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Bombs rupture Durban pipeline

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Two explosions ruptured the main water pipeline at Westville yesterday, cutting off supplies to the area and adjoining Pinetown.

According to a Bureau for Information spokesman the second of two explosions "was clearly intended to kill or injure people".

The blasts occurred within 15 minutes of each other on the water pipeline which runs alongside the pedestrian bridge over the R628 between Dunoon and Dum-

barton roads in Westville.

Police and soldiers, including the bomb squad, arrived soon after the first explosion at 3.15am and with the aid of spotlights thoroughly inspected the length of the pipeline from a safe distance.

Within minutes of their arrival the second mine exploded. No one was injured.

Bomb squad men with sniffer dogs carried out investigations at the scene until daylight.

A statement released by the Bureau for Information said mini-limpet mines were used in both explosions and little damage was done.

"As the pipe runs close to the pedestrian bridge, pedestrians or personnel investigating the first explosion could have been seriously hurt," the Bureau for Information said.

The first explosion awakened hundreds of residents in the Westville area and residents in Kloof and Pinetown areas were without water until the supply was turned to an alternative pipeline about one hour later.

Mrs Denise Boltman who lives within metres of the bridge, said her whole house shook when the first bomb exploded.

"I knew right away it was a bomb, but did not realize it had exploded directly in front of the house — the sky on the other side of our house was lit up by the explosion," she said.

"Then we heard the water gushing out — it sprayed out the pipeline like a fountain."

Water pipes damaged in Durban blasts

PRETORIA — Eight more people were reported to have died in township unrest bringing the death toll to 92 since the state of emergency was declared.

Meanwhile, two explosions damaged a water pipe near Durban yesterday.

The Bureau for Information reported eight more deaths in its unrest report yesterday — six in Soweto and two in Tembisa on the East Rand.

Three people died and 48 were injured at the weekend when a bus carrying Inkatha supporters was petrol bombed and two buses and a combi travelling behind it crashed.

The buses were carrying supporters from an Inkatha meeting at Jabulani stadium.

As the buses were travelling through Orlando West, a group of youths threw a petrol bomb at the first bus.

The driver, Mr Edward Makhanya, leaped from the bus when his clothes caught alight and the bus careered out of control, killing two as yet unidentified pedestrians. The bus then crashed into a filling station wall.

The driver of one of the other buses alleges he jammed his brakes after one of the youths shot at him. This bus smashed into the combi which in turn hit the bus in front of it.

The fourth bus col-

lided with the third bus.

Forty-eight of the 246 passengers were injured.

The report said a youth was stabbed to death following the smash — allegedly by some passengers.

A railway policeman, Constable J.E. Rampete, 30, who was rescued in Tembisa from a necklace attempt on his life on Saturday, has died in hospital.

Two Soweto youths, Abraham Maleki, 19, and Martin Maseko, 19, were shot dead by a councillor's security guard in Emdeni-Extension when they threatened the guard with knives.

Mzandile Baatijies, 20, of Zondi, Soweto, was stoned and hacked to death by a group of 20 men outside his home on Sunday.

The bureau also reported that a Tembisa man shot himself after police fired shots and tear smoke at his house, which caught alight.

He had earlier shot at a police patrol. Police confiscated a 9 mm pistol.

Mini-limpet mines caused two explosions on the national road at Westville near Durban. The second of the blasts was clearly intended to "injure or kill people," the bureau said.

No one was injured in the blasts and "slight" damage was caused to two water pipes. — Sapa

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Bombs hit Durban freeway crossing

Business Day Reporter

TWO limpet mines planted on a pedestrian crossing over a Durban freeway exploded early yesterday.

No-one was injured by the blasts — bringing the number of explosions to nine since the declaration of the state of emergency.

The Bureau for Information said eight people died in township unrest on Sunday.

West German ARD television reporter Heinrich Buettgen was yesterday ordered to leave SA by Thursday night. He intends to appeal.

The first Durban limpet mine blast occurred at 3.15am in Westville, with the second exploding in the vicinity 15 minutes later.

The blasts ruptured two pipelines, although damage was reported as slight and the water supply was switched to other pipes within an hour.

The bureau also said three people died and 48 were injured at the weekend when youths petrol-bombed and threw stones at buses carrying Inkatha supporters from a meeting of Kwazulu Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi in Soweto.

In other incidents on Sunday, the bureau reported:

- Two black men aged 19 were killed when they apparently threatened a guard with knives at the home of a councillor in Soweto. The guard gunned down his attackers in self-defence;

- A 20-strong mob stoned to death and knived the body of a black man in front of his home in Soweto.

- A black man fired a shot from his house at a police patrol in Tembisa on the East Rand. Police retaliated with birdshot and teargas, which eventually set the house alight. The attacker then shot himself;

- A black railway policeman, saved from being neck-laced on Saturday in Tembisa, died in hospital.

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Mother shielded daughter from blast

By Joe Openshaw

A 23-year-old mother yesterday told of how her body had shielded her daughter (3½) from flying shrapnel after the bomb explosion in Main Street, Johannesburg, yesterday.

Mrs Mignon van der Merwe of Claremont had been standing at a bus stop on the corner of Main and Von Wielligh streets in front of her daughter, Geraldine, who had been sitting on a bench, when the bomb went off. She had received shrapnel wounds in the hands — a finger on her left hand was broken — and on the body. The girl was unscathed.

With Mrs van der Merwe at the bus stop had been her sister, Miss Sheryl Petley (19), also of Claremont, and her two-week-old son, Jared Petley, in a pram. Both Miss Petley and Jared were severely wounded — the infant received shrapnel in the head and his mother multiple shrapnel wounds.

They were operated on at the Johannesburg Hospital in the early evening.
“The blast virtually destroyed the pram and my shocked and confused sister blindly ran away. The owners of a shop grabbed Jared and bundled him into safety while I continued shielding Geraldine.”

Miss Ronel Wilson, a 19-year-old Fire Department employee, drove her shrapnel peppered car at high speed through traffic yesterday and alerted colleagues at Central Fire Station of the bomb blast.

With her was her sister, Mrs Leonie Brummer (25), of Lakeside, Benoni, who had been injured in the shoulder.

“I stopped at a red light on the corner of Main and Von Wielligh. The bomb went off not five metres from us.”

“I thought we had been involved in an accident but when I saw black smoke I realised it had been an explosion.”

“I put my foot on the gas and my hand on the horn and, with lights blazing, drove to the fire station in Kruis Street to alert ambulancemen.”

Mrs Brummer was taken by ambulance to Johannesburