonto, and Oudtshoorn school teacher Sicele Mhlawuli will be held countrywide.

Their funerals will be held next Saturday.

Cradora president Monwabisi Makaula told City Press Lingelihle residents were mourning.

"Even the DET has responded by delaying the reopening of schools in the area. We have also asked Cradock's Chief Magistrate to keep the police and army out of the township."

The Port Elizabeth UDF office is arranging two trains to transport mourners. In Johannesburg, buses leave Khotso House on July 19 at 5pm.



★ **TV cameraman Rapitso Montsho shows a wound allegedly inflicted by a rubber bullet in Duduza this week during the funeral of four handgrenade victims – but cops have denied that a black photographer was shot and that white journalists were ordered to report to riot police headquarters, where some had their cars searched. A police statement also added that "certain wild and unfounded allegations" were again reported in the media regarding so-called atrocities and police action at the funerals in Duduza. The Police Commissioner released a statement which said "certain people will do anything in their power to discredit the forces of law and order".**

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Woman killed in Tarkastad riots

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Post Reporter

EAST LONDON — A woman was killed and 21 people slightly wounded when police dispersed a crowd in Tarkastad last night.

The injured were treated in hospital and then arrested on charges of public violence.

The crowd was allegedly stoning the home of a township councillor when the police dispersed it with tearsmoke, rubber bullets and birdshot.

A spokesman for the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria said today that the body of a year-old baby was also found but the cause of its death had not yet been established.

The spokesman said that in another incident a policeman in Tarkastad dispersed a crowd by opening fire with a shotgun after two petrol bombs were thrown and slight damage done to his house. Nobody was injured.

Further incidents of arson, petrol bombing and stone-throwing were reported overnight in areas of the Eastern Cape, Parys in the OFS, Port Natal and Queenstown.

In Joza near Grahamstown, police arrested a youth on a charge of public violence after stones were thrown at a police patrol which was escorting delivery vehicles.

In Zwide, Port Elizabeth, two members of the SADF were assaulted by a gang after a stone-throwing incident involving SADF vehicles. Two men were arrested on charges of public violence and assault.

In Tumahole near Parys, police dispersed a stone-throwing mob with tearsmoke and rubber bullets. Later in the evening, two men were admitted to hospital. They are at present under police guard, and face charges of public violence.

In the black township of Queenstown, arsonists hurled petrol bombs at the home of a black member of the SA Police. The policemen dispersed the mob with shotgun fire. No injuries or arrests were reported.

A man was arrested on a charge of public violence in Dorrington near Fort Beaufort after a mob had stoned police vehicles. There were no reported injuries.

Three other deaths were reported from around the country.

In Graaff-Reinet's black township, a man was killed by police shotgun fire during clashes between police and residents.

In Darlington, near Fort Beaufort, the charred body, suspected to be that of a black person, was discovered by police under a heap of burning tyres. At Ratanda on the East Rand a man was killed when police used shotgun fire to disperse a crowd stoning private homes.

Death threat to anti-tour man

Post Correspondent

EAST LONDON — The Rev M A Stofile has been threatened with death since arriving in South Africa on Sunday after campaigning against the All Blacks tour on behalf of the United Democratic Front (UDF).

Mr Stofile, a member of the UDF's regional exectutive in the Border, said he had had four abusive telephone calls since his return from New Zealand and Australia — the callers had sworn at him and threatened to kill him.

He said what was particularly disturbing, was that some of the calls had come from within the University of Fort Hare where he is theology lecturer.

Mr Stofile said he was detained for more than three hours at East London on his return. "I was asked the normal sort of questions, like why I lied in NZ and why didn't I want to watch a beautiful game of rugby on television."

He said his trip had been worthwhile and the NZ High Court's decision which blocked the tour had "spared us the atrocities which would have been committed".

He said he was being made a scapegoat for the tour's cancellation. He denied charges that the UDF had planned violence against it.

Multi-probe for UDF murders

Dispatch Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH — The United Democratic Front has appointed an independent commission of inquiry to investigate the murders of four of its members whose burnt bodies were found near Port Elizabeth two weeks ago.

In a statement yesterday, Mr Derrick Swartz, UDF regional general-secretary, said the commission would get under way on Saturday. It would be headed by two senior jurists from the International Court of Justice, as well as an overseas sociologist and representatives from the United Nations High Commission on Involuntary Disappearances, Amnesty International, the Detainees Parents Support Committee, the South African Council of Churches and the UDF, he said.

Venues for hearing of evidence were being arranged and national UDF leaders would brief the commissioners tomorrow, said Mr Swartz.

The commission will investigate the deaths of Mr Matthew Goniwe, UDF regional organiser, Mr Fort Calata, UDF executive member, Mr Sparro Mkhonto, chairman of the Cradock Residents Association (Cradora), and an Oudtshoorn teacher, Mr Sicelo Mhlawuli, who was also a UDF member.

Mr Swartz said the commission would also delve into the disappearance of political activists — including three leading members of the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation — who have gone missing without trace, and several people who have disappeared since the March 21 shootings in Langa, Uitenhage.

He also said that the committee would explore the unrest situation in strife-torn areas in the Eastern Cape and East Rand.

Sapa reports Mr Swartz has also appealed to the police and the Defence Force not to erect roadblocks on routes to Cradock and the surrounding area this weekend when the funerals of the activists are due to take place.

He asked that police and soldiers not be present along the routes.

He said it was important to avoid any confusion and "undesirable situations" during the funerals of Mr Goniwe and the other three.

About 40 buses had been hired to carry mourners from Port Elizabeth to the Cradock area on Friday.

According to Mr Swartz, special committees had been set up to organise the funerals, and donations to cover funeral costs had been received from as far afield as the Australian Council of Churches.

Scores of foreign journalists were expected to cover the event.

Mr Swartz said Amnesty International, trade unionists and a United Nations body dealing with missing people had indicated they would also attend.

UDF's Chris Tinto is on hit list, W Cape rally is told

THE name of Western Cape UDF vice-president Christmas Tinto has been added to a death list, an anonymous caller claimed in Cape Town this week.

This was announced by UDF Western Cape secretary Trevor Manuel at a church service to mourn the deaths of Mathew Goniwe, Fort Calata, Sparrow Mkhonto and Sicelo Mahlawuli.

"We know of two hit squads operating in the Transvaal," Mr Manuel said.

"But there is also another kind of squad operating in South Africa, the kind responsible for the death of a 12-year-old boy in Steytlerville," he said.

Mr Manuel was referring to the death in police cells of Johannes Spogter – who suffered head injuries, according to an autopsy report.

He said there were "pertinent questions" surrounding the deaths of the four Cradock leaders.

Only people who "listened in" on their calls would have known about their trip, he said.

In a statement, the UDF said: "Mr Tinto rose to a position of leadership through a tireless struggle which included two spells of imprisonment. For us in the UDF the hit list is no longer a hollow threat."

NEWSPLUS

★ **THE Seopasengwe Opposition Party in BophuthaTswana failed to present a nominee at the electoral division in Ga-Rankuwa this week – giving the ruling Democratic Party an "easy walk-over".**

Both parties were to contest a Odi region by-election for a vacant seat in the National Assembly left by the late Amos Mmutle Kgomongoe.

Democratic Party nominee Joy Tshetlho Mamogale was registered unopposed.

Clerics, union leaders held

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Dispatch Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Police swooped on townships in Port Elizabeth on Sunday night and early yesterday, detaining at least 15 people, including community leaders, at least six prominent black clerics and leading trade unionists.

The Police Directorate in Pretoria refused to confirm or comment on the arrests.

Organisations believed affected in the swoop were the United Democratic Front, PE Women's Organisation, the Motor Assembly and Component Workers Union of South Africa (Macwusa), the PE Youth Congress (Peyco), ministers of the Methodist and Anglican churches and a South African Non-Racial Rugby Board administrator.

Under their new powers police and soldiers can arrest without warrants, detain and interrogate suspects for up to 14 days, seize premises and impose curfews.

At least 50 people were reported detained in townships around Graaff-Reinet on Sunday, according to township residents.

Scores of youths, believed to be members of the Congress of South African Students, were allegedly arrested in pre-dawn raids at their homes in Witbank's townships yesterday morning.

A Witbank police spokesman confirmed the arrests, but declined to say how many people were arrested.

The Progressive Federal Party provincial councillor, Mrs Di Bishop, said yesterday she and two American lawyers were detained for more than an hour in Graaff-Reinet before being released.

A police spokesman said that he could not confirm or deny the detention of Mrs Bishop and the two US lawyers. In terms of Section 31 of the Public Safety Act the area was a declared emergency area, he added.

The official list of 113 arrests since the emergency was imposed has not been updated.

Although more arrests had been made since then, the spokesman said he could not give any further particulars.

Meanwhile, three more people have died in incidents of unrest.

According to a police unrest situation report a man aged about 18 was killed in Zanaville when police fired birdshot and rubber bullets at a crowd stoning police vehicles. A youth was arrested.

In Tsakane near Brakpan, a youth and a man died when police, SADF and Railways police dispersed a crowd stoning the house of a SAP member.

Unrest was also reported from Colesberg, Cradock, Graaff-Reinet, Veeplaas, New Brighton, Eshowe, Alexandra and Evaton. Several arrests were made.

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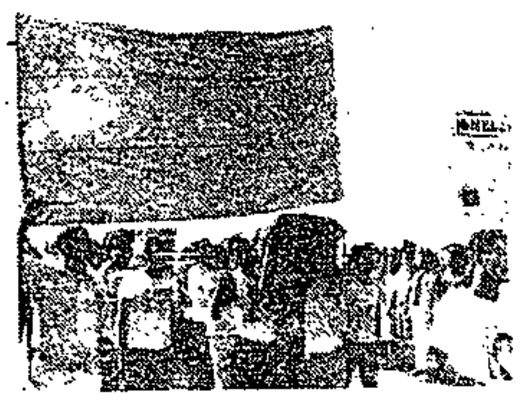



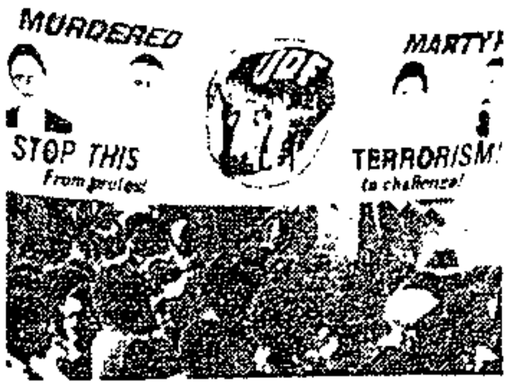

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the main fea tures at Matthew Goniwe's funeral.

There can be no doubt that Mr Goniwe's memory will live on in the hearts and minds of the students he taught maths and science to.

His memory will also live on in the Transkei, where he and John Hlehlekani founded a school in 1972, which eventually became Holomisa High.

It was at that school that Mr Goniwe allegedly taught students Marxist ideology – which led to his conviction under the Suppression of Communism Act.

Back in South Africa, in 1983 he was appointed acting headmaster of Sam Xollie High School.

But Mr Goniwe will be most dearly remembered by the tiny community of Ilingelihle, where he was the founder and first president of the Cradock Residents' Association, formed to fight rent increases in Ilingelihle.

He later became the UDF's rural organiser in the Eastern Cape.

He travelled to Port Elizabeth last month for the UDF – and it was there he met his brutal death.

His death has heightened fears that a right-wing "death squad" is operating in the country.

Three years ago, Cosas leader Simphiwe Mthimkhulu disappeared after he instituted a R150 000 legal action against the police for allegedly poisoning him during his detention.

He has never been seen again.

Pebco's leadership has also disappeared – they left their homes to meet someone at the airport on May 8, and have never been seen since.

Many anti-apartheid campaigners have recently been shot at, received death threats and had their homes bombed.

As a result, the homes of a number of community leaders are guarded from sunrise to sunset – but it has not stopped the attacks completely, nor has it always led to prosecutions.

Mysterious vigilante squads have also sprung up in a number of areas, such as Welkom and Duduza. In Duduza a four-month pregnant Cosas leader died when a petrol bomb was hurled into her home.

A reign of terror has gripped the little township of Thabong in Welkom – three youths died after allegedly being assaulted by vigilantes.

Two men were stoned to death in revenge after it was discovered that they were members of the feared "Phakathi" vigilante group.

A "Demolition Squad" was set up in Soweto to kidnap several community leaders.

The fear that a mysterious death squad exists has now taken on new meaning.

The mysterious circumstances surrounding the deaths of Mr Goniwe and other political activists mean only one thing – a death squad is determined to eliminate anti-apartheid leaders.

No-one has yet been positively identified as being part of the mysterious "Third Force".

The UDF said it was forced to conclude that "the defenders of apartheid" were bent on a "murderous path" to eliminate anti-apartheid leaders.

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By SANDILE MEMELA

THE FUNERAL is over.

Thousands of people have paid their last respects to murdered Eastern Cape schoolteacher Matthew Goniwe – a man who had become perhaps the most important black leader in the area.

Mr Goniwe was buried in Cradock with three other community leaders who died with him when his car was waylaid outside Port Elizabeth – Fort Calata, Sicelo Mhlawuli and Sparrow Mkhonto.

But the murderers have still not been found.

And the question haunting most mourners last weekend was:"Is this the end of Matthew Goniwe?".

Will he become just another name in the history of anti-apartheid campaigners who died mysteriously?

His involvement and commitment to community affairs tells a different story.

The man of peace will always live in the hearts of Ilingelihle residents.

His mysterious disappearance and gruesome death has prompted the boycott of white businesses which began last Monday to demand an explanation for his death and that of the other three UDF leaders.

As a result of the boycott, Chamber of Commerce representatives of Eastern Cape towns met secretly in Grahamstown with police, military and other officials to discuss the tremendous impact of the consumer boycott.

A young activist, Mkhuseli Jack, was reportedly grilled for nearly three hours by security police about the formation and aims of the boycott committee.

White traders are now feeling the anger of township residents – the boycott is hurting their businesses, already suffering from the recession.

The unrest in Cradock and the rest of the Eastern Cape shows no signs of subsiding.

When Mr Goniwe was told he was going to be transferred from Cradock to Graaff-Reinet, it led to a marathon school boycott which lasted for more than 15 months and spread to most schools in the Eastern Cape.

The school boycott now threatens to engulf the whole country.

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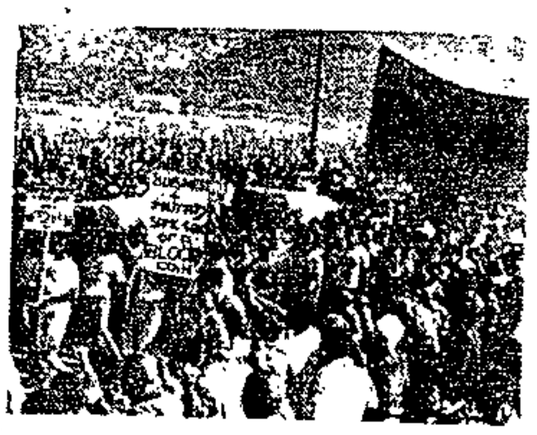





Death of a leader: The SA Communist Party's flag – and swelling anger – were the main fea

Ciskei police fire on mob

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Two youths were wounded at the weekend when Ciskei police fired at a crowd after the funeral of one of three pupils who drowned near Nompendulo High School in Zwelitsha last week.

The clash occurred when people returning from the funeral of 14-year-old Mlandeni Bota began stoning a police vehicle.

The police responded with gunshot to disperse the crowd of approximately 600 mourners, the Ciskei Police liaison officer, Lieutenant Mavuso Ngwendu, said.

The police vehicle was badly dented.

The two youths were under police guard at Mount Coke Hospital, Lieutenant Ngwendu said.

He said they were reported to be in fair condition.

Public violence: 6 refused bail

Dispatch Reporter

QUEENSTOWN — Six of nine people who were injured in police action, treated in hospital and now face charges of public violence were refused bail in the magistrate's court here yesterday.

They were Miss Miriam Zweni, 21, Mr Sandile Gcina, 33, Mr Tandabantu Zoya, 21 and Moffat Mchiteka, 37, all from Mlungisi. Mr Trevor Smith, 28, and Mr Wallie van Wyk, 39, of New Rest.

Mr Mchiteka was arrested on July 17, Mr Smith and Mr Van Wyk on July 18, and the rest on July 15.

The magistrate, Mr J. Pretorius, said bail had been refused in the interest of public safety and the state wished to keep the accused in custody until the investigation was completed.

He said a state witness, Captain Neil Moss of the Queenstown police, had testified that investigations were hampered because police were stoned and had to locate witnesses under escort of a special police group.

Mr Gcina testified that he was shot by police and said he would contest a statement by the prosecutor, Mr J. Smith, that it would not have been necessary for police to intervene if the people had not caused the unrest situation.

Mr Zoya told the court he was injured while walking home, had lost his eye as a result of the injuries and was only arrested after he had been discharged from hospital.

He said Mr Gcina had been with him in hospital, but had not been with him when he was shot.

Mr Mchiteka told the court he was shot in the back and upper arm by police riding in a "soldiers vehicle". He said there was a crowd of people in the vicinity, but they were far away from him and he was only arrested after he was admitted to hospital.

Mr Trevor Smith said he and Mr Van Wyk were shot while they were standing in a garden in New Rest watching the unrest across the road in Mlungisi. He said they did not go to hospital but were arrested because of their wounds.

Under re-examination he told the defence attorney, Mr K. Q. Klaas, that he knew of no one that was injured other than those who were shot by police.

All the accused admitted that a state of emergency was declared in some districts of South Africa, that there was unrest at Mlungisi during the time of their arrest in which people were injured and died and that private property and state property had been damaged.

Mr Smith argued that Queenstown was a border area and that it would be a lengthy process to extradite the accused if they fled to neighbouring states which, he said, was a strong possibility.

It was also possible they could commit other crimes before trial if they were released and that they could interfere with state witnesses.

He said the accused were removed from the unrest situation to "normalise" it and it was his submission the situation would worsen if they were released.

Mr Klass argued there were no grounds for bail to be refused.

He said it was mentioned that public safety would be endangered if the accused were released.

"All the accused had been shot and wounded by the police and there is no evidence to dispute this. Whose public safety? Are the accused not also members of the public who have to be protected from being shot at?"

He said the court was the only place they could appeal to justice.

"Unfortunately the charge has not been drawn up so as to show the locality of the alleged offences. None of the accused were arrested at the scene of the unrest. The hospital gave their names to the police who followed it up."

Mr Klaas said the police wanted to use the court as a rubber stamp for their wishes, but that there was no evidence before the court that the accused were part of a particular group that did something, "their evidence that they were injured at separate times and places goes unchallenged".

"If the police can do this and then collect the injured at the hospital and not even bring them to court within the time prescribed by the act, what is the consequence?"

Mr Klaas said nobody knew who the witnesses were who could be interfered with and even if they were known, the court could stipulate non-interference as a condition of bail.

Mr Stassen postponed the case until August 9, extended the bail of Mrs Ida Nomwa, 53, and remanded the six. Mrs Nomwa's bail was granted on July 18 because of ill-health.

UDF treason trial lawyer Victoria Mxenge shot dead

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Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — United Democratic Front treason trial lawyer and civil rights campaigner Mrs Victoria Mxenge, 43, was shot and axed to death in front of her children in the driveway of her Umlazi home last night.

Mrs Mxenge was waylaid as she got out of a friend's car, shot and then struck with an axe. Her eldest son, Mbaso, took her to King Edward VIII Hospital, where she was certified dead on arrival at 7.45pm.

The Rev Mcebisi Xundu, an executive member of the UDF who drove Mrs Mxenge home, described her death.

FOUR ASSAILANTS

In an interview soon after the killing Mr Xundu said: "We had just got back from Maritzburg about 7pm and I was helping Mrs Mxenge collect her parcels from my car when four men came rushing from the bushes across the road and into the driveway."

He said he thought it was some of her children's friends playing a silly game but then heard them shouting as they rushed towards Mrs Mxenge.

"She grabbed her parcels and fled down the driveway screaming for help. I heard two shots go off and, because I did not know who they were going for, I was still sitting behind the steering-wheel and reversed out at great speed and rushed to the police station."

CAUGHT NEAR HOUSE

He said the men ran after Mrs Mxenge and caught her just as she reached the side of the house and killed her.

"The children were in the front garden and fled inside when the shots went off," he said.

The police arrived quickly but the four had disappeared. Captain Winston Heunis said a murder docket had been opened.

Mr Xundu said that only two weeks ago Mrs Mxenge visited her husband's grave in King William's Town, where his parents live. Her funeral would probably take place there and she would be buried next to her husband.

Her husband, Mr Griffiths Mxenge, was killed in Umlazi in November 1981. His killers have not been traced.

Mrs Mxenge was a senior executive member and treasurer of the Natal region of the UDF. She was also a senior executive member of the Natal Organisation of Women.



Mrs Victoria Mxenge

Gunmen kill widow of slain attorney Mxenge

Crime Reporter

CIVIL rights lawyer Mrs Nonyamezelo Mxenge, widow of slain attorney Griffiths Mxenge, was gunned down at her home in Umlazi, Durban, last night.

A relative, Miss Mondisiwe Mxenge, said last night that four black men had driven up to the house shortly before 7 p m just as Mrs Mxenge returned home from a meeting.

The men opened fire while she was still in the driveway and she was hit in the head.

Her eldest son, Mbasali, took her to Prince Mashiani Hospital in Umlazi, where she died.

Police were at the scene last night but had made no arrests.

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Her killing comes about four years after her husband, also a civil rights lawyer, was found with 45 stab wounds and his throat slit near the Umlazi cycle stadium. His killing remains unsolved.

After the death of her husband in November 1981, Mrs Mxembe vowed to carry on his work.

"I cannot just give up. I'll continue where he left off," she said.

She said at the time: 'My life has not been very smooth. Since I married him we have had to face one problem after another. You learn to live under difficult circumstances. A rough life is part and parcel of me now.'

Mr Mxembe, a former Robben Island prisoner, was a former ANC member and did a lot of work for political prisoners.

Mrs Mxenge was admitted as an attorney in 1981 after joining her husband's firm in 1975. Until then she had been a nurse.

Civil rights lawyer shot

Dispatch Correspondent

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Shooting of lawyer was 'political'

LONDON — The shooting of a leading black civil rights lawyer in South Africa last night was a calculated political killing. Mrs Helen Suzman, PFP MP for Houghton, said here today.

"These are very sinister incidents," she said on British commercial radio.

Mr Suzman said the shooting of Mrs Victoria Mxenge outside her home in Umlazi, Durban, and the deaths of four black anti-apartheid activists from the United Democratic Front in Port Elizabeth in June were all cold-blooded political killings.

"I think there's no doubt about it, just as the killing of the four UDF people — Mathew Goniwe and Fort Calata and two others — a short while ago near PE was also a calculated political killing. By whom, we have yet to find out," she said.

Mrs Suzman, who returns to South Africa today after a visit to Britain, said economic sanctions would not bring about a rapid end to apartheid.

"I believe that South Africa is the sort of country that needs contact and not isolation. The Government of South Africa is not the kind that will react to sanctions. It will simply go into a state of seige," she said.

Durban police would not comment today on a theory that Mrs Mxenge had been killed for political reasons.

Mrs Mxenge has been associated with the 16 treason trialists, members of the UDF or its associates, since they were first detained in September last year.

Police said Mrs Mxenge drove up to her home shortly after 7pm and was confronted by three or four gunmen. Two shots were fired.

Mr Ismael Mohammed, SC, who is representing the 16 trialists who are due to appear in court again on Monday, said Mrs Mxenge had done "tremendous work" in the defence of the accused.

Mrs Mxenge, who became an attorney in 1967, had been given the job of collecting as much information as possible relating to the arrest of the men and the State allegations against them.

Mrs Mxenge was the widow of an attorney, Mr Griffiths Mxenge, who was killed near the Umlazi Sports Stadium four years ago. He was attacked by an unknown group of men who cut his throat.

Both he and his wife were in the forefront of the civil rights committee in South Africa and at the time of her death Mrs Mxenge was secretary of the Release Nelson Mandela Fund.

Her husband was detained several times by the security police and was subsequently convicted under the Terrorism Act. He served about four years' imprisonment on Robben Island.

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Treason trial lawyer shot dead

Own Correspondent

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Police raid 2 Umtata homes: books removed

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Dispatch Reporter

UMTATA — Two homes were searched here in early morning raids by security police and a number of publications removed.

The head of the security police, General Leonard Kawe, said they were routine searches and the confiscated publications would be returned once it had been established that they did not contain anything which could lead to security problems or possibly furthering the aims of any banned organisation.

The Fort Gale home of an attorney, Mr Dumisa Ntsebeza, and the Ikwezi home of a Transkei Council of Churches field worker, Mr Ezra Sigwela, were searched.

Mr Ntsebeza said he was not present during the 2.25 am search but his wife had been given a receipt for the books and periodicals removed.

He said the books removed included South African Student Press Union publications and a copy of Julie Fredericks' book on the Zimbabwean guerilla war, None But Ourselves.

He said there were law cases in the legal section of some of the publications in which he took a keen interest as a lawyer as the findings and rulings could be of use to him.

Mr Sigwela said magazines on the Menonite Church and international affairs were taken as well as a copy of the People's Workbook.

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Mxenge death a 'political killing'

WASHINGTON. — The United States State Department yesterday strongly condemned the murder of a leading civil-rights lawyer, Mrs Nonyamezelo Victoria Mxenge, oustide her Durban home on Thursday night.

And Mrs Helen Suzman, PFP spokesman for Law and Order, said the slaying was a calculated political killing, while the United Democratic Front condemned it as a "cowardly, calculated assassination".

Mrs Mxenge was one of the defence lawyers for 16 people, among them UDF leaders facing charges of treason.

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Mr Lechesa Tsenoli, publicity secretary in Natal for the UDF, said: "In the light of a systematic campaign by the state to eliminate the UDF, this murder will be seen by many as the work of the state or its allies."

Mrs Mxenge is to be buried next to her husband's grave at Rayi Village, near King William's Town. The date of the funeral has not yet been fixed.

● Police have appealed to the public for any information which will assist them in their investigation of the murder.

Responding to a statement by the UDF on her death, a police spokesman said it would serve no purpose and would not assist them in their investigations for people to make "unfounded, irresponsible or unsubstantiated allegations" about her death.

● Meanwhile, a new report published by the Centre of the Independence of Judges and Lawyers, a legal watchdog group in Geneva, says that in the past five years, scores of lawyers defending basic human rights in many authoritarian countries have been killed, imprisoned, detained without charge and even tortured for practising law. — Sapa-Reuter-AP and Own Correspondents

Police probe brutality



Lt-Col G VAN ROOYEN
. . . allegations made

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By SHIRLEY PRESSLY
Crime Reporter

COMPLAINTS about some of the activities of young SADF soldiers in Port Elizabeth's black townships since the declaration of a state of emergency have reached alarming proportions.

Police this week confirmed that they were investigating several cases of reported brutality and made an urgent appeal to anyone with information to come forward.

What was initially only a trickle of complaints to the Weekend Post from township residents has increased markedly in recent weeks.

Most of the complaints are about the actions of young members of the SA Defence Force — thought to be national servicemen acting without the permission or knowledge of their superiors.

In all cases the Weekend Post asked people who had specific complaints about the security forces in the townships to lay a charge at a police station.

But in nine cases out of 10 the complainants were too afraid to be seen going into a police station in case they were branded as *impimpis* (informers) and given "a necklace" (slang for a burning tyre around the neck).

Those who were persuaded to make a statement received full co-operation from the police.

These included the following cases:

● A father from Red Location complained that his son aged 17 was abducted from his house by a group of young soldiers who held him hostage for a few hours while they smoked dagga and consumed liquor.

● A man who runs a shebeen complained that "more than 10 soldiers" assaulted him and damaged a portable television set, hi-fi equipment and window panes and took cash and a quantity of liquor.

● A middle-aged woman was robbed of R154 in her home by four soldiers who also trampled on her church hats and her wristwatch.

● A firewood vendor in Boastville, New Brighton, complained that soldiers guarding a health clinic in Avenue A came to his home and were seen taking away his wood at night. They returned the next day and took wood in his presence without paying for it.

● A man who was going from Boastville to Dubula Street at night crossed an open field next to the health

the police and the suspect

Actions of SADF soldiers cause alarm

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clinic in Avenue A and saw a soldier jumping over a fence and running towards him. The soldier punched and kicked him.

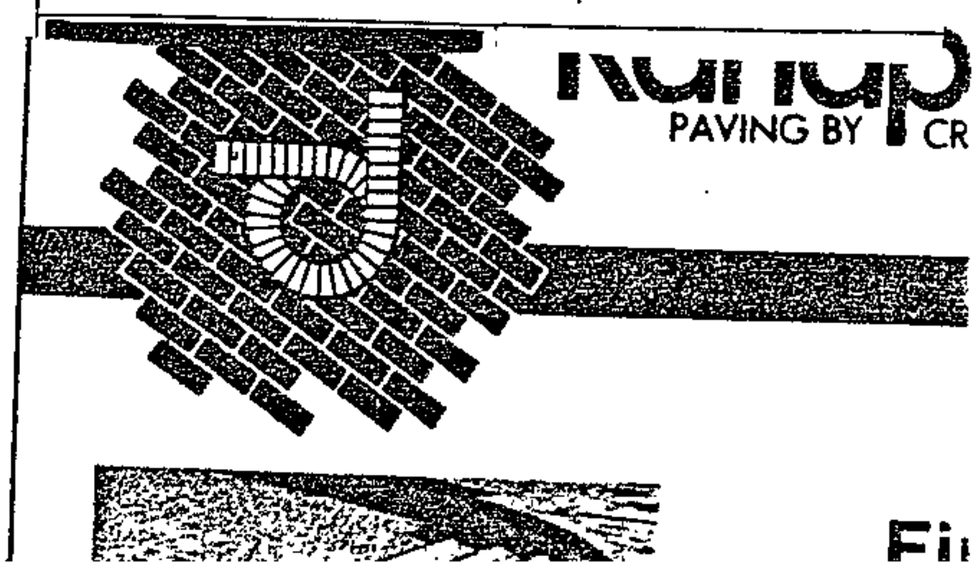
Complaints have also been received by the Weekend Post that soldiers chased people out of shops in the townships during the boycott of white shops and told them to "shop in town".

Law-abiding citizens in the townships, who initially welcomed the arrival of the security forces, are becoming increasingly hostile.

They have said they understand the emergency regulations give the security forces widespread powers, but this should not be construed as *carte blanche* to rob, steal, assault and harass residents without provocation or reason.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, confirmed that certain allegations had been made against the security forces, statements had been taken and cases were being investigated.

He urged anyone with complaints to report to the nearest police station immediately.



Murdered lawyer: police plea

PRETORIA — Police have appealed to the public for any information which will assist them in their investigation into the murder of Mrs Victoria Mxenge.

A police spokesman said it would not help the police if people made "unfounded, irresponsible or unsubstantiated allegations" about the death of the Durban attorney.

The police statement was in response to a claim by the UDF that Mrs Mxenge's death was "a cold, calculated assasination" aimed at eliminating the UDF.

The spokesman said the police would appreciate any information, no matter how small or irrelevant, that might lead to the arrest of the assassins.

Mrs Mxenge, 43, one of the defence lawyers for 16 people, among them UDF leaders facing charges of treason, was shot in the driveway of her home in Umlazi near Durban on Thursday night.

Her husband, Mr Griffiths Mxenge, was killed in Durban four years ago and that crime remains unsolved.

Commenting on Mrs Mxenge's death, Mr Lechesa Tsenoli, UDF publicity secretary in Natal, said yesterday: "It was a cold, cowardly and calculated assassination which the people and their organisations will not accept without a desire for vengeance.

"In the light of a systematic campaign by the state to eliminate the UDF, this murder will be seen by many as the work of the state or its allies."

The gunmen opened fire as Mrs Mxenge got out of a car driven by the Natal chairman of the UDF, the Rev Mcebisi Xundu.

She was rushed to hospital by her son, but was certified dead on arrival.

A police statement said four gunmen escaped in a car.

Commenting in London yesterday, Mrs Helen Suzman, the PFP MP for Houghton, said the shooting was a calculated political killing. "By whom, we have yet to find out," she said.

"These are very sinister incidents," she said, speaking on British commercial radio.

Mrs Suzman said the shooting of Mrs Mxenge and the deaths of Matthew Goniwe, Fort Calata and two other UDF activists in Port Elizabeth recently were all cold-blooded political killings.

"I think there's no doubt about it," she said.

● In Washington, the US State Department strongly condemned what it called "this horrible crime."

"Mrs Mxenge was well known in South Africa and to many American diplomats who served in South Africa as a dedicated, humane person," spokesman Charles Redman told reporters. — Sapa-AP

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Police arrest 31 in Durban demo

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Police with dogs, batons and sjamboks yesterday broke up a march by at least 1 500 people, arresting 31 as police reported unrest from three provinces.

The demonstration was against the shooting on Thursday night of civil rights lawyer Mrs Victoria Mxenge, and the 14-day-old state of emergency.

One man was bitten by a police Alsatian as the crowd marched through central Durban, but he was apparently not seriously hurt. Others were sjambokked or hit with batons and dragged to police lorries.

Cameramen

There were no baton-charges and a number of those arrested did not resist. Police cameramen filmed the events.

All those arrested were released after being charged with taking part in an illegal gathering. They were ordered to pay R200 admission-of-guilt fines or to appear in court on Monday. Police did not release their names.

The demonstrators, students from Natal University's Howard College campus and Medical School and from Durban-Westville University, were joined by bystanders and shoppers.

Estimates of the total ranged from 1 500 to 3 000. Students of the Congress of South African Students (Cosas) and a handful of whites were also involved.

Posters carried by marchers said: "Mrs Mxenge — we shall continue to resist", "Victoria, your spirit lives on" and "Hitler, Amin, PW Botha — three of a kind". Marchers chanted "Viva ANC" and shouted the name of ANC president Oliver Tambo.

Hundreds of fingers were pointed at black riot policemen as demonstrators chanted: "You are a sell-out!" At police in general, they chanted repeatedly: "You are the terrorists!"

A crowd of many thousands looked on. Shopkeepers barred their doors as the crowd moved past.

Sapa reports from Pretoria that incidents of unrest were reported by police from Mamelodi, KwaZakhele, Zwelithemba and Mphophomeni, near Maritzburg, where police dispersed 150 people with quirts. There were no injuries or arrests.

In Ackerville, near Witbank, a delivery vehicle was burnt and a police vehicle stoned. Police dispersed the groups with rubber bullets. There was one arrest.

In East London, the boycott by blacks of white shops — now nearly a week old — continued yesterday.

The Chamber of Commerce's president, Mr Nico Cloete, said he could not estimate the drop in trade.

"There are outlets with mainly white trade which have not been affected, there are outlets with 50-50 black-white trade which have had declines, and there are others wholly dependent on black trade which have been severely hit," he said.

The boycott seemed to be "total" at outlets selling to blacks only, he added.

The chairman of the local Oriental Plaza Traders' Association, Mr Praveen Harry, said trade was generally down about 80 percent.

Rampage

In Zwelitsha, damage estimated at more than R2 800 was caused by a mob of youths when they went on the rampage in Zone 4 on Thursday night.

The Ciskei police said yesterday the youths stoned a supermarket and two police vehicles at 8.45pm. They also threw stones and other objects at passing vehicles, causing extensive damage. No arrests were made.

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Tributes pour in for slain lawyer

Mercury Reporter

TRIBUTES poured in yesterday for Mrs Victoria Mxenge, the Durban lawyer and activist who was killed outside her Umlazi home on Thursday night.

Mrs Mxenge was one of the instructing attorneys for the accused in the Pietermaritzburg treason trial which resumes on Monday.

She was the widow of Mr Griffiths Mxenge, who was brutally murdered about four years ago. His body was found in the Umlazi stadium with 45 stab wounds and the crime remains unsolved.

Archbishop Denis Hurley, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Durban, said all those who had known Mrs Mxenge were filled with horror and deep sorrow.

'We grieve that the political conditions in our country are responsible for situations in which political murders of this kind occur and remain unpunished,' he said.

'Long line'

Mrs Ann Colvin, chairman of the Natal coastal region of the Black Sash, said Mrs Mxenge had been a person of the highest integrity, greatly respected and loved.

She had been another victim in a long line of victims of the apartheid system, she said.

Mr Paddy Kearney, director of Diakonia, said Victoria Mxenge had been a person of extraordinary courage and commitment.

He said her 'horrifying' assassination would not prevent the struggle for justice in South Africa but would add even greater impetus to it.

The Black Students' Society at the University of Natal in Durban yesterday expressed its 'abhorrence' at the 'brutal murder' of Mrs Mxenge.

The shooting of a leading black civil rights lawyer in South Africa last night was a calculated political killing, Mrs Helen Suzman, PFP MP for Houghton, said in London yesterday.

'Political'

'These are very sinister incidents,' she said on British commercial radio.

Mr Suzman said the shooting of Mrs Mxenge and the death of four black anti-apartheid activists from the United Democratic Front in Port Elizabeth in June were all cold-blooded political killings.

'I think there's no doubt about it. Just as the killing of the four UDF people — Mathew Goniwe and Fort Calata and two others — a short while ago near Port Elizabeth was also a calculated political killing. By whom, we have yet to find out, she said. — (Sapa-Reuter)

Ciskei funeral for Mxenge



Four years ago she grieved for her husband — on Thursday night Mrs Victoria Mxenge was gunned down outside her home, like him, the victim of assassins.

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Mrs Nonyamezelo Tsaba Mxenge, 43, the Ciskei-born attorney murdered at her Umlazi house this week is to be buried next to her husband at Rayi Village, near King William's Town.

Mrs Mxenge, a mother of three, was shot as she entered the drieway of her house.

Her husband, Mr Griffith Mlungisi Mxenge, was also killed by unknown assailants on November 19, 1981. During his funeral a Transkei security policeman was stabbed to death.

Mrs Mxenge, whose maiden name was Ntebe, was born at Tamara, near Zwelitsha, where she passed Std 6 with a first class.

She wrote her junior certificate at Forbes Grant Secondary School Ginsberg, and her matric at Healdtown Institution, near Fort Beaufort.

She trained as a nurse at Lovedale hospital and completed her midwifery course at King Edward VIII Hospital, Pietermaritzburg.

She worked as a nursing sister at Umlazi for 10 years.

Mrs Mxenge obtained a diploma in community health at Edendale Hospital, Pietermaritzburg in 1973. She studied privately for a BProc through the University of South Africa and after graduating in 1981, joined her husband's legal firm.

Mrs Mxenge was the second child of the late Mr Wilmot Gosa and Mrs Nobantu Ntebe. Both were teachers.

The date of the funeral has not yet been fixed.

Judge deplores killing of lawyer

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Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG — The Judge President of Natal, Mr Justice Milne, today deplored the violence that was afflicting the country and the killing of Durban lawyer, Mrs Victoria Mxenge (43), near her home in Durban last week.

Before argument on the indictment in the case in which 16 United Democratic Front affiliates are appearing, the judge said: "It grieves me to have to record that one of the most recent of the tragic and deplorable acts of violence that are afflicting this country is Mrs Mxenge's death".

Mr Ismail Mohamed, SC, leader of the defence team and the leader of the State team, Mr Nick Gey van Pittius, associated their teams with the judge's remarks.

Mrs Mxenge was an instructing attorney in the case.

Before the court are Mr Mawalan Ramgobin (52), Mr Chanderdo Sewpershad (43), Mr Mooroogih Jayahajapathy Naidoo (53), Dr Essop Essack Jassat (52), Dr Dundubela Aubrey Mokoena (52), Mr Ephraim Curtis Mkondo (56). Mr Archibald Joseph Gumede (70), Mr Devadas Paul David (40), Mrs Albertina Sisulu (66), the Reverend Frank Chikane (34), Mr Cassim Saloojee (49), Professor Ismail Mohammed (54), and four members of the SA Allied Worker's Union, Mr Sisa Njikaleni (29), Mr Sam Kikine (36), Mr Isaac Ngcobo (36) and the national chairman Mr Thozinale Gqweta.

Proceeding.

Beyers Naude 'not aware' of red flag

From WINNIE GRAHAM

JOHANNESBURG. — Dr Beyers Naude was not aware that the "hammer and sickle" had been raised when he took part in the Cradock funeral march recently.

Photographs of Dr Naude, secretary-general of the South African Council of Churches, were published showing him walking ahead of the communist flag and these fuelled widespread speculation about his political affiliations.

But in an interview at the weekend, Dr Naude made it plain that he was not perturbed by the innuendos — he would have joined the funeral march even if he had seen the flag.

He said Christian obedience required him to stand in solidarity with victims of injustice and oppression.

"In the light of my knowledge of the feelings of blacks and the government's exploitation of communist fear, there is no point in trying to convice young blacks of the dangers and unacceptability of the communist ideology," he said.

"We are now reaping the the bitter fruits of government propaganda over decades, when every person fighting for basic rights for blacks was smeared a communist."

Dr Naude said he was not totally opposed to the state of emergency though he had reservations about its ultimate success.

No one could deny the government's responsibility to restore law and order. It was understandable that measures had to be taken to ensure a return to normality.

He said: "The emergency may temporarily bring some form of calm but the moment the measures are lifted, the pent-up feelings of anger will explode and that explosion will be far more serious than the present wave of unrest.

"The government should be fully aware that the emergency will not resolve anything because it is not addressing itself to the root causes of unrest, anger and resistance."

Dr Naude added that the new regulations regarding funerals could bring matters to a head.

Mrs Victoria Mxenge, who was shot and killed last Thursday, was one of the best known and respected leaders in Natal and if the government imposed restrictions on this funeral, the people would defy them.

In this climate of anger only the release of imprisoned political leaders and the right of exiles to return could create a climate of calm which would make negotiations as meaningful as possible.

Dr Naude said he abhorred violence, but he could understand why people were driven to violence.

He would like to prevent violence but prevention did not start by condemning those who were forced to react but by discovering the causes of violence.

"I am a man of peace but peace is only possible through justice," he said.



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- April 1982: Siphiwe Mthimkhulu, former detainee who was suing the Minister of Police for R105 000 for alleged torture and poisoning, disappeared after he was taken by his friend, Topsy Madaka, to Port Elizabeth's Livingstone Hospital for his regular medication. Mr Madaka has also disappeared.

Regulations on funerals: 7 arrested

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Crime Reporter

POLICE have arrested seven people in connection with alleged contraventions of the Public Safety Act arising from a funeral of 12 unrest victims held at Zwide on Saturday.

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, said the seven were arrested after the funeral for allegedly contravening several regulations in terms of the Act.

He said the alleged contraventions were being investigated.

Security forces, although visible at the funeral, kept a low profile and the funeral was held without incident.

The emergency regulations pertaining to funerals were published in the Government Gazette of July 31.

Although only 10 names of those being buried could be obtained by the Evening Post reporter, there were 12 coffins in the Old Apostolic Church in Zwide where 2 000 people gathered to pay their last respects. A group of about 300 people from Soweto walked to the church.

Marshalls told the procession to stop singing and the people marched on silently to the church.

After the funeral the marshalls struggled to keep the mourners quiet and were greeted by a display of *toyi toyi* (emotive dance) from some of the mourners.

Police are investigating breaches of regulations which state that:

- People attending a funeral may travel only by vehicle along a route determined by a divisional commissioner of the South African Police.
- No flags, banners, placard, pamphlets or posters shall be displayed or distributed.
- A particular funeral ceremony shall not be held for more than one deceased person.

Police disperse DV pupils

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Police used sjamboks and tearsmoke to disperse a group of rioting pupils in Duncan Village on Wednesday.

Lieutenant-Colonel Vic Haynes, police liaison officer in Pretoria, said police were called to quell unrest at Nyati Primary School on Wednesday morning.

When the police arrived, they found no unrest at Nyati but at Qaqamba Secondary School.

A group of about 150 pupils had gathered at Qaqamba. The police warned them to disperse. Instead of doing so, they started pelting the police with stones, he said.

The police used sjamboks to disperse the pupils.

Lieut-Col Haynes said the pupils regrouped and the police used tearsmoke to disperse the rioting pupils.

There had been no arrests or injuries reported, he said.

Mr Lawrence Tutu, the secretary of the Duncan Village Parents' Committee, which is negotiating with the Department of Education and Training with regard to school boycotts and school unrest in the area, said his committee had received a complaint from the teachers of Qaqamba Secondary School who alleged that when the police arrived at Qaqamba, they threatened to beat the teachers as well.

He said the fracas happened when the teachers confronted the police as to why they had entered the school premises and started beating children without having spoken to the school authorities first.

He said the police were alleged to have warned the teachers that if they could not control the pupils at their school, the police would do it for them.

A spokesman for the police directorate in Pretoria said the teachers should have laid a charge at their nearest police station. If the case was not taken up, they should contact the district commandant personally and lay a charge with him.

Bowed heads for UDF attorney

MARITZBURG. — Sixteen United Democratic Front and trade union leaders observed a moment's silence in remembrance of murdered defence attorney Mrs Victoria Mxenge before the resumption of their trial on treason charges in the Supreme Court here yesterday.

The 16, who stood with heads bowed, were joined by the gallery and defence and State counsels.

Mrs Mxenge, who was representing the accused, was gunned down outside her home in Umlazi, Durban, on Thursday.

'Victim'

Before hearing legal argument, the Natal Judge President, Mr Justice John Milne, said it grieved him to record that one of the most recent victims "of the tragic and deplorable violence that is afflicting our country" was Mrs Mxenge.

The 50 or so spectators were searched as they entered the College Road Supreme Court in pairs, while police with dogs kept watch as another few dozen spectators gathered across the street.

Four overseas television crews, which included teams from the BBC and Canada, as well as a number of foreign journalists and photographers attended yesterday's hearing.

Also attending were a number of representatives from consulates from Europe and Judge Nathaniel Jones, of the Sixth Circuit Court in the United States and a representative from his country's Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights.

Defence lawyer Mr Ishmail Mohamed argued that the prosecution had improperly grouped all 16 defendants in one case and that the details of the charges were too vague. He said the judge should either quash the indictment or order the prosecutors to redraft it.

Mr Mohamed presented colour-coded charts showing that the different alleged offences occurred in various places from 1980 to 1985, and that not all the defendants were involved in each of the purported crimes.

Pamphlet

Mr Mohamed also argued that documents distributed by the accused and supplied in court by the State did not show the 16 were guilty of the alternative charge — conspiracy to overthrow the government by violence.

A "Free Mandela" pamphlet "was a purely historical description of a black leader", Mr Mohamed said.

A PFP leader had called for the release of the jailed African National Congress president and there was no reason to link such calls to the sanction of violence.

Griffiths

A document on Mrs Mxenge's lawyer husband, Griffiths, who was stabbed to death at the Umlazi cycle stadium about four years ago, was "once again a historical document" setting out where he was born and went to university.

The 16 treason trialists are: Mr M Ramgobin, 52, Mr C Sewpersad, 48, Mr M Naidoo, 54, Dr E Jassat, 52, Mr D Mokoena, 37, Mr E Nkondo, 57, Mr A Gumede, 71, Mr P David, 44, Mrs A Sisulu, 66, Mr F Chikane, 34, Mr E Saloojee, 49, Professor I Mahomed, 54, Mr R Gqweta, 33, Mr S Njikelana, 29, Mr S Kikine, 37, and Mr D Ngcobo, 38.

The trial continues today. — Sapa

Families flee township riots

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — A youth was shot dead yesterday and several Indian families living in Inanda left the area in a large pantechnicon as unrest continued in the townships surrounding Durban.

At least 40 people were taken to a truck depot in Phoenix Industrial Park. A few had returned to their homes by last night.

Mr Ranjith Ramnarain said he was at the depot when reports of bad rioting in Inanda came through.

"We first tried to reach their homes in cars and trucks, but had to turn around after mobs stoned us.

Policeman

"We then took a pantechnicon and amid flying stones drove to the families and took them out of the area."

The youth was shot dead when a policeman opened fire after attackers set fire to his house and car in KwaMashu destroying both.

Buses were stoned and two stores in Ntuzuma and KwaMashu were looted of goods worth more than R50 000.

Rampaging mobs also attacked South African and overseas journalists, injuring two of them and damaging their cars.

Rioters stoned a Putco bus and looted the Phoenix Cash Store.

Police used teargas to disperse the mob who later moved to a nearby store owned by Mr Laljeeth Rathan.

They smashed their way in and looted it before moving to the homes of two Indian families from where they took TV sets and other goods.

Several vehicles were stoned at the entrance to Phoenix township including a light delivery truck which was forced off the road. The injured driver was saved by an army helicopter crew.

Police said a crowd of about 2 000 attacked police at the KwaMashu shopping complex. Police batton-charged the stone-throwing youths and used teargas to disperse them. No one was injured.

A police spokesman said police and private cars were stoned by youths on the Umlazi highway. Tearsmoke was used to disperse the youths and no arrests were made.

The house of a Chesterville councillor was petrol-bombed early yesterday while he and his family were trapped inside.

"We prayed and used water on the burning curtains," Mrs Rose Ngubene, the councillor's wife, said.

Divisional manager of Putco for KwaMashu and Ntuzuma, Mr Ritchie Stevenson, said five buses were stoned and damaged in the township yesterday.

Mr Roger Harris of Worldwide Television said he and a colleague, Mr Alvin Fredricks were slightly injured when stone-throwning youths attacked their car in Ntuzuma and two newsmen from Agence France Presse's car was also stoned.

Mr Soobry Govender of the Press Trust of South Africa was robbed of a tape recorder and cash.

Meanwhile thousands of schoolchildren in the townships around Durban and Maritzburg boycotted classes for the second day yesterday in protest at the murder of civil-rights lawyer Mrs Victoria Mxenge and the state of emergency.

And dozens of retailers in the townships — including Checkers — have closed their stores for fear of violence.

All schools in the Imbali area in Maritzburg and in Lamontville and Chesterville in Durban had been affected by the schools' boycotts, according to the Department of Education and Training's Natal director, Mr P J P Nicholson.

Family of Langa victims to sue

JOHANNESBURG — The dependants of those killed in the Langa shootings at Uitenhage in March, and those who were wounded in the incident, have instituted damages claims totalling about R2 million against the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, and the individual policemen involved in the shootings.

A letter, notifying the Minister of the victims' intentions to sue for damages, was delivered today to the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee.

Nineteen people died from gunshot wounds. The damage claims of the dependants total about R500 000.

One of the deceased, Mr Phakamile Solomon, left his wife and five children. His family is claiming R100 000 for damages and R500 for the funeral.

Thirty-six people were injured by police bullets. Their claims total about R1,5 million.

One of them, Mr Lawrence Gqubule, 20, paralysed from the waist down since he was shot, said in his affidavit: "I cannot move my legs at all and I cannot feel anything below my waist."

Mr Lungile Nqikashe, 34, is a paraplegic as a result of gunshot wounds he suffered that day. He said in his affidavit: "Soon after being injured, I was unable to sleep at night and have nightmares."

Four of those injured by police bullets have been dismissed from their jobs. Several will never work again.

The legal costs of the 45 plaintiffs are being paid by the Federation of South African Trade Unions, which has about four members among those injured.

Most of the injured were allegedly arrested and detained "with no sufficient cause" and are suing the Minister for wrongful arrest and detention. — Sapa

Funeral date changed

Dispatch Reporter

BISHO — The funeral of the murdered civil rights lawyer, Mrs Victoria Mxenge, which was scheduled to take place this Saturday, will now be held on Sunday.

Her brother-in-law, Mr Churchill Mxenge, said the date had been changed because of the "situation" in Durban.

He said her body would be flown to East London on Saturday afternoon and would be taken to the Brownlee Congregational Church in King William's Town where a memorial service would be conducted by the Rev S. T. Wyne.

Mrs Mxenge will be buried next to her husband's grave at Rayi Location.

Langa victims' families claim R2m from police

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A letter, notifying the minister of the victims' intentions to sue, was delivered yesterday to the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee. Summonses will be served on the minister and the policemen in a month's time.

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One of the deceased, Mr Phakamile Solomon, is survived by his wife and five children. His family is claiming R100 000 for damages and R500 for the funeral.

Thirty-six people were injured by police bullets. Their claims total about R1,5 million.

One of them, Mr Lawrence Gqubule, 20, who is paralysed from the waist down since he was shot, said in his affidavit: "I cannot move my legs at all and I cannot feel anything below my waist."

Mr Lungile Nqikashe, 34, is a paraplegic as a result of gunshot wounds he suffered that day. He said in his affidavit: "Soon after being injured, I was unable to sleep at night and have nightmares."

Four of those injured by police bullets have been dismissed from their jobs. Several will never work again.

The legal costs of the 45 plaintiffs are being paid by the Federation of South African Trade Unions, which has about four members among those injured.

Most of the injured were allegedly arrested and detained "with no sufficient cause" after the incident. These victims are suing the minister for wrongful arrest and detention.

One of them, Mr Kenneth Mxaku, 42, spent almost four months in jail.

A Johannesburg lawyer, Mr Halton Cheadle, who is acting for the victims, said in his letter to the commissioner that "the Fouche group, acting in concert, deliberately and indiscriminately opened fire on members of the public.

"They did so to injure them with the knowledge that some of them would or might be fatally injured."

The Langa incident was investigated by the Kannemeyer Commission of Inquiry earlier this year. But an inquest is still to be held and some of the victims still face trial for alleged acts of public violence. — Sapa

Soal: it all depends on Botha

JOHANNESBURG — Mr Peter Soal, PFP MP for Johannesburg North, said at a meeting in Germiston last night that "decisions taken during the course of the next few weeks and months will be crucial to the security and future of all the people of South Africa."

He said a great responsibility rested on the National Party and

Slabbert questions hope for reform

JOHANNESBURG — There would be a grim future for free enterprise and reform in South Africa if the government could not answer yes to three questions put by young blacks, the Leader of the Opposition, Dr Van Zyl Slabbert, said yesterday.

Speaking at a meeting of the Diamond Club in Johannesburg, Dr Slabbert said much had been said recently about the

Memorial service for Mrs Mxenge

EAST LONDON — A memorial service for the murdered civil rights lawyer, Mrs Victoria Mxenge, will be held at St Peter Claver's Catholic Church in Duncan Village at 5.30 pm today.

Mrs Mxenge, 43, one of the defence lawyers for 16 people — among them UDF leaders — facing charges of treason, was shot at her home in Umlazi, near Durban, last Thursday.

Her husband, Mr Griffiths Mxenge, was murdered in Durban four years ago. The crime remains unsolved.

Mrs Mxenge will be buried next to her husband at Rayi Location on Saturday after a funeral service at the Brownlee Congregational Church in King William's Town. — DDR.

DURBAN — The death toll in Durban's township violence rose to 38 today as the King Edward VIII Hospital reported 16 more dead-on-arrival admissions and scores more casualties during the night.

Mob violence continued in arson, looting and intimidation incidents, with gangs turning their attention to many Indian homes and businesses.

A dramatic appeal for help was received by the Daily News newspaper this morning from civil rights activist Professor Fatima Meer in the Gandhi Memorial Centre at Phoenix. She said a mob was marching on the centre and she was unable to contact the police.

Meanwhile, a meeting is set for today between the Kwazulu Minister of Education and Culture, Dr Oscar Dhlomo, and the Natal chairman of the United Democratic Front, the Rev Mcebisi Xundu.

The Chief Minister of Kwazulu, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, has said the overall picture was not good, particularly as plain robbery and thieving were going on under the cover of political action.

He said he was worried about the situation and yesterday asked township councillors, community leaders, officials of the Kwazulu Department of Education, and Inkatha office-bearers to devote attention to it.

Last night some groups of vigilantes were said to be forming in townships and in some Indian areas, particularly the select Duff's Road area near Kwamashu, where some homes were burnt down.

One resident, a civic leader, Mr Ranjith Ramnarain, left the doors of his home open when he abandoned it with his family as an angry mob advanced on Kwamashu last night.

An angry Mr Ramnarain, speaking from the home of a relative, said the mobsters would smash down the door anyway, so he had made it easy for the looters.

He criticised the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, who flew over the strife-torn area in a helicopter yesterday.

"The Minister promised that we would have police protection and that we would be safe. But instead, most of us living in the Duff's Road area had to leave our houses and seek shelter elsewhere."

He said he was with Mr Le Grange aboard the helicopter and was surprised when the Minister decided that the situation was under control and left Durban without talking to any of the affected people.

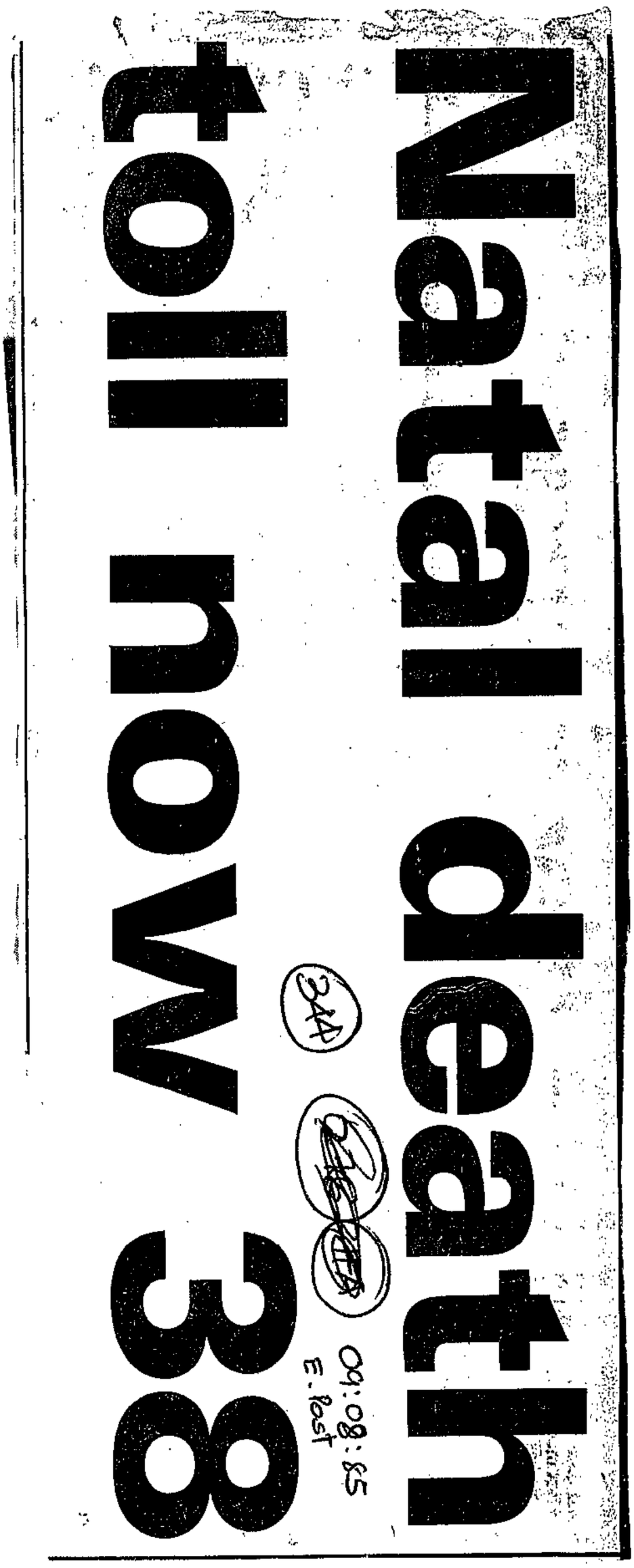
He said that earlier in the day his three brothers who lived in Inanda had had their homes destroyed by fire.

Meanwhile, Southern Durban Local Affairs Committee member Mr R Panday said there were still hundreds of Indians trapped in Inanda and that no effort was being made to get them out.

"Those people are being terrorised by the mobs and I fear that something dreadful is going to happen as the weekend progresses. Unless some strong action is taken to get out these Indian residents, they will be wiped out," said Mr Panday.

"What we need now is immediate action from the authorities to save the lives of these people. I fear that many children have gone missing and just about anything could have happened to them," said Mr Panday.

He said neither the police nor the South African Defence Force seemed to be aware of the people trapped in the area and said he tried desperately to get some sort of official action. However, he was told that something could be done only today to get them out. — Sapa





Mrs NONYAMEKO MXENGE

Ciskeian law will rule at funeral

Weekend Post Reporter

MOURNERS attending the funeral of the murdered Durban-based civil rights lawyer, Mrs Nonyameko Victoria Mxenge, 43, in Rayi Village in the Ciskei tomorrow will be subject to Ciskeian laws.

This was confirmed by the director-general of the Ciskei Department of Information, Mr W J van Wyk, yesterday.

He was asked about the possibility of restrictions similar to those imposed at the funeral of a drowned 14-year-old schoolgirl, Noxolo Panga, last weekend when many mourners were prevented from attending.

Mr Van Wyk said there would be no restrictions, but "as long as people are in Ciskei, they are subject to our laws".

In Port Elizabeth, a spokesman for the Burial Transport Committee, Mr Michael Nzothoyi, said several buses carrying mourners had already left.

Mrs Mxenge was gunned down by four unidentified men on Thursday, August 3.





Funeral mob burns soldier

A family's grief. Above: Mrs Mxenge's aged mother is supported by a UDF official. Top left: Orphaned children after two murders. NAMA MXENGE (left) and her brothers VIWA (centre background) and BASIE, a law student.

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KING WILLIAM's TOWN — In a replay of the funeral of her murdered husband, a uniformed man was stoned, caught and burnt to death by an enraged mob at the weekend funeral of Durban lawyer Mrs Nonyamezelo Mxenge.

The drama played itself out at the tiny Ciskei settlement of KwaRayi when a Ciskei Defence Force non-commissioned officer, a Corporal Dless, was murdered and two colleagues barely escaped with their lives.

The fate of another man is unknown after he was apparently bundled into the boot of a car and driven off after an earlier incident.

The killing of the soldier occurred at the end of the marathon six-hour funeral service as the 8 000-strong funeral procession crossed the main King William's Town road.

The mourners were on their way to the grave site opposite the Mxenge family village of Rayi, birthplace of Mrs Mxenge's husband, Griffiths — victim of a similar unsolved murder four years ago.

At his funeral, at almost precisely the same spot, a Transkei security policeman was identified by an enraged mob and beaten to death.

In spite of a police roadblock just outside King William's Town yesterday, a Ciskei army bakkie with three men aboard drove into the funeral procession.

As youths howled at the bewildered soldiers and begun to pelt the bakkie with stones, one soldier leapt from the back of the bakkie and tried to run into the veld.

He was quickly caught and, according to witnesses, beaten and stoned before being doused with petrol and set alight.

In spite of injuries from a barrage of stones, the other soldiers managed to restart their stalled bakkie and drive off.

Some time earlier, after a small veld fire had disrupted funeral proceedings, a man was seen by some of the many local and overseas journalists being bundled into the boot of a car, which was then driven off.

His fate is unknown.

A number of young men moved through the mourners, openly declaring they were looking for "informers" and thousands were unable to reach the Village Congregational Church from which Mrs Mxenge was buried, because of road blocks en-route.

The funeral had started peaceably with yellow-shirted UDF marshalls directing arrivals.

Speakers attacked the Government and the Inkatha movement of Kwazulu's Chief Gatsha Buthelezi.

In his funeral oration, the Rev M Stofile, accused Chief Buthelezi and Inkatha of being "shock absorbers of our struggle against the boers".

Accusing US President Ronald Reagan of supporting apartheid for profit, Father Smangaliso Mkatshwa asked the crowd: "Do you want bubblegum and Coca-Cola freedom — or do you want the real thing?"

The keynote speech was made by Mrs Helen Joseph, a listed person who may not be quoted.

The president of the Border region of the UDF, Mr Steve Tshwete, said: "We were happy to see Boesak marching under the Russian flag at Cradock recently, because that flag has never been associated with the suppression of our peoples."

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Ciskei serviceman killed at Mxenge burial

KING WILLIAM'S TOWN. — A uniformed member of the Ciskei Defence Force was stoned, stabbed and left for dead under a pyre of burning tyres by an incensed mob at the funeral of Durban civil-rights lawyer Mrs Victoria Mxenge yesterday.

About 10 000 people attended the funeral of Mrs Mxenge at Rayi, near here. She was murdered outside her Umlazi, Durban, home on August 1 and buried next to her husband, Griffiths, also a civil-rights lawyer and also murdered in Umlazi, four years ago.

Petrol on body

Witnesses said that when a crowd of United Democratic Front supporters surrounded a vehicle carrying Ciskei police, a man panicked and jumped off. The crowd followed him and stoned him to death about 150 metres from Mrs Mxenge's grave. They poured petrol over his body and burnt it.

A short statement by Ciskeian police headquarters confirmed the incident.

The mood of the funeral — which heard messages of condolence from imprisoned African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela as well as condemnation of Chief Gatsha Buthelezi's Inkatha movement — was tense.

A number of young men moved through the mourners, openly declaring they were looking for "informers", and thousands were unable to reach the church from which Mrs Mxenge was buried because of roadblocks along the route.



The Rev Arnold Stofile of the UDF and Mrs Helen Joseph at the funeral of Mrs Mxenge in King William's Town yesterday.

Some mourners had to walk long distances as chanting mobs of youths also blocked the roads, making driving almost impossible. Scores of buses from all over the country had to discharge their load of mourners in the veld a long way from the church.

Speakers included lawyer Mr Zac Yacoob, Roman Catholic nun Sister Bernard Ncube, Father Smangaliso Nkhatshwa, general secretary of the Southern African Catholic Bishop's Conference, and Mrs Helen Joseph, who is listed and cannot be quoted.

Mr Yacoob denounced anti-Indian violence in Durban last week, saying of Mrs Mxenge: "She understood clearly the meaning of non-racialism and was prepared to die for it.

"Whoever killed her must have been agents of apartheid. Let us tell these people that many, many more of us are prepared to die. They can't kill enough of us."

Among the mourners were US Appeals Court Judge Nathaniel Jones of Cincinnati, Ohio, PFP MPCs Mrs Molly Blackburn and Mrs Di Bishop, and Mr Brian Bishop.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs Blackburn, Mr and Mrs Bishop, Judge Jones and Mr Zondani Sitehile were arrested for visiting the township of Tinus, near Fort Beaufort, without a permit. They were taken to the Fort Beaufort police station and warned to appear in court today.

Titus is affected by the state of emergency and non-residents can enter it only after obtaining permits. The maximum sentence for the offence in terms of the regulations is R20 000 or 10 years' imprisonment. They were held for two hours.

Judge Jones, who yesterday described his arrest as "an affront to the United States and to the notion of civility", has since had charges against him withdrawn in a personal telephone call by the Attorney-General of the Eastern Cape.

The South Africans, however, would still be prosecuted.

In a telephone interview from King Williams' Town last night, Mr Bishop said Judge Jones had received three official apologies — from the Attorneys-General of Natal and the Eastern Cape and the Judge-President of Natal — and had been told to "tear up his summons". His fingerprinting is to be returned to him.

He will leave for the US tomorrow. — Sapa and Staff Reporter

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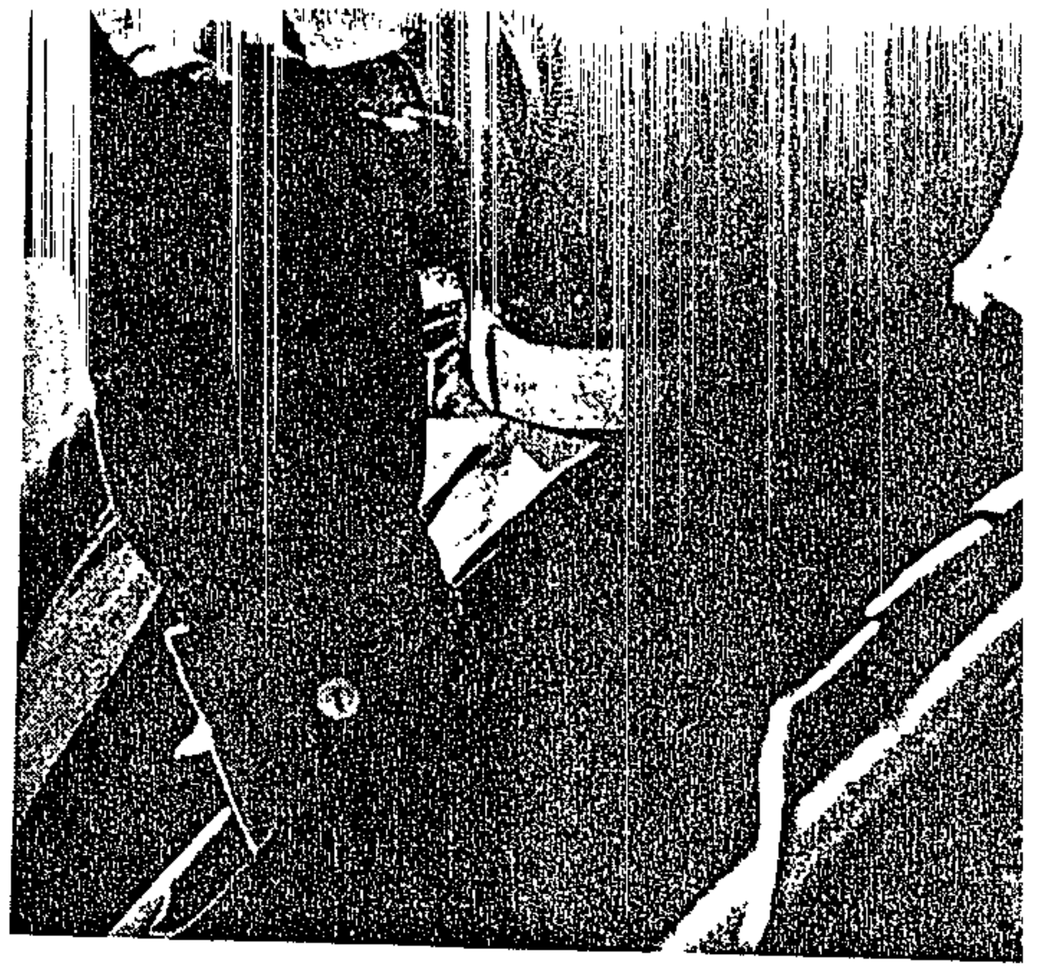
A final salute as Mrs Mxenge's coffin lies in state.



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We want real freedom roar crowd at funeral

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KING WILLIAM'S TOWN — Attacking Mrs Victoria Mxenge's death as the work of South Africa's apartheid system, speakers at her funeral in the township of Rayi near here yesterday denounced the South African Government and the Inkatha movement headed by the chief of the Zulus, Chief Mangosutho Buthelezi.

The addresses to UDF supporters were militant even by the standards of recent funerals in areas where the government has clamped emergency laws and tried to curb emotive anti-apartheid speeches at burials of unrest victims.

Mrs Mxenge was gunned down outside her Durban township home by unknown assailants on August 1.

Blind Indian lawyer Zac Yacoob denounced anti-Indian violence in Durban last week, saying of Mrs Mxenge: She understood clearly the meaning of non-racialism and was prepared to die for it.

"Who killed her?" he asked. "Although we don't know exactly we do know this — whoever killed her must have been apartheid or its agents.

"Let us tell these people that many, many more of us are prepared to die and that they can't kill enough of us."

A message was read from the jailed African National Congress leader, Nelson Mandela, who was referred to only as 'Uncle Nelson' and by his Pollsmoor Prison number.

Fr Smangaliso Nkhatshwa, general secretary of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference, told the audience gathered under the blazing sun in a dusty field that concessions the government was expected to make to black people in an announcement on Thursday would not go nearly far enough.

He rejected any idea of a fourth black chamber in the racially-segregated three-chamber Parliament and instead demanded the unconditional release of such leaders as Mandela; the immediate lifting of the state of emergency; and the withdrawal of security forces from black townships.

Denouncing US President Ronald Reagan's policy of constructive engagement with South Africa, he said: "Reagan wants to ensure that Yankee imperialism is protected. Reagan thinks that we are interested in Coca-Cola or chewing gum freedom.

"Do you want Coca-Cola freedom or do you want the real thing," he asked the crowd.

"The real thing," they roard.

Paying tribute to Mrs Mxenge, the Border president of the UDF, Mr Steve Tshwete, said she "did not create herself. She became a fighter for freedom because of the cruel system of apartheid."

He said peaceful campaigns in the past to bring about change had been fruitless. "All we got was physical repression." — Sapa-RNS

Mourners came from all over

EAST LONDON — Busloads of mourners from all over South Africa poured into the little village of Rayi near King William's Town yesterday for the funeral of Mrs Victoria Mxenge.

While many mourners arrived on Saturday, buses from Natal were still arriving yesterday afternoon.

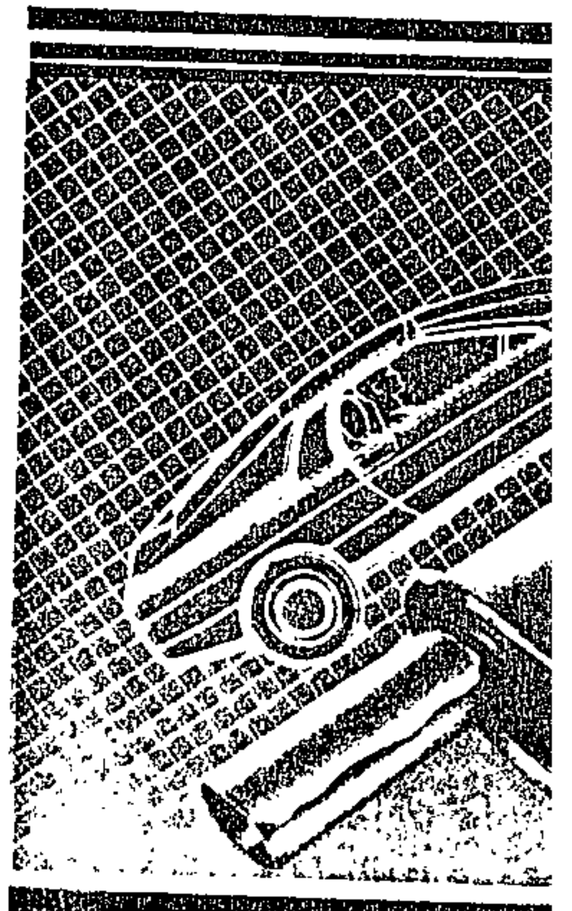
Two PFP MPCs, Mrs Molly Blackburn (Walmer) and Mrs Di Bishop (Gardens), were among the crowd, while Mrs Helen Joseph, a veteran opponent of apartheid, gave the keynote address.

Other observers included an American federal judge, Mr N. Jones, and a strong contingent of South African and foreign journalists.

Mrs Mxenge was buried alongside her husband, Mr Griffith Mxenge, also a civil rights lawyer and activist, who was murdered in 1981 in a crime still unsolved.

The crowd at the funeral was estimated at 15 000 and many of the mourners perched in trees and on rooftops to get a better view of the funeral proceedings.

Others simply stood in a huge mass while groups of journalists were allowed to sit in a circle in front of Mrs Mxenge's coffin, draped in yellow, green and black. —DDR



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Mrs Mxenge risked her life

JOHANNESBURG. — Mrs Victoria Mxenge, who was buried at King William's Town yesterday, knew when her husband was murdered in 1981 that her vow to continue his work could mean that she would be killed as well.

Mr Griffiths Mxenge, a leading civil-rights lawyer, was found dead near their home in Durban's Umlazi township on November 19, 1981 with 45 stab wounds in his body. His killers have never been found.

She said his murder was a political assassination, though she never blamed any specific person or organization for his death.

'I will continue'

"If by killing my husband they thought the work he was doing would come to an end, they have made a mistake," she said. "I will continue even if it means I must also die."

Eleven days ago, in the twilight of August 1, she was gunned down by four black men as she climbed from a car outside her home.

While her three children, aged from six to 15, watched from the veranda, her assailants hacked at her with knives until she died at her own front door.

Victoria Mxenge began her working life in 1960 as a nurse in Alice, in the Eastern Cape. Fourteen years later her husband persuaded her to join him in his controversial law firm. She began her studies in 1974 and was admitted as an advocate in 1981, the year he was killed.

At the time of her death, she was local treasurer of the United Democratic Front. She was also set to help defend 16 UDF leaders in a treason trial that began four days after she was killed.

Mrs Mxenge, 43, was widely respected as a civil-rights lawyer, an opponent of apartheid and as a spokeswoman for opponents of the government.

Investigation

Police ordered a top-level investigation into her killing, but there has been no word of progress since she died.

Some black radicals have alleged she was murdered by a government "death squad". Others blame the moderate Inkatha political movement led by Zulu Chief Gatsha Buthelezi.

A police source in Durban said officers suspected the Azanian People's Organization. — UPI

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A Ciskei soldier's body lies in the veld after it was set alight by people attending Mrs Victoria Mxenge's funeral.

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KING WILLIAM'S TOWN — A Ciskeian soldier was killed and his body set alight at Rayi Village near here yesterday during the funeral of the murdered civil rights lawyer, Mrs Victoria Mxenge.

The incident occurred after a Ciskei Defence Force van was brought to a stop by mourners who were walking in a procession to the cemetery where Mrs Mxenge, who was shot at her Umlazi home 11 days ago, was buried.

The van in which three soldiers were travelling was stopped on the national road between King William's Town and Peddie. Stones were thrown at the van and the driver — the soldier who was killed — got out of the vehicle and pleaded for his life. He was bleeding profusely from injuries inflicted by the stoning. His pleas were ignored and he was dragged away.

His two companions, who were trapped inside the van, were hit by stones after the windows had been smashed. They managed to escape and sped away from the scene.

The soldier was taken by a crowd of youths to a field near the road where his body was set alight with wood and a tyre.

The commander of the Ciskei Defence Force, Brigadier D. Miandu, last night gave the dead soldier's name as Corporal Dless.

He said the two other soldiers had escaped. One had been slightly injured. As far as he was aware the Ciskeian authorities had not manned any roadblocks in the vicinity of Rayi Village.

Eyewitnesses said while the incident was taking place most of the mourners continued in the procession to the graveside.

A trail of thick black smoke hung over the spot where the smouldering body of the dead soldier lay.

A similar incident occurred at the funeral in 1981 of Mrs Mxenge's husband, Griffiths, who was murdered by unknown assailants in Durban. On that occasion a Transkei policeman was stabbed to death during the funeral service.

The United Democratic Front, which organised yesterday's funeral, said it had not been involved in the killing.

"We do not condone the action, and neither did we create it," a UDF spokesman said.



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STATE OF EMERGENCY

Soldier burnt to death at Mxenge funeral

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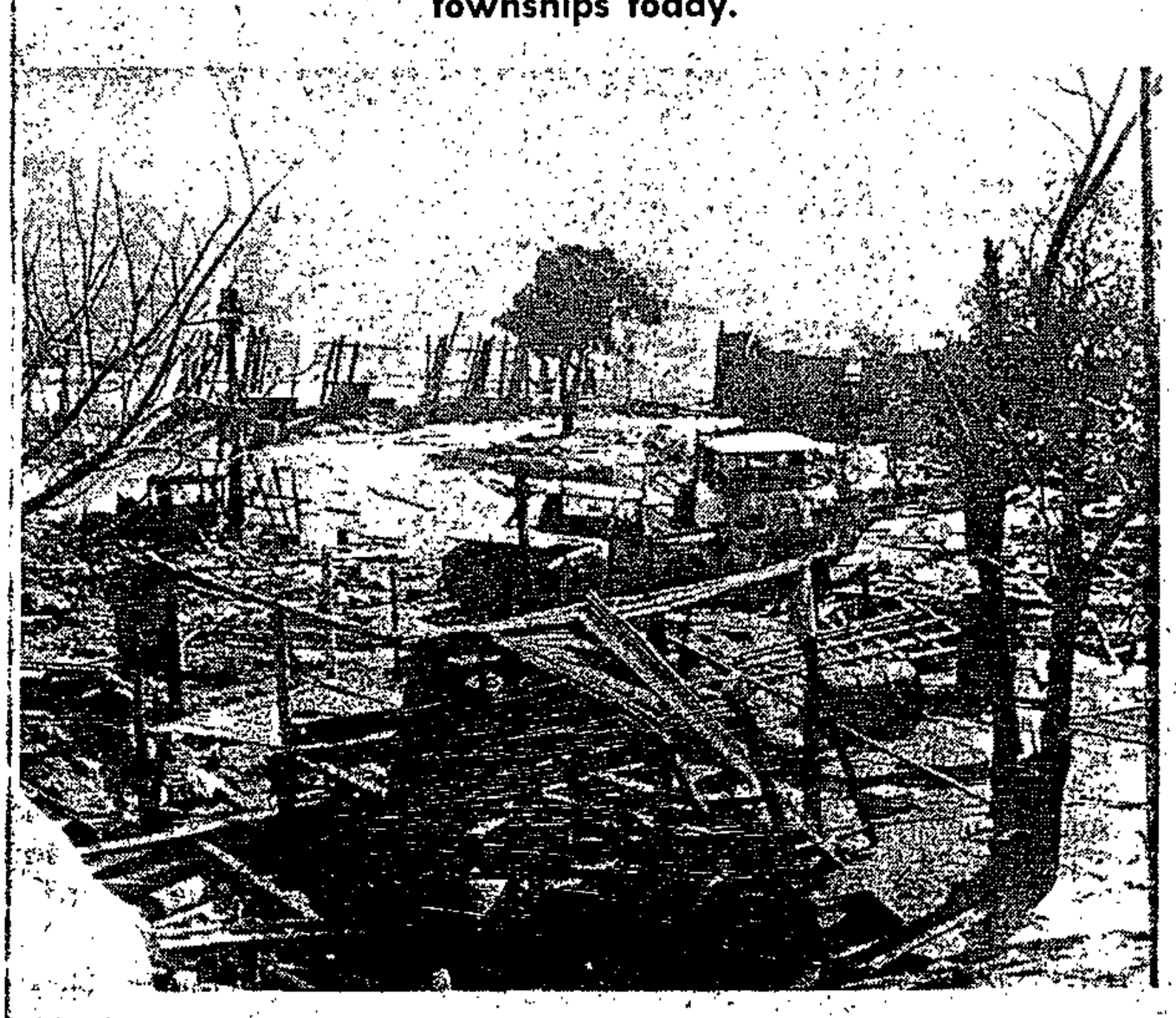
An angry crowd arrives for an Inkatha-sponsored "peace meeting" in Inanda, near Durban yesterday. Inkatha squads of vigilantes with sticks helped to keep an uneasy calm in Durban's townships today.



A scene of devastation in a Durban township after days of unrest. Many businesses and homes have been burnt to the ground.

Argus Bureau

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Brigadier D Mlandu, head of the Ciskeian Defence Force, today identified the soldier as Corporal Mnyamezeli Dless, 32.

Brigadier Mlandu said he did not know what the three soldiers had been doing in the area.

The killing of the soldier happened at the end of the six-hour funeral service as the 8 000-strong funeral procession crossed the main King William's Town road.

Army bakkie

The mourners were on their way to the grave site opposite the village of Rayi, birthplace of Mrs Mxenge's husband, Griffiths, who was murdered four years ago.

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Mrs Mxenge was seldom referred to by the long succession of speakers.

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EAST LONDON — Entrances to Duncan Village were sealed off last night after violence which erupted at the weekend continued yesterday.

Police said yesterday there had been several incidents of arson at the weekend.

A spokesman for the police directorate of public relations in Pretoria said that on Sunday night various buildings had been damaged, including the East Cape Development Board offices, school offices, classrooms and a beerhall.

The spokesman said police dispersed mobs with tearsmoke, rubber bullets and sneeze powder.

He added that, as far as could be established, no one had been injured and there were no arrests.

A later situation report for the period from noon to 8 pm yesterday said two schools had been set alight and R20 000 damage caused.

Police did not take any action and there had been no casualties, the police spokesman said.

Reports reaching the Daily Dispatch last night of rampaging youths sweeping through the eZiphunzana area could not be confirmed by the police.

The East Cape Development Board director of administration, Mr D. Manthe, confirmed that a beerhall had been burnt down.

The regional office of the Department of Education and Training in Port Elizabeth said there was no school attendance yesterday and by late last night four schools were reported to have been burnt down. They were Qaqamba Secondary, Nyati Primary, Makinana Primary and Nompulelo.

An attempt was also made to burn down the Pefferville Primary School and the Kadalie Hall.

A butchery and a shopping complex were burnt down.

Eyewitnesses said the homes of two community councillors, Miss Mabel Mdaka in Dizamahlebo Street and Mr Eddie Makeba in Jabavu Street, were burnt down.

The home of the principal of Qaqamba High School, Mrs N. Sojani, was also reported to have been burnt down.

Two other Councillors, Mrs E. Sili and Mrs Florence Mangala, could not be contacted. There was no reply when their homes were telephoned.

Several people are said to have left the area.

Houses belonging to policemen were reported to have been stoned or set alight. Cars were also stoned and burnt.

Early this morning the Duncan Village Community Centre was seen to be burning.

According to residents, the unrest in the township started on Friday evening when a beer hall was set alight.

One resident said rioters stopped cars and demanded petrol. She said a brewery delivery vehicle was stopped and looted early yesterday morning.

On Sunday evening groups of youths moved through the township singing freedom songs. Later, shots were heard until late in the night.

The police liaison officer in the Border, Lieutenant Dot van den Vyver, said a report in the Daily Dispatch yesterday that police had advised the municipal fire brigade not to enter the area on Sunday was incorrect.

The chief fire officer, Capt Bill Kenny, confirmed that police had not advised municipal firemen to keep out of the area and that they had spent considerable time in Duncan Village.

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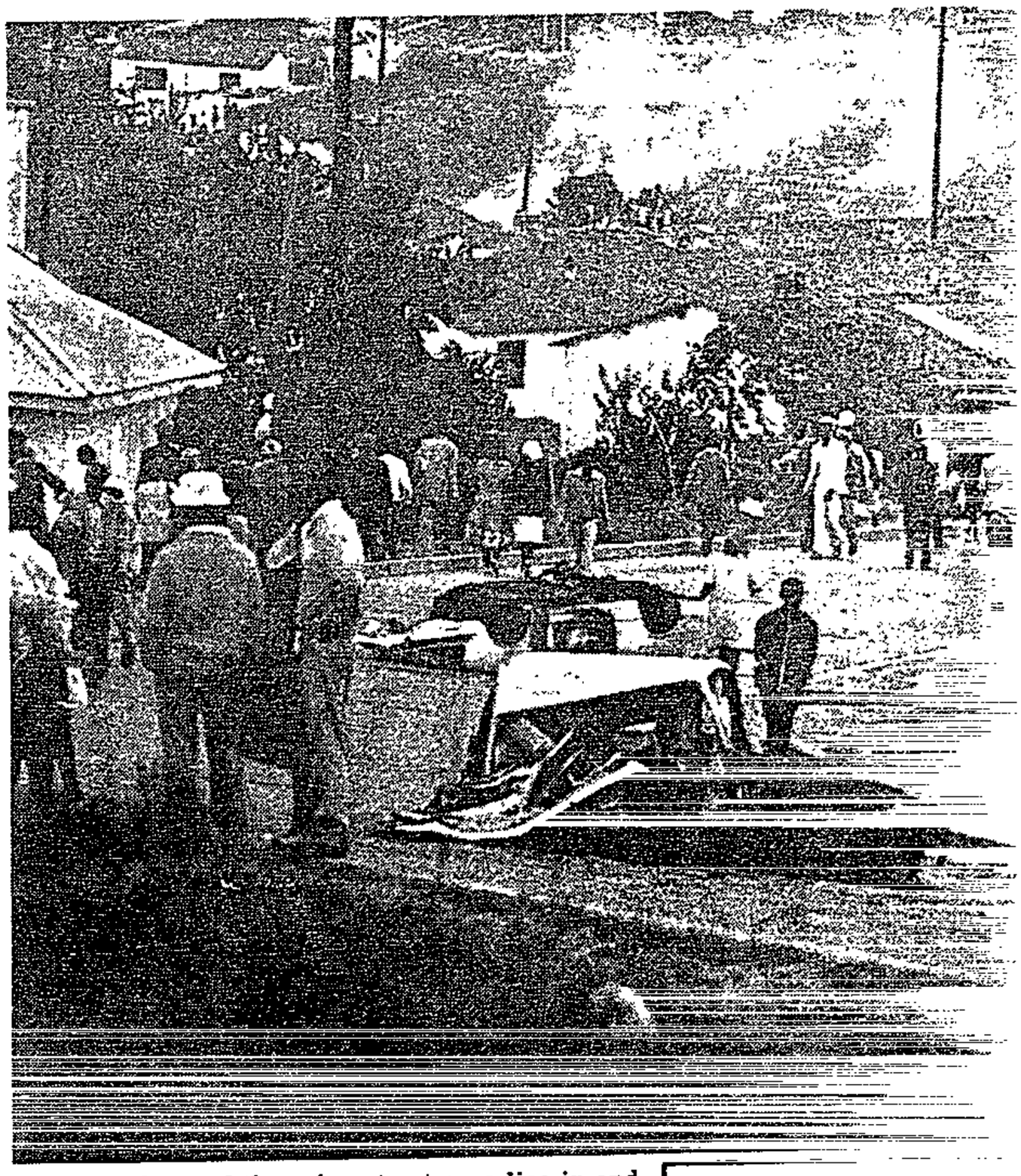

The wreckage of three burnt-out cars lies in and near Douglas Smit Highway, Duncan Village, yesterday. More pictures page 9.

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Winnie Mandela's home burnt down in arson attack

PRETORIA. — Police in Pretoria confirmed to SABC radio news today that the home of Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of imprisoned ANC leader Nelson Mandela, was petrol-bombed this morning.

The exact extent of damage to the house in Brandfort, Free State, is not yet known.

A police spokesman said Mrs Mandela was apparently not home when the attack was launched.

A spokesman for the office of Mrs Mandela's lawyer in Johannesburg told Sapa the lawyer had gone to see Mrs Mandela, who is apparently in the Johannesburg vicinity, to tell her the news.

SABC said a neighbour evidently sounded the alarm after hearing an explosion.

No further details are available at this stage but police are investigating a case of arson, the radio said.

● A wounded man was thrown on to a blazing vehicle and burnt to death by a mob in Duncan Village near East London last night.

A police spokesman said today that houses, a community hall and a school were extensively damaged by arsonists last night. Delivery vehicles were looted and burnt.

Police dispersed arsonists with shotguns and rifles when they attacked a delivery vehicle.

The spokesman said: "A black man was wounded. The wounded man was thrown on to the burning vehicle by his fellow arsonists and died as a result of this barbaric act."

Five men were arrested in connection with these incidents. — Sapa.

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Boesak tells police of death threats

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Staff Reporter

DR Allan Boesak, leader of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches and United Democratic Front patron, has told police of a spate of death threats.

Brigadier G Odendaal, divisional commissioner of police in the Western Cape, confirmed today that Dr Boesak had informed him of the telephoned threats and that a senior officer had been appointed to investigate.

Dr Boesak learnt of the threats from his secretary, Mrs Thelma Sacco, yesterday.

Minutes after he telephoned her to say he was going to Mitchell's Plain after pupils clashed with police yesterday she received a call from a man who said: "If he goes to Mitchell's Plain we'll kill him", he told The Argus yesterday.

"I was sitting in an attorney's office when we heard schoolchildren had been arrested and decided to investigate. I telephoned Mrs Sacco and told her.

"No one else could have known my movements but she received the call, from a man speaking English with a heavy Afrikaans accent, minutes after I spoke to her.

"Those responsible either have an uncanny knowledge of what goes on in my office or are eavesdropping on my telephone calls," Dr Boesak said.

Mrs Sacco later told him the death-threats began last week. "She hadn't told me for fear of worrying me."

Dr Boesak said he was "taking the threats seriously" but would not let them stop him doing "what I should be doing".

Mrs Sacco said today more threatening phone calls had been made this morning, this time from parents threatening Dr Boesak with physical harm if their children were injured by police while at school.

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Two Molteno youths shot dead

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Police last night confirmed that two youths were shot dead when violence broke out in Nomonde township at Molteno yesterday.

A spokesman for the South African Police public relations division in Pretoria said police had been surrounded by a mob and taken action.

Two youths were shot dead and three others wounded and arrested.

Later, another eight people were arrested.

Two private vehicles and a beerhall were set alight and petrol bombs were thrown at police, the spokesman said.

Police were also stoned.

According to a Daily Dispatch correspondent, the home of the principal of the Nomonde Secondary School, Mr Hans Teise, was severely damaged by stone-throwing youths.

His car was burnt out and he had to flee for his life. He barricaded himself in the school building, which youths also tried to burn down.

His wife managed to escape from their home with her seven-year-old son. She fled to Molteno, where she expressed concern about her 10-year-old daughter who was visiting a friend when the violence broke out.

Police were informed of the child's predicament and went to fetch her. The police also went to assist Mr Teise and several other teachers who had barricaded themselves in at the school, it was reported.

Reports said the homes of two teachers were burned to the ground.

The police spokesman said that in an isolated incident in Queenstown two East Cape Development Board vehicles were set alight and two youths under 18 years old arrested.

Mandela home attacked

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From Our Transvaal Bureau

JOHANNESBURG DISPATCH — The Brandfort home of Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of imprisoned ANC leader Nelson Mandela, was petrol-bombed early yesterday morning.

Although the extent of damage to the house was not known, neighbours said the bedroom and a two-roomed building alongside the house, used by Mrs Mandela as a clinic, were extensively damaged, and a cat was found smothered to death.

No one was at home during the attack which took place at about 3 am.

Furniture and other household items were destroyed by the fire but the quick action of neighbours saved the house from being completely destroyed.

Sterkstroom unrest: 1 dead

EAST LONDON — A man was killed and another slightly injured during unrest at Sterkstroom yesterday, the police directorate of public relations announced last night.

In an 8 pm unrest bulletin, a directorate spokesman said the man was killed after police used shotguns to disperse a rioting group.

Three men over 18 years of age, one of whom was found to be slightly injured, were arrested in the incident together with four youths under 18 years old, one a female, the spokesman said.

He said that during unrest in the township, stones and petrol bombs were thrown at the homes of policemen and East Cape Development Board employees. A SATS police vehicle had also been stoned.

In Queenstown, petrol bombs were thrown at the homes of a policeman and a Queenstown community councillor, the bulletin stated.

Meanwhile, in further incidents of unrest, two youths were shot dead in separate incidents in Witbank's townships yesterday.

A gang petrol-bombed and stoned the Ackerville house of a former policeman, Mr Peter Khoza, after he allegedly shot one of the youths in an earlier stoning incident.

Three Indian men died after being stabbed and set alight between Inanda and Phoenix near Durban, bringing the official death toll in the Natal rioting up to 70.

Further petrol-bombing and arson incidents were reported from Durban's Umlazi township.

At Cathcart a man was wounded when police dispersed a mob stoning police vehicles.

At Alexander a bus was petrol-bombed and a man injured in the ensuing blaze. The bus driver was robbed by his attackers. — DDR-Sapa.

Death toll breaks 1976 record

AT LEAST 11 people died in country-wide unrest and the Brandfort home of Mrs Winnie Mandela was firebombed by unidentified arsonists yesterday.

The Institute of Race Relations yesterday said 601 people had died in South Africa in unrest since September 1984.

The death toll, unprecedented in the history of apartheid, has now exceeded the 575 people killed in unrest in 1976.

Meanwhile the petrol-bomb attack on the home of Mrs Mandela, wife of imprisoned leader Mr Nelson Mandela, was condemned last night by US State Department spokesman Mr Charles Redman, who said: "We deplore this dreadful incident."

Mrs Mandela was in Johannesburg for a medical check-up at the time of the attack, which damaged a bedroom and a workshop.

Her lawyer, Mr Ismail Ayob, said Mrs Mandela was shocked by the news and was particularly concerned that awards Mr Mandela had received over the years might have been destroyed.

No one was at home during the attack, which took place about 3am. Neighbours said they were awoken by two explosions.

A cat was found smothered to death — apparently by thick smoke — in an outside room used as a workshop.

A police spokesman in Pretoria confirmed receipt of a report on the attack.

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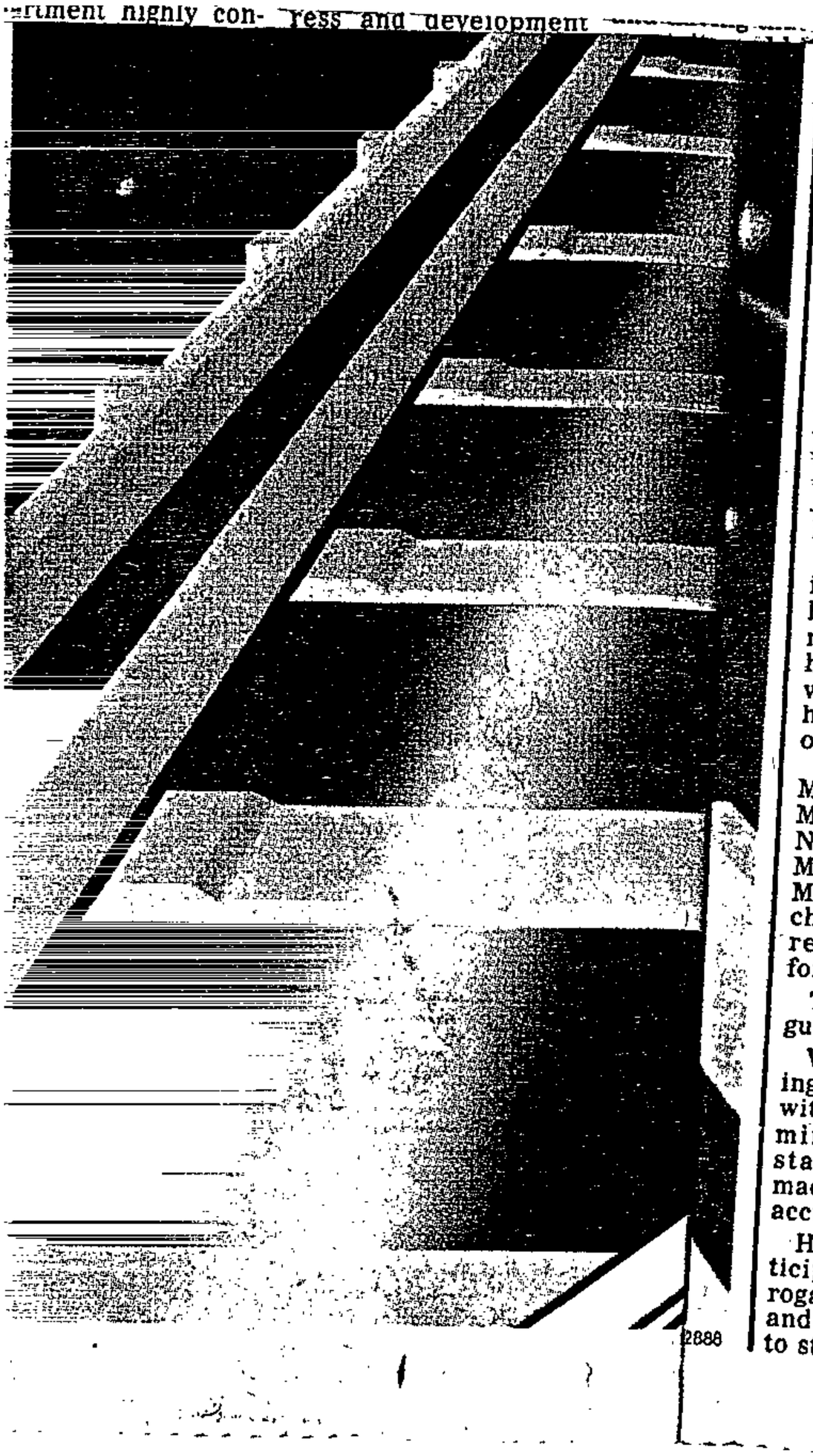

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Suffocation claims denied by policeman

BISHO — A warrant officer denied in the Supreme Court here yesterday that he had suffocated a woman with a rubber tube to make her talk.

W/O M. Fumanisa said it was not true that he had suffocated Mrs Lulama Mlotana and that he had instructed her to wipe the floor after she had urinated as a result of assaults on her.

Mrs Mlotana, Mr M. Mlotana, Mr J. Mlotana, Mr M. Mqokozo, Mr B. Ncoyo, Mr M. Dyantyi, Mr N. Mlotana and Mr M. Mqumbisa have been charged with planning to release prisoners by force in December.

They have pleaded not guilty.

W/O Fumanisa was giving evidence in the trial within a trial to determine the validity of statements allegedly made by seven of the accused.

He denied that he participated in the interrogation of Mrs Mlotana and that he had told her to stamp her foot on the floor when she wanted to speak.

He told the court that in December he accompanied other policemen to a clump of bushes in Fort Jackson where Mr J. Mlotana pointed out a firearm.

W/O Cecil Damoyi also told the court that he was present when Mr Mlotana pointed out the firearm in the bushes.

The trial continues today.

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UDF condemns violence in DV

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EAST LONDON — The United Democratic Front yesterday condemned the violence in Duncan Village.

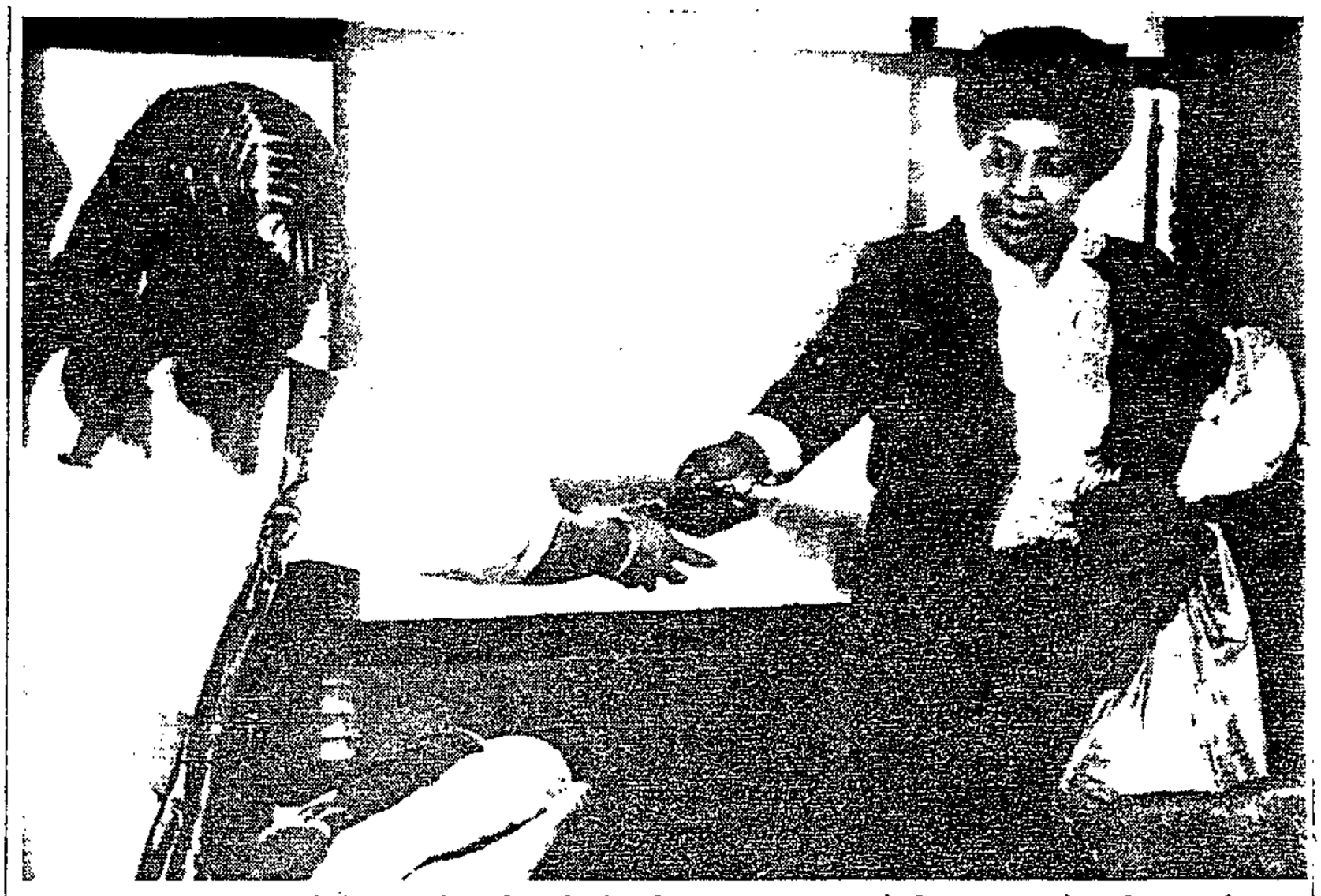
The Border publicity secretary of the UDF, Mr Andrew Hendricks, said in a statement:

"We cannot find words to adequately describe our absolute horror at the killings and maiming that is taking place in Duncan Village.

"The sound of gunshots throughout the night and also during the day has added another area in South Africa to the operational zone.

"The presence of the SADF, we repeat, is a declaration of war on the citizens of SA living in Duncan Village.

"The fact that workers have chosen to remain at home is understandable considering the insecurity created by the very forces purported to uphold law and order." — DDR



Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of jailed African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, and her daughter Zinzi sort through the badly damaged bedroom of her home in Brandfort near Bloemfontein. The house caught fire about 3am yesterday and an adjoining building used as a clinic and nursery was also damaged. Mrs Mandela was away from home for a medical check-up in Johannesburg at the time of the fire. 3 4 C

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Dispatch Reporters

EAST LONDON — The violence in Duncan Village has claimed at least five lives, has left several families homeless and caused damage running into thousands of rands.

The police directorate of public relations in Pretoria said in its 8 pm unrest situation report that one man was killed and four others arrested in a clash with police.

The spokesman said the group had set fire to six vehicles and had stoned police and East Cape Development Board vehicles. They had also attempted to set fire to board offices.

The directorate's afternoon report said the overnight unrest death toll had risen to four with the discovery of the bodies of a youth and two men.

An earlier report yesterday said a wounded man was thrown onto a burning vehicle and burned to death by fellow arsonists in the township.

The directorate said the unidentified youth's body was discovered on Monday night.

The circumstances of his death, and those of the two men were still being investigated and further details were not immediately available.

Meanwhile, all six Duncan Village Community Council members confirmed yesterday that their houses had been burnt to the ground.

The deputy chairman, Miss Mabel Mdaka, and her councillors — Mr E. Makeba, Mr B. Biyana, Mr M. Bukani, Mrs S. Sili and Mrs F. Mangala — would not disclose yesterday where they were being rehoused.

Eyewitnesses in the area said yesterday several people were leaving following a night of arson and intimidation by rampaging youths.

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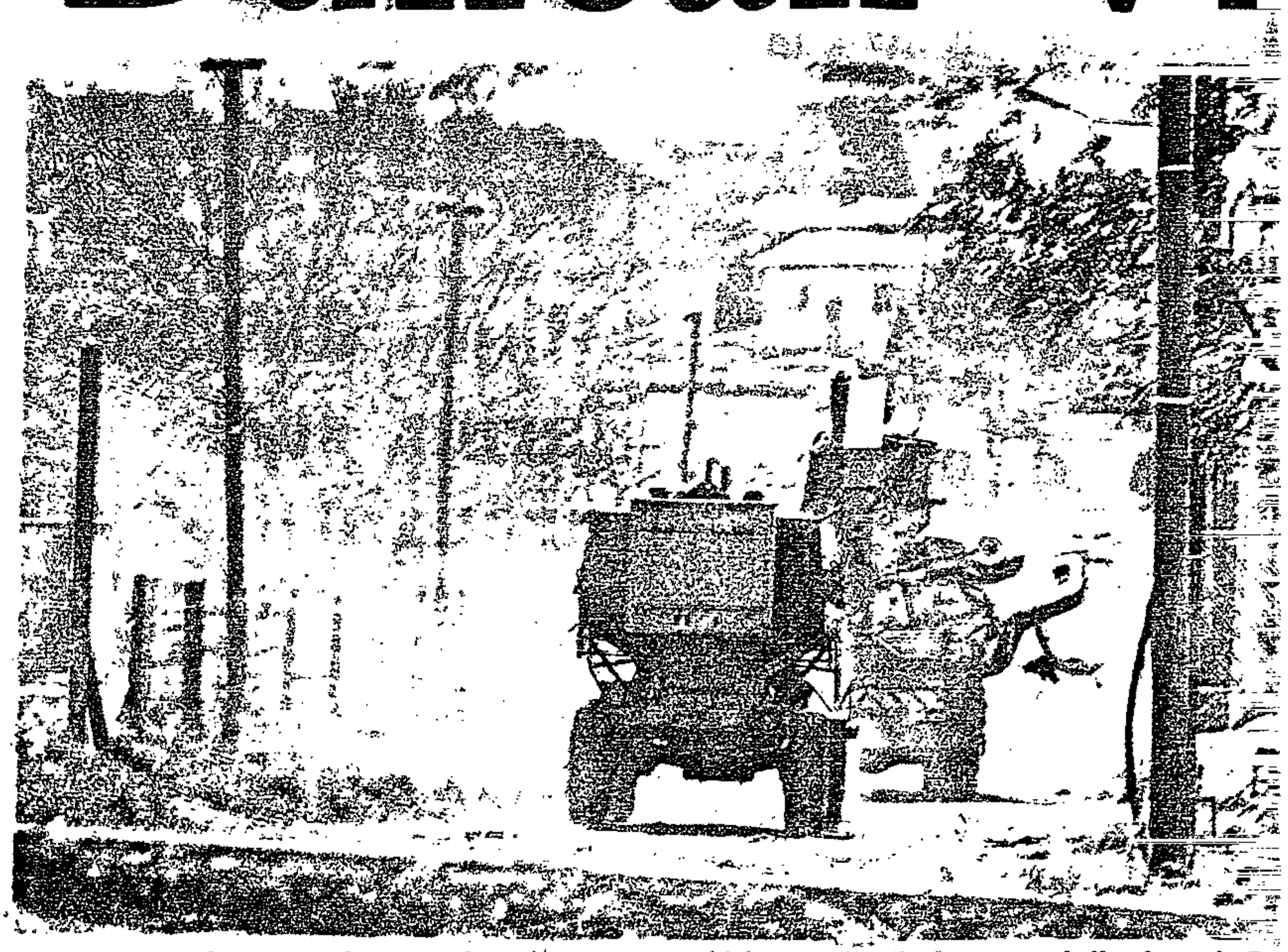

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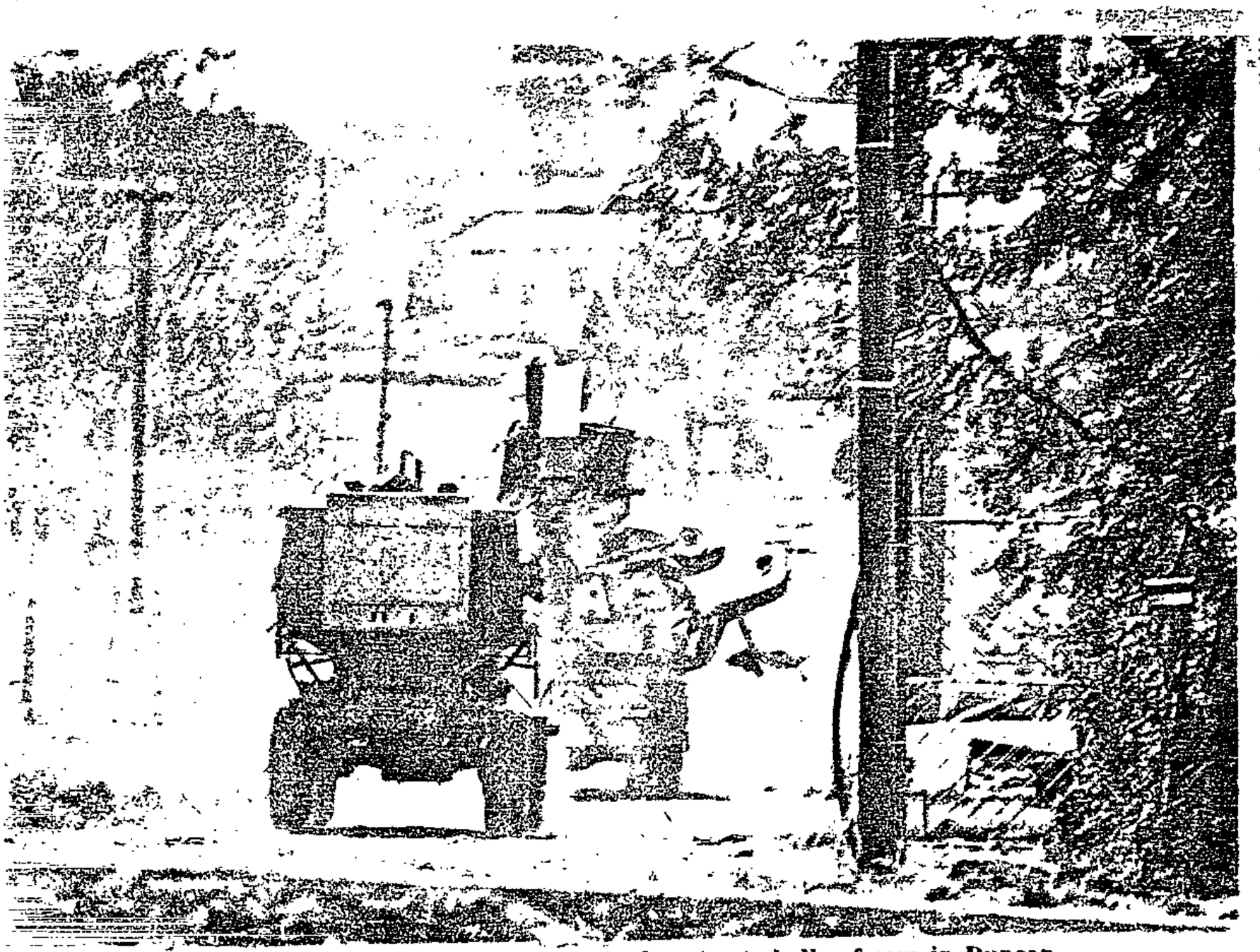

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There was no instruction at both John Bisseker Senior Secondary School in Parkside and Green Point High School in Buffalo Flats, the Department of Education and Culture confirmed. The partially gutted Pefferville Primary School was also deserted and it could not be established yesterday when the school would be reopened and where the pupils would be rehoused in the interim.

The Duncan Village community centre and a day training centre for mentally handicapped, Khayalethu, were also burnt down.

Mr Peterson Paul, caretaker at the community centre, Mr Chris Bottoman and Mr Mncedisi Mbendeni, were all homeless yesterday after arson attacks.

Mr Peter Paul, the son of the caretaker, said his home was set alight at about 7 pm on Monday.

He said a group of youths first attacked his home, which was in the yard of the community centre. When it was ablaze, they set fire to the hall itself and then left for Khayalethu.

The family lost most of their belongings and the matter was reported to the police.

Another resident who did not want to be identified said a group of youths attempted to destroy a bridge which separates Ndende section and eZiphunzana section.

The police arrived just in time.

Besides the homes and schools gutted, the two beer halls and two bottle stores were also burnt down.

● A portion of Oxford Street, East London, was cordoned off by police here yesterday morning following a bomb threat at a building society which the police liaison officer for the Border, Lieutenant Dot van der Vyver, said was found to be false.

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E Cape murders: R35 000 reward

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• By RIAAN DE VILLIERS

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● Any person able to furnish information has been asked to contact the Right Rev Kenneth Oram, Bishop of Grahamstown, c/o Diocesan Office, St George's Chambers, High Street, Grahamstown, tel (0461) 2 500 or 7 412, who has undertaken to pass on any information given to him to attorneys acting for the contributors.

Anyone else who wishes to contribute towards the reward may contact Professor Le Roux at (021) 951-3101 or Ms Zille at (021) 69-1094.

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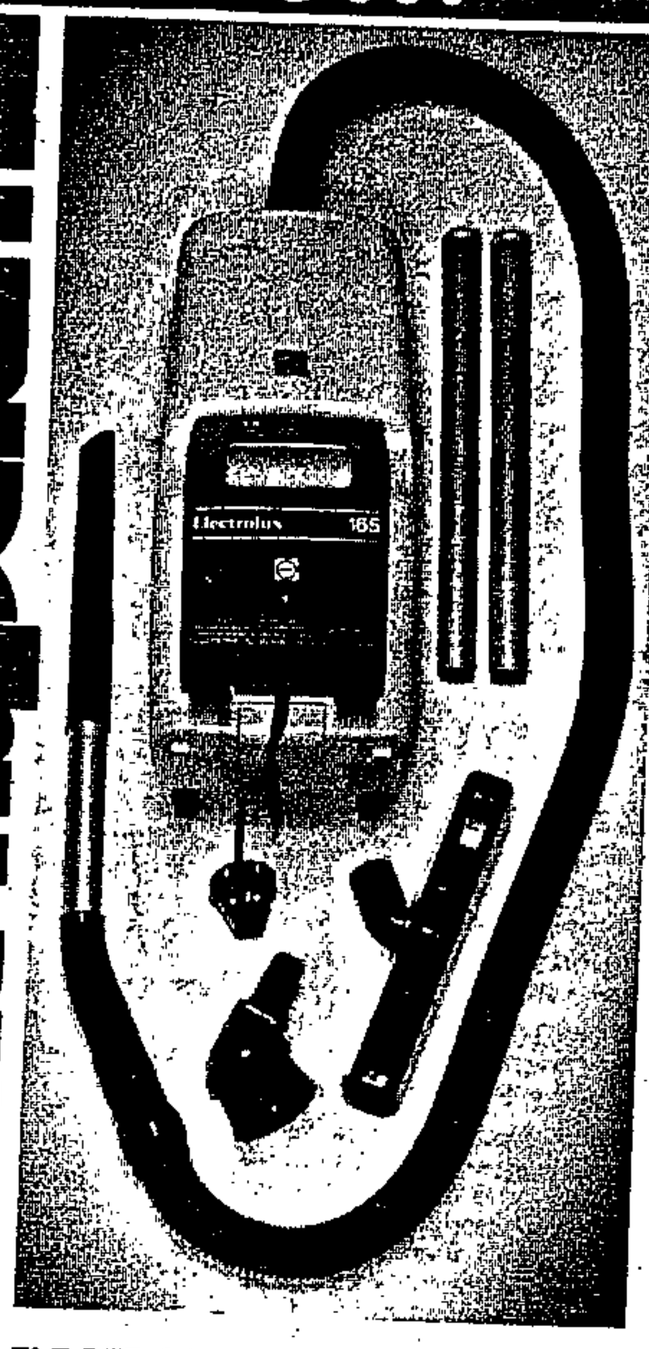

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Police in Duncan Village kill one, violence flares

EAST LONDON — The unrest death toll in Duncan Village rose to at least six after further incidents of violence in the township during Tuesday night.

A spokesman for the police directorate of public relations in Pretoria said a black man was shot dead by a South African Transport Services policeman on Tuesday night.

He said the SATS policeman had protected his home in an attack.

Unofficial reports reaching the Daily Dispatch offices said more than 10 people had been killed in Duncan Village and more than 50 wounded.

This was supported by hospital sources.

The medical superintendent of Frere Hospital, Dr Peter Mitchell, said that all inquiries about unrest victims had to be directed to the police.

The district surgeon, Dr Basil Wingreen, said he too could not give any information about unrest victims.

"Only the police can give that information," he said.

In Sterkstroom, a policeman who was injured in the unrest in the township there, has died in hospital.

The police situation report last night said the policeman was off duty when he was attacked by a mob of stone throwers.

He was taken to hospital by police but died later.

Several more incidents of stone-throwing and arson were reported in Duncan Village throughout the night, and police used teargas smoke and birdshot to disperse the mobs.

A woman was arrested.

The spokesman said no further incidents were reported in Duncan Village after 8 am yesterday.

A black man was wounded and arrested by police in Sterkstroom for possessing a petrol bomb. A police spokesman said he would be charged under the Explosives Act.

Several private homes were attacked during Tuesday night, and a man and a youth were arrested for public violence in Sterkstroom.

In Queenstown several incidents of arson and stone-throwing were reported.

The police spokesman said a stone-throwing mob of 1 200 people attacked a councillor's home as well as several policemen's houses during Tuesday night. One policeman was slightly injured.

In Kwanobuhle near Port Elizabeth, a school was set alight. Mobs threw petrol bombs at private vehicles and private homes.

Police arrested six men in the violence there and in Fort Beaufort, one man was arrested after a stone-throwing incident.

● The Transvaal Bureau reports that an explosive device detonated in a ground-floor lift at the University of Witwatersrand yesterday at 3.10 am, causing damage of R50.

According to a spokesman from the police directorate in Pretoria nobody was injured in the blast and police are investigating the cause of the explosion.

According to a spokesman for the university, damage was "minimal" and the university was fully operational yesterday.

"The front doors of Senate House had been forced open to gain entry and police and university security personnel were on the scene within five minutes but saw no one," she said.

Sapa reports from Pretoria that the following incidents of unrest were reported by the public relations division of the police.

In townships near Durban police arrested seven men in possession of petrol bombs and nine men in possession of stolen property. The body of an unknown man was found apparently stabbed to death.

In townships near Witbank, a bus was extensively damaged by arsonists, a private home was slightly damaged when it was petrol bombed, a man was arrested when two [illegible] two youths [illegible]

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HIS LAST WORD

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Fumbatha, sole adult Mxenge alive, says...

THE FIGHT'S NOT OVER

By MONO BADELA

THE SOLE surviving adult in the Mxenge family says he'll carry on his dead brother and sister-in-law's fight against apartheid.

"The family wants to put on record that we shall not be deterred in helping to fight for true freedom in this country," Dr Fumbatha Mxenge, brother of the late Griffiths Mxenge, told about 30 000 mourners at Victoria Mxenge's funeral last weekend.

"What happened to my brother and sister-in-law will not deter us from fighting for true liberation. We are prepared to take over from where they have left off.

"We will not rest until we have achieved a South Africa where there is no racism, oppression, exploitation and domination – a South Africa whose ideals are enshrined in the Freedom Charter."

Mrs Mxenge was gunned down by four unknown men at her Umlazi home on August 1.

Her husband Griffiths, also an anti-apartheid activist, was also mysteriously killed a few years ago.

UDF speaker Rev Arnold Stofile said: "To the UDF, Mrs Mxenge was a faithful and dedicated treasurer. To us all she was a treasurer of courage and commitment to our struggle for a non-racial, democratic South Africa.

"Her death will not bring an end to our struggle. It will only give it more life. This is something apartheid must learn."

Busloads of mourners from all over South Africa came to Rayi village, near King William's Town, on Sunday.

While many arrived on Saturday, hundreds – especially those from Durban, Port Elizabeth and Cape Town – arrived long after the funeral proceedings had started.

They had been held up at various police road blocks.

In Peddie, Ciskeian police and soldiers stopped buses and forced mourners to walk all the way to King William's Town.

Condolences came from Nelson Mandela, Oliver Tambo and various embassies.

'Find killers!'

THE DURBAN Murder and Robbery squad has been challenged to track down the killers of slain Durban lawyer Victoria Mxenge – or risk being accused of being responsible for her death.

Speaking at his sister-in-law's funeral, Dr Fumbatha Mxenge said: "We challenge them to catch the culprits. If they don't, the blood of our sister will be on their hands."



The 'necklace' was there at Mxen

Zola's bravest performance



Mr Arthur Stanley recovers in his bedroom from Friday night's petrol-bomb attack on his home in Athlone. With him is his wife May. Cape Times Newscolour: Dan Bosman

4 arrests soon after attack

By CHRIS BATEMAN

THE sharp-eyed daughter of Labour Party MP Mr Arthur Stanley helped police arrest four suspects only hours after Mr Stanley's Sunnyside home was petrol-bombed on Friday night.

Mr Stanley received minor burns to his hands in an attempt to douse flaming curtains in his bedroom and was still confined to his bed yesterday.

His wife, Mrs May Stanley, said yesterday that as police chatted to the family in their kitchen about 1am on Saturday, her daughter Gail, 22, spotted a "suspicious-looking" car idling outside.

Gail had told police it was the "same car" seen patrolling the neighbourhood minutes before the attack, which took place about 10.30 pm.

Police had leapt into their patrol car and given chase, arresting four men "in their 20's".

"I just heard a screeching of tyres and they were after them," Mrs Stanley said.

Police confirmed that four men arrested in connection with the attack were still being held last night.

Mrs Stanley said the four were "apparently all from good homes".

Interviewed in his bedroom where a cabinet had prevented the petrol bomb from landing on his bed, Mr Stanley said he had been in politics and community service for 40 years and was "not going to stop now".

"We will continue as usual in spite of our handicaps," said Mr Stanley, who suffered a minor stroke during a multi-party fact-finding visit to the United States last month.

The couple praised neighbours for "their incredible response" in helping douse flames in the bedroom after the attack. Friday's attack came exactly a year after a pamphlet-covered brick was thrown through the same window.

Yesterday the window was covered with corrugated iron and a police guard stood outside the home.

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Assassination reward passes R46 000 mark

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SIPHO NGCOBO and SAPA

A SCHOOL was damaged, a councillor's home petrol-bombed and a number of vehicles attacked and stoned by rioters as isolated incidents of unrest erupted in various parts of the country yesterday.

SADF members fired on a vehicle which drove through a Soweto roadblock at high speed. Army members gave chase and the occupants of the car abandoned the vehicle which was found to have been stolen.

Reward money for anyone providing information leading to the conviction of the killers of Cradock community leader and UDF activist Matthew Goniwe, and his three colleagues, has risen to more than R46 000.

Several people, including the Leader of the Opposition, Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, have joined the reward campaign.

Police said yesterday that 271 more people had been arrested during the weekend under emergency regulations, bringing to 2 024 the number of people detained under the month-old emergency.

A further 78 people had been released, according to the police.

Police dispersed hundreds of students — from three coloured high schools — who were marching in protest against poor housing conditions at Western Coloured Township. Three students were arrested.

Meanwhile, pupils from 22 schools in the Witbank area continued boycotting classes yesterday, despite an ultimatum from the Department of Education and Training (DET) that the schools would be closed indefinitely if they did not return.

The Congress of South African Students (Cosas) said pupils would not return to classes until their detained colleagues were released and pupils were allowed to elect students' representative councils.

In the Western Cape, teachers converged on Mitchell's Plain police station yesterday to demand the release of a colleague who was taken away by police during a clash of about 1 500 pupils at Westridge Senior Secondary School.

Other incidents reported were:

☐ In Mamelodi a police vehicle was stoned and a man was arrested. In another incident, a woman was arrested when a house was stoned;

☐ In Mohlakeng, near Randfontein, a house was damaged during stone-throwing, while in Jacobsdal, Northern Cape, arsonists caused minor damage to a classroom;

☐ A mob of youths taking part in an illegal march near Duncan Village in East London were dispersed by police using rubber bullets and shotguns;

☐ At Nkobela, in the Boland, a councillor's home was slightly damaged during a petrol bomb attack;

☐ In Guguletu, a private vehicle was extensively damaged by arsonists.

Indian refugees refuse to leave

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DURBAN. — A number of Indian refugees who fled last week from marauding mobs in Inanda are still occupying Greenbury Community Hall in Phoenix.

Almost all efforts by officials of the House of Delegates to persuade the Inanda refugees to leave the crowded hall and move to healthier school premises in Verulam, have proved fruitless. They are going to stay there until they get houses, they say.

The Phoenix-Inanda Relief Committee has been elected by the refugees to articulate their plight.

"The House of Delegates accuse us of persuading the people to stay for political reasons," says committee spokesman Mr Sham Maharaj. "This is not true. If the people want to go to Verulam, they can go. They will not be victimized."

Claims by Durban health officials and the House of Delegates that there is grave danger of disease breaking out in the overcrowded conditions in the hall have fallen on deaf ears.

Refugees accuse officials of the House of Delegates of being arrogant and high-handed. They claim they were not consulted about moving from the hall to Verulam. They want to speak to the Minister of Housing, Mr Baldeo Dookie, in the hall. — Sapa

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Three homes fire-bombed in township

Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The homes of three officials of the Mpumelelo Youth Congress (Mpuyco) in the township near Leandra were petrol-bombed within minutes of each other at the weekend, members of their families said.

The homes are those of the president of the organisation, Mr Mthetwa Abel Nkabinde; the secretary, Mr Fakazi Nkosi; and committee member Mr Sipho Radebe.

Extensive damage was caused to the home of Mr Nkosi, where four petrol-bombs were hurled through the window. Only one exploded.

At Mr Nkabinde's home his sister Sibongile, 21, narrowly escaped injury when her hair caught fire as the bed on which she was sleeping went up in flames. No others were injured in the three attacks.

Mr Nkabinde, who is also chairman of the Leandra Action Committee and a field worker for the South African Council of Churches, said arsonists also set fire to his car. Neighbours helped to put out the flames.

Mr Nkosi said the bombings had been reported to the police.

Quiet grief of widow of the '

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Nyami Goniwe ... "We will continue to organize." Picture: Stewart Colman

By HILARY VENABLES

"MY husband is dead.

"They killed him and the others to upset the organizations, the structures, the unity which he helped to create.

"I will never forgive or forget his killers. I saw his body. I can imagine what they did to him. It was terrible."

Matthew Goniwe's young widow, Nyami, lets her head fall back and closes her eyes to hide her grief.

Matthew Goniwe was 38 when, at the end of June this year, the car in which he was travelling with three other Eastern Cape community leaders was stopped on the road out of Port Elizabeth.

The burnt and mutilated bodies of the four men were found days later, more than a kilometre away from the vehicle.

The murders shocked democratic organizations throughout the country and Cradock's Ilingelihle township still mourns the death of its best-loved and most-respected leader.

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"But there are other leaders to take Matthew's place and Cradora (the UDF-affiliated Cradock Residents Association) will continue to organize," Nyami says.

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Nyami says her children, 10-year-old Nobuzwe and three-year-old Nyaniso, are old enough to understand the implications of their father's death.

"If you live in a township you understand what is going on. You are exposed to it all the time.

"Even my little boy mimics the singing and dancing and he raises his fist. He has his own way of understanding."

Twenty-five thousand people from all over the country and beyond its borders came to bury Matthew and the three who died with him — Sparrow Mkhonto, Fort Calata and Sicelo Mhlawuli.

"We were proud of what happened there. It was the only way people could come together. It was an opportunity to regain strength.

"The families needed that. We were proud that our husbands and fathers were buried with such honour. We think they were given a funeral befitting their commitment to the struggle and their stature as leaders.

"A funeral is a most important event, it is the only place where people can give vent to their frustrations."

Nyami fears the new restrictions on funerals will spark off conflict.

"We are told by the government not to bury our dead this way or that way.

"We live in a war situation, people perceive it as a war.

"I am a sensitive person and violence does not appeal to me but I understand how the young people feel, their frustrations."

Nyami had just watched the State President, Mr P W Botha, address the nation on television.

"He is out of touch with what is happening in the country.

"Leaders from various quarters have tried to impress upon him the seriousness of the situation, but he just won't listen.

"He doesn't care. He is insensitive.

"The future depends on him but there is not much time left.

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What does the future hold for Nyami Goniwe?

"I will carry on working ... I am a social worker ... and bringing up my children.

"I will contribute what I can to the community, but I don't want to be a leader.

"I am still bitter. I think there is as much chance of finding my husband's killers as there is of finding the killers of Griffiths Mxenge."

Petrol bombs hurled at Durban home

Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Four petrol bombs were hurled at a house in Kwamashu today, destroying all the furniture in a children's bedroom.

Housewife Mrs. Enid Bolani said the family were asleep at 1.40am when the house was attacked.

"I saw the flames and I screamed," she said.

She and other members of the family tried to put the fire out.

A friend from Transkei who was visiting fired in the air to scare off the people who were still standing outside the house.

Mrs Bolani, whose husband was away, said the family had been threatened several times.

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Victoria Mxenge



Rick Turner



Matthew Goniwe



Robert Smit



Jeanne-Cora Smit

SA's rising toll of dead and missing 'politicians'

STEPHEN WROTTESLEY reports on the alarming number of politically active South Africans who have been murdered or who have disappeared

THE LONG list of unsolved cases in which politically-active people in South Africa have been murdered or have disappeared continues to grow.

Some of the crimes number among the most sensational of the past decade, yet the South African Police have made little progress with their investigations.

Substantial rewards have been offered and frequent appeals have been made by concerned people and organisations for information — all to no avail.

One of the first unsolved murders with political undertones was the stabbing and shooting to death of the then Springs National Party candidate in the 1977 general election, Dr Robert Smit, and his wife Jeanne-Cora.

When their bodies were found in their Springs home on November 23 that year, the letters "RAU TEM" were found sprayed on a wall. Subsequent allegations of an overseas hit team flown in for the job were never proved and the investigation appears to have stagnated.

Asked this week whether police were still actively investigating the murders or whether the docket would remain closed until further information was available, a spokesman said: "All we can tell you is that the case is still being investigated."

Less than a year later — on January 8, 1978 — Dr Rick Turner, a banned University of Natal politics lecturer, was shot dead at his Durban home. In a right-wing terror trial some years later, it was hinted that a member of a right-wing group might have been responsible, but this too was never proved.

Police say the matter is still being investigated.

On November 19, 1981, Mr Griffiths Mlungisi Mxenge, a prominent civil rights lawyer in Durban, was found dead near the Umlazi Cycle Stadium. He had been repeatedly stabbed. His car was found two days later near the Swaziland border.

Recently allegations were made that when Mr Mxenge was last seen, he was being followed by white men in a car. Asked if police were aware of the allegation, a police spokesman said: "The information will be passed onto the investigating officer."

Five months later — on April 14, 1982 — Mr Siphiwo Mtimkulu, a 21-year-old student leader and an ex-detainee who was suing the Minister of Law and Order for R150 000, disappeared from the Livingstone Hospital, Port Elizabeth. Mr Mtimkulu had instituted the law suit after alleging that he had been poisoned and tortured while in detention.

He was treated at the Groote Schuur Hospital in Cape Town and later returned to Port Elizabeth. He was due for a three-monthly checkup at Groote Schuur when he vanished. Subsequently a R1 000 reward was offered for information but nothing has come to light.

Asked about Mr Mtimkulu, a police spokesman said that police had no information as to his present whereabouts.

Between March 21 — the time of the Langa shootings at Uitenhage — and April 20 this year, nine people disappeared from Langa and nearby Kwanobuhle township.

They were Mr Mvuleni Sithole, Mr Goodwill Rubuxa, Mr Patrick Batyi, Mr Tongas Jantjies, Mr Jerry Goliath, Mr Livingstone Lutweyi, Mr Grahamstown Langbooi, Lulama Xangati, and Mr Abraham Tyulu.

Originally it was thought that some of them at least had died during police action on March 21 but this was later discounted.

Police say they have no information as to the men's whereabouts.

On May 8 this year, Mr Sipho Hashe, Mr Qaqawuli Godolozi and Mr Champion Galela, all senior members of the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation (Pebco), disappeared while on their way to the airport at Port Elizabeth to meet an unknown person on arrival there.

Since then there has been no sign of the men or their vehicle. A reward of R1 000 has been offered for information.

Less than a month later — on June 27 this year — Mr Matthew Goniwe, Mr Sparrow Mkonto, Mr Sicelo Mhlawuli and Mr Fort Calata disappeared while returning by road from Port Elizabeth to Cradock. The gutted wreck of Mr Goniwe's car was later found on the Port Elizabeth to Grahamstown road and in the course of the next few days, the bodies of the four men were also found.

Friends say that when the four left, the car was driven by Mr Mkonto, a small man. However, when the wreck was found the seat had been pushed back indicating a much taller person had been driving before it was set alight.

Asked about this, a police spokesman said: "Obviously the SAP cannot go into detail for publication purposes of their investigations. However we will relay this information to the investigating officer."

Public outrage reached flashpoint on August 1 with the killing of Mrs Victoria Nonyamezelo Mxenge, a United Democratic Front treason trial lawyer and widow of the murdered Mr Griffiths Mxenge.

She was shot and hacked to death in front of her children and other witnesses in the driveway of her Umlazi home, less than four years after her husband was found murdered outside the cycle stadium at Umlazi.

Investigators are apparently as baffled by this murder as they are by the dozen or so politically-motivated murders and kidnappings in the decade before

Mkhonto shot twice with .22

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — One of four Eastern Cape African community leaders whose burnt and mutilated bodies were found outside Port Elizabeth more than six weeks ago, Mr Sparrow Mkhonto, was shot twice — once in the head — according to an independent pathologist's report.

The report said a .22 bullet was found in his charred chest and a deformed bullet just outside his skull.

Mr Mkhonto, Mr Matthew Goniwe, Mr Fort Calata and Mr Siselo Mhlawuli — all committee members of the United Democratic Front in the Eastern Cape — disappeared after attending a UDF meeting in Port Elizabeth on June 27.

Post-mortem reports on the deaths of all four community leaders were drawn up by a Johannesburg-based independent pathologist, who attended the post-mortems on behalf of their families.

According to the reports Mr Mkhonto, 32, Mr Goniwe, 38, Mr Mhlawuli, 36, and Mr Calata, 29, all received multiple stab wounds.

It was also established that their bodies were burnt after death.

The pathologist found that a bullet had entered Mr Mkhonto's scalp 60mm below his left ear and passed through his head.

The report also states that a .22-calibre bullet was recovered from the charred chest wall muscles on the left side of Mr Mkhonto's body.

He had been stabbed a number of times, twice through the heart.

The report on the body of Mr Mhlawuli shows that he was stabbed several times and that his jugular vein was severed.

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His right hand had been cleanly amputated from the wrist.

Variation in the appearance of the stab wounds suggested that a variety of weapons had been used.

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Mxenge brother detained

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Own Correspondent

EAST LONDON. — Mr Monde Mxenge, a brother-in-law of the murdered civil rights lawyer Mrs Victoria Mxenge, and three other men have been detained by the Ciskei security police.

A police spokesman in Ciskei yesterday confirmed that Mr Mxenge, Mr Yoyo Faba, Mr Thafeni Mayoyo and Mr Mamkeli Manana were being held under Section 26 of the security laws.

Dr Fumbata Mxenge said his brother and Mr Faba were picked up by the police on Sunday. Mr Mayoyo was arrested last Thursday and Mr Manana on Friday. He said that the police searched his Rayi home a day after Mrs Mxenge's burial at Rayi, near King William's Town, two weeks ago.

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Dispatch Correspondent

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The killing of teachers, Mr Matthew Goniwe and Mr Fort Calata, Mr Mkonto, a member of the Cradock Residents' Association, and Mr Sikelo Mhlawuli an Oudtshoorn primary school principal, caused a public outcry both nationally and internationally.

Rewards totalling over R46 000 — including one of R1 000 from the police — have been offered for information leading to the conviction of their killers.

The men, all committee members of the United Democratic Front in the Eastern Cape, disappeared on June 27.

Mr Mkonto's body was found the next day about one kilometre from their burnt out car.

Mr Mhlawuli's body was discovered by a fisherman near Bluewater Bay, and five days after they went missing the bodies of Mr Goniwe and Mr Calata were found in a small clearing.

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Mr Goniwe it was found, had also been stabbed in the heart.

This wound was the immediate cause of death, according to the report.

Mr Calata had also been stabbed in the heart.

Lawyers acting for the families confirmed that these findings had been made by a private pathologist and that the families had given permission for the information to be released.

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Home of slain activist bombed

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — The home of a UDF activist and Durban Freedom Charter Committee member whose mutilated body was found near Mtunzini last week, was petrol-bombed and shot at early yesterday.

Family and friends of Mr Roy Toto Dweba, 36, said yesterday that he had received telephonic death threats before he disappeared on Monday last week. His body was found several days later in a sugarcane field near Mtunzini.

His head had almost been severed from his body. There were gashes in his head, stab wounds in his body and his hands were missing.

Durban civil-rights lawyer Mr Griffiths Mxenge, husband of UDF leader Mrs Victoria Mxenge who was gunned down outside her home earlier this month, was murdered in similarly mysterious circumstances in 1981.

Bullets

The family said that about six petrol bombs had been thrown at the sitting room, kitchen and bedroom windows of their Ntuzuma about 2am yesterday causing damage estimated at about R1 600 by police.

Shots were also fired at the house and there were bullet marks on the wall above the window of a bedroom in which his wife, Daphne, had been sleeping.

Mr Dweba's father, Mr Albert Dweba, said police had found a piece of paper on his son's body with a "jumble" of names and car numbers and question marks.

"He had complained that he was always being followed," he said.

"We heard on Thursday that his body had been found near Mtunzini and went to identify him the next day.

Mutilations

"There were bad cuts in his head that looked like they had been made by an axe or bush knife. His throat had been cut. His head was almost severed from his body.

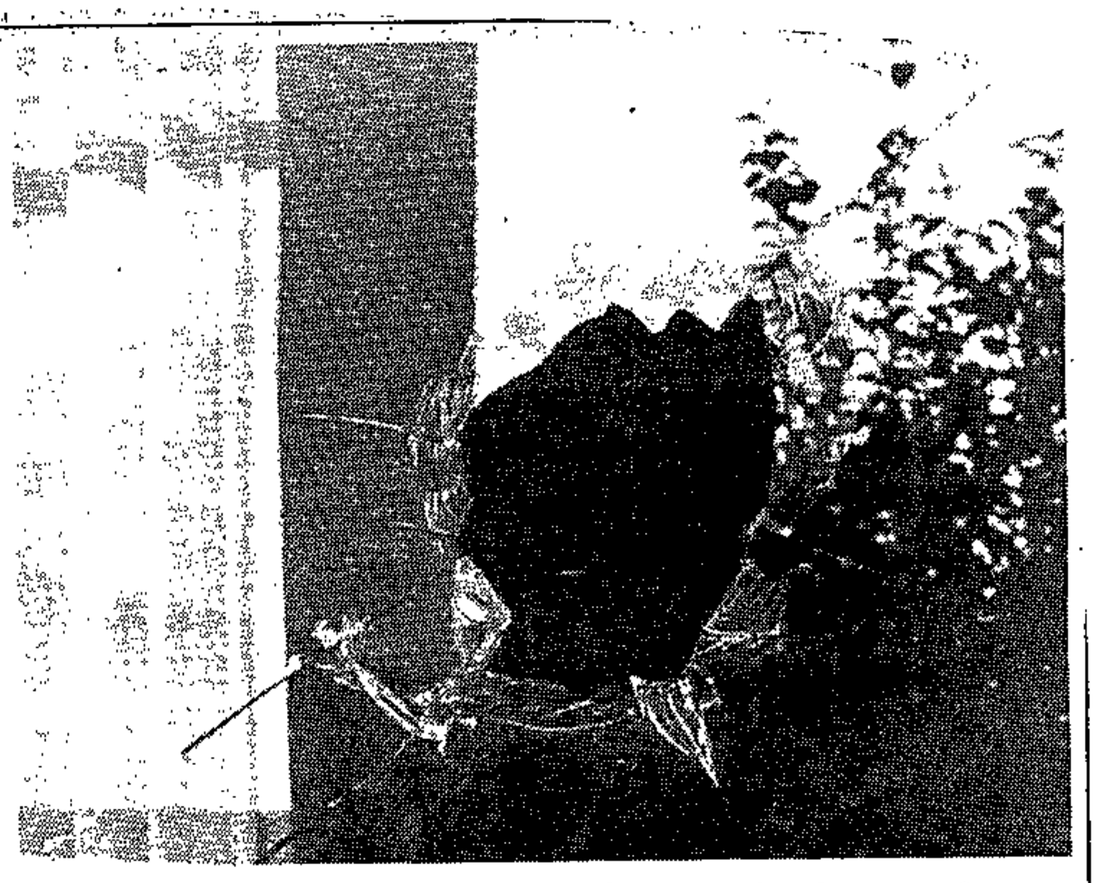
"There were six stab wounds in his left side.

"His hands had been amputated. They were not chopped off but cut neatly into the wrist and the skin pulled back.

"The place where his body had been found had not been disturbed. It looked like his body had just been dumped there," he said.



Today's picture of Professor Meer.



The shattered lounge window at the home of Professor Meer.

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Fatima Meer's home petrol-bombed

Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — The home of University of Natal lecturer Professor Fatima Meer was petrol bombed last night.

Valuable Gandhi relics and documents which were saved from the Phoenix Settlement during the recent unrest narrowly missed being damaged.

Three petrol bombs were thrown at Professor Meer's house in Clare Estate by attackers who escaped unseen.

One bomb shattered a plate glass window and showered petrol on to the lounge floor but failed to catch fire.

Another landed just outside the front door, metres from the library where the Gandhi documents and papers are being kept and a third smashed near the kitchen wall and burned out.

Professor Meer said her attorney husband Mr Ismail Meer had just gone to bed and she was working in their bedroom upstairs when she heard a loud noise and saw flames leaping up the outside walls.

"Ismail rushed downstairs and slipped and fell on the petrol inside.

"He ran out and found a petrol bomb burning outside the front door.

"He picked up a door mat, threw it on the burning bomb and threw it away from the house before it exploded," said Professor Meer.

Professor Meer said it was fortunate that the petrol bomb which landed in the lounge did not catch fire.

"If it had, we would have been trapped upstairs and it would have also meant that the important Gandhi documents which were saved from the Phoenix Settlement during the unrest would have been destroyed," said Professor Meer.

● In a second incident this morning the home of the mayor of Umlazi, Mr J E Ndlovu, was also petrol-bombed.

The bomb hit the front wall of the house. Family members put out the fire and only slight damage was caused.

clinic and hospitals reporting at least 160.

Gran hides in fear after rape allegation

By MONO BADELA

THE LINGELIHLE grandmother who recently alleged she had been raped by two soldiers is in hiding in the Ciskei, in fear of her life.

Cradock Residents' Association president Gladwell Makaula told City Press this week that the 70-year-old woman, who was "still bleeding internally" from the attack, had fled her home near Cradock after men in a hippo – a troop carrier – visited her after she reported the incident.

Two weeks ago the woman claimed in an affidavit made to Civil Rights League chairman Brian Bishop that she was raped on August 3 after being abducted by soldiers in a hippo.

Brisk trade in riot guns

Nervous whites send weapon sales rocketing

GUN sales have rocketed in the past month as nervousness increases in the white community.

A police spokesman said yesterday there had been "a marked increase" in the sales of guns and ammunition in the Johannesburg area.

In the Western Cape, gunsmiths reported weapon applications 70% up on last month. They said residents were bringing in forgotten and neglected pistols, revolvers and old ammunition for checking.

Anti-riot weapons — such as pump action shotguns — were proving exceptionally popular, said Transvaal retailers, while there was a steady increase in demand for handguns.

A leading wholesaler and retailer said his trade in shotguns had been "very brisk".

Shotgun prices vary from about R600 to R3 000 for off-the-shelf models.

Retailers say most customers buy

Business Day Reporter

cheaper models "and they want them yesterday".

Bjorn Bylin, owner of a large Cape Town arms outlet, said some calibres of handguns at his shop had sold out. He described shotgun sales as "chaotic".

Most of his customers were coming from outlying areas, especially Bellville and Somerset West. Several Bellville customers had spoken of stray bullets hitting their homes and petrol bombs landing nearby.

Weapon shop owners in Bellville and Parow reported that applications for firearms for the first few days of this month were 70% higher then for the whole of August.

Despite the UN arms embargo, Gun Dealers Association chairman Rodney Price said there was no problem importing arms from overseas.

According to dealers, even Soviet-made weapons are readily available.

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'Death threats' to Fosatu men

SENIOR officials of the Federation of South African Trade Unions, including the president, Mr Chris Dhlamini, have been receiving "persistent" death threats in recent weeks, the organization's executive said in a statement released yesterday.

The statement also said four office-bearers of Fosatu or its constituent unions had been refused passports in recent weeks.

They are:

● Mr Mfiseko Seneke, an organizer with the National Union of Textile Workers, who was to have spoken at the United Nations and in Canada on the activities of the Bata group.

● Mr Phillip Dladla, a shop steward at the Sarmcol rubber factory, who was to have visited the UN and Britain in connection with Sarmcol activities.

● Mr Thembinkosi Mkalipi, vice-president of Fosatu, who was to have visited Germany.

● Mr Moses Mayekiso, an organizer for the Metal and Allied Workers' Union, who was to have visited the UK.

"We are told that disinvestment will hurt black workers," the statement said. "However, when black worker representatives want to speak for themselves they are denied passports.

"This once again raises the sinister links between government and business.

"Passports are denied to our representatives to the UN hearings on trans-national corporations but representatives of industry can go to the same hearings without difficulty."

The statement said those who had received death threats were Mr Dhlamini; Fosatu's northern Natal regional secretary Mr Muzi Buthelezi; Mr Jerry Notmbela, vice-president of the Transport and General Workers' Union; and Mr Jerry Mbonambi, president of the Paper, Wood and Allied Workers' Union.

"In addition to these actions, persons unknown entered the Fosatu printing unit and stole the originals of submissions to the UN, telephone books and other documents."

Two members of the Metal and Allied Workers' Union and one of the National Automobile and Allied Workers' Union had been killed recently. The statement did not give any details of how the men, from Howick and Pretoria, died.

It also listed 16 Fosatu union officials who had been detained recently. — Sapa

Terror wave in Durban as 'impis' purge UDF

By WEEKLY REPORTER
Durban

AN unprecedented wave of terror is sweeping the Durban black townships of Umlazi and Kwa Mashu where hordes of armed warriors are "purging" the townships of United Democratic Front (UDF) sympathisers.

At least three people have been abducted and brutally killed by the "impis" who roam the streets at night, forcing males to join them on their murder and destruction spree.

Last week two organisers of the National Federation of Workers, a UDF affiliate, were attacked at their Umlazi homes.

Thabo Robert Mokoena, 33, was abducted and killed, and his colleague, Mandla Ndlela, 37, had his house destroyed by about 50 men who critically assaulted him.

These are just some of the incidents that have followed a "warning" by the KwaZulu legislative assembly member for Umlazi, Mr Winnington Sabelo, that all UDF sympathisers should leave Umlazi or else they would be "dealt with".

Mr Sabelo announced this at a press conference about three weeks ago, but has since been repimanded by Dr Oscar Dhlomo, secretary general of Inkatha who said Mr Sabelo had not been mandated by either the KwaZulu government or by Inkatha to issue the "warning".

But despite Dr Dhlomo's assurances, the UDF has borne the brunt of the impi's acts of killing, maiming and destruction.

The impi were initially vigilante groups that were formed by Inkatha at the height of the recent unrest to "restore" normality in the townships.

Mr Sabelo who was in charge of these vigilante groups claims the impis now terrorising the residents are not his people — despite several claims that he has been seen with them.

Several people are known to have left the townships in fear of their lives. Among them is Rev Wesley Mabuza, a prominent member of Diakonia, an organisation of Christian churches in the Greater Durban area. Rev Mabuza was frog-marched by the attackers who forced him to chant anti-UDF slogans.

But chants were before the present reign of terror that has seen even journalists incurring the wrath of the impis when they tried to photograph them in action.

Police are investigating.

SAP wary of private force

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PETER WALLINGTON

THE SAP is opposed to community security forces operating in Transvaal suburbs but residents, worried about increasing crime, are joining up in their thousands.

A police spokesman in Pretoria said the law did not make provision for private police forces and the SAP was not in favour of such forces, which he said would be profit-seeking.

He said while suburban crime had increased in some areas, the SAP was coping despite having to deploy personnel to combat unrest.

The recently-launched Community Protection Services has members from Krugersdorp on the west to Springs in the east and more are joining every day.

For R19 a month anyone may join the CPS scheme which guarantees 24-hour area patrols in marked and unmarked vehicles as well as regular house checks.

CPS director Bruce Anderson said the public's response had been excellent. He said CPS did not see itself as an alternative to the SAP.

He said he had heard that up to 80% of the police force was combating township violence and this left resources a bit thin for dealing with suburban crime.

Anderson said CPS patrol cars would often get to the scene of a crime before the police. He said this was not a criticism because he realised the police had a severe manpower shortage. But he said if police headquarters were unhappy, they should improve their service.

Anderson pointed out that CPS had a happy relationship with many suburban police stations and said he did not get the impression that the police objected to his company's work.

The police spokesman advised those who wanted to help the police to join the police reserve.

Former SRC man shot

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Transkei police were involved in a shooting incident in Cala in which a 22-year-old former University of Transkei student died on Tuesday, and murder is being investigated.

This was confirmed yesterday by the head of the Transkei CID, General D G Nkalitshana.

He said he did not know the details of the shooting or if the policemen involved were from the Transkei security branch. He also could not confirm claims by relatives of the dead man that his house had been visited by police on Tuesday afternoon and that cassette tapes and photographs had been signed for and removed.

A number of people who know the four men and a woman who allegedly fetched Mr Batandwa Ndondo from his Cala home on Tuesday morning, claim that they were security police.

'Full view'

Shortly after he was taken from his home, Mr Ndondo allegedly was shot outside a house on the outskirts of the village by four men and a woman, in full view of a number of passers-by.

Mr Ndondo was an executive member of the University of Transkei's SRC until he was expelled after unrest at the university last year.

His family has instructed a Transkei firm of attorneys to act on their behalf, and letters have been served on the Transkei Commissioner of Police, General R S Mantanga, the station commander of the Cala police station and a Cala magistrate, said a spokesman for the attorneys.

The family has indicated that they want a private pathologist present at the post-mortem and are negotiating for a Johannesburg pathologist, who has agreed to attend on their behalf, to be present.

Barry Streek reports that the Health Care Trust — a Cape Town-based organization which employed Mr Ndondo as village health worker — has issued a statement expressing shock and outrage at the death of its Cala project health worker and called for a full inquiry into his murder.

The statement released by its chairperson, Ms Debbie Budlender, said Mr Ndondo "showed himself to be a man of great compassion, integrity and intelligence".

Ndondo autopsy

Dispatch Reporter

UMTATA — The post-mortem on the body of a former Unitra SRC executive member, Mr Batandwa Ndondo, who died after being shot in Cala on September 24, is scheduled to take place today.

Mr Dumisa Ntsebeza, a family member and a lawyer who had instructed a Butterworth legal firm to act on the family's behalf, said the post-mortem would be held at the Umtata state mortuary.

Mr Ntsebeza said the family's pathologist, Dr Jan Botha from Johannesburg, would fly to Umtata and would attend the postmortem.

The postmortem was to have been held last Friday, but after the family had made representations to the police stating that their doctors would not be available on that date it was agreed that it should be held today.

Mr Ndondo was allegedly shot dead after he had been fetched from his Cala home by three men and a woman on September 24.

Gen Nkalitshana has also confirmed that a murder docket has been opened.

He added that when the case had been fully investigated, the docket would be presented to the attorney-general who would make a decision about the matter.

7 shots fired as victim lay on ground

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Seven of the eight shots fired at a 22-year-old former University of Transkei (Unitra) law student who was shot dead, allegedly by police, in Cala, Transkei, last week, were fired as he lay on his side on the ground, a post-mortem has shown.

A private pathologist who attended a post-mortem conducted on the body of Mr Batandwa Ndondo in Umtata yesterday on behalf of the victim's family, also said that the first shot fired at Mr Ndondo had been the one which led to his death.

This was disclosed by Mr Xola Petse, an attorney representing Mr Ndondo's family.

He said the finding that seven of the eight shots had been fired at Mr Ndondo as he lay on the ground was consistent with affidavits from a number of witnesses who had stated that Mr Ndondo was on the ground for part of the time that shots were fired at him.

Last week Transkei's CID head, General D G Nkalitshana, told the Eastern Province Herald that a murder docket had been opened. He confirmed that police had been involved in the shooting incident.

Mr Ndondo was fetched from his Cala home on Tuesday last week by a group of people. A short while later, he was shot dead.

A witness to the shooting who asked why Mr Ndondo was being shot was allegedly told that it was because Mr Ndondo was a terrorist.

His brother, Mr Dumisa Ntsebeza, a Transkei attorney and former political prisoner, claimed last night that he and his family had been hounded by the police ever since his death.

Raided

The house of another brother, Mr Lungisile Ntsebeza, also a former political prisoner, was raided by police on Wednesday morning and two family friends at the house were detained.

Mr Dumisa Ntsebeza said last night that police were looking for his brother, and a security policeman had personally told him that he would also be detained in connection with trouble at Unitra.

T'kei police detain shot man's brother

Staff Reporter

THE detention in Cala, Transkei, yesterday of Mr Lungisile Ntsebeza, brother of murdered Unitra student, Mr Batandwa Ndondo, has been described as "a deliberate attempt by the authorities to interfere in investigations into the murder".

Transkei police have admitted that members of the force were involved in the shooting incident last week in which Mr Ndondo was killed.

Mr Ntsebeza is the fourth relation or close friend of the murdered man to be detained this week.

On Tuesday, Mr Victor Caleka, Mr Godfrey Silinga and Mr Monde Nzimbi were detained by police.

All four were "intimately involved" in investigations into the murder, according to a spokesman for the Health Care Trust, for which Mr Ntsebeza works as a village health worker.

"The police are obviously going for friends of the murdered man instead of going for the murderers," the spokesman said.

● The Clothing Workers Union has condemned the detention of its organizer, Ms Shirley Gunn, and called for her immediate release.

● Natal Indian Congress activist, Dr Farouk Meer, was resting in bed at his Durban home yesterday after six weeks in detention under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

He was released from the H F Verwoerd Hospital in Pretoria on Thursday night where he had been receiving treatment for a suspected heart condition and arrived home early yesterday, only days before an application for his release was to have come before the Supreme Court.

● Sapa reports that police said yesterday 136 more people had been arrested and 17 released in the past week under the emergency regulations.

According to the lists released weekly by police in Pretoria, 3 084 of the 3 777 people arrested had been freed bringing to a total of 693 the number of people still in detention in terms of the July 22 proclamation.

A police situation report earlier said, however, that 1 067 people were still being held in terms of the emergency regulations while 3 760 had been released.

Too late for classification

DEATHS

VIVIER. — Grace Magdalene, passed away peacefully October 2. Deeply mourned by her daughters Jeanette and Vivienne, grandchildren Grace, Richard, Diethard and Michelle. Service Maitland Crematorium Chapel on Monday at 2.40pm. Arrangements Goodall & Co Phone 24 3357.

Curbs on funeral of care worker

Staff Reporter

TRANSKEI police have placed restrictions on the funeral of Mr Bathandwa Ndondo, the village health-care worker who was shot dead by police last week shortly after being arrested.

Mr Ndondo's funeral, which was to have been held on Sunday, has been postponed until Monday because of a police stipulation that it may not be held on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday.

The funeral may take place only between 10am and 2pm in terms of the restrictions, only ordained ministers of religion may speak at the ceremony, provided they do not discuss politics or the behaviour of the Transkei police or army.

BANNERS

No banners, posters or pamphlets may be displayed or distributed.

Mr Ndondo, 22, was arrested by five plainclothes policemen at his Cala home about 10 days ago. He was employed as a village health worker in Cala by the Cape Town-based Health-Care Trust.

Transkei police, who have admitted that police shot Mr Ndondo, opened a murder docket, but also detained a close friend and a relative who took accounts from Cala residents who witnessed the shooting.

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Bishops' home gas-bombed

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Staff Reporter

A TEARSMOKE canister was thrown at the Oranjezicht home of Mr Brian Bishop, chairman of the Civil Rights League, and his wife, Mrs Di Bishop MPC, early today.

Mr Bishop said the incident happened about 12.15am just after he had put out the bedroom light. Mrs Bishop was at a meeting in Durban and Mr Bishop earlier attended the End Conscription Campaign peace rally in the City Hall.

"I went to bed after midnight and heard a crash against the wall, followed by another next to the bedroom window. I went to the front door and saw clouds of smoke.

"I thought it was a petrol bomb and opened the door, to be struck by a thick cloud of tearsmoke. The gas made the house uninhabitable for a few hours and I had to sleep on the stoep."

Mr Bishop said he did not report the incident to the police, as he felt they could "tell me more than I can tell them".

"I am not suggesting it is the police who did this — it may have been the work of a joker."

● The Kenilworth home of the daughter of Mrs Molly Blackburn MPC, who addressed the peace rally, was broken into last night. No further details could be established.



Part of the 2 000-strong gathering of Cape Flats and City pupils who attended the four-hour rally at Groenvlei High School in Lansdowne yesterday.

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Bishop home tear gassed

Staff Reporter

TWO teargas canisters were thrown into the grounds of the Oranjezicht home of the Progressive Federal Party MPC for Gardens, Mrs Di Bishop, early yesterday.

Mr Brian Bishop, deputy chairman of the Civil Rights League, said yesterday one of the canisters he retrieved was painted the colour of the official police issue.

He said he had returned home from the Peace Rally in the City Hall. Shortly after midnight he heard two loud noises outside the bedroom and, thinking the house had been petrol-bombed, opened the door "to be struck by a thick cloud of teargas which nearly overcame me".

The gas made the house unliveable and he had to sleep on the stoep.

No report

"I did not report it to the police."

But, Mr Bishop said, "the burnt-out canister has some of the original paint, and it is the colour of the official police issue."

Mr Bishop said teargas "is an ugly substance, and I always think of its effect on the aged and infirm, on the tiny babies who do not understand the evil of our times, and who have sometimes died in its clouds."

Mrs Bishop was in Durban at the time of the incident.

● A police spokesman for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said last night that he could not comment on the incident unless a charge was laid. If this was done, the police would investigate "with alacrity", he said.

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Police visit Brian Bishop

Staff Reporter

A SENIOR police officer yesterday visited the home of Mr Brian Bishop, deputy chairman of the Civil Rights League, and took a statement following Mr Bishop's report that two teargas canisters had been thrown into his yard on Tuesday.

Mr Bishop, who is married to Mrs Di Bishop, Progressive Federal Party MPC for Gardens, said the canisters were thrown soon after he returned from a peace rally in the City Hall and that the gas had made his house "unliveable". A police spokesman said the incident was being investigated.

Ndondo murder 'cover-up'

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By BARRY STREEK

THE police handling of the murder of Transkei health worker Mr Batwanda Ndondo smacked of a cover-up, Mrs Helen Suzman, the Progressive Federal Party spokesperson on civil rights, said yesterday.



Mrs Helen Suzman

She warned that many South Africans were "justifiably angry" about Mr Ndondo's murder and said "we cannot tolerate atrocities of this nature going unpunished".

In a statement, Mrs Suzman said this obviously also applied to the "long list of political personalities who have been murdered in South Africa and the homelands over the last few years".

She issued the statement after growing concern had been expressed by friends of Mr Ndondo in South Africa and by friends of his half-brother, Mr Lungisile Ntsobese, who was detained by Transkei police last week.

This week another half-brother, Mr Dumise Ntsobese, an Umtata-based attorney who was acting on behalf of the family in the investigations into Mr Ndondo's death, was also detained.

Two other key witnesses of the shooting of Mr Ndondo in broad daylight two weeks ago in the town of Cala have also been detained.

Mrs Suzman said: "The police handling of the murder of Batwanda Ndondo smacks of a cover-up. Reports show that the killers were in direct contact with the police in Cala shortly after the killing and were seen having lunch quite casually and openly in an Umtata restaurant the next day. Yet, no arrests have been made.

"Instead, Mr Ndondo's half-brothers and other potential witnesses have been detained by the police — and this is in spite of the statement that a murder docket has been opened.

"The Transkei authorities must realize that this matter is receiving worldwide attention and that the murder is believed to be politically motivated.

"Many South Africans are justifiably angry about the matter, particularly because the state of Transkei is a creation of the South African Government and is heavily subsidized by South African taxpay-

Japan in anti-SA action

TOKYO. — Japan said yesterday it would ban the export of computers to South Africa's armed forces and police, and urge importers to stop buying Kruger rands as part of economic sanctions in protest against apartheid.

The Foreign Minister, Mr Shintaro Abe, issued a statement saying he would ask Japanese firms based in South Africa to adhere to practices of equal and fair employment.

Kruger rand coins worth about R125-million were imported by Japan in 1984 while exports of computers totalled R113-million.

Foreign Ministry officials said the International Trade and Industry Ministry would decide when to implement the computer ban but efforts to clamp down on Kruger rand imports would start immediately. — Sapa-Reuter

BUSINESS BRIEF

Gold (close)	$326,25
Rand	$0,3780/90
FT index (close)	1007,00

By TONY WEAVER

41 hurt a

AT LEAST 41 people were wounded, a number of commercial vehicles were stoned and set alight and police and army patrols were stoned and petrol-bombed as unrest in Cape Town's townships escalated dramatically yesterday.

Major roads in Mitchells Plain were impassable last night as at least two commercial vehicles were gutted and more than fifteen flaming barricades blocked streets.

About 9pm Mr Willem Saayman of Saayman Security Services fired several shots in the air after his vehicle was stoned on the corner of Halt Road and 28th Avenue, Elsie's River.

Mr Saayman fled into a roadhouse after a large crowd surrounded his vehicle, which was severely damaged. A police unit rescued Mr Saayman from the roadhouse about 9.15pm.

Lower Lansdowne Road leading to Crossroads was closed off about the same time last night.

A number of buses were stoned in L- downe Road, Lansdo- about 3pm yesterday.

About 4pm in Me- dale Road, Mitch- Plain, police fired t gas over houses and alleyways after a g- of over 200 youths e- ed a barricade of bu- tyres and anothe- bricks and tree tr- Three youths were rested.

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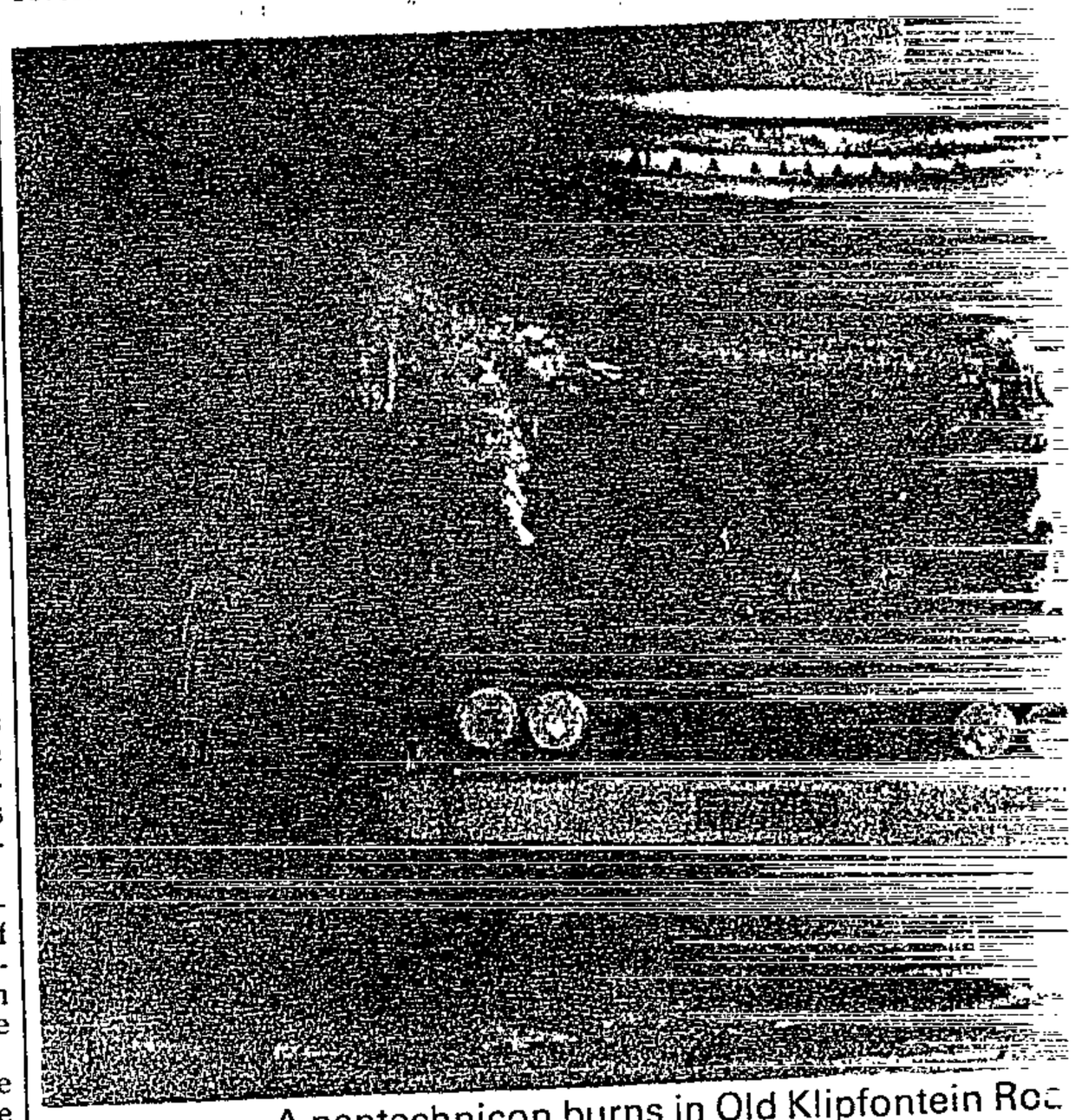

A pantechnicon burns in Old Klipfontein Roa

Hijack

But . . . hostage missing



CAIRO. — Four Palestinian guerillas who hijacked the

Matanzima speaks on Ndondo

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — President Kaizer Matanzima has publicly blamed the former law student allegedly shot dead by Transkeian police after being taken from his Cala home for a bomb blast which destroyed an Umtata fuel depot.

Speaking on Mr Batandwa Ndondo who was killed on September 24, Mr Matanzima said in a speech last weekend that Mr Ndondo came from Lesotho with others and exploded the bomb.

The section of his speech referring to Mr Ndondo was read to Mrs Helen Suzman, the Progressive Federal Party spokesman on civil rights last night.

She said it sounded "suspiciously like a tacit admission by President Matanzima that the killing of Mr Ndondo was officially sanctioned".

'Tyranny'

"If this be so, it demonstrates that President Matanzima has not the slightest understanding of elementary justice. The arbitary killing of a man by the state who has never been charged or found guilty is tyranny at its worst," she said.

Earlier this week Mrs Suzman said that police handling of the murder smacked of a 'cover-up'.

Transkei's CID head, General D G Nkalitshana, admitted shortly after Mr Ndondo was shot, that police were involved in the killing. He said murder was being investigated.

Several people are reported to have witnessed Mr Ndondo's death and a Cala resident said in an affidavit that she heard him shout for help as he tried to escape his assailants, only to be later shot repeatedly as he lay on the ground.

The Eastern Province Herald has obtained a tape-recording of the speech Mr Matanzima made before a large crowd at Idutywa.

He said: "I want the whole world to know that here in Transkei we know the people who are causing trouble.

"Recently a young man called Ndondo was killed in Cala. Many people are asking why Mr Ndondo was killed.

"He is the one who came from Lesotho with others and exploded a bomb in Umtata. The petrol depot which exploded and should have killed the whole of the Umtata population was destroyed by this young fellow, Ndondo."

Mr Ndondo, a former executive member of the University of Transkei's SRC, was a Cala health worker at the time of his death, and was expelled from the university after trouble at the campus last year.

Deported

● Four University of Transkei students — all women — were deported from Transkei yesterday and a fifth student has been confined to her Transkei home.

This was confirmed last night by the head of Transkei's security police, General L Kawe.

He said a Transkei student from Mgqamekwe, had been restricted to her home under Transkei security legislation.

The university's principal, Professor B van der Merwe, confirmed that five students had been taken away by the police, but said he could not comment on whether they had been deported as this was a matter for the police.

Fire destroys unions' offices in city

Weekend Argus Reporter

POLICE have opened an arson docket after fire destroyed several trade union offices in a historic Victorian building opposite the City Hall late yesterday afternoon.

The building, Corporation Chambers on the corner of Corporation and Darling streets, held the offices of the community newspaper, Grassroots, three trade unions, a children's magazine, Molo Songololo, the Media Support Project and a workers' advice office.

The unions are the Clothing Workers' Union (Clowu), the Media Workers' Association of South Africa (Mwasa) and the Retail and Allied Workers' Union (Rawu).

No one was injured in the blaze which was put out by six fire engines from the Cape Town Fire Brigade.

The cause of the fire has not been established.

Chief Fire Officer Joop Hamel said an electrical fault was "unlikely".

Two witnesses claimed to have seen a small fire burning in a bin inside a ground-floor door leading to the offices of the Clothing Workers' Union at about 5.40pm.

They hurried to alert a caretaker at a nearby building. When they returned five minutes later with fire-extinguishers the blaze had spread up a wooden stairwell and was burning fiercely on the first floor.

A police liaison officer, Captain J Calitz, said an arson docket had been opened.

Hundreds of spectators watched from the Grand Parade as firemen fought the roaring flames which threatened to spread to the adjoining City Hall Hotel.

At 5.45pm, flames were leaping out of upper windows and clouds of black smoke billowed out.

At times, night apppered to descend on Darling Street as the wind changed direction and blew smoke among the spectators.

Firemen trained four hoses on the blazing structure as flames shot out of the roof. Two fire-fighters perched high on ladders — one a hydraulic platform, the other a turntable — pumped thousands of litres of water into the building from roof height.

The fire was rapidly brought under control and by 6.15pm was only smouldering.

The spire of a turret, weakened by fire, was dislodged by water from the hoses and crashed into Darling Street.

Hero of the evening was 20-year-old Derek Parker of Mitchell's Plain who helped a middle-aged man from an upstairs room soon after the fire started.

He said he heard shouts and entered the smoking building.

"I went up the stairs to the second floor," he said. "The man seemed to be confused and didn't know there was a fire. I pulled him along with me and down the stairs."

Onlookers said an elderly woman was also rescued by a passer-by.

Mr Hamel said structural engineers would have to decide whether the recently renovated building could be saved. There were "bad cracks" in the building below the turret.

Picture: DOUG PITHEY, Weekend Argus

A fire engine ladder overlooks the scene of yesterday's fire in Corporation Street. A crowd of bystanders gathered as the building blazed fiercely for half-an-hour.

Pamphlets threaten Umlazi residents

UMLAZI residents have received anonymous pamphlets threatening to burn and "remove" the homes of political activists from the township.

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The one-page notice said a meeting of the "community and youth" had been held and it had come to "their" notice that there were political instigators among the youth who were perpetrating violence.

"We took a resolution that these houses, which we found to be the springboard of these organisations, must be burned and removed because we want peace in Umlazi," the pamphlet said.

Azapo and the UDF were singled out as instigators.

Cape Times 14/10/83

Clergy 'reluctant' to lead Ndondo burial

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — The funeral of Mr Batandwa Ndondo, who died in Cala last month — allegedly at the hands of Transkeian police — is scheduled to be held in the village today but by late last night no one could be found to conduct the service.

In terms of restrictions that have been placed on the funeral by police, only an ordained minister of religion may officiate.

A friend of the victim's family who did not want to be named reported general apprehension on the part of members of the clergy.

He said a number of ministers had been approached. While some had not been prepared to take part, a few had indicated that they might be prepared to step in at the last minute if no one else could be found

The friend, who was asked by members of the family to assist in the search for a minister, said many were reluctant to participate in the ceremony because they feared deportation or detention in the wake of recent arrests in the homeland.

Following a statement last week in which the Roman Catholic Diocese of Umtata expressed "abhorrence" at the murder of Mr Ndondo, a former member of the Catholic Student's Association, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Umtata had been summoned by the Prime Minister, Chief George Matanzima, and warned that such comment could lead to a rift between the government and the church, he said.

In addition, a minister who had officiated at a memorial service held in Umtata soon after Mr Ndondo's death had also allegedly been threatened with deportation, he said.

A speech made by President Kaizer Matanzima last weekend, in which he blamed Mr Ndondo for a bomb blast which destroyed an Umtata fuel depot on June 26, had also implied that whoever conducted the service might be officiating at the funeral of a criminal.

President Matanzima made the accusation while posing the question of why Mr Ndondo had been killed.

Call to restore burnt building's 'grandeur'

Cape Times 14/11/85

Staff Reporter

TWO leading architectural experts yesterday called on the authorities to do "everything in their power" to ensure that Corporation Chambers, the Corporation Street building wrecked by fire on Friday afternoon, is restored to its former grandeur.

They are Professor O Pryce-Lewis, Associate Professor Emeritus of Architecture at the University of Cape Town, and Ms Desiree Picton-Seymour, National Monuments Council member and 1983 winner of the Cape Times Centenary Medal for architectural conservation.

The building, which housed seven organizations closely connected to the United Democratic Front, was gutted in a suspected arson attack. Damage is estimated at over R1-million.

It is located in an historic area of old Cape Town, opposite the City Hall and diagonally opposite the Parade.

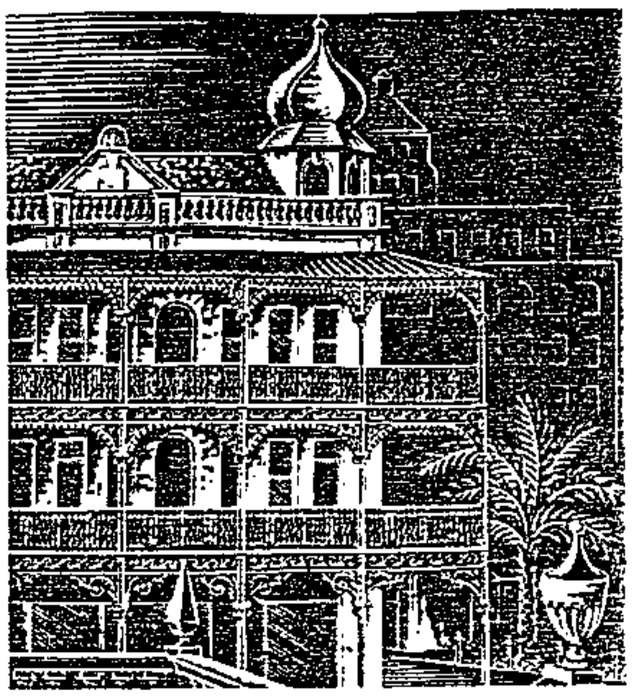
Corporation Chambers was built in 1902 by the owners, Messrs S Zackon and M Saacks, and was designed by the first architect of note to be born in South Africa, Berlin-trained Mr Johann Seeliger, Professor Pryce-Lewis said yesterday.

"The building is historically and architecturally important, and if it is structurally possible, it must be preserved.

"This is going to be difficult to do because of the damage but it is important that every effort be made in this direction. It is next to the City Hall and is part of an architectural environment which has been fairly well preserved," Professor Pryce-Lewis said.

Ms Picton-Seymour said the building's overall importance was that it faced on to the City Hall "and the two buildings go beautifully together".

"It is difficult at this stage to say whether or not restoration is viable but everything possible must be done to save the building. It is important that the City Council should not be over-hasty in demolishing the shell. They must first do a thorough study on the possibilities of restoration," she said.



An artist's impression of what Corporation Chambers originally looked like, with cast-iron balconies and an onion dome that is repeated in the minarets of many of Cape Town's mosques.

● The Clothing Workers' Union secretary, Ms Zubeida Jaffer, described the destruction of their offices as an "act of terror against democratic opposition".

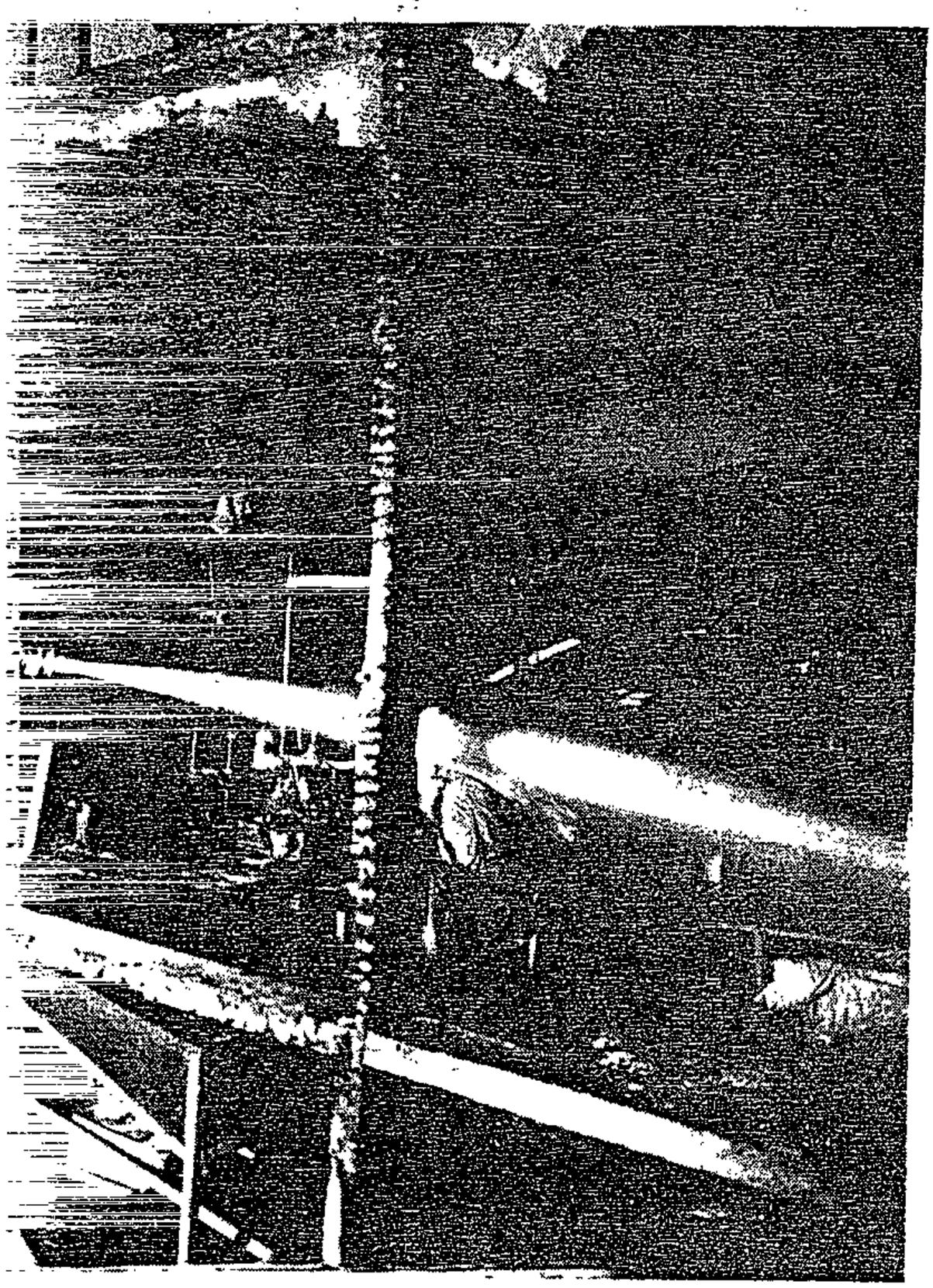
In a statement yesterday, Ms Jaffer said the fire was "a vicious attempt to eliminate the organized community services of the oppressed".

"Our union has been systematically subjected to harassment ranging from the detention of our organizers to daily interference in our work," she said.

She said Clowu would not be deterred by the incident and was confident that Clowu and the other organizations would be able to reconstruct what had been destroyed.

● The cause of Friday afternoon's fire has not yet been determined.

A police spokesman for the Western Cape, Captain Jan Calitz, confirmed yesterday that an arson docket has been opened and that police were continuing their investigations.



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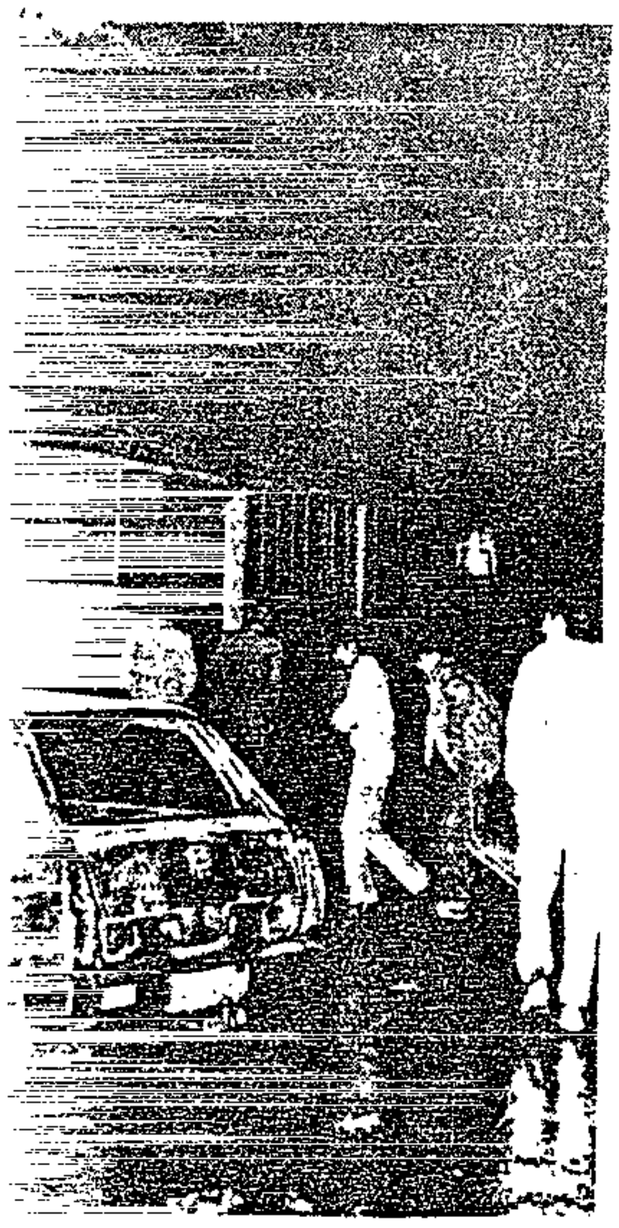

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Arson probe after factory blaze causes R1-m damage

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Staff Reporters

ARSON is suspected after fire swept through a factory complex in Athlone causing at least a million rands damage.

The blaze, at the Facturama complex in Hadji Ebrahim Street last night, severely damaged the factory and workshop of Rashmar Fashions, machinery and stock at Carpet Kingdom and cars and stock at Edkay Motors. The roof of Masterfit Silencers was also damaged.

OFFICE BUILDING

It was the fourth suspicious major fire in the city in less than two weeks. On October 1 a lingerie firm in Athlone and an engineering firm in Wynberg were severely damaged by fires.

Last Friday an office building in Darling Street was damaged. Police suspect arson in all cases.

The Cape Town fire brigade sent 22 firemen, four tenders, a rescue vehicle, a hydraulic platform, turntable vehicle and two staff cars to the fire just after 6pm yesterday.

Firemen used breathing equipment because of the thick smoke. The roof of the complex threatened to collapse.

High winds fanned the blaze. Seven water-jets were used and firemen brought the blaze under control by 7.15pm and were damping down until early today.

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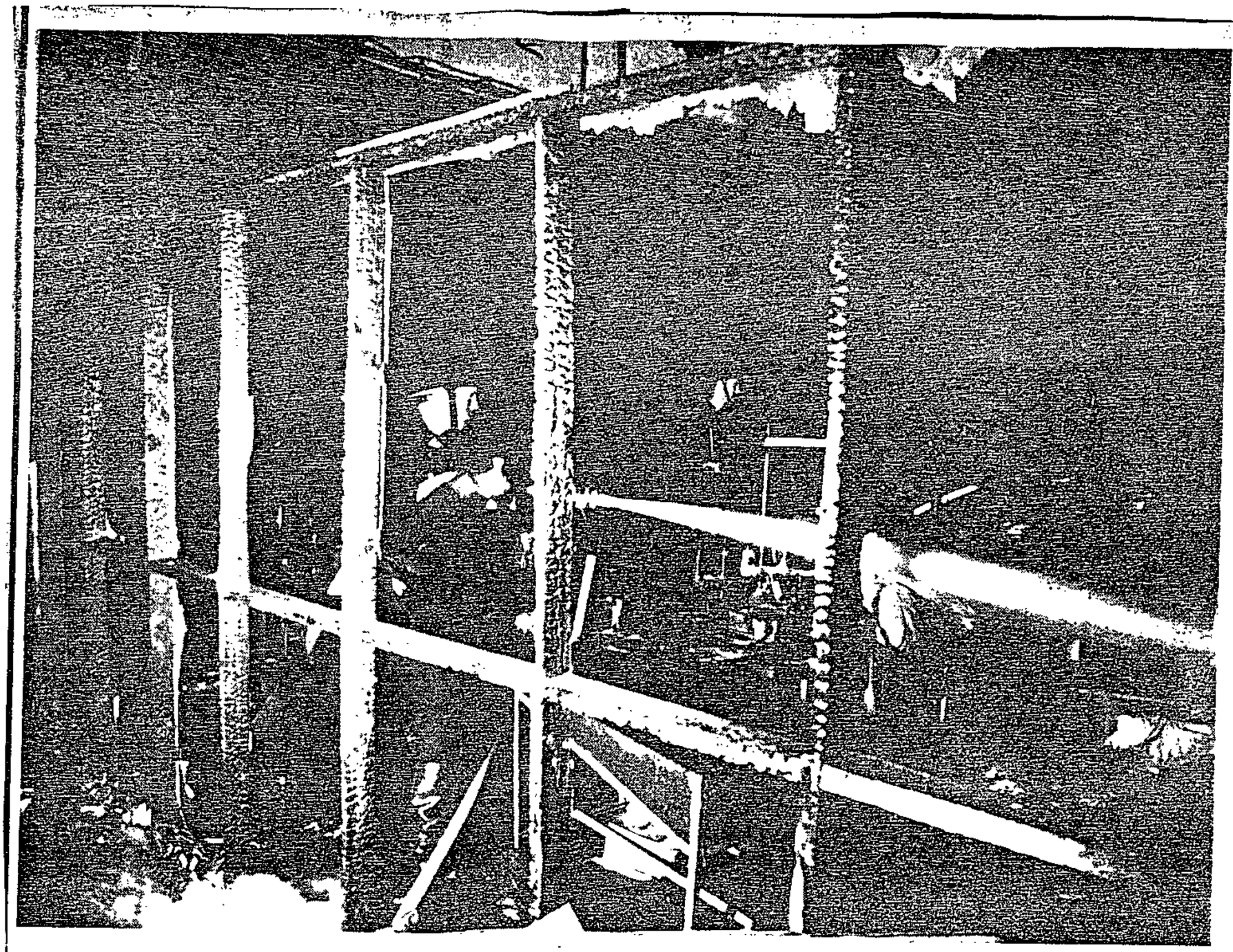
A fire brigade spokesman said that arson was believed to be the cause. He said it appeared that the fire was out of control within minutes, possibly because two of the businesses — a carpet firm and a clothing factory — contained large amounts of material.

Captain Jan Calitz, a police liaison officer, confirmed today that police were investigating possible arson.

● A fire believed to have been caused by a petrol-bomb severely damaged a car at Market Toyota in College Road, Rylands on Saturday night.



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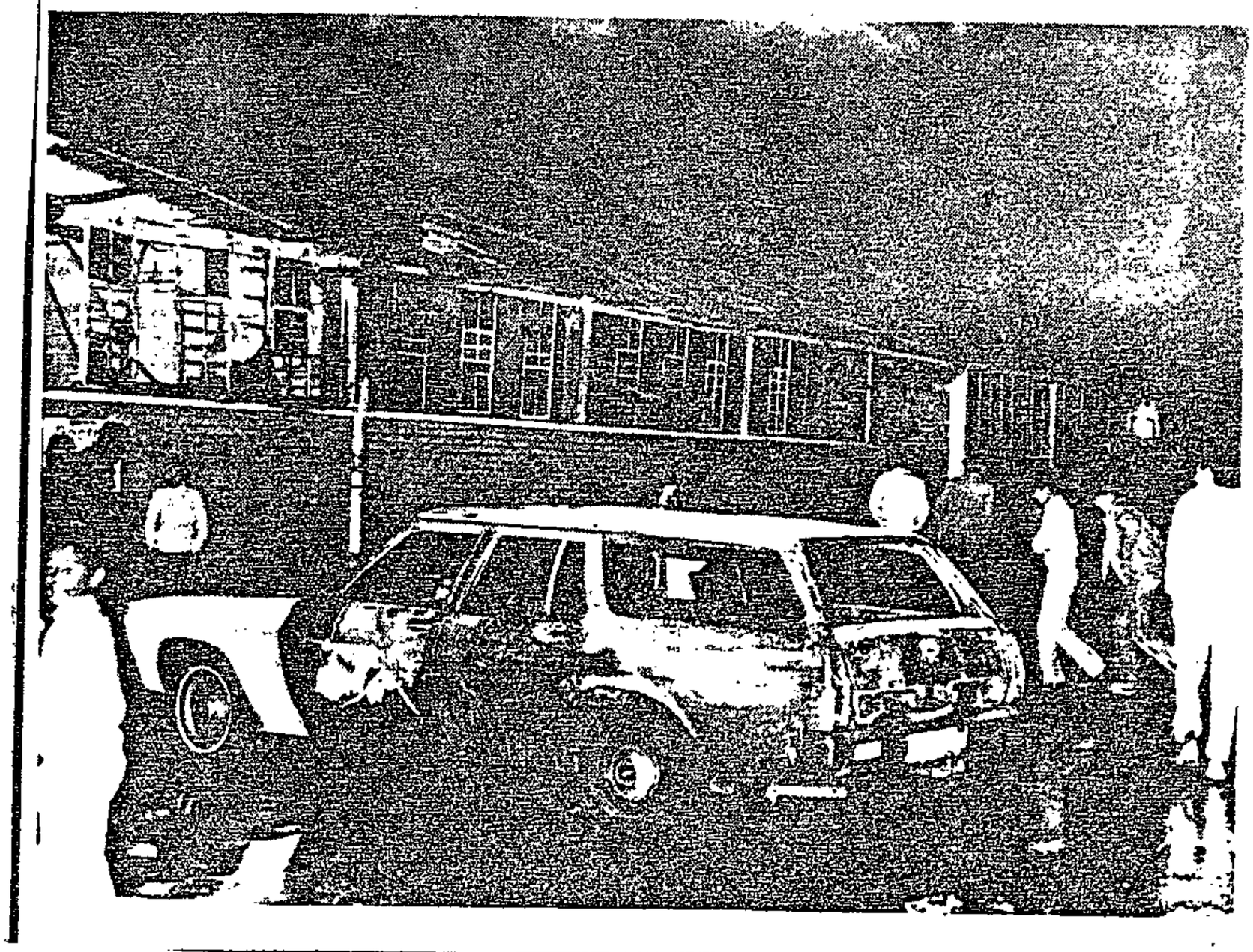

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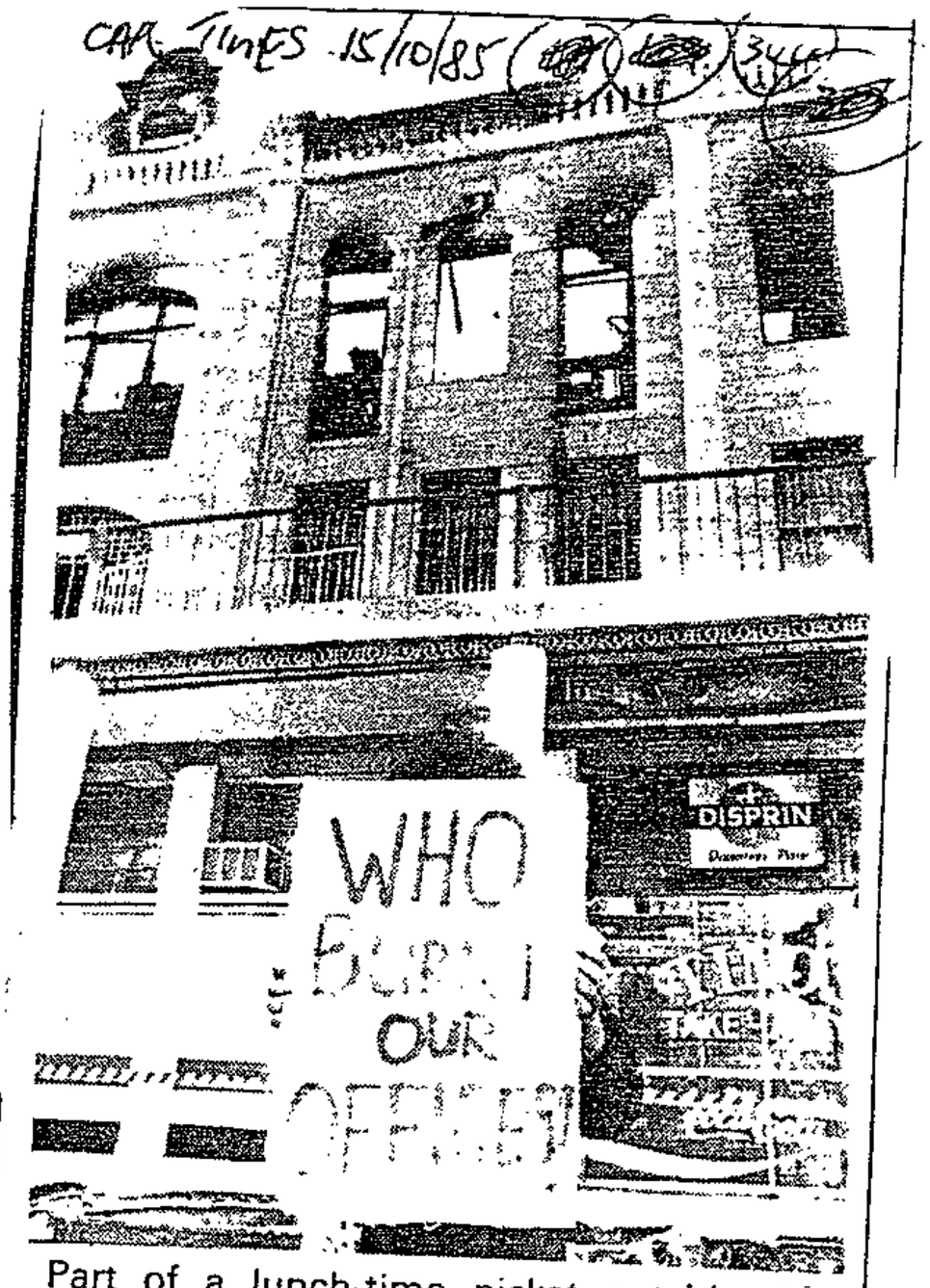

Part of a lunch-time picket outside the gutted offices of seven UDF-related organizations in Corporation Street yesterday.

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Demonstration at burnt-out city building

Staff Reporter

CITY workers and shoppers watched a silent lunch-hour demonstration outside the burnt-out Corporation Street offices of United Democratic Front affiliates.

Seven demonstrators — representatives of the organisations affected by the fire — held placards and stood a metre apart for nearly one hour yesterday.

The demonstration was a protest against a suspected attack on the offices — police have opened an arson docket — and one placard said "Who burnt our offices?"

Police arrived about 2.15pm and ordered bystanders to disperse.

● Spokesmen for the organisations affected by the fire estimated that damage to documents and equipment alone was about R150 000.

The offices of the Clothing Workers' Union, the Retail and Allied Workers' Union and the Media Workers' Association and two community newspapers, Grassroots and Molo Songololo, were damaged by the fire, which swept through the building on Friday.

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100 youths arrested at Ndondo funeral

CALA. — Transkei security forces threw a cordon around Cala yesterday, barring whites and foreign TV crews from the funeral of the former University of Transkei student, Mr Batwanda Ndondo.

More than 100 T-shirted youths were reported detained, including pall-bearers who carried the coffin from the Ndondo home to the waiting hearse.

All whites except ministers officiating at the funeral were ordered to leave, eye-witnesses said.

There were more armed police than mourners at the funeral and police checked the crowd of some 300 people to see if they were wearing T-shirts underneath, delaying the funeral procession for over 30 minutes.

Shortly after the hour-long service, more than 100 youths clad in yellow T-shirts bearing the words "Hamba kahle comrade" in front and "An injury to one is an injury to all" on the back were arrested and forced into vans and trucks.

Eye-witnesses reported rifle butts were used to force people into police vehicles. Among them was a journalist of the Golden City Press, Mr Stan Mzimba, whose camera was damaged. Mr Mzimba was later released and his camera was returned without the film.

A number of foreign pressmen were reported to have been turned away even before they reached the funeral service. A kombi carrying white university students from South Africa was also ordered to leave Cala.

Police, with members of the Transkei Army, manned roadblocks and refused admission to people who did not have their identity documents with them.

After the priest conducting the service, Father Edgar Ruddock of Umtata, had finished his sermon a group of youths among the mourners started to chant "Kaizer shall never go to heaven" and later they sang "Senzeni" — "What have we done?"

Guns at the ready

At the graveyard, as the coffin was being lowered, members of the police moved among the graves, guns at the ready, and some craned their necks over the shoulders of anxious mourners trying to catch the words of the priest.

Restrictions by the Commissioner of Police, General R S Mantanga, were that only the ordained minister conducting the funeral service could speak.

Other restrictions were that no banners, posters or flags should be displayed, and that there should be no freedom songs and political speeches.

Mr Ndondo was shot dead as he tried to escape from a kombi carrying three policemen and a policewoman. — Sapa

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'Vigilantes' started City fire

By EBRAHIM MOOSA and CHRIS BATEMAN

AN ANONYMOUS group called the Vigilante Action Group yesterday claimed responsibillty for the fire which destroyed the Corporation Street offices of seven UDF linked organizations last Friday.

In a telephone call to the Cape Times yesterday, a polite and well-spoken caller said his organization, the Vigilante Action Group (VAG), had acted on "evidence that the organizations housed there have direct links with the SA Communist Party" and described it as a "communist nest".

"We were responsible and you will hear from us again soon," he said.

Police are to investigate the claims by the anonymous "spokesman".

Brigadier Hennie Kotze, former head of Western Cape security police and now Chief of the CID, said it was the first he had heard of such an organization. He promised that the information would be passed on to the officer investigating the fire.

At a City press conference yesterday representatives of the organizations reported certain "irregularities" which implied that someone had ransacked the offices before the fire.

Ms Colleen Lombard, an organizer for the Clothing Workers' Union (Clowu), said the union had been approached by two security policemen in September asking whether they were aware of the Vigilante Action Group.

Ms Lombard said that on September 23, Lieutenants Mostert and Trollope, both visited the Corporation Street office inquiring about the Clowu secretary, Ms Zubeida Jaffer.

"Lieutenant Mostert asked me if I was aware of the VAG. I said no.

"He explained that it was a group of people who were against what we were doing. He said they bomb the houses of people like myself and that I should be careful, and then asked me where I live. I gave him a vague explanation," Ms Lombard said.

The fire caused damage estimated at over R1-million.

Captain Jan Calitz, a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, said that no arrests had been made in connection with the fire.

He denied that Lieutenant Mostert had said what was reported in his conversation with Ms Lombard and also denied having any knowledge of the existence of the vigilante organization.

Arrests at Unitra

Dispatch Reporter

UMTATA — A number of University of Transkei students were arrested yesterday after they had staged a demonstration on the campus. DISP

The students were protesting against the death of a former SRC executive member, Mr Batandwa Ndondo.

Mr Ndondo was allegedly shot after being fetched from his home in Cala last week by three men and a woman. 329 344

The students had not obtained permission to demonstrate from the university authorities or the police. — DDR.

Wienburg, Hurly homes teargassed



Mr Arthur Wienburg

Crime Reporter

THE homes of Mr Rupert Hurly, Progressive Federal Party MPC for Claremont, and Mr Arthur Wienburg, a member of the Cape Town City Council, were teargassed early today in an attack that Mr Hurly believes is linked to the row over President P W Botha's portrait in the Mayor's Parlour.

Mr Wienburg initiated a move in the City Council to have the picture removed.

Mr Hurly's Rondebosch home was attacked shortly before Mr Wienburg's house. The grenades were flung or fired through sitting-room windows in both attacks.

The attack was the third in nine days. On October 8 a teargas grenade was thrown into the Gardens home of Mr Brian Bishop, chairman of the Civil Rights League.

Police confirmed today's attacks and are investigating.

Mr Hurly said he and his wife were asleep when the attack occurred about 2.15 am. He heard the "whoosh" of the gas coming out of the canister.

He said he and his wife waited outside their home until the fire brigade arrived. One room was filled with gas.

Asked if he suspected a link between the attack and the continuing row over removal of Mr Botha's portrait from the Mayor's Parlour, Mr Hurly said: "I presume it. It is too much of a coincidence."

Mr Wienburg said police had told him the teargas canister could have ignited, and he called the attack a "cowardly right-wing act of terrorism" which could only be regarded as "attempted murder by sick people".

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Homes teargassed

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"The blame must rest very heavily on Nationalist politicians who have sought to make an hysterical issue (of the State President's portrait) by placing their political leader above the interests of the country.

"If our country is to stand a chance of solving its problems peacefully we must all exercise greater tolerance of divergent opinions," Mr Wienburg said.

The Administrator, Mr Gene Louw, said today that attacking a private home was "despicable and most objectionable, irrespective of who the inhabitant was".

"All the people of our country and of this province in particular, especially those holding public office, should through their deeds and words at all times strive to make a positive contribution towards peaceful living and improved relations among all our people, irrespective of race, colour or creed."

The Mayor of Cape Town, Mr Leon Markovitz, said he was "distressed that this sort of thing should happen at all" and he was thankful that no-one was hurt.

Mr Jan van Eck, MPC and councillor who has been in the forefront of the row over President Botha's portrait, called the attacks "callous and cowardly acts of violence".

"If this is the way South Africans are going to face their differences, we are facing a very insecure future," he said.

Fellow councillor and MPC Dr John Sonnenberg said: "It is a very sad reflection on our society that there is intolerance amounting to violence and physical intimidation over differences of opinion."

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200 march on Caledon Square



Part of the crowd which marched on Caledon Square police station yesterday.

By RONNIE MORRIS

ABOUT 200 people marched on Caledon Square yesterday afternoon after about eight people picketing in Corporation Street were arrested by police.

The eight picketed outside the burnt-out Corporation Chambers which housed the offices of seven UDF-linked organizations, while 17 men and women marched to Caledon Square to demand the release of detained Clowu worker Ms Shirley Gunn, and to ask what progress had been made in the investigation into the circumstances surrounding the fire.

Scores of lunch-time shoppers stopped to watch.

A man shouted anti-UDF abuse from a window. The crowd did not respond at first but shouted back when he shouted louder. He then exposed his buttocks from the window.

Two police patrol vans arrived and the picketers were arrested and their posters confiscated. Cries of "Viva UDF!" and "Viva Mandela!" rang out.

By then the crowd had swollen to several hundred people, some of whom called for a march to Caledon Square.

Several youths then linked arms and marched down Corporation Street in the direction of Caledon Square. They stopped in front of the Thomas Boydell Building where a small group of people chanted and sang freedom songs. They were watched by office workers and policemen leaning out of the windows.

When they got to Caledon Square, several policemen watched as they again chanted and sang freedom songs near the charge office.

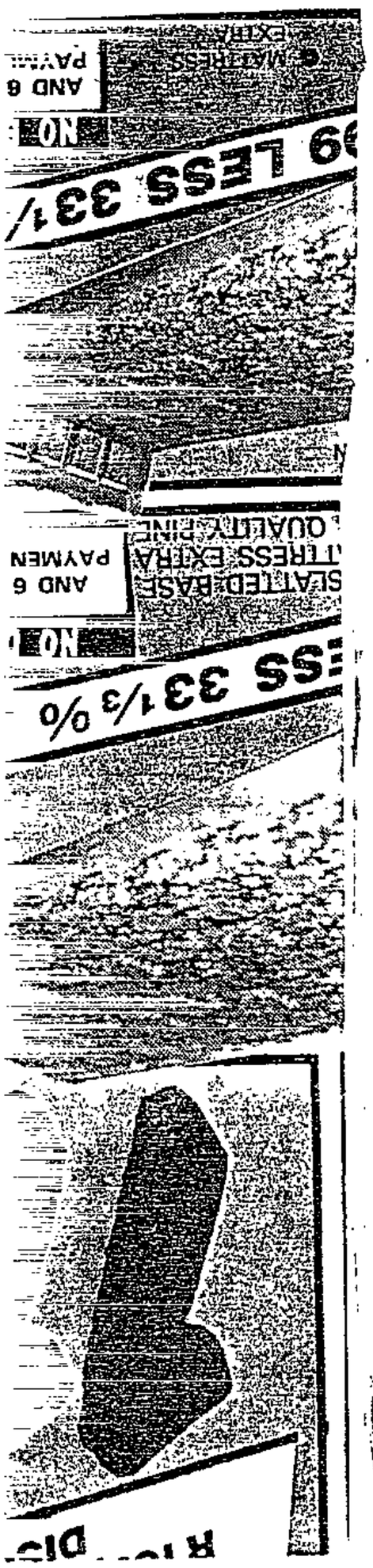
At 1.40pm a platoon of 26 policemen with protective shields and helmets, some carrying teargas launchers, marched out of the building into Buitengracht Street where they took up positions.

A police lieutenant then warned spectators that the gathering was illegal in terms of the Internal Security Act and gave them 15 minutes to disperse. The crowd broke up.

The police platoon then marched into Darling Street and halted opposite the Grand Parade where some of the marchers had regrouped. A second warning to disperse was then issued.

Two stones then landed near the police platoon. At 2.20pm a third of the platoon broke away and chased after some youths on the Parade. They then marched back to Caledon Square.

Police vehicles continued to patrol the streets.



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Teargas attack deplored

Municipal Reporter

THE Executive Committee of Cape Town City Council has condemned the teargas attacks on the homes of Rondebosch councillors Mr Rupert Hurly MPC and Mr Arthur Wienburg.

In a statement yesterday the committee said it had learnt "with shock and disquiet" about the attack early yesterday morning "by certain unknown persons".

"The Executive Committee considers this type of conduct to be legally and morally indefensible and deplores the fact that persons should have acted in this cowardly and despicable manner, which is completely out of keeping with the civilised values for which the City Council and the people of Cape Town in general stand," the statement said.

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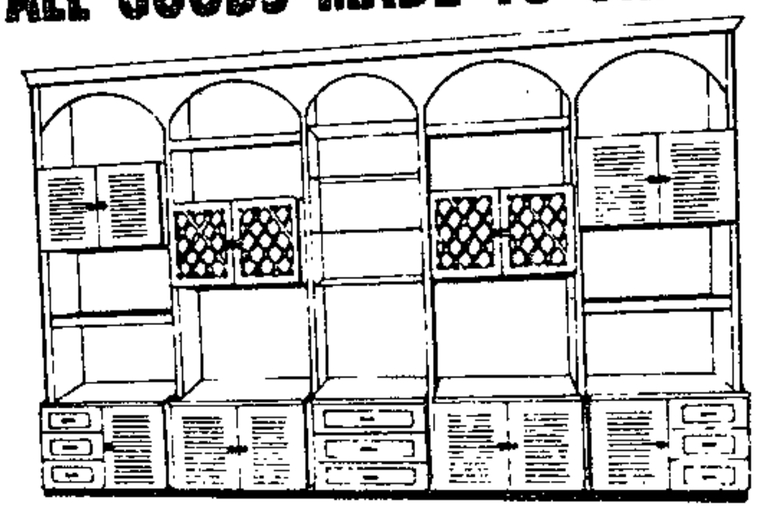

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Gas attacks: Nats blamed

Municipal Reporter

ONE of the two City Councillors whose homes were teargassed yesterday morning claims the "hysterical" reaction in National Party circles to the removal of Mr P W Botha's picture from the Mayor's office was partially responsible for the attacks.

Mr Arthur J Wienburg said the blame for the incidents "must rest very heavily on the Nationalist politicians who have sought to make an hysterical issue by placing their political leader above the interests of the country".

Mr Wienburg, who was the first councillor to call for the picture to be removed, said police had told him the teargas canister thrown through the window of his house "could have ignited".

"This cowardly act of terrorism against my wife and children as well as myself can only be regarded as attempted murder perpetrated by sick people," he said.

The leader of the opposition in the Provincial Council, Mr Herbert Hirsch, whose fellow councillor, Mr Rupert Hurly, was the victim of an identical attack, also blamed the incidents on the Nationalist outburst after the "portrait" issue.

'Capital'

"I trust that the Administrator (Mr Gene Louw) and his executive committee colleagues realize that they must carry at least some of the blame for this mindless political hooliganism," he said yesterday.

"Had they not tried to make capital for the National Party by interfering in the internal affairs of the Cape Town City Council, this incident might never have happened."

Mr Louw and the four members of the Provincial executive committee have criticized Mr Wienburg during the past two weeks, with Mr Louw claiming Mr Wienburg's action over the portrait was for "leftist political gain".

Mr Hurly said yesterday that the attack on his house had occurred "just before the attack on Mr Wienburg".

'Despicable'

Three of the tyres on his car had been slashed during the incident, which he said was "almost certainly related" to his support for the removal of the portrait.

Damage to Mr Hurley's car and house was estimated at R300.

Mr Louw yesterday described the attack on a private home as "despicable and most objectionable, irrespective of who the inhabitant is".

The Mayor, Mr Leon Markovitz, said he was "deeply distressed at the attack" and that he "abhorred actions of this kind".

● Police have not made any arrests in connection with the attacks.

Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, a police liaison officer for the Western Cape, said: "We are investigating charges of housebreaking with intent to assault and assault."

● The chairman of the City Council's Executive Committee, Mr John Muir, described the attacks as "legally and morally indefensible".

Rand Times 21/10/85

SRC head dies after attack

TZANEEN. — The head of the Students Representative Council at Modjaji College of Education in Kgapale, Mr Ngoaku Ramalepe, died on Friday after being attacked by unknown assailants wielding pangas and sjamboks.

Mr Ramalepe, who was badly injured in the attack on Thursday night, was rushed to Gabame hospital and died after being discharged at 5am on Friday.

A second-year student at the college, Mr Ramalepe was credited with having made the SRC the strongest in the Northern Transvaal, with the exception of that at the University of the North.

He was founding president of the Kgapane Youth Congress of the United Democratic Front which this weekend expressed its grief and anger at his death.

Another student, whose name could not be established, was also said to be in a serious condition following a similar attack.

Police were unavailable for comment. — Sapa

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Blast guts Watson's PE home

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — Two men were seriously injured and the luxury home of anti-apartheid activist Mr Dan "Cheeky" Watson and his family was completely destroyed in an explosion which rocked Park Drive shortly before midnight on Saturday.

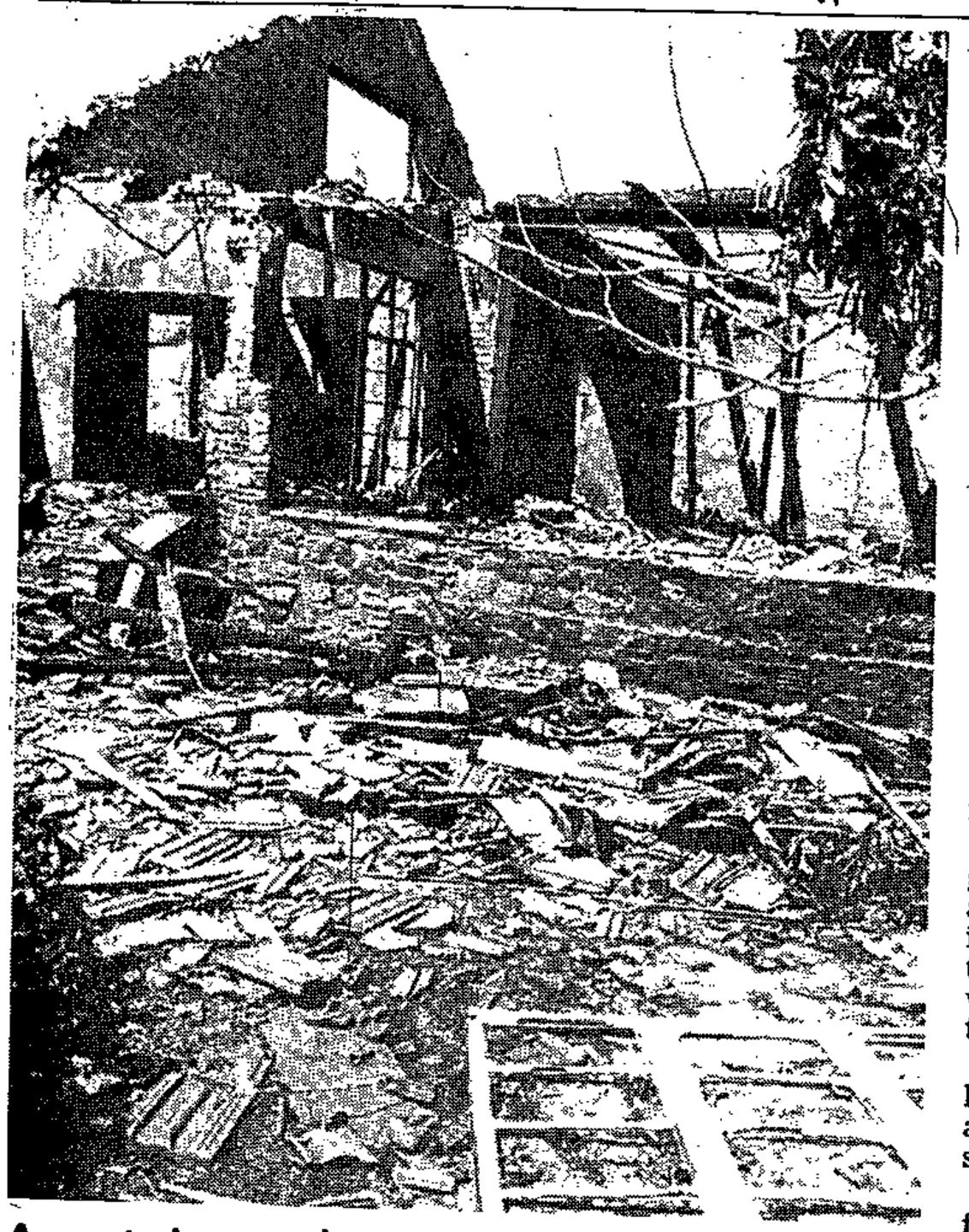
The two men, Mr Jeffrey Makanda and Mr Archie Mkele, both employees of Mr Watson, were rushed to Livingstone Hospital after sustaining multiple burns from the inferno which swept through the house immediately after the explosion.

The cause of the blast and subsequent blaze, which reduced the stately Port Elizabeth home to a charred shell within minutes, is not yet known.

Mr Watson, his wife Bobby, two of their sons, Ronnie and Valence, and Valence's family, who all live in the house, were away at the time of the explosion.

The blast scattered debris and huge shards of glass up to 45 metres from the house and shook several buildings in the area. Witnesses reported that flames four storeys high leapt up from the inferno.

A police spokesman said an arson docket has been opened.



A mysterious explosion shortly before midnight on Saturday destroyed this R250 000 home of Mr Dan Watson, sen, and his family.

Blast destroys home: We won't change our beliefs — Watsons

Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — A member of an anti-apartheid family whose home was destroyed by an explosion and fire said today the attack would not change their beliefs.

The blast at the luxury home of the Watson family in the exclusive Park Drive area was felt four kilometres away.

Two black employees who were guarding the house were injured and are under police guard in Livingstone Hospital. They were said to be in serious condition today with third-degree burns on more than 40 percent of their bodies.

It was thought the two men may have glimpsed the bombers and are being kept under guard as possible witnesses.

Today almost the entire Watson family — Mr Dan Watson, his wife Bobby, and their four sons Gavin, Valence, Ronnie and Dan ("Cheeky"), were being treated for shock. Mr Watson (senior), who is said to be frail, was heavily sedated.

The Watson family first hit the headlines more than 10 years ago when Cheeky, an Eastern Province rugby wing and Springbok trialist, opted out of white rugby to play for the black Port Elizabeth club, Kwaru. He was followed by his three brothers, and all were on occasions arrested and harrassed.

Since then the brothers have remained controversial for their call for the release of imprisoned African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and creation of a one-man-one-vote system in South Africa.

An arson docket has been opened, said the police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen. He said the Divisional CID officer for the Eastern Cape, Colonel Barry Henn, was personally leading the investigations.

Damage to the large house, set on extensive grounds off Park Drive near St George's Park, was estimated to be more than R250 000.

The family has recently received extensive Press coverage overseas as their clothing business is almost alone in being exempt from a black consumer boycott which is crippling similar small businesses in the region.

Today Mr Ronnie Watson said: "This attack on us is nothing new. We have been continually attacked and harrassed for our views for 10 years, but we won't change.

"That is because our views are based on the Christian principle of all men being equal, and that principle is unchangeable."

Injuries to the men guarding the house had shocked and saddened the entire family, he said.

Lieutenant-Colonel van Rooyen said later this morning that explosives experts had combed the rubble and had established "beyond any doubt" that there was no trace of explosives or explosive devices.

Cape Times 24/10/85

Death threats to NG clergyman

From CLARE HARPER

JOHANNESBURG. — The leader of the group of clergymen planning to hold talks with the African National Congress has received a barrage of anonymous death threats and abusive telephone calls.

Dr Nico Smith, Moderator of the Ned Geref Kerk in Africa, said that he was "saddened" by the negative feedback from individuals and churches, but said the group would nevertheless proceed with the meeting.

'Challenge'

Dr Smith said yesterday that so far only the Afrikaans churches had voiced their objection to the planned talks in Lusaka.

The government has described the continuation of the talks as "a challenge to State authority" which would lead to the embarrassment of the president, Mr P W Botha.

But yesterday the government declined to comment further on the intended talks by the seven clergymen until they received "official confirmation" of the trip.

Conviction

However the deputy minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Ron Miller, said recently the government would reconsider the passports of all South Africans who proposed to talk to the ANC.



Dr Nico Smith

Dr Smith said yesterday that he did not intend to inform the government officially of the talks as he felt it was a personal conviction and a "necessity in order to serve the churches in South Africa".

He said, however, that he had no intention of crossing swords with the government or of embarrassing Mr Botha.

"I feel sad that some churches feel it is not the responsibility of the church to bring about reconciliation between warring parties, and that the shedding of blood is not the Church's concern," Dr Smith said.

Yesterday the president of the South African Catholic Bishops Conference, Archbishop Denis Hurley, added his support to that of clergy from the South African Council of Churches, the Church of the Province of South Africa and the Methodist Church of South Africa.

'Delighted'

"I am thoroughly delighted and very excited that members of the Dutch Reformed Church would decide to want to travel to Lusaka to talk to the ANC — it is a wonderful move and I hope it succeeds," he said.

He said that the ministers were "very brave" and had given a "glimmer of hope to the South African scene".

The group of ministers comprises members of the Ned Geref Sendingkerk, the NGK in Africa, the Dutch Reformed Mission Church and the Indian Reformed Church in Africa as well as ministers from other mainstream churches.

Desirability

Dr Smith said yesterday that he would not name the other members of the delegation.

• Yesterday the chairman of Stellenbosch University's Students Representative Council, Mr Philip Verster, who had intended to meet the ANC Youth Wing along with other Matie students, said talks with Mr Botha had done nothing to change their minds about the desirability of the Lusaka trip.

CITY/NATIONAL

Kraaifontein businesses set up commando

Tygerberg Bureau

KRAAIFONTEIN businessmen are forming a civilian task force to protect property after arson and stoning attacks on businesses and homes in the area.

A spokesman for a group of businessmen involved said the task force's main purpose would be to protect property.

Its members would not without reason attack anyone but would guard business premises and public buildings in Kraaifontein.

Police had been told of the plan, the spokesman said.

Homes attacked

The task force idea arose after the torching of the Bloch Centre in Jan van Riebeeck Road this week. Private homes in Kraaifontein have also been attacked over the past two months and residents have shot at youths.

The spokesman, who did not want to be identified, said the force would have no connection with the civil defence units.

"We also decided to set up this task force, which can be compared to the old Boer Republic burger commandos, because we know that scores of businessmen sit up all night trying to protect their premises armed with a pistol or shotgun

He said the task force wanted to tell people attacking Kraaifontein that they would be shot at

"We have also obtained permission to use the citizens' band radio emergency channel, and will use code names to protect the areas which we are talking about," the spokesman said.

He said anyone was welcome to join the task force.

"We will check out everybodies credentials, and would give preference to people with military or police training, as well as to people who are fully capable of handling weapons."

A meeting will be held this afternoon at the Fanie Theron Primary School.

Street collection

TOMORROW'S street collection is for the Nuwe-Hoop Sentrum Vir Gehoorgestremdes (fund-raising number 08 800167 017 2).

Lebowa police killed UDF man — claim

From SOPHIE TEMA

JOHANNESBURG. — A Northern Transvaal man yesterday told how his friend, a leading United Democratic Front activist, died after they had been assaulted by Lebowa police.

Mr Ngwoako Ramalepe, 26, who was also president of the Students Representative Council and Azaso at the Modjadji Training College, died in hospital on Friday last week.

An autopsy was conducted on the body on Wednesday and results are expected in his lawyer's office today.

Colonel P Moloto, chief of the Lebowa Police, yesterday confirmed the death and said the matter was being investigated.

Mr Robert Makokga, 24, a student of the Modjadji Training College in Duiwelskloof, told a press conference in Johannesburg yesterday he and Mr Ramalepe were held by police at Kgapane on Thursday last week after a meeting in protest against the hanging of ANC activist Mr Benjamin Moloise.

Police at the local police station had assaulted them, he said.

Mr Makokga had then been thrown into a police van from where "I could see them busy assaulting Ngwoako and I could hear his screams".

Minutes after the screams died down, his friend was also thrown into the van by police, his white-T shirt "red and soaked with blood".

"We were driven to a dark bush were Ngwoako was dumped and left for dead while I managed to escape," he said.

Mr Makokga said the police were under the impression that he too had died.

The UDF yesterday condemned the death of Mr Ramalepe and said in a statement that his death, that of another UDF activist in the Transkei, Mr Bathandwa Ndondo, "and numerous other cold-blooded murders of anti-apartheid activists whilst in the hands of the security police must act as a pointer to the remoteness of peaceful change in South Africa".

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Students move out for fear of attack

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Weekend Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Two Potchefstroom University students who were attacked by right-wing students have moved out of residence because they fear further attacks.

Tony Dunne and Leon Kalktwasser support the formation of a branch of the National Union of Students on the campus.

The rector of the university, Professor Tjaart van der Walt, has ordered an investigation and a Nusas spokesman said that more threats had been made against the two students.

This week Jacques du Plessis, active in forming a Nusas branch on the campus, was also threatened — he ran into the university library to avoid an assault, according to the spokesman.

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Nusas man at Potch 'tortured'

JOHANNESBURG. — The chairman of the Potchefstroom University's Student Representative Council (SRC), Mr Bertus Nel, yesterday condemned the assault of a student on their campus and said a commission of inquiry had been appointed to investigate the allegation.

Mr Nel was commenting on a Nusas statement that a member of the university's newly-formed National Union of South African Students (Nusas) branch had been tortured and assaulted by 15 Potchefstroom University students this week.

Nusas has called for "immediate and firm action" by university authorities against the students who "systematically assaulted" the student because of his Nusas sympathies.

Mr Nel said the incident is alleged to have taken place in the early hours of Wednesday, the day the SRC was to vote on whether to form a branch of Nusas on the campus.

"Three SRC members were elected to investigate the matter," Mr Nel said. "The SRC was not connected with the assault. We strongly condemn it and do not think it is the way things should be done on this campus."

Dragged from his bed

It is alleged that the Nusas member was dragged from his bed in the Overde Voor residence in the early hours of Wednesday morning by 15 students who ransacked and wrecked his room.

All the assailants were from the residence.

They accused him of being a communist, demanded information about the prospective formation of Nusas at the university and beat him until one of the students suggested that it would leave evidence, Nusas said.

"A small electric generator was attached to his genitals and cranked. He was shocked five to 10 times," the statement said. "His hair was then cut off, his body smeared with shaving cream and mercurochrome. A chain was attached to his wrist and he was then dragged around campus."

Some of the residence's first-year students were called to the common room, where they were told that he was a Nusas member and a communist. He was a "slegte witmens, hy behoort nie hier nie, hy behoort in Soweto" (A bad white, he does not belong here, he belongs in Soweto).

Dressed in his underpants, he was dragged around campus with the chain, tied up in a nearby subway and left there until he was released about 3.15am by campus security officers. — Sapa

R50 000 for Goniwe killers

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By MONO BADELA

THE reward for information leading to the conviction of the killers of slain Cradock community leader Matthew Goniwe and his three colleagues has shot up to more than R50 000.

Cape Town-based Civil Rights League vice-chairman Brian Bishop said the reward continued to grow as academics from the University of Witwatersrand and elsewhere signed pledges to offer R500 each.

Last month one hundred academic staff members from the universities of the Western Cape, Stellenbosch and Cape Town pledged a reward totalling over R40 000 for information leading to the conviction of the killers of one or more of the community leaders. The three others slain were Fort Calata, Sparrow Mkonto and Sicelo Mhlawuli.

The UDF, to whom the Cradock Residents' Association was affiliated, has offered an additional reward of R6 000 and the Department of Law and Order R1 000.

The Civil Rights League offers two other rewards of R1 000 each.

One is for information leading to the discovery of the three missing PE Black Civic Organisation activists Qaqawuli Godolozi, Sipho Hashe and Champion Galela.

The other R1 000 reward is for information leading to the discovery of Cosas leader Siphiwo Mthimkulu who disappeared in April 1982.

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★ SWAZILAND Prime Minister Prince Bhekimpi's house was substantially damaged by fire this week and police suspect arson.

Nobody was in the house at the time. Prince Bhekimpi was attending the Commonwealth conference in the Bahamas.

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Protection force meeting cancelled

Staff Reporter

ORGANISERS of a Kraaifontein meeting called to organise an area protection citizen force cancelled it because of the state of emergency.

They said they were unsure of the legality of holding a meeting under the emergency laws and had decided to postpone it indefinitely "as we are here to uphold the law, not break it".

The meeting was called to discuss organising a force with the main function of protecting property in the area.

A group of prominent Kraaifontein businessmen proposed citizen protection groups after houses were stoned and a shopping centre set alight.

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Troops seal off Rondebosch church

Political Staff

HEAVILY armed troops and policemen last night lined Belmont Road in Rondebosch, stopping traffic and turning away people who had come to a meeting in protest at the death in Transkei of health worker Mr Batwanda Ndondo and detentions there.

The meeting, which was to have been held in the Rondebosch Congregational Church hall, was banned yesterday afternoon.

At least 30 policemen and soldiers armed with semi-automatic rifles surrounded the church last night. Security police monitored the scene on two-way radios.

Police and soldiers set up road blocks on each side of the church.

The meeting was called by the Health Care Trust which employed Mr Ndondo at Cala.

A government notice banning the meeting was delivered to the Health Care Trust office in Observatory yesterday afternoon.

A spokesperson for the trust told Sapa the notice was signed by the Divisional Commissioner of Police in the Western Province, Brigadier C A Swart. It prohibited the meeting from being held at the Congregational Church, Rondebosch, or anywhere else in the Wynberg magisterial district.

No reasons were given for the ban.

The trust spokesperson said the meeting had been called to focus attention on the shooting last month by Transkei police of Mr Ndondo, 22.

"His family is under constant harassment and his brother, a lawyer who was investigating the matter, is in detention."

She said there was an "incredible state of fear in the Transkei".

"One would not think it possible that anything could be worse than here, but it is much worse."

She said the trust deplored the banning of the meeting and the closure of this avenue of protest.

The meeting was to have been addressed by Mr Andrew Nash, a lecturer in philosophy at Stellenbosch University; Dr Hugh Corder, a senior lecturer in law at Stellenbosch University; and Mrs Jane Turner, mother of University of Natal political scientist Dr Rick Turner, who was shot dead at his home in Durban some years ago.

Our correspondent in Umtata reports that a friend of Mr Ndondo who was detained after his death, Mr Dumisa Ntsebeza, is expected to be released today.

Mr Themba Sangoni, a partner in Mr Ntsebeza's law firm, said yesterday the attorney-general had written to the firm stating that Mr Ntsebeza would be released.

Mr Ntsebeza was detained by security police on October 8 while he was preparing for the funeral of Mr Ndondo, who was killed on September 24.

Mr Ndondo, a former Unitra SRC executive member, was allegedly fetched from his home in Cala, then shot dead on the road in Cala.

Mr Dumisa Ntsebeza's brother, Mr Lungisile Ntsebeza, was also detained, together with Mr Victor Ngaleka, Mr Mondo Mvimbi and Mr Meluxolo Silinga.

Police have confirmed all the detentions.

Mr Sangoni said another Umtata attorney, Mr Prince Madikizela, had been released after being detained by security police.

Balaclava men seen at 'Cheeky' explosion

By JO-ANN BEKKER

MEN disguised in balaclavas were seen at the home of the Port Elizabeth Watson family shortly before an explosion, heard 10km away, demolished the house.

Gavin Watson, eldest of the three brothers who caused an outcry by forsaking provincial rugby for non-racial clubs in 1976, said he had been told about the masked men by his friends Jeffrey Makanda and Archie Mkele who were seriously burnt in the blast.

"Archie and Jeff arrived to look after the house, as we were away, at 11pm last Saturday," Watson said. "They told me that as they stopped the car about seven people in balaclavas grabbed hold of them, beat them and dragged them towards the house.

"They think they might have been knocked out because the next thing they remembered was a mighty exposion and huge flames, and they ran for cover."

Watson said he and his brothers Lance and Dan (Cheeky) had received death threats ever since they began playing rugby in Port Elizabeth's African townships. In 1979 Gavin Watson was stabbed in his shop. He now believes this was an assassination attempt.

Because of their non-racial stand, Watson clothing stores have been exempted from consumer boycotts in Port Elizabeth and Uitenhage. But Gavin Watson does not believe business rivalry is behind the attack on the family's luxury home.

"It had nothing to do with the boycott," Watson said. "We have been trying to bring South Africa to a non-racial position and with this in mind have met white church and business leaders in the past fortnight. Every morning, 15 to 20 people, including black representatives and white businessmen, would join us for breakfast."

Potch acts against 8 students

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Eight University of Potchefstroom students have been fined and given suspended expulsion sentences after they tortured a supporter of Nusas.

Two of the eight were immediately expelled from the Overde Voor residence where the incident took place.

It was alleged that Mr Tony Dunne was repeatedly shocked on his genitals with an electric generator and accused of being a communist.

His disabled and epileptic room-mate, Mr Leon Kalk Wasser had his hair shorn off and his pamphlets and poems burnt by the group when the two were confronted in their hostel at 1.30am last Wednesday.

The rector of the University, Professor Tjaart van der Walt said in a statement yesterday that the disciplinary committee found eight men students, all from the hostel Overde Voor, "guilty of acting towards two other members of the same residence in a way detrimental to the good name of the university and the maintenance of order and discipline at the university".

He said that the penalties ranged from "immediate expulsion from the hostel in question, monetary fines and suspended expulsion from the University".

"The students who have been found guilty have already personally, in the presence of the principal, apologized to the two students for their action," he said.

The president of Nusas, Mr Brendon Barry, said yesterday he "welcomed the action by the disciplinary commitee" but had hoped for sterner action.

"We call on the Students Representative Council and the university administration to ensure these events do not take place in the future," he said.

Mr Dunne, 21, a third-year law student, left the university permanently after the hearing which continued from 9pm till midnight.

He arrived at his parents home in Durban yesterday and said he would still decide whether to take legal action against the students.

PE shooting: doctor hurt

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By JACK DEWES

A PORT ELIZABETH doctor was severely injured last night in a shooting drama in the PE township of Korsten.

Dr Abie Daniels, of 34 Beetlestone Road, Gelvan Park, was drinking coffee at the Stanford Road home of the publicity secretary of the South African Council of Sport (Sacos), Mr Alan Zinn, when a car drew up near the driveway of the house at about 11.30pm.

A shot was fired and gunshot pellets penetrated the window of the diningroom and hit Dr Daniels.

Dr Daniels was sitting at the diningroom table with his back to the window.

Also at the table with Mr Zinn were Mr Zinn's wife, Mrs Denise Zinn, their three-year-old son, Marc, Dr Basil Brown, president of the Eastern Province Tennis Union (EPTU), and Mr Brian Jegels.

Mr Zinn, who is a teacher at the Bethelsdorp High School and a member of the EPTU, said Dr Daniels reeled off his chair when the shot was fired, shouting: "Hit the floor!"

"We all dropped down on the floor," Mr Zinn said.

"Lots of blood was coming from Abie's head and his back. Fortunately, Dr Brown was present and the Livingstone Hospital was nearby.

"Half an hour later the telephone rang and my wife answered. A mystery voice said: 'It was close.'

"My wife asked: 'What was close?'

"The voice repeated the words."

Asked who might have been responsible for the attack, Mr Zinn said: "Probably people opposed to Sacos. It looks like political intimidation.

"It's no secret that I oppose the Australian cricket tour of South Africa.

"The attack was obviously aimed at my family as an act of intimidation."

Dr Daniels, who was wounded in the head and upper body, underwent emergency surgery today.

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant-Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, said an attempted murder docket had been opened.



Mr ALAN ZINN, his wife, DENISE, and son, MARC, were seated around their dining room table when the shotgun attack occurred. Pellets piercing the window struck Dr Abie Daniels, who had his back to the street.
Picture: Evert Smith

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Fire was an attempt to destroy clothing union

From ZUBEIDA JAFFER, General Secretary, Clothing Workers Union (Cape Town):

THE fire which destroyed the offices of the Clothing Workers Union on October 11 marks an ominous development in the escalating conflict situation in Cape Town.

It represents an attempt physically to eliminate the organization and so end its service to the community and its efforts to bring an awareness to the clothing workers of Cape Town.



Ms Zubeida Jaffer

Destruction of the union's offices does not equal destruction of the union, which is entrenched within the minds of thousands of workers and supported by numerous institutions within the community. A fire cannot wipe this out.

The fire represents a heightened form of harassment which has been common to the union's experience since its inception less than two years ago.

Our organizers have been followed by security police, who have also barged into the homes of workers, threatening them with imprisonment.

The homes of workers of the union have been arbitrarily searched. The security police have offered money to executive members to act as informants. They have occupied our offices, disrupting our work routine. They continue to hold organizer Ms Shirley Gunn under detention laws.

There has also been a petrol bomb attack on the car of one of our organizers. Bricks were flung through the front window of my home.

These are but some of the attacks which have been directed against CLOWU. Since the fire, the security police have been present at our temporary offices in Salt River. Telephone calls have also been made to executive members in an attempt to intimidate them.

In spite of these constant threats, the group of organizers and the executive, all women, have remained committed to the ideal of building a democratic union for clothing workers.

The clothing industry employs more than half of the entire coloured working class in Cape Town — an average of about 60 000 workers, 90 percent being women.

Workers associated with CLOWU are not only outraged by what has been done but are asking what is the attitude of employers to this attack on their union.

The continued existence of CLOWU is clear evidence that a significant number of workers desire a transformation of the stifling conditions obtaining in the clothing industry.

The dialogue which is sought by the majority of South Africans must permeate all aspects of our society.

(This letter has been shortened. — Editor, Cape Times.)

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Vigilantes say they fired blast that hit doctor

Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — A shadowy group calling itself the Vigilante Action Group has claimed responsibility for a shotgun blast fired through a window at the home of schoolteacher Mr Alan Zinn, which wounded a visiting doctor.

An anonymous person claiming to represent the group said they would attack other people on a "hit-list".

A caller who identified himself only as "Mr Hoare" telephoned Mr Zinn on Saturday night to say that "next time we'll get you" and warned him to "leave our children alone".

Last Thursday night a shotgun was fired through the front window of Mr Zinn's home, wounding Dr A Daniels in the head and back and narrowly missing Mr Zinn's wife and child.

Today Mr Zinn said he thought the call was a tape-recording as he heard "a definite click" at the start and end of the call.

Mr Zinn said he thought the caller was trying to intimidate members of the East Cape Teachers' Union (Ectu)



Picture: DOUG PITHEY, The Argus

Mr Brian Bishop inspects what remains of his wife's car after the petrol bomb attack at their Oranjezicht home early today. Last month a teargas canister was thrown through a window.

City MPC's car set alight

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Staff Reporter

A CAR owned by Progressive Federal Party MPC Mrs Di Bishop was destroyed after it was set alight outside her home early today.

Mr Brian Bishop, her husband and a member of the Civil Rights League, said an attempt was also made to set his car alight. Two of the tyres were slashed.

Mrs Bishop's R14 000 saloon car, which was parked outside her Oranjezicht home last night, was burnt out.

It was the second time in a month that the Bishops' home had been attacked.

Last month a teargas canister was hurled through a window.

Mr Bishop said he was alone in the house at the time. Mrs Bishop is in Johannesburg.

He awakened about 3.45am and through the glass front door saw his wife's car ablaze.

Mr Bishop and a neighbour called the fire brigade. Policemen were there before the fire brigade.

They took possession of a five-litre plastic bottle containing a small amount of petrol and a still-burning cloth-covered stick found behind Mr Bishop's car.

Dr Alex Boraine, acting-leader of the Progressive Federal Party, said he was appalled by "this further act of violence on the property of a concerned, caring South African".

"It is clear that there is a heavy price to pay by those who are committed and courageous enough to oppose the apartheid system," he added.

"I urge the police to do everything in their power to apprehend without delay these perpetrators of violence."

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Attacks 'will not stop PFP'

Political Staff

THE carefully orchestrated attempt to intimidate public representatives who had strongly criticized the apartheid system would not in any way lessen the commitment of the Progressive Federal Party, the party's acting leader, Dr Alex Boraine, said yesterday.

Reacting to the destruction of Mrs Di Bishop's car, Dr Boraine said this was fifth act of violence against public representatives of the PFP in the past few weeks.

He said representatives had also received death threats.

"The attacks are therefore part of a carefully orchestrated attempt to intimidate public representatives who have strongly criticized the apartheid system and have been active in trying to assist victims of the current unrest."

He said he had sought an interview with Brigadier C Swart, Western Cape police divisional commissioner, to find out what progress was being made in the investigation and to "impress upon him how seriously I view these attacks".

He said the attacks, presumably by the right wing, would not lessen the PFP's commitment, especially to visiting unrest areas and seeking to be a restraining influence on the security forces.

Arson: Extra police watch

ARGUS 12/11/85

TOS WENTZEL, Political Correspondent

ADDITIONAL surveillance of the homes of public figures who have recently been the victims of teargas attacks and arson have been ordered by the police. Special teams of investigators have been appointed.

Dr Alex Boraine MP, acting-leader of the Progressive Federal Party, said he was told this today by Brigadier C A Swart, divisional commissioner of police in the Western Cape.

Dr Boraine had discussions with Brigadier Swart following the burning of a car belonging to Mrs Di Bishop in front of her house early yesterday and a previous teargas attack on her house and the homes of two other PFP MPs and a city councillor.

Also present at today's meeting were Brigadier H Kotze, criminal investigation chief in the Western Cape, and warrant officers in charge of the investigations.

Intimidation

Dr Boraine said the attacks appeared to be a carefully orchestrated attempt to intimidate public representatives who have strongly criticised the apartheid system and have been active in trying to help victims of the unrest.

Brigadier Swart assured him the police regarded the attacks as criminal acts of a serious nature and that they were determiend to find those responsible.

It had been established that some of the teargas canisters were of a type sometimes issued to commercial undertakings, but one was similar to those issued to the security forces, but it had so far been impossible to trace their origin.

Deep concern

Dr Boraine said he emphasised his own deep concern that, if the attacks continued, more serious damage and even worse could be caused.

Brigadier Swart had left him with the impression that he, too, viewed the attacks as being serious and that the police would redouble their efforts to find those responsible.

Brigadier Swart confirmed Dr Boraine's account of the discussions and reiterated that the police regarded the incidents as a serious criminal matter.

● A telephone call threatening "another braaivleis" was made to Mr Bishop early today — 24 hours after his wife's car was petrol-bombed. Mr Bishop said an Afrikaans-speaking man telephoned his house at 3.45am.

"He said his group had set the car alight and then he said: 'The UDF will return at the same hour for another braaivleis at your house'."

Mrs Di Bishop, who arrived home from Johannesburg last night, rejected "with contempt" suggestions by the anonymous caller that the UDF was responsible for the arson.

"I don't believe the UDF has any reason to do anything like this to me or Brian. I also believe they are a non-violent organisation and would not engage in this type of violence."

MPC's car gutted, attack on WCCA man

By CHRIS BATEMAN

IN the latest of a string of attacks against outspoken critics of government policy, cars belonging to Mrs Di Bishop, MPC for Gardens, and her husband, Brian, were severely damaged, and the Guguletu home of Mr Alfred Stuurman, vice-chairman of the Western Cape Civic Association, was set alight early yesterday.

The attack at the Bishops' Oranjezicht home was the second in just over a month. Mrs Bishop, a PFP member, was away in Johannesburg at the time. Her car was set alight and gutted and the tyres of her husband's car were slashed about 3.45am.

Racing

Just over 15 minutes later Mr Stuurman's Guguletu home was set alight and his study partly destroyed. Mr Stuurman was also away at the time. He said a neighbour at the bus stop alerted his wife, Faith, and the couple's six children before helping to douse the flames.

Mr Bishop, deputy chairman of the Civil Rights League, said he was awakened about 3.45am by what seemed to be a car's engine racing outside their Oranjezicht home and saw flames shooting from his wife's car.

"I grabbed a fire extinguisher and ran outside but I saw it was too late and ran back to the phone," Mr Bishop said.



Civil Rights League member Mr Brian Bishop inspects the burnt-out wreck of his wife's car, which was set alight outside their Oranjezicht, Cape Town, home early yesterday.

Police arrived in several vans soon afterwards, followed by a fire engine, and the blaze was quelled.

Mrs Bishop's car was totally gutted.

Later it was established that petrol had been sprinkled on Mr Bishop's car, a front tyre punctured and a rear tyre slashed. An almost empty bottle containing petrol was found. A bamboo stick with a smouldering piece of cloth attached lay nearby.

Mr Bishop is a central figure in the gathering of information on alleged police atrocities and is an outspoken critic of government policy.

He said that about four hours after the attack, two cars filled with "young men wearing police overcoats" twice drove past his home.

"I assumed they were visiting our house in connection with the arson but as they drew level with me, the men in the second car laughed in a very common and loud way and both cars drove away fast. I don't suggest that these are the arsonists but I think it shows a lack of discipline and respect of law rampant in the SAP."

The attack would not deter him from "working against apartheid or civil rights infringements", he added.

On October 8, two teargas canisters were thrown into the Bishops' yard, sending a cloud of tearsmoke into the home. Mrs Bishop was away at the time.

Mr Alfred Stuurman, a senior lecturer in Xhosa at the University of the Western Cape, said most of his study containing examination scripts, lecture notes and books had been destroyed.

He said that about a month ago an anonymous caller had threatened him with firebombing.

Critic

The caller had claimed to be one of the victims of the unrest and had told him he was "tired of me burning all their houses".

Mr Stuurman is an outspoken critic of government policy, particularly the community council system.

He estimated damage at R5 000.

"It couldn't possibly have been an accident. The window was partially open and everything caught alight so suddenly," Mr Stuurman said.

● Yesterday's incidents bring the number of attacks on community and church leaders opposed to the government to seven in just over a month.

Court told of Christmas Eve police raid on cave

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Pietermaritzburg Bureau

A POLICE lieutenant in the Special Task Force unit told the Supreme Court in Estcourt yesterday, how the day before Christmas last year he had shot a 'terrorist' in a pre-dawn operation in Ingwavuma.

Lt Michael Frier, who is stationed in Pretoria, said this in the trial for terrorism of 13 people, including a 64-year-old woman, who are all allegedly members of the African National Congress and who allegedly incited people to commit acts of violence.

Nine of the accused have pleaded not guilty. Four have refused to participate in the trial and have said they should be treated as prisoners of war.

The indictment alleges that the ANC set up seven training areas in Ingwavuma for local people and 16 arms caches.

Lt Frier said he and other policemen had crept towards a cave in the Engwini district of Ingwavuma, Northern Zululand, about 2 30 a m, and told the people inside the cave to come out.

No one had answered and a shot had rung out. The policeman said he had fired his rifle at a person near the cave and seen him fall to the ground. Later, police had found the body of a black man in the cave.

The dead man had had with him a handgrenade and a loaded 9 mm Luger pistol. Inside the cave were an AK-47 rifle and ammunition along with ANC and South African Communist Party publications.

Earlier, during evidence by Lt Wouter Basson of Ndumu, Mr Justice Wilson said the police were to be highly commended in the 'great restraint' they had shown in arresting one of the accused last year.

The Court heard that Lt Basson had tackled Mr James Masupeng, 26, during a chase when the accused was about to throw a handgrenade.

The policeman, who was armed with a pistol and shotgun, said his tackle had knocked the grenade from Mr Masupeng's hand. It had not detonated and after a fierce struggle he had arrested the man.

The trial continues today.

Call to bring killer of lawyer to trial

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The murderers of Mrs Victoria Mxenge, the civil rights lawyer who was killed by unknown assailants at her home near Durban earlier this year, should be "brought to book with the least possible delay", the attorneys' journal, De Rebus, said in an editorial.

"At the time of writing, as far as we are aware, no one has been arrested and we must assume that vigorous efforts are being made by the police to trace and charge the offender or offenders."

The editorial said the Mxenge family, whose family home is near King William's Town, had suffered a double tragedy, each arising in similar circumstances. "Those responsible for the violent death of her husband (Mr Griffiths Mxenge), also a practising attorney, some years ago have still not been charged and we do not know how far the police investigations have proceeded; indeed even whether or not they are still proceeding.

"It is of the utmost importance in that case too the police should not relax their efforts.

"The maintenance in our country of civilised standards and a contented and orderly society demand no less."

The right to legal representation was an important principle of the rule of law. "From this flows the further important principle that lawyers are required to represent their clients without fear or favour.

"Whether the cause is popular or not is immaterial. There is no doubt that there are times when the lawyer who upholds this principle is called upon to show great courage."

The "brutal" death of Mrs Mxenge, who happened at the time of her death to be representing people facing charges of treason, gave cause for serious concern.

Attacks on PFP: Police assurances

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By BARRY STREEK
Political Staff

THE police had made little progress in their investigations into the arson and teargas attacks on Progressive Federal Party public representatives, the party's acting leader, Dr Alex Boraine, said yesterday.

He had, however, been told by the divisional commissioner of police in the Western Cape, Brigadier Chris Swart, that special teams of investigators had been appointed and additional patrols had been instructed to keep homes of the people concerned "under special observation".

Dr Boraine said the police had determined that several of the tearsmoke canisters had been issued to commercial undertakings while "one of the canisters was normal issue to the security forces".

"It had not been possible so far to trace the precise source of these canisters,'" he said.

Dr Boraine was commenting after a meeting yesterday with Brigadier Swart, Brigadier Hennie Kotze, chief CID officer in the Western Cape, and the two warrant officers in charge of investigations concerning the attacks.

The meeting follows the burning this week of a car belonging to Mrs Di Bishop, MPC for Gardens, and damage done to her husband's car.

Teargas attacks on Bishop home

It also follows teargas attacks on the Bishop home, as well as the homes of Mr Jan van Eck, MPC for [illegible] mont, and Mr Arthur Wienburg, a Cape Town city councillor.

Dr Boraine said Brigadier Swart had "assured me that every attempt was being made to apprehend those responsible for these criminal acts".

He said he was under no illusions about the difficulties confronting the police in trying to anticipate from where the next attack would come and on whom it would be made, but "Brigadier Swart gave me every assurance that the police would be vigilant in affording protection wherever possible and would not rest until the criminals responsible for these acts of violence were apprehended".

● Captain Jan Calitz, police liaison officer for the Western Cape, declined to confirm that Dr Boraine had been given the assurances by Brigadier Swart and asked the Cape Times to supply him with a copy of the article.

"I will take it to the brigadier to see if he wants to comment," he said.

A copy of a South African Press Association report on Dr Boraine's statement was delivered to Captain Calitz.

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Police dismiss theory of right-wing group

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Crime Reporter ARGUS 13/11/85

SUGGESTIONS that a specific right-wing terror group is behind attacks on anti-apartheid groups and politicians have been dismissed by the police.

The police directorate of public relations in Pretoria was asked to comment on the possibility of a right-wing terror group, similar to the Scorpio organisation, being behind incidents after the attack on a car belonging to Black Sash member and PFP MPC, Mrs Di Bishop.

A spokesman said: "The police are not aware of any specific 'right-wing terror group' that might have been responsible for the crimes referred to."

In recent months the homes of Mrs Bishop and two other MPCs, Mr Rupert Hurley and Mr Jan van Eck, as well as the home of a city councillor, Mr Arthur Wienburg, have been teargassed and Corporation Chambers, the building housing the offices of the Clothing Workers' Union, was severely damaged by fire.

Police said they were not aware of any group claiming responsibility for the attacks and that investigations were continuing.

Asked whether police had established where the teargas grenades used in the attacks came from, the spokesman said: "We do not see our way clear to elaborate."

Earlier Brigadier C A Swart, Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Western Cape, told Dr Alex Boraine, MP, acting leader of the PFP, that some of the grenades used in the attacks were of a type issued to commercial undertakings and one was similar to those issued to security forces.

Asked if police would offer the MPCs a guard system or step up police patrols in their areas, the spokesman said: "It is not our policy to comment on such matters for publication purposes."

Brigadier Swart told Dr Boraine yesterday that police had ordered additional surveillance of homes of public figures.

Union offices ransacked

Staff Reporter

THE offices of the Electrical and Allied Workers' Union in Boston House, Strand Street, were broken into and ransacked at the weekend.

It appeared that nothing was taken from the offices, Mr Brian Williams, secretary for the union's Southern Areas, said yesterday.

A number of the union members have been detained under security legislation recently.

Mr Williams said he viewed the break-in in the same light as the recent burning of Corporation House, headquarters of a number of unions.

"It is an attempt to intimidate and silence workers' organizations and I think we will get more of this type of action against trade unions," he said.

A police spokesman confirmed that a case of housebreaking at Boston House was being investigated.

Botswana bomb motive still unknown

The Star's Africa News Service

GABORONE — The man killed when a bomb in the car he had just parked exploded outside the hospital at Mochudi on Saturday was a Motswana with no apparent links to South Africa.

The explosion also killed the young woman who was in the car with him, and two boys, aged six and three, who were sitting in a car parked alongside.

All the dead were from Botswana's Gaborone district, north of Gaborone.

Botswana police have not yet disclosed the name of the owner of the car, nor speculated about possible motives for the bombing.

Almost all the reports of the incident in Botswana have linked the bombing to previous actions [illegible] in Botswana, including the SADF raid in which 12 people [illegible] a

June 14.

Police spokesman have said the bomb involved must have consisted of at least 10 kg of explosive, and that it had apparently been connected to the car's braking system.

A boy of about eight years old, Mompati Mabela, who was sitting in the car with the two dead children, escaped death narrowly when the force of the explosion blew him out of the car. He was severely injured.

The bombing has shaken the Batswana people, most of whom believe it was a misplaced act of terrorism in which innocent people paid with their lives.

It has added to the sense of unease in Botswana as people speculate that at least 30 people would have been killed had the driver travelled to a busy shopping mall instead of to the hospital.

Botswana President Dr Quett Masire says he views the incident with "revulsion and indignation".

Muslim Assembly office fire-bombed

Staff Reporter

AN office of the Muslim Assembly, Cape, in Newfields, Athlone, was petrol-bombed early today.

The Cape Town fire brigade was called to the administrative centre and hall of the Islamic socio-cultural and religious organisation in Lodewyk Road at 12.34am.

Firemen said neighbours put out the blaze with a garden hose before their arrival.

A fire brigade spokesman said the fire was believed to have been caused by arsonists. The office and its contents were damaged.

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Mr Shabier Seria, secretary-general of the assembly, confirmed that an office had been damaged and said a telephone cable had been burnt, leaving the centre without telephone communication today.

He said the matter had been reported to the police but declined to comment further.

● A van belonging to a city firm was set alight in an arson attack in Oleander Street, Bonteheuwel, early today. A spokesman of the Cape Town fire brigade said the fire was put out before they arrived but the cab was severely damaged.

● The fire brigade also put out a fire in a car set alight in Military Road near the top of Schotsche Kloof early today. Firemen said the car was owned by a Bellville resident and had been reported stolen.

Arsonists strike on Cape Flats

Staff Reporter

ARSONISTS struck at the Bishop Lavis shopping centre and at Philippi's Muslim Assembly Centre early yesterday, causing damage estimated at more than R250 000.

And two motorists narrowly escaped injury when youths hurled petrol bombs in Oleander Street, Bonteheuwel, and in Zone 22, Langa. Both vehicles were gutted.

Shortly before 5am, a fire raged through three shops at the Bishop Lavis shopping centre, causing damage estimated at R250 000.

Shop-owners said two burglars had caused the fire before escaping with shoes and cash. A cash register and a quantity of new shoes were later found in Lavis Street opposite the centre. Police have opened arson and housebreaking dockets.

A shoe shop was totally gutted and a hair salon, grocery shop and the Bishop Lavis post office were extensively damaged.

One trader said both burglars had been arrested while trying to sell the stolen shoes nearby. Police said however that no arrests had been made by late yesterday.

"It's possible that people were picked up for questioning," a police spokesman said.

Garden hoses and buckets

Residents in Lodewyk Road, Newfields, saw smoke pouring from a window of the Muslim Assembly Centre about 12.30am and rushed to the rescue with garden hoses and buckets. They quelled the blaze in one office before the fire brigade arrived, saving the building, witnesses said, from being engulfed by the flames.

Police said that damage was estimated at R4 800. An arson docket had been opened.

Dr Hoosain Kotwal, chairman of the Cape region of the assembly, said his staff had recently received several anonymous threats of firebombing.

● Sapa reports from Johannesburg that the Lenasia home of Dr Mohamed Momoniat, 58, prominent in several community and medical organizations, was petrol-bombed early yesterday.

Dr Momoniat's son, Iqbal, said he heard something strike the front of the house about 1am. He went to investigate and found a petrol bomb, which had obviously been thrown at the house, blazing in a flower bed. He put out the flames and called the police.

Dr Momoniat was detained from October 24 to 28. His other son, Mr Ismail Momoniat, 29, secretary of the Transvaal Indian Congress, has been in detention since July 21.

10 believed dead as cops open fire

MORE than 10 people are believed to have died, scores have been injured and many have disappeared after police opened fire in Mamelodi, Pretoria, yesterday.

A crowd had earlier tried to march to the local administration offices to protest against funeral restrictions and the police presence in the township.

SOWETAN

A special interim unrest report said a woman died yesterday when police opened fire at 10am in Mamelodi after a mob attacked and stoned an SAP vehicle in the township, the Police Directorate of Public Relations said, reports Sapa.

Police apparently reacted when abuse was hurled at them and the local mayor, Mr Zikhali Ndlazi, who tried to address the crowd from the top of a police Casspir.

Wounds

A Mamelodi Parents Association (MPA) spokesman and the Mamelodi Action Committee said they had reliable information that "more than 10 people were shot dead by the police and scores of people, mostly youths, have disappeared".

The spokesman yesterday said more than 100 people were treated for bullet wounds at the local day hospital and discharged.

"Those injured told us they saw more than 10 bodies at the hospital that were brought in police vans," he said.

The dead included a 13-year-old boy, a young woman in Section B whose brain was blown out and an elderly woman who had a deep gash in the chest after being shot near Section A.

Others who died included a Mrs Msiza and Mrs Tefo of Mamelodi West, Mrs Mirriam Mmile of Section B and

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Ms Thoko Malatsi of Section D.

Thousands of residents stayed away from work and marched through the streets to the local town council offices yesterday morning. They demanded the immediate withdrawal of the army and police from the townships, the lifting of burial restrictions, high rents and resignation of town councillors.

Police allegedly reacted when the mob hurled abuse at the local mayor Mr Zikhali Ndlazi and the police.

Mr Ndlazi had stood on a police Casspir to address the placard-carrying protesters.

Tearsmoke canisters were than fired on the mob and scores were injured — some seriously — during a stampede.

Mr Rowan Haarhoff, chairman of the Progressive Federal Party (PFP) in Pretoria, in a statement issued yesterday said they had arranged a meeting this morning to take statements from eye-witnesses to the events.

"We are extremely perturbed at reports of widespread violence and deaths in Mamelodi.

Taxis

"Initial reports reaching us indicate that live ammunition was used by the police and both young and elderly people were killed," Mr Haarhoff said.

Police and the army manned roadblocks at the main entrance.

Day of agony in Mamelodi

By late yesterday several taxis were operating to and from the city and a few workers trickled into the city by train.

The police statement said acts of intimidation by youths started at 4am yesterday when "small groups of blacks ordered passengers from buses and threatened drivers with violence."

Police said they used tearsmoke three times.

The woman died when police opened fire after a group surrounded a South African Police vehicle at 10am, attacking and stoning it, the statement said.

A total of 20 people were arrested, police said.

Wit Kommando terrorist quietly freed

JOHANNESBURG — A member of the Wit Kommando right-wing group who was sentenced in 1981 to a total of 52 years imprisonment for terrorism and sabotage, was quietly released on Saturday from the maximum security prison in Pretoria and deported to Italy.

Massimo Bollo, 42, was found guilty with Fabio Miriello of attacks on two drive-in cinemas, an incident at the Institute of Race Relations and explosions at the Transkeian Consulate and residence of an MPC.

They also accepted responsibility for explosions at the offices of Professor Jan Lombard of the University of Pretoria and Professor Frans Maritz of Unisa.

Mrs Bollo said her husband had been astonished when he heard on Thursday that the rest of his effective 10-year sentence — several of his sentences ran concurrently — did not have to be completed.

Although Bollo had been unhappy about leaving the country — where his wife, 15-year-old son, mother and brother live — he preferred deportation to imprisonment. — Sapa

Right-wing gang member deported

A member of the ultra right-wing Wit Kommando, Massimo Bollo, was deported to Italy on Saturday, following his release from the maximum security prison in Pretoria on Friday.

The Department of Home Affairs today confirmed that Bollo (42), the Wit Kommando member released after serving four years of a 10-year jail sentence for sabotage and terrorism, was deported and flew to Rome on flight SA 262 on Saturday. Bollo holds an Italian passport.

His wife, Deanna, and 15-year-old son live in Johannesburg.

In September 1981 the Pretoria Supreme Court convicted Bollo (42) and Fabio Miriello (49) of terrorism and sabotage after they admitted responsibility for attacks on the Institute of Race Relations and explosions at the Transkei consulate and the home of a MPC.

They were alsocharged with two attacks at drive-ins and explosions at the offices of Professor Jan Lombard, of Pretoria University, and Professor Frans Maritz, of Unisa.

Wit Kommando man's wife will not join him in Italy

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The wife of Massimo Bollo, the Wit Kommando member who was deported to Italy, wants him to find a job and start a "new life" overseas.

His imprisonment and deportation have been a source of "great distress" to Mrs Deanne Bollo and the family.

However they are not joining him in Italy. Mrs Bollo has set up a lucrative business of her own and she and Bollo's 15-year-old son are settled in a luxurious home in the new suburb of Bruma in north-west Johannesburg.

The Department of Home Affairs confirmed that Bollo (42) was released on Friday after serving four years of a 10-year jail sentence for sabotage and was deported to Italy on Saturday.

Mrs Bollo's has mixed feelings about her husband's release. The family is happy about his unexpected reprieve, but upset because they had been torn apart by his deportation.

She told *The Star* that she wished for Bollo to be able to start a new life out of the glare of publicity.

They will visit him regularly, but have no intention of following him to Europe.

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Vigilantes 'hunted and murdered youth'

By Jo-Anne Collinge

A young activist in the Vryburg township of Huhudi died on Monday after he was hunted down and beaten by vigilantes and then shot at point-blank range, eyewitnesses said.

Three other residents are said to be in hospital while several more are nursing minor injuries inflicted in clashes with vigilantes some 24 hours before the killing of Sylvester "Mr Ref" Gasebue (17).

Two community councillors are implicated in the vigilante violence, according to numerous statements made to lawyers yesterday by victims and witnesses.

The vigilantes are said to number about 18, comprising the councillors and some of their family members, unemployed locals and about 10 outsiders.

Mr John Dikole, chairman of the community council, could not be reached for comment about these allegations. Mr Dikole himself is not implicated.

Community leaders said Huhudi was fast sinking into lawlessness and they feared they would not be able to control youths who wanted to retaliate.

A witness to the killing — a middle-aged man living near the house where it occurred — said he saw a bakkie arrive carrying about half a dozen men and boys armed with guns, spears and assegaais.

They were obviously searching for somebody and used their weapons to threaten the tenant of the house where Mr Ref had hidden. She revealed his presence and the vigilantes dragged Mr Ref out of the house, the witness said.

They beat him with spears and assegaais, then fired two shots into him at point-blank range, the witness said. His body was taken away in the bakkie.

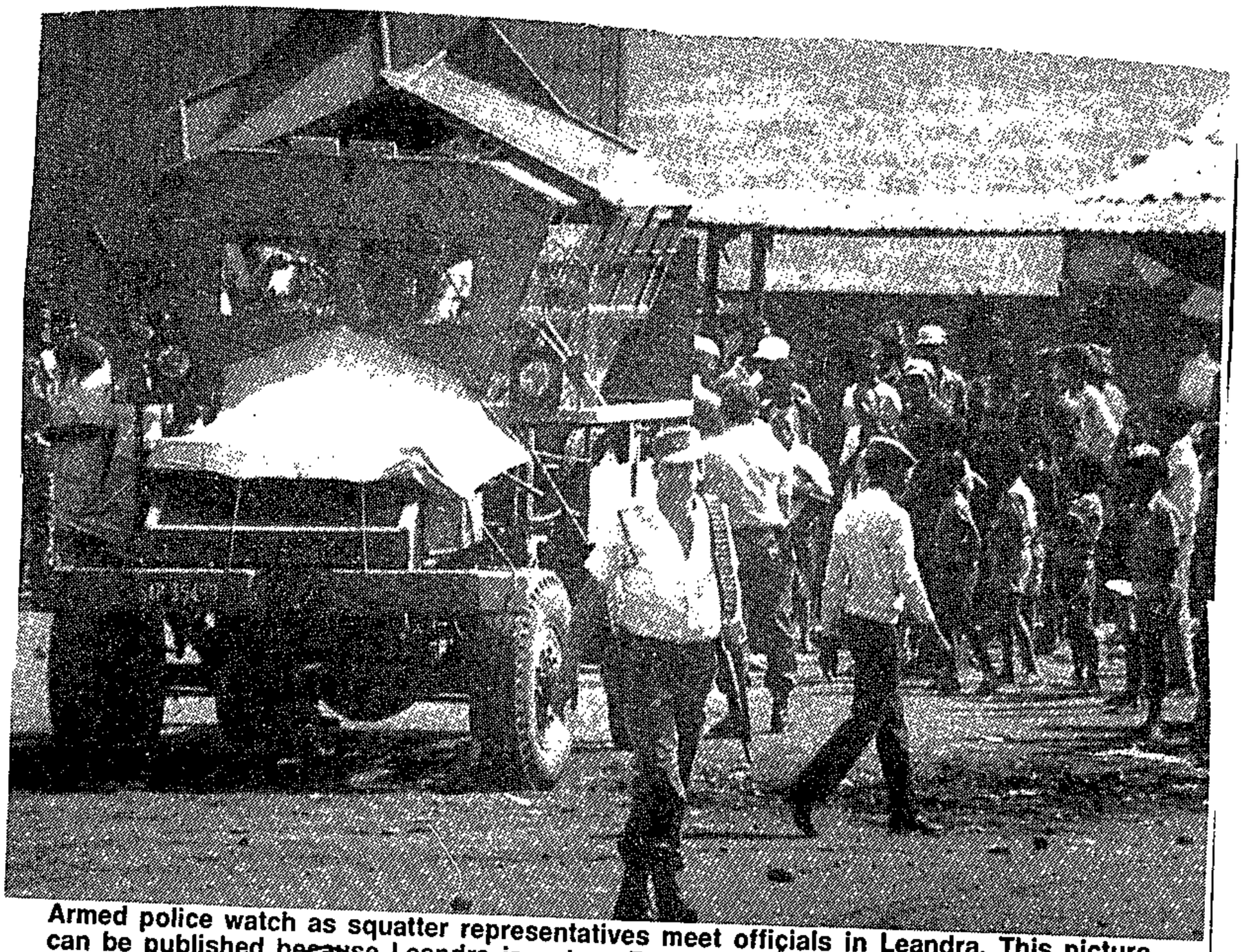
Mrs Bertha Gasebue, mother of the dead boy, was still trying yesterday to locate the body.

Police have been unable to confirm the death.

A young clothing factory worker, Miss Marcia Rampudu, told lawyers she had been attacked while leaving a meeting on Sunday evening. She said she had been taken to a community councillor's home where she was beaten and trampled as she lay on the ground. She was then rolled in a blanket and dumped in the veld.

Another young girl, Charity Peloeng (16), said she was returning home from the meeting when stones started flying at the crowd from inside a councillor's shop.

She said she had hidden in a nearby home but had been dragged out by vigilantes and was assaulted with sticks and stones.



Armed police watch as squatter representatives meet officials in Leandra. This picture can be published because Leandra is not an Emergency area. Picture: Juda Ngwenya, Reuter

Panga men to keep the peace

A COLOURED vigilante force operating in Queenstown has been accused of fuelling racially-tinged violence in the town.

The force is managed by the Labour Party-controlled Management Committee (Mancom), which claims it consists of about 400 men armed with sticks, sickles, pangas and picks.

The vigilantes were formed in response to an upsurge in violence in Queenstown last weekend. Unrest spilled across the borders of Mlungisi and a number of businesses in the white areas were petrol-bombed.

In response to petrol bomb attacks on some coloured houses, a meeting on Sunday resolved to set up the vigilante group.

Winston Jasson, leader of the local Labour Party branch and a senior member of the Mancom, said the vigilantes were purely defensive.

"Their sole purpose is to protect lives and property," he said. Jasson is seen as the vigilante leader, although he would admit to no more than being responsible "with the others on the Mancom" for the control of the troops.

He said there was a minority among the black community who were trying to intimidate coloureds into joining the consumer and school boycotts.

"Our people were assaulted and threatened when the consumer boycott started. When houses were burnt, we decided this far and no further.

"We have shown these people that violence can be countered with violence."

WEEKLY MAIL REPORTER, East London

However, a coloured minister in New Rest said the vigilantes were motivated by revenge and the conflict was being artificially fuelled.

"At the meeting on Sunday, there was virtually a declaration of war on the black community," he said.

Residents of Mlungisi see the vigilantes as waging undeclared war on them. Residents said petrol bombs had been thrown at houses near the boundary with New Rest and the other coloured areas which are seperated by only a road from Mlungisi.

Blacks who strayed into the coloured areas were assaulted, they said, making it impossible to move through New Rest.

Jasson rejected the charges categorically, but conceded there might be individuals who were motivated by revenge.

Asked whether there had been any excesses, he said: "We put a stop to them".

The vigilantes are not only seen as a threat by black residents but also by UDF supporters in the coloured areas.

The Reverned Murphy Maart said a group of vigilantes had stoned the house of his neighbour, a teacher, and he had also been threatened.

Jassocon conceded that some people wanted to burn houses of UDF suporters, "but we will not permit it".

What is seen as close co-operation between the vigilantes and Security Forces has caused resentment in Mlungisi.

Jasson said there had to be close co-operation with the police. Senior local police and army officers had addressed a meeting of the vigilantes on Tuesday night to urge them to stay within the law.

A police official in Pretoria said police were not aware of the vigilantes, although he did confirm a meeting with coloured residents had been held.

He said police would not prevent anybody protecting themselves, but would act if the law was broken.

Police themselves have acted vigorously in Mlungisi. A residents' meeting held in a Methodist Church Hall on Sunday to discuss the consumer boycott was broken up by the police and at least 14 people have died in clashes that erupted after the incident.

Ciskei turns on vigilantes

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IN A dramatic turnabout, Ciskei authorities have taken action against an alleged group of vigilantes established, apparently, in response to a call by President Lennox Sebe.

The 54 men were arrested last weekend and charged with murder, 27 counts of assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, nine counts of malicious damage to property and a charge of arson.

The accused were allegedly operating in Zwelitsha after Sebe, in a speech in early October, called for the formation of vigilante groups. Police would not enter areas where there were no vigilantes to quell unrest, he said, and "evildoers" would be hunted "like animals".

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Zwelitsha residents accused the men of indiscriminate beatings. Vigilantes were armed with sticks and sjamboks and had imposed their own curfew, residents claimed, beating anyone found outside after dark.

During this week's court appearance, an angry chanting crowd of Zwelitsha residents gathered outside the Magistrate's Court. The gate was locked against them, as the courtroom was already packed to capacity.

The murder charge against the 54 arose out of the death of Zalisile Matyolo. He was allegedly beaten to death, after being accused of being the leader of a group of people burning houses in the township.

Bail for the 54 was opposed by the State, which called the local station commander, Lieutenant Mzuyanda Vuse, to testify that police expected to have to investigate more murders if the accused men were released.

One of the accused, Jacson Nconco, produced a document signed by Lieutenant Vuso which said the men were appointed as watchmen to guard property.

Lieutenant Vuso denied, however, that the men were a peacekeeping force. A decision on bail was postponed.

Family say hit-men murdered activist

THE family of missing political activist Hassan Solomon now believes he has been killed by a rightwing "hit group".

Solomon, 23, has been missing for more than three months.

He worked for the youth forum in Durban, an organisation set up by the Durban church agency Diakonia to coordinate youth activities in the city and to run leadership and training courses.

His family last saw him on the night of August 10. He had left the family flat to wait outside for a car to fetch him at midnight to attend the funeral of murdered civil rights lawyer Victoria Mxenge in Transkei.

He took no spare clothing or money and was not seen at the funeral.

"We feel frantic because it is not his style to disappear without any message. Even if he had gone away somewhere, he would have been in touch with us," his mother, Rookaya Solomon said.

She said the family feared that Solomon would be yet another name on the growing list of politically active people who disappeared without trace.

Bomb scare at PFP meeting

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PORT ELIZABETH. — A bomb scare halted a meeting of the Progressive Federal Party at a hall in Port Elizabeth last night.

The meeting was being addressed by party leader Dr Van Zyl Slabbert. The scare halted the meeting while Dr Slabbert was answering questions.

The packed hall — about 700 people were present — was immediately evacuated and searched by police using dogs. The regional organizer of the PFP, Mr Bobby Stevenson, was informed about 9.15pm by police of an anonymous telephone call received by the Albany fire station.

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Lieutenant Colonel Gerrie van Rooyen, said the police search had revealed no trace of a bomb.

Both Dr Slabbert and the MPC for Walmer, Mrs Molly Blackburn, had already addressed the meeting when the hall was evacuated.

Commenting on the scare afterwards, Dr Slabbert said it had to be taken seriously.

He said "water-tight" security precautions would be taken in future and the public had no need to be afraid of attending PFP meetings.

as simply messing about

Two more die in Vryburg vigilante campaign

28/11/85

By Jo-Anne Collinge

The death toll is mounting in the remote Vryburg township of Huhudi after Monday's murder of a youth leader by vigilantes said to be linked to certain community councillors.

A police unrest report said two more people — an unidentified girl and a man — died in the area during 24 hours of stoning, burning and fighting.

The first death was that of Sylvester "Mr Ref" Gasebue (17). Several witnesses said he was hunted down, beaten and shot by a group of vigilantes who have allegedly been involved in repeated attacks on political activists since Sunday.

A man was seriously injured in an attack which claimed the life of the young girl yesterday. Both were allegedly doused with petrol.

The death of the unidentified man allegedly occurred when police opened fire during a petrol bomb attack.

Police reported that they shot and arrested a youth who had attacked a member of the force with an axe. Certain councillors' homes were stoned.

Sources in the community claim that at least one girl was shot and injured.

On Tuesday night and yesterday morning three homes — two belonging to United Democratic Front leaders and one to a former councillor who resigned his position and became associated with UDF supporters.

A young boy was seriously burnt in an attack on the home of the Huhudi Civic Association chairman and regional UDF president, Mr Hoffman Galeng. The house was burnt down.

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PE man shot dead in house

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Post Reporter

A WALMER TOWNSHIP man was shot dead while he sat talking to a friend in his home last night.

He was Mr Desmond Cotlo, 29, of Damanda Street.

Lieutenant Cecil Vermaak, police duty officer, said Mr Cotlo was talking to Mr Ros Makabani, when a shot was fired through a window.

Two men wearing balaclavas then entered the house and hit Mr Makabani over the head before fleeing.

Lt Vermaak said the dead man was believed to have been a member of the Azanian Peoples' Organisation.

● Two men escaped with about R25 000 after robbing a security officer at a Struandale factory in Port Elizabeth yesterday.

Lt Vermaak said Mr George Peri Richardson, 52, was making up wage packets for Pilkington Shatterprufe's Struandale factory yesterday afternoon when two men, each armed with two revolvers, entered the room.

A tussle ensued and two shots were fired. One narrowly missed Mr Richardson.

He was then struck across the head with a firearm before the men fled with the money.

They jumped into a 1974 cream Granada where two accomplices were waiting, and drove off. The registration plates had been removed from the car.

UDF and Azapo exchange shots

PRETORIA—A black man died of shotgun wounds sustained during unrest in Mamelodi, near Pretoria, and a black woman was injured when members of the United Democratic Front and Azanian People's Organisation exchanged fire in the Eastern Cape, according to a spokesman for the S A P's Public Relations Division in Pretoria

The man was admitted to Kalafong hospital, near Atteridgeville, where he later died of shotgun wounds. Police could not say in which unrest incident he was injured.

The S A P had earlier used shotgun fire to disperse a group of blacks who gathered, apparently after a funeral, in Mamelodi.

Police in Atteridgeville arrested seven black men, four of them under 18.

Two groups, apparently members of the UDF and Azapo, shot at each other near Port Elizabeth, the police spokesman said. A black woman was wounded in the incident and police used tear-gas to disperse the group.

At Nyanga, in the Western Cape, a private vehicle was set alight, and at Guguletu a private home was set alight.

A white man was slightly injured after stones were thrown at his motorcycle near Bishop Lavis.

Police arrested six black men and two black women in Leslie, in the Eastern Transvaal, after a petrol bomb was thrown at a home of an S A P member. Police used tear-gas to disperse the attackers. — (Sapa)



LITTLE Matthew Mäkhanya got a chance to sing his spirited We Are The World.

VIOLENCE



METROBLITZ on stage before the festival was disrupted.

Another death in Mamelodi

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Youths break up music festival at Mofolo Park

HUNDREDS of youths yesterday disrupted the free Shell Road to Fame music festival at Mofolo Park in Soweto.

By THABISO LESHOAI

Thousands of fans who had come to listen to bands and singers were made to flee when stones flew, stage equipment was set alight and a motor vehicle burnt.

According to reports reaching The SOWETAN several tearsmoke canisters were fired by an army patrol which appeared in the middle of the disruption. But this had not yet been confirmed at the time of going to press.

Among the bands performing were Shadii, Thetha, and finalists in the Shell Road to Fame talent contest. The contest has been on for five months and the winners were selected last Thursday.

Yesterday was their first public appearance.

The show was disrupted as it was seen as defiance of the call for a black Christmas. The Consumer Boycott Committee a week ago announced that it would enforce adherence to the call for a black Christmas as from yesterday.

From early last week there were rumours that the show would be disrupted.

Attack

Youths made their attack while the show was in full swing. Bottles and stones were thrown and thousands of fans ran for safety as the youths stormed the stage and burnt equipment.

A Landrover vehicle belonging to the organisers was overturned and burnt.

The announcement by the Consumer Boycott Committee last week placed a ban on all entertainment during the festive season. The ban ends on December 31. Already two weddings have been cancelled by the families involved.

According to the committee there must be no beauty competitions, music festivals, weddings and birthday parties. Residents have been asked not to buy from town and township tradesmen have been asked to lower their prices.

The committee also announced that this ban also included Indian and coloured townships, and would be enforced in these areas as well. The only exception, the committee said, would be traditional feasts, burials and any event that does not involve entertainment.

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Violence feared if Moutse incorporation goes ahead

THERE are growing fears that government plans to incorporate the Moutse district and the township of Ekangala into KwaNdebele could lead to violent confrontation.

Representatives of Moutse in Johannesburg have warned they would resist the incorporation announced by government last week.

KwaNdebele has insisted the 66 000ha district be handed over before it accepts "independence". Government has agreed despite strong objections from Moutse inhabitants.

Transvaal Rural Action Committee (Trac) officials said they feared violent clashes unless the incorporation — due for January 1 — were revoked.

They pointed out that KwaNdebele would double in size if the incorporation of Moutse went ahead, and stood to gain a hospital, which it did not have, and an established educational infrastructure.

PETER WALLINGTON

Ironically, the 120 000 inhabitants of Moutse are mostly North Sotho, not Ndebele. This would mean that one third of KwaNdebele would be of a minority tribe — which is not in line with government policy.

PFP MP for Johannesburg North, Peter Soal, condemned government for "brushing aside" the objections of the local people, and for not allowing them to hold a referendum to gauge what support, if any, there was for the move.

The people of Ekangala, a small township near Bronkhorstspruit, are facing a similar problem. The township is also to be incorporated into KwaNdebele, probably on January 1.

A Trac spokeswoman said the situation in the township was extremely tense.

"KwaNdebele vigalantes have attacked local people, and 2 000 of them have already fled."

The other residents want to move back to the East Rand, where most of them work.

When the residents of Ekangala moved to the area they were not told the area would be incorporated into KwaNdebele. According to the Ekangala Action Committee, fewer than half the people are Ndebeles, and most of them reject the planned incorporation as well.

Constitutional Development and Planning minister Chris Heunis told a delegation from Moutse last month that its land would be incorporated into KwaNdebele in January.

Those who did not want to be incorporated in KwaNdebele would be "resettled" on land ceded to Lebowa.

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Lawyer's home petrol-bombed

23/12/85

THE home of a leading civil rights lawyer, Priscilla Jana, was petrol bombed early yesterday morning.

Jana said she heard a car driving past her house in Lenasia at about 1.45 am.

"I then heard a crash and ran into the lounge and saw a big ball of fire.

"A petrol bomb had been thrown through the glass doors of the patio and the flames had set fire to the Persian carpet and the door. My husband managed to grab the blazing bottle and throw it out and we put out the flames before further damage was caused.

"It was extremely fortunate that we were still up. . . the baby was crying at the time. If we had still been sleeping, the situation could have been extremely serious," she said.

She is looking after Albertina Sisulu Molefe, the 10-month-old baby of UDF National General Secretary Popo Molefe, who is one of the 22 UDF Pretoria treason trialists and who has been refused bail.

It was the third attack on Jana's home. In 1979, shortly after she was served with a banning order, the house was petrol bombed, and last year a brick was thrown through the lounge window.

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Jana home fire-bombed

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The home of leading civil-rights lawyer Mrs Priscilla Jana was petrol-bombed early yesterday morning.

The bomb was thrown through the glass doors of the patio and set a Persian carpet and the door alight. Mrs Jana's husband grabbed the blazing bottle and threw it out and they put out the flames before further damage was caused.

The fire brigade, explosives experts and security police arrived within minutes. Soon after they left Mrs Jana received a threatening phone call from a man who refused to give his name, she said.

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Police probe two Lenasia bombings

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Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The homes of the director of the Muslim World League, Dr Mohammed Momoniat, and his neighbour in Lenasia, civil rights lawyer Mrs Priscilla Jana, were petrol-bombed early on Sunday morning.

A police spokesman said yesterday police were investigating the bombings.

The bomb thrown at the home of Dr Momoniat bounced off the burglar-proofing of a window and landed in the garden. The Momoniats said they were not aware of the incident until they were woken by Mrs Jana about 2am.

Dr Momoniat, a member of the South African Chapter of the World Council on Religion, is the father of Ismail Momoniat, secretary of the Transvaal Indian Congress who has been in detention since the declaration of the state of emergency.

Dr Momoniat was also detained for several days in October this year.

Mrs Jana said the bomb shattered the glass doors of their lounge.

This is the third time Mrs Jana's house has been attacked. Her house was petrol-bombed in 1979 shortly after she was banned, and during the tricameral elections a brick was hurled through her window.

Alarm at spiral of SA violence

CONCERN at the rising level of violence in South Africa was expressed last night after the blast at an Amanzimtoti shopping centre yesterday which left six dead and scores injured.

The State President's Office issued a statement expressing its "sincere sympathy with the relatives of the victims of yesterday's terrorist attack in Amanzimtoti, and also wishes the injured . . . a speedy recovery".

Denouncing the attack as "disgusting and despicable", the PFP national chairman, Mr Colin Eglin, last night said: "The perpetrators of cowardly murder against innocent civilians must be condemned by South Africans who have a grain of decency inside them.

"Acts of murder like this will not solve South Africa's problems. It will make matters worse by taking South Africa yet another step down the road to a future of violence and bloodshed."

The PFP's sentiments were echoed by the president of the Black Sash, Mrs Sheena Duncan, who said she was deeply concerned at the speed with which political conflict in South Africa was approaching a state of civil war, and the KwaZulu Chief Minister, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, who expressed sympathy with those who had suffered from acts of violence in Amanzimtoti, Durban, Messina and Maseru.

Mrs Duncan said that in recent weeks there had been "atrocious and tragic" deaths in Messina, Mamelodi, Moutse, Maseru and now Amanzimtoti.

"There is a real danger that the current reliance by all groups on weapons of war — guns, petrol bombs, limpet mines, landmines, a powerful army, uncontrolled security police powers and violent repression — will lead us into an endless destructive hopelessness in a Beirut-type conflict in which there is no justice, no truth, no peace and no freedom from fear."

She said that unless the government demonstrated an urgent commitment to dismantling apartheid completely, "we can see no hope for peace in this country".

"The responsibility for what happens in the future rests on those who hold power now," she said.

Chief Buthelezi said: "When the Durban explosion took place on Saturday, my wife and two of my children were shopping just opposite the bomb blast. I was also in Durban at the time.

"It, and today's explosion, are shocking even if they are not unexpected at this time.

"I pray for a formula to be be found as soon as possible, around the conference table, to enable all population groups to share power and responsibility in South Africa.

"Whenever I have alerted the population of South Africa about these gruesome plans which the External Mission of the ANC has as a strategy for resolving the country's problems, the media have tried to play me and Inkatha off against the External Mission of the ANC.

"Violence cannot solve South Africa's problems, and if one side escalates violence then the opposite side must be expected also to escalate violence.

"At this rate we will soon be faced with a Beirut-type situation in this country. It is sad that at this time, when we commemorate the message of 'Goodwill towards all men,' there should be people who have their loved ones maimed or brutally killed through these bombings and AK rifles.

"I express my sympathy to those who have been bereaved as a result of these acts of excalating violence in Messina, Maseru, Durban and Amanzimtoti. My sympathies and prayers also go out to those injured," Chief Buthelezi said.

The Conservative Party's Jeppe MP and spokesman on defence, Mr Koos van der Merwe, said his party was "horrified by this act of cowardice". — Sapa and Staff Reporter

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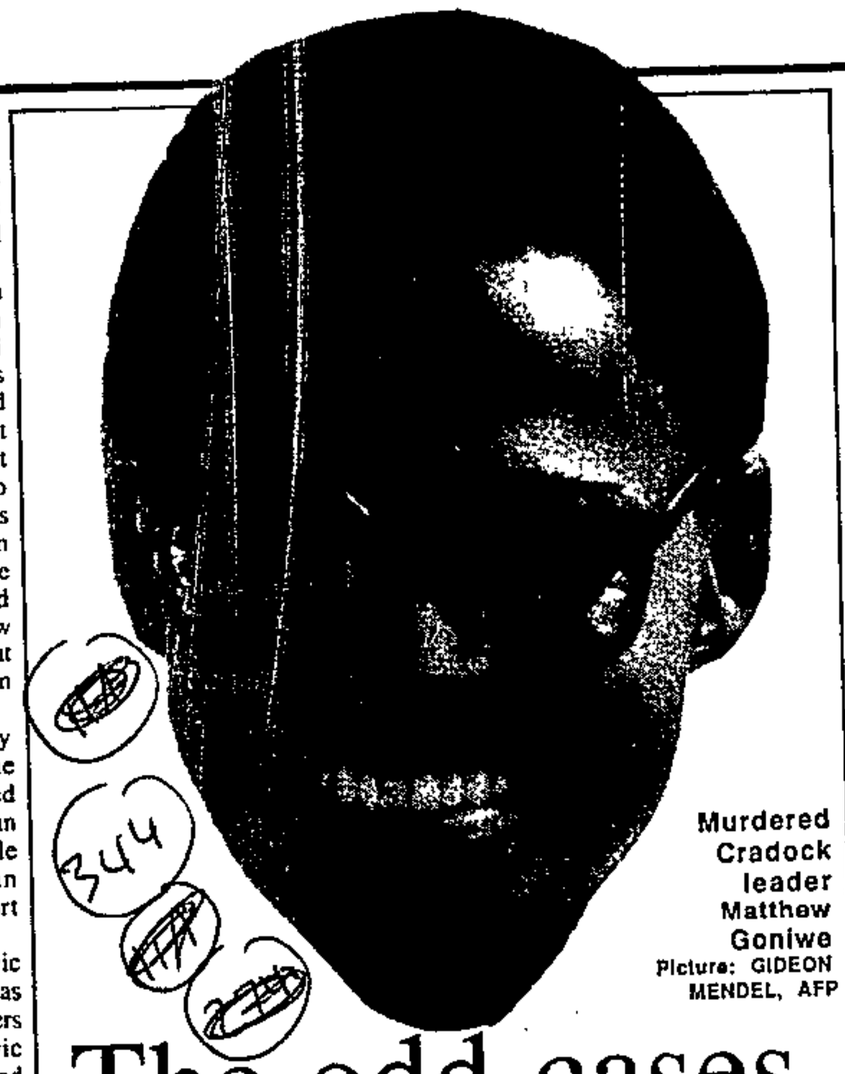

Murdered Cradock leader Matthew Goniwe
Picture: GIDEON MENDEL, AFP

The odd cases of the activists who vanished

Killings and disappearances of black political activists have reached such a scale that there is talk of South American-style death squads, reports JO-ANN BECKER

TO many families and communities throughout South Africa, 1985 will be remembered as the year of political assassinations.

In the past, opponents of the South African government have been murdered or disappeared mysteriously. Durban human rights lawyer Griffiths Mxenge was found with 45 stab wounds and a slit throat in a bicycle stadium in 1981. Port Elizabeth youth leader Siphiwo Mtimkulu, who, doctors found, was poisoned during six months in detention, disappeared without trace shortly after he had instructed attorneys to sue the Minister of Law and Order for damages, alleging that he had been tortured while in detention.

But in this year of probably unprecedented mass resistance, the killings and disappearances occurred on such a scale that observers began talking about South American-style death squads. Activists began travelling in convoy, even on short trips.

I was at the home of Cradock civic leader Matthew Goniwe when he was notified that three executive members of the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation (Pebco) were reported missing.

Qoqawuli Godolozi, Sipho Hashe and Champion Galela, who had organised a successful work stayaway in March, were last seen travelling to the airport to meet a foreign dignitary on May 8.

Goniwe was deeply disturbed by the news of the "Pebco Three" as they came to be known. Could he have guessed that he, and his colleagues Fort Calata, Sicelo Mhlauli and Sparro Mkhonto would be next?

The four, under whose leadership Cradock emerged as a highly unified and mobilised community, had attended a political briefing in Port Elizabeth on the evening of June 27 and insisted on travelling back to Cradock the same night. Their bodies were found some days later, mutilated and charred almost beyond recogition, near Bluewater Bay.

At the funeral for the Cradock four, an obvious choice as a speaker was Victoria Mxenge, Griffiths' widow, who took over his legal practice on his death and vowed to bring his killers to justice. Mxenge told the tens of thousands of mourners at Cradock on July 20 that the murder of the four civic leaders was "a dastardly act of cowardice".

Two weeks later, on August 1, she was gunned down in front of her Durban home.

The next killing took place in broad daylight in the tiny Transkei village of Cala. Batandwa Ndondo, a 23-year-old rural health worker and former student leader, was fetched from his home by four people in a mini bus on the morning of September 24. Less than an hour later he was seen escaping through a window of the vehicle.

Villagers watched in horror as he was chased around a small house at the edge of town and shot repeatedly at point blank range when he stumbled outside the front door.

In Natal, the lines between what the authorities refer to as faction fights, and political killings are less distinct. A number of vigilante groups are believed to operate with the consent, if not support, of the police.

The most recent case involved Chesterville community leader and South African Allied Workers Union branch organiser, Phumisani Zamisa. He was shot dead in the early hours of Sunday, December 1. His colleagues believe gunmen from a group called the A-Team were responsible.

There is still no trace of the Pebco Three. Concerned relatives and political colleagues have followed a series of false trails in their search for the men. Finally, in July this year, two witnesses came forward and testified in sworn statements that they had seen Godolozi, Hashe and Galela in police custody.

But an urgent court application by the families for the police to produce the three men collapsed after strong police rebuttal and the revelation that the main witness was a paid police informer.

Such false evidence has made lawyers cautious about individuals who claimed to have knowlege of the last hours of Goniwe and his colleagues, and then disappeared after making affidavits.

The police have suggested that the disappearance of the Pebco Three and murder of the Cradock men were connected with a violent feud between the black consciousness Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) and the nonracial United Democratic Front (UDF) to which Pebco and Goniwe's Cradock Residents' Association were affiliated. But Azapo has strongly denied any responsibility for the incidents.

The UDF conducted its own investigation and concluded that only those with devices to listen in to telephone conversations could have known Goniwe's planned movements on that fateful night. Shortly before leaving Port Elizabeth, Goniwe phoned his wife, Nyameka, to say he was on his way home and would stop for no-one except a uniformed policeman.

Speculation will end only if the killers are apprehended and brought to court — something police investigations and thousands of rands in rewards have failed to achieve.

This is true, even in the case of Batandwa Ndondo, where the police's initial admission that they were involved in his death was followed by a series of bizarre cover-ups.

Although the four assailants, who identified themselves as policemen to distraught friends of Ndondo, reported to the Cala police station after the shooting, they were allowed to go free and were later seen casually eating lunch in an Umtata restaurant.

Instead, key witnesses such as Ndondo's cousin Lungisile Ntsebeza and friends who had been with Ndondo when his killers arrived, were detained. Dumisa Ntsebeza, an Umtata attorney who tirelessly worked to expose the assailants, was also detained. On their release, the Ntsebezas were banished to remote rural villages.

Subsequently, Transkeian President Kaizer Matanzima appeared to condone Ndondo's murder when he publicly blamed him for the July bomb attack on Umtata's fuel depot.

"Many people are asking why Ndondo was killed," Matanzima said. "He is the one who came from Lesotho and exploded a bomb in Umtata ... must you all be killed because of these people?"

Until a court of law proves differently, there does indeed seem ground for fears that, in the words of a Transkei academic, detention without trial has been replaced by execution without trial.

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Shooting before attacks, says Father Mkhatshwa

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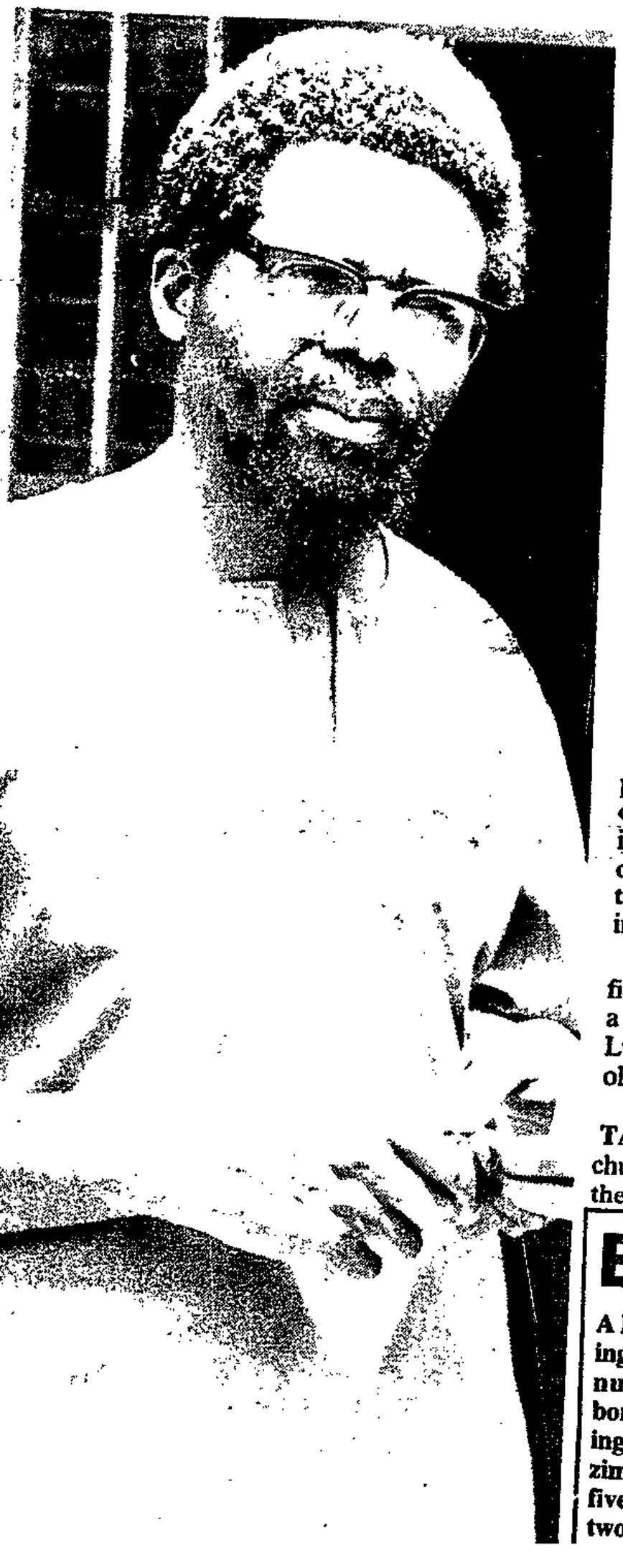

THE Soshunguve church of prominent priest and United Democratic Front patron, Father S'mangaliso Mkhatshwa, was petrol-bombed yesterday.

Also attacked was the home of a member of the Soshanguve Youth Organisation (Sayo), Mr Peter Machidi. Both attacks occurred between midnight and 2 am.

The priest and the Machidis said there was shooting before the bombings.

A spokesman for the public relations division of the SAP said the only incident reported to his office was that of an attack on a private house in Soshanguve.

He would not confirm the petrol bombing at the St Charles Lwanga Roman Catholic Church.

When The SOWETAN arrived at the church a window next to the altar was broken and

By ALINAH DUBE

several pews partly burnt.

At the Machidis, neighbours were still busy removing the burnt furniture and other belongings from the house.

"We find it very strange and revealing that houses of activists are regularly attacked while culprits never get arrested. This will be regarded by residents as provocation," Father Mkhatshwa said.

Sacred

"It is ironical that an attempt should be made on a church, a sacred place, in a country pretending to be Christian.

"And it is also surprising that this should happen in a township so heavily patrolled by the police and the army," said Father Mkhatshwa.



Blast: Doctor held

A DURBAN doctor is being held as police continue investigating into bomb explosions, including last week's Amanzimtoti blast in which five people were killed — two of them children — in connection with the bomb blast at the Sanlam shopping centre last Monday.

At least four others are being held in connec-

Church, homes petrol-bombed

A church and the homes of two activists in Pretoria's Soshanguve township were damaged in three petrol bomb attacks on Sunday night.

The St Charles Llwanga Catholic Church in Zone F, where the secretary-general of the Southern African Catholic Bishops Conference (SACBC), Father Smangaliso Mkhatshwa, is resident priest, was attacked with at least two bombs. Slight damage was caused to five pews when they caught fire.

The home of Mr Peter Manchidi, an employee of the SACBC and a member of a local youth organisation Manchidi, was extensively damaged.

The other youth whose home was also petrol-bombed preferred not to be identified.

Captain H Beck of police headquarters in Pretoria said he had not heard about the church being petrol-bombed.

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Steyn admits fuel hike foul-up

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Sunday Times Reporters

A CONTRITE Mr Danie Steyn, Minister of Mineral and Energy Affairs, conceded yesterday that the Transvaal petrol price hike had been a mess.

And he has pledged a full investigation into the petrol price structure so that next time there is an increase, it can be explained with a clear conscience.

"If I have anything to do with it, this episode will never be repeated."

The promise comes after widespread public anger at the "sneak" 2c a litre petrol hike over the New Year and the subsequent biff and bat between the departments of Transport and Mineral and Energy Affairs.

But inflation-battered motorists could be in for some relief.

Mr Steyn said yesterday the stronger rand of the last few weeks had already changed the picture and if it improved further in the next four to five weeks, the threatened increase in February could be averted or postponed.

Bungling

The price of 93 octane fuel was increased by 6c a litre in November as part of a two-phase increase.

Mr Steyn said that if the rand went up to US$0,42 in the coming weeks, there would definitely be no increase.

But the Government's bungling over the New Year's increase has still caused red faces in the Union Buildings as two Cabinet Ministers publicly blamed each other's departments and the Motor Industries Federation blamed both.

Mr Lourens van den Berg, director of energy provision at the Department of Mineral and Energy Affairs, admitted that numerous senior officials in the Departments of Transport and Mineral and Energy Affairs first heard of the price rise through the media on Thursday.

Denial

Government officials this week were quick to deny a statement attributed to the Minister of Transport, Mr Hendrik Schoeman, that the latest petrol price rise was not the result of an increase in South African Transport Services (SATS) tariffs last November.

A joint statement was issued on Friday by the Departments of Transport and Mineral and Energy Affairs to "clarify" the price hike.

In it the increase in petrol was attributed to the increase in Sats' tariffs, the additional sales tax on that increase and the rounding off of the price at the pump.

Asked why garage owners and the public were not warned in advance of the increase, Mr Steyn told the Sunday Times that the Motor Industries Federation (MIF) was the body that normally sent these notices to their members.

To which MIF executive director Jannie van Huyssteen said: They must not start blaming us."

'Help us stop these vigilantes'

By DERRICK LUTHAYI

LEANDRA, Tumahole and Huhudi activists are to apply to the Supreme Court for an interdict to stop community councillors, cops and vigilantes from "assaulting and harassing" them.

Johannesburg lawyer Richard Spoor said vigilantes were becoming a menace and it seemed the cops and community councillors were collaborating with them.

"We are determined to put an end to this. We know who the vigilantes are and we have numerous affidavits from witnesses and victims of the attacks," said Spoor.

There have been reports of attacks on activists by vigilantes at Lebohang township, Leandra, where an unruly mob assaulted activists and threatened to burn and destroy the homes of Chief Ampie Mayisa and that of Leandra Action Committee chairman Abel Nkabinde.

Nkabinde said his family had been living in fear because of terrorism by the vigilantes since Christmas Day. "When our homes were raided I phoned Leandra's police boss, a Lieutenant De Vries, who promised to send police to protect us, but never did.

"I told him our lives were in danger from people armed with assegais, pangas, hammers, garden forks and all sorts of weapons, and that among them were members of the police force," said Nkabinde.

Spoor confirmed Nkabinde's allegations and said he had also phoned Lt De Vries and explained to him that there was a mob outside the homes of Mayisa and Nkabinde.

"I explained the situation to Lieut De Vries and told him Mr Nkabinde had seen police among the vigilantes. I understand no police arrived to calm the situation," said Spoor.

BLACK AFFAIRS

Vigilantes hit back

A reign of terror has erupted in several black communities throughout the country as gangs of vigilantes — some proudly named the "A-Team" after the American TV series — hit back mainly at government opponents who seemed to be calling the shots in the townships.

Members of the vigilantes are thought to include community councillors and sometimes "illegal residents," who apparently believe they may regularise their position in the townships if they support councillors. Their victims appear to be United Democratic Front (UDF) members or members of the organisation's affiliates.

The vigilantes, armed with guns in some instances, have been most active in the townships of Huhudi and Zolani (Cape), Chesterville, Umlazi, KwaMashu (Durban), Thabong and Tumahole (Free State) and Ekangala (Transvaal) where the victims are mainly opponents of the proposed incorporation of the township into KwaNdebele.

At Thabong in Welkom, the vigilantes reportedly operate from Room 29 of the Phillip Smit Centre which belongs to the Southern Free State Development Board but is controlled by the local township council. And it is in Room 29 where young men like Daniel Mabenyane, Teboho Bokapane (15) and Sello Mofokeng (15) were said to have been flogged with sjamboks before they subsequently died.

The terror campaign, which threatens to break into civil strife, has already claimed several lives and left many people either crippled or wounded and scores of private properties either gutted or damaged. Perhaps the most well-known of the victims of this vigilante terror so far, is trade unionist Ian Zamisa (31), of the SA Allied Workers' Union who was shot dead together with another local resident — Patrick Blose (40) — at Chesterville in Durban last week.

At both Huhudi and Zolani in the Cape, some victims and eye-witnesses have given sworn affidavits to lawyers, the Black Sash, church groups and to the Western Cape PFP unrest monitoring group in an attempt to expose the vigilantes and the police.

A lawyer, acting on behalf of Huhudi Civic Association (Huca), has alerted the Northern Cape Attorney General to incidents in the township. In a memorandum sent to A G on December 3, he writes:

"Many members of Huca have been subjected to a continuous pattern of harassment, intimidation, assaults and threats by members of vigilantes and their henchmen in the township. The situation culminated in a number of particularly vicious and brutal attacks during the week 20 November to 27 November 1985. As a result, people have been killed, houses gutted and many other people assaulted and/or their property damaged."

The lawyer adds: "What is particularly disturbing about this situation, and the reason for my reporting it to your office, is that, although my clients, upon my advice, have reported many of these incidents to the local police, they believe that very little is being done either to defuse the situation or to protect my clients accordingly. Consequently, my clients continue to fear for their safety and indeed for their lives, while these incidents continue unabated."

Huca, a UDF affiliate, was active in resisting removal of the township to Pudimore in Bophuthatswana. In October last year government reprieved the township. ■

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Threatened Wendy Orr to leave home for R

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By Ken Vernon

Port Elizabeth

Dr Wendy Orr, the district surgeon who claimed large-scale assaults on emergency detainees last year, has resigned her post in Port Elizabeth and has accepted a position as medical officer with the Alexandra Health Centre and University Clinic in Johannesburg.

Dr Orr decided to leave Port Elizabeth because she was no longer allowed to visit detainees and had received telephone death threats, her father, the Rev Robert Orr, told *The Star* yesterday.

Mr Orr said his daughter, who was one of 40 applicants for the position, would start work at the health centre in February.

"It has been confirmed she has the post in Alexandra and she is looking forward to working at the centre because of the clinical experience she will gain there," Mr Orr added.

The threats to Dr Orr's life, which have been reported to the police, have forced her to change her address and take an unlisted telephone number.

Dr Orr was *The Star's* Woman of the Year in 1985.

Late last year, Dr Orr and 43 other applicants obtained an interim order from the Port Elizabeth Supreme Court restraining police from assaulting state of emergency detainees.

Dr Orr claimed to have seen the results of assaults during the course of her work for the Department of Health at two Port Elizabeth prisons where the detainees were being held.

Immediately after her allegations, Dr Orr was removed from her work at the prisons, shunned by her co-workers and given work at old age homes and sheltered employment factories.

Unhappy

"I have been very unhappy for some time now and the death threats have just added to my misery," she said.

"I applied for a post at the Alexandra Health Centre and, even if I had not got it, I would definitely have left Port Elizabeth," she said.

Dr Orr said that a group of Cape Town people, whom she declined to name, had paid off her bursary obligations as a token of "admiration and respect" and this had enabled her to make the move.

"I would have preferred to go to Cape Town but Johannesburg has come up with the job offer," she said.

"I just had to get out of the job I was in and out of Port Elizabeth."

Dr Orr said she had submitted her resignation but had not yet had any reaction from the Department of Health.

She confirmed that she planned to travel to the United States in April on a tour organised by the US Information Service to meet leading figures in the medical profession and other fields.

Dr Orr is spending the weekend with her parents.



Is cricket facing a firing squad?

By Alan Robinson

LONDON — Assurances by senior English cricket administrators that the West Indian tour is safe from political sabotage have failed to calm deep fears that international cricket is facing a firing squad.

The 11th hour intervention by the Bangladesh Government to kill off the "B" team tour has heightened concern that the Caribbean countries, under heavy pressure from militant anti-South African organisations and governments, may waver and deny entry to "rebels" Graham Gooch, John Emburey, Peter Willey and Les Taylor.

One man who is deeply worried is Leicester County secretary and TCCB member Mike Turner. He said yesterday: "What Bangladesh has done could inflame passions in the Caribbean.

"It would take only one ambitious politician in the West Indies to step out of line and cricket could be torn apart."

Some Press reports here say a climactic split along racial lines could leave the door open to SA to return to test cricket but, in view of Britain's policy on sports contacts with South Africa, that is unlikely.

It could mean two racial camps, with England, Australia and New Zealand in one and India, Pakistan, the West Indies and Sri Lanka in the other.

● England's cricket tour of Zimbabwe will not go ahead next month unless four players in the squad swear they will not have any more sporting contact with South Africa, a senior sports official said yesterday.

"We will not renege on our position: if the four players don't sign declarations against having any more sporting contacts with South Africa — and these declarations have to be accepted by the UN, the Organisation of African Unity and so on — the team will definitely not be cleared," the vice-chairman of the Zimbabwe Sports and Recreational Council, Surman Mehta, said yesterday.

The council will have the final word on whether or not the England "B" team can come or not. — Sapa-Reuter.

Cool Kourie takes a dab

Springbok batsman Alan Kourie plays at and misses tralian fast bowler Rodney Hogg (above) in the test at Newlands and, shortly afterwards, gets an Hogg's fellow paceman Carl Rackemann to be Steve Rixon (below) for eight runs. Springbok team is on the crest of a big performance with an holds a fistful of trump cards as the Boks go into today.



Test on the box today

"Sport 86" on TV1 this afternoon features coverage as follows:

● Cricket: 1.57, 2.42, 3.02, 3.22, 4.01 and 4.56 — the Second National Panasonic Test between South Africa and the Australian X1 being played at Newlands, Cape Town.

● Horseracing: 3.52 — R100 000 Highlands Stud Classic from Milnerton.

● Paddle Skiing from East London: 4.31.

TV2 and TV3 details were not available.

● Starting on Monday, *The Star* will carry a special service for its readers about the television programme "Siyafunda", a 52-episode series which will be broadcast in English twice weekly (with repeats in Afrikaans) at 6.45 pm to teach viewers Zulu.

Because of the huge interest in the series, *The Star* will help all those interested by carrying the vocabulary needed. For further details, read *The Star* on Monday.

Bunter h could end innings f

By Mark

Former Transvaal has always had a long "Bunter" Barlow of

But one of the tween them could well punchline.

Because this week tan and white bull Dyer, disappeared from and has not returned.

"I named the dog Western Province side down to Cape Town their legs after being said Dyer yesterday.

"Then Province went then known and played us (Transvaal) Town. I was playing a ing at and missing Eddie came down the know Dave, your dog you.'"

Dyer said Bunter house in Duncombe Year's day.

Anyone finding Dyer at 646-2335

Death on the beach after 'perm warfare'

By SIBUSISO MNGADI

AT least one bather was killed and several injured when cops fired birdshot after New Year celebrations in Durban turned into a bloody war between bathers.

Five cop vans and twelve other vehicles were damaged.

The dead bather has not yet been identified.

It's also not known how the person died – whether he or she was assaulted by the crowd, or shot by police.

The fracas began when a group of youths started chasing males who had permed hair, around the beach. According to witnesses, the men were attacked with knives and scissors.

A cop van which appeared on the scene was stoned and burnt and a policeman escaped unhurt. Reinforcements arrived and cops fired teargas and birdshot, preventing bathers from spilling into the nearby North Coast road and Indian beach.

Several of the bathers who had permed hair were assaulted, and their hair cut. Many were seriously injured.

Bathers and onlookers surged towards the sea to escape the effects of the teargas.

Bathers on the nearby Indian beach scrambled for safety, fearing a renewed outbreak of last week's violence, in which Indian bathers were attacked by black youths.

The attackers ran towards a nearby highway, where they stoned cars. Witnesses said many innocent bystanders lost their belongings after fleeing for safety.

Durban police public relations officer Lieutenant Bob Sanker said cops fired 80 teargas cannisters and 25 rounds of birdshot.

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PRETORIA — A suspected terrorist was shot dead by a policeman as he tried to remove the safety pin of a handgrenade in Soweto, police said yesterday.

The incident, on Tuesday afternoon, occurred a day after a suspected terrorist was shot dead near East London after throwing a hand-grenade at a police vehicle.

Police said a variety of weaponry was found in the possession of the man shot in Soweto.

Several other people were also arrested in Soweto on Tuesday and police took possession of a large amount of weapons of Russian origin, a statement by the SAP's public relations division said.

Police believe both suspected terrorists shot were members of the African National Congress.

In the Prtetoria suburb of Weavind Park a mini-limpet mine exploded at 3 am yesterday, damaging a transformer at a sub-station.

Police said no-one was injured and the fire was extinguished by the Fire Department.

Meanwhile, police have not yet been able to identify the terrorist suspect shot dead near East London.

The man was shot by police after he threw a handgrenade at them on the old East London-King William's Town road, between Mount Ruth and Fort Jackson.

The Border police liaison officer, Lieut Dot van der Vyver, said information on the weaponry found in the car in which the man had been travelling would not be released.

The only information given on the weapons was that it was a large cache.

Lieut Van der Vyver said this was on order from the SA Police headquarters in Pretoria.

— Sapa-DDR.

Boy shot dead as unrest hits Khutsong

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By HERMAN LETSIE

A 13-year-old Khutsong boy was shot dead as unrest erupted in the Western Transvaal township when schools reopened on Wednesday.

In another incident a man was shot dead by cops when crowds stoned the Khutsong Development Board offices this week.

A large group of youths stoned a white trader's delivery vehicle in Khutsong on Wednesday morning. The trader is alleged to have fired at them and fled to a nearby house. Cops arrived and took him to the local police station.

When the cops returned for the man's truck they found it set alight and 13-year-old Jerry Malatji shot dead. Malatji was a Standard Three pupil at Kamohelo Combined Primary School.

A police spokesman confirmed both incidents. He said a mob stoned the development board offices and the police dispersed them with pistol fire, killing a man. He said six men had been arrested.

'Cops stood by as we were tortured'

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By MUDINI MAIVHA and SELLO SERIPE

MOUTSE villagers – invaded by vigilantes from KwaNdebele on New Year's Day – have given gruesome accounts of killings and torture during the invasion.

Startling claims of collaboration between cops and vigilantes were this week made in affidavits being compiled by the Transvaal Rural Action Committee.

Residents claim they were not only subjected to brutality by the vigilantes, but many were victims of police shootings during December.

Some of the affidavits allege cops raided residents at night, forcing people – including couples – from their beds.

Many were assaulted, and youths were chased into the veld, where they were later given food by girls from the village, say the affidavits.

"The police also entered an initiation ceremony for girls, and disrupted it.

"On December 31 they chased a man from Keerom. They shot him.

"I tried to pick him up, but he was dead – so I left him and ran away," said one resident.

Some give accounts of villagers being locked in a van and teargassed.

Villagers say the vigilantes attacked them with assegais, kieries, pangas, axes and iron bars.

In his affidavit, one man said vigilantes broke down his door and destroyed his furniture and all his possessions.

When he reached his house he found everything had been smashed and R400 had been taken.

"I did not report this to the police because when I saw the vigilantes attacking the houses, the police were also there firing teargas into the area," he said.

Villagers were taken to a big truck at Corner Stop Garage by vigilantes and driven to Siyabiswa Hall.

Water was thrown into the hall, and soap used to make it slippery.

They were stripped naked, and beaten in groups of five.

A 45-year-old man from Moutse's Vaalkraal Village said he ran into his house when he was attacked with kieries. His assailants broke the door.

He jumped through the window, but the group later caught him.

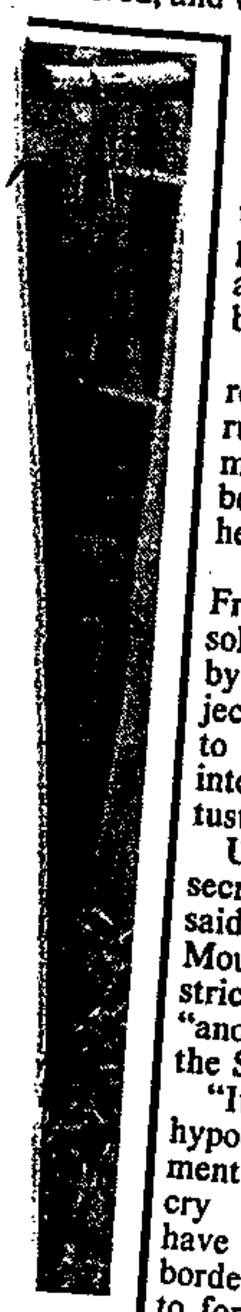
"At Siyabuswa Hall we were forced to sing Mbogodo KwaNdebele Siyabuswa throughout the night, and continually beaten," he said.

Several said they saw KwaNdebele cabinet ministers, including Chief Minister Simon Skhosana and Interior Minister Piet Ntuli, at the hall.

The residents were told by Ntuli to "go back home and kill all who were against incorporation into KwaNdebele."

Moutse villagers who were taken to the hall also said they were given petrol bombs to attack other residents.

Residents also claim that while they were being held in Siyabuswa the SADF arrived, and were told of their plight, but simply kept quiet and left.



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A police spokesman in Pretoria said until the allegations were investigated the SAP rejected claims that its members had shot people indiscriminately and forced them out of bed.

"We are not prepared to respond to complaints and rumours made through the media. Complaints should be lodged with the police," he said.

The United Democratic Front this week pledged solidarity with the decision by Moutse residents to reject the Government's plan to incorporate the village into the KwaNdebele bantustan.

UDF acting publicity secretary Murphy Morobe said the incorporation of Moutse into the poverty-stricken bantustan was "another atrocious act by the SA Government".

"It is treasonous and hypocritical for a government to raise such an outcry because landmines have been found on the borders, yet they continue to forcibly remove settled communities," said Morobe.

Cops shoot ANC man in E Cape

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POLICE shot dead a suspected ANC member near East London this week and seized a large quantity of arms of Russian origin, the police said.

A police statement said the incident happened between Mount Ruth and Fort Jackson after two security cops stopped a vehicle with one occupant on the old East London/King Williams Town highway.

The driver threw a grenade at the security cops after getting out of his vehicle, then ran away.

The cops fired shots at him but he fled into dense bush.

The man's body was found later after a search of the area.

A black cop received shrapnel wounds in one shoulder but his condition was not serious, the statement said.

The arms were found in the vehicle in which the man was travelling.

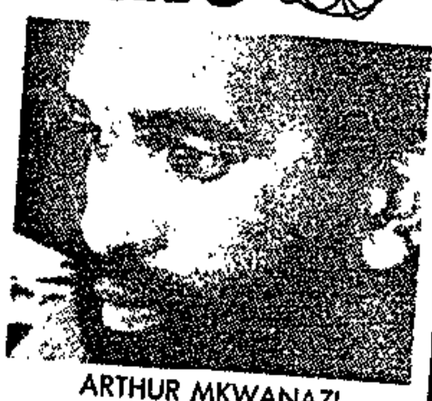
Shots fired at home of former Island inmate

By MONO BADELA

THE family of top Pretoria United Democratioc Front activist and former Robben Island political prisoner, Arthur Mkwanazi, are living in fear of their lives after four bullets were pumped into their Atteridgeville home at the weekend.

Mkwanazi, who serves on the UDF's Transvaal executive and works for the Detainees Parents Support Committee, said he was certain his life was in danger and that the unknown assailants who attacked his home were out to kill him.

Mkwanazi's mother, Mutile Serote (55), said early on Saturday morning she was woken by at least four loud bangs and went to check through a window. She thought the noise was caused by a hailstorm, but the following morning discovered three bullets lying in the house.



ARTHUR MKWANAZI
Assassins' target

Mkwanazi, who was not at home at the time, said when he arrived the next day he discovered another bullet in his mother's room.

Mkwanazi said several black cops recently threatened they would kill him.

Some weeks ago Mkwanazi's friend and UDF coworker, Titus Mafolo, had a miraculous escape after the car he was driving was fired at by black cops. The cops later confiscated the car.

Shots fired at Cachalia home

Cape Times 13/1/86

Political Reporter

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TWO shots were fired at the Fordsburg, Johannesburg, home of former ANC member Mr Yusuf Cachalia yesterday afternoon.

Nobody was at home and no one was injured.

Mr Cachalia, a businessman, and his wife Amina were both actively involved in the Congress movement before it was banned in the 60s.

He assumed that in the wake of the recent ANC activity the shots were politically inspired.



U S Assistant Secretary of State for Africa, Dr Chester Crocker (right), and some o his team, arriving at Jan Smuts Airport yesterday.

UDF man killed before meeting

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the rest of his family to leave. They then removed the body in a van, he said.

According to sources in the area rival groups of black armed youths were still patrolling the township yesterday afternoon and tension was running high.

Meanwhile, U S Embassy officials were keeping tight-lipped about Dr Crocker's whereabouts.

A spokesman for the embassy said Dr Crocker's visit was 'strictly private' and refused to disclose his itinerary. He indicated he would be meeting Government leaders, businessmen and academics.

It was also possible he would see black leaders during his three-day visit.

Cancelled

Dr Crocker flew to Cape Town late last night for meetings with 'senior Government officials', he said.

After learning that his visit to Leandra had been cancelled he toured the black townships near Johannesburg and visited the East Rand township of Duduza, accompanied by U S officials from the Johannesburg Consulate.

He was whisked through Jan Smuts Airport by security officials at 5 30 a m yesterday, having passed through Zaire.

He had spent two days in Luanda where he had talks with Angolan officials. He refused to speak to reporters.

In Angola he met President Eduardo dos Santos and Angolan Interior Minister Alexandre Rodrigues Kito, for talks focusing on South Africa, South West African independence and Unita, according to political sources.

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ABEL NKABINDE: House burnt.

A PROMINENT Eastern Transvaal community leader, Chief Ampie Mayisa (53), was hacked to death and his body set alight at the weekend by men believed to be members of a vigilante group.

Chief Mayisa of Leandra, near Secunda, was attacked by about 300 men believed to be members of a vigilante group which was formed two weeks ago to oppose the Leandra Action Committee.

His body was discovered yesterday after the attack on Saturday night.

By MZIKAYISE EDOM

When I arrived at Chief Mayisa's home, his body had been discovered 15 minutes earlier, next to a rubbish dump, outside the township. It had several stab wounds and was partly burnt.

I saw a gaping wound in his head.

The attack on Chief Mayisa took place on Saturday about 7pm while he was relaxing with his family. His son, Petrus Mayisa, said the men had burnt his house and that of his father.

He also said his father tried to escape but they cornered him and attacked him with pangas, axes and a pick.

"They dragged him to an open veld on the outskirts of the township where they further assaulted him. His body was later apparently set alight by the mob," Mr Mayisa said.

The chief's body was only discovered yesterday about 4pm by members of his family who had been searching for him since Saturday night.

Three cars at Chief Mayisa's home were also burnt.

The mob also set alight the house of Mr Abel Nkabinde, chairman of the Leandra Action Committee. Two cars parked outside were burnt.

No-one was injured during this incident.

Mr Nkabinde and several other members of the committee are now said to be in hiding.

Three weeks ago, Chief Mayisa and Mr Nkabinde narrowly escaped death when a gunman wearing a balaclava fired several shots at them but missed.

At the time of going to press, no funeral arrangements had been made for Chief Mayisa who is survived by two wives, 15 children and five grandchildren.



UDF man is killed before meeting with Dr Crocker

Mercury

Mercury Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—The United States Assistant Secretary of State for Africa, Dr Chester Crocker, toured black townships near here yesterday, hours after a UDF community leader he was due to meet was stabbed to death, by suspected black vigilantes.

Mr Ampie Mayisa's body was found with stab wounds and burns, police said.

Dr Crocker arrived early yesterday for three days of talks with Government leaders, businessmen and academics.

But his planned meeting in Leandra, near Leslie in the Eastern Transvaal, with Mr Mayisa had to be cancelled in mysterious circumstances.

Mr Mayisa, 58, chairman of the Leandra Action Committee, a UDF affiliate, went missing after his home was petrol-bombed on Saturday night.

Elder

Friends and neighbours said they believed he had been kidnapped and murdered by hooded vigilantes. They said his body had been taken away after being stabbed to death.

An unknown village elder was also killed.

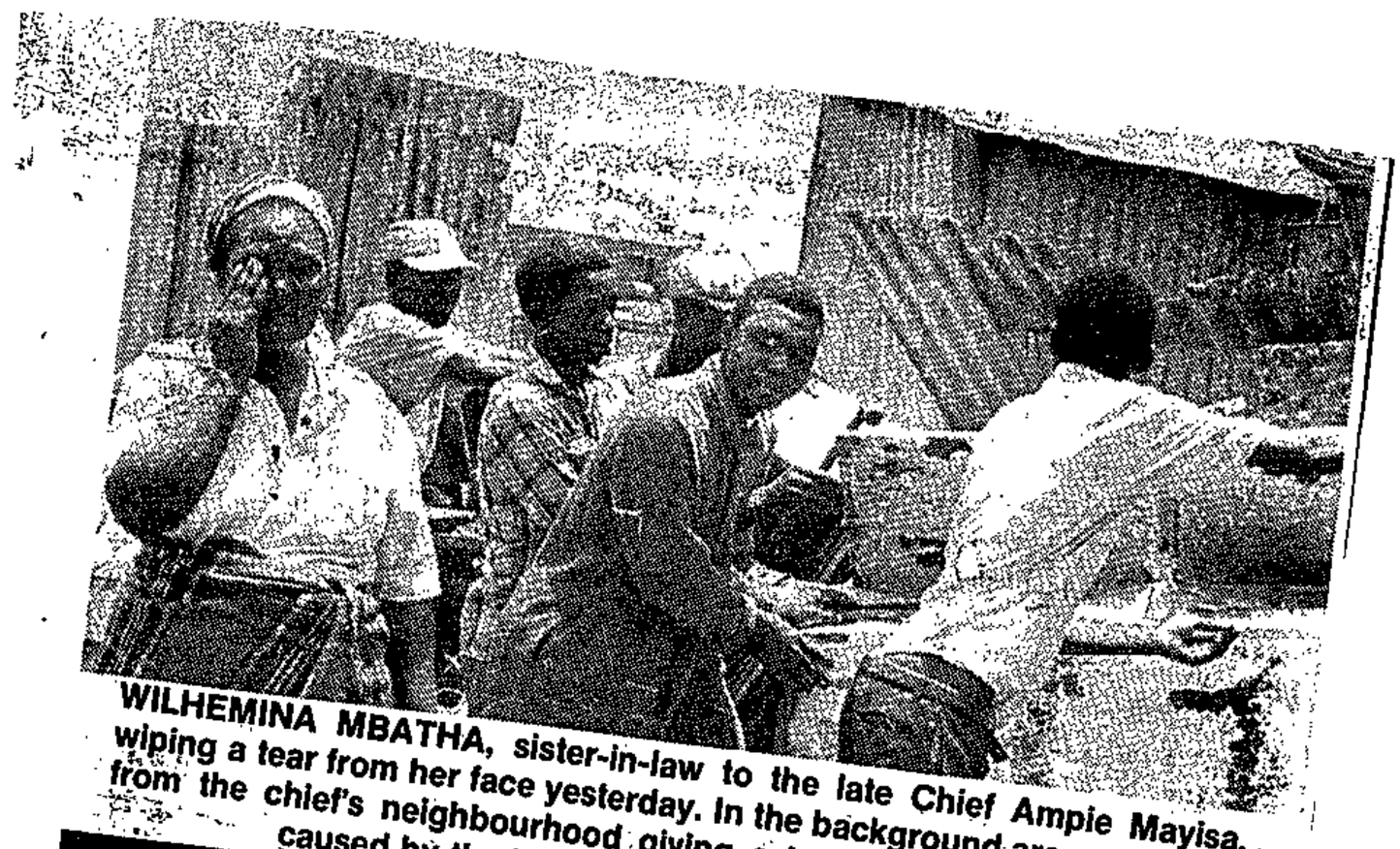
They said that Mr Mayisa, one of the key UDF leaders in the area, had been threatened by vigilante groups on several occasions.

The Anglican Suffragan Bishop of Johannesburg, Bishop Simeon Nkoane, who had assisted in arranging the meeting with Mr Mayisa, alleged that the attackers were members of Inkatha.

Tensions

A spokesman for the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria confirmed Mr Mayisa's death and said about R50 000 damage had been done to his house.

Earlier, his son Joshua told reporters his father had been stabbed in the stomach with a sharp instrument by about 15 attackers who ordered



WILHEMINA MBATHA, sister-in-law to the late Chief Ampie Mayisa, wiping a tear from her face yesterday. In the background are youngsters from the chief's neighbourhood giving a hand to clear up the rubble caused by the burning down of the chief's house.

Leandra homes raided

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Ex-politician's home attacked

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Two shots were fired through the front door of the Fordsburg home of retired political leader Mr Yusuf Cachalia at the weekend.

A member of the family said they had all been out at the time of the shooting which, according to neighbours, occurred at 12.30 pm on Sunday.

The bullets, apparently fired from a .38 calibre automatic weapon, struck the wall and a sitar hanging on it.

Mr Cachalia, who was joint secretary of the Congress Alliance along with Walter Sisulu, is 71. He has not been active in resistance politics for the last 25 years — 20 of which were spent under banning orders.

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Journalist sues Minister after 'vigilante assault'

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By Inga Molzen

A journalist from a Johannesburg weekly newspaper, Mr Anton Harber, claimed R5 000 in a Johannesburg civil court yesterday from the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange.

The claim stems from alleged assaults on Mr Harber, the news editor of *The Weekly Mail*, after vigilantes at a polling station in Lenasia in August 1984 allegedly attacked him in the presence of policemen.

Mr Harber (27), a political reporter on *The Rand Daily Mail* at the time, said nothing prevented the police from seeing what was happening to him and other journalists covering the election to the House of Delegates.

"In fact, the police associated themselves with the assault as far as my colleague, Mr Gary van Staden, a political reporter on *The Star*, was concerned," he said.

Mr Harber is claiming damages for shock, humiliation and pain suffered as a result of the incident. "I feel my professional dignity was harmed."

He told the court he was assaulted again in the parking area after backing away from the scene. Finally, a political candidate came to his assistance.

On the same day, a doctor dressed an open wound on Mr Harber's leg and gave him painkillers for bruises and welts on his back, shoulders, arms and abdomen.

Mr François Joubert, appearing for the Minister of Law and Order, submitted that Mr Harber had to prove that Mr Louis le Grange was liable because of certain alleged omissions of policemen on duty that day.

The court adjourned for an inspection in loco in Lenasia, and the viewing of videos at the Protea Police Station and the TV studios of the American National Broadcasting Company.

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'Cops shot me in back'

By MONO BADELA

A 12-year-old schoolgirl from Bongolethu location near Oudtshoorn has been walking around for five months with a police bullet in the lower part of her back.

This allegation is one of many contained in affidavits taken by civil rights campaigners Molly Blackburn and Brian Bishop hours before they were killed in a car crash near Humansdorp recently.

The affidavits were the last to be taken by the two and, according to Mr Bishop's wife Di, all contain accounts of alleged police brutalities.

Mrs Bishop said she was prepared to hand over the documents to Members of Parliament, civil rights lawyers, churchmen and to newspapers for publication.

Speaking from Cape Town, Mrs Bishop said that among several statements taken, one was made by the 12-year-old schoolgirl who – besides alleging that she had been shot by a policeman – said she was dumped into a police van with seven women arrested for drunkenness.

She has since been charged and sentenced to five years in jail, suspended for a year, for throwing stones.

The schoolgirl claimed she was shot by a policeman after returning from a shop where she had gone to buy bread for her mother. The police, according to the statement, had been chasing the youth in the township.

The young girl spent a month in hospital under police guard. Mrs Bishop said the bullet was still lodged in the schoogirl's body. The doctors said she may be left paralysed if it is removed.

After a month she was taken from the hospital and dumped at a police station, where she was left in a cell for hours with adult women. The girl still insists that she did not throw stones.

According to Mrs Bishop, nearly 250 people – including schoolteachers – had been arrested in a police round-up and all except minors were being held without bail.

They will appear in court on January 21. Their arrest followed acts of arson and murder in the township.

In another affidavit, a 14-year-old youth claimed that he and others had been dumped in a cell, sprayed with teargas and later had water poured on them.

Grenade survivors still in detention

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The survivors of the East Rand grenade and limpet mine blasts, which killed eight young Congress of South African Students members on June 25/26 last year, are still in detention in Johannesburg.

The seven survivors from Tsakane and Duduza were placed under guard as they were admitted to hospital and have been detained in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act for more than six months.

They are: Johannes Veli Mazibuko (17), Joseph Titus Mazibuko (17), John Mlangeni (21), Humphrey Tshabalala (18), Hosea Lengosane (18) and Cedric Dladla (16).

The Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria recently confirmed they were still held in terms of Section 29, the interrogation clause of the Act.

The provision does not allow detainees access to lawyers or visitors and they are usually held in solitary confinement.

Two of the detainees are believed to have lost their right hands and a portion of the forearms. Others are known to have lost several fingers and to have sustained shrapnel wounds.

Detainee support workers have expressed concern about their medical treatment and rehabilitation. Questioned about this, the directorate commented recently: "Some of them were only incarcerated after their discharge from hospital and this only after the doctors treating then were satisfied with their condition. They are regularly visited by doctors."

'Mayisa waited for death'

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Leandra Action Committee chairman Abel Nkabinda and two other refugees: Hiding in fear of their lives.
Pic: EVANS MBOWENI

CHIEF Ampie Mayisa – bludgeoned, stoned and burnt to death on Saturday night – knew he was going to die.

And he knew who was going to kill him.

Mayisa, 53, a father of 15 children and the husband of two wives, met his tragic death at the hands of merciless vigilantes.

His close friend, Leandra Action Committee chairman Abel Nkabinde, has gone into hiding – fearing it could happen to him too.

City Press traced Nkabinde to a hide-out in an East Rand township. He was in the company of many other LAC members, who have also fled the area in fear of their lives.

In an exclusive interview, Nkabinde related the events which led to the death of his

By DERRICK LUTHAYI

friend and colleague.

Mayisa was abducted from his home by the vigilantes.

Before they took him away, they forced him to have a last glimpse at his burning house and took him to the veld – where his badly mutilated body was found the next day.

The Mayisa family has claimed that, when they phoned the police to report that he had been kidnapped, a voice at the other end of the phone replied that police wouldn't look for him but could only come to help them remove the body to the mortuary.

When Mayisa was abducted, another mob of vigilantes singing and chanting war songs, moved towards Nkabinde's home and set it alight

"There was nothing we could do – we were outnumbered by the vigilantes, most of them armed with firearms," he said.

"We watched helplessly as they threw a gas cylinder and petrol bombs into the house.

"My house turned into a ball of fire."

"The vigilantes turned on us. We ran in all directions and slept in the veld.

"Among our attackers were the people whose names I had given to the police."

Since the vigilantes' mission of destruction, Nkabinde and hundreds of youths have gone into hiding with relatives on the Reef and in the homelands.

Four days before his death, Mayisa and Nkabinde told City Press they feared for their lives and knew who were going to kill them.

They claimed police knew about it but did not help them

Mayisa said among the vigilantes were three brothers – one of them a senior member of a Zionist sect. The youths were mainly members of a local football club.

They said they had been living in fear because of terrorism by the vigilantes since Christmas Day.

"When our homes were raided I phoned Leandra's police head, a Lieut De Vries, who promised to send police to protect us – but never did

"I told him our lives were in danger from people armed with all sorts of weapons and that among them were policemen.

"I gave him a list of names of the mob that surrounded our homes," Mayisa said before he died.

Johannesburg lawyer Richard Spoor confirmed the Leandra leaders had told him the vigilantes were becoming a menace.

"We know who the vigilantes are and we have many affidavits.

"I am working against time to file an interdict at the Supreme Court to stop them from assaulting and harassing witnesses," said Spoor.

At the time of his death, Mayisa had held discussions with Eastern Transvaal Divisional Police Commissioner Brigadier J van der Merwe about clashes between residents, cops and community councillors.

The meeting was held after the Anglican Bishop Suffragen of Johannesburg, the Rt Rev Simeon Nkoane, appealed to Law and Order Minister Louis le Grange to intervene in the area.

The meeting discussed the behaviour of cops in the township after attempts to kill Mayisa and Nkabinde.

Nkabinde narrowly escaped death when a gunman fired nine shots at him but missed.

A few hours later a gunman tried to shoot Mayisa, but was disturbed by neighbours.

Other grievances were that cops allegedly assaulted several residents with sjamboks and arrested many others after breaking up a residents' meeting.

In all the incidents the Leandra leaders claimed they had reported the matters to the police and nothing was done.

A Sergeant Ras of the Leandra police station said yesterday no arrests have been made so far in connection with Mr Mayisa's death.

He said he was not in a position to comment about Mr Mayisa's claims about the police before he died nor about Mr Nkabinde's claims.

"The right man ro speak to is Lietenant De Vries, who is away at the moment," he said.

A tribute by the Black Sash says Mayisa was known as a lion amongst men.

"His involvement in the fight against removals was militant and ceaseless. He was not scared to stand up for what he thought was right," the Black Sash said.

"We are sure Mayisa died as he lived – fighting the brutality and oppresion of our society.

"On many occasions he was arrested on what seemed to be trumped-up charges."

Raditsela objection to questions

Own Correspondent

AT THE inquest of trade union leader Andries Raditsela on Friday, counsel for the Raditsela family, Piet Streicher, objected to leading questions put to Warrant Officer John Wiese.

He said P C Oosthuizen, SC, representing the Minister of Law and Order, was too closely associated with the police to be allowed to follow his line of questioning.

Overruling the objection, magistrate T Steenkamp said Wiese was a witness who had not been called by any of the parties.

He granted Streicher's application for an adjournment until today to consider the implications of the ruling.

Steenkamp had earlier dismissed an application by Oosthuizen, who had asked the court to prevent counsel for Transvaal Attorney General A C Human, from leading witnesses because he had consulted with them.

Bishop attack Police denial

Staff Reporter

POLICE have denied that a teargas canister fired into the yard of the late Mr Brian Bishop, former chairman of the Civil Rights League, in October last year was of police or security force issue.

This was said to the Editor of the Cape Times, Mr Anthony Heard, during a visit by a senior officer from the CID yesterday.

The policeman told Mr Heard that tests had comprehensively proved the canister not to be of police issue.

In a report in the Cape Times on October 9, Mr Bishop was quoted as saying that a canister retrieved from his yard after a cloud of teargas drifted into his Oranjezicht home had retained some of its original paint. This paint had been "the colour of the official police issue".

Mr Bishop declined to lay a complaint at the time.

The police officer informed Mr Heard yesterday that he was investigating a possible contravention of Section 27b of the Police Act against the Cape Times.

Under this act the onus is on a newspaper to take "reasonable steps" to establish the truth of reports concerning the police.

It was established yesterday that teargas canisters are commercially available to the private sector in South Africa, providing a permit has been issued by the Minister of Law and Order.

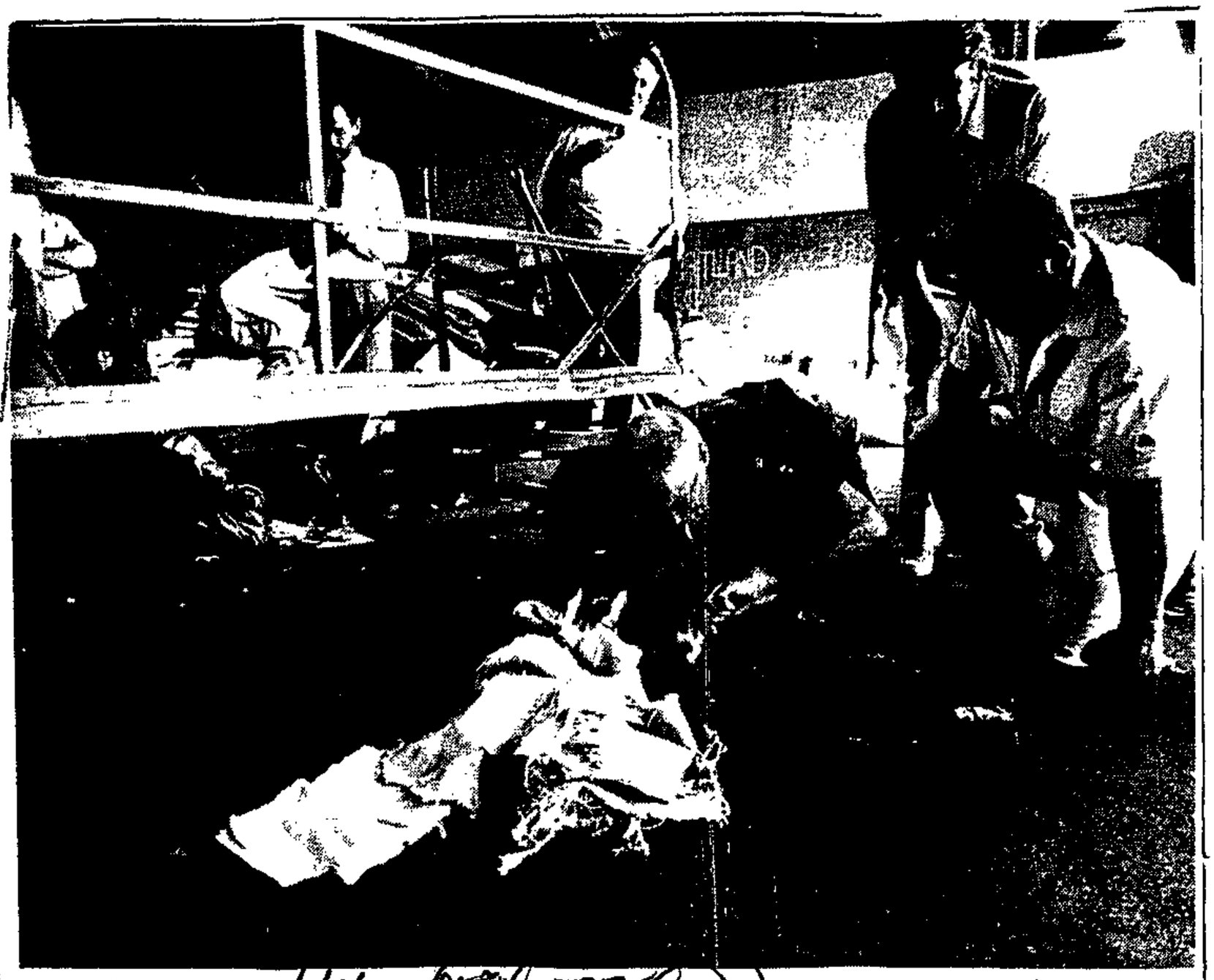
This emerged during an interview with Major Steve van Rooyen, a spokesman for the police public relations division in Pretoria.

Major Van Rooyen said it was "quite possible" that teargas canisters used by the South African Police were commercially available.

"They all look practically the same," Major Van Rooyen said.

Examples of the private sector to whom teargas permits would be issued were mining houses and security firms, he said.

The Teargas Act No 16 of 1964 makes provision for the possession of teargas by "people other than the security forces".



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A railway policeman looks for clues on the mailroom floor of the parcels section at Cape Town station after the blast.

Parcel bomb : Police look for clues

Staff Reporters

RAILWAY police are trying to establish the country of origin of the explosive detonated in the parcels section of Cape Town station.

Post office worker Mr Ashley de Plessis of Lotus River was injured in the foot when the bomb exploded yesterday afternoon but it is believed the injury was not serious.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, may make a statement about the bomb later today.

The bomb — apparently destined for Luanda — exploded shortly after 2pm, possibly when the mailbag containing it was dropped. Experts were mystified why the device, if it was unstable, exploded here and not elsewhere on its trip.

It was first thought the bomb came from Botswana, but an informed source told The Argus late yesterday that it might have been sent from Zimbabwe.

Major General C M du P Robbertze, Deputy Commissioner (Administrative) of the Railway Police, said: "We are still busy with the investigation and I cannot confirm that."

Items in the mail bag included literature from the Bulgarian Communist Party, a new year card from the office of the director-general of Senegalese television and an item from an American telecommunications firm addressed to an official in the Angolan telecommunication network.

There was also a copy of Die Republikein, a SWA/Namibian newspaper, dated November 22 last year, and remnants of what appeared to be a Christian pamphlet printed in Portuguese.

General Robbertze said a mailing list which would have accompanied the consignment would have to be scrutinised.

A ticket collector, Mr Gareth Mars of Mitchell's Plain, said he was about 50m away when the explosion occurred.

"We saw papers fly into the air. There was pandemonium, people shouting and running."

● It is the second bomb to have exploded in the city centre in recent years and comes after numberous parcel-bomb explosions which have killed leading anti-apartheid activists in Southern Africa.

Ruth First, wife of ANC and SA Communist Party leader Joe Slovo died when she opened a letter at the Centre for African Studies at the Eduardo Mondlane University in Maputo in August 1982.

In June 1984, a South African exile, Mrs Jeanette Schoon, and her six-year-old daughter, Katryn, died when a parcel bomb exploded in her office in Lubango, Angola.

27/1/86 Bus Day

Two killed at funeral of slain community leader

TWO people were killed in Leandra, near Secunda, during the funeral of slain community leader Chief Ampie Mayisa on Saturday.

Petrus Magomotsha, 17, an alleged member of the local vigilante group accused of having taken part in the murder of the chief, was stabbed and hacked to death at his Leandra home.

Another youth was allegedly killed by mourners. However, police could not confirm the second death.

At least eight people were injured as mourners and youths attacked each other after the funeral.

Eyewitnesses said there was chaos

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in the township as residents fled from mobs of youths. Large numbers of police moved into the township to try and restore order, they said.

Journalists saw a crowd of 50, chanting "He's a dog, he's a dog, we're going to kill the dog", chase Magomotsha into the back garden of his home, where they hacked him to death with knives and axes.

Meanwhile a meeting between black community leaders and a city administrator in Uitenhage resolved on Saturday to appoint a group for discussions with government on the problems in the townships.

Among the issues discussed were the withdrawal of troops from the townships, the lifting of the state of emergency and the release of detained leaders.

The group plans to hold talks with the Regional Commissioner of Police in the Eastern Cape for permission to hold a report-back meeting to the community this week.

In Breyten, in the Eastern Transvaal, 41 people were arrested — 20 of them are under 18 years of age — after four houses and a vehicle were set alight and destroyed.

Other incidents of arson and looting were reported in Kwazakhele, Veeplaas and Bollo townships in the Cape Province, and in Soweto on the Witwatersrand.

A policeman trying to arrest a stone-thrower in Umlazi, near Durban, was stabbed in the shoulder and the suspect died when he allegedly fell on his own knife as he fled, police said yesterday.

Meanwhile the National Initiative for Reconciliation (NIR) has called on all Christians to observe a national day of prayer and fasting once a month during 1986 "for the healing of our country".

Cape Times not to be prosecuted

Cape Times 30/1/86

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Staff Reporter

THE Attorney-General of the Western Cape has declined to prosecute the Cape Times for a possible contravention of the Police Act following a report on the firing of a teargas canister into the yard of the late human rights campaigner, Mr Brian Bishop, in October last year.

This was confirmed by a senior spokesman for the Attorney-General's office yesterday.

The Section 27b investigation began after the Cape Times quoted Mr Bishop on October 9 as saying that paint on a teargas canister retrieved from his yard after a cloud of teargas drifted into his home was "the colour of the official police issue".

Under Section 27b of the Police Act, the onus is on a newspaper to take "reasonable steps" to establish the truth of reports concerning the police.

The teargas attack came just over a month after a car belonging to Mr Bishop's wife, Mrs Di Bishop, was set alight and its tyres slashed.

On Wednesday last week a senior CID officer visited the Editor of the Cape Times, Mr Anthony Heard, and informed him that a possible Section 27b contravention was being investigated. He said tests had proved the canister was not police issue.

It was later established that teargas canisters are commercially available to the private sector in South Africa, providing a permit has been issued by the Minister of Law and Order.

No arrests have yet been made either in connection with the attacks on the Bishop home or in connection with six other attacks on the homes of community and church leaders opposed to the government during October/November last year.

Captain Jan Calitz, a police liaison officer, said investigations were "continuing".

Matie protest at Transkei redetentions

By LARRY STREEK

THE redetention of five possible witnesses to the murder of a health worker in the Transkei four months ago was sharply criticised yesterday by three Stellenbosch University academics.

"We are deeply concerned at the detention on Tuesday morning of Lungesile Ntsebeza and other key witnesses of police involvement in the murder of his stepbrother, Batwanda Ndondo," said Professor Johan Degenaar, Professor Andre du Toit and Mr Andrew Nash, all of the political philosophy department.

Mr Ntsebeza, a bookshop-owner in Cala, was due to continue his postgraduate studies at Stellenbosch this year.

He, his attorney brother Mr Dumisa Ntsebeza, Mr Victor Ngaleka, Mr Godfrey Silinga and Mr Monde Mvimvi were all detained soon after Mr Ndondo, who worked for the Cape Town-based Health Care Trust, was shot dead in broad daylight in Cala in September.

'Confirm belief'

After their release they were all banished to remote Transkei villages.

They then applied for urgent interdicts in the Umtata Supreme Court to set aside the banishment orders, which were then temporarily suspended by the court.

All five men were redetained by Transkei police this week.

The Stellenbosch academics said in their statement: "Events of the four months since the murder have served consistently to confirm belief that the only reason for their earlier detention, their banishment ... and now their redetention is the official desire to protect the murderers.

"All of us have known Lungesile for years, and have admired the dedication with which he has pursued his studies in philosophy amidst the severest difficulties — in jails and in banishment — in spite of police confiscation of study materials and other kinds of official harassment.

"Before the murder of his stepbrother, he was planning to begin postgraduate studies in political philosophy at the University of Stellenbosch ...

"Repeated representations to President Matanzima have not yet met with the courtesy of a reply. We call for the release of these detainees so that the ordinary procedures of law can now be followed," the academics said.

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Star won't pay Slovo

JOHANNESBURG. — The editor of The Star newspaper has responded to the finding by a British High Court that The Star was guilty of "appalling libel" against African National Congress executive member Mr Joe Slovo and should pay him damages of £25 000 (about R80 000).

The Star does not intend to pay.

Mr Harvey Tyson said yesterday: "Our legal advice was that we should not submit to the jurisdiction of the English courts, and for that reason we did not oppose the proceedings."

Mr Slovo sued The Star over an article printed in July 1984 which linked Mr Slovo to the murder of his wife, Ms Ruth First, by a letter-bomb in Maputo.

The Star article, under the heading "Who killed Ruth First?", repeated allegations that Mr Slovo was a KGB colonel who might have organized the murder.

"We recognized a long time ago that we had erred, and failed to meet our own code of standards, but our difficulty in making a retraction was that we did not wish to repeat the libel," Mr Tyson said.

'Offer'

"Our retraction stated that we wished to withdraw any allegations against any individual, but that what would remain on the record was the accusation that the KGB murdered Ruth First.

"The motives given were that she was a Trotskyist ideologist who disagreed with Marxism."

Mr Tyson said The Star had offered to pay Mr Slovo damages and legal costs and to publish "an agreed apology" in newspapers in Britain, Mozambique, South Africa and Zimbabwe. The offer was rejected.

"In the event, and as our side of the case was not presented in court, we do not intend to pay.

"But we do indeed retract all the allegations published about him and apologize again."

● Mr Slovo is a "listed person" and it is illegal to quote him in South Africa. — Sapa

Vigilante menace

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By Jo-Anne Collinge

How many anti-apartheid leaders will go the way of Matthew Goniwe, Victoria Mxenge and Ampie Mayisa, dying at the hands of sinister death squads and vigilante gangs?

And how many lives will be claimed in reprisal for such assassinations before the vigilante phenomenon is rooted out?

Street conflict between militant youths and security forces and mob vengeance wreaked on community councillors, off-duty policemen and suspected informers are documented daily in official unrest reports.

Far less exposed to the public gaze is the hounding of radical opponents of apartheid by extra-legal law enforcers — a sinister and shadowy process which usually bursts into headlines only when the prey is finally killed.

So it was with the latest victim — Leandra's Chief Ampie Mayisa — who was hunted for weeks before he was finally run to ground and hacked to death a fortnight ago.

His funeral brought almost inevitable reprisal — the killing of a young man who was alleged to be a vigilante. And this signalled the unleashing of a fresh round of vigilante terror.

In its tribute to the murdered chief, the Black Sash referred to these gangs as "a scourge" sweeping the nation.

Here are some of the places — all scenes of political resistance of one kind or another — where the gangs have struck in the last year.

Thabong, Welkom — March to June: The "Phakathis" or "A-Team" held the entire township in a thrall of terror. Hundreds of residents — mostly youths — were attacked on the streets with sticks, sjamboks and guns or loaded into vans and taken off to be flogged.

Although the community council denied involvement, a "charge office" in the council's headquarters — the Phillip Smit Centre — was used for this systematic sjambokking.

One youngster died after being flogged there. Two others were shot dead. In reprisals from the community four vigilantes were killed.

Two community councillors allegedly participated in vigilante action and one has since been charged with murder.

At first residents' complaints to the police proved fruitless. Dockets on the vigilantes were opened and prosecutions began only after a dossier was handed direct to the Attorney-General by lawyers.



Mrs Victoria Mxenge



Mr Abel Nkabinde

Ekangala, Bronkhorstspruit — June to July: Leaders of the Ekangala Action Committee, which has spearheaded the far-flung township's fight against incorporation into kwaNdebele, have been abducted to kwaNdebele where they have been tortured.

Mr Peter Kose, thrice kidnapped, ended up with a broken leg after the last session of beating.

Cradock/Port Elizabeth — July: Four top men in the Cradock Residents' Organisation — Matthew Goniwe, Sparrow Mkhonto, Fort Calata and Sicelo Mhlawuli — were brutally hacked and burnt to death while travelling between Port Elizabeth and Cradock.

Death squad

No arrests have yet been made.

The United Democratic Front, of which Cradora has been a militant affiliate, insisted that a pro-apartheid death squad was to blame.

Three Port Elizabeth civic leaders — Mr Sipho Hashi, Mr Champion Galela and Mr QaQawula Godolozi — had simply disappeared without trace two months earlier.

Durban — July and August: UDF leader and civil rights lawyer Mrs Victoria Mxenge was murdered in daylight outside her house. Her husband, Griffiths, also died at the hands of assassins some years ago.

Again the blame has been laid at the door of a right-wing death squad, although the precise identity of Mrs Mxenge's killers is not known. As in the case of her husband, no arrests have been made.

UDF supporters at a memorial service for Mrs Mxenge were attacked and this signalled a wave of violence in Durban, claiming more than 70 lives in one week. It was alleged that law enforcement in the townships during this period was left largely to Inkatha members.

Huhudi, Vryburg — November: Vigilantes, allegedly linked to certain community councillors, were reported to be responsible for abduction and assault of youths, attacks on the houses of key members of the UDF and the widely supported Huhudi Civic Association.

A youth leader, Mr Ref Gasebue, was shot dead by a vigilante at point-blank range. Police alleged the victim had been involved in stonethrowing but his lawyers dispute this.

As violence spread in reaction to this death, another young man was hacked by vigilantes and later found dead with a bullet in his body.

The chairman of Huca, Mr Hoffman Galeng, had his house burnt to the ground, his brother abducted and badly assaulted, his dogs killed. He had to flee Huhudi and was later detained in Johannesburg.

While several victims of vigilante attacks have been charged with public violence no vigilantes have yet been prosecuted.

Tumahole, Parys — November: Youth activist Lefu Rasego was hunted down and beaten to death by members of the "A-Team" armed with garden implements.

Homes of key Tumahole activists were petrol-bombed.

Leandra (Leslie) — December: The concerted campaign against the Leandra Action Committee — and especially against its chairman Mr Abel Nkabinde and executive member Chief Ampie Mayisa — took off.

Both were threatened by masked gunmen, the chief was allegedly stabbed in the hand by a community councillor and rumours of the so-called "Inkatha" gang's plot to kill the men began to circulate.

Despite LAC meetings with the regional deputy commissioner of police in December violence grew, culminating in the murder of the chief and the gutting of Mr Nkabinde's home.

The Pretoria Supreme Court issued a temporary order restraining 23 identified gang members from attacking certain LAC supporters.

No arrests had been made for the chief's murder by the time of his burial a fortnight after the killing.

At the chief's funeral a 16-year-old youth, Padi Motswagae, was murdered by mourners who alleged he had helped kill the chief. Pitched battles between gun-toting "Inkatha" members and the chief's supporters followed, the latter later fleeing Leandra in large numbers.

Moutse, near Groblersdal — January: As the Moutse area was handed over to kwaNdebele on New Year's Day homeland vigilantes — the Mbokotho — invaded Moutse.

They assaulted residents and took scores of captives, who were allegedly beaten during a 24-hour spell in the community hall in the kwaNdebele capital of Siyabuswa.

As many as 15 kwaNdebele people — said to be invaders — were killed in retaliation. The homeland government disputes this version of events, attested in scores of statements by Moutse residents.

It claims that Ndebeles were assaulted when passing through Moutse and that Moutse captives had been taken to "extract the truth" from them by "traditional" Ndebele means.

Several Moutse residents have laid formal complaints against kwaNdebele Cabinet members, including Chief Minister Mr S S Skosana, as a result of the New Year's Day onslaught.

The above list is far from comprehensive.

The precise roots of these forms of violence against apartheid resisters have eluded lawyers and social analysts. But it is clear that physical conflict is not confined to clashes between men in uniforms and civilians and it does not always flow from Left to Right.

Told to shut shop



Shopkeeper Jack Salter and his coloured wife Imelda ... fighting back

'Mixed race' trader goes to court

By JEREMY McCABE

A WHITE shopkeeper was forced out of business yesterday after a right-wing storm over his mixed-race marriage.

Shopkeeper Jack Salter was told to close his general-dealer business in Kirkwood, Eastern Cape, by the municipality and the police.

The sudden action, which has cost him thousands of rands in end-of-month trade, follows a row over renewal of his trading licence.

Bewildered customers — white as well as black — stood outside the Salter shop waiting for the doors to open yesterday.

But this was not the cheerful Cockney's first run-in with small-town conservatism.

When he shocked the town by marrying his attractive young coloured shop assistant in October 1984, in a Transkei magistrate's court, he soon became a target for intimidation from right-wing elements in the normally tranquil small farming community.

Last August he was detained for two weeks under the emergency regulations, and last November political graffiti was painted all over his shop walls — by whites, he claims.

His detention took him completely by surprise.

Astounded

"I was astounded. Nothing like that had ever happened to me before."

And, ironically, his unexpected detention created a business boom.

"After they detained me my business went from all right to excellent," he said.

The fact that his shop was not boycotted by black shoppers during the consumer boycott last year made him even more unpopular with his opposition and the town's conservatives.

"They think they can make me leave the town because they want me to. Well they're wrong. I'm a stubborn man and I'll fight them."

The latest dispute will end up in court tomorrow when Mr Salter's attorney will apply for an interdict against the municipality for the re-opening of the shop.

And he's confident it will be granted and that he will again emerge as the victor in his fight to lead a peaceful life with his wife and 10-month-old son, Lance.

Mr Salter said he first suspected something was wrong when he went to a local attorney, who is a Commissioner of Oaths, to have his application for the renewal of his trading licence signed.

"He said he would rather not sign it as he knew some sort of action was to be taken.

Offence

"On Friday I sent my cheque to the licensing offices to renew my licence but they wouldn't accept it.

"Then on Friday I was handed a letter from the municipality saying that as I was married to a coloured woman I should be reclassified as a coloured and by trading in a white area I was committing an offence.

"Yesterday morning the police arrived at my shop and asked my wife, Imelda, for the trading licence.

"She did know where it was and they ordered her to close the shop and accompany them to the police station where she was handed a summonse for R300 for trading without a licence," he said.

Bomb blast in Wynberg

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Staff Reporter

A HOMEMADE bomb exploded outside the Wynberg home of Mr Rodney Tyrone Rhoda, treasurer of the Democratic Workers' Party.

Police have not yet established the type of explosive used but said fragments landed on the roof of Mr Rhoda's Mission Street home.

Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, police liaison officer, said the bomb caused no damage.

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16 arrested after Leandra chief's murder - police

A number of arrests have been made in connection with the murder of Leandra community leader Chief Ampie Mayisa.

A police spokesman said 16 men were arrested and appeared in court on January 27 charged with public violence. The case was adjourned to February 26.

The spokesman denied the situation in the township had not improved because the vigilantes who publicly murdered Chief Mayisa were still harassing residents and have not been arrested. He emphasised the men were arrested after the violence and death of Chief Mayisa in Leandra on January 11.

However, Mr Abel Nkabinde of the Leandra Action Committee (LAC) said those arrested were members of his organisation, and not the vigilantes.

Police, when told the vigilantes were still moving freely in the township, said residents "were requested to inform the police about collaborators".

Mr Nkabinde said police have in their records the identity of the vigilantes because about 23 names were listed in the LAC's successful application for a court interdict three weeks ago.

UDF official beaten up

Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG. — The UDF secretary for the Natal Midlands was released on R500 bail here yesterday after having been abducted, beaten up, and then handed over to the police this week.

According to a spokesman at Edendale Hospital, Mr Skumbuzo Ngwenya, 28, was admitted to the hospital on Thursday night with facial lacerations and discharged yesterday.

A UDF spokesman said two men abducted Mr Ngwenya at gunpoint on Thursday and after they had assaulted him, they took the UDF official to a police station and laid a charge of public violence against him.

Mr Ngwenya was not asked to plead when he appeared in a Maritzburg Magistrate's Court.

He will appear in court again on March 7.

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PFP alarmed about new rightwing vigilantes

PETER WALLINGTON

THE Progressive Federal Party has expressed alarm at the launch of a second rightwing vigilante force.

Law and order spokesman Helen Suzman was reacting to a weekend announcement by the Stallard Foundation, a newly-formed "forum for conservative thinkers", that it had begun a nationwide recruitment drive for vigilantes to prevent crime in urban areas.

"The last thing we need, with the racial tension we have at present, is a lot of trigger-happy white individuals shooting everything that moves," Suzman said.

The foundation's proposed system of neighbourhood watches comes soon after the far-rightwing Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) announced the formation of a guard unit in Krugersdorp after a petrol-bomb attack on a white home in the suburb of Dan Pienaarville, which borders on the township of Munsieville.

Clive Derby-Lewis, the Stallard Foundation's founder director and a prominent member of the Conservative Party, told *Business Day* yesterday that the neighbourhood watches had been formed because police had their hands full combating unrest.

He said once the foundation had been established, it would work alongside the AWB units. Asked whether he was concerned at being associated with the AWB, he said he had not found AWB members to be extremists.

Derby-Lewis said while the watches would not check whether black people had passes, they would question people they found loitering in the early hours of the morning.

Asked if vigilante groups would not lead to an increase in violence — such as the incident in Honeydew, Randburg, on the weekend when three white men shot and wounded four black men — Derby-Lewis said the foundation would ensure such incidents did not occur.

He added that the watches would patrol areas voluntarily and would carry firearms if necessary.

A police directorate of public relations spokesman said yesterday the SAP was not, in principle, in favour of vigilantes, but added that anyone "had the right to protect themselves".

Activists' homes damaged in attack

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PRETORIA. — The homes of two Mamelodi activists were extensively damaged by petrol bombs yesterday and four vehicles were set alight after classes were disrupted in the township following Monday's fatal shooting of a high school pupil.

The homes of Mr Veli Mampuru, an executive committee member of Mamelodi Youth Organization (Mayo), and Mr Durban Sekuba were hit by petrol bombs and Mr Sekuba's schoolgoing brother, Victor, received serious burns on both arms and legs.

The unrest started yesterday morning after word of the death of Kleinbooi Mahlangu, 15, a Std 6 pupil at Mamelodi High School, spread.

The youth was allegedly shot dead after the home of a policeman's relative was attacked by youths.

A spokesman for the police directorate in Pretoria confirmed the death of the teenager and said a policeman's house was attacked by a mob.

Meanwhile, in nearby Atteridgeville a 13-year-old pupil was shot dead on Monday.

Daniel Malisela Mothupi, a Std 5 pupil at Mboweni Higher Primary School, was shot in the neck and nose a few minutes after hundreds of students had boycotted classes in protest against the shooting of another pupil on Saturday.

A police spokesman said a policeman fired a rubber bullet to disperse the mob and the boy was later found dead.

● At least eight people were arrested and members of the media escorted out of Mohlakeng, near Randfontein, when the township was virtually under siege after a massive work stay-away yesterday for the funeral of an unrest victim, Mr Allen Mokgothu, 20.

Restrictions were imposed by Randfontein magistrate Mr P Macleod, who ordered there should be no political speeches, banners, placards of freedom songs at the funeral held at 11am yesterday. — Sapa

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Homes of 5 township activists attacked

FIRE-BOMBERS IN WAVE OF TERROR

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THE homes of three political activists were petrol-bombed early yesterday, bringing to five the number of activists' homes attacked in Atteridgeville this week.

• Mr Andries Mapetla of Mareka Street — a former executive member of the local branch of Cosas — said two petrol bombs were thrown into his home at about 2.30am.

His sister, Ms Norea Mapetla, grabbed her nine-day-old child and jumped out of a window immediately after the explosion.

Furniture and curtains were burnt but nobody was injured.

• A student leader's home in Khudu Street was damaged after four petrol bombs were thrown into the house at 2am. Mrs Emily Hlaabye, whose son is a student leader at the local high school, said nobody was injured.

• The home of Mr Clifford Simango of Serote Street — an executive member of the Atteridgeville/Saulsville Residents Organisation — was petrol-bombed at about 3 am.

Mrs Maria Simango, his grandmother said they heard a van pulling out immediately after the explosion. Damage was estimated at R4 000.

Local political organisations yesterday repeated their condemnation of attacks on activists and blamed the system for the bombing.

They also called for the immediate withdrawal of security forces from the townships adding "acts of intimidation shall not stop us from fighting for peace and justice in our country".

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Pedestrians shot: 3 men appear

JOHANNESBURG. — Three men who drove along a 7km trail and allegedly took pot shots at four black pedestrians as well as signposts after they returned from an illegal rabbit and guinea-fowl shoot at the weekend, appeared in the Roodepoort Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Mr Jacobus Dames, 27, and Mr Hendrik Kleingeld, 31, both of Florida Caravan Park, and Mr John Jordan, 30, of Florida were each granted bail of R1 000.

The men's appearance was in connection with four allegations of of attempted murder, charges of poaching, impersonating members of the SA Police, and malicious damage to property as a result of a hunting trip in and around Honeydew last Friday night.

Two of the four men shot are still in a serious condition in the Leratong Hospital.

The trio told the court that they had gone to Honeydew to shoot rabbit and guinea-fowl that night. Mr Dames and Mr Jordan were arrested early on Sunday morning.

They said they had cleaned their firearms before the police found them. This, they said, was customary and not to hide any evidence from the police.

Mr Jordan also said that soon after he arrived home on Saturday he had asked his gardener to clean any bloodstains from his bakkie.

Mr Kleingeld said he did not possess a firearm but had accompanied the men on their hunting trip and had been with them during the subsequent shooting incidents.

The State suggested that bail be fixed at R5 000 each. However, lawyers for the three men said that it should be fixed at between R800 and R1 000 each.

The case was postponed to February 25.

Conditions of bail are that they report daily between 6pm and 8pm to the Florida charge office, do not leave the magisterial districts of Krugersdorp and Roodepoort without the consent of the investigating officer, and do not interfere with any of the State witnesses. — Sapa



Mr Hendrik Kleingeld (left), Mr John Jordan and Mr Jacobus Dames outside Roodepoort Magistrate's Court where they appeared yesterday in connection with the shooting of four black pedestrians.

Three in court over shootings

ROODEPOORT. — Three men who allegedly shot four black pedestrians in Honeydew earlier this month appeared briefly before a Roodepoort magistrate yesterday on four counts of attempted murder.

Mr Jacobus Marthinus Francois Dames, 27, of Florida Caravan Park; Mr John Stephen Jordan, 30, of Olga Street, Florida, and Mr Hendrik Johannes Kleingeld, 31, of Forida Caravan Park, were not asked to plead.

No evidence was led and the hearing was adjourned until March 24. Bail of R1 000 each was extended.

The State alleges that the men shot the pedestrians within a 7km radius of one another — one a mere 500m from the Honeydew police station — after a hunting trip on February 8.

The men have to report daily to Florida police station. — Sapa

UDF man's house shot at



By MONO BADELA

UDF Transvaal treasurer Titus Mofolo (above) believes someone is out to eliminate him – last week at least six bullets were pumped into his Atteridgeville home.

Molofo said the incident happened at 2am last Friday.

"When we switched the lights on, we saw a car pulling away at high speed," he said.

In December last year, Mofolo says, he was chased by black uniformed cops who fired two gunshots at his car.

Last month unknown assailants fired four bullets at the home of another activist, Descom fieldworker Arthur Mkwanazi – a close friend of Mofolo.

Meanwhile, the home of another Atteridgeville activist, Kgaoglo Lekgoro, was petrol-bombed at midnight last Friday. His house was razed to the ground.

Law firm 'bombed'

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THE offices of a popular King William's Town civil rights law firm were extensively damaged after being set alight this week.

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Partner Dumisani Tabata of Smith, Tabata and Van Heerden said security cops had found what seemed to be the remains of a petrol bomb in the office.

Last August the offices were broken into and certain files stolen, said Tabata. Other items were set alight.

No-one was arrested.

The firm, opened in 1984, handles a fair amount of civil cases. In the Grahamstown Supreme Court they have successfully challenged the detention of certain state of emergency detainees and the banning of unrest funerals.

In the Ciskei Supreme Court they recently unsuccesfully challenged the mass eviction of over 3 000 Kuni village families by the Ciskei government.

A police spokesman said two youths allegedly petrolbombed the offices. — Veritas News Agency.

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Attacks criticized

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Community leaders have condemned the attacks on the homes of political activists in Atteridgeville, near Pretoria, during the past two weeks.

Last week, the homes of two more activists were petrol-bombed in the township, bringing to 10 the total number of similar attacks.

Early on Wednesday morning, the homes of two prominent members of the Atteridgeville-Saulsville Residents' Organization (Asro), Mr Arthur Mkhwanazi and Mr Andrew Phala, were petrol-bombed about the same time.

Members of the township's organizations said: "A number of people were arrested for similar attacks on the homes of councillors and policemen.

"But nothing has been done in the cases of other people — particularly those opposed to the government's policies — to find the culprits."

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Ex-detainee stabbed in bed

Staff Reporter

A ROBERTSON man who was involved in establishing an Advice Office in the nearby Nkqebela township was stabbed to death in his bed on Sunday night — allegedly by right-wing township vigilantes,

A Boland police liaison officer, Major Frank Alton, yesterday confirmed the death of Mr Eric Matyali, in his 20s, and that police were investigating.

A Black Sash employee, Mr Phillip van Ryneveld, said Mr Matyali had recently been released from a long period of detention when he had approached the Sash for help in establishing an Advice Office at Robertson with Mr Peter Moho, a former community councillor.

Mr Moho said that about five men, "all known in the township for causing trouble", were involved and — according to residents — the men claimed they "work with the police".

He reported their identities to the police.

Police could not confirm claims that the men who attacked Mr Matyali were vigilantes.

"We've investigated the claims that shots were fired and it would appear that they, too, are unfounded," he said.

An Nkqebela resident claimed that "clashes between the communities" had been taking place

● On Thursday the Black Sash, who have been trying to establish Advice Offices at Ashton, Worcester and Robertson, were awarded an interdict by the Supreme Court restraining "vigilantes" from harassing them in their efforts.

'Vigilante gang' terrorize Kagiso

From SIPHO NGCOBO

JOHANNESBURG. — Residents of Kagiso Township on the West Rand are living in fear of their lives following numerous attacks on them by what they refer to as "a white right-wing vigilante group".

Two young men, both leaders of the Kagiso branch of the Azanian National Youth Unity (Azanyu), are in a critical condition at the Leratong Hospital after they were allegedly shot by the "white vigilantes" who wore face-masks and overalls.

Mr Johannes Lethoba, 21, and Mr Amos Makhanya, 19, Azanyu's organizer and projects co-ordinator respectively, narrowly escaped death last Thursday when the "white vigilantes" pounced on them.

According to the parents of the two victims, their sons were attacked for no apparent reason about 8.30pm in the township's streets.

Witnesses to the shooting said the two were confronted by a number of white men travelling in a van, who shouted: "Weg is julle!" (Run away!) at the two Azanyu members.

"As they ran away, the white men started firing at them with their guns and I saw the two falling. As I was also confused and scared, I ran into one of the nearby houses," said one witness who declined to disclose his name.

According to residents, the "white group" went on the rampage for the whole of last week, attacking with pick-handles and shooting with guns anyone they saw walking in the streets during the evening.

Scores of people were injured as a result and youths are said to be major targets of this group which, when on the offensive, wear overalls and face-masks.

Residents said the "right-wing group" imposed a curfew in the township last week, shooting on sight and ordering everyone to remain indoors.

"These white people want to kill us all. I cannot even send my child to the shop after dusk. Many of us have been beaten up with pick-handles. They want to kill us. They just shoot at us," said one resident.

A spokesman for the Police Public Relations Directorate in Pretoria said they had no knowledge of "a white vigilante group" stalking the township and said it was unlikely that the story was true.

Workers 'threatened by blacks and whites'

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Staff Reporter

COMMUNITY workers belonging to a group in Montagu are being threatened by conservative whites and traditional black leaders, a worker said yesterday.

The Rev Chris Ahrens, an Anglican minister and chairman of the Board of Management of Montagu Ashton Community Service (Macs), said people involved in the "community development organization" were facing many serious threats.

He said Macs was an "object of hatred" as "many whites are not happy with our progressive attitude and vigilante black father-figures do not want what they see as our interference".

"But we are really trying to uplift the underprivileged communities and threats will not stop us."

Members of Macs had been the target of death threats as well as confrontations while working in the community, Mr Ahrens said.

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Home bombed: Mum is killed

A 51-year-old mother was killed and three of her sons injured — one seriously — after unknown people fired shots and threw a hand grenade into their house in Atteridgevill, Pretoria, yesterday.

Mrs Esther Madiphoso Masuku of Mashifane Street and her sons, Oupa, Thabo and Ndumisi — all political activists — were attacked about 1am.

Neighbours interviewed said a car and a white kombi were seen speeding from the scene immediately after the explosion.

The attack brings to 11 the number of activists' houses attacked in the townships in the past three weeks.

Mrs Masuku, a member of the Saulsville/Atteridgeville Women's Organisation (SAWO) and the Atteridgeville/Saulsville Residents Organisation (ASRO) was injured in the head and body when the hand grenade ripped through the dining room window.

Her elder son, Oupa (29), who is a member of the Saulsville/Atteridgeville Youth Organisation and youth organiser of the South African Council of Churches sustained bullet wounds in the chest and stomach, according to a relative.

Both were rushed ro Kalafong Hospital where Mrs Masuku died shortly afterwards.

Thabo said he sustained shrapnel wounds on the body and Ndumisi received leg injuries.

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Mum dies in blast

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The family's eldest son, Clifford, a form 3 student at the D H Peta High School yesterday said white policemen picked him up from his home soon after the explosion.

"They took me to the local police station, made me sit under a table and asked me what I had seen. I said nothing because I was awoken by my brother, Thabo.

"They stopped questioning me but kicked me each time I fell asleep under the table."

A spokesman for the Police Public Relations Division in Pretoria yesterday confirmed that a hand grenade was hurled into the house. He also confirmed Mrs Masuku's death.

Screams

Brigadier H A du Plessis, Divisional Criminal Investigating Officer for the Northern Transvaal yesterday said he was aware of the police assault on Clifford.

He urged Clifford to lay charges against the policeman concerned.

Mr Thabo Masuku, who is also a member of SAYO, said he first heard shots fired outside. He and his mother were awoken by Oupa's screams in the front bedroom.

"Together we rushed for the main switch near the door to put the light on. Then I heard a loud explosion. My mother fell to the ground.

"She had deep wounds in the head and her whole body was covered with blood."

Police arrived at the scene shortly after the explosion and immediately cordonned off the area.

LATEST

BLAST AT MANDELA CAMPAIGN OFFICES

JOHANNESBURG — The offices of the Release Mandela Campaign (RWC) in Jorrison Street here were destroyed by a blast today, causing damage estimated at R200 000.

Mr Aubrey Mokoena, publicity secretary of the RMC, said he had "absolutely no doubt that the damage was caused by a bomb".

"There is absolute chaos here. The extent of this damage could not have been caused by a petrol-bomb. We are very suspicious about who did this to us."

FILES

He believed that several files had been removed from the two offices that house the RMC's South African headquarters.

Mr Mokoena estimated the damage at about R200 000.

"This kind of action will not deter us. We have just touched the surface of our campaign and we will continue until victory is certain," he said.

A police spokesman in Pretoria said they had no details of the blast but were investigating. — Sapa.

SACC official hurt in attack on his home

PRETORIA. — A 28-year-old man from Atteridgeville near Pretoria was seriously wounded and his mother killed yesterday when their home was attacked with firearms and a handgrenade.

Mr "Oupa" Masuku, a youth organizer for the South African Council of Churches and treasurer of the Saulsville/Atteridgeville Youth Organization, was sleeping at his home in Mashifane Street when the attack took place about 1.30am.

Police confirmed the attack and the death of Mrs Esther Masuku, 47.

His younger brother, Simon, 21, said they were woken up by heavy gunshots and "Oupa's" screams from his front bedroom.

He said his mother jumped from her bed and woke up his other brothers before they rushed to switch on the lights.

"My mother had just put on the light when a handgrenade exploded inside the lounge and she fell to the floor. She had a big gash on the head," Simon said.

In Soshanguve, also near Pretoria, thousands of residents stayed home yesterday to pledge solidarity with 95 youths who are charged with the killing of a local policeman two weeks ago.

The township was quiet but tense early yesterday.

Most of the arrested youths are between the ages of nine and 13. They are charged with the "necklace" death of Constable M J Lehutse, 27, of the Soshanguve police.

A speaker at a meeting on Tuesday night said the authorities had ignored their call to release the youths into their parents' custodies on bail. He said the stayaway was a "peaceful means of protest and a way of pledging solidarity with the arrested youths".

Their case comes to court today.

Though most residents stayed home yesterday, nurses were asked to go to work as usual and pupils were urged to attend lessons.

The ripple effects of the Soshanguve stayaway overlapped into the nearby Mabopane township. Workers were stranded for transport as taxis were scarce. Motorists travelling into the city had to avoid using the Soshanguve thoroughfare.

Police were patrolling the township as normal.

● Meanwhile a 77-year-old Durban holidaymaker, Mr Basil Mee, is in a serious condition in Frere Hospital in East London after the car in which he and his wife were travelling was stoned in Duncan Village about 12.37pm on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr Mee was admitted to the intensive-care unit. Mrs Mee was discharged after being treated for a lacerated scalp.

Police said that five men had been arrested and would appear in court.

In further incidents of unrest in Duncan Village on Tuesday, two private homes were extensively damaged by petrol bombs about 11.30pm. No injuries were reported and police said last night there had been no arrests. — Sapa and Own Correspondent

Barricades didn't keep out grenade attackers

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By SEFAKO NYAKA

PRECAUTIONARY measures taken by an Atteridgeville, Pretoria activist against possible petrol bomb attacks proved inadequate when her home was blasted by a hand grenade this week.

Esther Madiphoso Masuku, 51, a member of the Saulsville/ Atteridgeville Women's Organisation (Sawo) and the Atteridgeville/ Saulsville Residents Organisation (Asro) died when a hand grenade exploded in the living room of her Mashifane Street home at about 1,30am on Wednesday.

This was shortly after she was woken by heavy gunshots and her son Oupa's screams from his front bedroom.

Her sons Oupa, Thabo and Ndumiso, political activists, were also injured in the attack.

The Masuku home was a mangled wreck of steel, bricks and mortar.

The lengths of corrugated iron sheeting they used to barricade the front windows every evening before going to bed were twisted and spattered with blood.

The windows themselves were blown out and the door and corrugated iron barricades were penetrated by several bullets.

Oupa, a youth organiser of the South African Council of Churches and treasurer of the Atteridgeville/ Saulsville Youth Organisation (Sayo) is recovering in the Kalafong Hospital from three bullet wounds — two in the right shoulder and one below the left rib cage.

He seemed to have lost the use of his right arm and was able to talk only with great difficulty.

Thabo suffered shrapnel wounds on his body and Ndumiso received leg injuries.

"Oupa says he heard footsteps in the yard followed by heavy gunshots. He jumped out of bed and started screaming.

"We also jumped out of bed and when we rushed into the living room I heard a loud explosion and my mother fell to the ground," Thabo said.

His mother had deep wounds and her whole body was covered in blood.

She was taken to hospital were she was certified dead on arrival.

One of the other sons, Clifford, claims he was picked up from the D H Péta School by white policemen a few hours after the blast.

He was taken to the local police station, made to sit under the table and asked what he had seen.

He said he had seen nothing because he was woken by his brothers.

Neighbours said they saw a car and a white van speeding off from the scene imediately after the explosion.

The attack brings to 11 the number of activists' homes attacked in the Pretoria townships in the past three weeks.

This had resulted in activists barricading their windows at night.

SOWETAN

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Explosion destroys RMC headquarters

AN explosion destroyed the headquarters of the Release Mandela Committee in Braamfontein, Johannesburg, yesterday.

No one was injured in the blast which occurred at 4am. The office above the RMC was partially burnt.

A spokesman for the committee, Mr Aubrey Mokoena, described the explosion as "spectacular destruction".

Damage to the two rooms housing the national offices of the committee was about R200 000, Mr Mokoena said.

By ALI MPHAKI

He claimed the explosion had been caused by a bomb, but a spokesman for the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria, Col Vic Haynes, said as far as police were concerned, the damage could have been caused by a petrol bomb.

Col Haynes added that police were investigating. An arson docket has been opened.

There was drama when two forensic experts from the John Vorster Square arrived on the scene and exchanged heated words with Mr Mokoena over the cause of the blast.

SOWETAN

Arrested

Mr Mokoena was later arrested by East Rand police in connection with allegations of contavening the Prisons Act, reports Sapa.

Leutenant Chris Liebenberg, of the East Rand police, said Mr Mokoena had been taken to John Vorster Square police headquarters. 344

He was arrested shortly after he had given a statement about the fire. 7/3/86

Mrs Priscilla Jana, the attorney acting for Mr Mokoena, confirmed yesterday afternoon he had been arrested in terms of Section 44 of the Prisons Act and would appear in the Benoni Magistrate's Court today.

Mandela offices destroyed

CNA Times 7/3 346

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Police are investigating arson following a mysterious fire which gutted the headquarters of the Release Mandela Committee (RMC) in Jorrisen Street early yesterday.

A police spokesman in Pretoria said the matter was regarded as an ordinary arson case.

He denied an allegation by RMC publicity secretary Mr Aubrey Mokoena that the fire was caused by a bomb and that security police were responsible.

'Absurd'

Three security policemen visited the smoke-blackened premises shortly before midday.

One of them, explosives expert Major Dries Struwig, described Mr Mokoena's bomb allegation as "absurd".

Mr Mokoena claimed that the premises had been burgled.

Three panes of louvre glass had been removed from a window of the Beleidendekring office next door. The burglars had apparently rifled a filing cabinet in this room, and gained entry to the passage leading to the RMC office by removing a vent in a door.

Pamphlets

The RMC office, a second room and the adjoining passage, was a soggy mess of charred files, pamphlets and blistered filing cabinets, which appeared to have been emptied on to the floor and a desk before being set alight.

Heat had caused chunks of plaster to fall from the ceiling, but the furniture was not disturbed as it would have been if an explosion had occurred.

Mr Mokoena linked the incident to Tuesday's limpet mine blast in John Vorster Square, saying it amounted to a warning from the authorities to the RMC to stop its agitation for the release of Mr Nelson Mandela.

"Secondly, they were saying that if our friends attack them they will retaliate in kind against movements like ours," he said.

Mr Mokoena said damage to the two rooms could be as high as R200 000.

Arrest

● Sapa reports that Mr Mokoena was later arrested by East Rand police for allegedly contravening the Prisons Act.

Lieutenant Chris Liebenberg, of the East Rand police, said Mr Mokoena had been taken to John Vorster Square police headquarters during a press conference he was giving at the RMC offices about the fire.

He was arrested by the East Rand police at John Vorster Square shortly after he had given a statement about the fire.

Mrs Priscilla Jana, the attorney acting for Mr Mokoena, confirmed he had been arrested. He will appear in the Benoni Magistrate's Court today.

WEEKLY 7/3/86.

Grenade flung at rents activist

A HANDGRENADE was thrown at the home of Ekangala Action Committee secretary Robert Mdala last week, sending shrapnel into a room where his young daughter was sleeping.

The Action Committee has been active in fighting high rents in the township and opposing incorporation into KwaNdebele.

However, a rival committee with links to the KwaNdebele government and the Mbokotho vigilante group has been set up in the township.

The incident with Mdala happened on Thursday last week.

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Councillor charged after death of boy

By ANDREW DONALDSON

THE Western Cape Development Board has been supplying firearms and weapons-training courses to township community councillors for "protection", a senior board official confirmed last week.

And one community councillor at Nkqubela township, near Robertson, who was supplied with a weapon last year, has been arrested and charged with attempted murder after an incident in which Lawrence Koti, 14, was shot and wounded on November 5, police have confirmed.

The boy died after being shot in a second incident on January 30.

Grievances

Nkqubela residents, angered at the wave of deaths and incidents allegedly at the hands of "vigilantes" in the township, met Ashton Development Board officials and police last week to discuss grievances following the fatal stabbing last Sunday of Mr Eric Matyali, a resident who had been attempting to establish an advice office in the area.

According to Mr Peter Mhobo, a former councillor at the meeting, a board official present had said the councillor's weapon "was to be used in defence when people attacked him and wanted to kill him".

Confirming that the councillor had been armed by the board, a WCDB spokesman, Mr Sampie Steenkamp, said firearms were issued to councillors subject to the WCDB's "official firearms code". The WCDB also supplied sufficient training.

Meanwhile, police in Pretoria have confirmed several deaths in the Boland township, allegedly by "vigilantes", and subsequent arrests.

● Commenting on Koti's death, a spokesman said: "It would appear at this stage that his death was not the result of the gunshot wounds mentioned. The possibility is however being investigated."

Earlier, on November 5, the councillor was arrested after Koti was shot and wounded in the right arm and right side, he said.

An attempted-murder charge was registered and the councillor was charged and released on bail, he said.

● On Saturday evening, March 1, one of several men who had been assaulted by "vigilantes" in an incident outside Mr Matyali's home, was "necklaced".

Arrests

The police spokesman said the body of Mr Norman Muku, 26, was discovered at 1.20 the next morning. Two men had been arrested.

● Last Sunday "vigilantes" allegedly surrounded Mr Matyali's home about 5.30am and fired five shots to ward off people coming to Mr Matyali's assistance. They then entered his home and killed him.

Two men and a woman were arrested in connection with this incident, the police spokesman said.

● Another incident last week, in which a Mr Elliot Khonco, aged 24 or 25, was allegedly shot and wounded in the leg, could not be confirmed by the police.

Order granted against police

C.T. 12/5/86

From THELMA TUCH

JOHANNESBURG. — The Supreme Court in Bophuthatswana has ordered the Garankuwa police to stop detaining and assaulting people — in particular members of the Metal and Allied Workers Union (Mawu) and the Roman Catholic Church.

It also ordered the release of three detainees arrested on Thursday last week and set a return date for a contempt of court order brought against the Minister of Law and Order — President Lucas Mangope — and the Commissioner of Police in Bophuthatswana.

In the main action, allegations of an unbridled campaign of terror by Garankuwa police against schoolchildren, trade union supporters and Catholic Church members were presented to court.

An interim order was granted putting a stop to further Garankuwa police detentions until May 26 when the Minister of Law and Order and top Garankuwa police officials are to state their case. That day the contempt of court case will also be heard.

Senior counsel is asking that President Mangope and the Commissioner of Police be put in jail following the Garankuwa police's blatant disregard of a Supreme Court habeas corpus order.

The order — granted on Saturday — authorized attorney Mr Peter Harris to see three of his clients in police custody. All were applicants in the main action seeking an interdict to stop Garankuwa police arresting and assaulting people.

However, despite the habeas corpus order, both Mr Harris and advocate Mr Martin Luitingh were refused access to their clients. Instead they were detained for about an hour, Mr Harris said on Sunday.

Meanwhile the court ordered that the three detainees — Mawu member Mr Jerry Moropa, Mr Edwin Matseke and Mr Lazarus Mandlazi — be set free. Minutes after their release, however, Mr Moropa was rearrested and is expected to appear in Odi Magistrate's Court in Bophuthatswana on charges of obstructing justice.

Boy killed as crowd dispersed

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Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — At least one person was killed by police and 13 were injured in unrest at the Kabokweni Magistrate's Court near White River in the Eastern Transvaal yesterday.

Reports from witnesses have put the number of dead at three, but this could not be confirmed by police.

Witnesses to the shooting claimed that police killed at least three people after they opened fire on a crowd of schoolchildren outside the Kabokweni Magistrate's Court, but police have confirmed the death of only one person, a 15-year-old boy.

Thirteen people with gunshot wounds were treated at the Rob Ferreira Hospital in Nelspruit. Two were kept overnight for observation.

'Forced open'

Police said in their unrest report that 80 people were injured and were under guard in hospital.

Residents say a group of about 200 children left the township yesterday morning to attend the hearing of eight youths who were to appear in court. They "forced open" a locked gate and "moved quietly to the the building", they said.

A police spokesman said the crowd was at least 2 000-strong.

"By 9am the mob had trampled the fences and caused chaos, when another seven busloads of youths arrived.

"Police dispersed the crowd with birdshot killing one youth."

● In Motetema, where six people were killed at the weekend, the Lebowa Commissioner of Police, Brigadier W G Beetge, said police units would remain in the area as they were investigating a number of alleged criminal offences arising from the recent unrest.

● A man was allegedly beaten and left for dead near Brits at the weekend resulting in several people being arrested.

Trouble in the area started after an announcement in December last year warning residents that they were to be moved to a new settlement.

Reports claim trouble broke out in the township at the weekend when arsonists opposed to the removal of residents to the Letlhabile settlement burned down shops, an administration block and a policeman's house.

Police confirmed they gave armed escort to residents willing to be moved out of the old township.

Injured

● The home of a former member of the United Democratic Front (UDF) was set alight during the funeral of an unrest victim held in KwaThema yesterday "because of her resignation" from the organization and the fact that she was not detained when police clamped down on other UDF members on the East Rand.

Ms Maria Masuku, 22, was also seriously injured when she was attacked.

Her Tsakane home was attacked because her mother also sent her children to school despite a massive stay-away by residents of the three neighbouring townships of KwaThema, Tsakane and Duduza.

A bakkie was also overturned and gutted near the home of the unrest victim as about 15 000 mourners returned from the cemetery.

There was a massive stay-away estimated at 80 percent by local community leaders as residents attended the funeral.

Spate of grenade attacks on UDF

By SEFAKO NYAKA

POLITICAL activists serving in UDF-affiliated organisations have become the targets of a spate of petrol-bomb and handgrenade attacks in the past months.

The attacks have left four dead, more than 30 injured and 20 people homeless.

In the past two weeks in the Pretoria area alone, more than 11 houses have been petrol-bombed, resulting in the death of an Atteridgeville activist.

But the attacks started a long time ago in outlying areas where there are strong conservative, rightwing elements.

Shortly after the declaration of the state of Emergency, the home of Tom Letsenyoe, executive member of the Tumahole Civic Association was fire-bombed, resulting in damages of more than R5 000.

A day later the house of his colleague Vuyo Debi was attacked.

In August, the home of Abel Nkabinde, chairman of the Leandra Action Committee, was petrol-bombed as was that of the secretary of the Leandra-based Mpumelelo Youth Congress, Fakazi Nkosi.

In September, the home of Dr Fatima Meer, a lecturer at the University of Natal, was attacked.

Reverend Hans Hlalethwa, chairman of the Soshanguve Residents Association became a victim of the fire-bombers last October.

December saw the homes of political lawyer Priscilla Jana and that of Dr Mohammed Momoniat being attacked on the same night.

Earlier attempts were made to set fire to the headquarters of the South African Council of Churches which houses the UDF, Detainees Parents Support Committee and the Commercial Catering and Allied Workers Union.

The year closed with the bombing of the church of Father Smangaliso Mkhatshwa, patron of the UDF and secretary general of the Southern African Catholic Bishop's Conference.

The attacks continued in Mamelodi, Atteridgeville and Soshanguve rand residents took to barricading their homes with corrugated iron.

The attacks seem to have shifted to the outlying areas once again with this week's razing of the home of Ephraim Mogale, first president of the Congress of South African Students and former Robben Island prisoner.

The homes of two members of the Brits Action Committee in the Brits Old Location were attacked with petrol bombs and handgrenades in the early hours of Tuesday morning. Slight damage was a caused when a handgrenade was hurled into the house of Leonard Brown A few minutes later the home of Sello Ramakobya was petrol-bombed.

Residents flee after bomb attack

By PHILLIP VAN NIEKERK

A STREAM of people has fled the Brits location, where three petrol bomb attacks and a grenade attack were launched this week against activists opposing the removal of the location to Lethlabile.

But a core of residents, bolstered by unions in the area, such as the National Automobile and Allied Workers Union (Naawu) and the Metal and Allied Workers Union (Mawu), are holding firm.

A statement by the community this week called on employers in the area not to support the government's plans to remove the township.

A donation from Firestone, one of the biggest employers in Brits, to a creche in Lethlabile was cancelled in the face of pressure from Naawu.

Fieldworkers in the area estimate that about 4 000 out of a total of 15 000 have moved to Lethlabile, a resettlement camp 20km from Brits, on the border of Bophuthatswana.

Residents say those who left did so through fear, because of offers of compensation and because tenants automatically lose their shelter when their landlords decide to move.

The Brits location was untouched by unrest until a few weeks ago, when tensions in the community over the threatened removal burst into violent clashes with the authorities.

Last Friday South African Police used teargas to disperse a meeting of about 2 000 residents at a community hall in the location.

Meanwhile, the head of the Brits Action Committee, Marshall Buys, and its secretary, Sello Ramakobye, were among the activists subjected to attacks this week.

Miraculously, no one was hurt in the bombings. Residents believe a gang of vigilantes is behind the attacks.



Bishop Kunene (left) talks to friends in the kitchen, while his daughter, Mitha, provides tea. Mrs Anna Kunene, at the far end of the table, holds their grandson, Themba. ● Pictures by Rebecca Hearfield.

A taste of life in Kagiso

Kagiso, on the outskirts of Krugersdorp, has been the target of random attacks by gangs of vigilantes, believed to be rightwing extremists. LESLEY COWLING spent a night in the home of community leader, Bishop William Kunene, who was recently threatened at gunpoint by vigilantes.

A policeman's home was petrol-bombed in Kagiso on Thursday night.

Last week it was Bishop William Kunene and his family who faced violence. He looked into the barrel of a gun held by a vigilante in police-type uniform and said defiantly: "Shoot".

The man did not shoot, but when he and his companions left, the family dog had been shot in the head. And they threatened to come back.

Yesterday, Constable Z B Mkoni stood nervously at the door of his newly extended house.

His teenage son stood with him, but no one else came near. Three petrol bombs had been thrown through the windows of his home the night before. His wife Sophie had been burnt on the leg.

The sounds of angry shouting and gunfire at the big house were not heard at the Kunene home, where the family and friends watched Bop-TV.

Kagiso people have learnt to live with violence. The recent attacks have not cowed the Kunenes.

The bishop's house is open to anyone and people come and go as though it were their own. "You are at home," he says. "Be free."

If you are the bishop's friend, no matter who you are, you are accepted. There might be a first surprised glance at the sight of a stranger in the home, but then there's a courteous greeting.

Soon people chat with animation in Sotho, the meaning sometimes coming through in smatterings of English and Afrikaans.

The small house, already hard put to accommodate the bishop, his wife Anna, six children and a grandchild, buzzes with laughter and discussion.

As the house gets dark the bishop's youngest daughter, Mitha, lights paraffin lamps, although the house has a generator.

The street outside is dark. Few street lights work but people still come in and out.

"The house is noisy — it's always noisy with people," the bishop says, smiling. He is proud of the township and its people.

"Kagiso is a respectable town," he says.

Houses might be cramped and small, but they are beautified with plants, paint or carved wooden doors. Roads might be dirt, but on every street there are small monuments of painted tyres, patterned stones and plants — monuments to "Nelson", Martin Luther King, Sobukwe and others. Scrubby stretches of veld have become "Happiness Park", "Unity Park" and "Garden of Peace".



Constable Mkoni's house that was petrol-bombed this week.

People in the streets greet you, children smile and wave. But some measure you up before saying hello.

At night it changes. There are fewer people. Many police vehicles cruise the streets.

Inside, it's warm and safe. But a walk to the outside toilet is scary in the dark. And when you lie snug in your bed, a sudden outbreak of barking from dogs nearby makes you wonder who could be visiting.

And you cannot help thinking how it must be to go to bed night after night ... wondering whether vigilantes will arrive.

Catholic hall destroyed

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Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Petrol-bombers struck twice in Witbank's Ackerville township early yesterday, razing a Roman Catholic church hall and the home of a Detainees Parents Support Committee activist.

The head of the Catholic mission in the township, Father Anton Meier, said damage was between R20 000 and R30 000.

He said he had been receiving anonymous death threats for the last few months from a caller demanding that he leave Ackerville. He got another a few hours after the fire.

The home of the secretary of the Witbank branch of the DPSC, Mr Barney Mashego, was gutted about 1am, a township resident said.

Mr Mashego was away at the time, but his mother and two brothers escaped unhurt from the blaze.

The DPSC estimates that about 20 homes in Pretoria's Atteridgeville and Mamelodi townships have been burned in the last few months. At least four people have been killed and about 30 injured.

Meanwhile classes have been suspended indefinitely at five schools in three townships near Witbank, public relations officer for the Department of Education and Training, Mr Peter Mundell, said yesterday.

Pupils were informed of the suspension following "totally unacceptable" attendance figures at the schools and unsuccessful attempts to get them back, he said.

Schools unrest has also been reported in East London and Port Elizabeth.

Sapa reports that 12 Soweto teenagers who apparently refused to join a group of young radicals on Thursday were attacked by the mob calling themselves "comrades".

• The 12, four girls and eight boys from Diepkloof and Richmond Acre, were treated at Baragwanath Hospital

The youths, who refused to be named for fear of victimization, said they were attacked by the youths living in the old Diepkloof township who accused them of being "sellouts".

Angry Alex residents form self-defence units after activists' homes attacked

By Rich Mkhondo,
Maud Motanyane and Mootsiwa Moroke

About 45 000 Alexandra residents, who flocked to the local stadium after violence flared in the area on Tuesday night, unanimously blamed Government agents for the attacks on the homes of the activists.

Residents resolved to form "self-defence units to protect ourselves from the agents of the system". They vowed that by last night, the defence units would be in operation.

Angry residents said "what happened on Tuesday night was not black-on-black violence, but supporters of the system parading as comrades killing our people".

Thousands of residents stayed away from work following a night of violence when "mobs of balaclava-clad men", went on a witch-hunt of activists.

Scores injured

The men, who allegedly disguised themselves as activists and used liberation rhetoric, fire-bombed homes of activists and attacked their families using an assortment of weapons.

Three people have been confirmed dead but residents claimed at least eight could have died during the attack which lasted four hours. Scores of people were injured during the attack and about 60 are believed to have been treated at the local clinic.

Ironically the incident came hours after the resignation of the controversial Alexandra mayor, the Rev Sam Buti, and only two days after a consumer boycott had been launched.

Prominent Alexandra civic leaders, who were at a meeting at the time of the attack, narrowly escaped death when the mob arrived at their homes.

Spent cartridges and full magazines were found in the yard in which a prominent leader of the 650 000-strong Congress of South African Trade Unions, Mr Moses Mayekiso, lives. Several dwellings on the property were hit.

The chairman of the Alexandra Crisis Committee, Mr Linda Twala, said he was visiting a friend and on his way home he saw houses being attacked.

He said: "I stopped and identified the attackers. When I arrived home I found my home had been attacked and my 11-year-old daughter injured.

"Neighbours positively identified the people responsible. This morning police came to my house and asked me what happened. I told them their people were responsible and they did not have to ask me that. They asked me which people and I told them that I did not want to continue the conversation because all was said and done".



Police disembark from their vehicle to remove a makeshift road block in Alexandra yesterday.

Mabangalala: Face of right-wing terror

20/3/86. STAR

Report probes vigilante violence against popular organisations

By Jo-Anne Collinge

They have emerged in the recent times of political turmoil in small townships, in metropolitan shanty towns and in the remote homelands.

They go by many names — the A-Team, the Phakathis, the Amabutho, the Fathers, the Mbokotho — and they sow bloodshed and chaos even as they preach "law and order".

Their victims end up bruised, bloodied, burnt, bereaved — and some of them dead. In one of the most gruesome cases recorded, the body of National Federation of Workers organiser Mr Toto Dweba was found in Umlazi, near Durban, with hands cut off and head almost severed from the body.

He had been abducted in August by a gang of armed men — a group of an increasingly recognisable breed, known most simply as the "vigilante" or "Mabangalala".

In South Africa the term "vigilante" has taken on a distinct meaning, points out lawyer-researcher Mr Nicholas Haysom of the Wits University Centre for Applied Legal Studies.

"It does not mean a concerned citizen intent on preserving the safety of his family and 'decent values'. It is associated with potentially murderous gangs intent on intimidating, injuring or killing anti-apartheid activists," he tells readers at the start of the first published report on the topic.

The book, entitled "Mabangalala: The rise of rightwing vigilantes in South Africa", was released today in Johannesburg. It is being distributed simultaneously in Britain.

After a study of 13 communities, he observes firstly that vigilantes began to emerge in the second half of 1985, when political resistance and the economic crisis had reached unprecedented proportions.

"Secondly, the vigilantes shared a common target group — members or leaders of groups associated with resistance to apartheid or homeland rule.

"Thirdly the vigilantes operated brazenly, apparently believing they enjoyed police support. Indeed in some cases they allegedly did enjoy such support," he says, drawing on court evidence presented in relation to Fort Beaufort and Leandra.

Mr Haysom argues the purpose of vigilantes is to alter the balance of power in areas where the State has a "crisis of control" — as in Leandra and Huhudi, in the Northern Cape, where popular civic organisations had won benefits for residents and pushed community councils to the sidelines.

Restoring this kind of political control is beyond the security forces, Mr Haysom argues, as they are "limited by potential publicity and hindered by legal restrictions in their ability to perpetrate the deliberate terror and violence needed to combat popular organisations".

Where vigilantes emerge in the townships of "white" South Africa, Mr Haysom says, they tend to target the leaders of popular organisations rather than embark on indiscriminate violence against the people.

"When leaders are systematically assaulted or killed and the police appear unwilling or unable to curb the activities of the vigilantes, it is obvious that no popular organisation can continue to function openly. In such cases it is not only vigilante interests that are served but also those of official agencies that the popular organisation has challenged."

In several cases there were demonstrable and acknowledged links between the community councillors and the vigilantes, the report claims.

In certain homelands, too, it is clear that vigilantes derive their authority directly from the formal political structures, Mr Haysom says, citing kwaNdebele as an example.

Natal, Mr Haysom contends, represents a curious mix of urban and rural vigilante activity. Vigilante conflict — described as "some of the most savage mob action in South Africa" — has claimed more lives in Natal than in any other area and animosity to the United Democratic Front is marked.

"Most of the incidents have been laid at the door of the Amabutho ('the warriors' — bands of traditionally armed mobs who appear to draw their style and political inspiration from a Zulu chauvinism)."

Referring to sworn statements of victims and to Press reports, Mr Haysom adds: "In many incidents the Amabutho have been linked to persons connected with Inkatha. Inkatha itself has either claimed that the Amabutho have performed a useful social function or that they have been provoked into violence.

"In other cases Inkatha has denied emphatically the mobs have formal links with Inkatha."

Mr Haysom cautions against oversimplification.

"Not all vigilante activity can be simply laid at the door of small groups of community councillors acting with the alleged patronage of the authorities. In some areas vigilante groups have fed off the tensions and divisions within the community."

Highlighting intergenerational conflict, as between the 'Fathers" and the "Comrades" in Crossroads and in Ashton in the Western Cape, the report claims vigilantes emerged from the older generation's resentment of the role of the youth, who sometimes neglected to consult their elders in taking political initiatives and who then imposed boycotts and the like.

Ideological differences between UDF and Black Consciousness supporters had also proved exploitable.

Mr Haysom concludes that vigilantes do much more than disorganise or cow anti-apartheid organisations into submission. He argues that they raise the level of brutality in black areas dramatically.

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Book likens vigilantes to Blackshirts

RIGHTWING vigilantes are sometimes actively supported by police in their brazen attacks on townships and anti-apartheid campaigners, according to a book published yesterday.

In the book, Nicholas Haysom of the Centre for Applied Legal Studies at the University of the Witwatersrand

By ANTON HARBER

documents and analyses the widespread emergence of these groups, which he compares to the fascist Blackshirts.

The book, called "Mabangalala: The rise of rightwing vigilantes in South Africa", warns that if vigilantes continue to operate as they have in the past, the level of brutality in black areas will escalate dramatically.

In some areas, Haysom reports, the accusations against the police and development board authorities are that they have been indifferent to the vigilantes — giving them licence to act against anti-apartheid activists.

In other areas, however, "th police's role seems to have been actively support vigilantes.

"This was clearly so at Queenstown Ashton, Fort Beaufort and Thabong among others.

"In addition, the vigilantes' use o township council's facilities (notably

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Thabong and Ashton) and homeland government's facilities (in Kwandebele and Ciskei), reveals a clear pattern of support for vigilante activities by the authorities in one form or another," Haysom says.

The SAP public relations division yesterday rejected these allegations as false.

Community leaders from as far afield as the Cape Peninsula and the Northern Transvaal were reporting the existence of rightwing vigilantes by the end of 1985, he says.

They shared three common features: they all emerged in the latter half of 1985, they shared a common target (members of leaders of groups resisting apartheid) and they all operated brazenly, apparently believing — and in some cases actually enjoying — police support.

Speaking at the book launch yesterday, Aninka Claassens of the Transvaal Rural Action Committee said her organisation found it sinister that the vigilantes were so widespread and they appeared wherever there was a strong community resisting forced removal.

Haysom adds: "Vigilante activity has arisen after the civic associations had managed to secure concrete victories and to establish their bodies as effectively representative of the community. It seems apparent that the object of the vigilantes was to neutralise these organisations, or to alter the balance of power between pro- and anti-apartheid groupings."

Haysom describes two types of vigilantes: those in the homelands, who he says have a more direct relationship with the authorities and who are most comparable to the fascist Blackshirts, and those in urban townships.

The latter are rightwing, often community council-backed vigilantes whose primary targets are groups that threaten the community councils.

Haysom devotes a section of the book to Natal and its local vigilantes, the "Amabutho" (warriors).

"In many of the incidents the Amabutho have been linked to persons connected with (Chief Gatsha Buthelezi's) Inkatha," he says.

Inkatha emphatically denies any formal links with these groups but, Haysom adds, have said either that the Amabutho performed a useful social function or that they were provoked into violence.

Some communities have found protection against vigilantes through legal action; others have resorted to extra-legal self defence, he says.

Asked to comment yesterday, the SAP public relations division said: "We reiterate that the SAP are in principal against the formation of vigilante groups. On the other hand, the police cannot act where there is no violation of the law.

"We reject as false the implication that the police do not or are reluctant to act against members of vigilante groups when they do make themselves guilty of offences.

"The SAP will investigate offences officially reported to them, irrespective of whom the accused is or what the organisation such a person is a member of."

Petrol attack suspected on professor's home, office

Life work burnt

The Work

DURBAN. — The life's work of Professor Lawrence Schlemmer, a controversial top social architect went up in smoke when his study and his offices were gutted by fires, possibly caused by petrol bombs.

The fires last night at the University of Natal caused damage estimated at R1-million.

Professor Schlemmer, head of the Centre for Applied Social Studies at the university, said his study at home, and all the records he kept there, had been destroyed, but his house was saved on Thursday afternoon by an alert neighbour.

His entire university department was destroyed.

Members of the departments of political science, history and social work also lost irreplaceable records in the two Rag-night fires.

"No indaba"

The offices of Professor F M M Clifford-Vaughan, Mr Raphael de Kadt, Mr Alexander Johnston, and Professor Philip Warhurst were reduced to ashes.

One of the few clues to the motive for the fires are two words "No indaba" spray-painted outside Professor Schlemmer's devastated office.

He was one of the brains behind the KwaNatal indaba, due to begin in Durban on April 3.

The indaba, organised jointly by the KwaZulu Government and the Natal Provincial Council, has moderate support, but has opponents at the extreme right and left of the political spectrum.

Professor Schlemmer is distraught at losing 30 years' work, literature and documents.

"Every damn thing I have written has gone," he said, angry and hurt, as he surveyed the shell that was his study.

Simultaneous

Police are investigating a charge of arson. They suspect petrol bombs were used at the university.

The fires broke out simultaneously at 10.44 pm in the Centre for Applied Social Studies and the Department of Political Science, suggesting that they were not accidental. In addition, it appeared that the fire-fighting equipment in the Memorial Tower Building, which houses Professor Schlemmer's department, had been sabotaged.

The fires disrupted the revelry of thousands of students who were preparing floats for today's Rag procession.

Durban's chief fire officer, Steve Smith, said four tenders and 28 men fought to contain the blaze, but had difficulty finding the booster connection.



The remains of Professor Lawrence Schlemmer's office after the fire.

Varsity fire 'a tragedy'

Weekend Argus Correspondent

ACADEMICS have flocked to support their colleagues whose offices were destroyed by fire, saying they deplore attempts to meet intellectual debate with violence.

The principal of Natal University, Professor Pieter Booysen, said the loss of research work, irreplaceable libraries and documentation was a tragedy of immense proportions".

"When you burn an academic's office you burn a lifetime of academic research."

He said he hoped he would be able to persuade Professor Lawrence Schlemmer, head of the Centre for Applied Social Studies at Natal University, to stay at the university.

Professor Booysen said it was clear there were political undertones to the attacks.

The president of the Association for Sociology in Southern Africa, Mr Jeff Lever, said he deplored the attacks.

Professor Fatima Meer of the Sociology Department at Natal University, said: "I am horrified."

Mr Ray Swart, Progressive Federal Party leader of Natal, said it was a tragedy.

Motives

Several motives for arson have been suggested.

Those responsible for the fires, it is thought, are political extremists either on the right or the left.

One possibility is that they are extremists opposed to the KwaNatal indaba.

Another is that right-wingers used the fires as a "dirty trick" to swing student opinion. The timing suggests this, since the student body meets tomorrow to decide whether the National Union of Students of South Africa should talk to the African National Congress.

Yet another is that the incidents may be linked to the commemoration of Sharpeville and Uitenhage.

Professor Schlemmer said: "It's immaterial whether it comes from the far left or the far right. Both are equally pointless.

"I'm not sure that anyone wants the Centre for Applied Social Studies to carry on anymore. Neither the right nor the left want it to carry on."

Police said yesterday that possible arson was not being investigated at the professor's home because "a geyser had exploded".

However, an electrician has ascertained that the geyser was not responsible.



"No indaba" spray-painted outside the office.

Small town white right-wingers blamed

Dominee abused

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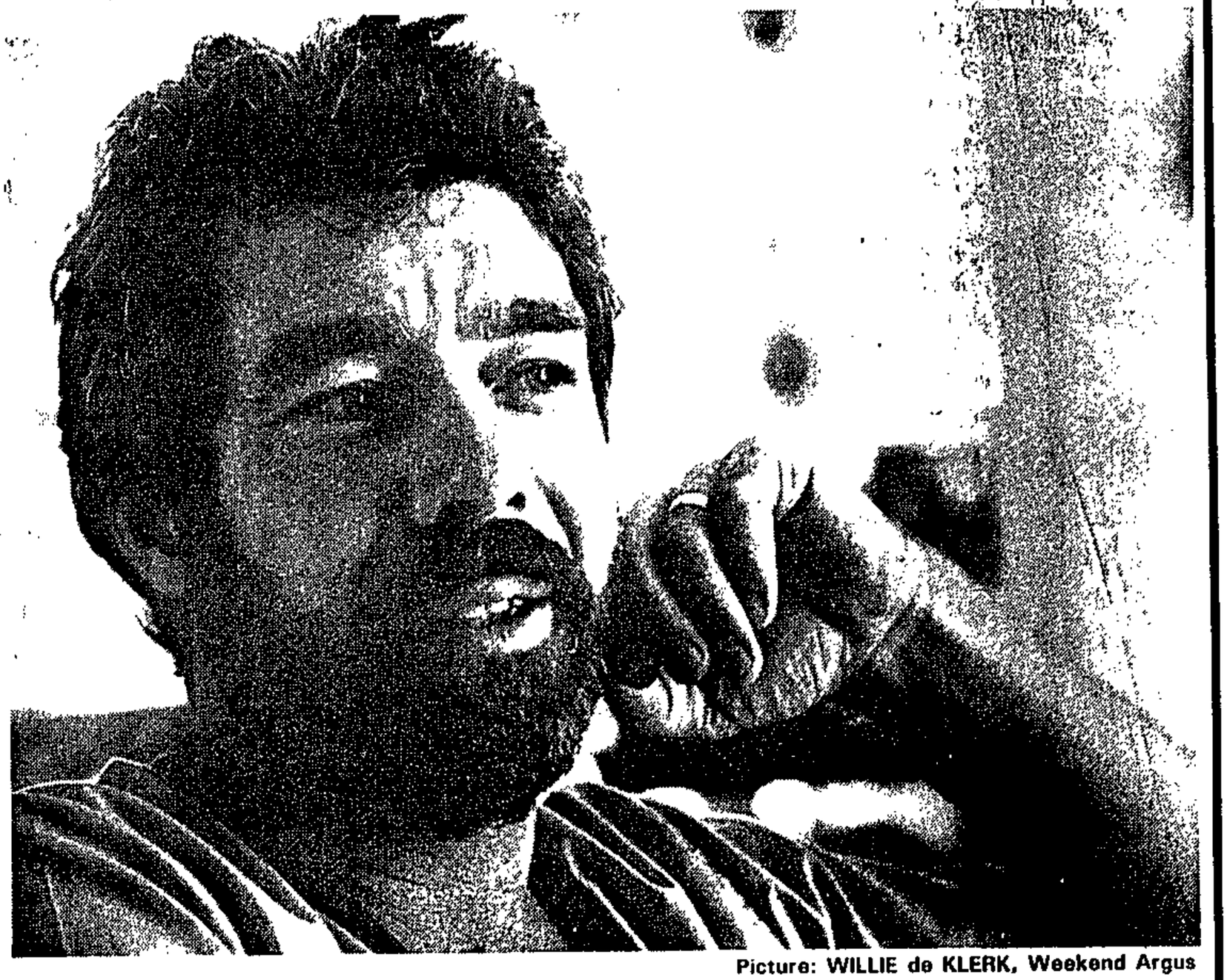
Staff Reporter ROBERT HOUWING visits Montagu to report on vigilante activity and right-wing harassment of community workers.



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The Rev Dirk Marais . . ."a strong feeling the police didn't go out of their way to stop the vigilantes".

A WHITE dominee has become a virtual outcast in the conservative wineland town of Montagu because of his progressive political convictions.

The Rev Dirk Marais, whose Ned Geref Sendingkerk parish is in the coloured area neighbouring the town, doubles as director of the Montagu-Ashton Community Service (Macs), and was among the group of clergymen whose applications to visit Zambia for talks with the African National Congress were refused.

A registered welfare organisation, Macs has been a target of abuse and hostility from conservative elements in the town, particularly in the wake of their recent campaign to expose vigilante activity in Zolani, outside Ashton — chiefly through the collection of statements and affidavits from residents.

Written pleas

They have also presented countless written pleas and allegations to the local police, highlighting grievances and requesting them to stop their alleged support for a minority vigilante group.

Threatening phone calls to their premises are frequent and Mr Marais's house in the white residential area of Montagu was recently daubed with racist graffiti.

A young, quietly-spoken family man, he smilingly dismisses as "nonsense" the "CTS" (Cape Town Scorpions) signature that accompanied the graffiti.

"A lot of our work has included contact with the gangs in the area — they wouldn't have done it. It was merely a camouflage for the perpetrators — this was almost certainly the work of white right-wing elements.

"I wasn't too upset about it, but some of my colleagues said it was important for the incident to be exposed. I would just have liked to have talked to those responsible and told them it was okay to differ, only the wrong way of going about it."

"An outcast"

Mr Marais concedes he is "a bit of an outcast" in the white community, but feels a number of people are "silently supportive" of the work Macs is doing.

Referring to the involvement of Macs in Zolani, Mr Marais said the organisation had commited itself to exposing the illegal "grip" a minority group of vigilantes was imposing on residents.

"A group of people, not elected by the people, became a sort of police force in the township. They imposed their own curfew and started assaulting people."

Asked about alleged police support for vigilante elements, Mr Marais responded cautiously. "We are on dangerous ground — I can only go so far as to say there is a strong feeling the police didn't go out of their way to stop the vigilantes.

"The situation became so bad we had to seek a Supreme Court interdict to put a stop to the trouble. We were assisted by the Black Sash and Legal Resource Centre, and had the interdict granted in Cape Town recently."

Affidavits

Mr Dawie Bosch, co-ordinator of the Macs legal office said: "We have gathered numerous affidavits backing claims the police gave close help to this group."

He recalls his vehicle being stopped in Zolani one night by a large group of vigilantes wielding knobkerries and using a Development Board van to block the road.

He said the "curfew" which started on November 4 last year when pupils at the primary school began a class boycott, lasted three-and-half months.

Though the curfew has stopped, incidents of assault and arson have continued, Mr Bosch said.

● The police directorate of public relations in Pretoria was sent details of the allegations made against them by Macs members. In a reply, they said: "The police are not in favour of vigilante groups. If such groups transgress the law or exceed the very limited powers conferred upon a private person for the protection of life or property, the police will act against such persons."

Indaba: NIC will hold on

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — The Natal Indian Congress has resolved not to participate in the Natal/KwaZulu indaba until the communities and democratic organizations likely to be affected by the decision have been consulted.

In a statement after a meeting yesterday, the NIC said representatives of 37 organizations had attended the "Kwa-Natal Consultative Conference" to consider an invitation to participate in the indaba on April 3.

The conference considered the many facets of the Natal-KwaZulu option, including the economic inter-dependence of Natal-KwaZulu and the possibility that the region could act as a model for the rest of the country.

The meeting called for the release of Mr Nelson Mandela, lifting of bannings on organizations and the creation of a climate for democratic political activity.

Bomb attacks 'unlikely' to affect talks

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — The firebomb attacks on the University of Natal and the home of a Durban academic are unlikely to influence the decisions of any of the parties already committed to attend the Natal/KwaZulu indaba.

The police have opened an arson docket after four separate fires broke out on Friday night in two different wings of the university's buildings — destroying years of academic research and causing at least R1-million damage to the campus.

Police are also investigating the possibility that some of the university's fire-fighting equipment had been sabotaged.

The firebomb attacks appear to be in protest at the proposed "KwaNatal" meeting on a new dispensation for the province, as the attackers painted the words "No Indaba".

An academic specially hard hit by the fire was sociologist Professor Lawrence Schlemmer, who has been closely associated with the Buthelezi Commission which was studying constitutional options for Natal.

Professor Schlemmer lost more than 30 years' work when his office at the university was burnt, and when a fire swept through his study at his Durban home on Thursday night.

"My entire professional collection has been destroyed. All the work done by my department and I might as well not have existed," he said.

Professor Schlemmer said the work he was doing on a combined KwaZulu-Natal legislature might have been the reason for the attacks.

Yesterday, staff and students helped with clearing-up operations in an attempt to get the affected departments back in gear for the continuation of classes today.

Police last night said they were still investigating the fires at the university and Professor Schlemmer's home. No arrests had been made.

Meanwhile, spokesmen for the Progressive Federal Party and the New Republic Party, both of whom have decided to take part in the talks, said that if the action was intended to deter people from taking part, it was unlikely to have any effect.

The president of the United Democratic Front, Mr Archie Gumede, said: "The attacks were unfortunate because the slogan-painting creates unease and suspicion."

Indaba papers survive

DURBAN. — Heavy rain and wind on Sunday night has added to the R1-million damage at the University of Natal's Durban campus, caused on Friday by a fire, thought to have been started by petrol bombs.

Although the offices of sociologist Professor Lawrence Schlemmer were the target, none of the documents prepared for the Natal/KwaZulu indaba were been destroyed.

These had been stored at Durban City Hall.

Security has been stepped up for the indaba, due to begin next week, and a meeting has been called for today to discuss the fire.

Student tension is running high on the campus. From dawn yesterday academics and students worked to save valuable manuscripts, books, notes and equipment which had survived the blaze from damage by the relentless rain.

A mass meeting planned for yesterday to gauge support for a meeting between Nusas and the African National Congress was called off.

The roof of the political science and history block had tarpaulins draped over it but there was no relief for the Department of Applied Social Sciences where the roof was totally burned and the rain damaged almost as documents as the fire. — Sapa

(2) The Attorney-General's decision is not known yet.

(3) and (4) The Attorney-general has ordered that no information concerning the matter, be made known, as the case is *sub judice*.

(5) No.

Q COR. 695
ATASA
HANSARD 25/3/86

*23. Mr R M BURROWS asked the Minister of Education and Development Aid:

(1) Whether the African Teachers' Association of South Africa (ATASA) has been serving on committees falling under the control of his Department; if so,

(2) whether ATASA has withdrawn from any such committees; if so, (a) when will the withdrawal become effective, (b) which committees are involved, (c) what reasons were given by ATASA for the withdrawal and (d) what number of teachers are represented by ATASA;

(3) whether any other teachers' associations enjoy recognition by his Department; if so, (a) what are the names of these associations, (b) on which committees do they serve and (c) what number of teachers do they represent;

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

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT AID (Reply laid upon the Table with leave of House):

(1) Yes.

(2) Yes.

(a) 10 March 1986.

(b) (i) Council for Education and training.

(ii) Examinations Board.

(iii) They were invited to nominate representatives on the following committees:

1. Afrikaans.
2. English
3. Black Languages
4. Biology
5. Physical Science
6. Physical Education and Health Education
7. Art
8. Homecraft
9. Special Education
10. Book Education
11. Religious Education
12. Agricultural Science
13. Music
14. Guidance
15. Pre-primary Education
16. Building-related trades
17. Technical Drawing
18. Mathematics
19. Professional Subjects
20. Geography
21. History
22. Educational Wood and Metal work
23. Commercial Subjects
24. Electrical Trades
25. Mechanical Trades
26. Motor Trades
27. Soft and Miscellaneous Trades.

They only nominated representatives on the following committees:

1. Afrikaans
2. English
3. Black languages
4. Biology
5. Physical Science
6. Homecraft
7. Religious Education
8. Music
9. Pre-primary education
10. Professional Subjects
11. Geography
12. History.

(iv) Selection Committee for teaching staff.

(v) Committee for selection of and provision of bursaries for student teachers.

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(vi) Project committee: Bridging period.

(vii) Committee for the provision of education for pupils in rural areas.

(c) "The National Council decided to withdraw their representatives of ATASA from all the committees of the Department of Education and Training until such time as there is genuine power-sharing properly negotiated with genuine black leaders some of whom are languishing in prison or in exile."

(d) According to the Department's records subscriptions are collected from 6 216 teachers. This number does not include the teachers of the Independent and Self-governing States.

(3) Yes.

(a) Association for White Teachers in the Department of Education and Training.

(b) (i) All Subject Committees.

(ii) Examination Board.

(iii) Selection Committee for teaching staff.

(c) 956 teachers.

(4) No. You are referred to my announcement of 12 March 1986.

Q COR 697
Vigilantes
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*24. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any vigilantes were operating in Nkqubela Township near Robertson in 1985; if so,

(2) whether the South African Police took any action in respect of these vigilantes; if so, (a) what action, (b) when and (c) with what result; if not, why not;

(3) whether these vigilantes operated with the (a) knowledge and/or (b) co-operation of the South African Police; if so, (i) why, (ii) what was the nature of this co-operation and (iii) who authorised the South African Police to co-operate with them;

(4) whether any (a) fire-arms were and (b) ammunition was issued to such vigilantes by the South African Police; if so, why;

(5) whether the South African Police received any complaints from residents of Nkqubela Township concerning any (a) councillors and/or (b) vigilantes; if so, (i) how many, (ii) on what dates and (iii) what was the nature of these complaints;

(6) whether any residents of Nkqubela Township laid any charges against (a) councillors and/or (b) vigilantes; if so, (i) how many, (ii) on what dates and (iii) what was the nature of these charges;

(7) whether the South African Police investigated these (a) complaints and (b) charges; if not, why not; if so, what were the findings in each case;

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

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) No.

(2) to (5) Fall away.

(6) (a) Yes.

(i) One.

(ii) 1 November 1985.

(iii) Attempted murder.

(b) No. (i) to (iii) Fall away.

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(7) (a) and (b) Yes, the accused will appear in the Regional Court on 4 April 1986.

(8) No.

Vigilantes

*25. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any vigilantes were operating in Zolani Township near Ashton in 1985; if so,

(2) whether the South African Police took any action in respect of these vigilantes; if so, (a) what action, (b) when and (c) with what result; if not, why not;

(3) whether these vigilantes operated with the (a) knowledge and/or (b) co-operation of the South African Police; if so, (i) why, (ii) what was the nature of this co-operation and (iii) who authorised the South African Police to co-operate with them;

(4) whether any (a) fire-arms were and (b) ammunition was issued to such vigilantes by the South African Police; if so, why;

(5) whether the South African Police received any complaints from residents of Zolani Township concerning any (a) councillors and/or (b) vigilantes; if so, (i) how many, (ii) on what dates and (iii) what was the nature of these complaints;

(6) whether any residents of Zolani Township laid any charges against (a) councillors and/or (b) vigilantes; if so, (i) how many, (ii) on what dates and (iii) what was the nature of these charges;

(7) whether the South African Police investigated these (a) complaints and (b) charges; if not, why not; if so, what were the findings in each case;

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

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(2) No, because at that stage the police had no knowledge of the existence of a vigilante group.

(3) to (5) No.

(6) (a) Yes.

(i) Four.

(ii) 12 and 20 November 1985 and again on 3 and 7 December 1985.

(iii) Three charges of assault and one charge of attempted murder.

(b) Yes.

(i) Four.

(ii) 4, 12 and 20 November 1985 and again on 7 December 1985.

(iii) Four charges of assault.

(7)(a) and (b) Yes, with regard to the councillors, prosecution was refused in three cases. The remaining charge is still being investigated. With regard to the vigilantes prosecution was refused in two cases; in another case the Attorney-General's decision is being awaited and the last case is still being investigated.

(8) No.

Tendered goods/supplies

*26. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Transport Affairs:

(1) Whether (a) the South African Transport Services and (b) any specified divisions thereof have followed the same procedure over the past year in regard to all tendered goods or supplies originating (i) partly or (ii) wholly from foreign countries; if not,

(2) whether a different procedure has been followed over the past year in regard to such goods or supplies originating (a) partly or (b) wholly from certain foreign countries; if so, (i) what was the nature of this procedure, (ii)(aa) when and (bb) why was it introduced, (iii)(aa) in respect of which foreign countries was it applied and (bb) to what extent in each case and (iv)(aa) since when and (bb) why has this procedure been applied in respect of each such foreign country;

(3) whether the South African Transport Services obtained Cabinet approval for allowing this procedure in respect of certain foreign countries; if not, why not; if so, when?

†The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AFFAIRS:

(1) (a) and (b) No.

(2) (a) and (b) Yes.

(i) Tenderers were erroneously advised that offers incorporating supplies from Sweden would not be considered by Transport Services.

(ii) (aa) 7 January 1986.

(bb) Due to an administrative error.

(iii) (aa) Sweden.

(bb) Please refer to reply in respect of part (2)(i) of the question.

(iv) (aa) 7 January 1986.

(bb) Please refer to reply in respect of part (2)(i) of the question.

(3) No. The procedure introduced was due to an administrative error.

Report of Education Committee

*27. Mr R M BURROWS asked the Minister of National Education:

(1) Whether he has been furnished with a copy of the Report of the Education Committee on Recommendations for National Education Policy Objectives and Strategies submitted to the Minister of National Education of South West Africa; if not, why not; if so,

(2) whether he will furnish the House with information contained in this report; if not, why not; if so, what recommendations are contained in the report in regard to the structure of education in South West Africa;

(3) whether a dissenting minority report was submitted in regard to this matter; if so, what was the purport of the minority report;

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

The MINISTER OF NATIONAL EDUCATION:

(1) No.

(2) Falls away.

(3) Falls away.

(4) Falls away.

Ekangala Co-ordinating Committee

*28. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether his Department recognises the Ekangala Co-ordinating Committee, which is also known as the Representative Authorised Committee; if

UCT slams campus fire

DESTRUCTION of facilities and research material could only impede the role universities had to play in creating a new, peaceful SA.

So says University of Cape Town acting vice-chancellor Professor Donald Carr.

He said yesterday the weekend fires at Natal University were "another distressing example of the way in which violence and violent reaction is becoming part of our lives".

Offices, lecture rooms and research documents were destroyed after fires broke out in the offices of two academics.

Carr said the pattern of violence — which would leave no-one, particularly SA universities, unaffected — would continue until the causes of discontent were eliminated.

□ A faintly-spray-painted slogan, "Security branch pig", daubed outside the gutted office of Natal University lecturer Professor F M M Clifford-Vaughan, was discovered yesterday.

The professor is a controversial campus figure whose allegedly conservative outlook has angered radical leftwing student groups in the past.

□ Logans Bookstores MD Clive Gillitt said in Durban yesterday he was trying to get replacements for Natal University's damaged books from publishers free of charge. If publishers were unable to do this, Logans would replace all the damaged books at cost price. — Sapa.

Lekhanya and P W hold talks

A SIX-MAN Lesotho government delegation, led by Major-General Justin Lekhanya, left Cape Town yesterday after a working lunch with President P W Botha.

A statement was issued on behalf of the two governments in which they expressed agreement on the need to finalise the Lesotho Highlands water project and to consider "appropriate official representation" in each other's countries.

Lakhanya's brief, unheralded visit followed a round of negotiations between the countries' foreign, finance and agricultural ministers on Monday.

According to the Foreign Affairs Department, the leaders "emphasised their adherence to the principle of mutual respect and non-interference in the internal affairs of sovereign states".

"They re-affirmed they would not allow their territories to be used for the planning and execution of acts of terrorism against the other." — Sapa.

Five houses fire-bombed

Five more houses were petrol-bombed in Atteridgeville township near Pretoria yesterday morning, bringing the total number of attacks on activists' homes in the area to 45.

One person has died and many have been hurt in the attacks, which have occurred mainly in the early hours. No arrests have been made.

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Nafcoc man's home one of 10 bombed

PRETORIA. — Four homes — including that of Dr Sam Motsuenyane, president of the National African Federated Chamber of Commerce (Nafcoc) — were petrol-bombed in Winterveld, Bophuthatswana, early yesterday.

The attacks were part of a spate of at least 10 petrol-bombings of homes in the Pretoria area yesterday.

In Garankuwa the councillor for Zone 3, Mr Hosia Tladi, yesterday resigned after "five petrol bombs" were throw at his shop at 2am.

He said damage was estimated at R3 000.

And in Atteridgeville five houses were petrol-bombed, bringing the total number of attacks on the homes of activists in the area in the past few days to 45.

On Thursday four anti-apartheid organizations condemned the spate of petrol-bomb attacks on political figures in Pretoria and accused police of turning a blind eye.

A police spokesman in Pretoria said: "There is no point in commenting on vague allegations made against the police."

In Saulsville, near Pretoria, United Democratic Front members Mr David Mkhumbuzi and his wife Elsie were asleep when their home was petrol-bombed. Mrs Mkhumbuzi was admitted to hospital and her husband discharged after treatment.

The four Winterveld petrol-bombings were announced at a Pretoria news conference called by the Mabopane-Winterveld Crisis Committee (MWCC) in protest against the deaths of 11 people shot by police in Winterveld on March 26.

Mr Tshini Mulondo of the MWCC said three of the homes belonged to members of a delegation that had held discussions with the Divisional Commissioner of Police in Garankuwa about the arrests of students in Winterveld.

Those in the delegation were Mrs Joycelyn Motsuenyane, Mrs Martha Lebopo, and Mr J Motshwane, who was in hospital with serious burns. They were released on bail this week after being arrested at the mass meeting which ended in the 11 deaths.

Dr Motsuenyane is in Brussels on business.

Mrs Motsuenyane said the attack on their home occurred about 3am.

The Rev S D Makhudu, who had been visiting at the time, was overcome by smoke and his clothes were covered in blood. He was rushed to Kalafong Hospital in a serious condition.

She said the R127 000 house was destroyed.

The director of Nafcoc, Mr Stan Kubheka, said it was strange that the attack had occurred three days after Mrs Motsuenyane and the others were released on bail.

"This is a job of professional people who knew what they were doing. Their intention was obviously to kill." — Own Correspondent and Sapa

Five more unrest deaths

PRETORIA. — Police last night reported five more unrest deaths in black townships — three of them near Nelspruit where petrol was poured over seven people and they were set alight.

Police said the incident happened at Kanyamanzane near Nelspruit on Thursday when a large group of blacks gathered and "arrested" seven black males.

The seven were then tied up and set alight after having petrol poured over them.

All seven escaped, but one was caught and beaten to death.

Three of the others were admitted to hospital where two of them died. One is still in hospital with serious injuries, the report said. Four people were arrested.

At Langa, near Port Elizabeth, police yesterday discovered the charred remains of a woman's body and on Thursday night, the charred remains of a man. — Sapa

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Fierce attacks on Azapo men

By MUDINI MAIVHA

THIS week's intensified attacks on Northern Transvaal Azanian People's Organisation members have raised suspicions among residents that the Lebowa government is carrying out its threat to crush the movement.

Five Azapo officials were allegedly severely assaulted by homeland cops after they were detained in Namakgale at the weekend.

National secretary George Wauchope, Azanian Confederation of Trade Unions secretary-general Pandelani Nefolovhodwe, Mmutle Phasha, Phosakuwa Mashele, Jake Mathabathe and 24 others – including minors – were allegedly assaulted in a police station.

Scores of other Lebowa residents were sjambokked by cops and jailed.

Azapo members' houses were burnt and several activists hospitalised.

● The five Azapo officials and 24 residents are claiming R500 000 from the Lebowa police for assault and wrongful arrest.

The attacks on them came barely two days after attacks on Mokerong Parents' Crisis Committee vice-chairman Richard Ramodipa and chairman John Mokhonoana.

Four-month-old baby Givit Mmola was also struck by a cop's sjambok. The mother, Christinah Mmola, is suing the cops for assault on her and the baby.

● Last year, a full Lebowa Cabinet sitting to discuss escalating unrest in the homeland resolved to sack all civil servants who were Azapo or UDF members.

A month later pamphlets in Mahwelereng Township, Potgietersrus, urged residents to revolt against Azapo members.

A hit list compiled by an organisation calling itself "MAMC" listed Ramodipa, L. Malakalaka, Marks Kekana, Joseph Maila, Dr Tshehla Hlahla and Azanian Student Movement officials and Azapo members, brothers Perry and Prince Kekana.

On March 22 Ramodipa and Mokhonoana's houses were petrol-bombed.

Ramodipa said cops refused to help and only arrived at his house after he'd extinguished the fire. They came in a minibus similar to one a neighbour saw at his house just before the attack.

Windsor Maraba's house was petrol-bombed this week. Maraba said he saw his cop neighbour running away.

Cops arrived and allegedly stopped neighbours from putting out the fire.

Azapo activists Patrick Kobela and Thabo Montjane's homes were also petrol-bombed. Montjane was at Kobela's home. He injured his arm while fleeing from cops who allegedly pointed guns at him as he left the burning house.

Commercial, Catering and Allied Workers' Union of SA organiser Yasser Rasithaba was reported to be in a critical condition at Nobel Hospital. He was allegedly assaulted by cops last Wednesday.

● Lebowa police said they were not available for comment.

Petrol-bombing linked to 'political activities'

SUN DAY

By ALICE MOPELONG

JOSLYN MOTSUENYANE, wife of Nafcoc president Dr Sam Motsuenyane, believes the petrol-bombing of her home on Friday morning was linked to her "political activities" last week.

Mrs Motsuenyane said the bombing could be related to her involvement in a meeting to discuss the deaths of 11 people who were killed by BophuthaTswana police last week.

Mrs Motsuenyane was detained by police on Monday and appeared in court on Tuesday on a charge of attending an illegal gathering. She was released on R2 000 bail and the case was remanded to May 26.

"I don't know who was responsible, but I have my suspicions," said Mrs Motsuenyane.

Two other people who appeared in court with Mrs Motsuenyane also had their homes petrol-bombed on Friday. They were Mrs Martha Lebopo and Mr Abel Motshoane, who was admitted to Ga-Rankuwa Hospital with burns.

The three were also members of a delegation which met the divisional commissioner of police for Ga-Rankuwa in March to discuss the arrest of students in Winterveld.

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Local official murdered

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A member of the Coloured Representative Council in Edenpark, Alberton, was gunned down at his home last night.

Mr Frans Hendrik Danster (28) of 15 Dickson Street, Edenpark, died from two bullet wounds in the chest.

Police said today Mr Danster was sitting in the lounge at his home watching TV at about 9.15 pm when he apparently heard an outside light break and went on to the veranda to investigate.

Two shots were fired at him. He staggered into the house and collapsed in his bedroom, where he died.

The motive for the killing is unknown.

Anti-activists 'organised'

PETER WALLINGTON

THE group that delivered threatening letters to anti-apartheid activists Alex Boraine and Graham Bloch appeared to be professional, Boraine said yesterday.

He said the group's "posters were professionally done" and indications were the so-called "Anti-Terrorist, Anti-Communist Resistance Movement" had access to a word processor.

PFP MP Helen Suzman recently told Parliament the group had drawn up a hit-list of 66 anti-apartheid activists. Boraine said yesterday they included trade union, church, Azapo, UDF and Black Sash people.

He said there was "no way" the group deterred him.

UDF homes bombed

THE homes of two leading United Democratic Front (UDF) activists in Lebowa were bombed by alleged right-wing elements early yesterday morning. Two people were seriously injured.

By SELLO RABOTHATA

The two who were injured are Mrs Joyce Mabhudafase, secretary of the Northern Transvaal branch of the UDF and Mr Ernest Mokaba, younger brother of UDF member, Mr Peter Mokaba. The Mabhudafase and Mokaba homes were attacked at about 2 am. They are both in Mankweng township, near the University of the North (Turfloop).

A spokesman for the Lebowa Police, Colonel P Moloto, yesterday said the incident had not been reported to the police. "We only learnt of it when inquiries were made at our offices and we have since sent policemen to go and investigate," he said.

Mrs Mabhudafase was yesterday described as being in a critical condition at the Pietersburg Hospital. Mr Mokaba was said to be seriously injured. Damage to the two houses was estimated at about R10 000.

The Northern Transvaal UDF executive committee yesterday condemned the attacks of "fellow comrades". In a statement to the *Sowetan* the committee said: "We view this as part of the calculated and systematic assassination and elimination of activists by the apartheid forces.

"Such acts are increasing arguments against the UDF's principle of non-violence. The police's failure to investigate raises suspicion because in the afternoon a white Cortina car with passengers was seen driving slowly and passed the two houses attacked and in one instance the Lebowa Police escorted the car. This gives a logical connection and inference to their involvement to such acts."

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Anti-apartheid activists hit by a new wave of bombings

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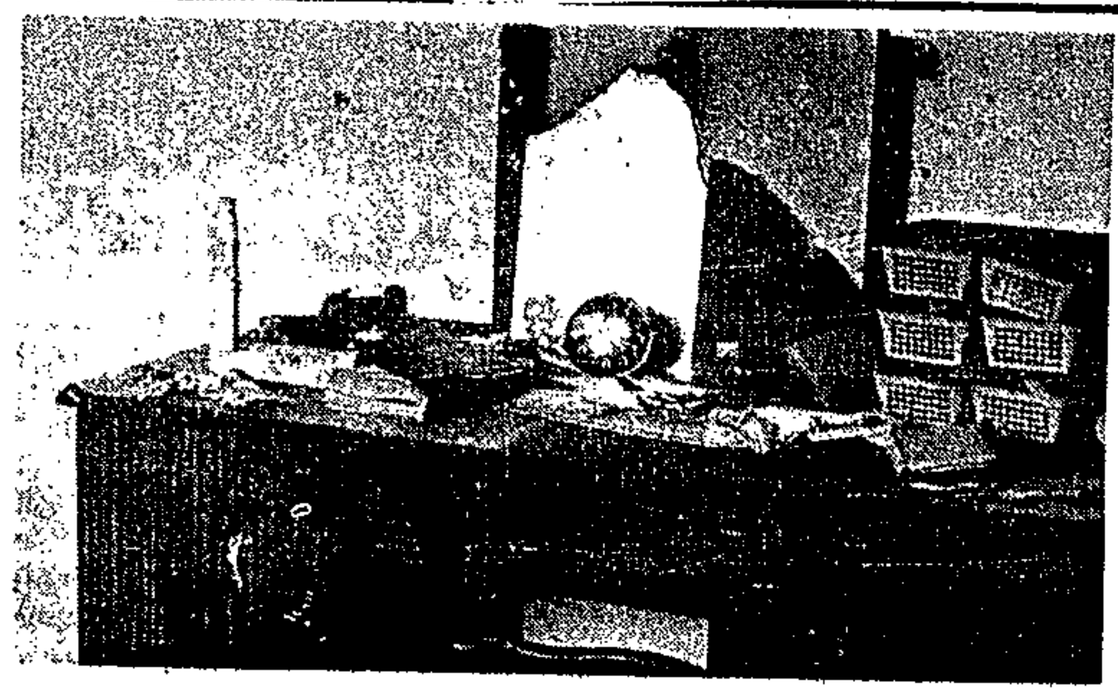
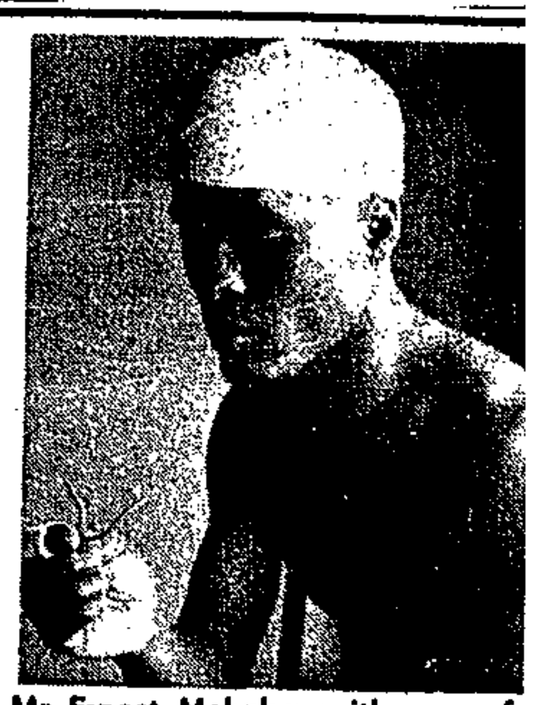
By Jo-Anne Collinge
and Maud Motanyane



Mrs Joyce Mabudafasi, badly injured in a bomb attack on her home.



Mrs Joyce Mabudafasi's room, shattered by a bomb attack.



Mr Ernest Mokaba with one of the shrapnel nails pulled from his body after the bomb attacks.

Ernest Mokaba was just rousing himself from sleep when the bomb went off, ripping open his wooden hut, throwing him across the room and sending nails tearing into his flesh. Other nails, added to the bomb as extra shrapnel, pierced a steel garage door next to the hut.

Five minutes later and a block away Joyce Mabudafasi stood at her phone, blood pouring down her face and upper body. Her single thought was to get help before she collapsed, to send some friend the desperate message: "I've been bombed."

Mrs Mabudafasi, of Mankweng near Pietersburg, is secretary of the Northern Transvaal region of the United Democratic Front and an executive member of the National Education Crisis Committee.

Ernest Mokaba is the brother of another leading Mankweng activist, UDF regional executive member and former Robben Islander Mr Peter Mokaba.

This week both fell victim to a new form of terror — the employment of handgrenades and crudely made bombs against anti-apartheid activists and their families.

In the Transvaal alone at least nine people have been killed in such attacks this year and several more have been injured.

Mrs Mabudafasi, a veteran organiser and widowed mother of three, attempts to hide the horror of yesterday's pre-dawn attack by joking: "I'm not the dying kind."

But she spent the day after the attack in the intensive care unit of the Pietersburg Hospital and was still receiving blood transfusion more than 12 hours after the blast.

The bedroom of her deserted home is littered with shattered glass and concrete.

The window frame has been blown into a strange shape.

There were three other people sleeping at the Mabudafasi home that night. None was hurt.

She remains undeterred

Mrs Mabudafasi has been undeterred in her fight against apartheid by repeated police questioning, searches of her home and detention.

But she feared the bombers who strike under cover of dark and, ironically, she spoke to friends just this weekend about ways of securing her home and life.

Mr Mokaba, displaying the nails that were removed from his neck and left shoulder, said there was little he could do to protect himself.

"Where else can I stay except here?" he asked.

Mr Mokaba, who sleeps in a wooden hut in the yard of his family home, said he had not at first been alarmed when he heard someone creeping near the window in the early hours.

Even when a match was struck, he took it to be a friend outside. "But then there was the smell of gunpowder — well I only realised later it was gunpowder — and the bomb went off, knocking me about three metres, against the other wall."

Mr Mokaba was treated in hospital and discharged the same day. The explosion blew several window panes out of the main house about 20 m away.

Mr Mokaba's companion in the tiny room was unhurt as she was lying flat.

A spokesman for the NECC, the Reverend Molefe Tsele, said the committee viewed the attack on Mrs Mabudafasi very seriously.

"In the interests of the people who are risking their lives by involving themselves in the educaton crisis, we urge the police to take immediate action and bring the culprits to book."

The UDF Northern Transvaal region regards the bombings as part of a systematic attempt by "apartheid forces" to eliminate anti-apartheid activists.

BOMB GANG FLEES

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A BLACK policeman was among a gang of men who petrol-bombed a political activist's home in Atteridgeville, Pretoria, on Friday, youths in the township claimed yesterday.

By MONK NKOMO

The youths said cars sped off after the activist's home was attacked. In one car was a black policeman they knew and a number of whites and blacks. Two wore balaclavas.

Police dismissed these allegations and asked the youths to report the matter to them.

A few minutes earlier, another group of Atteridgeville youths claimed they saw a group of men in two police cars petrol-bombing another political activist's house in the township.

They said the men escaped after firing shots at them.

Police also denied these claims and asked the youngsters to report the matter at their local police station.

Mr Stanley Baloyi said the street committee was on patrol on Friday when they were alerted about two cars which had switched off lights and parked near his home.

"A man alighted and went inside the yard and threw two petrol bombs into my parents' bedroom," Mr Baloyi said.

He added: "We all rushed out of the house and approached the two cars which we recognised as police vehicles. The occupants then started shooting at us as they drove off at high speed. Their cars nearly collided. The other car was seen patrolling the streets during the day. There were white policemen inside."

A youth, who did not want his name published for fear of victimisation, said their street committee also identified a black policeman who was driving one of the cars seen near the scene shortly after the petrol-bombing of Mr Simon Tshabalala's house in Hlakubela Street, Saulsville, about 1am. Nobody was injured.

He claimed that he saw two men alighting from a car at the hilltop, near Kgaka Street.

wounded and arrested.

Resource centre petrol-bombed

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The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Office equipment and books worth an estimated R35 000 were destroyed today by at least four separate fires and a petrol bomb in the Resource Centre of the St Andrew's Street Ecumenical Centre here.

Ms Jenni Karlsson, assistant librarian of the centre, which is used by 18 community organisations, said the nightwatchman heard an explosion and discovered the fires at 1.30am.



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Arsonists hit centre

DURBAN. — About R35 000 worth of office equipment and irreplaceable books were destroyed by at least four separate fires and a petrol bomb in the resource centre of the St Andrew's Street Ecumenical Centre early yesterday.

According to a shocked Ms Jenni Karlsson, assistant librarian of the resource centre — which is used by 19 community organizations — the nightwatchman heard an explosion and discovered the fires about 1.30am.

"The centre's computer, two photo-copying machines, files, books, magazines and periodicals were apparently set alight separately," she said yesterday.

"Some of the material, like our collection of community newspapers, is irreplaceable. An attempt to set fire to the Institute of Race Relations collection, which is also irreplaceable, was only partially successful.

"It is obvious someone started separate fires by splashing petrol around the centre.

"Robbery was clearly not the motive because valuable video equipment was untouched in unlocked cupboards." — Sapa

Police petrol-bombed homes claims woman

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By Kym Hamilton,
Pretoria Bureau

Atteridgeville policemen were responsible for a recent spate of petrol-bomb attacks on the homes of civilians in the township, it was alleged in the Pretoria Supreme Court yesterday.

Mrs Miriam Sekgothe, an Atteridgeville domestic worker, brought an urgent application for an interdict to stop the police, particularly Constable David Mdawo, attacking her home at Mantoedi Street with petrol bombs or other devices and from harassing her family.

Deputy Police Commissioner General Hendrik de Witt said in an affidavit there was "not the slightest possibility" that policemen in the course of their duty took part in any of the alleged terror activities or misconduct.

Mrs Sekgothe said unidentified policemen had arrived at her home on April 4 looking for her son, Sello. They claimed he was involved in a petrol-bomb attack on the home of an Atteridgeville council policeman, Mr Ruben Kgogomo.

While searching her home, they asked her if she had seen how the police burn homes and warned her the same would happen if Sello was not found, she said.

At 10.30 pm on April 10, Constable Mdawo and another policeman returned. Constable Mdawo threatened to arrest her and her daughter if they did not find Sello.

"He threatened to petrol-bomb our house. He noted that the windows of our house had been barricaded against attacks by petrol bombs.

"He stated that we should not believe we were safe from such attacks and that he would use a grenade like the one 'we used on the house in the Mathebeleng area'," said Mrs Sekgothe.

She added that recently the Masuku family's home in Mathebeleng was attacked with a hand grenade.

Constable Mdawo also allegedly told her he was the policeman who carried out the petrol bombings in Zone 76 — where the family live — and said he was experienced in the different kinds of petrol bombs.

Constable Mdawo also warned her he would shoot Sello if he found him and that unless he reported to the Atteridgeville Police Station by April 14, he would petrol-bomb the Sekgothe home.

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Mrs Skegothe said she was frightened by the threats and believed Constable Mdawo would carry them out.

Five other affidavits from Atteridgeville residents detailing petrol-bomb attacks and the threat of attacks from policemen, were placed before the court. It was alleged that about 50 such attacks had occurred.

An application by Mr S J Maritz, appearing for the police, for a prohibition on the publication of the details, was refused.

Constable Mdawo denied the allegations in the affidavits and said the application was founded on "patent untruths".

The sole purpose of the application was to hinder him in his official duties as a member of the criminal investigation section of the Atteridgeville police station, he said.

The hearing continues.

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Tyres slashed at UDF rally

Staff Reporter

THE time to work for the transfer of power was now and people should not "wait for some heroic day in the future", the Western Cape secretary of the United Democratic Front, Mr Trevor Manuel, told a UDF rally.

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Woodstock Town Hall was packed for the meeting last night, organised by the UDF Woodstock area committee, in spite of anonymous attempts to disrupt it by pasting luminous "cancelled" stickers on advertising posters.

It was announced during the meeting that tyres of cars had been slashed. Marshals later reported that about eight vehicles had been vandalised.

"True voice"

Mr Manuel urged people to "put their energies into the democratic organisations of the people" at a time when the "morale of the State" was breaking.

The UDF had "grown in leaps and bounds as a true voice of those striving for democracy in South Africa" since its inception in 1983.

Waiting for President P W Botha to abolish pass laws was "like waiting for Halley's Comet — we see nothing".

Mr Manuel said he was outraged at the American attack on Libya.

People could "organise against President Ronald Reagan by organising against imperialism in South Africa".

The vice-president of the UDF in the Eastern Cape, Mr Henry Fazzie, said things were "rolling like a rugby ball" in the Eastern Cape.

"We are sure that by January 1987 we will be ruling this country."

He appealed to the white community to "stop sending their children to fight on our borders. Those they fight are people striving to return to their own country".

Moulana Faried Esack, national co-ordinator of the Call of Islam, said no activists imprisoned on Robben Island or at Victor Verster or Pollsmoor prisons had "grown rich on the backs of others".

Mr Esack said people were "clamouring for the release of Nelson Mandela from Oslo to Peking".



Pictures: WILLIE de KLERK, The Argus.

A section of the capacity crowd at last night's United Democratic Front rally.

CAPE TIMES 17/4/86

Motsuenyane resigns

PRETORIA. — The president of the National African Federated Chamber of Commerce, Dr Sam Motsuenyane, has resigned from the board of the University of Bophuthatswana's (Unibo) Foundation.

In a letter to the board's secretary, Mr Colin Knowles, Mr Motsuenyane said: "I deeply regret that owing to the continuous harassment I am experiencing in Bophuthatswana, I have decided to resign from the board of the Unibo foundation with immediate effect."

Dr Motsuenyane's resignation follows a petrol-bomb attack on his Winterveld house. The house was gutted on April 4. — Sapa

Leandra teenage refugees on run again

By Jo-Anne Collinge

Many Leandra "teenage refugees" are on the run again, having left their sanctuary at the Wilgespruit Fellowship Centre because of fears that vigilantes are preparing to attack it.

The fugitive teenagers said yesterday they could not go home to Leandra because the vigilantes, who killed Leandra Action Committee leader Chief Ampie Mayisa in January, were still after their blood.

The Anglican Bishop Suffragan for Johannesburg East, Bishop Simeon Nkoane, made an emotional plea to senior police officials to curb the power of the vigilantes.

He also accused the police of not taking action during December and January after being warned by him of serious divisions and violence in the area.

NORMALITY

But Bishop Nkoane said: "I still believe police could restore normality to the people of Leandra. There is nothing these children wish more than to be able to sleep in their own homes and to go back to school."

The teenagers' flight from Wilgespruit was sparked by:

- Repeated shootings on the periphery of the property.
- A particularly heavy police presence.
- A TV report suggesting that the young people had been taken from Leandra against their will.

Soon after the teenagers arrived at Wilgespruit in late January, police swooped on the centre and detained most of them. Their release was secured by urgent court action but the teenagers have not been secure since.

About a month ago, the homesick teenagers went back Leandra but were forced out by vigilantes within 24 hours. Several supporters of the Leandra Action Committee were hurt trying to take the youngsters home.

And yesterday, the fugitives rebutted TV claims that they had been forced by "outsiders" to leave Leandra. They said most people interviewed as "parents" were relatives sympathetic to the vigilantes.

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Man hurt by petrol bomb

THE president of the UDF-affiliated Middelberg Youth Congress, Mr Victor Mtila, is in a serious condition in the Willemstahl Hospital, after a petrol-bomb attack on his home early yesterday morning.

A representative of the Midlands Council of Churches said yesterday Mr Mtila had burns to his face, chest and both arms. His girlfriend was also injured.

The bomb had been thrown through his bedroom window.

Another three petrol bombs were thrown into the home of his father, Mr Fikile Mtila, a few minutes later.

Mr Mtila, who is the principal of the local school, was not harmed but his home was badly damaged.

Police yesterday declined to comment.

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'Arson' at UDF offices

CP Correspondent

A COMMUNITY resource centre has become the latest target of rightwing arsonists in Durban.

Damage estimated at about R50 000 was caused when the resource centre in St Andrews Street was set alight this week.

Police say they're investigating.

Assistant librarian Jenni Karlsson said it was obvious from the wrecked offices that someone had poured petrol along the edges of the floor and across the front of the shelves.

A computer and two photocopying machines were destroyed. A number of irreplacable documents in the Institute of Race Relations collection, housed in the centre, were also destroyed.

The centre is used by a number of progressive and aid organisations, including the UDF.

Tenants and trustees in the building said the centre was set up to be used by groups "working towards an alternative society in which there is justice and peace".

"We are shocked that a place of such benefit to the community should be attacked. The attack is clearly an attempt to undermine the valuable work with the community and especially with the poor," said a tenant.

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UDF man's home burnt

By BENITO PHILLIPS

THE home of Duncan Village UDF activist Zameni Mlingwane, who has been charged with intimidation, was attacked by arsonists this week.

Damage to his home has been estimated at R1 300.

Mlingwane said he was woken up at 1.40 am by an explosion.

When he saw petrol on the floor, and a blaze, he fled his home.

Border police liaison officer Lieutenant Dot van der Vyver confirmed the incident, and said police were investigating the fire and had already searched the house for clues.

She said it was highly unlikely the blaze was related to unrest in the area.

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Church delegates furious at rooms 'leak'

By Estelle Trengove

Delegates attending a South African Council of Churches (SACC) conference in Johannesburg were furious to find that their names and hotel room numbers were given to a hostile right-wing group.

Hate mail was delivered to delegates' rooms, but many felt it could easily have been something more dangerous.

The conference was called to discuss the church's role in South Africa's present crisis.

Several delegates were staying in the Johannesburger Hotel's annexe, Century Plaza.

On Friday evening, envelopes with names and room numbers in bold blue lettering were pushed under the doors of the rooms.

The SACC members said they believed that somebody must have had access to the information of who was staying in which room.

SACC deputy general secretary Mr Dan Vaughan said: "It could have been a letter bomb put under the door. It was malicious hate mail."

PUSHED

The Rev Lionel Louw from the Western Cape was one of the recipients of the mail. The envelope pushed under his door contained an anti-Kairos document pamphlet — several SACC members were co-authors of the Kairos theological document.

The pamphlet was published by a group called Christian Mission International. It slated the Kairos document as containing "outrageous opinions and conclusions". It said the Kairos authors were obviously "strong supporters of Liberation Theology, with all its devilish ideals".

Mr Louw said it was incredible that somebody had been given access to their names and room numbers.

The hotel's general manager, Mr Stanley Hoffmann, said it was against hotel policy to give out information about hotel guests. If somebody called for a guest, hotel staff would telephone the guest and ask him to meet the visitor in the foyer.

He said his investigations had shown that somebody had brought the pile of envelopes to the hotel reception, marked with names and room numbers, and one of the staff members had delivered the envelopes as an act of "courtesy".

He said he believed that the information about the SACC delegates must have been divulged by a source within the SACC itself.

Vigilantes allegedly beat up pupils

Three kwaNdebele pupils were treated in hospital after they and seven classmates were allegedly beaten by the homeland vigilante group, the Mbhokoto.

The 10 teenagers still have sjambok weals across their bodies nearly two weeks after the beating.

A man, who transported the group while they were on the run from the Mbhokoto, was so severely beaten on the feet that he cannot drive or wear shoes.

And a middle-aged woman, who was also accused of helping the fugitives, was slapped and doused with cold water. Her assailants made her strip naked before the teenagers, taunting her that they "wanted the children to see where they came from".

The attack was apparently provoked by a class boycott at Siyabuswa Benginhlanhla High School when pupils learnt that only matric pupils would get free books.

PUPILS FLED

Pupils fled when carloads of armed vigilantes allegedly arrived at the school, but some were later apprehended at a roadblock.

For the next two days, men and boys were assaulted at community halls in Kwaggafontein and Siyabuswa and the woman and three girls were rounded up on the Sunday and assaulted at Siyabuswa.

The alleged assaults included:

- Severe sjambokking.
- Electric shocks administered with a cattle prod.
- Being flogged for not being able to balance on slippery floors.

Lawyers said that when some of the youths began bleeding from the genitals the beatings stopped and they were sent to a clinic. The youths were then transferred to hospital where they were treated and discharged.

Lawyers are now investigating taking legal action against Mbhokotho members.

The Mbhokoto was allegedly involved in the abduction and assault of about 200 Moutse residents when the territory was declared part of kwaNdebele on New Year's Day.

NCHABELENG:

BODY IS FOUND

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Mrs GERTRUDE Nchabeleng, the UDF leader's wife.

THE body of the Northern Transvaal president of the United Democratic Front, Mr Peter Nchabeleng, has been traced to Groblersdal, according to lawyers acting for the family.

Late yesterday family members were on their way to the north-eastern Transvaal town to claim the body.

It was also disclosed that a post-mortem has already been performed without the family being notified. It was not clear yesterday whether a family pathologist will perform another post-mortem.

By MATHATHA TSEDU

Colonel P Moloto of the Lebowa Police yesterday said he could not confirm that the family had not been notified.

He said the investigating officer "probably arranged that".

Meanwhile Mr Nchabeleng's funeral is tentatively set for May 3, according to the lawyers.

Mr Nchabeleng (58) died at the Schoonod Police Station on April 11 — less than 24 hours after being detained by police at his home in Ga-Nchabeleng, Sekhukhuneland.

His wife told the *Sowetan* last week that the police had threatened to "kill" her husband when they took him away.

"Six policemen were searching the room. They told my husband: 'Today we are going to kill you. You will eat the child you killed and all the others'. They wanted T-shirts and said he should produce the guns he had," she said.

Since Mr Nchabeleng's death his family had been trying to trace his body and arrange a post-mortem and burial. The trip to Groblersdal yesterday followed a futile trip to Pietersburg after the family was told the body was there.

Police have said Mr Nchabeleng died of "suspected heart attack", but the family disputes this.

Mrs Nchabeleng said it was the first time after 30 years of marriage she had heard about her husband's heart problem.

Further investigations with the help of Pietersburg attorney Mr Don Nkadimeng led to an undertaker's firm in Groblersdal confirming that they had the body.

Mr Nchabeleng's death has caused an international outcry. Foreign governments, including the United States, have called for a thorough investigation.

3 injured in landmine blasts

THREE men were injured, two seriously, in two landmine blasts in the Eastern Transvaal yesterday.

And in Maputo, 50 people were injured, three seriously, when a car-bomb exploded in a residential area.

The SAP Public Relations Division in Pretoria reported both blasts in the Breyten area, directly east of Johannesburg and about 100 km from the Swazi border.

The statement blamed the ANC for the "cowardly attack" on civilian "soft targets".

The first mine was detonated by a taxi on the Breyten/Chrissiesmeer dirt road at about 8am. The passenger in the taxi, Mr Jan Moshuloane, of Dennilton, had both legs crushed in the blast, the statement said, while the taxi driver, Mr Ben Ndluli, of Breyten, suffered lacerations to his body.

In the second explosion, about 10.30am, a tractor was blown up on the Vlakfontein farm, but the driver escaped serious injury.

According to the police, the labourer who was driving the tractor, Mr Simon Mkwanazi, sustained injuries to his face and right leg.

The owner of the farm, Mr J J de Villiers (68), drove over the road where the landmine blast occurred four times yesterday before Mr Mkwanazi detonated the mine on the tractor.

Mr Mkwanazi was taken to the Ermelo Hospital with eye, head and leg injuries, Mr de Villiers' son, Jan (33), said at Vlakfontein.

"The tractor is a write-off," Mr de Villiers said. "I'll only keep the rear tyres."

Police and the SADF, assisted by a helicopter, immediately launched a search, and swept the dirt roads for mines.

Roadblocks were erected in the area.

It is suspected that the mine was planted on Sunday night, when a woman noticed a yellow car on the 500 m dirt road leading from the Vlakfontein farmhouse to the tarred road. — Sapa.

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Find the firebomber, says Archbishop

Religion Reporter

THE Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev Philip Russell, has reacted with distress to the petrol-bombing of the home of an Anglican bishop and has called on the authorities to deal with the matter urgently.

In a statement the Archbishop said he had heard with distress of the petrol-bombing at Makana's Kop township, Grahamstown, of the home of the Right Rev Sigqibo Dwane, a bishop of the Church of the Province of Southern Africa and Provincial of the Order of Ethiopia.

"Mercifully there was no loss of life and little damage to property.

"I call on the authorities to bring the offenders to book with the utmost urgency," he said.

Night of turmoil in Alexandra — '8 die'

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — At least eight people may have been killed in continuing unrest in Alexandra township.

Police have confirmed that at least one man has died. A spokesman for the police directorate of public relations said there had been two further incidents of unrest this morning. However, he could not confirm residents' claims that eight people had been killed.

The township, adjoining Johannesburg's lush northern suburbs, was tense this morning after a night of chaos and bloodshed in which mobs attacked the homes of anti-apartheid activists.

Witnesses said seven houses had been razed and more than 30 cars destroyed by fire and bullets in attacks on activists.

The chairman of the Alexandra Civic Association (ACA), Mr Mike Beea, was a special target of attack, but the gang which descended on his home, assaulting his mother and wife, failed to extract information of his whereabouts.

Prominent trade unionist Mr Moss Mayekiso was also hit.

Police said a man's body was found in a burnt-out home.

They said that 13 cars, one police vehicle and three homes were damaged by arsonists and stone-throwers yesterday.

The police spokesman said he was "aware of rumours that policemen had been involved in incidents of unrest yesterday". These rumours were being investigated, he added.

Today Alexandra residents blamed suppoters of the Government for the deaths.

They said bodies of eight people with gunshot wounds had been found in the township. They have not been identified.

Trouble started at 7.40 last night when people wearing balaclavas allegedly attacked people selling goods at the Pan African shopping complex.

They went on a rampage, attacking cars and

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People claim 8 die in Alex

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burning some. At least one man died in one of the vehicles.

Mrs Dorothy Beea was attacked as the men sought her son, the ACA chairman. Men dressed in white shirts and wearing balaclavas forced entry and ransacked her house.

Mr Beea's wife Rebecca was also assaulted. She fled to the place where her husband was hiding. She said their home had been destroyed.

The mob also set fire to a neighbour's house.

Although transport was available few went to work or school this morning. There was talk that a mass meeting would be convened at the stadium.

MASS CAMPAIGN

The attacks on activists come within days of the launching of a two-pronged mass campaign to boycott certain local shops and to isolate policemen by refusing them service in the community and shunning them socially.

The attacks also came within a day of the resignation of Alexandra Mayor the Rev Sam Buti and all remaining members of the council, which was a long-standing demand of the ACA and the Alexandra Youth Congress.

Two months ago Alexandra was torn apart as security forces clashed with youths and more than 20 lives were lost. The number of deaths in Alexandra in February is the subject of bitter dispute as many people disappeared in the chaos.

Homes of Cosatu men set alight

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — The homes of two members of the Congress of South African Trade Unions were set alight and one of the men was shot at with an AK-47 rifle in the Esikhawini district of Kwazulu.

Brigadier Dries Laas, Commissioner of the Kwazulu Police, today confirmed Tuesday night's incident.

HIT IN ARM

He said that about 11pm on Tuesday Mr Jeffrey Vulane heard the sound of breaking glass. He found the dining-room on fire and ran out of the house.

One of three men outside opened fire on, hitting Mr Vulane in the right arm. His car was gutted and the house extensively damaged. Repairs are expected to cost about R20 000.

Mr Wilson Malbo's home was also set alight and damage is estimated at R10 000.

It is believed that petrol bombs were used.

Alexandra attacks: Cosatu appeals

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By Mike Siluma

The Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) has called on all progressive organisations to meet and discuss the growing incidence of violent attacks on anti-apartheid leaders and activists.

Reacting to the attacks on Tuesday night on the homes of Alexandra community leaders and activists, including a prominent Cosatu leader, the 650 000-strong federation said the attacks were an open declaration of war on the people.

"This is a grand plan by those in power to suppress us in a different fashion — for South Africa to get out of (the present) crisis.

PROGRESSIVE

"We call upon all progressive organisations, including churches, to look into the possibility of coming together to discuss the new trend of violence in South Africa, which seems to be our way of life," Cosatu said in a statement.

Among the homes attacked were those of Alexandra Civic Association chairman, Mr Mike Beea and Mr Moses Mayekiso, a prominent Cosatu leader.

Tuesday night's violence in Alexandra adds to a growing number of attacks on opponents of Government policies in recent years.

Some leaders and activists have been assassinated, some simply disappeared and in most cases the culprits have never been brought to book.

Police probe attacks in Alexandra

Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — A high-level police investigation has been ordered into allegations that off-duty policemen were involved in attacks on homes and civilians in Alexandra on Tuesday night.

A senior police spokesman said it is not yet known who was involved in the attacks on homes of "comrades" and members of the Alexandra Action Committee.

Police were aware, however, of rumours and allegations that a crowd of moderates — which had apparently taken the law into its own hands — had included a number of off-duty black policemen, he said.

"The police would never sanction anything like this. Any form of violence, no matter from which quarter it comes, cannot be condoned by the police," he said.

Alexandra residents have claimed that the attacks were carried out by members of the police revenging the burning of their houses.

It was claimed that 60 houses were petrol-bombed, 10 of them gutted.

There was no comment from police today on reports that a contingent of 100 policemen were fired at by gunmen using AK-47s during a confrontation with a large crowd in Alexandra yesterday.

Nel: Radical Right won't deter us

By David Braun,
Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Right-wing disruptions of the kind that broke up a National Party meeting in the Transvaal last night would not deter the Government from its process of reform, the Deputy Minister of Information, Mr Louis Nel, said today.

Mr Nel was prevented from addressing a public meeting in Brits when a large crowd of supporters of the militant Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) took over the proceedings and made it impossible for speeches to be heard.

In Vereeniging, a meeting addressed by the State President, Mr P W Botha, was also heckled by a few right-wingers.

'REFORM GOES ON'

Mr Nel said today the National Party would continue with its reforms "regardless of these people who do not want to see reason.

"We are not prepared to give a number of white right-wing radicals like the AWB a veto on our plans."

Asked what he had to say to the AWB's reported boast that the National Party would never again be able to hold a public meeting addressed by a Cabinet Minister in the Transvaal, Mr Nel said: "The National Party will not be intimidated by such a threat.

"The AWB has sent out to the world an ugly face of the Afrikaner and, in doing so, have done us and South Africa a disservice, because this is not the true character of the Afrikaner."

● See Page 3.



Mr Louis Nel tries to make himself heard above the crowd of unruly AWB supporters wh disrupted a National Party meeting in Brits yesterday.



A local farmer, former wrestling champion Mr Manie Maritz, argues with a police officer.



Part of the noisy crowd which attended yesterday's meeting. M Nel faced a barrage of catcalls and stinkbombs.

Anglican bishop arrested

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The Anglican Bishop Suffragan of the West Rand, Bishop Sigisbert Ndwandwe, has been arrested at his Klerksdorp home, a day after petrol bombs were thrown at his office.

A police spokesman said the bishop was being held in terms of Section 50 of the Internal Security Act.

Anglican Archbishop-elect Desmond Tutu said the police told him the bishop was arrested last night and would face charges of public violence.

"He is such a caring man. It is one of the most ridiculous things I have come across," he said.

MISSION HOUSE

Bishop Ndandwe's wife Dorcas said the same policemen visited them on Wednesday night in connection with the bombing of the office in the mission house.

Two other homes in Klerksdorp's Jouberton township were petrol-bombed on Wednesday about the time that the mission house was hit.

They belong to the president of the Joubertina Youth Congress, Mr Ivan Maqayiya, and his vice-president, Mr Matlakala Motidi.

Police role in bombing, lawyers tell the A-G

Argus 25/4/86

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — The Attorney-General has been sent detailed allegations that a policeman based in Kwathema played a key role in petrol-bombing the home of the Anglican Bishop Suffragan for Johannesburg East, Bishop Simeon Nkoane, last June.

Lawyers told the Attorney-General they believe the statements they have given him sufficient prima facie evidence that "Sergeant X" and other policemen may have been engaged in criminal activities.

The dossier has also been handed to Brigadier Dick Greyling at Springs.

Bishop Nkoane's home in Kwathema outside Springs was attacked on twice — on June 22 and June 25/26.

Police 'in attacks on activists'

JOHANNESBURG. — Bishop Desmond Tutu alleged yesterday that police had taken part in attacks on anti-apartheid activists in South Africa.

Police headquarters in Pretoria said they did not condone officers taking the law into their own hands. A spokesman said Bishop Tutu's allegations would be investigated if he gave his information to the police.

Archbishop-designate Tutu also criticized the authorities for detaining Suffragan Bishop Sigisbert Ndwandwe, who he said was a gentle person striving to unite South Africa's divided peoples.

Charged

Police picked up Bishop Ndwandwe at his house in Jouberton, west of Johannesburg, on Thursday night and told his wife he would be charged with public violence, Bishop Tutu said at a news conference.

A police spokesman yesterday confirmed that Bishop Ndwandwe had been detained under Section 50 of the Internal Security Act which allows detention for up to 14 days. He said Bishop Ndwandwe, one of Bishop Tutu's deputies in the Johannesburg region, could possibly be charged.

The day before he was arrested, Bishop Ndwandwe's home had been damaged by petrol bombs, Bishop Tutu said, and neighbours said some of the people involved were wearing T-shirts of the anti-apartheid United Democratic Front (UDF).

"If a UDF person was wanting to be responsible for such a dastardly deed, surely they would not be so stupid as to go to the scene of the crime wearing something that would identify them so easily," Bishop Tutu said. "The clumsiness of those who perpetrate these deeds is sometimes laughable."

Bishop Tutu said a recent spate of township attacks seemed to be aimed at opponents of apartheid.

"Almost everyone in the black community has no doubt at all that the authorities are involved," Bishop Tutu said.

Residents of Alexandra near Johannesburg have alleged that violence in the township this week was instigated or carried out by police or men in police uniforms. Police said they were investigating the allegations.

Blind eye

Asked if he thought the police co-ordinated attacks on activists or just turned a blind eye to violence by conservative vigilantes, he said: "It's six of one and half-a-dozen of the other. If they turn a blind eye they are still encouraging these people.

"My own view is that it is even more sinister ... that some of those who carry out these actions, it seems, are members of the police force."

Bishop Simeon Nkoane, Suffragan Bishop of the area east of Johannesburg, showed reporters affidavits alleging that a policeman was involved in a petrol-bomb attack on his house in KwaThema township east of Johannesburg last year.

The affidavits have been filed as evidence in the Johannesburg Supreme Court. — Sapa-Reuter

Student leader dies in hospital

Cape Times 26/4/86 (NM) (344) (392)

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — A KwaMashu student leader, Mr Dumisani Ximba, died in hospital this week after being abducted by armed men who took him to an Inanda settlement where he was brutally assaulted, his father said yesterday.

Mr Vusi Dlamini said he narrowly escaped death when he, Dumisani and a number of pupils were attacked by spear-wielding men.

Mr Dlamini, whose house was petrol-bombed yesterday, said they were returning from a SRC meeting at the V M School when the group of men attacked them.

"They were wearing yellow T-shirts with 'Amatigulu Youth Camp' written on them. They just went for us without saying a word. It was unbelievable," he said. "Most of my colleagues managed to escape but I fell down and a man started hitting me in the face with a knobkierie. I got up somehow and ran towards the railway station with two spear-wielding men chasing me."

He said he was saved by a railway policeman who drew his gun.

"I was taken to King Edward VIII Hospital where I was treated and discharged."

The father of the dead student, Mr Walter Ximba, said his son was beaten semi-conscious. He was found by relatives while trying to crawl home.

Mr Ximba said his son, who could not speak properly, kept on mumbling 'amabutho' (warriors) and saying he was taken to Inanda where he was beaten.

A spokesman for police in Durban was unable to confirm the incident yesterday, but said he could not deny it if the family had confirmed the death.

Arrest while reporting to police station

Staff Reporter

A MEMBER of the Western Cape Civic Association, Mr Kholisile Ntondini, was arrested on a murder charge by police when he reported to the Guguletu police station at the weekend.

And last week his wife said their home was "attacked" by four men in the early hours of the morning.

Mrs Gladys Ntondini said she believed the four men who "kicked and banged" on the doors and windows of her home at 2.30am on Thursday were "witdoeke".

She said the police had told her they wanted to see her husband at the police station.

On Friday Mr Ntondini went there with Mr Jan Van Eck, of the Progressive Federal Party's Repression Monitoring Committee, as he was afraid he would be detained, Mrs Ntondini said.

Mr Van Eck last week said he had accompanied Mr Ntondini because "in previous cases when people were asked to go to the police station they have been detained".

Broken window panes

On their arrival, he said, police said Mr Ntondini was being arrested as he was a suspect in a murder case.

On Thursday night Mrs Ntondini showed the Cape Times cracked and broken window panes and a pole, which she said had been used to bang on the doors.

She said she recognized the voice as that of a man who, she said, was working with Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana, the Old Crossroads "leader". Residents say Mr Ngxobongwana has not been seen since seven "witdoeke" were killed in a raid on New Crossroads last month.

Residents said they were afraid of renewed conflict between the "witdoeke" vigilantes and members of progressive organizations.

Mr Ntondini was one of the seven men elected by the community to "make peace" between the "comrades" and the New Crossroads committee collecting "bail funds" from the community.

● Sapa reports that a police spokesman in Pretoria said that if Mrs Ntondini was satisfied that the police had neglected their duty, she could make an affidavit and take it to her local police station or any other for investigation, or send it directly to police headquarters in Pretoria for investigation.

Mourners attacked at Soweto night vigil

Five people are believed dead and at least 13 others are in a serious condition at Baragwanath Hospital after being shot and attacked with pangas at a night vigil for a pupil in Diepkloof, Soweto, early yesterday morning.

Police are investigating the incident.

Eyewitnesses said the attack was carried out by about 40 men wearing balaclavas, who also set alight two tents hired for the occasion.

A hospital source said the death toll could rise. As many as 30 people may have been wounded.

Several other youths are said to be missing after being taken away during the attack in vehicles which residents say resembled police vehicles.

CROWD

The attack occurred at about 1am at the home of Mr Stanley Mashango Mabaso (18), a Namedi High School pupil who died after being shot by a policeman in the township on April 18.

Mourners said that hours after the attack a contingent of police arrived at the house and prevented a large crowd of mourners from attending the funeral at the Avalon Cemetery.

Only members of the family and relatives were allowed to join the procession.

At the cemetery police filmed the proceedings and at one stage told mourners to hurry up because they wanted to leave, they said.

Mob burnt house of slain Alex activist

By Maud Motanyane
and Jo-Anne Collinge

One of two men killed yesterday when police fired into a house in Alexandra was a victim of the mob which went on the rampage in the township last week, attacking political activists.

Mr Zephaniah Mdakane, a member of the Alexandra Youth Congress, made a statement to relief workers soon after losing his home last week.

He said that he was out at the time of the attack but had returned to find "the shack where I live had been burnt. All my clothes and furniture had been destroyed." There were witnesses to the attack.

Police are investigating widespread claims that off-duty policemen played a central role in the violence against activists, which claimed at least two lives last Tuesday.

Police have said that two men — identified by residents as Mr Emanuel Ngubeni and Mr Mdakane — were killed yesterday in a gunbattle between occupants of 37 10th Avenue and the police, during which the police hurled a handgrenade into the house.

DENIAL

They state that a civilian and two policemen were injured in the shootout.

But residents deny that any shots emanated from unit number seven in the yard. They say the first noise they heard was police knocking at unit seven and demanding entry.

The owner of the house, Mr Andries Phiri, lives and works away from home. His two daughters, Nomvula Georgina (20) and Thulane Angel (15), usually live there alone.

Mr Phiri was distraught at the disappearance of the two young women after the attack. He said he had no idea if they had been detained, or were injured or dead.

Residents said people who remained in the house were taken away by the police during the morning. The police have not confirmed or denied the detention of the Phiri girls.

Police told Sapa yesterday that a group of white policemen were fired on from a house. "Two of these policemen were struck by bullets," they said. "The police returned fire with rifles, pistols and a handgrenade."

REFUGE

Mr Ngubeni was a cousin of the two women living in the house, and Mr Mdakane and a third man are believed to have taken refuge there after losing their homes in earlier attacks.

Neighbours, who have refused to be identified for fear of reprisals, said they were woken well before dawn by policemen knocking on the door of unit seven in their yard.

Some allege that the police counted to seven before opening fire.

Three people were shot dead in Alex on Friday night — Bucs' player Vusi Silango, schoolboy Elias Thulani Mdluli and Mr Thulani Ngubane.

One of a crowd of people which gathered around a fire where Silango was shot said the group had scattered minutes before the shooting because they had heard a rumour that "soldiers" were in the area. But Silango had stayed at the fire to warm himself.

(7) (a) and (b) Yes, the accused will appear in the Regional Court on 4 April 1986.

(8) No.

Vigilantes

*25. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether any vigilantes were operating in Zolani Township near Ashton in 1985; if so,

(2) whether the South African Police took any action in respect of these vigilantes; if so, (a) what action, (b) when and (c) with what result; if not, why not;

(3) whether these vigilantes operated with the (a) knowledge and/or (b) co-operation of the South African Police; if so, (i) why, (ii) what was the nature of this co-operation and (iii) who authorised the South African Police to co-operate with them;

(4) whether any (a) fire-arms were and (b) ammunition was issued to such vigilantes by the South African Police; if so, why;

(5) whether the South African Police received any complaints from residents of Zolani Township concerning any (a) councillors and/or (b) vigilantes; if so, (i) how many, (ii) on what dates and (iii) what was the nature of these complaints;

(6) whether any residents of Zolani Township laid any charges against (a) councillors and/or (b) vigilantes; if so, (i) how many, (ii) on what dates and (iii) what was the nature of these charges;

(7) whether the South African Police investigated these (a) complaints and (b) charges; if not, why not; if so, what were the findings in each case;

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

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(2) No, because at that stage the police had no knowledge of the existence of a vigilante group.

(3) to (5) No.

(6) (a) Yes.

(i) Four.

(ii) 12 and 20 November 1985 and again on 3 and 7 December 1985.

(iii) Three charges of assault and one charge of attempted murder.

(b) Yes.

(i) Four.

(ii) 4, 12 and 20 November 1985 and again on 7 December 1985.

(iii) Four charges of assault.

(7)(a) and (b) Yes, with regard to the councillors, prosecution was refused in three cases. The remaining charge is still being investigated. With regard to the vigilantes prosecution was refused in two cases; in another case the Attorney-General's decision is being awaited and the last case is still being investigated.

(8) No.

Tendered goods/supplies

*26. Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Transport Affairs:

(1) Whether (a) the South African Transport Services and (b) any specified divisions thereof have followed the same procedure over the past year in regard to all tendered goods or supplies originating (i) partly or (ii) wholly from foreign countries; if not,

(2) whether a different procedure has been followed over the past year in regard to such goods or supplies originating (a) partly or (b) wholly from certain foreign countries; if so, (i) what was the nature of this procedure, (ii)(aa) when and (bb) why was it introduced, (iii)(aa) in respect of which foreign countries was it applied and (bb) to what extent in each case and (iv)(aa) since when and (bb) why has this procedure been applied in respect of each such foreign country;

(3) whether the South African Transport Services obtained Cabinet approval for allowing this procedure in respect of certain foreign countries; if not, why not; if so, when?

†The MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AFFAIRS:

(1) (a) and (b) No.

(2) (a) and (b) Yes.

(i) Tenderers were erroneously advised that offers incorporating supplies from Sweden would not be considered by Transport Services.

(ii) (aa) 7 January 1986.

(bb) Due to an administrative error.

(iii) (aa) Sweden.

(bb) Please refer to reply in respect of part (2)(i) of the question.

(iv) (aa) 7 January 1986.

(bb) Please refer to reply in respect of part (2)(i) of the question.

(3) No. The procedure introduced was due to an administrative error.

Report of Education Committee

*27. Mr R M BURROWS asked the Minister of National Education:

(1) Whether he has been furnished with a copy of the Report of the Education Committee on Recommendations for National Education Policy Objectives and Strategies submitted to the Minister of National Education of South West Africa; if not, why not; if so,

(2) whether he will furnish the House with information contained in this report; if not, why not; if so, what recommendations are contained in the report in regard to the structure of education in South West Africa;

(3) whether a dissenting minority report was submitted in regard to this matter; if so, what was the purport of the minority report;

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

The MINISTER OF NATIONAL EDUCATION:

(1) No.

(2) Falls away.

(3) Falls away.

(4) Falls away.

Ekangala Co-ordinating Committee

*28. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning:

(1) Whether his Department recognises the Ekangala Co-ordinating Committee, which is also known as the Representative Authorised Committee; if

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Mayfair residents 'afraid' to protest racist pamphlets

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By Kashviña Jaga

Mayfair's non-white residents are too scared of "victimisation" to protest against right-wing pamphlets being circulated in the area, says the treasurer of the Save Pageview Association, Mr Soni Hari.

The pamphlets sent by the Mayfair Residents and Ratepayers Association demand that the white section of Mayfair remain "white". Mayfair east of Princess Street and South of the railway line has been declared an Indian group area.

One of the pamphlets stated:

"The Mayfair Residents and Ratepayers Association has been given a mandate by the people of the area to use every means possible in order to maintain a safe, attractive white suburb."

Mr Hari said non-white residents had received such letters on more than one occasion, and just turned a blind eye because they were afraid their homes would be stoned by racists.

STONES

"They have learnt to live with such harassment," he said. Stone-throwing, letters, abusive phone calls and threats were not uncommon.

Mr Ebrahim Kharsany, the head of a Fordsburg property consultant company, said he knew residents who had been victimised but they were too scared to talk to the Press.

The chairman of the Homestead Park Residents Association, Mr Allen McCabe, confirmed his organisation was responsible for the pamphlets.

"We are not out on a white-versus-Indian hate campaign, as a recent Sunday newspaper article claimed, but are attacking the Government for its hypocritical policies," said Mr McCabe.

He argued that just as residents in Soweto and Lenasia were keeping their suburbs "black," the residents of Mayfair wanted the white section to be kept that way.

Mr McCabe said that non-whites were living illegally in Homestead Park as well as Mayfair, and by taking action he was acting on the wishes of white residents in these areas.

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Soweto man shot in home

JOHANNESBURG. — An unknown gunman shot dead Mr David Moloko Mabeba of Diepkloof, Soweto, on Monday night and wounded his wife and son.

Mr Mabeba (59), a father of five sons, died at Baragwanath Hospital. His wife, Elizabeth, and son, David, were admitted to the hospital.

A relative said yesterday that a man had arrived at the Mabeba home about 6.30pm and asked for one of the Mabeba boys, a high school pupil. "He was told the youth was not at home, then without warning he produced a firearm and fired several shots, wounding all three, before fleeing," the relative said.

The attack came in the wake of a wave of terror that has swept through the township since Sunday, when a gang of about 40 men in balaclavas attacked a group of mourners early on Sunday morning with pangas.

Several homes were petrol-bombed at the weekend and many students are believed to have fled their homes.

At least six people are believed to have been killed in Sunday's attack, which came at the end of a night vigil by students for an 18-year-old youth shot dead in the township earlier this month.

Hospital authorities said 10 are still in Baragwanath Hospital with serious gunshot and stab wounds. More than 30 others have been treated and discharged.

Several students were reported missing after they were allegedly dragged into waiting vehicles after being injured.

Pupils at Diepkloof high schools stayed away from classes on Monday, many too frightened to leave their homes. — Sapa

NATIONAL

Police investigate secret right-wing body's 'hit-list'

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By DAVID BRAUN, Political Staff

POLICE are investigating the "hit-list" which singles out 66 prominent left-wing people for "action" by a secret, militant right-wing organisation.

Mrs Helen Suzman, the Progressive Federal Party spokesman on Law and Order, told Parliament about the list yesterday.

She has handed the list to the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, who has promised that it will be investigated.

Documents in her possession show that the organisation calls itself the Anti-Communist Anti-Terrorist Resistance Movement.

Mrs Suzman would not reveal the names on the list because she did not want "to give people ideas or to bandy names about".

She said the list, drawn up by "right-wing, English-speaking thugs", called for unspecified action to be taken.

The names were of people across the political spectrum on the left. Many were known to her and she could vouch that they were neither communist nor sympathetic to communism.

Mrs Suzman said her name was not on the list, "although I am sure it is right on top now".

"Combat names"

According to the documents, members of the organisation are given "combat names" to protect their identity.

One of the duties of recruits is to draw up lists of "suspects, UDF members and ANC members, etc".

Another is to monitor the media for information.

The documents tell recruits they must be accepted amongst local residents.

"In this type of war you must be able to disappear among the locals after operations. In other words you will operate in civilian disguise," it says.

Mrs Suzman said: "I view this very seriously, particularly in view of the current spate of violence. This bunch of right-wing, English-speaking thugs has got to be stopped."

Appeal to Govt to stimulate static economy

Financial Editor

COMMERCE and industry, hit by the failure of the economy to pick up as expected, have appealed to the Government to stimulate business by reducing taxes and putting more money into people's pockets.

They have called on the authorities to consider cutting the general sales tax and the petrol price, abolishing the 10 percent import surcharge and repaying the 1980 loan levy.

The Federated Chamber of Industries, which speaks for the country's manufacturers, and the Associated Chambers of Commerce which represents the country's retail, wholesale and finance sectors, have expressed serious concern at the country's poor economic health.

The FCI said there was a critical need for economic revival, now being held back by political instability.

Mr J R Wilson, president of the FCI, said further steps were urgently required to stimulate the economy.

He called on the Government to:

- **Remove the 10 percent surcharge on imports.**
- **Reduce GST to stimulate consumption.**
- **Increase Government spending selectively.**

Assocom said there was strong evidence that the economy was not responding sufficiently to the Government's growth policies.

Unless there was an immediate improvement the Government should consider:

- **Reducing short-term interest rates.**
- **Repaying the 1980 loan levy.**
- **Reducing fuel prices.**
- **Reducing GST or the import surcharge.**

Passtoors' trial postponed

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The Rand Supreme Court treason trial of Helene Passtoors was postponed yesterday for 10 days when the Witwatersrand Attorney-General, Mr K von Lieres SC, failed to appear due to illness.

Argument in the trial of Passtoors, who has pleaded not guilty to charges of treason and terrorism, began on Monday and the State will continue argument on May 12.

Taxi-drivers' eyes on all but the road

SINGAPORE. — Traffic police are cracking down on taxi-drivers who have installed extra mirrors in their cars so they can sneak peeps at the bosoms and legs of women passengers.

Traffic officers discovered the illegal show-all mirrors in 14 taxis during a two-hour spot check following a complaint from a woman who said she had an "uneasy ride" because a taxi-driver was feasting his eyes on her.

Transport authorities said they did not accept drivers' excuses. — Sapa-Reuter.

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Blast at Mowbray station

Staff Reporters

A BLAST shortly before midnight last night demolished a section of Mowbray railway station.

Residents phoned the Cape Times to say a blast shook homes at 11.43pm. They reported that debris from the explosion, which destroyed a toilet and a section of a waiting room, was strewn on all sides of the track.

Early today it was not clear whether anyone had been injured in the blast.

Members of South African Police, Railway Police, fire-brigade and several ambulances and rescue workers rushed to the station.

Police with sniffer dogs searched for explosive devices.

A resident said he saw debris strewn on both sides of the tracks. He said police had cordoned off the area.

An ambulance spokesman early this morning reported they had been requested to stand by but had not yet received any indication if anyone had been injured in the blast.

A Cape Times team were ordered by police to leave the area for their own safety.

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Townships form self-defence militias

By SEFAKO NYAKA

IN the face of violent attacks on political activists and their homes, residents in several townships have come together to form "people's militias".

This week parents and pupils in Diepkloof, Soweto resolved to get together and defend themselves against attacks such as those suffered by some residents last weekend.

Six people died and 13 others are in a serious condition in Baragwanath Hospital after being shot and attacked with pangas at a night vigil for a dead student in Diepkloof early on Sunday morning.

Eyewitnesses say the attack was carried out by about 40 men wearing balaclavas, who also set alight two tents which were hired for the occasion.

Several youths are said to be missing after being allegedly dragged to vehicles which residents said resembled police vehicles.

Cartridge cases and a "brain-spattered" balaclava were picked up in the blood-stained yard.

On Monday, David Mabeba, the father of a high school student, was shot dead by an unknown gunman during a raid on his house in Diepkloof by several men who said they were looking for his son.

In Soweto alone more than half a dozen houses of activists have been attacked in a week.

In a statement this week the Soweto Civic Association (SCA) said the fact that the "police, the SADF, councillors and their henchmen have been seen at scenes of petrol-bombings and other savage acts of brutality is cause for concern.

"We can no longer stand by idly while our wives, children and property are being attacked. We have no option but to defend ourselves and it is in this context that we support the resolution taken by residents to form self-defence units."

The SCA said the situation "we are being forced into" may lead them to review "our commitment to non-violent struggle".

The first significant attack took place in Alexandra township more than a week ago.

According to sworn affidavits from residents, the attacks were carried out by men wearing powder blue shirts and dark trousers — standard police uniform.

Residents also claim that some of the white policemen had their faces blackened during the attack and that police vehicles escorted the attackers or appeared on the scene shortly after the attacks and did nothing to stop them.

The affidavits also claim that there is collusion by the fire department. In most instances described in the affidavits, people whose houses were set on fire were told not to put out the fire as the fire brigade was on its way.

The Alexandra Action Committee (AAC) claimed that since the attacks police had killed 18 people.

Police have confirmed only four deaths in Alexandra since last Tuesday — admitting that three of them were the result of police action — and said they were investigating claims of police involvement in vigilante groups.

AAC chairman Moses Mayekiso told a press conference this week that police had formed vigilante groups of up to 200 to patrol the township on foot in a bid to eliminate activists.

The acting publicity secretary of the United Democratic Front, Murphy Morobe, said people were becoming more and more convinced that the attacks were taking place with the sanction of the police, or some police units or even by certain elements in the police force.

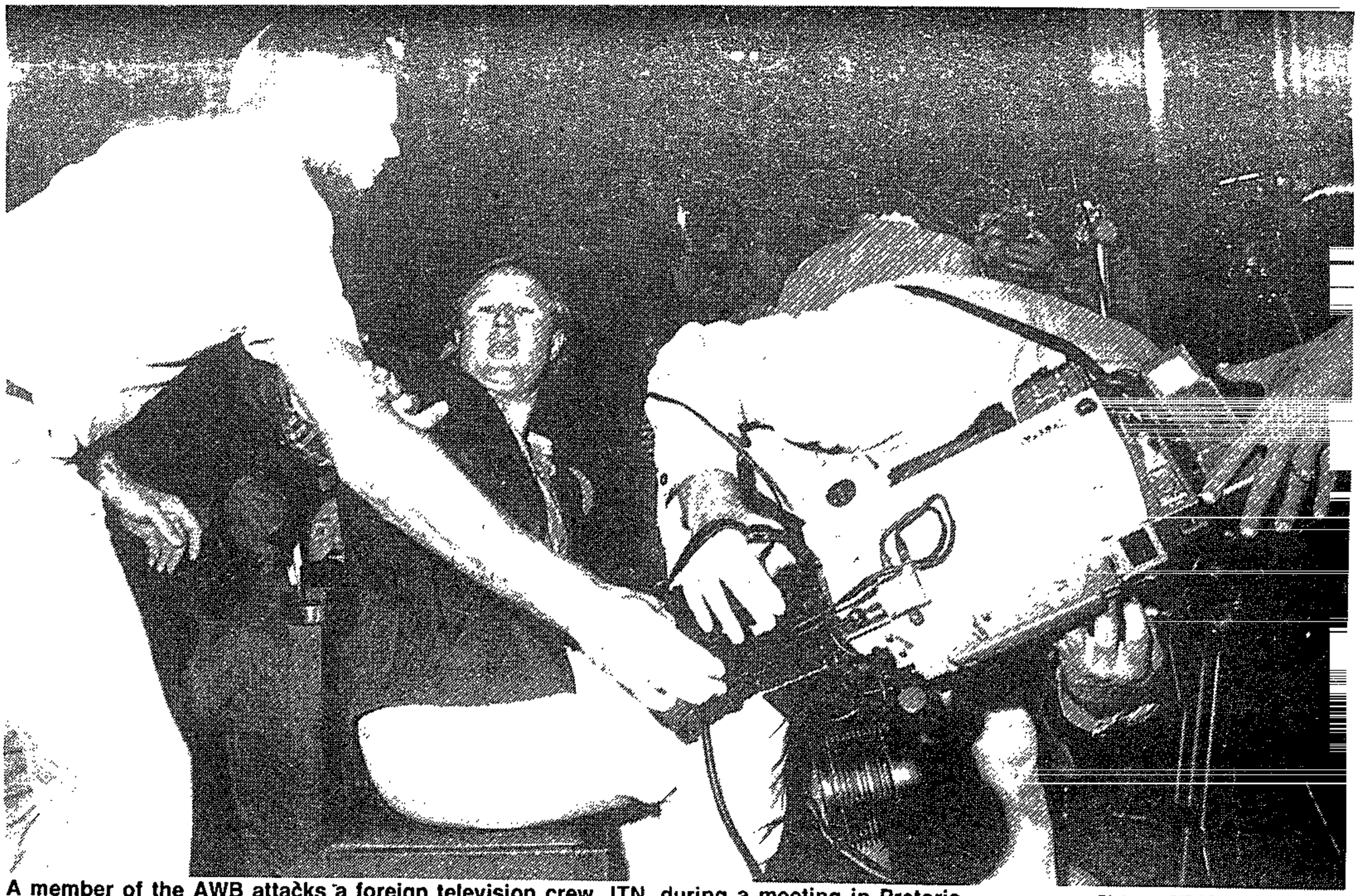
"In all these incidents hardly a single person has been arrested. It didn't take the police long to make arrests in connection with the killing of Rambo," (the alleged thug killed in Meadowlands a week ago).

Attacks were also reported at Carletonville, Krugersdorp, Bophelong in the Vaal Triangle and at Welkom, Free State.



Soldiers look on as a Putco bus blazes in Alexandra this week

Picture: STEVE HILTON-BARBER



A member of the AWB attacks a foreign television crew, ITN, during a meeting in Pretoria

Picture: GIDEON MENDEL, AFP

AWB rally warns of 'violence'

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By NORMAN GREENBERG

EUGENE Terre'Blanche, leader of the AWB, has threatened that should the government capitulate to "black communism" or withhold elections, the AWB will take with violence "that which belongs to the volk".

Speaking at a mass rally in Pretoria, Terre'Blanche also announced that he is to seek a meeting with the State President, to put to him the *volk's* rejection of the tricameral system, described as an "Egyptian samoosa".

More than 3 000 supporters — some of them clad in the khaki of the AWB's "civil defence" organisation, the Boere Brandwag — were on hand to hear these words, boomed via powerful loudspeakers through the jam-packed City Hall and out through the windows to those outside. For blocks around, the streets reverberated to the sound of Terre'Blanche.

Almost everything he said was greeted with a tumultous approval. The Afrikaner, he prophesised, would go so far and no further. If the government continued on its present course, South Africa would suffer the "biggest hell-revolution ever".

He himself was neither a terrorist nor did he support violence. But he would not allow his people to be destoyed by the ANC.

The ultimate choice in South Africa, he told his audience , was between the AWB and the ANC. That organisation, he declared, was a "product of international communism". It should beware: the Afrikaner was forming the laager; and since the whites had God on their side, it they who had the majority in Africa.

For the National Party, Terre'Blanche had the warning that the AWB would not much longer be able to contain the fury of the whites.

Afrikaners he demanded, should be given the same opportunity as (Bophuthatswana president) Lucas Mangope, "to have our own state ruled by ourselves and not together with colourds and Indians".

Once the Right had secured the majority of Parliamentary seats in the Transvaal,the Free State and Northern Natal, it would approach the President and demand secession to form a "boere people's state". Whites from the Cape who wished to join would have to move into an area in the northern Cape adjoining the Transvaal.

Though much of his address was devoted to vilification of the tricameral system, Terre'Blanche had positive mention for both the CP and the HNP. CP leader Andries Treurnicht, he revealed , had told him the Brandwag was "essential" and had encouraged him to further its development.

On the receiving end of lavish praise were the SAP and the SADF. These forces, said Terre'Blanche, were "the finest in the world", and if unshackled would bring township unrest to an end "within two or three days".

Repeating his offer (thusfar rejected) to have his supporters join the police reserve, Terre'Blanche went on to say that there could never be any conflict between the AWB on the one hand and the SAP and the SADF on the other. The oath taken by members of the SAP and the SADF embodied the very same principles of the AWB. He himself, as a former policeman, had taken this oath and could never renounce it.

Outside the meeting, pamphlets were distributed rom the "Movement for the Freedom and Preservation of White South Africa" calling on whites to "arm themselves, stay armed and make sure you know how to use your weapons.

"If you are attacked, shoot to kill. We can talk later. People who want our land can take it over our dead bodies.

"Beware of your servants. Remember ... the tame dog is the one that bites hardest".

For Terre'Blanche, the rally was perhaps the high point of his political career to date. That can no doubt that the Right is on the march, and that he is its natural leader.

Positioned as he is in extra-parliamentary politics, he seems to be setting himself up as the holy guru of conservative Afrikanerdom. While the CP and the HNP fight the grubby tricameral battle for him, he can build up huge populist support and heartily woo the SAP and the SADF.

And with his talk of violence, he may have crossed an important new boundary.

NON - WHITE TRADE

Parties — Employer Organisations: South African Association for Non-White Trade (inc. the Witwatersrand Chamber of Reef Trade); Reef (Non-White Trade) Employers' Association
Trade Union: Concession Stores and Allied Trades Assistants' Union

Area — In shops in the Magisterial Districts of Alberton, Benoni, Boksburg, Brakpan, Germiston, Highveld Ridge Johannesburg, Kempton Park, Klerksdorp, Krugersdorp, Nigel, Oberholzer, Potchefstroom, Randfontein, Roodepoort, Springs, Vereeniging and Westonaria

Footnotes

1.Overtime - No overtime work is allowed

Police probe political hit list

POLICE have launched an investigation into a shadowy, right-wing organisation that has drawn up an assassination hit-list of prominent blacks and whites active in leftwing politics.

This was confirmed yesterday by a spokesman for Law and Order Minister Louis le Grange, who refused to divulge whether police had any knowledge of the group, which calls itself the "Anti-Communist Anti-Terrorist Resistance Movement (AARM)."

Existence of the hit list was disclosed by Helen Suzman (PFP Houghton) in Parliament on Wednesday.

She passed on the list to Le Grange.

The vigilante group, allegedly has the names of 66 people on the list, with photographs and details of its proposed victims.

Suzman refused to divulge the names listed in the document, in that this could prejudice and further endanger those concerned.

She said, however, most were people known to be actively involved in leftist politics.

CHRIS CAIRNCROSS

Police officer linked to bombs

By Jo-Anne Collinge

Detailed allegations that a kwaThema policeman played a key role in petrol-bombing the home of the Anglican Bishop Suffragan for Johannesburg East, Bishop Simeon Nkoane, are in the hands of the Attorney-General.

Lawyers acting for the Anglican Church have told the Attorney-General that they believe the dossier they have sent him provides "sufficient prima facie evidence that a sergeant and other members of the South African Police may have been engaged in criminal activities". Brigadier Dick Greyling, of Springs, said he had received the statements and investigations were continuing.

One statement has been made by Mr Patrick Mahlangu, who says he was staying in a back room on the property of a sergeant at the time of the two petrol-bomb attacks on Bishop Nkoane's home in the Springs township in June last year. Several other homes were attacked on the same nights and shots were fired into them.

'SAW THEM BEING MADE'

Of the first attack, on June 21, Mr Mahlangu says the sergeant told him of the intention to petrol-bomb the bishop's home and boasted of the deed afterwards. "He told me that he and others had fire-bombed Bishop Nkoane's house and would do so again and again until the Bishop moved out of kwaThema."

Of the second attack, on June 26, Mr Mahlangu makes more detailed claims, including the allegation that he witnessed the making of petrol bombs on the sergeant's property.

Four men, including the sergeant, loaded about 12 petrol bombs into a white mini-bus, which was alleged to be a police vehicle. They drove off and returned about 2.30 am.

Right-wing threats to Bloch, Boraine

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Staff Reporter

AT LEAST two prominent opponents of the government this week received threatening letters from a far-right-wing group calling itself the "Anti-terrorist, Anti-communist Resistance Movement".

A United Democratic Front executive member, Mr Graeme Bloch, and the former Progressive Federal Party MP for Pinelands, Dr Alex Boraine, confirmed yesterday that they had received letters from the shadowy group.

They both received a foolscap poster with a photograph of a white man carrying an automatic rifle bending over the bullet-riddled body of another white man.

The poster says: "Advice to ECC (End Conscription Campaign) and supporters: You could be next."

Both letters were posted in Cape Town and the addresses of both men were typed on to paste-on labels.

Dr Boraine yesterday said: "This organization is symptomatic of the extreme polarization taking place in our society and the epidemic of violence which comes from many quarters.

"It would be foolish to dismiss this group as a bunch of cranks as they are clearly well-organized. Certainly, however, they will not succeed in moving me away from my own commitment and action."

Mr Bloch said: "If people like this weren't so dangerous, I would dismiss them as perverse. It seems right-wing groups can operate with impunity while the police have vast resources for cracking down on opponents of apartheid."

The existence of the "Anti-terrorist anti-communist Resistance Movement" was disclosed in Parliament last week by Mrs Helen Suzman (PFP Houghton), who said the group had drawn up a list of 66 prominent left-wing leaders marked for elimination.

● The distribution of the pamphlet coincides with the widespread distribution of a mini-poster in Cape Town on Monday night headlined "Troops Out! So that we can terrorize the people in peace!"

The mini-poster has a caricature of a black man holding a petrol bomb and wearing the badges of the ANC, UDF and ECC. In the background is a man with a burning tyre "necklace" around his neck.

Violence at a Soweto home

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SIPHO NGCOBO

THE Soweto family of a student activist reported yesterday that a man — they say he was white but had his face painted black — fired about 25 shots into the house and at outside walls and tried to set it alight.

The activist, Vusi Mabaso, 18, who spent six months in police detention under emergency regulations last year, was not at home during the attack.

The man hurled two petrol bombs which did not explode. One fell on the bed where the owner of the house, Vusi's father Thulani Mabaso, was asleep.

The other, thrown into the bathroom, did not explode but broke, spilling petrol on the floor.

Vusi's schoolteacher mother said the attack, which caused damage estimated at R3 000, was launched about 2am.

"I was studying when it happened. I heard a noise of someone dropping a can. I heard our steel gate open. I decided to switch on the outside lights and just then I saw a white man, wearing a cap and with his face painted black. Although he was wearing a cap, I could still see his hair.

"He was breaking the front window while others were trying to break the back ones. He doused petrol through the broken window. I started shouting in Afrikaans: *Wat maak jy? Ek sien jou, jy is 'n boer.*

"He then fired through the window a number of times with his gun," she said.

Petrol-bombers hit white area

By Craig Kotze, Crime Staff

A Bramley Anglican Church and the home of a Kew man — both involved in community work with Alexandra township residents — were petrol-bombed yesterday.

The Alexandra clinic was also petrol-bombed in the early hours of yesterday.

No one was injured in the attacks which came only hours after a suspected limpet mine blast rocked the Benmore Gardens shopping centre in Sandton on Wednesday.

Damage to St Catherine's Church was estimated at R30 000 while only a window, valued at R250, was broken at the home of Mr Martin van der Ploeg, in Eighth Street.

Mr van der Ploeg, a Dutch immigrant, is a founder member of a non-racial contact group, the Civil Convergence Group.

Yesterday's attack is the second on an Anglican church within a matter of months, the first being at Bekkersdal, on the West Rand, late last year, the parish priest, Father Ted Goodyer, told *The Star* last night.

The church had been used by matric students who wished to write exams, said Father Goodyer, as well as to help Alexandra civic leaders who needed aid.

"It is a totally senseless attack — a view shared by Bishop Tutu, who visited the church this afternoon," Father Goodyer said.

"I am not sure who made the attck — it could have been from the Left or the Right."

His sentiments were echoed by Mr van der Ploeg who said he had no idea of who the attackers could be.

"We help human beings throughout the political spectrum, whether they are AWB or ANC," he said.

He added that he did not think those who knew what work he was doing with Alexandra residents would have made the attack.

Police are investigating.

Arson attack on homes in Zolani

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Staff Reporter

THE home of one of the Zolani residents who recently sought a Supreme Court interdict restraining 16 other residents in the township "from operating as vigilantes" was subjected to an arson attack early yesterday morning.

The attack on Mr Mvula Tokwe's home was one of at least three similar attacks on the property of Zolani community leaders yesterday.

The home of the chairperson of the newly-formed Ashton Civic Association, Mr Alfred Jaftha, and a car belonging to another resident, Mr Julius Bhozo, were also set alight.

The attacks on the two homes were confirmed by police in last night's situation report.

According to residents, it is believed the attacks were revenge-motivated as a "vigilante" had been "set alight" about 10pm on Sunday. His condition was unknown yesterday.

Residents also said that a "security" light in operation since about two weeks ago was not in use on Sunday night and yesterday morning.

They said that a group of youths who had decided to stand guard at the two homes were ordered to disperse by a large contingent of police

A police spokesman in Pretoria confirmed last night that teargas was used to disperse about 15 people "who had gathered illegally" at 5.50am.

The spokesman could not confirm the alleged arson attack on Mr Bhozo's car nor the attack on the vigilante.

A third dwelling was attacked but damage was slight. It could not be ascertained last night whose home it was.

May 13, 1986

Soweto's timebomb is ticking

FOCUS away . . .

SOWETO residents are being pushed to the end of their tether by recent events in the townships.

At the weekend, a number of residents in Diepkloof, Soweto, were murdered by roving gun-toting gangs. A reign of terror gripped the township on Saturday and Sunday night when armed men travelling in cars rode up and down the streets on a shooting spree.

Residents claim that as many as 20 people were killed in the attacks. The official figure is four dead.

According to residents, automatic fire was heard throughout the night. Angry residents have come together to appeal to the highest authority to put an end to the senseless killings. It has been alleged that off-duty policemen are responsible for the shootings.

These off-duty policemen are accused of operating together with a gang known as the Kabasa.

Residents have accused the Kabasa of complicity in the shootings. But the gang has strongly denied any involvement in the attacks. They claim that elements responsible for the attacks are using their name as a smokescreen.

Similar attacks have taken place in Alexandra Township.

The police have said that they were aware of rumours that off-duty policemen were responsible for these attacks and that the rumours were being investigated.

Another trend that could lead to an explosion is the hijacking of cars in the townships by youths. Youths stop motorists and force the owners to hand over their cars. This has caused bitterness and anger among residents.

In many instances, the cars, worth thousands of rands are later burnt. Car owners have formed groups to fight the menace.

The lack of housing in Soweto is another sore point that could cause more conflict. In Mofolo a squatter camp has mushroomed where hundreds have been queueing daily to be given a little plot on which to build a tin shack.

Soweto's mayor, Mr Ephraim Tshabalala, is the man behind the squatting.

Mr Tshabalala said that he had been approached by hundreds of homeless people who were desperate for accommodation. He decided to allow them to squat on a tiny piece of land belonging to him while waiting for proper housing.

The official waiting list for houses is 22 000. But some have estimated that it could be twice as high.

Yesterday, scores of municipal police backed by the SAP moved in to demolish shacks that had been put up in the past few days. There were angry scenes when weeping women swore at the demolishers.

The angry shack dwellers were dispersed with teargas as the scene threatened to turn ugly.

House rents and high electricity bills, which have been a big sore point over the years, could lead to conflict between the residents and the authorities. There are now rumblings for a rents boycott.

At a residents meeting held at the St Martin's Catholic Church in Orlando West, Soweto, a resolution was adopted for a boycott of rents. They called on the authorities to provide adequate facilities in the townships.

Considering all these factors, it is anyone's guess if a big blow-up is on the cards in Soweto.



Mr EPHRAIM Tshabalala . . . behind squatting.



The Media Council

THE South African Media Council is an independent body established to deal with various matters affecting media reporting and comment.

One of the council's functions is to receive and act upon complaints from members of the public who have not been able to get satisfaction by approaching a newspaper or other news

Screaming girl beaten by 3 men

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Weekend Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — A journalist has told of the stark terror she experienced when she was attacked by three burly men with sjamboks at the darkened entrance to her flat.

Miss Barbara Orpen, 25, has cuts and weals across her upper body after the vicious attack.

From a refuge on the coast near East London where she is recovering from her ordeal Miss Orpen said she had no idea why she was singled out.

"I'm not a member of any organisation or group that might have given the deranged men reason to attack me. As a journalist I have conscienciously avoided becoming involved.

"But my boyfriend is a member of the End Conscription Campaign and it may have been revenge against him that motivated the attack, or maybe they thought that by attacking me they could intimidate him."

She said that on the night of the attack she heard running footsteps behind her and turned to see three white men wearing balaclavas coming towards her. She thought they were chasing someone else and merely stood and watched them.

"Suddenly they surrounded me and started thrashing me with sjamboks. The suddenness of the attack — they didn't even say anything — just added to the sheer terror.

"I started screaming and cried for someone to help me, cringing against the wall trying to protect my face. But no one came and they kept hitting me.

Too scared

"After about 10 seconds — it seemed like 10 years — they suddenly stopped and ran off."

Miss Orpen believes the men had been lying in wait for her for some time.

"I'd been out for supper with a friend," she said. "I'd just parked my car and walked across the parking area, about 80 metres or so, when the men rushed out at me from some hiding place.

"The frightening thing is that no one came to help me. Afterwards, as I lay there crying, a man came out of a flat and said he had been too scared to come out when he heard me screaming.

"He was even too scared to walk me to my flat in case they were waiting for me.

"Eventually a young girl who lives in the flats came and took me to my flat and called a doctor."

Recently Miss Orpen's boyfriend, Mr Peter Hawthorn, was attacked by a group of men.

Freedom chants at funeral

JOHANNESBURG. — Several thousand mourners today flocked to the Alexandra funeral of eight blacks allegedly slain by vigilantes.

About 1 000 people crammed into St Michael's Anglican Church for the service, and 3 000 to 4 000 packed the church courtyard and narrow streets nearby.

Police with shotguns patrolled the area in armoured personnel carriers and at midday parked in front of the church.

An officer, using a loudspeaker, ordered those who could not fit into the church to disperse.

The crowd jeered, chanted freedom slogans and refused to move. After conferring by radio, the police pulled a short distance away.

● A funeral for four youths who died in a clash with police at a May Day rally in Wattville, Benoni, was held at the Anglican Church in the township this morning. There were no incidents. — Sapa.

Activists' homes are damaged

By Abel Mabelane

The homes of four activists from Vosloorus township on the East Rand were petrol-bombed on Thursday night.

The organiser of the Vosloorus Youth Congress (VYC), Mr Oupa Motaung, said three of the homes which were petrol-bombed belonged to VYC members. The fourth belonged to a member of the Vosloorus Student Congress (VSC).

Mr Motaung said the incidents took place at about midnight. He said it was not known whom the attackers were.

He said furniture at the homes of the VYC chairman, Mr George Mashele and Mr Farais Mazibuko was badly damaged.



A stunned Mrs Ellen Diphudi sifts through the remains of clothing in the room where her sister, Mrs Martha Montoedi, and four children died. ● Picture by Alf Kumalo.

Grieving father vows 'I'll not be cowed'

By Jo-Anne Collinge

Knowing without being told that his children and wife had died he wept — tears rolling down blistered cheeks.

Speaking through peeling lips under the remains of a moustache, he vowed never to be cowed by the terrorists who had taken his family. He would go back, he said, to work with the Krugersdorp Residents' Organisation in its battle against apartheid.

Mr Morgan Montoedi (51) was sitting up with difficulty in his Leratong Hospital bed just 12 hours after his Kagiso home was petrol-bombed on Sunday night.

He last saw his wife Martha as she went into their children's blazing room in an attempt to rescue them. He remembers little of what happened then but was almost sure nobody else left the house.

He was right. Mrs Montoedi, three of their children — Elizabeth (28), Motsei (15) and Lucky (9) and grandchild Thabo (2) — all died.

There was almost nothing left of the bedding in the children's room next day. The dressing table was charcoal and the burglar bars had fallen in.

The sitting room and the second bedroom were also charred. Only the kitchen was not gutted.

Mr Montoedi now has only his eldest son, who was away during the attack. He now has no job, no home and no income. Friends in KRO regard this as an especially bitter thing to happen to a man who was more a voluntary welfare worker than a political figure.

Mr Montoedi, chairman of KRO's discipline and good-conduct committee, described his job as reconciling feuding families, disarming gangsters and dealing with rebellious youths.

He was unaware of the pamphlets distributed by the "Brotherhood of Blacks" threatening "white and black radicals".

Friend and KRO associate Mr Laurence Ntlokoa said: "In our area we have never had 'black-on-black' violence. We conclude pro-system and pro-apartheid outsiders were responsible."

Soweto house blown up

By Jo-Anne Collinge

An explosion ripped apart a house occupied by political activists in Soweto's Klipspruit West early today, a source in the community reported.

The house in Azalia Street is said to have been "brought down" by the explosion.

Several people sleeping in the house escaped without serious injury, the source said.

The house is normally occupied by members of the Release Mandela Committee, the Soweto Youth Congress and the Soweto branch of the Detainees' Support Committee.

● This week alone, petrol bombs have claimed five lives — those of the wife and children of Kagiso leader Mr Morgan Montoedi, a council member of the Krugersdorp Residents' Association.

Murder of Kagiso five condemned

THE Federation of Transvaal Women yesterday issued a statement condemning the killing of a Kagiso, Krugersdorp, mother and her four children and the raids into neighbouring countries by the SADF.

SOWETAN Reporter

Mrs Martha Montoedi and her children died after petrol bombs were thrown into their house. Her husband, Mr Morgan Montoedi, suffered burns in the bombings and is in hospital.

Fedtraw's publicity secretary, Miss Jessie Duarte, described the bombing as "another cowardly act by faceless monsters".

She said that Mrs Montoedi and her four children were murdered because they believed and worked for a peaceful and just society. Mrs Montoedi was a member of Fedtraw.

Miss Duarte said that her organisation believed that no act of state barbarism or repression through the use of vigilantes would ever stop the will of the people of South Africa to progress towards liberation.

Commenting on the SADF raids, Miss Duarte said: "This Government can no longer convince the people nor the international community that they want peace. The raids on the neighbouring countries, the beating of students and the killing of defenceless men and children prove to us that they want domination more than they want peace."

BLAST ROCKS KLIPSPRUIT



Mr SIPHIWE Thusi, a member of the Soweto Youth Congress, next to the wall which crumbled after a powerful explosion rocked the home of an activist in Klipspruit West yesterday.

Pic: MOFFAT ZUNGU

SOWETAN REPORTER

A POWERFUL explosion rocked the house of Mr Sebastian Reed — a member of the Detainees Parents Support Committee — in Klipspruit West, near Soweto, yesterday morning.

The attack occurred about 1 am.

A woman only identified as Fikile, who was sleeping in the bedroom where the explosion took place, was slightly injured on the forehead.

Two other people — including Mr Reed — were also sleeping in the house at the time.

A spokesman for the Soweto Police, Major Fanyana Zwane, confirmed the incident. He said the Security Branch was investigating.

Mr Siphiwe Thusi of the Soweto Youth Congress, said the blast was meant to eliminate political activists who usually visited the house.

Mr Reed was later questioned for about two hours at the Protea Police Station.

The explosion brought down the house's passage wall and the bedroom ceiling. All the bedroom walls were cracked.

Damage is estimated at R5 000.

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"THE VITAL VIEWPOINT"

Pik prevented from speaking as AWB and Nats slug it out

POLICE fired teargas into a hall packed with Afrikaaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) supporters in Pietersburg last night after they had prevented Foreign Minister Pik Botha from addressing a major National Party meeting.

Local NP chairman Pete Steytler criticised the police for not intervening earlier to protect NP supporters during a series of pitched battles with the AWB.

AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche was held aloft in front of the chanting audience of more than 1 500 people and announced that "the AWB has taken over the meeting".

Steytler said police should have acted earlier to prevent the violence because the gathering outside the hall was illegal.

Botha later announced he planned to hold an alternative meeting.

An hour before Botha was to have arrived at the hall, Steytler said that the meeting had been cancelled.

Both parties bused in supporters from

MIKE ROBERTSON and PETER WALLINGTON

as far afield as Johannesburg, Ermelo and Springs.

By 3pm yesterday, crowds had already began to gather outside the Jack Botes hall in Pietersburg.

NP organisers grouped their supporters in front of the main entrance.

AWB supporters gathered in a nearby parking lot just after 4pm. They waved Vierkleur flags, AWB flags and banners which read "Pik, gaan deel jou pikswart mag in die Kaap" and "Weg met PW".

A small contingent of policemen stood aside watching the developing showdown between the groups.

Soon after Terre'Blanche arrived at 5.30pm, AWB supporters — now numbering about 500 — began a concerted push to get into the hall. At first they were held back by the NP human barrier, but they managed to force open a side entrance and streamed in.

A series of bloody fistfights between NP and AWB supporters followed as the latter attempted to make their way to the stage. A smoke bomb was set off.

Just after 6pm the Vierkleur reigned supreme on the stage and Steytler cancelled the meeting. Terre'Blanche was carried aloft to the stage as the crowd chanted "AWB, AWB", and sang "Die lied van jong Suid-Afrika".

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'Fanatical outsiders' were to blame

By Dirk Nel, Northern Transvaal Bureau

PIETERSBURG — Most people approached by *The Star* in Pietersburg yesterday deplored Thursday night's chaotic violence and claimed the town's image had been damaged by "fanatical outsiders".

But others said the Government had this coming to it for a long time "by its refusal to listen to the volk".

University lecturer's wife Mrs Joanne Muller, said she was glad she did not attend the meeting: "It was disgusting. There are more civilised ways to make your point."

Businessman Mr Frank Greyling commented: "I was scared as I had never seen anything like this before."

But Mr J Coetzee came straight to the point: "Pik and his pals will never speak in the Transvaal again — they are now unable to govern the Afrikaner volk."

Mr Gerrit Weerepas, a former Dutch citizen, said: "I cannot agree with the infringement of the political rights of others. Mr Botha should have been allowed to say his say."

Mrs Joan Broughton, a minister's wife, assured *The Star*: "God is still on the throne, whatever man may try to devise."

A right-wing supporter who wished to remain anonymous claimed the Government had to take responsibility for consequences of "the anger of the people" for proceeding without getting their approval.

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By Lesley Cowling

Pietersburg had its first taste of teargas this week — and didn't like it.

Three cannisters of teargas were thrown by police into the packed Jack Botes hall on Thursday night after AWB supporters took over a meeting which the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, was to have addressed.

Few people seemed to understand what was happening when

Battle-hit town finds it has no taste for teargas

Brigadier Gert van Rensburg of the local police announced to the 2 500-strong crowd that he would give them five minutes to leave the hall.

Most stared uncomprehendingly as, seconds after the announcement, a policeman threw a grenade-type cannister high into the air.

"You can't do that," an AWB offical shouted.

When the cannister exploded into a white cloud and people's eyes began to smart and the acrid taste of the gas burnt into their throats, there was panic.

People pushed for the only door open and the crowd fought its way out.

"Slowly, slowly, people," some were shouting.

At the back of the hall, furthest from the door, people became hysterical. They could see the poisonous clouds coming closer but could see no way out.

People battered themselves against the locked fire doors before someone broke two windows to make an escape route.

"How can they do this?" people asked disbelievingly. And many shouted: "They teargassed us," to the crowd of Pietersburg spectators milling about outside.

One man asked his friend again and again as they were squeezed out of the hall: "But there are children here — how can they fire teargas in a packed hall?"

The hall was cleared within minutes, but the mood outside was murderous.

Grim-faced men attacked a policeman, who excused the action by saying orders had come directly from the State President's Office.

Brigadier van Rensburg announced that the crowd should disperse, and this time people began moving off before he finished his countdown. Three more cannisters were fired.

Some young men threw stones at a police van before fleeing.

Earlier, the first people had started arriving at the hall at about 3 pm, mostly National Party supporters in buses from Rand Afrikaans University and Goudstad college. By 5 pm the advance party of the AWB was there.

Dressed in khaki and velskoens, with widebrimmed hats and great beards, they looked like a lost group from the Great Trek. Later, a group of women in traditional "kappies" and floral dresses staged a tableau.

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Rightists a force to be reckoned with, says UK professor

The Star Bureau

LONDON — The Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging is now a force to be reckoned with, Britons have been told by Professor Jack Spence, South African-born professor of politics at Leicester University.

"I think they are speaking increasingly for a group of Afrikaners terrified of any major progress in the reform process," he said on BBC radio yesterday. The uproar at Pietersburg would encourage hardliners in the Cabinet.

"Certainly, it will profoundly inhibit the so-called verligte element both in the Cabinet and in the party.

"There are 30 or 40 youngish Nationalist MPs said to be very close to the PFP in their thinking about politics.

"I think they are going to find life both within and outside the party extremely uncomfortable in view of this development."

On President Botha's position after the raids into Botswana, Zimbabwe and Zambia, he said: "Some more optimistic observers see President Botha as a kind of General de Gaulle, committed to reform by stealth, following a policy of what one person called "calculated ambiguity".

"I don't believe that. I think that when he started the reform process he took the view that the best blacks could hope for was a very great improvement in their economic and social status, on the assumption they would not be militant or press for political reform."

One of President Botha's reasons for the raids, he thought, was to indicate he could not accept the Commonwealth mission.

"What he feared, I think, was that if the mission showed some signs of success — and that was the case about 10 days ago — his Government would be placed in the difficult position of having to accept the mission's proposals or repudiating them."

No evidence of a white blacklash, claims Worrall

The Star Bureau

LONDON — South African Ambassador Dr Denis Worrall has denied here that Thursday night's events in Pietersburg represented a white backlash against the Government.

But he said he was appalled by the whites who had broken up the Government supporters' meeting. "That is a reactionary, racist element," he said on BBC television.

"It was well organised, obviously, and it regrettably compromises the very legitimate claims which Afrikaners do have to a sense of concern about their culture and language.

But this was not evidence of a right-wing backlash which was getting out of control, he said, and cited a recent poll carried by an Afrikaans newspaper which showed a very high proportion of Afrikaners had come to accept the reform process.

"In a reform situation you are going to have those who are ideologically opposed to the sort of changes which are taking place.

Asked why the police did not intervene earlier, Dr Worrall said: "I think there is an urgent need on the part of the South African Government to make very clear that the principle of freedom of assembly is a vital one in our society."

AWB men complain of teargassing

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'Nats tried to lock us all in'

By Hannes de Wet

PIETERSBURG — National Party members deliberately tried to lock rightwingers into the Jack Botes Hall before police fired teargas into the crowd, Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging supporters said last night.

And police are investigating a charge of assault following the break-up of Thursday night's NP meeting by right-wing forces.

But nobody is being detained, according to a Far Northern Transvaal police headquarters spokesman.

He said police had arrested about five people during the meeting. They had all paid their fines and had been released.

Money to pay their fines was collected at the right-wing meeting held later at the rugby stadium in Pietersburg.

AWB supporter Mr Johan Steenkamp of Tzaneen said: "I heard that a prominent Nationalist had suggested to the police that they lock all doors before firing teargas into the rightwingers in the hall.

"The police officer did not want to comply. The Nationalists then closed the doors themselves. Only one on the other side of the building was left open." Several doors were forced open and windows broken by members of the crowd trying to escape the teargas.

Feelings run high in wake of the debacle

By Hannes de Wet

The hijacking of Mr Pik Botha's meeting on Thursday night by right-wing forces has pushed polarisation between the two camps in Pietersburg to utmost extremes.

Yesterday morning spokesmen from both sides said they had had calls from numbers of supporters expressing intense feelings of hostility towards the other faction.

Mr Izak Butler, leader of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging in Pietersburg, said: "Now we will see who is on whose side. I would say the polarisation between us and the Nationalists will now only increase in proportion. More and more NP people are joining us, and they become the most radical ones.

"I tell you, there is war in Pietersburg, and in the country."

Mr Tjol Lategan, local NP member of the President's Council, said he had never seen so much hatred as on Thursday night.

POLICE ACCUSED OF APATHY

"I am extremely shocked. The tragic thing was the apathy on the part of the police. I had discussions of one-and-a-half hours with Brigadier Gert van Rensburg, the Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Far Northern Transvaal. He said I should trust him. He would have 200 policemen on the scene to maintain law and order. I don't think there were even 50 policemen present.

"It was a shame that the police refrained from shooting teargas into the right-wing crowd ouside the hall. Then they came and fired the teargas into the hall where law-abiding National Party supporters were sitting.

"They teargassed old people and children inside the hall, while doing nothing before the right-wing crowd forced its way in."

He ascribed the hijacking to the fact that NP supporters were moderate people not prepared to behave like hooligans.

LEGAL ADVICE

AWB leader Mr Eugene TerreBlanche said he would seek legal advice following the teargas incident.

"The police officer said he would give the crowd five minutes to vacate the building. As I took the microphone to ask my supporters to leave, the first canister was fired. It was barely 10 seconds after the warning.

"There were women and children in the hall who could have been hurt in the rush," Mr TerreBlanche said.

He added that the AWB would refuse to pay for damage to the building.

"There was no damage before the teargas was fired. The National Party is responsible for the fact that doors were broken down."



National Party supporter Mr Leo Senekal, shirt covered in his own blood, shouts at Mr Eugene TerreBlanche on the stage in Pietersburg's Jack Botes Hall: "My blood is on your hands . . . taste this blood that you have spilled!"

● Photograph: Kevin Carter

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Tutu not too, too sorry about fight

LONDON — Black people will not be feeling too sorry about the fighting between whites at Pietersburg, says Bishop Desmond Tutu.

"If they can now turn on one another, that means our battles are going to be less horrendous."

However Bishop Tutu, in Britain to attend church ceremonies in Wales, still thought a peaceful solution in South Africa was possible. — The Star Bureau.

CP, Govt row over rally ban

PARLIAMENT — A row erupted between the Conservative Party and the Government yesterday over the refusal to allow a rally of right-wing groups in the amphitheatre of the Voortrekker Monument on May 31.

Conservative Party members rejected the reasons given for the refusal. A National Party speaker, on the other hand, accused the right-wing parties of trying to 'hijack' the cultural possessions of the Afrikaner.

The issue was raised during the House of Assembly's debate on the Education and Culture Budget vote.

The Minister of Education and Culture, Mr Piet Clase, said the application for use of the Voortrekker Monument's amphitheatre had been turned down on the grounds that political gatherings were not allowed there in terms of guidelines laid down by the Cabinet.

'Anti-crime' group formed

By KEITH ROSS

EAST LONDON — An organisation aiming to protect East Londoners against "criminals and intimidators" has been formed in the city.

The organisation calls itself the "White Anti-Intimidation Group'.

The group's chairman, Mr Cobus van Loggerenberg, said the group planned to make the city's streets and shopping centres safe.

"We decided to form the group after white shoppers were intimidated during the Pick 'n Pay strike," he said.

Mr Van Loggerenberg said the organisation also wanted to protect shoppers against muggers.

"We would like to have groups of two or three patrolling Oxford Street on a Saturday morning," he said.

"We also want volunteers to watch suburban shopping centres at night."

Mr Van Loggerenberg said he had approached the police and was hoping for a meeting to discuss the legal rights of this group. "We are not vigilantes," he said. "We want to operate openly and within the law."

"At the moment anybody who goes to help somebody being mugged will be beaten off by a bunch of hooligans.

Disturbing trend in rising tide of violence

By SHIRLEY PRESSLY, Crime Reporter

IS South Africa locked on a new course of violence?

After the necklace killings and family slayings of recent months attacks have been made in the last two weeks on people associated with intended victims.

Barely a day passes without newspaper reports of violence — sometimes from the lunatic right or sometimes from the extreme left as part of the so-called liberation struggle.

But a relatively new and disturbing trend has emerged with attacks on victims' friends.

A recent example of this is an attack on a pregnant Johannesburg woman, the wife of a car dealer awaiting trial on a number of criminal charges, who was stabbed several times at her home.

In Port Elizabeth last week a journalist was whipped in the parking lot at the back of her block of flats in Central by three men disguised with balaclavas.

There was no apparent reason for this vicious whipping.

The only possibile motive could be her friendship with a young man involved in the End Conscription Campaign, of which she is not a member.

Last year the "necklace" method of killing reared its head in South Africa and since then has spread to the quietest platteland dorps.

Humansdorp experienced its first necklace death this week.

But in nearby PE this method of killing has become so commonplace that a single necklace death hardly warrants more than a few paragraphs in the local newspapers.

The "necklace" treatment has claimed 75 lives in the Eastern Cape since the first death of its type was reported.

Only two people have lived to tell the tale after being given the "necklace".

Victims are usually first stabbed, axed or trussed up by their assailants like turkeys, doused in petrol or paraffin and set alight. The number of tyres used ranges from one to as many as eight.

The most horrific necklace death took place in Soweto earlier this year when five men and youths were killed in a multiple "necklace" exerecise.

The crime files kept on necklace deaths tell a chilling tale.

In some of the cases the victims were state witnesses in pending court cases. They were summarily silenced by the "necklace".

Several had been sentenced to death by the so-called "People's Courts".

Some were given the necklace when organisations to which they belonged discovered they also belonged to rival organisations and were spies.

Some were informers for the security police, or had reported cases to the police.

One hapless woman was the girlfriend of a prison warder. She was pronounced a traitor, tyres were placed around her and she was set alight.

One man was set alight after he had stoned the homes of organisers of a boycott of a certain beerhall. He voiced his displeasure by stoning their homes, was doused in petrol and set alight.

Some of the victims were first stoned and then set alight. Some were petrol bombed instead of being doused in petrol.

Several of the victims were businessmen and/or members of the various community councils in the Eastern Cape.

One "necklace" victim reported a case of assault to the police. He was caned by the "comrades" as punishment for reporting the assault. He reported the caning by the "comrades" and was subsequently, attacked, stabbed many times and given the necklace.

One victim was formerly a member of the "comrades". He turned against them and took refuge with the police. He was then attacked by the "comrades" and given the necklace.

Last month two teenage boys were stoned and stabbed to death and a third badly injured when they were attacked by "comrades". They were attacked after a 13-year-old was sexually assaulted and killed.

AWB leader to talk at EL meeting

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By KEITH ROSS

EAST LONDON — The leader of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging, Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, will address a meeting in East London in August — amid senior councillors' fears about the increase in right-wing activity in the city.

Mr Terre'Blanche, who — with his followers — was involved in pitched battles with National Party supporters in Pietersburg this week, has been invited to the city by the chairman of the Independent Rights Association, Mr B Niemand.

The councillors said such activity had, in the past, been foreign to East London.

"I am disappointed that the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging will be coming here," said the Mayor, Mr Joe Yazbek.

"They stand for violence as they proved in Brits and in Pietersburg.

"At times like this we need to take a sane and sober view of the situation and such people can only impede our progress."

His view was supported by Mr Errol Spring.

Mr Spring, however, saw the increased right-wing activity as a passing phase.

"At times when reform is taking place one does tend to get a polarisation of views ," he said.

Mr Niemand said in an interview that he had invited Mr Terre'Blanche to the city as his organisation and the AWB had certain common aims.

"We have repeatedly said we will stretch out our hands to all organisations outside party politics who have the interests of the individual at heart," he said.

"We believe the AWB to be such an organisation and the time has come to seek unity of right-wing groups."

Mr Niemand said he intended to use the AWB's organisational experience to unite the "beleagured citizens" of the Eastern Cape.

The Weekend Post Correspondent in Johannesburg reports that Mr Izak Butler, chairman of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging in Pietersburg, said yesterday there was a possibility that people could be seriously hurt or even die in future political clashes between the Government and right-wing organisations.

Mr Butler made the comment in an interview with a Johannesburg newspaper after the stormy confrontation between the National Party and supporters of the AWB, the Conservative Party and the Herstigte Nasionale Party in Pietersburg on Thursday night.

Mr Butler said several people, including himself, were injured in the fighting which broke out.

"The situation is explosive. The people are marching against the P W Botha Government," he said.

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MCC offices petrol-bombed

By CLARE HARPER

PETROL bombs were hurled into the offices of the Midlands Council of Churches and at the home of the Ned Geref Sendingkerk minister in Midros at Middelburg yesterday.

Nobody was injured in the attacks which destroyed files and gutted the offices used by the MCC and "slightly damaged" the study of the chairman of the MCC, the Rev Abe Visagie.

Mr Visagie said that two petrol bombs were hurled into his study and four were hurled into the MCC offices around 3.30am.

He said the bombs were "quite sophisticated with cut tubes and gravel and were of the same type thrown into the home of Middelburg Youth Congress leader, Mr Victor Mtila last month".

Mr Mtila received extensive burns in the attack and is still in hospital.

He said that it was fortunate that last week, after the first bomb threats, anti-petrol bomb devices were placed on the windows of all the bedrooms.

The attacks follow the release two weeks ago of seven MCC church workers detained under Section 50 of the Internal Securty Act. None were charged.

"Church workers have received threatening telephone calls from a man with an Afrikaans accent for some time, which were reported to the police," Mr Visagie said yesterday.

The Repression Monitoring Group yesterday condemned the actions of "right-wing vigilantes who petrol-bombed the home and offices of Mr Visagie".

"Government supporters in Middelburg are now following the national trend of attempting to achieve their aims through petrol-bombing, where legal forms of harassment have not met with success," the RMG said.

A police liaison officer yesterday confirmed the petrol-bombings and said police were investigating.

Police and right collision course

By David Braun,
Political Correspondent

The Government and the Afrikaner right wing are on a collision course after an Afrikaner Weerstands Beweging (AWB) threat to block the National Party meeting at Ellisras today, the "cancellation" of a Conservative Party meeting at the Voortrekker Monument next week and the debacle at Pietersburg.

The Pietersburg clash has evoked world interest, with television viewers in Britain and the United States fascinated by South African Police teargassing whites who are to the right of the Government.

It has been disclosed in Johannesburg that several city traffic policemen travelled to Pietersburg to "protect" Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr Pik Botha from the Right — unsuccessfully.

Mr Tom Langley, the Conservative Party MP for Soutpansberg, has warned that right-wingers are so frustrated that clashes will get worse.

He said the Government's time expired on April 29, when it should have called a General Election. "There is no other way for the people to resist this Government than to demonstrate their feelings in this manner."

Progressive Federal Party leader Mr Colin Eglin described the Pietersburg clash as "thuggery that was disgusting".

"What is important is that we should not take our eye off the real ball in South African politics — the question of black/white relations and the creation of a constitution in which all South Africans can take part.

"If whites are going to engage in political brawling of this kind while the black townships are burning, heaven help South Africa.

"Right-wing thuggery in Pietersburg and the burning of Crossroads show how the chickens of Verwoerdian apartheid are coming to roost."

A repeat of the Pietersburg incident is threatening when Law and Order Minister Mr Louis le Grange runs a gauntlet of AWB supporters at a meeting at Ellisras this afternoon. The AWB has vowed to be there to meet him.

'More commitment'

But Mr le Grange may not receive quite such a rough reception as his colleagues have recently.

He has a more conservative image, and there should be more personal commitment on the part of the police to protect him.

AWB leader Mr Eugene Terre-Blanche has said he will keep disrupting National Party meetings until the Government agrees to a General Election.

But Mr le Grange has said the AWB will not be allowed to intimidate the public.

Tos Wentzel reports from Cape Town that there is deep concern in the Cabinet about ultra-right-wing influences in the SAP, particularly about AWB sympathies among some policemen — in spite of AWB members being banned from becoming police reservists.

These fears have been the subject of behind-the-scenes conversations among Nationalist MPs for a considerable time — but were mentioned in public this week for the first time by a Cabinet Minister.

Minister of Manpower Mr Pietie du Plessis said police in Pietersburg were not capable of, or did not want to, maintain law and order.

This has raised eyebrows because it is unusual for a Minister to criticise a Cabinet colleague in public.

● The Progressive Federal Party is considering holding a public meeting in Pietersburg. Parliamentary Conservative Party sources said yesterday that if the PFP held such a meeting it would be left alone — "although I don't know if they will be able to attract an audience".

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Bombers hit activist's home

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By SELLO SERIPE

ACTIVIST Sebastian Reeds' home in Klipspruit West was damaged when a powerful explosive – believed to be a handgrenade – was hurled through a bedroom window this week.



FIKILE MOLEFE
Lucky to be alive

A visiting UDF member from Durban, Fikile Molefe – asleep in the bedroom – was cut on the head and legs by flying glass.

Molefe told *City Press*: "I didn't see much – something landed on the table, and there was a thunderous explosion.

"The dressing table and a partition wall tumbled towards me – I was trapped under the blankets."

UDF publicity secretary Murphy Morobe said the attack was a clear indication that a "murderous band – probably sanctioned by agents of the system" – was waging war on activists.

"Whoever did this has access to sophisticated weapons," he said.

Police say they are investigating. A spokesman said he "did not know" what Morobe meant by the term "agents of the system".

"If anyone has information on this case, they should contact us," the spokesman said.

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MURDEROUS REIGN OF THE VIGILANTES

By THEMBA MOLEFE

THERE is a definite pattern — which can be analysed sociologically, politically and economically — in the violence that has raged through black townships since 1984.

The skein of varying factors is so complex and so intricately intertwined that it would be impossible to exhaust all its elements. However, there are a few signal features that stand out like a sore thumb.

Leading academic, Mr Nicholas Hayson, who has done extensive research on the conflict inside the smouldering townships, observes that the spiral of violence which began in September 1984, coupled with the severe response by the authorities, has given rise to more militancy in the townships.

Mr Haysom says a considerable amount of attention since 1984 has been given to what came to be known as "black-on-black" conflict.

Violence

He says: "The use of this label served to obscure the emergency of a pattern of extra-legal violence by right-wing elements.

"By referring to all conflict in which both parties were black, as black-on-black conflict, the links and relationships between the conflicting parties and apartheid structures were buried".

Mr Haysom says the label carries with it a racist suggestion of traditional or tribal internecine evidence.

He says: "In times of the sharpening of the political struggle there are possibilities of division to occur and these factors facilitate violent confrontation".

In his recently published book, *Mabangalala: The Rise of Right-wing Vigilantes in South Africa*, Mr Haysom traces the pattern of township violence to the uprising of the Vaal and Eastern Cape in 1984.

He says that by February 1986 more than 1 000 people were estimated to have died in spite of the state of emergency declared during the time.

"Throughout this period the media had focused on the conflict between the security forces and the residents of the black townships in the Vaal and the Eastern Cape townships".

By the end of 1985, Mr Haysom says, community leaders in places such as the Cape Peninsula and the Northern Transvaal were reporting a similar phenomenon — right-wing vigilantes.

Mr Haysom says the vigilantes share a common target group — members or leaders of groups resisting apartheid or homeland rule.

"The vigilantes operated brazenly, apparently believing that they enjoyed police support and indeed in some cases did allegedly enjoy such support.

"The term vigilante has come to have a distinct meaning in South Africa. It does not mean a concerned citizen intent on preserving the safety of his family and 'decent values'. The term has a far more menacing connotation. It is associated with potentially murderous gangs, intent on intimidating, injuring or killing anti-apartheid activists".

Vigilante groups such as the A-Team, the Phakatis, the Mabangalala, the Amadoda, the Amasolomzi, the Amabutho, the Mbhokoto and Green Berets are mentioned in the book.

Mr Haysom says the intimate connection between the emergence of vigilante activity and the more general political crisis in South Africa appears to be evident from the fact that vigilantes emerged in 1985 as the political crisis in the country deepened and from the fact that as the crisis extended geographically, so did the incidence of vigilante activity.

Mt Haysom notes that the various vigilante groups are in many ways specific to the area in which they emerge. They each have their own internal dynamic which draws on the nature and scale of resistance to apartheid in the region as well as the latent tensions within the community.

"In general, however, vigilante activities are directed at anti-apartheid activists. In the homelands this takes the form of extra-legal violence, openly backed by homeland authorities and directed at pockets of resistance to the homeland regimes.

"In the case of urban vigilantes, the violence is directed at leaders of popular organisations or youth groups perceived by the officially-sanctioned black municipal authorities as a threat to their status, credibility or security".

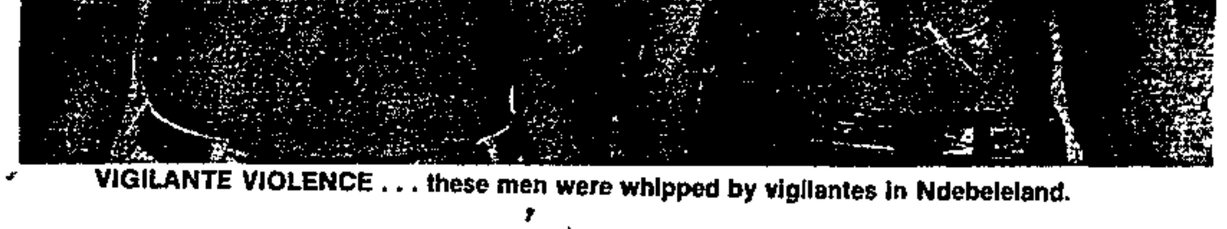
Manipulate

Mr Haysom says further: "In some cases the individuals who appear to lead the vigilante groups manipulate or play on resentments or insecurities felt by sections of the community.

"In this way, under the rubric of restoring law and order, the vigilante may appear initially to represent a legitimate and popular group purporting to discipline *'abosiyayinyova'* (troublemakers).

In his study Mr Haysom makes certain observations which attempt to illustrate the stress felt by a community caught up in an intensifying civil unrest:

"There may be hostilities between groups and political factions which have competing aspirations. Just as political campaigns can weld alliances in a community, so too can they rupture communities and establish political enmities".



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Terre'Blanche for EL?

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The chairman of the Independent Rights Association (IRA), Mr Bazil Niemand, has invited the leader of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB), Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, to address a meeting of the IRA in August.

The IRA and the AWB had certain common aims, Mr Niemand said, and he intended to use the AWB's organisational experience to unite the "beleaguered citizens" of the Eastern Cape.

One of the main reasons for inviting Mr Terre'Blanche to East London was to solve one of the immediate problems experienced by the farming communities in Kidd's Beach and Mooiplaas, he said.

"We have already approached the Minister of Justice on holding a meeting for the purpose of discussing the problems of the two farming communities," he said.

Two senior city councillors have expressed fears about the increase in right-wing activity in East London, which they felt had in the past been foreign to the city.

The mayor, Mr Joe Yazbek, said he was disappointed that the AWB would be coming here. "They stand for violence as they proved in Brits and in Pietersburg," he said.

He added that it was time to take a sane and sober view of the situation and that such people could only impede progress.

Mr Errol Spring supported the mayor's view but said that he saw the increased right-wing activity as a passing phase.

"At times when reform is taking place one does tend to get a polarisation of views," he said.

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Monopoly money buys

MANCHESTER — An unidentified man, who bought a light aircraft at a British flying club with toy money, flew it to France this weekend at the start of a three-day holiday weekend and was arrested near Paris, a police spokesman said here.

The man gave the owners a money belt and then flew off from Barton aerodrome near here.

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Difficult to judge how fast membership is growing

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The right struggles for unity

THE rightwing is indeed on the march, but what are the prospects for unity among those who have always been reluctant bed-fellows.
PETER WALLINGTON reports

THE struggle for a united rightwing appeared to take a leap forward last week when spokesmen from its three major flagbearers — the Conservative Party, the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging and the Herstigte Nasionale Party — shared a platform in Pietersburg and said: "Together we are unbeatable."

But while observers agree the National Party will lose seats in the next general election, the chances of a rightwing victory do not look that good. Then there is the question of whether the right can unite effectively.

A well-placed AWB source says they hope that 100 000 Afrikaners will gather in the most dramatic demonstration yet of their opposition to the NP at Voortrekker Monument on Republic Day (May 31). They hope this will trigger mass defections from the NP and lead to the downfall of government.

It is difficult to measure with certainty the growth of the right — organisations are reluctant to give out membership figures and because busing of supporters to meetings — such as Pietersburg — has become common.

However, there is a growing resistance to government's reform initiative, particularly in rural areas and among those whom University of Cape Town politics Professor Hermann Giliomee calls the "economically disadvantaged whites".

But can the right unite? The May edition of the rightwing journal *SA Observer* points out that "the political divisions in the conservative body hamper its effectiveness, as does the fact that it does not possess a large daily newspaper".

HNP leader Jaap Marais told *Business Day* he believed the right would certainly co-operate in by-elections and the next general election because, "if we don't, we stand a real chance of losing our parliamentary representation".

But Marais is less keen on what he calls "instant unity" plans between the HNP and the CP — "the mere fact that there are two parties is because there are key differences between us".



Rightwingers hoist their flag high at Ellisras

Marais is also ambivalent about the AWB. He says the AWB is a cultural organisation and they do not enter into electoral pacts with cultural organisations.

CP official Clive Derby-Lewis says that while the CP and AWB co-operate, a working relationship between the CP/AWB and the HNP is taking longer to materialise than the rightwing wants.

A senior AWB source putsit more bluntly: "Marais has not co-operated fully with the right, but recent events have forced him to fall in line."

It is worth noting that the CP was initially embarrassed by the AWB's militancy, but this has faded and CP officials are often present at AWB meetings.

Nevertheless, fundamental policy differences remain among the rightwing organisations. The AWB is fighting for the return of the Boere Republieke, while the CP want to enforce partition under a council of states.

The HNP rejects the CP approach. A council of states is just another name for the NP's constellation of states. It does not believe Indians should be granted a homeland as the CP does and it recognises only three homelands — Ciskei, Transkei and Zululand.

Marais says there have been no discussions between the HNP and others since last October's by-elections. It is possible the dispute over how to divide seats among the right could again surface in the future and this would continue to frustrate a united rightwing attack on NP seats.

There remain differences in policy between the CP and AWB which would in all probability become more manifest should the right continue to grow in strength — and again this would be divisive.

Giliomee says in a general election CP resources would be thinly stretched and this could hamper the party.

He believes the NP has lost up to 50% of the lower-income group among whites. He sees the problem as a class struggle within the white community, but doubts it will be as easy to put together a powerful rightwing party as it was 20 years ago.

"This has to do with political culture, mass communications. I don't think they would get the coverage to allow them to develop and gain support."

But there are more factors which must trouble the NP. Divisions have surfaced within the NP, with conservative MPs emphasising group rights and own affairs, as opposed to a verligte faction that favours power-sharing and more reform.

The NP federal congress in August could be asked to approve a plan to bring blacks into central government. If it is, and a substantial number of MPs oppose the move, then another breakaway could occur.

The NP's official organ, *The Nationalist*, conceded recently reform was costing the party support after three decades of growth. But it said the NP would continue its programme because it was crucial for SA's future.

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Durban fire: Worst still to come

WEEKLY MAIL REPORTER, Durban

TWO devastating fires on the Natal University campus in Durban have left the community stunned.

Several academics had their life's work turned to mud, but perhaps the worst long-term effect on the student body could be the racial tension which has been growing since the fires.

The blazes began on Friday night — the night before the Rag holiday — and the night of Sharpeville and Langa commemorations, on one of the most important days in the calendar of the "struggle".

While many white students turned out early on Friday morning to sell rag magazines, their black counterparts on the Natal University campus, as well as students from Durban-Westville, the (black) Natal University Medical School and black secondary schools in and around Durban, were planning a lunchtime protest in the city centre to mark the commemoration of those killed at Sharpeville and Langa.

Armed police broke up the protest with whips, dogs and teargas — in the process locking two reporters into police vans along with dozens of students.

One reporter — Paul Hotz — is preparing legal action against the police for his arrest and for the teargas he said was sprayed into his face as he was pushed into the van.

Police confirm that they sprayed teargas into the van, but said this was because those inside had been "singing freedom songs".

The protest caused chaos as police cordoned off two of the busiest blocks and chased pupils into shops, dragging them out and dumping them into the vans.

"Is this the revolution?" an elderly white lady asked her companion.

Over 100 were arrested in the protest.

A few hours later, as students built their rag floats, two fires laid waste to virtually the entire career of Professor Laurence Schlemmer and several of his colleagues.

As students — some them made reckless by their float-building beers — helped firemen put out the fires, four limpet mines ripped through an electricity sub-station at Jacobs, south of Durban, cutting off power to the much-bombed suburb of Wentworth, but causing no injuries.

While there is little doubt about the group responsible for the sub-station blasts, there is still considerable confusion about the motive for the fires at the university.

So far attention has focused on the slogan "No Indaba" written outside Schlemmer's office, leading many to believe that the fires were started by people opposed to the KwaNatal talks scheduled to start in Durban next month.

But this does not explain why the offices of the Politics Department on the other side of campus were also burned. It also leaves open the question of whether the arsonists were student or public, right or left wing.

KwaZulu's Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi has been quick to publish his views, saying the fires form part of the African National Congress pattern of activities designed to make the country ungovernable.

At a student body meeting this week, University Principal Pete Booysen spoke strongly against those blaming a particular group of students for the fires, and thereby promoting racial tension on campus. He said he was "satisfied" they had not been caused by students protesting against the university's choice of Sharpeville and Langa day for Rag.

Booysen warned strong action would be taken against anyone stirring up racial hostility.

He said he had appointed a university committee of inquiry to evaluate the evidence.

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Security laws are outdated says IRA

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The government should untie the hands of the security forces to allow them greater scope when dealing with political unrest, the chairman of the Independent Rights Association (IRA), Mr Bazil Niemand, said last night.

Mr Niemand told 50 people in the City Hall: "We will not stand for black intimidation and we are not looking for change in the distant future, because the problems are right here on our doorstep."

He slammed the security laws, saying they were "outdated" and the situation was deteriorating daily.

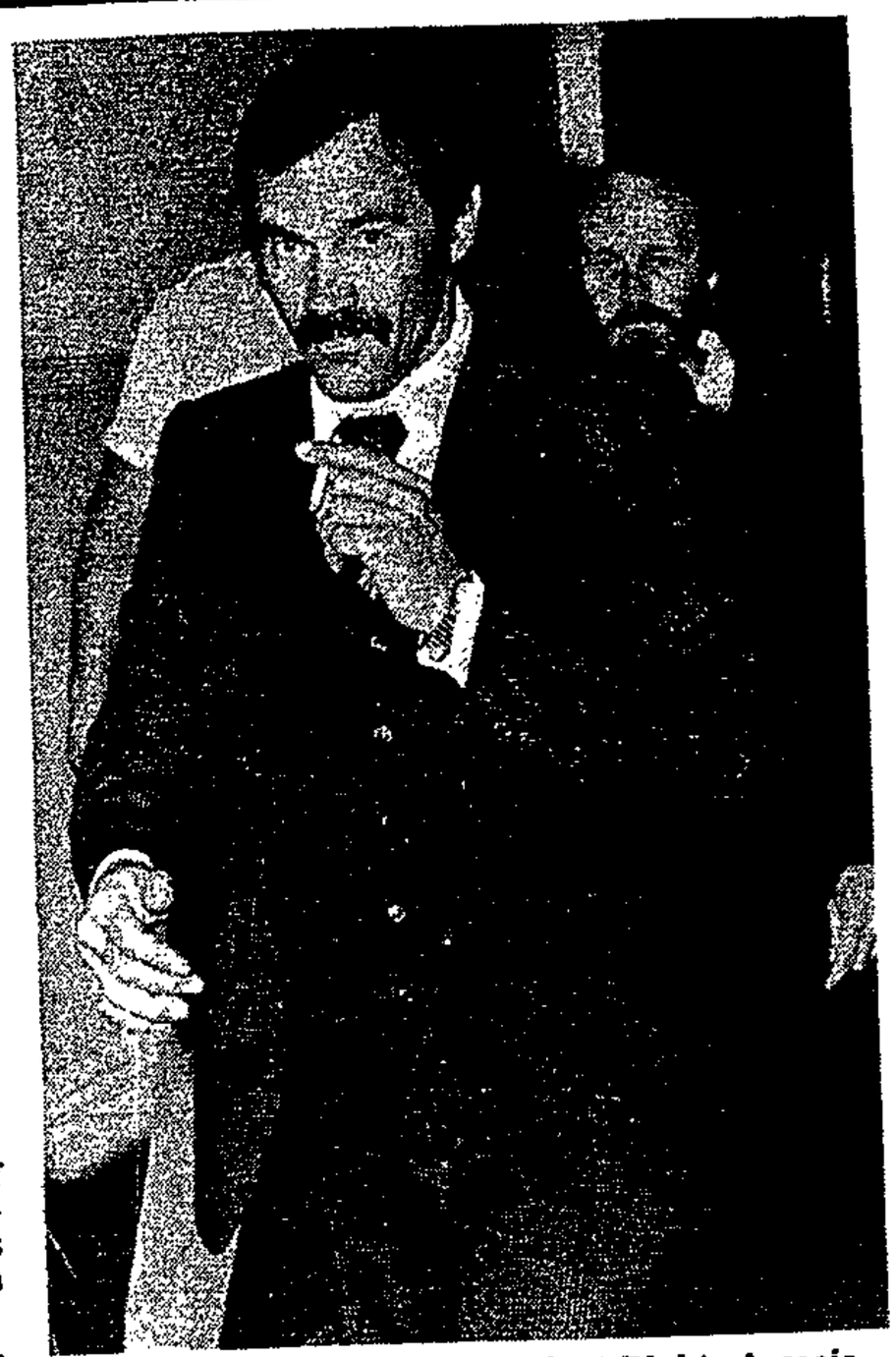
"We have written a letter to the Minister of Justice, Mr Kobie Coetsee, asking for more protection for farmers in the Mooiplaas and Kidd's Beach areas. The stock theft that is allowed to carry on there is disturbing. New laws should be made to enable the farmer to protect himself."

The IRA was prepared to protect all whites, even those who were "traitors".

"It is important that whites should stick together and fight this black intimidation."

Mr Niemand said that Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) had been invited to address a meeting of the IRA on August 11 because the organisations had certain commmon causes.

"We need the citizens of the Eastern Cape to follow the example of unity set by the AWB," he said.



The chairman of the Independent Rights Association, Mr Bazil Niemand, arrives at the City Hall last night to address a meeting attended by about 50 people.

The man in the street says: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IN A SNAP survey, the man-in-the-street yesterday appealed for peace between the warring political groups in the black community.

By LANGA SKOSANA

The appeal comes in the wake of an alarming increase in violence between the United Democratic Front (UDF), Azanian Peoples' Organisation (Azapo) and Inkatha.

More than 10 people have been murdered and thousands of rands damage caused to property in recent weeks.

People interviewed during a random survey by the *Sowetan* yesterday said they were distressed and angered by the continuing violence.

Mr Mzwandile Wiso of Kagiso, Krugersdorp, said: "Whites are laughing at us. They are even justifying apartheid through what we are doing. Leaders of different political groups should come together to thrash out the problem."

Miss Bertha Ndlovu of Meadowlands, Soweto, appealed to members of the various groups to call a truce and work out a solution.

"Perhaps church ministers would help to bring about a lasting peace," she said.

Mr Nathan Moiloa, a supervisor for a leading clothing store, called for a immediate end to the fighting.

"Many of us are upset at what we witness every day. The time has now arrived for us to work in unison," he said.

Miss Emmarantia Ndwandwe of Zola, Soweto, said she was shocked when political differences lead to death.

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SACC worker killed

THE body of South African Council of Churches field worker, Mr Diliza Benedict Matshoba, was yesterday found at the Government mortuary. He went missing on Friday.

Initial reports from the family indicate that Mr Matshoba (34), who is also a United Democratic Front (UDF) member, died in a car accident on Friday evening in Soweto.

The official cause of his death is, however, still unknown. Mr Matshoba's death could be politically motivated, his colleagues believe.

According to his sister-in-law, Mrs Mandisa Matshoba, Diliza left home on Friday to visit a friend in Jabulani.

"Then yesterday the friend phoned us to inquire about his (the friend's) car. Later during the day, he phoned us again to tell us that his car had been found involved in a head-on collision next to PP Shopping Centre in Jabulani.

"We then went to the Government mortuary in Diepkloof where we found his corpse," she said.

Mr Matshoba was the brother of well-known writer, Mthuthuzeli Matshoba.

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Anger at black violence

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Miss Theorin Ngcobo, from Emndeni, Soweto, said the struggle for liberation was retarded daily when blacks kill, maim and destroy one another's property.

"The fighting is senseless. The solution would be very easy if the warring parties trusted one another," she said.

Mr Jabulani Manana, of Ga-Rankuwa, said there were too many black political organisations.

"We must cut down on the numbers and we will soon know where we are going," he said.

Fears are now that right-wing elements and Government supporters will take advantage of the situation and also kill leaders in the black community knowing that rival organisations will be blamed.

In addition, black organisations will be placed in the embarrassing position of seeing the police step in to stop members of liberation groups from killing each other.

People will be arrested and this will lead to organisations being discredited.

Body of missing SACC worker found

JOHANNESBURG. — The body of South African Council of Churches worker Mr Diliza Matshoba was found on Monday in a Soweto mortuary — two days after the discovery of his burnt and battered car sparked fears that he had become the latest victim of vicious political rivalry.

His death was confirmed by a spokesman for the SACC.

The apparent cause of death was a motor accident, but his associates have not ruled out the possibility of a political assassination.

The whereabouts of a second SACC worker, Mr Seth Mazibuko, who was allegedly abducted on Thursday after youths disrupted a civic association meeting, are still not known.

Mr Matshoba, 34, and Mr Mazibuko, both supporters of the UDF, had been involved in investigating the clashes between UDF affiliates in Soweto and Black Consciousness groups.

Mr Matshoba had worked for the Justice and Reconciliation Division of the SACC for about three years after he served a sentence on Robben Island. — Sapa

Unionist's wife dies in bomb blast

By Jo-Anne Colling

The wife of a Brits trade unionist was killed by a home-made bomb which blasted their home yesterday.

Metal and Allied Workers' Union organiser Mr David Modimoeng (33) was taken to the GaRankuwa hospital where he underwent an emergency operation.

His 29-year-old wife, Joyce, died before reaching hospital. The youngest child, eight-month-old Gladys, escaped uninjured as she slept between her parents in the tiny two-room house, relatives said.

Two other daughters, Elizabeth (10) and Mirriam (8), did not spend the night of the attack in their parents' house.

A relative of Mr Modimoeng claims that shortly before the blast men could be heard in the yard debating whether to bomb the vehicles or the house. Another relative said he saw four men running from the scene.

Police say the explosive device was homemade. It ripped off the roof of the house and damaged the walls, and community members later demolished the unsafe structure.

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TWO self-confessed vigilantes who were paraded at a Press conference by the United Democratic Front yesterday said they were hired to attack the homes of political activists.

Their confessions follow attacks yesterday morning on eight homes in Thokoza and Katlehong on the East Rand when a woman herbalist died and two men were seriously injured.

'I was hired to attack homes of political activists'

By ALI MPHAKI and NKOPANE MAKOBANE

The dead woman was Mrs Margaret Komane Ogoloda (31) of Mavimbela section, Katlehong, and the two injured men, who have been admitted to the Natalspruit Hospital are Mr Kenneth Mbacwe of Cape Town and Mr Nicholas Madlala of Thokoza.

Mr Mbacwe, who had been to consult the herbalist, was burnt on his hands and legs, while Mr Madlala was shot in the stomach.

The homes attacked belong to Mr Peter Mofokeng, Mr Madlala, Mr Shadrack Mkhwanazi, Mr Sam Ntuli, Mr Sochavile Khanyiee, Mr Eddie Sabe, Mr Gilbert "Satch" Chawe and Mr Mojalefa Thinane.

They are members of the Thokoza Civic Association, Thokoza Youth Congress, the Thokoza Students Congress and the Katlehong Youth League — all United Democratic Front affiliates.

At the Press conference, at Khotso House, Johannesburg, the two self-confessed vigilantes, aged 19 and 20, both of Katlehong, told their story.

The 19-year-old youth said he had been hired by a police informer and promised R500 to accompany a group of 13 civilians and five policemen (three blacks and two whites) to attack the homes early yesterday. The other man, aged 20, denied his complicity in the attacks but admitted that his friend had asked him to accompany the group.

Police denied any involvement in the attacks.

The 19-year-old youth said it was not the

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first time he had been involved in such missions.

Two months ago he was paid R120 to attack a house in Katlehong, where a two-month-old baby died.

He said the attackers used petrol bombs. In some cases shots were also fired.

Mr Frank Chikane of the UDF, who was one of the convenors of the conference, said: "We are convinced that the Botha regime and their security forces are deliberately allowing this situation to prevail to force our people to submission. We wish to warn the regime that this type of attack on our people is forcing them to begin to think about how they can defend themselves."

Mr Chikane said the UDF put all the blame on the Government and that they must take responsibility for all the lives that are being presently lost.

Mr Chikane praised residents of Thokoza for not taking the law into their hands. The organisation is to seek legal advice on the fate of the two men.

Unionist's wife dies in blast

A Brits Metal and Allied Worker's Union organiser has been injured and his wife killed in an explosion at their home.

Mrs Joyce Modimoeng (29) died in the blast. Her husband David (33) and two of their children, Miriam (8) and eight-month-old Gladys were taken to hospital but were not in a serious condition, a police spokesman said.

The explosion was caused by a home-made bomb, the spokesman added.

The blast, early yesterday, severely damaged the one-room home.

Mr Modimoeng is resisting the removal of Brits location residents to Letlhabile.

This is the second explosion in Brits since resistance to the removal started.

Soweto defence urged

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By Maud Motanyane

The Soweto Civic Association (SCA) has called on residents to form street and defence committees to protect themselves against vigilante attacks.

At a Press conference yesterday, the Rev Frank Chikane, a prominent theologian, accused the Government of permitting the attacks "to force people into submission".

Over the past three months, he said, Soweto residents had been attacked by the army, the police, hit squads and gangsters.

Yesterday a woman was killed and two people were seriously injured when eight homes belonging to activists were attacked in Thokoza and Katlehong on the East Rand. This brings to seven the number of people who have died in anti-activist attacks in the past fortnight.

Grenade kills Mawu man's wife

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — An explosive device — believed to be a hand-grenade — was hurled into the Brits Location home of trade unionist Mr David Modimoeng early yesterday morning, instantly killing his wife, Nkele, 29, and injuring him and his two daughters.

Mr Modimoeng, an organizer for the Metal and Allied Workers' Union (Mawu), and his children, Miriam, 8, and Joyce, eight months, are being treated in the Garankuwa Hospital.

The powerful explosion ripped off the roof of the house and caused extensive damage.

Mr Modimoeng has been working closely with the Brits Action Committee (BAC) — a residents' organization resisting the resettlement of the Brits community at Lethlabile, 20km away.

In March this year petrol bombs and a grenade were thrown into the homes of Brits activists Mr Marshall Buys, Mr Sello Ramakobye, Mr Jacob Moatshe and Mr Leonard Brown.

About 5 000 Brits residents have already moved to Lethlabile, but 10 000 are adamant they will stay.

Following negotiations with Mawu and the National Automobile and Allied Workers Union (Naawu), employers in the area have involved themselves in the Brits residents' battle to remain where they are.

'I attacked activists' homes'

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BUDDAY

SOPHIE TEMA and SIPHO NGCOBO

TWO men who were allegedly involved in petrol-bombings that gutted eight homes and killed one person in East Rand townships were brought by the East Rand People's Organisation (Erapo) yesterday to a Press conference, where one made an alleged "confession".

Abraham Zwane, 19, and William Maguga, 20, both from Katlehong, were seized at their homes by members of Erapo yesterday shortly after attacks on the homes of activists.

They were brought to Khotso House where Zwane said he had been recruited by a man known as "Axa", a student also known as Aaron Zwane, to join a group which, he said, included security policemen.

The homes they attacked belonged to United Democratic Front-linked activists.

A spokesman for the Police Public Relations Directorate in Pretoria said yesterday: "We are aware of the allegations often made against the police. The police deny these allegations. The police do not go about killing people."

A shabily-dressed Zwane, told the Press conference he had joined a group which attacked a house on the East Rand about two months ago, killing a one month-old baby. For that attack he was paid R120.

Maguga denied any involvement in the attacks on the houses of the activists, although Erapo officials claimed he had confessed to the attacks earlier.

Zwane said the group he was involved with consisted of five security policemen — two whites and three blacks — and 13 vigilantes.

He described in detail events on Tuesday evening when the group attacked two homes in Thokoza and a house in Katlehong with petrol bombs. They also attacked a couple, shooting one of them dead.



Alleged vigilantes Maguga (left) and Zwane at yesterday's Press conference.

Picture: DAN SIMON

Violence breeds violence

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EL children in acute state of anxiety?

On Sunday (June 1) the International community celebrates Children's Day. But what are the problems South Africa's black and white children face today?

HELÉNE STEPHAN reports.

Half the children in South Africa are in adolescent crises.

This is the opinion of Mrs Merle Fisher a trained psychiatric nurse and committee member of the EL branch of Black Sash.

Mrs Fisher, who had also trained in child and family therapy said the crises were directly related to anxiety and the fact that no firm guidelines had been established. "Parents and other institutions opt out of their responsibility and that leads to alienation of children," she said.

She supported her statement and said that not only in SA, but also in the rest of the world, adolescent suicides were on the increase and the rate of suicides in the 15-24 age group had trippled since 1950.

"I am suggesting that half of the children of EL, black and white, are in an acute state of anxiety due to many factors — like separation because of detention, and I suggest that we are not aware of it.

"I'm saying, let's wake-up and do something about it — let's reflect on what is happening to our children," Mrs Fisher said.

She pointed out that many SA children today were suffering from identity confusion and emerged from adolescence with a negative identity. In turn this negative identity led to deviant behaviour and chaos.

The blame for this confusion must be placed on the shoulders of the adults, Mrs Fisher said — the do as I say and not as I do-syndrome. "Children model themselves on adults, like soldiers, and if a child sees the soldier using a gun on someone, he then models himself on this behaviour."

Another aspect which tied in closely with the role model, was the reality of violence in South Africa today, Mrs Fisher said.

"Violence breeds violence and I would like fellow South Africans to realise the imprinting society has on a young child and that a child's personality is already formed at the age of five.

"It is like personality bricks which have already been laid and only need to be cemented.

"If Daddy drags Mom through the house and they fight all the time, violence becomes the reality for the child instead of pleasure," she said and quoted examples of studies which had been conducted in Northern Ireland which showed very young children already nurtured a hatred of the Catholics.

"I am just wondering if this could not be applicable in South Africa?"

Education and employment were other factors which were the cause of anxiety to the youth, Mrs Fisher said.

"What is the point of being educated if there are no jobs?"

In the UK analytical figures show that only 4 per cent of all children who go to school, can look forward to obtaining employment.

Another factor which caused strain was the fact that children grew up physically much more rapidly than emotionally — puberty starts 3 months earlier every decade — and Mrs Fisher pointed out that there were no facilities to help children cope. "What form of education is there for children to prepare themselves for parenthood?" she asked.

"Or where can young white and black children receive counselling when they have to cope with anxiety problems stemming from peer pressure like — should I go to the army or should I throw that petrol bomb?

"It is high time that we take the whole subject from under the carpet, and say, let's discuss it."

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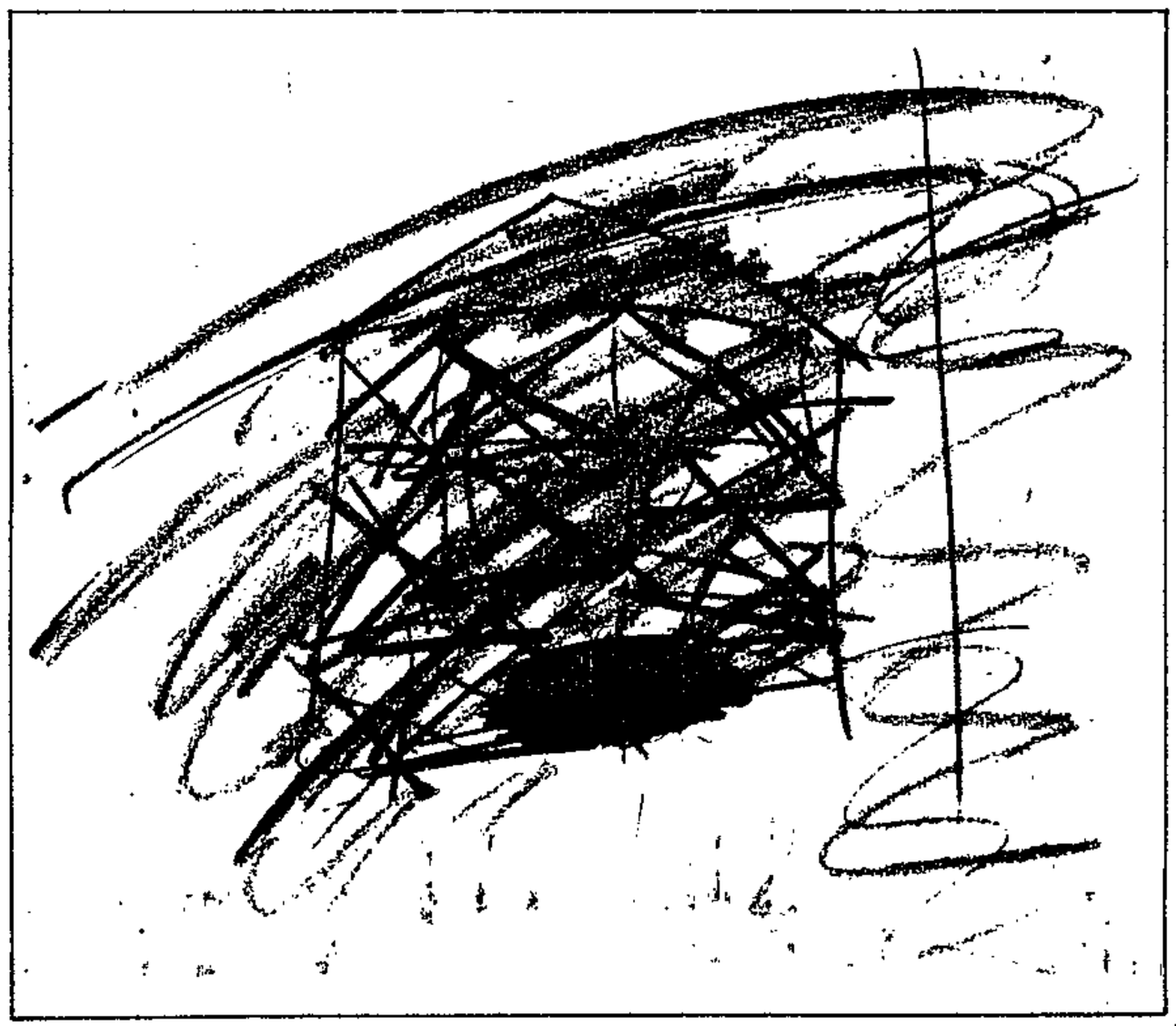
Mrs Fisher suggested that parents should examine themselves closely and honestly and ask themselves the following questions:

- Are we putting too much pressure on our children?
- Do we give them unconditional love and not only love them if they do well at school or in sport?
- Is the generation gap not from our side? — as we desperately try to stay young the child comes home to a mother or father competing with a young person instead of loving parents.
- Do we listen properly to what they are saying?



A drawing by a child of his house — note the explosion, darkness and closed-in-look.

MAKING AN IMPRINT

Union plans action after bomb death

By PHILLIP VAN NIEKERK

THE Metal and Allied Workers' Union (Mawu) is planning "strong" action to protest against this week's bombing of the home of Mawu organiser and Brits community leader, David Modimoeng, in which his 29-year-old wife, Nkele, was killed.

The bombing of Modimoeng's house was the fifth violent attack on a Mawu member or official in recent weeks.

Mawu's Transvaal secretary Bernie Fanaroff said yesterday that Mawu was "not prepared to stand aside while the system murders our people or anyone else".

He said Mawu was considering strong action and had appealed for support to the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) and the Geneva-based International Metalworkers Federation (IMF).

The bomb which ripped apart Modimoeng's house at 2am on Wednesday morning blew the roof off and completely destroyed two concrete walls. Two children — Miriam, 8, and Joyce, 8 months — were in the room at the time and "miraculously survived", said Fanaroff.

"The bomb landed right next to where the children were sitting and there was a short delay in the fuse," he said.

The bomb was a sophisticated and "incredibly powerful" home-made device filled with nails.

Modimoeng's wife died on the way to hospital while Fanaroff said it was suspected that shots had been fired at Modimoeng as he carried his children out of the house to safety.

Modimoeng is a leader in the resistance in Brits' old Location against forced removal to Lethlabile, 25km away. The two chief unions in the area — Mawu and the National Automobile and Allied Workers' Union (Naawu) — have led the opposition to the removal.

The attack came with Mawu in dispute with two companies: Autocast, where there was a mass dismissal last week, and Robert Bosch, where workers were occupying the factory on the night of the explosion.

Fanaroff said Mawu believed the attack had come from the "right" who have had a strong presence in the area recently.

Some of the recent violent incidents involving Mawu officials include:

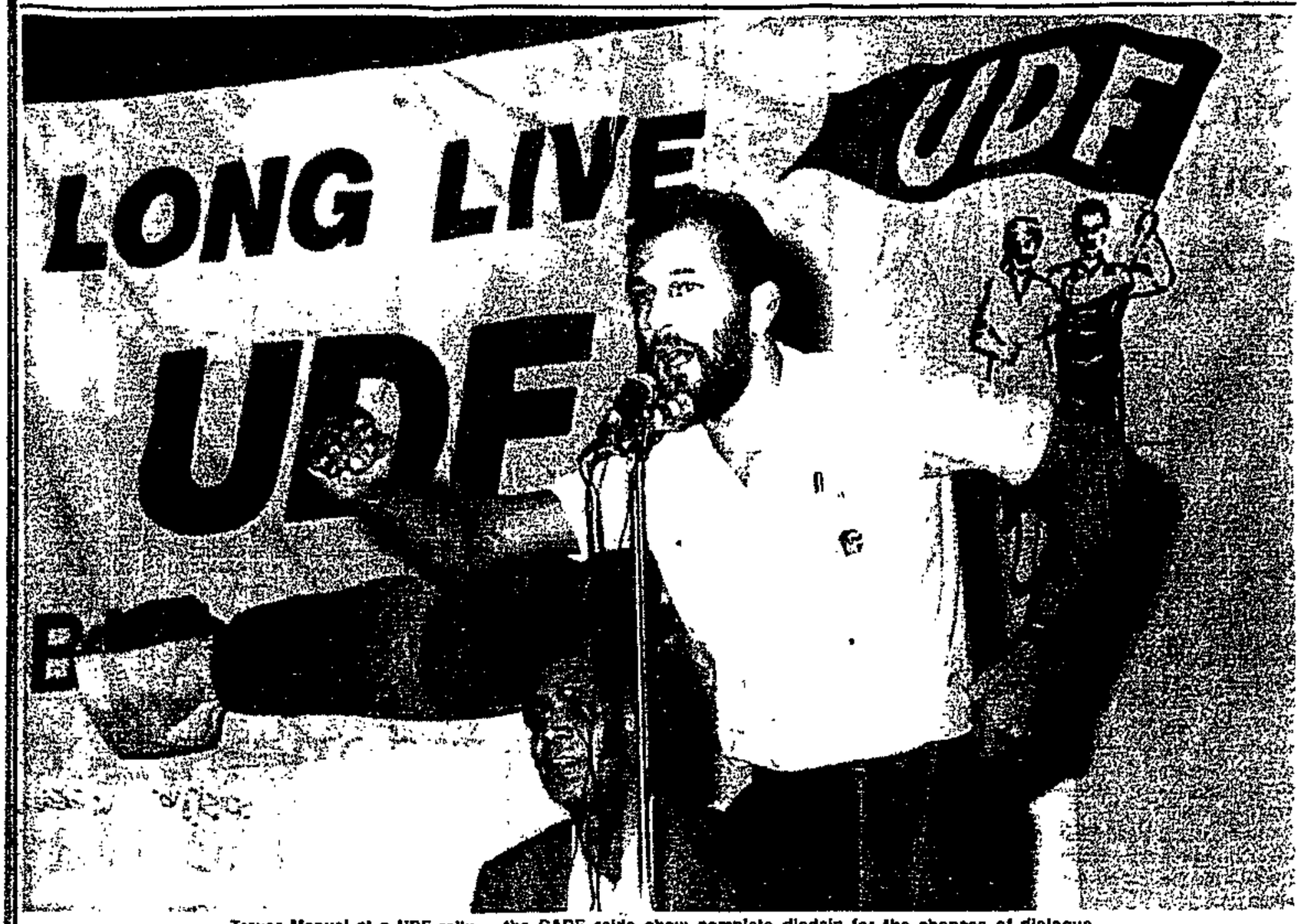
● Mawu member Terriman Kortman was shot dead by police at a union rally on the East Rand in March.

● In Esikheweni, Natal, Mawu vice-president Jeffrey Vilane was injured in the arm and had his home and car destroyed in a petrol bomb and shooting attack in late April.

● The home of a Mawu shopsteward at Alusef, Richard's Bay, was firebombed, though he was not at home at the time.

● The home of Mawu organiser Moses Mayekiso, a leading activist in Alexandra, was attacked during the recent wave of violence in the township.

ALTERNATIVE FUTURES



Trevor Manuel at a UDF rally ... the SADF raids show complete disdain for the chances of dialogue

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The rightwing backlash can hurt activists

The UDF emerged unscathed from the State of Emergency. But now it has another problem to consider: the extra-legal activities of the far-right. SHAUN JOHNSON talks to the UDF's Western Cape publicity secretary, Trevor Manuel, in the third of our series of interviews with political leaders

HOW important is the "rightwing backlash"?

In the short term it is a greater threat to the regime than to the UDF. It seriously debilitates the ease with which the regime can move. But it does creep into the armed forces, at which point it becomes a very serious threat to us.

If one looks at the police force, the top ranks still realise the need for accountability. But down the ranks, you will find that people don't give a damn. There are numerous claims of direct police involvement in extra-legal rightwing activity. They have access to a lot of detail about activists, where we live, our general movements. That is the great danger.

How does the UDF feel about the Eminent Persons Group initiative?

We don't believe our struggle will be determined in a Lancaster House in London. The people of South Africa will resolve the problem.

While being appreciative of international initiatives, we cannot rely on them because history has shown that when big capitalist countries move in this way, they move in terms of their own agenda.

But PW himself is feeling a lot more pressurised by things like the EPG, and the SADF raids show a complete disdain for the initiative, and for the chances of dialogue. So if the EPG leads to increased international pressure on the apartheid regime, it is useful in terms of our struggle.

The education conference over Easter seemed to forge an alliance between youth, parents, teachers and other activists. Is this a permanent move away from regarding the youth as the "shock troops of the struggle"?

In many townships the youth have taken one step back and integrated their activities into the community by building things like people's parks. Now their ability to walk two steps forward as a community is so much greater.

The growing organisational linkage between the students, residents' organisations, popular civic organisations and trade unions also augurs well for the ability to extend on the kind of unity which we have seen.

How do you view the ideological realignments that seem to be occurring on the Afrikaans campuses?

Stellenbosch is the most interesting. It is now possible to get the occasional UDF speaker on the campus. Then there is Jeugkrag, which represents a far more conservative tendency. There is actually quite a dramatic lurching: some leaders appear to want to make the right kinds of decisions, but all the time there is the conservatism which comes through.

It is a difficult situation to read into, but we have to go in there to try and bring them over. We cannot allow a section of people — an important sector of South African society — to be written off because of their birth or heritage. We have a political responsibility to present alternatives to them. I think in the longer term this will yield results by giving us the ability to stave off counter-revolution as well.

In your constituency, what is the level of conflict with other groups within the resistance movement? Is it violent?

We have always had other groupings in the Western Cape, but by and large the conflict is confined to an ideological one.

In the peninsula itself we haven't had a physical conflict as such, notwithstanding the vigilante action in Crossroads.

In Paarl there has been what has been made out to be a conflict between the UDF and AZANYU. But a closer look at the situation reveals that the police had a fair amount to do with that.

The differences between the UDF and other groupings won't just disappear. But I think we will be able to contain the differences to an ideological and organisational thing.

Was the UDF weakened by the State of Emergency?

The state miscalculated badly with its timing of the Emergency. In the Western Cape it led to a tremendous upsurge in resistance.

Of course it was difficult for us with the leadership removed and meetings banned, but it led to more people getting involved. Because of the mass detentions, relatives and others who had not been part of the UDF were drawn in. We emerged a lot stronger.

But many observers wrote that the UDF was "decimated" during the Emergency. How can you have emerged as a stronger organisation?

It is now more difficult for the state to reimpose an Emergency in the form that it did. They realise the need for repression but understand that it does not answer all of their needs.

Now you have developments like the extra powers to be given to Le Grange.

The state is also having to go for informal repression. Reports of the linkage between the armed forces and and so-called vigilante groups is one expression of this.

The immediate future will see resistance growing, and the state relying increasingly on the armed forces. But this just radicalises entire communities and welds them together.

Given the demonstrated ability of the state, during the Emergency, to remove the UDF leadership over a broad geographical sweep, do you believe the UDF to be an appropriate structure for resistance?

We were initially very badly affected by that sweep. But because the UDF is a Front and affiliates are subject to their own internal discipline, people could quickly regroup in a local situation. The Front nature of the UDF has in fact been a major facilitator in sustaining the ability of people to continue resistance.

Does the UDF take seriously the possibility of a clampdown of the magnitude of 1960 and 1977?

We have taken it seriously since the first threats by Louis Le Grange in his speech to the National Party congress in Alberton in October 1984. He made it clear that they could not accommodate "extremist" elements, as he put it.

We saw this again in Botha's recent speech to the President's Council, when he said the regime had the power, but to date had only used its little finger.

We are forced to take it seriously, but we realise there are major splits within the cabinet itself. That weakens their ability to act immediately against the UDF. And acting against the UDF is one thing, acting against all its affiliates is a totally different ball game.

The depth of our organisation today indicates that we have built on the experiences of '76, and that we have learnt from past mistakes. We are not sitting back and folding our arms and saying well, we've got to try and prevent being banned. Resistance has to continue.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



Eight township violence cases pending in Natal

Officials can't comment

INKATHA officials are prevented by the sub judice rule from commenting on the string of urgent applications now before the courts. In the past, however, Buthelezi has strongly denied that Inkatha members were involved in attacks by armed gangs, saying his organisation was committed to non-violence.

In March delegates to the National Education Crisis Committee conference in Durban were attacked by a large group of people, some in Inkatha uniform. They were brought to the conference by a bus which Putco officials later said had been booked by Inkatha.

On that occasion, Buthelezi responded by attacking the NECC for its motives in holding its meeting in Durban. He said the organisation's presence and intention were confrontational and had provoked the anger of the people. "If there were people in Inkatha uniforms involved in the eruption of anger (against the NECC), why must I be blamed for their behaviour?" he said.

On a number of other occasions, when gangs of men armed with traditional weapons have clashed with other residents in Durban townships, Buthelezi has described the fighting as the anger of "the people" against troublemakers who were denigrating and vilifying him or who had been causing unrest in the area by, for example, encouraging school boycotts.

WEEKLY MAIL REPORTER

SINCE the beginning of April human rights lawyers in Durban and the local Legal Resources Centre (LRC) have been swamped with applicants wanting to bring urgent interdicts against impis operating in the KwaMashu area north of the city.

Already eight such applications have been lodged and in several cases criminal charges have been or are to be laid with police as a result of the applications.

Most prominent in this week's crop of interdicts was an application against Thomas Mandla Shabalala who is also the KwaZulu legislative assembly MP for the Lindelani area.

Belinda and Simon Mfeka, who brought the application, said they were threatened by Shabalala because they had not paid their "Inkatha dues" — this included various amounts for Inkatha, the Inkatha Women's Brigade, the Inkatha-backed United Workers Union of South Africa and Shabalala's bodyguard fund.

Shabalala allegedly told them that since they had not paid dues to Inkatha they must belong to the United Democratic Front (UDF). If they did not get out of the area he would "send his warriors" to kill them and burn their house down.

They said his house was "a sinister place" where they saw patrolling men dressed in khaki and carrying rifles. They saw a number of people being held there against their will, including a young boy, whose hands were bound, and who was shivering, apparently with fear. They were told he was "waiting for the Amabutho to take him away and kill him".

In a similar case an urgent application was brought against another Inkatha official, a Women's Brigade leader in Ntuzuma. Virginia Shandu made no effort to contest the order which was made final last Friday. She is also to pay the costs of the application brought by the Dlamini family.

Allegations against Shandu include claims that she was behind several attacks on Samuel Dlamini and that on at least one occasion the impi which attacked him was seen coming from and leaving her home.

It was also claimed that she was seen moving down the street pointing out houses allegedly occupied by UDF members to Shabalala. He was arranging with her to send his men to attack and burn these homes.

The Dlaminis claimed they had reported the matter to the police station but the police had refused to take a statement from them — a common claim in these applications.

As a result of this case, charges of attempted murder, malicious damage to property and arson, have been laid with the KwaMashu police station against Shandu by Durban's LRC.

Claims in other applications include one that 30 schoolboys were forcibly abducted from their homes and taken to the home of KwaMashu councillor Napoleon Mhlongo, who kept them overnight at his place under armed guard, releasing them only after lawyers acting for the parents contacted him to threaten legal action.

The boys were allegedly held because Mhlongo believed they were responsible for burning the township superintendent's offices the previous weekend.

Another councillor and former mayor of KwaMashu, Esther Africa, is alleged to have given a speech in which she urged the "homes of the troublemakers who are perpetrating violence in KwaMashu must be burnt and their residence must be terminated".

The violence revealed in the Supreme Court applications, however, is just the tip of the iceberg.

Conflict between armed impis and radicals in KwaMashu alone left at least 14 dead in six days last week.

Tension between the two groups has been simmering in all Durban townships since the death last August of civil rights lawyer Victoria Mxenge. Violence has erupted sporadically, but the publication of a pamphlet in KwaMashu has intensified the "war" there.

The leaflet, published last month, was distributed at all local schools, laying the blame for school boycotts and violence on a number of specific people and encouraging attacks on them.

The people — whose names and addresses were listed on the leaflet — were, or were alleged to be, members of the UDF or its affiliates, or the Congress of South African Trade Unions, and it was claimed they were linked to the National Education Crisis Committee, and were therefore troublemakers.

As with schools in other black townships in the country there has been discontent in KwaMashu since the start of the year. KwaMashu pupils have been dissatisfied over the question of free books and stationery, the "legality" of Student Representative Councils (SRCs), the handling of funds by some principals and other issues.

On several counts, pupils claimed there was a difference between announcements on these issues being made in the KwaZulu legislative assembly and in parliament, and what was being practised in schools.

Last Tuesday a number of Amabutho armed with guns and said to have been bused from Lindelani, arrived at schools in KwaMashu. There they clashed with students, after they demanded that SRC members be handed over to them.

The clash left six vigilantes dead, several of them necklaced.

In response to these killings, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi has made a strong call that KwaMashu be given to KwaZulu police "to control the situation".

On Thursday night a youth and an older man were killed by armed impis and on Friday night, in an apparent display of strength, a large number of Amabutho marched through KwaMashu.

Some of them disrupted the electricity supply to certain sections, and by the next night the power was still off in some parts when six people were shot and hacked to death by impis.

Police said they did not take action against "people in the street" on Friday night as they were not acting illegally. They did not receive any report of electricity being disrupted.

As the spiral of violence worsens, it seems not even those who have brought applications to the Supreme Court are safe.

Of the six who died on Saturday night, two people were members of the Phungula family.

"Tiki" Phungula — who managed to escape with his life while the impi tried to decide how to kill him — was recently an applicant in an interdict against Africa and another prominent KwaMashu figure, former KwaZulu legislative assembly member Gobizizwe Bhengu. In terms of the urgent interim order granted by the court they were barred from assaulting or threatening Phungula or his family.

The home of another applicant in that same interdict was also attacked and set alight.

In neither incident were the victims able to identify the attackers — several of whom wore balaclavas to hide their faces.

What the bulldozers never managed, the 'witdoeke' achieved



Left: The military intervene after the Crossroads fighting is over, erecting barriers to seal off the township
Picture: DAVE HARTMAN (Afrapix)

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By MOIRA LEVY
in Cape Town

"THE fastest and cheapest forced removal we have ever seen." That's how one commentator described last week's violence in the Crossroads squatter camp.

Johnson Ngxobonogwana and his armed "witdoeke" vigilantes may have accomplished in two days last week what the Western Cape Development Board have tried for two years to achieve.

The three main satellite squatter settlements that have, over the years, been built up on the fringes of Crossroads have been completely wiped out.

And although leaders Melford Yamile, Christopher Toise and Alfred Sipeke have for years resisted all efforts to move the squatters to the resettlement township of Khayelitsha, the Cape Town authorities are adamant that they will not be allowed to return to their devastated Crossroads sites.

Representing about 30 000 people, the squatter leaders, now living as refugees in church halls or in sympathisers' homes, still vow they will not be moved. But aerial views of the site of last week's battles show not a single shack still standing in the area under their leadership.

"This has also been the cheapest (removal) for the government, both in political and economic costs," according to Laureen Platzky, a long-standing anti-removals campaigner.

"Politically, the government has kept its hands clean. And the disaster has been seen as an act of so-called black-on-black violence.

"In economic terms, Pick 'n Pay, the United States government, the people of Cape Town and all the others who have donated money and given support, have footed the bill for the devastation.

"The Western Cape Development Board and the SA Defence Force have maintained a benevolent image, supplying tents as though there had been a natural disaster," she said.

While some refugees moved into the tents hastily erected in Khayelitsha, many more are biding their time, sleeping along the roadside or in the nearby KTC camp, determined to return to their old sites when the dust settles.

But, according to Platzky, the conflict is likely to continue. "Some of the people went to Khayelitsha because they were terrified and desperate. But there is no way the core of the community will put up with this kind of treatment.

"All along they have refused to move, and they won't accept being forced out of the area this time either."

Resistance to removals in Crossroads has been going on for more than 10 years and, commentators say, the present conflict between the different factions in the squatter community must be understood against the background of that struggle.

Shortages of land are at the crux of the squatters' disputes, according to the Reverend Syd Luckett, who has played an important role in attempting to bring the warring factions together.

"As the communities grew there was a scarcity of land and tremendous competition for a place to erect a shack," he told a public meeting this week.

"Tension developed and the Administration Board, wittingly or unwittingly, contributed towards this by promising the same land to different groups."

Government promises to upgrade Crossroads worsened the conflict; only about 5 000 families, representing between 25 000 and 30 000 people, were to be accommodated in the new township. The remainder of the total squatter population of 200 000 would have to move.

To encourage people to leave the area, they were offered 18-month permits to live and work in the urban area of Cape Town and a stay on all evictions of illegal migrants out of the city — on condition they agreed to move to Khayelitsha.

"Most of the people who were issued with permits were part of Ngxbonogwana's group. Thousands of people were left out. That has been a point of conflict ever since," Platzky explained.

The squatters under the leadership of Yamile, Toise and Sipeke rejected the offer outright. "They demanded full urban rights before they would even negotiate moving to Khayelitsha. It is these three groupings who are now the victims and the targets of this devastation."

But they are not the only targets of the "witdoeke", so called because of their white bandannas and armbands.

The township youth, who during the State of Emergency often sought refuge in the satellite squatter camps where the lack of roads and street lighting made policing impossible, formed strong bonds with Yamile, Toise and Sipeke's communities.

According to Luckett, Yamile has refused police requests to hand over the youth. "It has become imperative to the police that the area be cleared. These areas have become havens for the youth. This the police cannot tolerate."

For Ngxbonogwana too, the youth pose a threat to his authority. A number of organisations, including the UDF-affiliated Cape Youth Congress (Cayco) and the United Womens Congress (UWC), have expressed opposition to what they allege is the corruption and authoritarianism of Ngxbonogwana's committee.

They are spearheading the growing resistance with the community to levies demanded by the committee, which they claim have been used by committee members for their private gain. "They are questioning how and why Ngxbonogwana has five cars," Platzky said.

Dubbed the "comrades", they have won the backing of many former members of the Crossroads Committee who resigned in protest against what they called the "undemocratic" committee elections in February in which only 5 000 people voted out of an adult population of 87 000.

"The elections had no credibility. People were told by Ngxbongwana that they had to pay R15 to vote. Organisations like the Black Sash, the Urban Foundation and the Western Province Council of Churches, who were asked to monitor the elections, refused because they did not believe it would be free and democratic," Platzky said.

Shortly after the elections, Ngxbonogwana's committee sent a memorandum to Minister of Constitutional Affairs and Develoment, Chris Heunis, offering to act as a link between the government and the squatter community, and requesting that plans for upgrading the area be set in motion.

Their demands included the building of tennis courts, four-roomed houses, police cells to ensure the maintenance of "law and order" and a clinic. Ngxbongwana has more than once tried to close down the existing clinic, claiming that it is staffed mainly by "comrades".

"If Ngxbongwana wants four-roomed houses, a lot of people will have to move to make space for development. This fits in well with the government's plans."

Part of the government's plan to upgrade Crossroads, first mooted by the then Minister of Cooperation and Development, Dr Piet Koornhof, involves incorporating an adjacent stretch of land where the KTC squatter camp has been established and where many of the squatter refugees are now in hiding.





Picking up the pieces: As a bulldozer clears the wreckage, a Crossroads woman salvages what she can to build a new home
Picture: GUY TILLIM (Afrapix)

On their knees before parliament: Crossroads women plead for their rights
Picture: GUY TILLIM (Afrapix)

This week there were fears in KTC of an imminent clash with the "witdoeke". Residents claim that members of the police and SADF swept through the area last Friday warning the community to move to Khayelitsha, or face the same fate as the other squatters.

The threats are being taken seriously. This week, six squatter leaders won a temporary interdict in the Cape Town Supreme Court restraining the police, army and "witdoeke" from participating in or permitting unlawful attacks on people or property in the KTC squatter camp.

The squatter leaders claim that the application was brought because they had reason to fear that "the destruction of homes has been part of a systematic plan and that KTC is the next township that will be attacked".

In 45 affidavits before the court, it was claimed that police had supplied the "witdoeke" with arms and ammunition and had actively participated in the burning of houses and attacks on squatters. KTC resident Zenzile Memani, stated: "I was amazed and shocked at the passivity of the South African Police and the soldiers in the face of continued attempts by the 'witdoeke' to attack and burn down the communities with impunity and without fear of police or army intervention against them.

"When I did see the SAP and the soldiers take any action it was invariably against members of the community who were being attacked and groupings of 'refugees' from the burning community and never against the 'witdoeke'.

"There was a strong presence of SAP and soldiers and I had no doubt that if they had wished to quell the fighting, they could have done so within a very short period of time and well before there was any substantial damage done to the three communities."

Another squatter, Stormong Madubela, claims in his affidavit that he saw two policemen, dressed in blue, walking among the shacks in one of the squatter settlements. "On two occasions I saw policemen fire what looked like teargas grenades at shacks whereupon flames shot up and fires started which burnt down these shacks."

THE WHITE RIGHT

Displays of power

After months of simmering tension (*Current affairs* February 21), divisions in Afrikanerdom have erupted into fratricidal political strife unprecedented in 38 years of Nationalist rule. Following two weeks of skirmishes, a major battle for the soul of the *volk* is looming over Pretoria this weekend.

So far, no quarter is being asked or given as the National Party (NP) pits its strength against the militancy of the neo-fascist Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB).

This week, NP Transvaal leader F W de Klerk vowed to return soon to Brits and Pietersburg to avenge the recent Nationalist humiliations in the two towns. This weekend the course of events — and a possible showdown — will centre on a decision by the AWB and its now junior partners on the Right, the Conservative Party (CP) and the Herstigte Nasionale Party (HNP), to defy a government ban on the use of the Voortrekker Monument on Saturday (the 25th Republic Day) for a *volksfees*.

The AWB claims it can muster as many as 100 000 supporters to march to the monument, Afrikanerdom's main shrine. The State has said it will stop them.

The rise of the Right is also clearly causing serious tensions in the Cabinet. They surfaced dramatically last week when, in an unprecedented move, Manpower Minister Pietie du Plessis accused the police of being "unable or unwilling" to prevent the AWB's disruption of Foreign Minister Pik Botha's Pietersburg rally.

Law and Order Minister Louis le Grange jumped quickly to the SAP's defence. Without mentioning Du Plessis by name, Le Grange said it was "scandalous" that the SAP should be "insulted and antagonised" by "public accusations" that they showed solidarity with the AWB.

It is virtually unknown for a South African Cabinet minister to publicly criticise the department of a colleague. Du Plessis is likely to be severely reprimanded by President P W Botha regardless of the merits of his complaint, which will be revealed by an investigation into the events at Pietersburg ordered by Le Grange.

Although a split is seen as unlikely, the disagreement between the two ministers appears to be the most serious threat to Cabinet unity since the CP breakaway in 1982. The takeover of the Pietersburg meeting by the AWB was a personal humiliation for Du Plessis, who is one of three Transvaal NP chairmen, with a key responsibility for party organisation in the province.

The extent of the rightwing threat is still difficult to gauge, but there is no denying that the rise of the AWB in recent months has been phenomenal.

For more than 12 years after its formation in 1973, the organisation was regarded as little more than a joke. Its leaders were seen as neo-fascist fanatics clad in khaki uniforms bearing red, white and black emblems, chillingly reminiscent of Nazi swastikas. Although their public meetings in rural towns and blue collar urban areas were relatively well attended, they were seldom of more than curiosity value for the press.



AWB's Eugene Terre'Blanche . . . ultra-right stuff

Then suddenly this year, the AWB hit the headlines. An unanticipated campaign to smash NP meetings clicked into gear with resounding success.

Agriculture Minister Greyling Wentzel was prevented from speaking in his home town of Bethal; in Brits, Deputy Information Minister Louis Nel had to abandon a meeting; in Pietersburg last week, AWB hoodlums took over Pik Botha's meeting after a bloody battle with government supporters; the following day "own affairs" Agriculture Minister Sarel Hayward was prevented from speaking at Warden in the OFS; and last weekend a meeting addressed by Louis le Grange at Ellisras was only able to go ahead after five AWB supporters — who tried to break it up — were arrested and another 30 kept out of the hall by a massive police contingent.

The AWB has vowed to keep NP speakers out of vast regions of the country it regards as conservative territory — and appears able to fulfil its pledge.

The latest events have shocked the NP and graphically emphasised the obvious strength of the white rightwing — notwithstanding allegations that government was well aware of what would occur at Pietersburg, but allowed the Right to display its thuggery primarily for international consumption. There is little doubt that support for the Rightists — now firmly centred around the AWB — is two-fold.

It stems both from government's tentative steps towards limited political reforms, which are rejected by many whites, but also — and perhaps more importantly — from a perception that the government does not know where it is going, leading to a desire among white voters to return to what they know, rather than be led blindly into an uncertain future.

Probably the most frightening aspect of the rightwing is not its opposition to reform per se, but its militancy. The AWB, in particular, is widely perceived as being willing to take up arms to defend its principles — even if it means fighting fellow Afrikaners.

Apart from recent by-elections, which showed a marked swing to conservatism, the strength of the rightwing has not been effectively tested. There have been demands that Botha call a general election soon.

Although opinion polls show the NP to have about 50% of white voter support, compared to about 20% for the rightwing, the true picture may be significantly different.

Based on by-election swings, some observers believe the rightwing could have as much as 45% of white voter support.

The effect of the AWB on P W Botha's reform plan remains to be seen. He has vowed not to be deterred, but there seems little doubt that any new moves forward will be preceded by a long, hard look over the right shoulder to see if anyone is following. ■

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Azapo man set on fire

THE Azanian People's Organisation yesterday announced that it had found the body of one of its members at the Government mortuary — he was the victim of death by the "necklace".

The victim, Mr Martin Tebogo Mohau (23), was released from Robben Island in 1984 after serving a five-year sentence for a political offence. He stayed at 1509a Mofolo Central, Soweto.

A spokesman for Azapo yesterday said Mohau was accosted in Tladi while travelling in a car with four others. He had an Azapo T-shirt on. He was stabbed to death and then set alight while the others ran away.

Mr Mohau was an official of Azapo's People's Cultural Project.

Guns for defence is cry in Soweto

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SOWETO people are talking of arming themselves with guns against hit squads that have destroyed homes and killed several children in the townships.

Residents claim that in the past month numerous homes were attacked by hit squads wearing balaclavas or masks and working closely with gangsters.

This feeling comes after incidents in which patrol units — consisting of residents and schoolchildren — were attacked leaving three youths dead.

A joint statement issued by several organisations said: "Because of the present situation in the townships, people are all looking for guns to defend themselves."

Recently the Soweto Civic Association (SCA) called on all residents to form street defence committees.

The SCA said: "In the last month people have been attacked and children kidnapped and killed by gangs who were never found by the police."

This week several organisations, including the United Democratic Front (UDF) endorsed the call by the SCA at a conference where one of two men, alleged to be captured vigilantes, confessed to having been involved with a group that petrol-bombed several houses in Thokoza and Katlehong.

The man allegedly claimed the group consisted of black and white security police and 13 vigilantes.

A statement by the organisations said: "Heavily armed gangs wearing balaclavas and masks have attacked people at funerals and night vigils, killing many of them. In certain instances schoolchildren have been kidnapped and killed.

"In some parts of Soweto the squads attacked houses of the community's leadership with petrol bombs and shootings. Every family in Soweto, therefore, is living under fear.

"In response to these attacks the Soweto community moved to form street or defence committees and patrol units during the night."

The statement said: "Today, because of the prevailing conditions in the townships people are all out looking for guns to defend themselves."

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AREA C: Alberton, Benoni, Boksburg, Brakpan, Durban, Germiston, Johannesburg, Kempton Park, Krugersdorp, Nigel, Oberholzer, Pinetown, Pretoria, Randburg, Randfontein, Roodepoort, Springs, Vanderbijlpark, Vereeniging, Westonaria and Wonderboom.
Municipal Area: Port Elizabeth.

AREA D: Paarl. Municipal Areas: Despatch, Sasolburg, Uitenhage and Umhlanga.

AREA E: Bloemfontein, East London, Kimberley and Pietermaritzburg.

AREA F: Klerksdorp.

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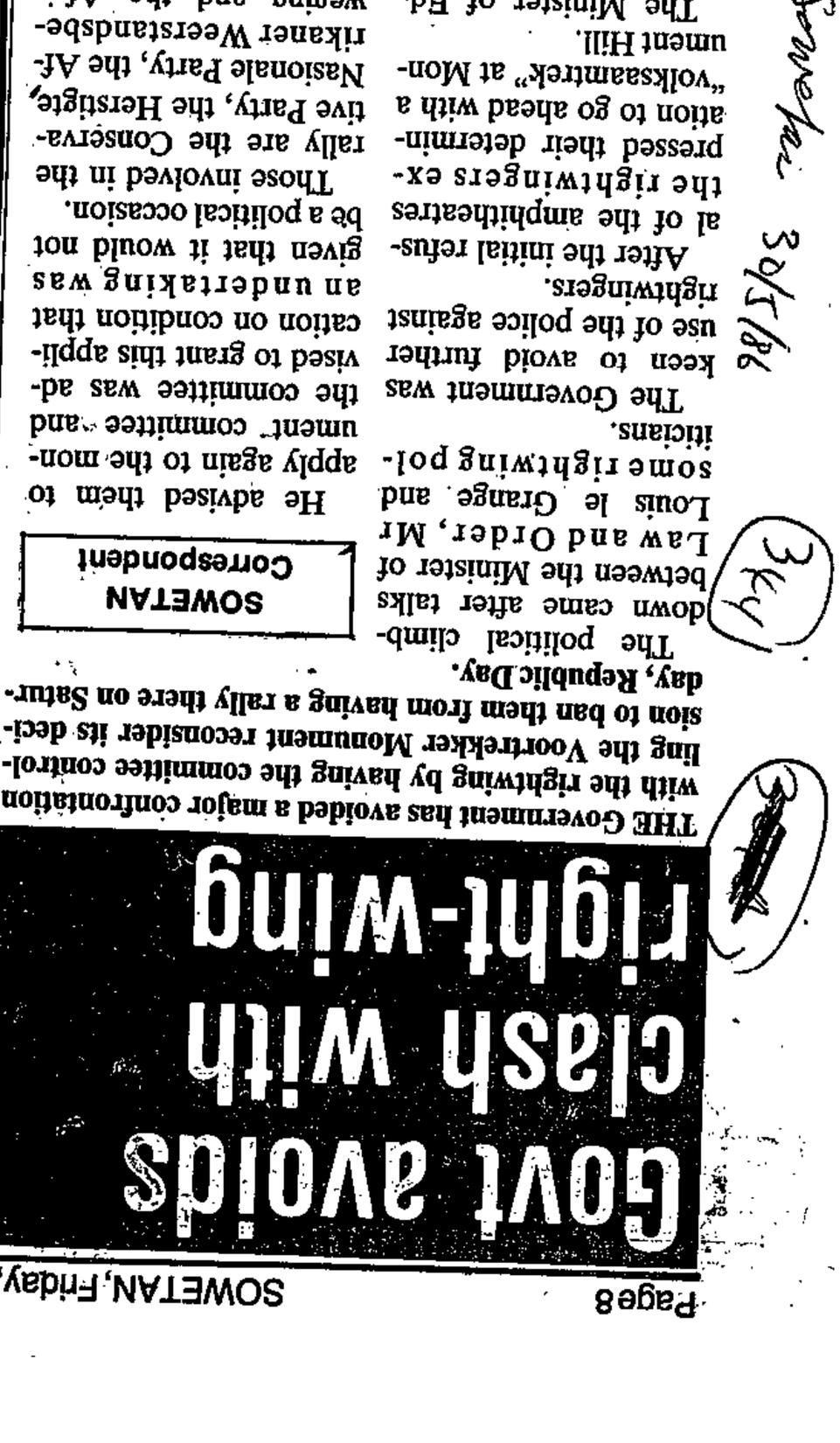

Govt avoids clash with right-wing

THE Government has avoided a major confrontation with the rightwing by having the committee controlling the Voortrekker Monument reconsider its decision to ban them from having a rally there on Saturday, Republic Day.

The political climb-down came after talks between the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange and some rightwing politicians.

The Government was keen to avoid further use of the police against rightwingers.

After the initial refusal of the amphitheatres the rightwingers expressed their determination to go ahead with a "volksaamtrek" at Monument Hill.

The Minister of Education and Culture, Mr Piet Clase, defended the ban in the Assembly last week, but it soon became clear that it had been a tactical error.

The planned rally received publicity through this and the rightwing organisers now claim that they will have far more people than were originally expected.

Mr le Grange had discussions with rightwing politicians in order to defuse the situation.

He advised them to apply again to the monument committee and the committee was advised to grant this application on condition that an undertaking was given that it would not be a political occasion.

Those involved in the rally are the Conservative Party, the Herstigte Nasionale Party, the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging and the Afrikaner Volkswag and three smaller groups.

According to the chairman of the Monument committee, Mr Willem Cruywagen, Administrator of Transvaal, the terrain is still being refused to the AWB, but permission was granted for the rally after an undertaking by Professor Carel Boshoff, leader of the Volkswag, that it would not be connected with party politics.

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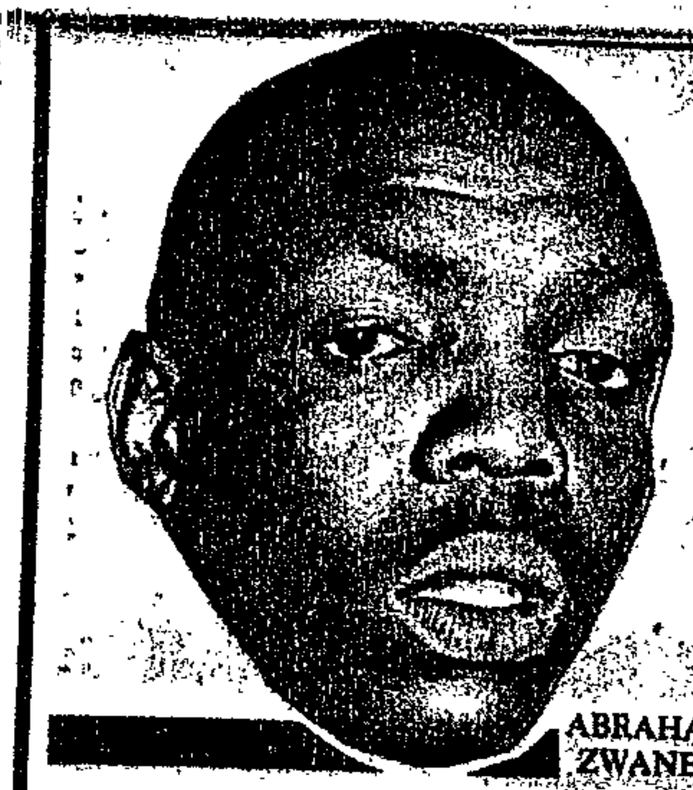
Death threats for Welkom unionist

A trade unionist active in the Welkom district has been threatened with death if he does not leave the area by today.

Mr Stanley Tyelentombi of the Orange Vaal General Workers' Union has received five anonymous letters warning him to leave Thabong.

All local youth organisations in Thabong have denied responsibility for the letters.



ABRAHAM ZWANE

VIGILANTE CONFESSES



WILLIAM MAGUGA

Vigilante claims he helped cops burn down the homes of East Rand activists.

By DERRICK LUTHAYI and STAN MHLONGO

SHOUTS of "Judas" and "sell-outs" vibrated through Khotso House in Johannesburg this week when a vigilante claimed he was on the payroll of the police – and told how he went out with them on a mission which left a woman dead, a man seriously injured and eight homes gutted.

Abraham Zwane, 19, claimed at Press conference he lived on the money allegedly paid to him for their mission – which left many homes razed and Thokoza and Katlehong political activists killed and maimed.

Police have denied any involvement, saying the allegations against them.

"They are clear indications that some people are out to discredit the police force," police spokesman Major H Haynes said.

"The police are investigating all cases of houses that have been burnt down."

Zwane claimed he was offered R500 to be part of the death squad. He said he was once paid R120 for petrolbombing a house in which a two-month-old baby died in March.

Zwane – who was brought to the conference by East Rand People's Organisation officials – told how he and the death squad launched early morning attacks at the homes of eight Erapo members.

The homes of Peter Mokeng, former Robben Island prisoner Satch Tshawe, Sam and Dumisane Ntuli, Mojalefa Thinane, Eddie Sabi, Sochayile Khanyile, Shadrack Mkhwananzi and Dennis Madlala were destroyed. A herbalist from Langa, Cape Town, Margaret Komani, 30 – who was staying at Tshawe's home – was burnt and patient Kenneth Mbaca is recovering in the Natalspruit Hospital from severe burns.

During this week's conference, William Maguga, 20 – picked up with Zwane – claimed he was innocent and was being framed by Zwane. He said he was invited to join the raiders, but he declined.

Zwane said he was approached by a student, known as Axa.

Erapo members described Axa as a renegade and said he had turned State witness in a case in which he and other youths were charged with "necklacing" a man.

"I asked Axa where we were going and he told me that we were on an operation which would make Botha happy. He promised to pay me R500 for the job. The Erapo comrades picked me up before I received my money," Zwane claimed.

Zwane claimed they first went to a house in Thokoza. "The cops threw in teargas and I was ordered to throw stones. We then went to a house in Kumalo Street."

Zwane claimed the attacks on the other houses followed the same pattern. Axa first ordered him to throw stones before they threw petrolbombs.

Chikane's 'guards' beaten up by the balaclava brigades

THREE Soweto activists this week told how 15 men wearing balaclavas captured them at gunpoint and threatened them with the dreaded necklace.

At a Press conference in Johannesburg, Mzwakhe Mbuli, Kenneth Fihla and Dikwe Thipe said they were ambushed by a group of Afrikaans-speaking men while patrolling near the home of UDF president Frank Chikane.

"A group of men in balaclavas blocked the way of our car. Before we knew what was happening, we saw guns pointed at us," Fihla said.

"Death was staring us in the face – I told them we were guarding Chikane's house.

"They said they didn't care a hoot about 'that communist priest'."

Fihla claimed the men assaulted them for about 30 minutes. "I couldn't bear the pain, and screamed for help," he said.

The screams must have made their captors nervous because they suddenly stopped and left – leaving them shaken, he said.

Chikane called on Soweto residents to form committees to protect themselves "against people who wear balaclavas and kill and harass residents – but are never found by cops".

HUNTERS' THE STREETS ARE OUT AGAIN

BY MARTIN NTSOELENGOE

THREE white Florida men charged with shooting at four black pedestrians in Honeydew made another brief appearence in the Roodepoort Magistrate's Court this week.

Johannes Marthinus Francois Dames, 27, John Stephen Jordan, 30, and Hendrick Johannes Kleingeld, 31, appeared on charges of murder, illegal hunting and posing as policemen.

They were not asked to plead. Magistrate SP Bezuidenhout postponed their case to July 2 for the Attorney General's decision.

Their bail of R1 000 was extended until July 2.

The three are alleged to have shot at four black pedestrians in Honeydew on the evening of February 8.

Jordan told the magistrate he is a father of two and was employed by his father as a surface blaster.

Jordan said he had several guns, but denied that he had cleaned his weapons to cover up the incident. He admitted there were bloodstains in his van – but said this was from guinea-fowls and rabbits he and his co-accused had shot.

He had first heard that police were looking for him on a news broadcast. He went to look for his co-accused and gave himself up to the police, he said.

Jordan admitted that many street signs were damaged during the alleged shooting, as well as vehicles he apparently collided with. Police were also investigating illegal hunting charges.

Kleingeld, a divorced father of three who is also employed by Jordan's father as a surface blaster, said he returned home and found a message that he must contact the Honeydew police.

Before the three were granted bail in February, the investigating officer said he was still investigating charges – including illegal hunting, posing as policemen and malicious damage to property – which came to light during the investigation.

Magistrate BM Taua turned down the State's argument and granted the three bail.

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Saawu claims necklace threat from AWB

EAST LONDON — The branch secretary of the South African Allied Workers' Union (Saawu) here claims that a person, who said he was a member of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB), threatened Saawu personnel.

Mr Boyce Melitafa said he was telephoned at the Saawu offices on Monday, June 2, by a person with an English accent.

This person said the AWB would "be coming on Wednesday (June 4) to fix up" the organisers of Saawu.

The person then slammed down the telephone.

Mr Melitafa said there were only two occurrences on the Wednesday.

At about 12 noon, two people he believed to be members of the security police arrived by car at the front of the Saawu offices, in East London, and took photographs of people standing on the verandah.

The other occurrence that day happened at 4.15 pm when he received a telephone call from a man who asked him: "Do you still recognise my voice? I am Groenewald of the AWB East London region, and tonight we will be coming to your place to necklace all of you. You are going to know the wrath of the white man."

Mr Melitafa said nothing further had happened, but that this kind of intimidation and threatening act was not new to Saawu.

Mr Melitafa said the incident related to the AWB had not been reported to the police.

He said he was issuing a statement because Saawu wanted it known that despite harassment and intimidation, it would continue as a worker's organisation and would grow stronger.

"No act of intimidation will force Saawu not to exist. Saawu is determined to fight every form of exploitation, whether in the guise of apartheid oppression, or pure economic oppression." — DDR.

Two in court on murder charge

By SELLO SERIPE

TWO East Rand vigilantes, who last week said they helped cops attack activists' homes, appeared in an Alberton court last Friday on a murder charge.

Johannesburg lawyer Mahomed Bham – acting on behalf of the East Rand families whose houses were petrolbombed – said charges of murder, attempted murder and arson were laid against the two last Thursday after they were handed to Katlehong cops.

East Rand police spokesman Major CR Liebenburg said the two – Abraham Zwane and William Maguga – had only been charged with murder. The case has been postponed until June 12.

Bham said Gilbert Chaue – whose sister-in-law died in the fire caused by vigilantes – had identified Zwane at the police station.

Threatened Brits residents pray for peace

By Jo-Anne Collinge

More than 300 people from Oukasie, the Brits township under threat of removal, packed a mission hall yesterday to pray for the future of their community and for peace in an area where the bombing of activists' homes has caused deaths and injuries.

The inter-denominational service, organised by the Brits Council of Churches, was attended by at least 19 local ministers of religion and representatives of church organisations based in Johannesburg including the South African Council of Churches.

"Christ is here in Oukasie, where you are together, where people are suffering, where there is no work, where people are told they must demolish their houses, where the army moves around in Casspirs and where bombs are thrown," said Dr Wolfram Kistner, director of the Justice and Reconciliation Division of the SACC.

"In Christ, walls have been demolished. Not with a bulldozer, as they have been demolished here, but the walls that divide people so they cannot live in peace together."

Dr Kistner said the authorities had told Brits people they had to move to Letlhabile because they would have better housing, water and improved transport facilities there. But all these improvements could be carried out at Oukasie, suggesting that the more fundamental reason for removing Oukasie was that whites did not want black people living too close to them because they were afraid.

He said the people of Oukasie could play a twofold role in their community: "You have the power to resist evil by not co-operating. You also have the power of love," he said.

"We have to struggle for justice and we have to insist that people who are living stones in God's temple cannot be treated as nobodies. But we have to do this in a way which expresses that God wants all people to become stones in his temple — even our enemies."



Dr Wolfram Kistner of the SACC preaches to the people of Oukasie.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS:

No.

*7. Mr K M ANDREW—Constitutional Development and Planning. [Discharged.]

*8. Prof N J J OLIVIER—Constitutional Development and Planning. [Withdrawn.]

Pietersburg: National Party meeting

*9. Mr R M BURROWS asked the Minister of Law and Order:

(1) Whether members of the South African Police were present at a National Party meeting held in Pietersburg on 22 May 1986; if so, (a) who requested the presence of the South African Police, (b) how many policemen were present and (c) at what time did they arrive;

(2) whether permission had been received for the holding of this meeting; if not, what action did the police take;

(3) whether these policemen had been issued with quirts or sjamboks; if not, (a) why not, (b) who took the decision in this regard and (c) what equipment did they have on this occasion; if so, what other equipment had been issued to them;

(4) whether the police used (a) quirts or sjamboks and (b) tear-gas or tear-smoke at this meeting; if so, (i) what were the circumstances surrounding the use of these items and (ii) what was the result;

(5) whether any persons were arrested on this occasion; if so, (a) how many, (b) why, (c) in terms of what statutory provision and (d) what action has been taken against these persons?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) The National Party.

(b) 120.

(c) 15h30.

(2) Yes.

(3) No.

(a) The necessity for the use thereof did not exist.

(b) The Divisional Commissioner of the South African Police, Far Northern Transvaal Division.

(c) Side-arms and batons and after disorder began gasmasks and teargas were also issued to the members.

(4) (a) No. (i) and (ii) Fall away.

(b) Yes. (i) and (ii) In order to restore order in the hall, teargas was used. Those present then left the hall.

(5) Yes.

(a) 5.

(b) Public breach of the peace.

(c) Section 21 as read with section 38 of Administrator's Notice no 368, published in Extraordinary Official Gazette 3621 of 14 March 1973.

(d) After they paid admission of guilt, they were released.

Mr R M BURROWS: Mr Speaker, arising from the hon the Minister's reply, may I request him to inform us why the Police on this occasion did not deem it necessary to be issued with quirts or sjamboks, while 15 minutes ago outside this Parliament quirts and sjamboks were used on a group of fewer than 100 students peacefully standing outside the gates of Parliament?

The MINISTER: Mr Speaker, I am sorry

but I do not know what incident the hon member is referring to. As far as the Pietersburg meeting is concerned that matter was within the discretion of the Divisional Commissioner of Police at Pietersburg.

†Mr F J LE ROUX: Mr Speaker, further arising from the hon the Minister's reply, I would like to know whether the hon the Minister of Foreign Affairs and/or the hon the Minister of Manpower was present in the hall during the events referred to in Question 9?

†The MINISTER: Mr Speaker, I was not present myself and the information is not readily at my disposal.

†Mr H E J VAN RENSBURG: Mr Speaker, further arising from the hon the Minister's reply, I would like to ask him whether he or the Government is considering establishing a special riot unit of the Police for the purposes of NP meetings in the future.

†Dr W J SNYMAN: Mr Speaker, further arising from the hon the Minister's reply, I would like to know whether the hon Minister intends makings known the results of the investigation which he ordered into the events in Pietersburg.

†The MINISTER: Mr Speaker, this is a normal Police investigation for which a docket was opened and the normal procedure will be followed. The eventual decision will be made by the Attorney-General of the Transvaal. This is the process that is followed.

†Mr H D K VAN DER MERWE: Mr Speaker, further arising from the hon the Minister's reply, I would like to know whether the hon member for Johannesburg West laid any complaints with him about the matter in Pietersburg?

†The MINISTER: No, Mr Speaker, the hon member for Johannesburg West did not lay any official complaints with me. The private conversations which the hon member for Johannesburg West might have had with me, surely do not apply.

†Mr H D K VAN DER MERWE: No, I would like to know about the official position.

†The MINISTER: No, no official complaints have been laid with me by the hon member for Johannesburg West.

Pietersburg: AWB meeting

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

(1) Whether permission was granted to the Afrikaner-weerstandsbeweging to hold a public meeting on a sportsfield in Pietersburg on 22 May 1986; if so, who took the decision in this regard;

(2) whether, in respect of this meeting, any restrictions were imposed on the (a) number of persons allowed to attend, (b) possession of (i) flags or (ii) banners and (c) making of speeches; if so, what restrictions in each case;

(3) whether any member of the South African Police was consulted in connection with this decision; if so, (a) who, (b) when and (c) with what result;

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

†The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes, the Chief Magistrate of Pietersburg.

(2) (a) to (c) No.

(3) Yes.

(a) The Divisional Commissioner of the South African Police, Far Northern Transvaal Division.

(b) 15 May 1986.

(c) The application was not opposed.

(4) No.

Hijackers smash bus into house

A hijacked Putco bus was smashed into the home of two political activists in Dlamini, Soweto, last night and shots were fired wildly by the hijackers as they leapt from it.

The attack was on the home of Mr Kenny Fihla and his sister Bessie. No one was injured.

Mr Fihla is a member of the Soweto Students' Congress and Miss Fihla is in the Soweto Youth Congress.

She said: "We were in the kitchen when we heard a loud bang. The bus came into the dining room and moved towards the kitchen.

"Shots were fired wildly by people jumping from the bus."

Mr John Motshabi, of Putco's Dobsonville depot said the bus driver was forced to a stop by six men with guns.

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Alexandra youth leader shot dead

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Fighting between rival youth groups in Alexandra township erupted yesterday after the chairman of the Alexandra Student Congress (Asco) was shot dead on Monday night.

Mr Mahlomola Mabizela, 20, chairman of Asco and a member of the Alexandra Action Committee (AAC), was shot dead when three gunmen fired through windows of a church hall in 9th Avenue where the Alexandra Youth Congress (Ayco) was holding a meeting.

But a police liaison officer for the Witwatersrand, Lieutenant Pierre Louw, told Sapa last night that police knew of no shooting or any trouble in Alexandra since last Thursday.

The township was tense yesterday afternoon after violent clashes broke out.

A journalist sent into the township to check on the reports of unrest yesterday evening said it was quiet.

Earlier members of Asco and Ayco, both AAC affiliates, blamed a rival organization for the shooting.

An AAC spokesman said that on Monday Asco and Ayco members stopped youths driving a stolen car and told them not to bring stolen cars into the township as this brought police to the area.

About 8pm the youths returned, killing Mr Mabizela and injuring two children in the shooting.

Mayor set up vigilante gang, say students

By SEFAKO NYAKA

TWO high school pupils of Tembisa, East Rand, this week claimed they were part of a gang of vigilantes set up by the township mayor, Lucas Mothiba.

At a press conference a pupil of Jiyane High School, Frans Monyebodi, 18, claimed he was offered money and trained in the use of a firearm in preparation for the elimination of activists this weekend.

"I was trained in the use of an R1 rifle by policemen from the East Rand Administration Board and given R110 by Mothiba," Monyebodi said.

His partner, Solomon Maseko, a pupil at Thutho-ke-Matla, said Mothiba showed him 30 handgrenades and several firearms in his office. Although he had been given R300 he had not yet been trained in the use of any of the arms.

"We were told to report back on the 14th (Saturday) to finalise details of who we were supposed to eliminate and how," Maseko said.

Monyebodi says he was shown a picture of the SRC president of a school in Tembisa and told that if this student (Jacki Mncube) could be eliminated there would be no trouble in Tembisa.

Maseko had then pointed out to the vigilantes two houses where Mncube would likely be found.

Both men claimed their involvement in the vigilantes was prompted by need. Maseko, an amateur boxer, needed sports equipment for his gym, and Monyebodi needed money to further his studies.

"I went to see the mayor about a sponsorship for our gymnasium and he promised to give us all the equipment we were short of, but he asked me to do something in return for him," Maseko said.

When the equipment arrived the track suits had "L L Mothiba" written on the back and a badge of his nightclub on the front.

Although his boxing manager refused to accept the tracksuits, which were delivered three weeks later, Maseko had in the meantime been drawn deeper into the vigilante gang.

His first task was to report back to the mayor on student meetings. When other students questioned his close association with the mayor, he became worried and reported this to the mayor.

It was at this point that Mothiba assured him of protection by his gang from Katlehong township.

"Mothiba opened a double door safe in his office and in the safe were grenades and guns. At that point one of Mothiba's vigilantes walked in and was told to select a gun from the safe."

Monyebodi claimed he was recruited by Maseko after Mothiba had asked him who was the most influential student at Jiyane — a school opposite Mothiba's shops which were being boycotted.

"Mothiba asked me to spy for him and told me that if I could cause the boycott to be called off, he would give me money," said Monyebodi, who claimed he was struggling to find money to stay at school.

The mayor gave him the names of two students at the University of the North whom he claimed had spied for him while at high school. This enticed him and he offered his services.

He also told how a bus taking students to a court hearing of Tembisa pupils at the Mahwelereng Magistrate's Court in Potgietersrus was shot at and a tyre deflated.

He also claimed that a few days ago a grenade was thrown into the house of a Tembisa councillor who had resigned. The councillor was not home at the time.

Monyebodi said he was not directly involved in either incident, but had heard his fellow vigilantes boasting about it.

Mothiba could not be reached for comment in Tembisa yesterday.

Arms and ammunition sales roc

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A gold tag for Medic Alert's lucky ... No 200 000

CAPE TOWN — An allergy unexpectedly turned into gold for a Marina da Gama woman who was lucky enough to be Medic Alert's 200 000th member.

Mrs Patricia Knol (32) decided to join the emergency medical identification service after two experiences of allergic reaction to iodine.

Instead of the normal Medic Alert bracelet she will be sporting nine-carat gold to mark her status.

The Southern African Medic

Staff Reporters

Firearm and ammunition sales on the Witwatersrand have rocketed this week, with many buyers saying they are "playing it safe".

A Bedfordview arms dealer said: "Many people buying firearms asked if they could get their licences before June 16. Yesterday sales were at their peak."

It takes about four weeks to obtain a licence.

The dealer claimed he had to stop selling ammunition because wholesalers had doubled prices in the past week.

Major wholesalers contacted by *The Star* refused to comment.

Many shops said sales had doubled in the past few days and many brands of ammunition were sold out.

A Randburg salesman, Mr Brian Weston, said ammunition sales had quadrupled and gun sales had more than doubled.

"Business is booming. People have expressed fears about what will happen on Monday. Many have said they are staying at home, and others who don't normally carry guns say they will be doing so.

"Most said they hoped they wouldn't have to use their weapons and wouldn't be looking for trouble.

"A lot of our ammunition is sold out and wholesalers have told us they are also out of stock."

Mr Angelo Komis, a salesman at a store in Bree Street, Johannesburg, said: "This has been the biggest sale of arms yet before a June 16."

The manager of an arms shop in Commissioner Street, Johannesburg, asked reporters from *The Star* to leave his shop. "The problem shouldn't be highlighted — these are very anxious times," he said.

A Krugersdorp dealer said: "We have been incredibly busy the past few days. I have 10 people waiting to be served right now." He said sales had doubled.

A Florida salesman said his arms and ammuntion sales had doubled this week.



This shop in Bree Street, Johannesburg, is one of many that have been inundated w arms and ammunition. P

Rugby fans will have to wrap up ... will be cold in the southern parts. It ... Lambton, La Rochelle, Lynnwood, Lyttleton, Jules St, Malvern, Monument Park

Bus used to wreck ex-Cosas man's home

By SELLO SERIPE

A SOWETO family of seven narrowly escaped death on Monday when a group of men crashed into their house in a hijacked Putco bus and fired shots at them.

The home, which was almost completely destroyed in the attack, belongs to former Congress of SA Students organiser Kenny Fihla – who is among five activists mentioned in a hitlist circulating in the townships.

Bessie Fihla said she and her three sisters were in the kitchen when the bus crashed into the diningroom wall.

"There was a thunderous bang and the roof of the house blew apart. When we checked in the diningroom we found a bus being accelerated to crash further into the house.

"My mother screamed from the other bedroom which was falling apart and we ran to rescue her and the two kids," said Fihla.

Fihla said when they tried to run for cover in the neighbourhood, three shots were fired at them by five men who leapt off the bus.

Fihla said the driver of the bus arrived immediately after the crash and told them he had been stopped at nearby Potchefstroom Road, and the men took the bus at gunpoint.



Kenny Fihla's wrecked house after five men crashed into it with a Putco bus.

Mystery gunman shoots motorcyclist in city

Crime Reporter

A MAN was wounded in Mouille Point when he was shot by a mystery gunman while parking his motorcycle.

Police said a motive for the shooting had not been established.

NAVAL BASE

The spokesman said Mr William Coser, 21, of the naval base at Simon's Town, was sitting on his motorcycle near the Mouille Point lighthouse at 8pm yesterday when a car stopped nearby.

The driver approached Mr Coser and asked him what he was doing. When Mr Coser dismounted from his motorcycle, the man fired a shot. The bullet hit Mr Coser, who drew his own weapon and returned fire.

"Mr Coser did not know if he hit the gunman who got into his car and drove off," the police spokesman said.

Mr Coser was taken to hospital and later transfered to the Wynberg Military Hospital where his condition was described as "not serious".

Jeweller and wife killed in a 'hail of gunfire'



Gunman's victims Mr Sydney Victor, a jeweller, and his wife Barbe.

Staff Reporters

PORT ELIZABETH. — A businessman and his wife have died in a hail of gunfire in their elegant home here.

A 21-year-old man was arrested less than four hours after the killings and will appear in court soon.

Police confiscated ammunition and two firearms.

Mr Sydney Victor, 45, a jeweller, and his wife Barbe, 30, were found dead by police who were called to their home in Alfred Street, central Port Elizabeth, about 5.15pm yesterday.

Major Eddie Everson, police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said today the police were called by neighbours Mr Florent Moors and his wife Laura after they heard of gunfire and saw a young man leaving the house.

When police arrived Mr Victor was on his back in the hall. He had been shot at least twice in the chest.

Mrs Victor was face down under a shattered mirror.

Major Everson said spent 9mm cartridges were found near the bodies and bullets were embedded in the wall and mirror.

"The hall was riddled with bullets. They died in a hail of gunfire," Major Everson said.

Four hours later a man was arrested driving Mr Victor's silver-grey Ford Sierra.

Mr Victor owned Victor Gems, one of the city's oldest and most-respected jewellers, in the centre of the city.

Barbe was his second wife.

frequently, it is difficult to categorise cases with regard to Government Departments and Development Boards and the particulars are therefore not readily available.

Uitenhage: NP meeting

*5. Mr J H HOON asked the Minister of Law and Order:†

(1) Whether members of the South African Police arrested persons at a meeting of the National Party held in the Uitenhage town hall on 29 May 1986; if so, (a) how many (i) men and (ii) women, (b) what were the charges against these persons and (c) in terms of what statutory provisions were they arrested;

(2) whether any further action is to be taken against these persons; if so, (a) what action and (b) why;

(3) whether any incidents of violence occurred during the meeting; if so, what was the nature thereof?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

(1) Yes.

(a) (i) 21.

(ii) 3.

(b) None.

(c) Section 50 of the Internal Security Act, 1982 (Act 74 of 1982).

(2) No.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(3) No.

Note: All the persons were released again at the end of the meeting.

†Mr J H HOON: Mr Speaker, arising out of the hon the Deputy Minister's reply, can he inform the House why the persons concerned were arrested if, according to him no incidents of violence occurred at this meeting? [Interjections.]

†The DEPUTY MINISTER: Mr Speaker, the reply that I gave the hon member, did answer his question. His question read inter alia: "Whether members of the South African Police arrested persons . . .", and I said that persons were indeed arrested. He also asked how many persons were arrested and in my reply I said how many were arrested.

†Mr H D K VAN DER MERWE: Yes, but why did you arrest the people?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER: Sir, we arrested the people in terms of section 50 of the Internal Security Act. [Interjections.] I think the hon member should go and read section 50 of the Act. Then he will see what it is all about. [Interjections.]

Uitenhage: political meeting

*6. Mr J H HOON asked the Minister of Law and Order:†

(1) Whether members of the South African Police in (a) uniform and (b) plain clothes were on duty in and in the vicinity of the Uitenhage town hall during a political meeting on 29 May 1986; if so, (i) on whose instructions, (ii) how many policemen from (aa) Uitenhage and (bb) elsewhere were on duty in Uitenhage on that day and (iii)(aa) what is the rank of the most senior police officer who attended the meeting and (bb) why did he attend the meeting;

(2) whether it is the policy of the South African Police to attend all public political meetings; if not, what policy is followed in this regard?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

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

(i) The Divisional Commissioner of the South African Police, Eastern Province Division.

(ii) (aa) 62.

(bb) 93.

(iii) (aa) A Lieutenant-Colonel of the South African Police.

(bb) To be in command of the members on duty.

(2) No, only in cases where the organisers of political meetings request the police to perform duties and also in cases where a reasonable suspicion exists that the public order and peace may be disturbed.

Fisheries Development Corporation

*7. The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION asked the Minister of Environment Affairs and Tourism:

(1) Whether the Cabinet has (a) considered, and (b) reached a decision on, the phasing out of the Fisheries Development Corporation of South Africa; if so, when;

(2) whether this Corporation is to be phased out; if so, (a) why, (b) what is the target date in this regard and (c)(i) in what manner and (ii) to whom will the (aa) assets and (bb) shares of the Corporation be transferred;

(3) whether any arrangements have been made for the continued employment of the staff; if so, what arrangements; if not, (a) why not and (b) what retrenchments have been made;

(4) (a) in what manner and (b) by whom is it proposed that the present functions of the Corporation will be carried out?

The MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AFFAIRS AND TOURISM:

(1) (a) Yes.

(b) 12 September 1985.

(2) Yes.

(a) Rationalisation.

(b) 30 June 1986.

(c) (i) Research functions to be transferred to the Sea Fisheries Research Institute of the Department of Environment Affairs;

finance functions to the Small Business Development Corporation; and

functions related to fishing harbour construction and maintenance to the Chief Directorate Marine Development of the Department of Environment Affairs.

(ii) (aa) A portion of the cash reserves to be transferred to the Small Business Development Corporation while the building in Cape Town and the construction equipment will be transferred to the State.

(bb) A decision on the transfer of the shares of the Corporation will only be taken after receipt and consideration of the recommendations contained in the Diemont Commission report.

(3) Yes. Certain staff members have been transferred to the small Business Development Corporation whilst the rest have been to the Department of Environment Affairs.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

(4) Please refer to my reply to 2(c)(i) above.

(2) (a) No steps are being taken since, in terms of section 185(h) of the Liquor Act, 1977 (Act 87 of 1977), the contravention of section 164 constitutes an offence which is punishable by law.

(b) Falls away.

(3) No, there is no reason for such an investigation.

(4) The Department of Trade and Industry is not responsible for the institution of criminal proceedings, neither is it informed if and when such proceedings are instituted.

(5) No.

Mr G B D McINTOSH: Mr Speaker, arising out of the hon the Deputy Minister's reply, is he not aware that the tot system is still being used in certain districts of which I know, for example in Tulbagh, and probably also in other parts of the Western Cape? Furthermore, does he not believe that it is his responsibility to make sure that the law which should prevent this from happening is properly implemented?

The DEPUTY MINISTER: Mr Speaker, the law specifies clearly that people cannot receive liquor in lieu of wages. As far as I know, the department has not had any complaints in that regard and, therefore, we have not done anything about it.

As far as the Liquor Act is concerned, the hon member should know that the Act is under review at the moment; it is being rewritten completely. The hon member is free to make any suggestions he has in respect of the Liquor Act to the chairman of the Liquor Board and, if he would wish me to, I will direct those inquiries to him. Secondly, the hon member should know that the new Bill will be submitted to the standing committee where he will have the full opportunity to discuss the matter.

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Marks Building

*26. Mr G B D McINTOSH asked the Minister of Public Works:

(1) Whether his Department has leased any premises in the Marks Building in Cape Town to any political party represented in this House; if so, (a) to which party, (b) why, (c) what total area in square metres is being so leased and (d) what is the monthly rental for these premises;

(2) whether his Department has been informed of the purpose for which these premises are used; if not, why not; if so, what is that purpose?

The MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS:

(1) No.

(2) Falls away.

Mr G B D McINTOSH: Mr Speaker, arising out of the hon the Minister's reply, could he tell us where the information department of the NP is located on these premises, and does he expect any rental from this organisation for the use of the premises for their party-political purposes?

The MINISTER: Mr Speaker, I am not the Minister of Information; the hon member can find that out for himself! [Interjections.] The reply to the question he asked me is no, and that is all that is relevant in this regard. [Interjections.]

Mr G B D McINTOSH: Mr Speaker, further arising out of the hon the Minister's reply, I think he has just indicated what the state of mind of the Government is which seems to regard the information department of the NP as the same as that of the Minister of Information! I am asking the hon the Minister this question as the landlord of that building which was donated to this country by the late Sammy Marks. Why does the hon the Minister not know who its occupants are? [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS: Mr Speaker, I should like to inform the hon member that I am not the landlord and therefore the occupants have no responsibility to me. The hon member is young enough to acquire that information himself and

thereby become a more suitable member of this House.

Mr H H SCHWARZ: Mr Speaker, further arising from the hon the Minister's reply, is he so out of touch with the affairs of the NP that he does not know where the information office is? [Interjections.]

The MINISTER: Mr Speaker, I do not think there are any more questions I have to answer in this regard. What the hon member has now asked is completely irrelevant, as are a lot of his other speeches in this House. [Interjections.]

†Mr R P MEYER: Mr Speaker, further arising out of the reply of the hon the Minister, is it not so that each office of each hon member of the Official Opposition, the CP and the other opposition parties are also an information office for those parties concerned? [Interjections.]

Salaries

*27. Mr J H VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Defence:†

What is the starting salary of (a) White national servicemen and (b) Coloured persons and Indians who join the South African Defence Force voluntarily for a specific period of service of two years?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE:

(a) and (b) There is no difference in the remuneration of White national servicemen and Coloureds and Indians who join the SA Defence Force voluntarily for a service period of two years. In all cases the starting salary is R11,44 per day for married members and R5,72 per day for single members.

Pietersburg: NP meeting

*28. Mr H D K VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Law and Order:†

Whether, as a result of the meeting of the National Party held in Pietersburg on 22 May 1986, any members of the South African Police laid complaints against persons who had allegedly threatened them; if so, (a) how many such complaints were laid and (b) what (i) was the rank of the member concerned and (ii)(aa) was the nature and (bb) were the circumstances of the complaints, in each case?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER:

No.

(a) and (b) Fall away.

†Mr H D K VAN DER MERWE: Mr Speaker, arising from the hon the Deputy Minister's reply, is he aware that the hon member for Johannesburg West says that Police Officers were indeed threatened at those particular meetings?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER: Mr Speaker, I answered the hon member's question about complaints which were laid against people who threatened the Police. The reply is no, and there is nothing more to say. [Interjections.]

†Mr H D K VAN DER MERWE: Mr Speaker, further arising from the hon the Deputy Minister's reply on behalf of the hon the Minister of Law and Order, is it not the duty of any good citizen to bring the threatening of police officers to the attention of the Department?

†The DEPUTY MINISTER: Mr Chairman, it is the duty of every good citizen to do this, and the Police act as I indicated.

†Mr J H VAN DER MERWE: Now you are insulting the Police. [Interjections.]

Own Affairs:

Parent bodies

*1. Mr R M BURROWS asked the Minister of Education and Culture:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to Question No 8 on 4 March 1986, further consideration has been given to the establishment of criteria for

'Paper war' on UDF

CP Correspondent

A MYSTERIOUS pamphlet has appeared in the Eastern Cape calling for the formation of vigilante groups such as the Western Cape's "witdoeke" to fight the United Democratic Front.

It accuses the UDF of working for Russia.

Over the slogan "Unite to a nation, not a front", it concludes with a call to arms: "My people, I tell you to stand up now, like in Cape Town and destroy the UDF and comrades. Let us work for a better South Africa together with the other peoples of this land."

The pamphlet is one of a number that have appeared in the region since the start of the state of emergency.

Others claim to have been issued by the UDF – but have been dismissed by UDF spokesmen as clearly designed to embarass the organisation.

Another pamphlet, ostensibly issued jointly by the UDF and Cosatu, promised that people would be paid for staying away from work on June 16.

Both organisations have labelled the pamphlet as a fraud.

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Clampdown urged on private forces

By Bruce Cameron,
Political Staff

CAPE TOWN — The lack of Government action to prevent the proliferation of private armed groups, particularly those of a political nature, has been condemned by the Progressive Federal Party.

Mr Ray Swart, a PFP law and Order spokesman, said a complete revision of legislation affecting private armed groups was urgently required.

Mr Swart made the call following revelations at the weekend that the quasi-military wing of the Afrikaner-Weerstandsbeweging, the Boere Brandwag, had a plan which included giving youths weapons training.

A spokesman for the Ministry of Law and Order said the Boere Brandwag was not breaking any law.

However, he appealed to anyone wishing to assist in the maintenance of law and order to join the police reserve.

He pointed out that there was also a junior police reserve foryouths.

The master plan was revealed at the weekend by retired security policeman Colonel A Cronwright.

Col Cronwright came under an international spotlight in 1982 as the officer in charge of the interrogation of trade unionist Mr Neil Aggett who died in detention. An inquest found Mr Aggett had committed sucide by hanging.

Mr Swart said in an interview that the Boere Brandwag followed the dangerous precedents set by similar groups in Europe in the 30s.

There was a proliferation of private organsations that were arming themselves.

'IMPUNITY'

This was unacceptable, particularly when it came to political organisations.

"Groups should not be allowed to carry arms and do their own thing with impunity, particularly not in the current volatile situation.

"There have already been shootings of innocent blacks.

"Just as there is concern about the Peoples' Courts that are handing out their form of justice in the townships, there should also be concern about this.

"Anything that savours of a private army is not acceptable. The organised use of firearms is the prerogative of the authorites."

Mr Swart said legislation was obviously too lax and a full review was required.

Col Cronwright, one of three senior leaders of the Boere Brandwag in the Transvaal, told a Sunday paper that the master plan included a number of measures:

- The establishment of commando units in all cities and towns to help the police.
- Brandwag members would be asked to carry firearms at all times.
- The arming of women and children.
- The training of members in first aid and firefighting.
- A recruiting campaign among border farmers for horse patrols.
- Ensuring there was a firearm in every member's home.

The Boere Brandwag also wants all border fences electrified and minefields laid on the borders.

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Arms and the child

Staff Reporter

THE Boere Brandwag (Boer Sentry), a new wing of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging, is to train children from the age of 10 in the use of firearms.

This was anounced by the leader of the AWB, Mr Eugene Terre'-Blanche, in an interview with Rapport at the weekend.

One of the three leaders of the Boere Brandwag will be former security policeman Colonel Arthur Cronwright, who took early pension in 1984.

Colonel Cronwright, who was known for his infiltration of Johannesburg's universities and his interrogation of activists, is to use his police experience to "rid the organization of Nationalist spies and security police infiltrators".

Colonel Cronwright is also the Intelligence Chief of the AWB and aims to have members of the Boere Brandwag prepared to patrol South Africa's borders on horseback.

Minister rejects plea for meat-price probe

Staff Reporter

CLAIMS that meat marketing at abattoirs is to blame for the extreme fluctuations in the price of meat to the consumer have been discounted by the Minister of Agriculture, Mr Greyling Wentzel.

Responding to a request for a full inquiry into the meat industry and a maximum floor price for meat made by the Chamber of Muslim Meat Traders (Commtra) and backed by the Progressive Federal Party, Mr Wentzel said in a letter to Commtra the floor price at meat auctions was the "most free price-forming system as price is determined by supply and demand.

Price stability

"Whereas butchers are able to determine their own selling prices and price margins, this is not possible for farmers. They require a minimum measure of price stability as protection against extreme price fluctations."

A memorandum submitted to Mr Wentzel by Commtra asked that a maximum floor price be set at abattoirs at a level not exceeding 10 percent above the present floor price.

Mr Wentzel said in a letter to the chamber that the floor price had been introduced "primarily to provide a measure of price stability". Because market prices were "so much higher" than floor prices, they could not be influenced by the floor price.

A demand that every abattoir slaughter enough to cover the demands of the area it served to prevent shortages and higher prices at weekends, month-ends and festive seasons, was also discounted by Mr Wentzel.

Buying patterns

"Basically, the problem is vested in increased demand and shorter slaughter weeks. However, the severity of these problems could, to a certain extent, be reduced by butchers timeously buying sufficient supplies at lower prices in the preceding period."

Commtra Press spokesman Mr A L Gaffoor said in a statement that this would influence housewives' buying patterns and could not be a solution.

"We will make further representations to the Minister because short-term financial benefits accrued as a result of short slaughtering at abattoirs would in the long term destroy the entire meat industry.

"Housewives will turn to alternative sources of protein, something which is already happening.

Recession

"Added factors, like the recession and unemployment, adversely affect the consumer's ability to pay the present high prices," he said.

"Consumers are also forced to pay a 3c levy on meat to finance increased slaughtering facilities anticipated in the near future.

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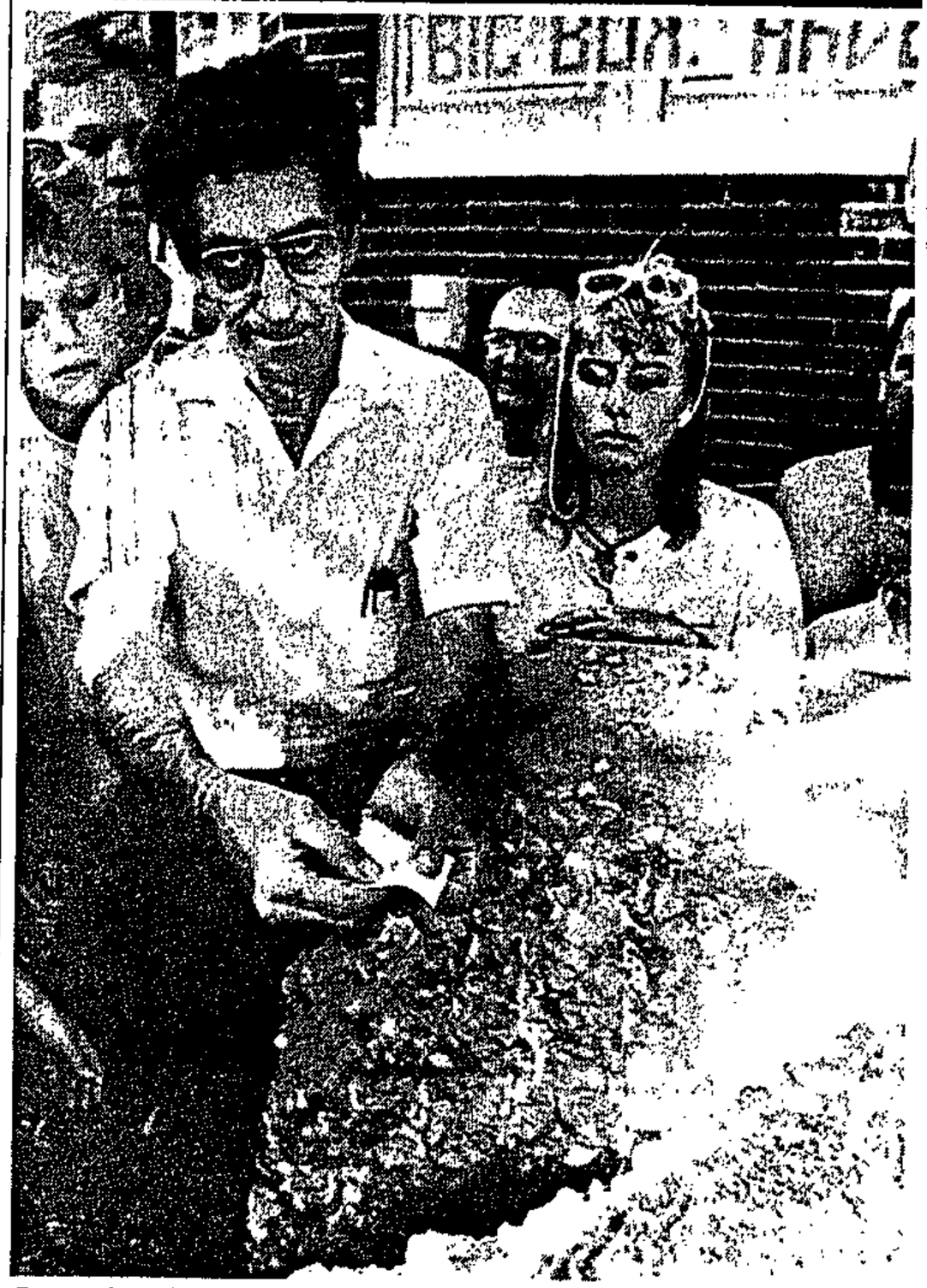
Diamond in the rough



For a decade Californian John Matar and his brother have been exchanging bizarre birthday presents. This year Sam buried a 2½-carat diamond in a nine-ton block of concrete in John's front garden. The sign behind John, from Sam, says: John, here's a little diamond in a big box. Have fun opening it. Happy birthday."

Warning on guns as numbers rise

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Crime Reporter

ONE in two white households has a gun, according to a Gallup poll.

With what appears to be a never-ending stream of people buying firearms, a gun in the home seems set to become the rule rather than the exception.

Police have warned, however, that the increasing number of guns required an increasing awareness by firearm owners of the dangers involved.

Police liaison officer Captain Jan Calitz said: "On the premise that there is a licensed firearm owner in every second white household it is now more than ever necessary to ensure that firearms are not stolen and they are kept in a safe place, especially in households where there are young children."

According to the annual report of the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, thieves stole 2 876 firearms between July 1984 and June 1985.

This was an increase of 13 percent over the previous year.

Most stolen firearms emerge on the black market and many are used in hold-ups and assaults.

UNLICENSED FIREARMS

However, the huge black-market armoury was substantially reduced recently during an amnesty when about 20 000 unlicensed firearms were handed in to the police.

"These were firearms about which we were not aware and they are now being placed on our central gun register," a police spokesman said.

According to the poll, responses from 800 white households around the country indicated that guns were far more popular as a means of defence of life and property than burglar alarms.

The results showed that 51 percent of the respondents owned guns (60 percent Afrikaans-speaking, 39 percent English-speaking) while only nine percent (six percent Afrikaans-speaking; 14 percent English-speaking) had burglar alarms.

Captain Calitz said he wanted to draw gun owners' attention to the Arms and Ammunition Act which required them to notify the police within 48 hours of the loss of a firearm.

The Act also made it an offence for a licence-holder not to take reasonable steps to safeguard his gun, whether it was in his possession or not.

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Man held after two fired at

17/07/86

Pietermaritzburg Bureau

TWO Richmond men had a narrow escape when they were shot at by two passers-by outside their home, apparently for 'fun', on Tuesday evening.

Police have arrested a 30-year-old man in connection with the incident, which happened in the Qoyintaba township at about 5 15 p m.

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Man knifed after home fire-bombed

Mercury Reporter

AN UMLAZI man, fatally stabbed after a fire-bomb attack on his home, was among 11 people reported dead in the unrest report issued by the Bureau for Information yesterday.

Mr Dumisani Ngidi, 30, of Section AA 230, was stabbed to death by a group of about 10 people who had petrol-bombed his house. He was killed when he went outside to chase away the group of attackers.

Little damage was done to his house.

Members of his family said they believed the attack had no political motive.

Meanwhile, the bureau said although the number of unrest incidents remained low, 12 people had died in black-on-black violence.

The report which covered the period from 6 a m Tuesday to 6 a m yesterday, said the burned body of an unidentified man was found by police on Tuesday morning in KwaGagafontein.

Police also found the bodies of nine black men in a fire-damaged house in Vlaklaadte, KwaNdebele, early yesterday.

It is believed that the men were shot with an AK-47 rifle and then set alight together with the house.

Seventeen AK-47 shells were found on the scene. No futher details were available but police are investigating.

At Tweefontein in KwaNdebele police found the burned body of a man, who was later identified as Mr Janie Shabalala, 38.

The 12th victim was Mr Ngidi.

White held after 'necklace' death

PRETORIA—Murder and Robbery Squad detectives here have arrested a 33-year-old white man in connection with the alleged 'necklacing' of a black police sergeant south-west of the city last month.

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The policeman had last been seen alive shortly before the killing after he had been dropped off near the spot where his body was later found.

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Sanctions could cost a million jobs

Labour Reporter

ONE million people in South Africa — 83,6% of whom are non-whites — stand to lose their jobs if total trade sanctions are imposed, according to the Bureau of Market Research of the University of South Africa.

The bureau recently completed a study of the development and economic welfare of employees on behalf of the South Africa Foundation. A summary of its findings has just been released by Prof P A Nel, director of the bureau.

Prof Nel said the study focused on the public and private sector's role in the development and economic welfare of employees and the private sector's contribution to community development.

It also found that if the expected fall of 644 000 in black employment was added to the estimated 1 700 000 blacks who were unemployed and underemployed in South Africa and the TBVC countries, 31,9% of the economically-active black population would be unemployed and underemployed.

A minimum of 3 600 000 new job opportunities would have to be created in South Africa and the TBVC countries in the next 15 years.

If unemployment was to be eliminated by the year 2000 and the percentage of the economically active non-whites in wage earning employment was to be raised to that of whites, an additional 3 200 000 jobs would have to be created or a total of 6 800 000 new job opportunities.

The survey also disclosed that roughly 80% of employers believe the business sector had an obligation to improve the social circumstances of non-white employees and about a third apply minimum living level figures.

Segregation in the workplace was, however, fairly common, the report said, adding that separate facilities were most common in respect of cloakrooms.

Discrimination was still practised in the remuneration of employees since more than one-fifth of the enterprises concerned did not follow a policy of equal pay for equal and comparable work, the survey found.

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50 000 trained in Natal under relief scheme

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Labour Reporter

ABOUT 50 000 unemployed people in Natal have been trained in various trades since last year as part of the Government's relief aid programme for the unemployed, Dr Piet van der Merwe, director-general of the Department of Manpower, said yesterday.

Speaking at a function at the Building Industries Federation of South Africa training centre, Dr van der Merwe said it had cost the Government R14,2 million to train the unemployed in Natal and of the 50 000 people who received training, between 25% and 30% had obtained a livelihood.

'For the present financial year 25 contracts were entered into in Natal to train more than 30 000 unemployed persons. This amounts to R12,4-million.'

He added: 'Of the 59 boroughs and townships throughout Natal, 56 have embarked on a total of 319 projects to the value of R9 500 000.

'One of the largest of these projects is being undertaken by the Pietermaritzburg municipality. This involves the canalisation of the Baynes Spruit for 1,2 km in order to make land available for cottage-type industries and recreational areas for all population groups.

'On this project the workforce employed for the last six months ranged between 1 085 and 1 756.

'In KwaZulu projects to the value of R13 million were undertaken since 1985 in the interest of the local community. This includes the combating of soil erosion, the establishment of tea plantations, the cleaning of towns, clinics and hospitals, the maintenance of roads, the establishment of firewood plantations and food aid to unemployed persons,' he said.

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Man is shot in 'faction' incident

Crime Reporter

A 40-YEAR-OLD man was shot and seriously wounded as he got off a bus in the Mdlala area on the lower South Coast in an incident police believe is related to faction fighting.

Police said Mr Ernest Duma was accosted by three men wearing balaclavas who started shooting at him.

Two more shots were fired at him as he tried to run away. When he collapsed from a bullet wound in the back, the men fled.

Police said Mr Duma was in serious condition in Port Shepstone Hospital.

The incident follows a spate of seemingly motiveless shootings in the area which have claimed about five lives recently.

The police spokesman said they believed all the incidents to be related to faction fighting.

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Two men seriously ill after attack

Pietermaritzburg Bureau

TWO men are in a serious condition in Kokstad Hospital after an attack in which one of them was shot six times.

The men, believed to be brothers, were still unconscious yesterday and police had been unable to interview them.

A senior police spokesman said the men were shot by two balaclava-clad gunmen who burst into their home at Makatembise township about 9 p m Wednesday.

Mr Davidson Qula, 40, was shot six times and Mr Mzwandile Qula was struck once, the spokesman said.

So far police have been unable to establish a motive for the shooting.

Buck horn kills driver

Mercury Reporter

A 21-YEAR-OLD man died yesterday after his forehead was pierced by the horn of a bushbuck which smashed through the windscreen of the car he was driving.

Doctors at Empangeni Hospital battled to save the life of Mr W A van Zyl, but he died at midday, five hours after the freak accident occurred near Magudu in Zululand.

Mr van Zyl, a member of the Prison Services in Witbank, was travelling from the Transvaal to Hluhluwe.

Workers back

EAST LONDON—Workers at the Mercedes Benz plant here returned to work yesterday while the industrial council dealt with the dispute. — (Sapa)

AWB bid for EP support

Dispatch Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH — An overflowing Uitenhage Town Hall was last night told that the Afrikaanse Weerstandsbeweeging (AWB) had come to the Eastern Cape to "gather" the descendants of the Boers who fought for freedom as a nation.

The statement won the leader of the movement, Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche, a standing ovation from the audience — numbering more than 700 — who packed the hall and clustered outside to listen to his speech on loudspeakers.

Mr Terre'Blanche was speaking at a public meeting in the town which was the first of a series to be held in areas such as Cradock and Humansdorp, in the next few days, to drum up support for the AWB.

Mr Terre'Blanche addressed the audience for more than an hour. He made an impassioned plea for the "volk" to come together as one and be prepared to fight for their existence as a nation.

He was heartened, Mr Terre'Blanche said, to learn that groups were already being formed in Uitenhage to "protect each other in times of need."

Particularly policemen needed to know that while they were performing their functions of protecting lives and property, their own families — known targets for Marxists and "the most vicious assassins" — were also being looked after.

Referring to rumours that legislation would be introduced in the near future requiring all whites to hand in firearms for registration and re-licensing, Mr Terre'Blanche said: "I want to tell the government that an unarmed white man in Africa is a dead white man."

The AWB did not seek revolution or to challenge the government, but was merely telling "the powers outside" and the ANC, that while other nations such as the Dutch, the Portuguese and the English had been driven from Africa, the Boers would never leave.

Speaking on his frequently voiced plan to establish a white Afrikaner republic in the Transvaal, Free State and Northern Natal, Mr Terre'Blanche said whites in the Cape also had a rightful claim to the land.

Teargassing: Boesak wants to press charges

Staff Reporter

DR Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, is to consult his attorneys today about laying charges after two teargas canisters were thrown at his car as he was leaving a church service.

Dr Boesak said the incident happened at the Holy Trinity Church in Halt Road, Elsies River, yesterday afternoon.

About 500 people attended an interdenominational service in support of the families of detainees. It was led by Dr Hannes Adonis of the Ned Geref Sendingkerk and four other ministers and Dr Boesak was asked to say a few words of introduction to the candle-lighting ceremony.

Driving away

During the service certain incidents occurred which may not be reported in terms of the emergency regulations.

Afterwards, all but two members of the congregation and a member of the church staff left.

Dr Boesak said he was driving out of the grounds when two teargas canisters were fired in the direction of his car. One missed but the other smashed the rear window.

He said: "I was overcome by the gas and for a moment I thought I would die. I have tasted teargas before but never in a confined space like a car.

"Damages"

"I opened the door and sort of fell out. Dr Adonis, who was in the car behind me, was very quick and he and some other people helped me to a nearby house to recover.

"I shall definitely be speaking to my lawyers today to see whether I can press charges. There must be something, damages or assault or something."

Dr Boesak led a service for detainees at the University of the Western Cape later in the evening.

goalkeeper Trevor Daniels. Celtic beat Pirates 5-3 in an action-packed match at Hartleyvale yesterday.

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Boesak emerged from the church and spoke to a large number of people who had gathered outside, asking them to go home.

"As I drove away from the church two teargas canisters came in my direction, one missing the car and the other going right through the back windscreen, smashing it and landing next to me," he said. "I was overcome by fumes and had to be helped from the car by onlookers.

"I will definitely speak to my lawyers in the morning about laying a charge against the person or persons who teargassed me."

All attempts yesterday by the Cape Times to get permission to publish the details of the incident were turned down.

The local police liaison officer, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, referred the request to the Bureau for Information, which in turn referred the Cape Times to the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria.

The directorate then referred the Cape Times once again to the Bureau for Information, which gave the standard reply that it could not give newspapers legal advice.

Boesak in teargas attack

By CHRIS ERASMUS and RONNIE MORRIS

THE president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, Dr Allan Boesak, is considering laying charges after a teargas canister was lobbed into his car at a church service in Elsie's River yesterday.

The incident occurred as Dr Boesak left the Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Halt Road. Certain actions took place during the church service but these may not be reported in terms of the emergency regulations.

500 people

Speaking from his home after the incident, Dr Boesak said he had attended the service, which was led by Dr J C Adonis, along with four other ministers.

"There were about 500 people at the service, which was an inter-denominational service held in support of and solidarity with the families of detainees," said Dr Boesak.

"There were people from Atlantis, Worcester, Cape Town, Belhar and Elsie's River itself. I was not due to speak at the service, but I had been asked to lead the lighting of the candles."

About 4pm, as he was lighting the candles, Dr Boesak said he saw certain people approaching the church, some of whom entered it.

Dr Boesak continued to lead the congregation during these events. After about an hour-and-a-half, all the members of the congregation except three were able to leave the church and go home.

The three missing people are Gregory Flatt, aged 16, Ms Marlene Matthews, a worker at the Hanover Park Advice Office, and the church caretaker, Mr Mervyn Christians.

After the service Dr

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Policeman is shot dead in AK-47 attack on highway

Mercury Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—A police constable was killed by AK-47 rifle fire in a highway attack near Germiston yesterday. Const Sam Baloyi was shot dead and a woman injured when their attackers fired AK-47 rifles at the police vehicle in which they were travelling.

Const Baloyi, of the Germiston murder and robbery unit, was driving the car accompanied by Miss Kalewa Romani when a car approached from behind flashing its headlights.

Const Baloyi slowed down and was killed by a spurt of gunfire from the other car. A bullet slightly injured Miss Romani in the leg.

The attackers fired more shots before speeding off.

Ninety AK-47 shells and fragments of a hand-grenade were found at the scene.

No arrests have yet been made and police have not given a description of the vehicle.

Const Baloyi leaves his wife and three-year-old son.

In another incident, a landmine exploded in Soshanguve, near Pretoria. The mine was detonated by a bulldozer driven by Mr Jim Nkosi.

Nobody was injured.

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Landmines planted to deter S A-bound refugees

PRETORIA—Mozambican border patrols have planted landmines on their side of the border to deter refugees from crossing into South Africa.

This was confirmed by V-Adm R A Edwards, an Nkomati Accord administrator, at the Bureau for Information's daily Press briefing yesterday.

'The results of the landmine explosions have been seen by our people,' he said.

But South Africa had been unable to ask Mozambique to lift the mines due to a breakdown in communications.

Adm Edward said the last time the Joint Security Commission met was on August 11 last year.

There were currently 60 000 Mozambican refugees in South Africa and 160 000 to 170 000 illegal migrants seeking work, Adm Edwards said.

'The Mozambique Government regards these people as its citizens and wants them returned,' he said. But the worsening economic and security situation in Mozambique led to increasing numbers of refugees fleeing the country.

Kruger Park

The South African Government had been repatriating 1 500 Mozambicans a month, 1 250 being illegal aliens and about 250 being refugees found in the Kruger National Park while making their way to Gazankulu.

Refugees fleeing through the game reserve often encountered problems with animals, said Adm Edwards.

Of the refugees in South Africa, 50 000 were within the national states of Gazankulu, Kangwane, Lebowa and KwaZulu, which considered them as temporary guests.

South Africa was not repatriating anyone from these four national states, Adm Edwards said, but was providing them with short-term aid in the form of finance, shelter, food, clothing and medical attention.

Last month there were 68 665 legal Mozambican employees in South Africa.

Their pay was deferred and remitted through the Mozambican Government. A total of R82,7 million was remitted during 1985. — (Sapa)

Boesak snubs four MPs from Europe

By CHRIS BATEMAN

FOUR European parliamentarians yesterday left Cape Town "very disappointed" after being snubbed by Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, after he learnt that their tour was sponsored by the Department of Foreign Affairs.

And in another development, Dr Boesak instructed his lawyers to collect affidavits after a teargas canister broke the back window of his car on Sunday. Dr Boesak was leaving an interrupted Elsie's River church service in solidarity with the families of detainees.

The visiting politicians, Mr R Simmonds and Mr C Simpson (British Conservative Party), Mr L Beyer de Ryke (Belgian Liberal Party) and Mr G J Guermeur (French Gaullist Party), travelled to Dr Boesak's offices where they left a "combined" letter.

Interviewed at D F Malan Airport before boarding a flight to Durban, Mr Simmonds described Dr Boesak's refusal to see them as "particularly negative" and "rather a poor show".

Dr Boesak later said he could not believe "that people who are actually sensitive to our situation can come here under the auspices of the South African Government and expect us to see them".

If people saw fit to accept an invitation from the government, then they should talk to the "government and the people who work for it", Dr Boesak said.

● Responding to Sunday's teargassing incident, Mrs Ronelle Henning, spokeswoman for the Bureau for Information, yesterday said police were investigating "the alleged lobbing of a teargas canister into the car of Dr Boesak".

Speaking at the bureau's regular briefing in Pretoria, Mrs Henning said she had received an assurance from police that no teargas canisters were "purposely thrown at the vehicle".

Police went to the Holy Trinity Church in Elsie's River after they "received information" at 4pm that an illegal gathering was being held, she said.

"Upon investigation and after hearing certain statements a Captain Van Schalkwyk requested to talk to Dr Boesak.

"Dr Boesak, however, refused and Captain Van Schalkwyk left the building. Two policemen in field dress remained in the church. At this stage there were about 200 people inside the church and another 200 outside."

About 6pm the people left the building and started to throw stones at the police, Mrs Henning said.

A member of the police was hit on the head and received treatment at a hospital. Two SAP vehicles were also damaged.

The police fired tear-smoke to disperse the group. No one was arrested, she said.

Phoney UDF pamphlets demand tax

By. FRANZ KRUGER,
East London

A SERIES of mysterious pamphlets has appeared in the Eastern Cape since the start of the State of Emergency, including some calling for the formation of vigilante groups along the lines of the Cape Town "witdoeke".

Others appear under the logo of the United Democratic Front organisation, but are clearly designed to cause it embarrassment. One, ostensibly signed by H M Fazzie, senior UDF leader in the Eastern Cape, announced a monthly tax of R50 for each household and R10 for each child.

The pamphlet says: "The time is hard and to this end sacrifice is required. Financial support from our overseas friends is becoming less as the racist regime applies increasing pressure.

"Also, mismanagement of funds by our previous officials, misguided in their loyalties, cause us now to have to use drastic measures in order that the struggle may continue."

Under the slogan "Amandla: Your sacrifice is our prosperity", the pamphlet outlines how street committees will conduct surveys of households to establish how many children there are, and then how "comrades" will be instructed to make the monthly collections.

"People refusing will be dealt with in the usual way," the pamphlet warns.

A second pamphlet, ostensibly issued jointly by the UDF and the Congress of SA Trade Unions (Cosatu), promised payment for participation in stayaways on June 16.

Up to R50 a day would be paid between 8am and 10am on June 16. A similar pamphlet appeared just before May Day, marked around the country by a massive stayaway.

The latest pamphlet ends: "People of the struggle, why work if you can receive money and collect food from soup kitchens. Build your future on today's starvation — Utopia is waiting."

The UDF and Cosatu have denied any responsibility for this pamphlet.

The third pamphlet is addressed to "Citizens of the Eastern Cape", and is signed by a self-styled "Eastern Cape Action Group".

Raising the threat of a Communist takeover, the pamphlet says the UDF should be rejected, as "they work for their own benefit, believing that their Russian masters will make them ministers in a black Cabinet".

It ends with a call to arms: "My people, I tell you to stand up now, like in Cape Town, and destroy the UDF and comrades. Unite to a nation — not a front."

Seven die in EP violence

PRETORIA — Seven unrest related deaths have occurred in the Eastern Cape, according to the Bureau for Information's latest report. The bureau said black-on-black violence caused five of the seven deaths.

In Kwazekele, Port Elizabeth, the burnt bodies of two unknown men were found by police. About an hour later the burnt bodies of another two unidentified men were found outside the Wolfson Sport Stadium.

In Tantjies, Grahamstown, a gunman fired a shot at a private vehicle, killing Mr Micky Mpemto, 48.

In Reyini, Adelaide, a member of the security forces, Sergeant Stewart Ndzweni, 30, was shot dead in an attack by a group of 300 people. The security forces returned fire and a man, Mr Dmezweni Mananga, 22, was fatally wounded.

In Sebokeng, Vereeniging, a man was fatally wounded when security forces fired at a group of people attacking the home of a councillor. — Sapa

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Three killed in mystery shootings

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Crime Reporter

THREE men were shot dead in separate, apparently motiveless, attacks near Durban at the weekend, police said yesterday.

In all three cases, the gunman approached his victim, pulled out a pistol, fired a shot and then disappeared.

The first happened shortly before midnight on Friday, when Mr Petrus Mtshali, 36, was stopped by a man in C Section of Umlazi.

One shot was fired, killing him instantly. Police have been unable to establish a motive.

Fifteen minutes, later Mr Tembu Gaza, 37, was also stopped in C Section. One shot was fired, killing Mr Gaza. Again, no motive has been established.

In the third incident, a man wearing a balaclava approached two security guards at the Shavangu Liquor Store in North Street, Clermont, and told them he would kill them.

He pulled out a pistol and shot one watchman in the chest, killing him. Then he ran away.

There was no attempted robbery or arson.

Brawling and killing at Cape rugby matches

CAPE TOWN—Two rugby matches in the Western Cape provoked the killing of a man and fighting among players and spectators at the weekend.

In a third match, Western Province and Springbok hooker Shaun Povey and Bellville League prop Kenneth Michaels were sent off the field after trading punches.

At Philippi, a man was shot dead and another was wounded in fighting between spectators at a match at the Klipfontein Mission Station on Saturday.

At Paarl, play was disrupted when fighting broke out between the Paarl League rugby team and Northern Parow and, later, among spectators.

A police spokesman said the fight at the Philippi match broke out between spectators after a controversial decision by the referee.

A group of men allegedly stabbed a spectator in his head, back, legs and arm.

The man ran to his car to fetch a gun. A struggle ensued and shots were fired. Mr Derrick Diljee, 35, died after he was hit in the chest. Mr Stephen Adams, 37, was hit in the leg.

Police are investigating charges of murder and attempted murder. No arrests have been made.

The game in Paarl ended 20 minutes into the second half when referee Chris Rabie flung up his hands and left the field because of fighting.

Rabie had stopped play twice to speak to the captains, then he had ordered Gordon Mitchell, the WP League and Paarl League hooker, off the field. When fighting erupted again, he stopped the game.

Povey and Michaels were both sent off the field towards the end of their match and this puts a question mark behind Povey's availability to play for Western Province in the Currie Cup fixture against Eastern Province on Saturday. — (Sapa)

Tuesday, July 29, 1986

Arrest after farmer and wife killed

Dispatch Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Police last night discovered the bullet-ridden body of Mrs Marietjie Visagie, 40 in a storm-water pipe about 10 km outside Calvinia, after a search was launched when her husband was found murdered on their sheep farm early yesterday.

An awaiting-trial prisoner was captured by police 50 km from the town after a manhunt through the Karoo bush, and is being held in connection with the double murder.

A manhunt involving 30 policemen, tracker dogs and a helicopter was launched after Mr Schalk Jacobus Visagie, 48, was shot dead and his wife was abducted from their sheep farm. Members of the Karoo farming community joined the police and helicopter search of the desolate area.

Police discovered Mrs Visagie's body at 6.10 pm last night. Her body had been stuffed into a storm water pipe and she had also suffered several stab wounds.

Seventy minutes earlier police captured the suspect as he was hiding among waterpipes near the Williston road, about 50 km from Calvinia.

A police spokesman said the man did not resist arrest, and confirmed that he was also being held on a charge of escaping from custody.

Earlier, Mr Visagie's bakkie was found wrecked on the Williston road about 45 km from Calvinia, but when police reached the scene of the accident the wanted man had already disappeared with Mrs Visagie.

The suspect was arrested 5 km from where Mr Visagie's bakkie was found, and police have now established that Mrs Visagie was killed and her body hidden before the accident happened.

Although the area surrounding the scene of the accident is flat with low sloping hills, police tracker dogs had difficulty following the trail of the wanted man through lush stinkbos which is characteristic of that area.

About 1.30 am yesterday a petrol attendant in Calvinia saw Mr Visagie's bakkie being driven recklessly through the small town.

He alerted the police who gave chase but lost the bakkie. Police continued driving in the direction in which the bakkie disappeared and found it overturned and abandoned.

Unaware of what had happened earlier on Hulp Valley farm, 10 km outside Calvinia, police drove there to investigate and found Mr Visagie's body outside the garage. He had a bullet would in the neck.

A trail of blood stretching from the farmhouse to the garage led the policemen back to the house where they found that a window on the north side had been broken.

A gun which was stolen from the house was later found in the crashed bakkie.

Police also found a shoe belonging to Mrs Visagie outside the farmhouse. Her other shoe was later found in the blood-spattered bakkie.

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Bomb charge woman has baby after bail

DURBAN — A woman facing charges in connection with a number of bomb blasts here gave birth to a baby boy at the weekend after earlier being released on bail because she was pregnant.

Miss Duduzile Charity Buthelezi, 33, one of 10 people facing several charges resulting from bomb explosions in the Durban area between September 1983 and January this year, was granted bail on humanitarian grounds.

Miss Buthelezi's son, Mkhonto, was born in the King Edward VIII Hospital. — DDC

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3 deny murder bid

ROODEPOORT. — Three Florida men pleaded not guilty in the Roodepoort Magistrate's Court yesterday to four charges of attempted murder.

Mr Jacobus Marthinus Francois Dames, 27, Mr Johan Stephen Jordan, 30, and Mr Hendrik Johannes Kleingeld, 31, were accused of attempting to murder four pedestrians, Mr George Sishabela, Mr Joseph Mohlati, Mr Samuel Kumalo and Mr Alpheus Mudau, in Honeydew on February 8.

The State alleges that the accused shot the four pedestrians in different incidents in the same area.

The case was adjourned to August 29.

The men were each granted R1 000 bail at a previous hearing. Conditions are that they may not leave the magisterial districts of Roodepoort and Krugersdorp without informing the investigating officer, that they do not try to contact the complainants or State witnesses and that they report daily to the Florida police station. — Sapa

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7 die, 9 injured in Umtata attack

Dispatch Reporter

UMTATA — Three policemen and four civilians were killed when "unknown assailants" attacked the Umtata police station with AK47 rifles and hand-grenades.

The Commissioner of Police, General R. S. Mantanga, said in a statement yesterday the attack took place at about 9.30 pm on Tuesday.

Seven policemen and two civilians were also injured in the attack.

One of the policemen was shot while driving a police vehicle past a hotel across the road from the charge office, he said.

Gen Mantanga said eye-witnesses had reported seeing three people with firearms. One of them shot at and killed the policeman who was driving the police vehicle.

"From the evidence pieced together by the police it is obvious the attack was well planned and had been timed to coincide with the change-over of men going off and those reporting for duty at the police station.

"The police are following up certain clues and are tracking down the attackers. Otherwise the situation is under control," Gen Mantanga said.

He said some of the hand-grenades used in the attack had failed to explode.

Yesterday police and soldiers cordoned off the road leading to the charge office, which is situated in Umtata's central business district.

At 1 pm yesterday police were still washing blood off floors, walls and doors in the charge office and were sorting through blood-stained documents.

Walls outside the office were pock-marked with bullet holes and a metal cabinet and counter in the office were bullet-ridden. Windows were shattered.

An eye-witness, who pretended he was dead during the attack, said the sound of the machineguns had been deafening.

He had lain down between bodies on the floor to avoid being shot. When the attackers rushed into the office he had thought they were police recruits, he said.

Another eye-witness, who watched from a nearby hotel room, saw a "blue flare-like rocket" being shot into the station.

After the shooting he saw a "big truck" drive off without its lights on.

During the attack, he said, he saw a "rocket-like flare" being shot over a nearby take-away outlet.

A man who was playing snooker in a nearby bar during the attack said he ran outside when he heard a "big bang."

He heard screaming and shouting between the shots, he said.

The names of the dead were not available yesterday and no details on the condition of the injured could be obtained.

PO hold-up: man held

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — A 47-year-old East London man was arrested shortly after an armed robbery and an attempted robbery at post offices in Vincent and Cambridge.

The Border police liaison officer, Lieutenant Dot van der Vyver, said a man had entered the Vincent post office at 2.35 pm on Tuesday and pointed a firearm at a clerk, Mrs Yvonne Hartslag, 32, and demanded money.

She handed over R1 020 and he walked out of the building.

At 3 pm a man entered the Cambridge post office and threatened a clerk, Miss Ethnie Bentley, 21.

"He demanded money and at first I didn't believe what I heard, so I asked him if he was serious. I then became ice-cold and didn't feel anything until later.

"I told him I only had R9 in my drawer, but he wouldn't take my word. I opened my drawer for him to see. He then turned around and casually walked out," Miss Bentley said.

A provincial traffic officer entered the post office seconds later and she told him what had happened.

Mr R. W. Prins, 38, who is the station commander of the Provincial Traffic department, followed the man and arrested him.

Lieut Vander Vyver said the arrested man was found to be in possession of R1 020 and a .25 pistol.



Miss Ethnie Bentley congratulates Mr R. Prins on his quick action in arresting a man who threatened to rob her.

Homelands minister killed as car explodes

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Mercury Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—KwaNdebele Minister of Home Affairs, Piet Ntuli, was killed on Tuesday night — in probably the first attack of its kind in South Africa — as his car exploded while travelling in the homeland's capital of Siyabuswa.

The Bureau for Information said yesterday it had no idea what type of explosive was used or who was responsible for the attack.

In a separate incident that night, three Transkei policemen and four civilians died in an attack on Umtata Police Station by unidentified assailants armed with AK-47 rifles and grenades.

Transkei Commissioner of Police, Gen R S Mantanga, told a Press conference that police were tracking down the attackers.

He said that — according to witnesses — three armed people were seen near the police station.

'From the evidence, it is obvious the attack was well-planned and timed to coincide with the change-over of men reporting for duty,' the general said.

Seven policemen and two civilians were also injured in the attack.

Shot dead

Yesterday morning, the charge office complex was cordoned off as its blood-stained walls and floors were being scrubbed.

In KaNyamazane, a leading member of the KaNgwane Government, Mr Zebulon Kunene, 45, was shot dead at the entrance of his home.

Police have ruled out robbery as a motive for the killing.

Three men fled from the house and drove off in a car which was later found burned out in the township.

Mr Kunene was chairman of the KaNgwane Public Service Commission and director of the Economic Development Corporation.

In another incident, the bureau reported that a group of about 20 blacks set a private home alight in Soweto.

Security forces fired at the attackers, killing a man.

Taxi owner shot dead

By SY MAKARINGE

SEVENTEEN Sowetans — including a well-known Orlando West taxi operator and businessman — were killed in separate acts of township violence at the weekend.

Mr Naphtalie Sekwati (47), chairman of the Witwatersrand Taxi Association and shop-owner at Dube Hostel, collapsed and died in his luxurious German-made car after unknown assailants fired shots at him at Dube Hostel on Friday night.

Mr Sekwati was fatally wounded after he was hit by two shots in the head. A 9 mm pistol was found on the scene of the incident.

Rape

Major Fanyana Zwane, public relations officer of the Soweto Police, confirmed the incident yesterday. He said no one had been arrested. Police are investigating.

In one of the eight rape cases reported to the police at the weekend, a 37-year-old Tshiawelo woman alleged that she was pulled off the stairs at the Tshiawelo block of flats and dragged to a football ground in Mapetla where she was raped by five men at 10 pm on Friday night.

The extent of her injuries is not yet known. No arrests have been made yet.

Maj Zwane said yesterday that the youngest rape victim at the weekend was a 16-year-old Soweto girl and the eldest a 43-year-old woman.

Other incidents of crime reported at the weekend include three cases of attempted murder, two armed robberies, 26 cases of ordinary robberies and 13 of house-breaking and theft.

Apartheid opponents' offices in E Cape are gutted

EAST LONDON — Offices housing a number of anti-apartheid organisations and trade unions in East London were gutted by fire early yesterday morning, causing damage estimated at R50 000.

Office equipment and books were strewn in the offices of a human rights attorney, Mr Hasmoeg Lalla, the South African Council for Higher Education (Sached), the National Allied Automobile Workers Union, the Commercial Catering and Allied Workers' Union and the Congress of South African Trade Unions.

Mr Lalla, who has been involved in several Supreme Court applications for the release of detainees, was in Port Elizabeth today.

His secretary, Miss Judith 'Kese, said several files had been removed from the office.

A Sached official, Miss Vangiwe Matyunjwa, said some of Mr Lalla's files had been found in Sached's library, where books worth R15 000 had been destroyed.

"It seems the doors of our office were forced open and files were removed.

"Some were taken to our library, where an attempt was made to burn them," Miss Matyunjwa said.

She said Sached's losses included a photocopying machine, scanner, duplicating machine and several filing cabinets.

A spokesman for the municipal fire brigade said the fire, which was confined to the first floor, was extinguished within 10 to 15 minutes.

Border police liaison officer, Lieutenant Dot van der Vyver, said a policeman on duty at the Fleet Street police station had heard a "commotion" outside and saw flames in a building across the street.

The cause of the fire has not been established. — Sapa.

Arsonists burn union offices

By FRANZ KRUGER
East London

ARSONISTS struck at an East London office building housing several community organisations, including seven trade unions and the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu).

Besides the unions, a number of offices belonging to the South African Council of Higher Education (Sached) were burnt, as well as those of a lawyer involved in a number of recent court challenges to various aspects of the State of Emergency.

Particularly badly damaged was the office of the National Automobile and Allied Workers' Union (Naawu), which was turned into a charred mess by the fire.

Office workers said it seemed that the arsonists had moved systematically through the offices, breaking down doors and checking through files before piling them on the floor and setting them alight with petrol. Files from the legal office, as well as a set of statutes, seemed to have been stolen.

Virtually wiped out was a trade union library established by Sached in the building, which is diagonally opposite the main police station in East London.

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2 hurt in E Cape torching

PORT ELIZABETH. — Mrs Albertina Dljanwa, who was voted "Woman of the Year" by the Port Elizabeth Union of Jewish Women in 1984, is in hospital after her Zwide home was firebombed on Wednesday.

She has devoted her life to helping the township needy by running soup kitchens and youth clubs.

Mrs Wendy Plaatjie, 32, seriously hurt in the same incident, is also in hospital.

Mrs Dljanwa's house was gutted and she lost everything.

The two women were attacked by an intruder, who cut the telephone and hurled a firebomb as he left.

Mrs Dljanwa said she "ran through the back door and was covered in flames. At least three more petrol bombs were flung into the house — one came through the bedroom window.

"Mrs Plaatjie — also aflame — tried to escape through the front door, which was locked.

"She jumped through a window and somebody doused our flames with a hosepipe before the fire brigade arrived," she said. — Sapa

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Attack on Watsons: 3 held

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — The investigation into the fire which destroyed the home of the Watson family in October last year, yesterday led to the arrest of three brothers on charges of arson, police said.

Last night a family member confirmed that the three brothers were still in custody. A fourth brother was holding consultations with the family attorney.

The house belonged to Mr Dan Watson and his wife, Mrs Bobby Watson.

The couple's four sons, Mr Dan "Cheeky" Watson, Mr Valence Watson, Mr Ronnie Watson and Mr Gavin Watson, are all prominent in sporting, business and civic affairs in Port Elizabeth.

The police spokesman said the three brothers are expected to appear in court today.

Iran, Syria, Libya main sponsors of terrorism

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Nicolas Tatro
TEL AVIV

INTERNATIONAL terrorists carried out attacks last year that claimed 639 lives, up from 349 deaths the year before, according to an Israeli study just released.

Of the 408 incidents reported in 1985 the terrorists were caught or killed in only 49 cases, or about 12%, said Mr Ariel Merari, head of the study done by Tel Aviv University's Jaffee Centre for Strategic Studies.

The study said 639 people were killed, 833 wounded, 125 kidnapped and 1 045 taken hostage in hijackings and other such events. In 1984, 349 people were killed in 412 incidents.

Libya bombing

'The reason for this increase in fatalities has been the resurgence of Palestinian international terror,' Mr Merari told a news conference, claiming that Palestinian commandos were better equipped and more willing to kill indiscriminately.

But since the April 15 U S bombing of Libya, he said, there had been a marked decrease in terrorism which indicated President Ronald Reagan's strategy was working.

'Contrary to some predictions this retaliatory raid did not result, at least not so far, in a counter wave of terrorism,' said Mr Merari.

'Instead, there has been something of a lull, especially in terror against American targets sponsored by Arab countries. We must conclude, therefore, at least for the time being, that the American retaliatory raid has been successful.'

Mr Merari identified the three main sponsors of international terrorism as Iran, Syria and Libya, and said these countries were likely to be more cautious in the wake of the Libyan bombing.

'I do suggest this State sponsorship will continue in a more careful way. There probably will be less direct involvement but more sponsorship in terms of training, arms-supply and financial assistance,' he said.

A study conducted earlier by the same independent research group reported that in 1984 perpetrators were caught or killed in 56, or 13,6%, of the 412 cases of international terrorism.

Both studies excluded attacks by occupying armies, including Israel's forces in south Lebanon and the West Bank, and defined an international act of terror as one that involved more than one state.

Other findings:

● Arson and bombing accounted for 40% of all terror actions compared with 38% of terrorist acts in 1984. Armed assaults, including murder, made up 20,6% of the total, a decline from 32,2% the year before.

● Kidnappings rose to 13,2% of the total from 8% the year before, mostly as a result of abductions of Westerners by Shi'ite Muslim extremists in Lebanon. Hijackings were only 2,2% down from 3,9%.

● Western Europe was the most affected region with 44,7% of all terrorist attacks taking place there, compared with 40,5% the year before. Latin America was second with 19,8% of the incidents in 1985, followed by the Middle East with 17,2%, a slight decrease from last year's 20,6%.

● Lebanon was the most dangerous country with 11,5% of the incidents; followed by West Germany with 8,5%, Columbia and Greece with 7,1% each, Portugal 4,4%, Italy 4,1%, and Spain 3,6%.

● The leading perpetrators of international terrorism were Middle East groups. Palestinian and radical Shi'ite Muslim groups were responsible for 31,2% of all incidents, an increase over a 20,4% share in 1984. Seventy of the attacks, or 17,2%, were attributed to Palestinians compared with 36 in 1984. Shi'ites committed 57 of the attacks, or 14% of the total. — (Sapa-AP)

Spate of bombings detailed in Court

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Mercury Reporter

DETAILS of the recent spate of terrorist violence in Durban, including the bombing of the Parade Hotel and the Mobeni oil pipeline and the freeing of a suspected terrorist from a Pietermaritzburg hospital, were revealed in papers before the Supreme Court, Durban, yesterday.

Capt Jacobus Adriaan Vorster, of the security branch in Pietermaritzburg, said in an affidavit that members of an African National Congress cell based in Durban had been responsible for several acts of violence in the Durban area between January and June this year.

The affidavit was submitted in reply to an urgent application by Mrs Lucille Elizabeth Webster, of Sydenham, for the release from police detention of her attorney husband, Mr George Webster.

The application, heard by Mr Justice Page, was dismissed with costs by consent.

'Flush out'

Mrs Webster said in papers that her husband had been taken from their home on July 20. A light delivery van and a Mercedes Benz car were also seized by the police.

She said she had been told by her husband's partner, Mr Baqwa Nzimande, that he had been detained under the Internal Security Act.

Mrs Webster said although her husband did not approve of the present political regime in South Africa he nevertheless did not believe in violence as a means of ending it.

She said it was her sincere opinion that her husband had been detained in order to 'flush out' his brother, Gordon Webster, if it was true that he had not been found.

In a telex to Mrs Webster's lawyers a police officer said her husband had been detained after reasonable suspicion had been formed that he had committed offences referred to in Section 54 (1) and (4) of the Criminal Procedure Act.

Suspicion was based on the grounds that he had been in contact with terrorists of the banned ANC.

Revealed

Capt Vorster said he had interrogated a Mr Robert McBride from July 17 to 20, and he among others revealed certain information.

He alleged McBride had said that he had been recruited for the ANC by Gordon Webster who had trained him in South Africa for the ANC in the use of explosives and weapons.

During the commission of his acts of violence McBride was the head of an ANC cell under the overall charge of Gordon Webster.

From January this year until his arrest McBride had committed or tried to commit a series of acts of terror, Capt Vorster alleged.

Identity

These acts were:

January 6: McBride and Gordon Webster unsuccessfully tried to cause an explosion at the sub-station at Mayville, Durban. During their preparations to plant the explosives, nightwatchmen came upon them and put them to flight.

They spent the night with Mr George Webster at his house and left the next day.

January 9: Gordon Webster was responsible for two explosions at the Chamberlain Road sub-station. The explosives were

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given to him by McBride that night.

In the second explosion Lt Col Robert Lesley Welman of the SAP security branch, Port Natal, was badly injured. He died of his injuries on January 30.

March 21: A further explosion at the Chamberlain Road substation was caused by McBride, Gordon Webster and another locally trained ANC terrorist who was referred to as Mr X in the affidavit.

The identity of Mr X was not revealed because police information linked him to a number of acts of terrorism. He was still at large and revealing his identity would damage the police investigation.

The Court also heard that Mr X had said that he and Gordon Webster served in the same ANC cell, and that there was an agreement between them that if one was arrested the other had to 'eliminate' him.

Botswana

During the weekend of March 28 to 30, McBride, Gordon Webster and others went to Botswana where weapons and explosives were provided by members of the ANC.

These weapons and explosives were packed in three suitcases which were concealed in a caravan and smuggled over the border into South Africa.

To achieve their aim, Gordon Webster and McBride borrowed George Webster's Mercedes Benz, attached a tow bar to it, and hired a caravan.

On April 8, three ANC terrorists made a grenade attack at the Wentworth home of Mr Calvin Leaf, a teacher and police reservist and former secretary of the Labour Party, Natal Region. Grenades were provided by McBride.

May 1: McBride and two others grenaded the house of a Mr Peter Klein, a school principal and member of the Labour Party.

May 4: Gordon Webster, who had been wounded a few days previously in a gunbattle with police, was sprung from Edendale Hospital by McBride and five other ANC terrorists.

Altogether six terrorists carried out the attack. Two kept watch while McBride and the other three cut the security fence of the hospital. Then two of them, who were armed, stayed behind to guard the escape route.

McBride and another, also armed, went into the hospital and fired many shots. One bystander died and one policeman and three bystanders were wounded. Gordon Webster was freed.

May 23: McBride and another planted a bomb of about 15 kg at the Pine Parkade in Pine Street, Durban. It was found by a member of the public and was defused by security police.

June 14: McBride and two other ANC terrorists planted a car bomb at the Parade Hotel, Marine Parade. The explosion killed three people and injured about 100. Thirty cars were damaged.

June 21: McBride and two other ANC terrorists planted a bomb in a rubbish bin in front of the Copper Shop at the corner of Brickhill Road and West Street.

Workshop

June 22: McBride and two other ANC terrorists caused an explosion at a vegetable oil tank in Jacobs. They also caused an explosion at the oil pipeline between Sapref and the Mobil refinery at Merebank on the same day.

It resulted in hundreds of thousands of rands damage, sea pollution, oil loss and damage to property.

June 30: McBride and two other ANC terrorists caused an explosion at a water pipeline in Westville.

Capt Vorster said that after McBride's arrest he had revealed George Webster's involvement in the terror activities.

Capt Vorster also outlined the planning for Gordon Webster's escape from Edendale Hospital and gave a detailed account of procurement of weapons and money from hiding places.

After he had been sprung, Gordon Webster hid in McBride's workshop in Jacobs where he was treated medically.

PE brothers on R400 000 fraud, arson charges

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From KEN VERNON, The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — Three members of a prominent Eastern Cape family appeared in court here today in connection with allegations of arson and fraud following a fire which destroyed their R400 000 home last October.

Mr Dan "Cheeky" Watson, 32, Mr Valance Watson, 34, and Mr Ronnie Watson, 36, were not formally charged and a bail application was postponed until later today.

The Watson family home in Park Drive, Port Elizabeth, owned by Mr Dan Watson sen, was destroyed by fire after an explosion early on October 20 last year.

Two employees of the Watsons, Mr Jeffrey Makanda and Mr Archie Mkele, received burns in the fire.

The brothers appeared in court handcuffed together and looking drawn and tired.

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The prosecutor, Mr H van der Walt, said they would be charged with arson and fraud and more charges would possibly be added once investigations were complete.

He said the State would "most probably" oppose bail, but said he wished to consult the investigating officer and the Attorney-General first. He asked for the Watsons to be remanded until next Wednesday.

Mr Leon Schubart, for the defence, opposed the delay and said his clients could not wait until the State was ready to "perhaps oppose bail". He insisted on their right to request bail formally.

He understood that the investigating officer, Captain A C Prinsloo, had other cases to attend to next week.

"The State may then again say it is not ready — it may never be ready and my clients cannot be expected to wait in jail."

He said the brothers had remained in Port Elizabeth running their chain of clothing stores since the fire.

White shopfloor backlash grows

STWL 14/8/86.

By Sheryl Raine

Large-scale politicisation of trade unions and an increase in white backlash were key elements which emerged in a recent industrial relations survey conducted by leading consultants in more than 100 companies.

FSA Management Consultants found that low-key but widespread white backlash was becoming an increasingly significant factor in managing industrial relations in South Africa's complex environment.

"For the first time in nine years, respondents reported significant incidents of white backlash revolving around objections to companies' equal opportunities policies and political stance," said Mr Bernie Chalmers, head of FSA's industrial relations division.

He said whites also object to having to make up for lost production as a result of black stayaways. Companies are being accused of doing too much for black employees and too little for white employees. Whites are moving towards right-wing trade unions as a result.

The major development in 1986, which has not been apparent in previous years, is the influence of socio-political factors on business and industrial relations.

Companies say they are under pressure from employees and unions to help secure the release of detainees and to stop supplying the Defence Force and Police. Subsidiaries of multinationals are having their relatively vulnerable positions exploited.

The degree of political awarneness among business is now so high, said Mr Chalmers, that there is almost no management which believes it can stay aloof from politics if it hopes to ensure long-term survival and growth.

Sixty-seven percent of employers indicate they prefer to put pressure on the Government for reform through employer organisations like the Federated Chamber of Industries. Another 24 percent say they are prepared to become actively involved in promoting political change and 33 percent say they will get involved when the occasion arises. Only 11 percent say they will not get involved at all.

Most are optimistic that improvements can be made if managements maintain open communication with trade unions and the Government.

Companies report a growing awareness of political issues on the shop floor. This has led to potential polarisation between first-line mangement and workers in some firms.

"But if employees live in an environment that supports rightwing attitudes, it's difficult for employers to make any intervention to change these attitudes," said Mr Chalmers. "It's up to the employer to take his own stance, dspite the fact that this many mean he loses some people.

"Current indications are that the majority of employers are prepared to go along wth equal opportunity employment practices, especially in major urban areas."



Mr Bernie Chalmers . . . awareness is growing in factories and offices

Arson: Three Watson brothers apply for bail

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — One of three Watson brothers who appeared in the Magistrate's Court here yesterday on charges of arson and fraud denied that the family had made "every endeavour" to hamper police investigations into the burning down of their Park Drive home.

Mr Valence Michael Watson, 34, undertook to allow three of the family's domestic workers to return to their homes in Alicedale and not interfere with them if the State required them to do so.

When Mr H van der Walt, for the State, put it to Mr Watson that he and one of his brothers had travelled to Harare to seek possible political asylum, Mr Watson said: "Rubbish, that is rubbish."

He was giving evidence in support of an application for bail when he, Mr Ronald James Watson, 36, of Villa d'Este, Park Drive, and Mr Daniel John "Cheeky" Watson, 32, of Cape Road, appeared before Mr T K Morgenthal charged with arson and fraud.

The charges arose out of an incident when their Park Drive home burned to the ground on the night of October 19 last year. The charge sheet revealed no further details.

They have not been asked to plead.

Mr Watson said he and his brother, Ronnie, had travelled to Zimbabwe to establish contacts for their new business venture which involved the sale of black hair products.

Mr Watson said Mr Ronnie Watson had told the police that they would seek an interdict preventing the police from interfering with the two men who were burnt when the house was gutted. This was because the men were taken from the Provincial hospital and for four hours their families had not known where they were.

He denied that they had interfered with police investigations into the fire.

The case continues today.

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Delay in Watsons' bail application

From KEN VERNON
The Argus Bureau

PORT ELIZABETH. — The bail application by the three Watson brothers, appearing in connection with arson and fraud charges, was delayed when a senior prosecutor rushed important documents from Grahamstown.

Mr Daniel "Cheeky" Watson, 32, Mr Ronald Watson, 36, and Mr Valence Watson, 34, were applying in the Port Elizabeth Magistrate's Court for bail yesterday after being arrested in connection with the burning of their family home last year.



Picture: DOUG PITHEY, The Argus.

It's tricky trying to cut a cake with flippers, so One-Eye the Jackass penguin got Kirsten Robinson, 4, to help. One-Eye was celebrating her 10th anniversary at the South African National Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (Sanccob) base. Mrs Elsie Baxter kept a firm grip.

Prosecutor Mr H van der Walt, arguing against bail, said the State could not put its case effectively without the documents.

He applied for the case to stand down until he could get hold of documents to establish the dates of the liquidation and of the brothers' overseas visits.

Before the adjournment, Mr Leon Schubart, appearing for the Watsons, called Mr Valence Watson to give evidence.

Mr Watson told the court he and his brothers were considering opening a multiracial gymnasium in Port Elizabeth following the liquidation of their chain of clothing stores.

He said the family lived in flats in the same block and had no intention of leaving Port Elizabeth or the country, or of interfering with witnesses.

Mr Watson said he was working for the stores' liquidator, negotiating the sale of stock.

Question

Mr van der Walt asked him why he and his brothers had refused to allow police to talk to Watson family employees without a lawyer present.

He asked Mr Watson if he knew that his elder brother, Ronnie, had refused to allow Captain A Prinsloo, the investigating officer, to question two Watson employees in a ward at Livingstone Hospital.

Mr Watson said the two men had been missing for three hours after the fire. Someone had tried to kill them and the wife of one of them had objected to police interrogating her injured husband.

He said he did not make statements to police without a lawyer present "and what's good enough for me is good enough for our employees".

The hearing continues today.

Watson brothers bail ruling today

PORT ELIZABETH. — A ruling will be given today in the Magistrate's Court here in the bail application by the three Watson brothers who are charged with arson and fraud.

Appearing before Mr T K Morgenthal yesterday were Mr Valence Michael Watson, 34, Mr Ronald James Watson, 36, and Mr Daniel John "Cheeky" Watson, 32.

The charges arise from an incident during which their Park Drive home was burnt to the ground on the night of October 19 last year. They have not been asked to plead.

During argument yesterday, Mr L Schubart, for the Watsons, said the State had failed to prove that the three brothers would not stand trial and flee the country if they were granted bail.

He said allegations by Captain Prinsloo that Mr Valence Watson and Mr Ronald Watson had been to Zimbabwe to seek possible political asylum, and that Mr Ronald Watson had been to Lesotho for the same purpose, were "dangerous".

'Flee the country'

He said the allegations had not been proved and would be dangerous in that they could result in Captain Prinsloo "deciding on the application" and not the presiding magistrate.

He said press reports which were handed in by the State were not relevant to the application for bail and were hearsay evidence.

Mr H van der Walt, for the State, argued that there was evidence before court that the three brothers were political activists who would flee the country if they were granted bail.

He referred to Detective Warrant Officer H L Momberg's evidence that people who had been granted bail had fled the country to neighbouring countries.

Mr Van der Walt submitted that it was not possible for the police to ensure that bail conditions were adhered to and to monitor the accused to see that they did not interfere with State witnesses.

The hearing was adjourned until today. — Sapa

Court bid over Watson worker

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — The Watson employee found near the site of the blazing family home in Park Drive was yesterday the subject of an urgent application in the Supreme Court here.

Mr Archie Velile Mkele, a potential State witness in the Watson brothers' arson trial, is currently in detention under emergency regulations — and yesterday his wife, Mrs Marilyn Carol Mkele, lodged an application for her and an attorney, Mr Norman Martin Arendse, to visit him.

The application, seeking access to Mr Mkele at the Swartkops police station, will be heard today.

Mrs Mkele's application, according to affidavits, is a sequel to an incident in which she and Mr Arendse, of the Legal Resources Centre, were refused permission to see Mr Mkele on Friday August 15.

Mrs Mkele said she had since been informed that her husband was no longer detained under the emergency regulations but as a "State witness in the case against the Watson brothers".

However, her attorney said that at no stage had this been officially confirmed to him.

The matter was due to be heard as an urgent matter, but was postponed by consent until today.

In her affidavit, Mrs Mkele, of Esterhuizen Street, Arcadia, said her husband was detaind under the emergencey regulations on July 30, while he was at work at Dan Watson American Imports.

He was first held at the Algoa Park police station and thereafter at the Swartkops police station. Mrs Mkele said she was completely shocked at his detention as he had never been in the least involved or interested in politics.

She said she had always known him as a sportsman and a particularly good rugby player.

Mrs Mkele said there were rumours that her husband's detention was connected with the investigations into the fire which occurred at the home of the Watson brothers in Park Drive, Port Elizabeth, and had nothing to do with the state of emergency.

She said her husband had been at the Watson home when the fire broke out and had been badly burnt in the fire.

The Minister of Law and Order and a Lieutenant Oosthuizen, the station commander at the Swartkops police station, are cited as respondents.

Mxenge: Court told of cop connection

A MEMBER of the South African Police was linked to the death of Durban civic rights lawyer, Mrs Victoria Mxenge, by a witness during the trial of three alleged African National Congress members in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

The witness, who may not be identified, was testifying at the trial of Mr Sibusiso Ngwenya (32) and Mr Abraham Lentswane (30) of Soweto; and Mr Guy Malamba (25) of Umlazi.

They are appearing before Mr Justice M J Strydom on charges of high treason, alternatively terrorism. They have pleaded not guilty to the charges.

The witness said Mr Malamba, asked him if he knew who had killed Mrs Mxenge when they met in November last year.

He said he did not know and Mr Malamba told him: "Detective-Sergeant Thabane Luthuli was there during the killing of Mrs Mxenge".

The witness also said Mr Malamba had a pistol and a handgrenade when they met.

He agreed that he was the first to raise Sgt Luthuli's name during discussion with Mr Malamba because the policeman had "sold him out" at one stage.

Under cross-examination he conceded he could not remember parts of his conversation with Mr Malamba because he "panicked".

(Proceeding).

Lawyers for 400 detainees find PE offices ransacked

Post Reporter

THE offices of a Port Elizabeth firm of attorneys who are dealing with more than 400 cases involving detainees were burgled last night.

Attorneys working for Krish Naidoo's firm of attorneys in Alfin House, North End, discovered the burglary when they arrived for work today.

One of the attorneys, Mr B Hansjee, said: "We arrived to find all three rooms virtually bare of their contents, except for the furniture. All our records and files of the cases we have been working on had been removed.

"The entire contents of the filing cabinet, desks and the stationery cupboard have been stolen — we now have nothing from which to work.

A typewriter, dictaphone machine, three telephones, a few chairs and court gowns had also disappeared and the curtains in the offices had been ripped down.

Mr David Naidoo, another attorney, said the burglary had very serious implications.

"It means that we have effectively been put out of operation for at least two months."

Watson witness: 'Lack of proof'

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — The Supreme Court yesterday postponed an urgent application to prevent the police from assaulting, interrogating or pressuring Mr Archie Mkele, a State witness in an arson and fraud case against three Watson brothers.

Mr Justice Jennet said that in view of the "formidable" case presented by the respondents and the lack of proof of the truth of the letters allegedly written by Mr Mkele, he was inclined to dismiss the application.

But before court was a letter alleging unlawful assault and duress. Despite the lack of proof of the truth of this allegation, it was the duty of the courts to provide protection if such protection was needed.

He decided to postpone the matter until such time as Mr Mkele was free to testify.

He requested the registrar to refer the matter to the Attorney-General.

The respondents — the Minister of Law and Order, the Divisional Commissioner of Police and the station commander, Swartkops — opposed the application.

Mr Justice Jennett said it was not disputed that Mr Mkele had written the letters, but this did not prove the truth of their contents.

AWB warned about its plan to form farmers' 'brandwag'

Pretoria Bureau

The Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, has warned the militant Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) not to compete with the SADF in the Eastern Transvaal.

The AWB has announced plans to form its own "brandwag" to protect farmers in the Eastern Transvaal from attacks by the ANC.

There has been a series of landmine explosions in the area in recent months and farmers have become increasingly angry.

The AWB says many are putting aside their political differences and joining the "brandwag".

Members are being taught how to shoot and react in emergencies. They are being encouraged to maintain radio contact.

General Malan said he and Manpower Minister Mr Piet du Plessis, who is also the MP for Lydenburg, had discussed the matter and were aware of what was going on.

He said the Eastern Transvaal and Far Northern Transvaal commandos were constantly giving attention to how farmers could be helped to protect themselves.

45 arrested during Winterveld swoop

GA-RANKUWA — About 45 people were arrested in Winterveld on Sunday morning when the Bophuthatswana police and Defence Force personnel surrounded the area and searched houses.

Police spokesman Colonel Dave George said they were looking for stolen property, cars and dangerous weapons.

A portable TV, a BMX bicycle and communist-related literature were confiscated.

Colonel George added that the sweep was carried out "to protect the legitimate, peace-loving citizens of Winterveld who are being made to suffer because of the actions of the small minority of the people in the area".

He said it was felt it was time the police and army took the initiative and did something constructive. — Sapa.

Truckdriver dies in collision in thick mist

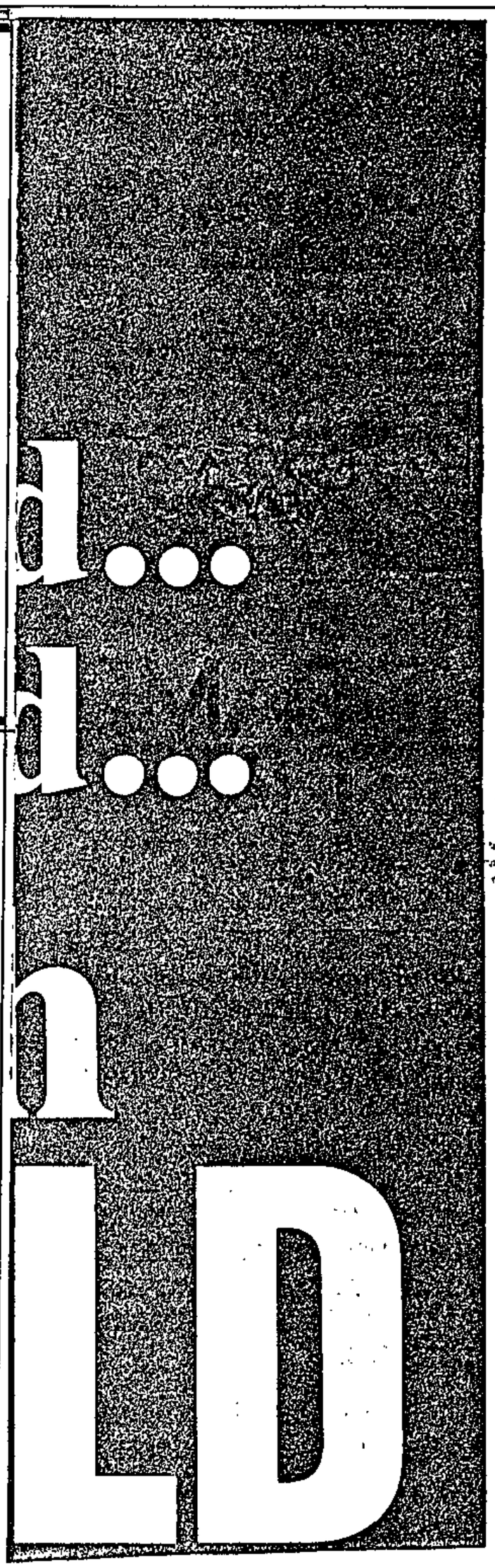
A truckdriver was killed when he drove into the back of another truck in thick mist in Leondale, Germiston, at 6.20 am today. Firemen struggled for almost two hours to free his body.

● Wynand Fourie (2), of Glen Marais, Kempton Park, drowned in a swimming pool on Friday. — East Rand Bureau.

Funeral of pupil shot in Soweto is peaceful

The Nghunghunyane High School pupil shot dead by police in Chiawelo, Soweto, last week was buried at the Avalon Cemetery yesterday.

The funeral of Mr Mackson Mbulelo Gaga (22), of Senaoane, was peaceful. Mr Gaga died during an incident at the school last week in which several other pupils were seriously injured.



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The copycat factor in violence

by Robert Bock

Newspapers, along with television and radio have a direct influence on suicide and murder rates, because people imitate the violence they see in the media, said a sociologist at the University of California at San Diego.

David Phillips said after a suicide received a lot of press coverage, the number of suicides in the U.S. also rose. So, too, the number of deaths from single-car crashes — regarded by sociologists as a rough barometer of the number of people taking their own lives in secret.

"The largest increase in suicides occurred after Marilyn Monroe's death," Phillips said. "After she killed herself, U.S. suicides were 12 per cent above normal, across the country."

Phillips estimated the extent of a story's coverage by whether or not it appeared on the front page of the New York Times. Stories that made the Times, he added, also ran on most front pages across the country.

In another study, he found that after a heavyweight boxing championship appears on the evening news, the homicide rate increases sharply.

These increases in murders and suicides were present even after Phillips mathematically accounted for the fact that the death rate normally rises on certain days of the week, days of the month and on holidays.

Phillips added that those who killed themselves in response to suicide stories frequently resemble, and perhaps identify with, the celebrity suicide.

Furthermore, those murdered after a heavyweight match have a lot in common with the losing fighter. For instance, when a young black male is defeated, murders of young black males increase.

"I also found, conversely, that after a young white male loses in a prize fight, there is a particularly large increase in the murders of young white males across the country," he said.

Phillips studied prize fights because they matched conditions in previous laboratory experiments that spurred people to commit violent acts.

"The violence is real, its exciting and its presented as justified," he said. "It's not criticised, but heavily rewarded and it's also intended by the aggressor, rather than just a byproduct of what he was doing."

Phillips does not know if stories about murder increase the homicide rate. So many murder stories appear in the news and entertainment media, he added, that it would be impossible to detect the effect of any one story on the homicide rate.

"The more publicity given to those stories, the greater the increase in death," Phillips said. "This suggests pretty straightforwardly that if there were less publicity, there would be fewer deaths occurring just afterwards."

Phillips is adamant, however, that the media should not be pressured into changing its reporting habits, as he fears it would compromise the U.S.'s tradition of freedom of the press.

Instead, he hopes the media, upon learning of his findings, will make the necessary changes from within.

The Los Angeles Times, he added, learned of his works a few years ago when he asked their permission to search their newspaper morgue. Since then, they have not published any front page suicide stories.

Phillips named this phenomenon The Werther Effect, for a character in a 1774 novel who took his own life. After the book was published, an epidemic of suicides spread through Europe.

Researches have long suspected that people imitate the violence in the media, but have been unable to prove it. Previously, other studies on imitative violence took place in the laboratory — an unnatural setting where the study volunteers were involved only in "pretend" violence, such as administering a shock to a willing volunteer.

Fortunately, the Werther effect, as it pertains to homicides, seems limited to officially sanctioned violence — episodes like boxing matches in which the aggressor is rewarded for his efforts.

On the other hand, punishing aggressors results in a decline in the murder rate. Fewer murders occur after a lengthy, heavily publicised criminal trial in which the defendant is severely punished — receiving either the death penalty or life in prison.

But this finding, Phillips points out, does not support the widely held belief that the death penalty deters murder. Rather, whether the convicted murderer was executed or sentenced to life made no difference — the reduction in homicides was virtually the same in both cases.

SA 'agents' accused after Stockholm bomb blast

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Mohamed Hussein, local representative of the ANC, said on Swedish television:

"I can only think this act could have been committed by South African agents."

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But the four people in the ANC office at the time were not wounded and nobody else in the building suffered any injuries.

● A spokesman for the Department of Foreign Affairs declined to comment on allegations that "South African Government agents" were responsible for the explosion.

The Deputy Minister of Information, Mr Louis Nel, was not available for comment this morning. — Sapa-Reuter.

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Police said no organization had so far claimed responsibility.

This was one of the few acts of political violence in Sweden since the unsolved murder of Prime Minister Mr Olof Palme in February.

Mr Andersson said he would call ANC leader Mr Oliver Tambo in Lusaka to report on what had happened and to apologize on Sweden's behalf.

Sweden, which has long campaigned against apartheid, supports the ANC financially, but the government is resisting strong pressure from Sweden's Nordic neighbours to join in a trade boycott of Pretoria.

Sweden has the largest investments in South Africa of any country in the Nordic region and the Social Democratic government's position is that it can only go along with mandatory sanctions approved by the UN Security Council. — Sapa-Reuter

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Conflicting ideas about VIOLENCE

FOCUS

By THEMBA MOLEFE

IN 1985 television viewers around the world watched gory footage as a young East Rand woman, Maki Skhosana, was stoned and burned to death by mourners at a funeral.

Maki Skhosana of Duduza Township was one of the many alleged sellouts and collaborators who have died in the most gruesome ways since township violence escalated in 1984.

A Uitenhage councillor Mr Thamsanqa Kinikini, who refused to resign, was hacked and burnt to death together with five members of his family in 1984.

Maki Skhosana and the Kinikini family were among over 2 000 fatalities in the ongoing violence in black townships.

The violence has extended to the "white" parts of South Africa: houses have been burnt down, bombs have exploded in crowded shopping centres, and many have lost life and limb.

The violence came under the microscope at a conference on *Violence and Reform* at the Rand Afrikaanse Universiteit last week.

In the end it was the same old story: the Government spokesmen had a completely different interpretation of the violence from Government opponents.

The two poles in the debate appeared to have some common ideas — that blacks needed political power; that the violence would continue until blacks had a voice in Government; that the conditions in the black townships had to be improved.

But the interpretations of these ideas differed too.

Speakers included National Party politicians, PFP representatives, Conservative Party members, human rights campaigners and "moderate" and "radical" blacks.

The audience, invited by RAU's Centre for the Investigation into Revolutionary Activities, included supporters of the Afrikaanse Weerstands Beweging (AWB) and black critics of the Government.

The Commissioner of the South African Police, General Johan Coetzee, and members of the Security Police were silent observers.

The Government's stand at the conference was predictable.

The Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, again blamed the outlawed African National Congress for "trying to make the country ungovernable" by instigating violence in the townships.

Pressure

Mr Heunis said supporters of violence in South Africa justify this violence by saying that:

- The Government implements reform only under extreme pressure;
- There are no other effective methods or channels through which certain communities could express themselves politically; and
- The violence is purely a reaction to "structural violence" perpetrated by the present "system".

He rejected totally the argument that the Government implements reform only under extreme pressure.

He said there are independent states where millions of black people have full political rights; self-governing territories and local authorities have been created; and multi-racial Regional Services Councils are soon to be established.

"Through these various instruments and bodies, all communities do participate in the political processes, and blacks in particular are already making valuable contributions," Mr Heunis said.

The Government, he said, has made "enormous strides during the recent past towards eradicating discrimination and towards creating a more just society".

He said the process of reform would continue regardless of violence.

The Rev Mashai Tema, of Soweto, pointed out that the issue was no longer apartheid, but it was a confrontation between black nationalism and white nationalism.

"South Africans of all colours are moving away from each other while scapegoats are being sought abroad and are being blamed for the violence in our country," Mr Tema said.

Soweto writer Mr Mtutuzeli Matshoba said the Government was giving one organisation (the ANC) credibility by constantly blaming it for the country's sorry state of affairs.

"No sane black adult in the townships loves to live in a violent place. The township dwellers are reacting to a poor lifestyle and people want power," Mr Matshoba said.

His views were supported by Mrs Joyce Harris of the Black Sash, who spoke on structural violence and its influence on reform.

She said the word reform meant to amend or improve. The other definition was to bring, lead or force a person to abandon a wrong or evil conduct and adopt a right one.

"I suggest that the Government talks of and practises reform in terms of the first definition, that of amending or improving. Opponents of the Government think in terms of the abandonment of a wrong or evil conduct and the adoption of a right one," Mrs Harris said.

Anger

"The pass laws have been abolished but their abolition does not simply cancel out the anger, the many years of pain, frustration, suffering and humiliation caused by pass raids, roadblocks, body searches, imprisonment and insecurity," she said.

Mrs Harris spoke of the loss of citizenship, forced removals, population registration and detention without trial as being the worst forms of structural violence.

"Somehow a constitution must be reached which has the consent of all the governed, and this can never happen while structural violence remains an integral part of government," she said.



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FAMILIES FLEE TERROR

FIGHTING CONTINUES AT MZIMHLOPHE

A NUMBER of families have fled trouble-torn Mzimhlope township as sporadic fighting continues between hostel inmates and Meadowlands Zone 1 residents.

There was an eerie silence yesterday afternoon in the normally bustling township and gates to many homes were padlocked.

A resident, Mrs Mary Sepanoka, in one of the homes facing the hostel spoke to reporters from inside her barricaded yard and said: "Many people have run away. We are all afraid that this fight may start anytime. Police were here but they have gone away now and anything may happen."

At least 10 people have died and scores have been injured since the fighting started more than two weeks ago.

A teenage boy, Tsepo Masilo, came out of his locked home and said several people were not staying in their homes. He held the key to his locked yard and said no-one was allowed in.

Many houses both inside the hostel and in Meadowlands Zone 1 have smashed windows and their owners have placed corrugated iron on the windows.

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Fresh spate of right-wing attacks on activists

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By JO-ANN BEKKER

WHILE South Africa's low-key guerrilla war appears to have entered a new phase with recent attacks in white suburbs, rightwing groups are apparently engaged in a little-publicised spate of burglaries and arson attacks against civil rights lawyers, academics and activists.

Dr Tom Lodge, a University of the Witwatersrand academic who is an expert on the African National Congress, was the latest victim. His university office was partially destroyed by fire on Sunday night. Paraffin-soaked papers are thought to have started the fire, which did only minor damage to his books and papers as campus security guards quenched the flames quickly.

Lodge said freely-available stickers of the Johannesburg Democratic Action Committee (Jodac) were stuck over the window from which the arsonists apparently entered, possibly in an attempt to "muddy relations in the Left".

"My colleagues and I think it was the work of rightwingers," he said.

One of the most thorough burglaries took place in the Port Elizabeth offices of United Democratic Front lawyer Krish Naidoo, in the early hours of August 22.

A lawyer from the firm said intruders removed all the files and records, most of the stationery, legal robes, framed certificates of law degrees, and even the telephones. She said only the desks and filing cabinets were left behind.

The previous month, in the same building in Port Elizabeth, an advice office which worked closely with township organisations in tracing and assisting detainees and their families was raided. All records of detainees and receipts for bail money were taken. The office, begun by detained End Conscription Campaign head Janet Cherry, had to start its records from scratch.

In other areas, thieves seem to be concentrating on stealing computer equipment in their raids on offices of activists.

At the Johannesburg Institute for Contextual Theology, headed by evangelical priest Frank Chikane, the Transvaal vice president of the United Democratic Front, seven men were surprised by the nightwatchman after they had loaded all computer equipment into a toilet.

The men, who had gained entrance to the building from a side door, at first told the watchman they had come to fix a telephone.

In July, the Natal offices of the Congress of South African Trade Unions were robbed of computer equipment.

And in June the offices of the student newspaper Saspu National in Freeway House, Braamfontein were gutted in a fire apparently caused by a petrol bomb attack. Computers from Freeway House were also stolen.

A Johannesburg lawyer representing some of the burgled organisations said the thieves seemed to have considerable skill in getting in and out of the buildings without much difficulty. He said the theft of computers meant they would have access to the organisations' programmes as well as their information.

Whether or not the attacks were part of a well-coordinated campaign, the lawyer said, they all had one thing in common: no one has been prosecuted for the crimes.

Police singled out in wave of violence

By SHIRLEY PRESSLY

FIVE law enforcement officers, four of them municipal policemen, have died violently in the Eastern Cape since the beginning of the month in what appears to be a new move to attack municipal policemen and members of the SA Police transport branch.

There have been two recent attacks on members of the former SA Railways Police, one fatal.

The body of one of them, Constable Johnson Ngokwene, was found in a shallow grave near Motherwell on Thursday.

Nearby, members of the East Cape murder and robbery squad found charred remains which could be those of two trainee municipal policemen who were apparently lured to their deaths at a shebeen in Motherwell by three women on October 11.

Forensic tests will establish whether they are the remains of the two trainees.

In the latest attack a 49-year-old former Railways policeman was attacked at his home in Kwazakele on Thursday night by a group of 20 who arrived and demanded a firearm which he did not have.

The former Railways policeman was admitted to the Livingstone Hospital where his condition is serious. His home, valued at R20 000, was burnt to the ground.

Major Eddie Everson, SAP liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said it was most disturbing that there appeared to be a new trend to attack municipal policemen and members of the SAP's transport branch.

Five people had been killed and three injured.

He listed attacks since the beginning of the month:

● **October 3:** Shots were fired at municipal police on escort duty in Kwanobuhle. A 25-year-old constable was wounded in the left leg.

● **October 5:** Shots were fired at Ibhayi municipal policemen in Walmer township at 10pm. Nobody was hurt.

● **October 6:** In Grahamstown, a 32-year-old Rhini policeman walking with his girlfriend in C Street was shot and killed by an unknown gunman.

● **October 12:** Const Ngokwene, of the SAP transport branch, visiting his mother in Motherwell, was forced into his car and shot in the neck. The assailants then ran away.

Later four men returned and told Mrs Ngokwene they would take the wounded man to hospital in his own car. It was found burnt out about four kilometres away.

There was no sign of Const Ngokwene until his body was found in a shallow grave in dense bush near Motherwell on Thursday.

Two youths aged 17 and 18 have been arrested.

● **October 15:** In Kwazakele at 8.30pm an unknown gunman fired on a municipal policeman, Mr Zamibunga Maseti, of Kwanobuhle. Mr Maseti was killed instantly.

● **October 11:** Three students at the Ibhayi Police Training Centre on a long weekend pass were accosted at a shebeen in Motherwell.

One escaped after being stabbed, but his two companions were caught and taken away.

Another 8 are slain in Soweto

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EIGHT more people — including a 16-year-old youth — were murdered in Soweto this week, bringing the violent deaths in the township since the weekend to 21.

According to the Bureau for Information in Pretoria, an unidentified youth was burned alive by unknown people on Monday. No arrests have been made and police are continuing with their investigations.

In another incident reported to the police yesterday, a 24-year-old Zola man bled to death after four men attacked him with an assortment of sharp instruments on Sunday morning.

No arrests have been made.

A game of dice ended in horror when a 29-year-old man was stabbed twice during an argument with another man. The man, who was not identified, died on the spot, according to Brigadier Beeslaar, Divisional Criminal Investigation Officer of the Soweto Police.

Brig Beeslaar said at least 10 people were arrested for various crimes.





MURDERED . . . Miss Ginny Goitseone.



GEORGE Scheepers.



MURDERER . . . Johan Wessels.

What motivates RACIST KILLERS

FOCUS

By NAT DISEKO

TWO young lovers, Miss Ginny Goitseone and Mr Morake Wessie, are out enjoying an evening drive. But unbeknown to them, four young white men are abroad looking for trouble after having drinks.

How the outing ended tragically for the lovers, came out in evidence in the case in which the four, Schalk Johannes Burger, Joseph Scheepers, Daniel Durandt and Jacobus Matthysen were charged with rape and murder.

Miss Goitsione died in the boot of a burning car. Scheepers, whom one newspaper report described as being "as cold and hard as an iceberg," was not moved even when Miss Goitseone begged for mercy crying: "My baas, my baas".

Lately, there have been many brutal murders of blacks by whites and some blacks have been attacked for sport. What drives young whites to behave in such a brutal and barbaric manner?

In an interview, Professor Jill Straker of the School of Psychology at the University of the Witwatersrand said apartheid and society facilitated this brutish behaviour.

Some of the offenders come from decent backgrounds and in many cases, those close to the accused describe them as "gentle" people.

Invariably, the accused will plead that he was under the influence of liquor when the crime was committed.

Excuse

The South African Law Commission has recommended that being under the influence of liquor or drugs should no longer be an excuse for criminal behaviour. The recommendation was made to Parliament in February.

Prof Straker said the increase in attacks on blacks by whites were the result of rising tensions because of the political climate in the country.

"As tensions increase and conflict mounts, people are polarised and the political positions become more extreme. The murders are extreme acts," Prof Straker said.

She said that in any society there would always be people who were anti-social people who are murderers and sadists.

"But there are societies that easily predispose some people to violence. South Africa is a violent society.

"Whites are not encouraged to see blacks as people. Part of the development of sympathy, empathy and compassion depends on being able to identify with other persons," Prof Straker said.

She said that under apartheid, whites were not exposed to blacks in their neighbourhoods, schools or churches other than in the role of servants. It was this lack of exposure that undermined people's ability to identify and feel with others.

In his evidence in the Rand Supreme Court, Anton Stoop, accused of the murder of a black man, said as a child he had been taught that black people were "kaffirs".

Prof Straker said a "kaffir" was regarded as something that was not human.

Mr Justice Coetzee, sitting with two assessors, sentenced Stoop to death for the brutal murder of Mr David Nthutang in February. The court found no extenuating circumstances.

Stoop's two co-accused, Willem Jansen (22) and Francis Johannes Bester (22) were found guilty of attempted murder and assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm. Jansen was sentenced to five years' imprisonment and Bester to two years.

The three came across Mr Nthutang in a street in Florida. They assaulted him, locked him in the boot of a car, assaulted him once more before running him over with the car. His body was then set alight. It would appear the body was set alight to disguise the assault by the three.

Rape

Four weeks ago, another similarly horrendous case ended in the Free State Supreme Court. An 18-year-old youth, Johan Wessels (18), was sentenced to death for the murder of Miss Elizabeth Mokoena at Loch Athlone, Bethlehem in January.

Wessels was also sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for the rape of Miss Mokoena (18). Christo Viljoen (20) was sentenced to an effective 15 years. Frederick Swanepoel (25) and Michael Mynhardt (24) were each jailed for eight years for rape.

Prof Straker said: "We live out what we learn. While some societies inhibit violence, ours does not.

"We live in an authoritarian society and authoritarianism and violence go together. Authoritarianism and apartheid allow the expression of sadistic impulses.

"Everybody has the potential for aggression but our upbringing in the family, school and church usually inhibits it or gives it a socially acceptable outlet, like sport.

"We are separated. So the process by which we would identify with our fellows is interfered with.

"It has been more socially acceptable for whites to be rude to blacks than to other whites."

Prof Straker said a white child would be freely rude to the childminder but not to its mother.

"The nanny has the responsibility of looking after the child but not the authority to discipline and correct it.

Cruel

"These people (the racist murderers) are exceptionally cruel. But it is the society that facilitates it.

"Their aggression is selectively directed. Some are described as gentle by their relatives. But their targets seem to be people with whom they do not identify.

"This could be solved by having a society where there was justice and an atmosphere which encourages respect for all human life irrespective of colour, religion, gender or creed," Prof Straker said.

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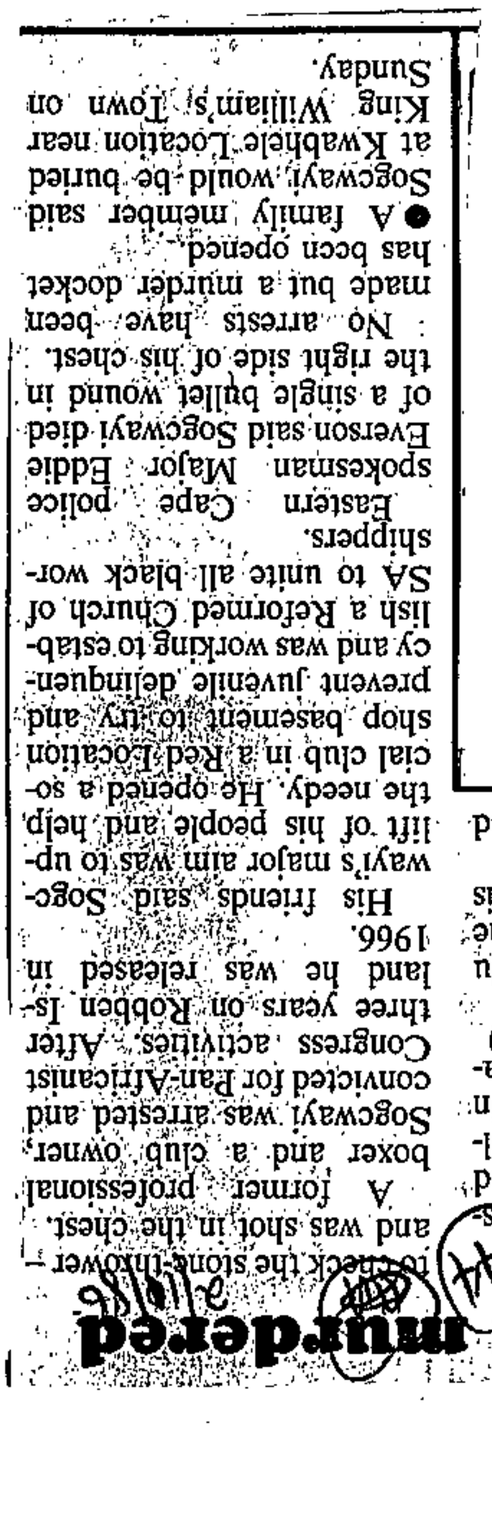

Sogcwayi murdered

CP Correspondent

A FORMER Robben Island prisoner was gunned down by a mysterious assailant on Saturday evening in Port Elizabeth's Red Location.

Relatives of Mzimkhulu "Bob" Sogcwayi, 63, said he was travelling home in his car when it was stoned.

A friend said he stopped to check the stone-thrower and was shot in the chest.

A former professional boxer and a club owner, Sogcwayi was arrested and convicted for Pan-Africanist Congress activities. After three years on Robben Island he was released in 1966.

His friends said Sogcwayi's major aim was to uplift of his people and help the needy. He opened a social club in a Red Location shop basement to try and prevent juvenile delinquency and was working to establish a Reformed Church of SA to unite all black workshippers.

Eastern Cape police spokesman Major Eddie Everson said Sogcwayi died of a single bullet wound in the right side of his chest.

No arrests have been made but a murder docket has been opened.

● A family member said Sogcwayi would be buried at Kwabhele Location near King William's Town on Sunday.

Life of fear for Cosatu secretary

By MONO BADELA

CONGRESS of SA Trade Unions Northern Transvaal region secretary Donsie Khumalo is living in fear – after two hooded men armed with revolvers tried to get into his Mamelodi home in the early hours of Wednesday morning.

Khumalo was detained in terms of the emergency regulations and spent 92 days in detention.

He was banned on release from detention and is not allowed to speak to the Press.

A Cosatu statement this week said: "The Mamelodi incident follows the arson attack and gutting of our East London office, the theft of a computer from our education and printing unit, and anonymous bomb threats received by phone at our head office.

"Cosatu is engaged in a dignified struggle to defend the rights of the most oppressed and exploited people in the country.

"Our struggle is being waged in a democratic fashion, and we have pursued all avenues to convince the government and the bosses that repression will not solve their problems, but only raise the level of conflict," the statement said.

Bloody weekend claims 18 lives

EIGHTEEN Soweto people, including an unknown woman, were killed in separate incidents of violence in one of the bloodiest weekends in the township this year.

Brigadier James Beeslaar, head of the Soweto Criminal Investigation Department, yesterday said he could not give a specific reason for the high death toll as some of the murders were senseless and did not form a pattern.

Brig Beeslaar said, however, that the possibility that liquor played a big role in many of the murders could not be ruled out as it was at the end of the month.

He said five of the victims died after they were shot at while the rest were stabbed to death with knives and other sharp instruments.

Only one arrest was made in one of the murder cases reported to the police at the weekend.

In one of seven armed robberies reported, a 26-year-old police constable attached to the Riot Unit in Protea police headquarters had his scrotum cut off when he was attacked by a group of men at Kliptown railway station in the early hours of Saturday morning.

The policeman, who was not identified, is in a serious condition at Baragwanath Hospital, but is not on the "danger list", according to Brigadier Beeslaar.

He said the off-day policeman was also robbed of his private firearm after he was overpowered by the group. He was also fired at.

In another incident of armed robbery, a 24-year-old policeman from Roodepoort was robbed of his pistol and R200 cash when he was attacked in a taxi on Saturday night.

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The strange men in blue who frighten the activists

VIGILANTES may be poised to take action against those involved in the third Port Elizabeth consumer boycott which started on Monday.

Port Elizabeth activists fear the men in blue overalls, who have been seen helping staff roadblocks, are the same notorious "wit doeke" vigilantes who helped smash the Crossroads communities outside Cape Town earlier this year.

Boycott leader Mike Xhego said from hiding this week that the vigilantes were being identified by their "blue overalls".

They have helped staff security force roadblocks but have not "as yet gone on a rampage, but we are watching the situation".

The boycott, which so far has left many white businesses in the area bankrupt and forced many to close, was conditionally suspended at a mass meeting on September 12, to give the government a chance to respond to the demands of Port Elizabeth's black community.

Port Elizabeth has experienced six boycott-free months out of the past 18.

The boycott resumed on the scheduled date of November 3, despite the prolonged detention of two key Consumer Boycott Committee leaders, the PE Youth Congress president, Mkhuseli Jack, and East Cape United Democratic Front vice president Henry Fazzie. Other members are in hiding.

Leaders of the PE boycott, which started on Monday, claim that groups of 'witdoek' vigilantes have been seen about the townships

On Monday Port Elizabeth's Chamber of Commerce appealed for community leaders "not in detention" to make contact with the chamber.

Tony Gilson, director of the chamber, when pressed by Weekly Mail about planned meetings with the fugitive boycott committee, said: "It's a delicate situation. We don't want to blow our negotiating procedures."

Xhego said that the boycott was called after consultation with "established street structures". No pamphlets were issued, he said.

However, graffitti proclaiming "No shopping!" appeared on township walls during the weekend.

He said that if the State President did not lift the State of Emergency and release community leaders — Jack and Fazzie among others — the boycott "will certainly continue over the Christmas period".

Xhego said an arrangement had been made with the eastern Cape African Chamber of Commerce (ECACOC) for pensioners, provided they show proof, to be given a five percent discount at all shops in the townships.

The major boycott demands are:

- Release Nelson Mandela and all political prisoners;
- Unban the African National Congress and other political organisations;
- Allow an unconditional return of exiles; and
- Abolish apartheid.

Immediate demands are:

- Release Mkhuseli Jack and other emergency detainees;
- Lift the State of Emergency ;
- Remove the razor wire surrounding New Brighton, Port Elizabeth's oldest township;
- Rebuild damaged schools; and
- Scrap the dompas issued to residents by the SA Police and the Ibhayi Town Council.

Xhego said the boycotts were not anti-white, but were "a signal to white voters to remind them of the hardships they cause our people by voting for the government term after term".

Meanwhile "To let" signs, and shuttered shops line Main Street, North End — where black consumers usually shop, attesting to Gilson's comment: "We know how damaging the boycott is to Port Elizabeth's economy."

Fire-bombers hit Azapo man's home

By Mojalefa Moseki

Five people narrowly escaped a fiery death in Soweto when the home of the national general secretary of the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo), Mr George Wauchope, was petrol-bombed yesterday.

The home of an executive member of the Council of Unions of South Africa (Cusa), Mr Thami Mcerwa, was attacked minutes later. The roof was damaged and the windows smashed. Both men live in Dlamini township.

About 50 attackers fastened the doors of Mr Wauchope's house from the outside at about 3 am and set it ablaze. Five people including a three-year-old boy were trapped inside.

Mr Wauchope's mother, Mrs Ethel Wauchope, said they smashed the doors to get out.

The attack on Mr Wauchope's home came within a day of a meeting held with about 500 parents in Moletsane, Tladi, Zola and Jabulani townships, condemning "black-on-black" violence.

KILLINGS

The parents, who formed the Concerned Parents' Group, resolved that youths should stop the killings and fighting among themselves over ideological differences.

The outcry by parents follows the recent death of Mr Thabo Lengane who was abducted from his home and killed by youths who pretended to be policemen. The youths had asked for Mr Lengane's son, Jefferson, who was an Azapo member, and taken Mr Lengane when his son was not home.

The meeting was attended by residents from various ideological groupings and community organisations. They all pledged to fight for unity among blacks against the common enemy, apartheid.

They said in a statement that "as parents we call upon all organisations to condemn publicly the senseless killing taking place in the name of the struggle. Ideological differences can never be resolved through violence".

'Bomber colleagues' surprise policeman

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By STAN MHLONGO

AN East Rand policeman told the Pretoria Supreme Court he was surprised to learn that three of his colleagues were involved in the petrolbombing of a house where two sisters were killed and Anglican Bishop Simon Nkoane's house damaged.

Warrant Officer Templeton Sibaca told Judge Staffords in the Duduza terrorism trial this week that the Thobela sisters Sonto, 20 – who was pregnant – and Zanele, 15, died after their home was petrolbombed on May 9 last year.

The seven accused are John Mlangeni, 21, Samuel Lekhasa, 19, Humphrey Tshabalala, 19, Joseph Mazibuko, 18, and Johannes Mazibuko, 18, Hosiah Lengosana, 20, and Cedric Dladla, 18.

Sibaca told the courthe was surprised to discover his colleagues W.O Richard Mapeleba, a Sergeant Sitholeand Peter Mphahlele were involved in the petrolbombing of the Thobela and Nkoane homes.

Sibaca said on May 9 1985 he was woken up at 1am by a WO Coetzee, his senior, and told to investigate the burning of a house near his Duduza home.

Sibaca said the house, where he found two bottle lids and a cloth smelling of petrol, belonged to former Duduza Civic Association public secretary John Thobela.

A person who saw Thobela's house being set alight told him a white combi had left the scene of the fire.

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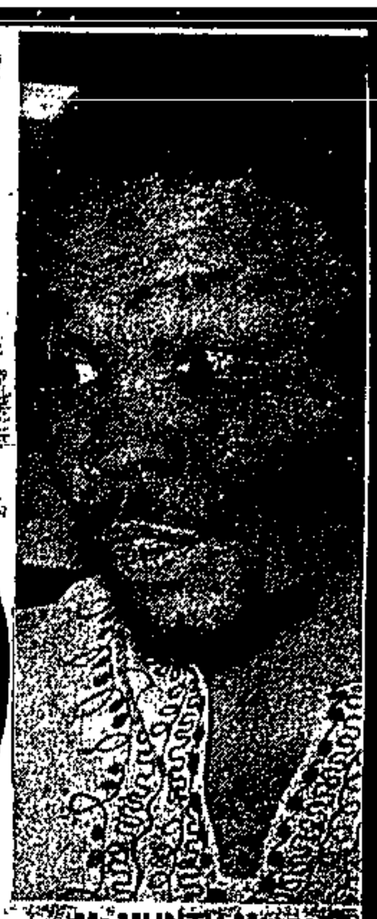

Mr MUNTU Myeza

A 15-year-old youth abducted from a Soweto house two weeks ago, by about 40 youths was last Friday found dead at the Government mortuary — with a bullet hole between his eyes.

By NKOPANE MAKOBANE

The discovery of Fana Mhlongo's body on Friday marked the end of a long search by his family since the youth was kidnapped from the home of George Wauchope, Azapo general secretary, two weeks ago.

Fana, a former Form 4 pupil at Ibhengo High School in Dlamini is survived by his mother, Elizabeth, three brothers and a sister. His funeral service on Sunday will start at 11am at St Hilda's Anglican Church in Senaoane. Thereafter the cortege will proceed to the graveyard.

Early yesterday morning the home of Muntu Myeza, publicity secretary of the Azanian Peoples Organisation (Azapo), was petrolbombed by unknown people. Mr Myeza confirmed the attack. Minimal damage was caused.

Earlier last week shots were fired at the home of Jabu Ngwenya, chairman of the Consumer Boycott Committee, according to his family.

This latest wave of killings has horrified the community. Earlier this year the community was similarly shocked when six youths, members of the Soweto Students Congress were shot near Tshiawelo after they had been kidnapped. Four of them died.

Since the beginning of this year political violence has been on the increase and victims have been from both black conciousness organisations and the progressive democrats. Azapo, the major black consciousness organisations and the United Democratic Front (UDF), the standard bearer for progressive democrats, have condemned the violence.

Factions

The African National Congress (ANC) has also called for a halt to the violence.

Two weeks ago the Weekly Mail, reported that supporters of the Government were involved in a campaign aimed at deepening rifts within the black community and encouraging various factions to fight each other.

Fears in the community are that it seems the Government has at last succeeded in thwarting unity or co-operation between township anti-Government organisations. Instead, members of these organisations are hunting down and killing each other with wanton savagery.

In wave of political violence

• Azapo last night repeated its call for an end to black on black violence. Publicity secretary Mr Myeza said his organisation had evidence that decisions had been taken to eliminate the leadership of Azapo.

He also disclosed that the homes of two members, Mda Mkhwanazi and Ms Tenji Leeuw, were attacked by groups of men. At Mkhwanazi's home his father and an Azasm member, were kidnapped and released two weeks later after being tortured. At Ms Leeu's home an attempt was made to kidnap her father but he escaped while shots were fired at him.

An official, Mr Theo Boyi Manana, head of the Azapo youth secretariat, is critical in hospital after a knife attack.

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Sosco member shot dead in street

By SELLO SERIPE

A SOWETO Students' Congress member, a former member of the outlawed Congress of SA Students, was found dead with three bullet wounds on his body in a street in Phiri, Soweto, this week.

The shot youth was Ibhongo High School matric student Mduduze "Madona" Dlamini, 19, of Dlamini 2.

In a previous incident on Tuesday last week, Dlamini's home had been riddled with 15 bullets, but nobody was wounded.

The shooting was reported to the police.

A family spokesman said Dlamini was shot three times this week – in the back of the head, the forehead and the stomach.

She said someone phoned them in the evening to tell them about the shooting.

Dlamini's friend, who did not wish to be named, said he and two other friends were with Dlamini when a man accosted them in a street in Phiri. He said the man called out "Madona" and grabbed Dlamini.

"Soon a group of men emerged from a alley and 'Madona' – who was struggling to free himself – screamed to us to run.

"He shouted the name of a rival body – and said the men were its members and would kill us," said the friend. "As we ran – leaving him with his captors – I saw a white Cressida, followed by an overloaded white Peugeot, drive to the scene.

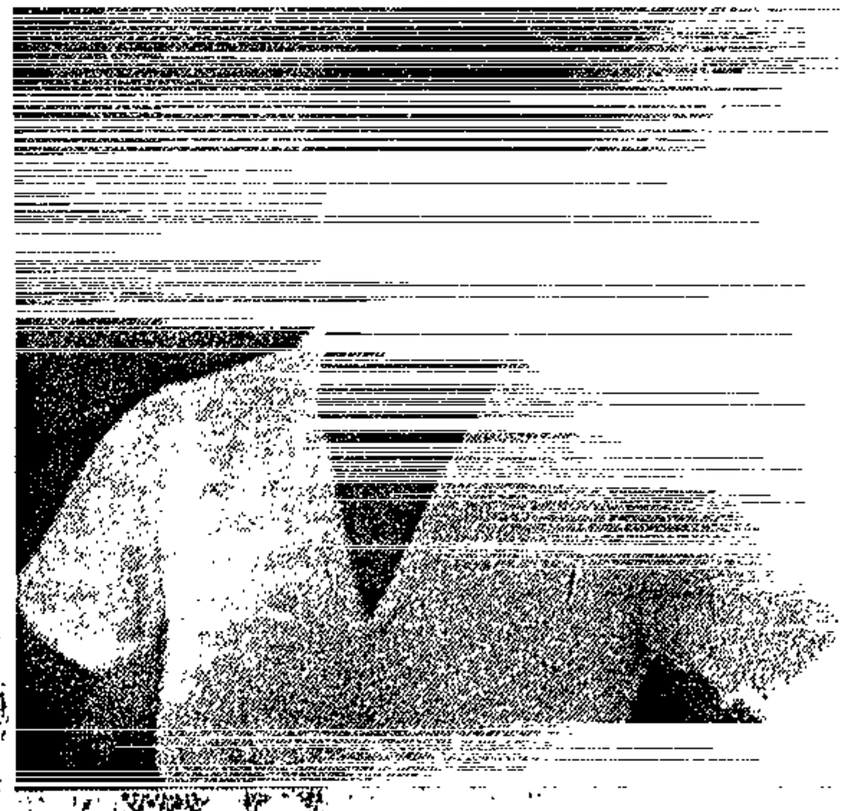
"Earlier, the same Cressida had overtaken us in the street and the driver studied us thoroughly," the friend said.

The incident has been reported to the Protea police station.

Dlamini will be buried tomorrow at Avalon cemetery.

● The Black Consciousness Movement of Azania this week backed the African National Congress in condemning political infighting among black organisations.

The BCMA said political inter-black violence was not "politically justifiable" and only carried "ignominy for the perpetrators".



Mduduzo 'Madona' Dlamini ... shot three times.

Riddle of white car seen at scene of killings

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — At least one of the killers who gunned down prominent Mamelodi doctor Fabian Ribeiro and his wife, Florence, spoke Afrikaans, witnesses say.

The killers may have been black but they later joined two armed whites, the witnesses said.

And there is a mystery over the presence in the area of a white vehicle.

At least three witnesses said they saw the white car outside the Ribeiro home before and after the murders.

A car with the number of the mystery car is registered in the name of a Pretoria security police officer.

The vehicle is listed as a Ford Cortina. Witnesses who took down the number of the car outside the Ribeiro home said it was a white Nissan.

The Bureau for Information says a police vehicle with the number seen by witnesses was near Dr Ribeiro's home after the shootings when it was used by an investigating officer. A spokesman said police declined to disclose the make or colour of the car.

Witnesses said the Nissan had cruised slowly past the Ribeiro home just before the killings and returned minutes after the murders.

PARTY

The killers of the popular community leader and his wife, both 53, were seen by a number of people.

One witness, Mr X, who refused to give his name, said he and about 50 other people were at a party opposite Dr Ribeiro's home about 6.50pm on Monday.

They saw the white Nissan with two whites in it drive slowly past Dr Ribeiro's home. It made a U-turn in the street and disappeared.

A short while later a maroon car pulled up outside the doctor's house and two men got out.

Mr X said one of the men was black but he was unsure about the other. They went into Dr Ribeiro's house.

He said: "I heard a sharp sound and we all looked at Dr Ribeiro's house."

He said he saw two men with guns run out of the house to the maroon car.

HAIL OF STONES

A Ribeiro family member in the street ran towards the men and tried to pull the driver out of the car.

The man in the passenger seat got out, shouted "Ag nee, wag" and allegedly fired two shots at the family member but missed. The two men drove off under a hail of stones from people in the street.

Mr X believes the car windows were reinforced because they did not break when bricks hit them. He said he jumped into a car with six others and gave chase.

Mr X said: "I saw the occupants (of the maroon car join) two white men in a four-wheel drive car. All four were armed. The two cars sped off towards Pretoria."

He said he and his friends returned minutes after the shooting and saw the white Nissan come to Dr Ribeiro's house and stop outside.

Two white men went into the house but came out a few minutes later.

Four other witnesses, who refused to give their names, confirmed the sequence of events.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information said initial investigations had shown the killers were black. The bureau said a 45-calibre firearm was used.

Memorial for Ribeiro banned
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By SOL MORATHI and CP Correspondent

POLICE yesterday effectively banned a memorial service which was to have been held on Sunday for Dr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife Barbara in the Pretoria township of Mamelodi.

The couple were gunned down in the court yard of their home in Mmelodi West on Monday, reports Sapa.

Northern Transvaal Divisional Police Commissioner Jacob Stemmet issued orders in terms of emergency regulations prohibiting funeral ceremonies in Mamelodi being held on weekends or public holidays.

Further "standard" limitations – such prohibiting ceremonies being held out of doors, flags and banners, public address systems, and speakers other than ordained ministers – were ordered.

Meanwhile The Ribeiro murders has caused panic and concern in political circles..

Activists fear that a "hit squad" has been responsible for a number of disappearances and murders of left wing political activists over the last decade since the slaying of Dr Richard Turner – a banned politics lecturer at Natal University, who was shot at point blank range at his home in Durban on January 8, 1978.

The Ribeiros – both 50 – were gunned down by two masked men. Their attackers escaped in a maroon car.

Their son Chris escaped death when shots were fired at him by the killers.

The Pretoria Murder and Robbery Squad Detectives said they have launched a manhunt for the killers.

There is a mystery over the presence in the area of a white vehicle with the registration numbers GHN 107T.

A number of eye witnesses said they saw the car outside the Ribeiros home before and after the shooting.

A car with such a registration is known to be registered in the name of a Security police branch commanding officer in Pretoria.

But contrary to witnesses who took the numbers of the car and said it was a white Datsun Skyline, the vehicle has been listed as Cortina.

Florence Ribeiro was the sister of the late Pan Africanist Congress leader Robert Sobukwe.

The couple will be cremated on Monday.

Dr Ribeiro, described by many Mamelodi residents as "the people's" doctor, was involved in caring for the injured during the shootings in Mamelodi, on November 21 last year.

In 1977 he was detained, but aqcuitted on charges of terrorism.

In February this year, the family escaped death when their house was attacked and completely deastroyed.

Sapa reports that The National Medical and Dental Association said yesterday it grieved for the Ribeiro family.

In a statement, Namda said Dr Ribeiro "stood for the highest ethical principles of his profession" and spoke "tirelessly and outspokenly against the injustices of apartheid".

Other anti-apartheid activists who were killed or disappeared under mysterious circumstances in the past decade include:

- Durban civil rights lawyer Griffiths Mxenge found hacked to death at Umlazi cycle track on November 20, 1981.
- Mxenge's widow Victoria was shot in the head on August 1, 1985, near her home.
- Harrison Msizi Dube was shot outside his Lamontville home on April 25 1983.
- Port Elizabeth Cosas activist Siphiwe Mtimkulu mysteriously disappeared in April 1982. At the time he was suing the police state for alleged torture and poisoning during his detention.
- Port Elizabeth UDF activists Sipho Hashe, Qaqawuli Godolozi and Champion Galela went missing in May 1985.
- In June 1985 the bodies of Matthew Goniwe, Sparrow Mkonto, Siselo Mhlawuli and Fort Calata were found badly burned.

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schools, the unbanning of SRC meetings and lifting the state of emergency.

And, in another development, leading churchmen countrywide have called on pupils and students to return to school next year.

A statement issued by Bishop Duncan Buchanan of the Church of the Province of SA, Bishop Manas Buthelezi of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa, Rev JS Ngobe of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Rev Peter Storey, former Methodist Church of Southern Africa president, Bishop Reginald Orsmond of the Catholic diocese of Johannesburg, Rev J Wing of the United Congregational Church, Rev Paul Makhubu of the Council of African Independent Churches, Dr Wolfram Kistner of the SA Council of Churches and Rev Chris Aitken of the Presbyterian Church of Southern Africa, said the church had a prophetic and pastoral responsibility to the whole society.

The statement urged students to return to their classes next year, that the government take all administrative measures to facilitate the re-opening of schools currently closed and urged DET to withdraw the security forces from the schools.

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Graffiti threats to Boraine, ECC

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Staff Reporter

GRAFFITI artists defaced the offices of two organisations and an Observatory bookshop early yesterday morning with threats against the End Conscription Campaign, Nusas, and UDF executive member Mr Andrew Boraine.

"Boraine we will get you", was spraypainted on the window of Open Books in Main Road. Mr Boraine was once a part-owner of the business.

The glass doors leading to the Observatory offices of Nusas and the ECC were daubed with "ECC we will f... you up" and "Nusas we will get you".

Mr Boraine, who no longer has any financial interest in Open Books, said yesterday that the author of the threat against him was "a little out of touch with reality".

The timing of the threat was also "very strange" as he had spent most of the past year working on academic research and had not been prominent in political activities.

Part-owner of the shop, Ms Nicky Rousseau, said the shop had been the frequent target of attacks by right-wing groups over the past year.

Man shot by intruder at Ribeiro home

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — A witness to the slaying of Mamelodi doctor Fabian Ribeiro and his wife, Florence, was shot and wounded in the yard of the Ribeiro home, residents said.

Mr Jacob Mampuru was shot about 10.45 last night. Police could not confirm the shooting.

It is not known how serious his injuries are.

Mr Mampuru, a friend of Dr Ribeiro's son, Chris, went to investigate a report that someone had jumped over the garden wall of the Ribeiro home, neighbours said.

He was shot with a 0,45 calibre firearm as he tried to grab the intruder, they said.

Neighbours chased the intruder who escaped.

Witnesses said the man was wearing brown army-style trousers and a teargas mask.

Union fears an 'armed siege'

AFTER the killing of five members in less than four days, officials of the Metal and Allied Workers Union fear there is a concerted campaign to smash the union.

Their supporters in the northern Natal township of Isithebe report this week that they are virtually under seige by "armed vigilantes" who attack and beat up any Mawu member they can find.

Two members who live in Chesterville died on Monday this week after being attacked with pangas on Sunday.

And last weekend in Mpophomeni, the charred bodies of two Mawu shop stewards and the daughter of a third were found hours after the three had been abducted by armed men.

Both the union and the state Bureau for Information, in its initial reports, linked the abductors to Inkatha.

Since then, Inkatha secretary general Oscar Dhlomo has issued a statement denying that Inkatha was involved in a "one sided attack".

It was rather "violence between two warring factions", he said. Police have opened murder dockets but have not yet made any arrests.

Inkatha has been named in incidents such as these in the past and has denied it. However, the response issued on this occasion was different.

It was a prompt and full version of events as alleged by Inkatha — normally such statements are briefer and limited to a denial.

There was also less vitriol than usual

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both for the press and the union.

And there was no attempt to deny that Inkatha had been in the township and had been involved in violence with residents of Mpophomeni.

Phrases such as "we unreservedly condemn the violence from both sides" are unusual in the repertoire of such statements.

There could be two reasons for the change: Inkatha president Mangosutho Buthelezi was out of the country at the time and the statement was made by his deputy Dhlomo, whose style is rather different and usually less belligerent.

Dhlomo also had to make a tactical calculation of the impression his statement would make on a far wider audience than usual.

Many eyes are on Inkatha at the moment because of the Indaba recommendations, which, if they are implemented, will lead to a provincial parliamentary majority for the movement.

Part of their attraction to the other parties at the Indaba negotiations is their profession of "non violence". Killings such as those at Mpophomeni would badly tarnish this image.

The two versions of what happened at Mpophomeni differ radically.

According to Mawu, the township lights went off unexpectedly on Friday night. Under cover of darkness, buses of people from outside the area came into the township and occupied the community hall.

Some hours later the occupants of two cars went to the home of a union member and "abducted" him, his brother, a shop steward and the daughter of another Mawu member. They were taken to the hall where they were beaten up.

Then they were forced back into the cars and driven out of the township along a deserted road. When the cars stopped, one of the "prisoners" managed to escape, rolled down the hillside and spent the night in a river. From his hiding place he heard five shots.

When he returned to the scene the next day, there were three bodies in the burnt-out car.

Meanwhile, the people in the hall had left the building and, carrying banners, marched through the streets, attacking people and houses. Mawu members said they shouted, "Down with the strikers" and that everyone who did not obey the government should get out of the township.

One person died of stab wounds and 10 were hospitalised.

Dhlomo said the Inkatha Youth Brigade from Pietermaritzburg and surrounding areas had planned to hold a rally in Mpophomeni, but they had learned that Mawu was mobilising to disrupt the rally and intended to "plant bombs" at the hall. They therefore sent an "advance party" to the hall to protect it.

When this group arrived at the township, all the lights had been switched off — "allegedly by Mawu members who wanted to attack Inkatha in the dark to avoid being identified", Dhlomo said.

"Clashes between the two factions apparently began on Friday evening and continued through Saturday. About eight people were killed.

"Inkatha deeply regrets the loss of life as a result of this senseless violence between two black organisations that are involved in the black liberation struggle. We unreservedly condemn the violence from both sides.

Dhlomo said it was not possible to give assurances that such "disgraceful black-on-black conflict" would not recur, because "anti-Inkatha organisations" continue to create "no-go areas for the movement".

Two Natal members of parliament have joined the growing call for an inquiry into the events at Mpophomeni.

PFP MPs Mike Tarr and Pierre Cronje have sent a telex to Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee, urging him to appoint an inquiry.

"No civilised society can accept the use of violence and murder in pursuit of political objectives," they said.

"Organisations who claim to work through peaceful means should purge themselves of members who bedevil the prospects of reconciliation."

Police shoot Zambia rioters

TIGHTENING their grip on riot-torn copper mining cities and towns, Zambian army troops and paramilitary police shot at curfew violators and suspected looters yesterday, according to reporters in Ndola.

There were no immediate official reports of casualties.

Prime Minister Kebby Musokotwane told the Zambian parliament on Wednesday that four rioters and a policeman were killed in the most violent urban demonstrations, against massive food price increases, since independence from Britain 22 years ago.

Thousands of Zambians, protesting against government-ordered increases of 120 percent in the price of maize meal last week, rampaged through mining centres in the heart of the country.

President Kenneth Kaunda has made no public comment on what independent observers say is one of the gravest political crises facing his government.

But economic advisers in the capital, who requested anonymity in accordance with public service regulations, said Kaunda would not restore state subsidies on food that hiked prices of meal and triggered the riots.

The subsidies were lifted as a key condition imposed by the International Monetary Fund for granting Zambia US$280-million in credits. — Sapa-AP

This Christmas a "Christian" government still has hundreds of children in detention

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Ribeiro witness shot

PRETORIA. — A witness to the killing of Dr Fabian Ribeiro and his wife, Florence, was shot in the yard of the Ribeiro home in Mamelodi on Thursday night.

It is understood Mr Jacob Mampuru was admitted to Kalafong Hospital. The extent of his injuries is not known.

A Ned Geref Kerk in Afrika minister, Dr Nico Smith, who lives near the Ribeiro home, yesterday confirmed the shooting.

The Bureau for Information reported yesterday two security force members at the Ribeiro home "were attacked on Thursday by black persons throwing bottles. The members fired in self-defence and two men were wounded".

□ The Bureau also reported a man was shot and killed during a stoning incident in Duncan Village yesterday.

□ The Bureau added two people attacked in Chesterville on December 9 were UDF and not Mawu members: "An autopsy revealed that Felix Hadebe died of schrapnel wounds ... the other person died of panga wounds." — Sapa

Some of the hostages have | and shouted abuse. | area," he said.

Police probe 2nd Ribeiro shooting

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Police are considering charges after a second shooting at the home of Dr Fabian Ribeiro last week, it was announced today.

The shooting of two men at the Ribeiro home on Thursday last week followed the earlier killings of Dr Ribeiro and his wife Florence, who were gunned down by two unknown men.

On Thursday night Ribeiro family members and neighbours allegedly noticed intruders in the house.

When confronted the men opened fire.

Mr Jacob Mampuru was shot and wounded and admitted to Kalafong Hospital under police guard.

Neighbours at the scene of the shooting said Mr Mampuru — a close friend of Dr Ribeiro's son Chris — and a second man had gone to investigate a report that a stranger had jumped over the Ribeiros' garden wall.

The intruder escaped after neighbours gave chase.

Witnesses said the man was wearing brown army fatigue trousers and a teargas mask.

When the daily Bureau for Information unrest report was released on Friday it said security forces on duty at the Ribeiro home had been attacked by a group of blacks and that bottles had been thrown at the security forces, who fired in self-defence.

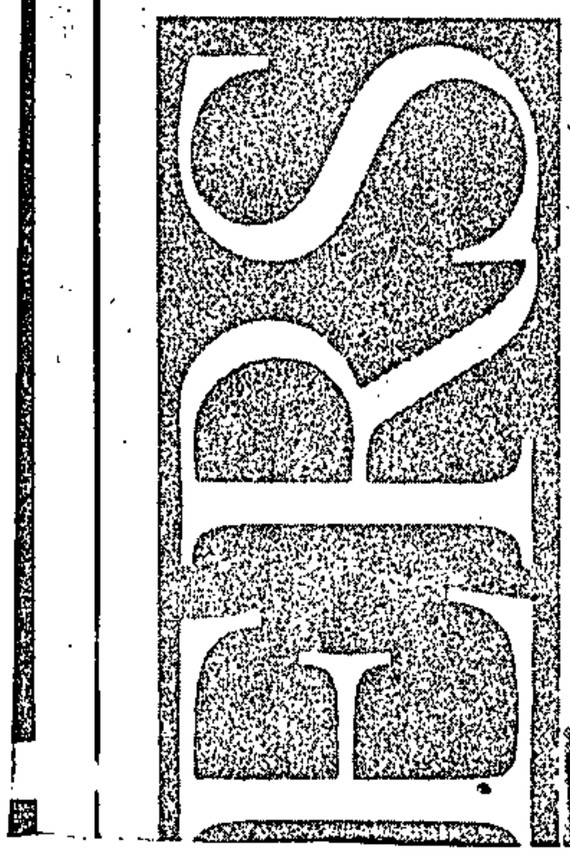
Two black men were wounded, the report said.

The Interdepartmental Press Liasion Committee (IPLC) was asked for permission to use the neighbours' version of the report.

This was refused, which meant only the police version could legally be published.

But police today said they were investigating last Thursday's shootings as the matter appeared to be a criminal case.

The Bureau for Information said it seemed to fall outside its ambit "at this stage".



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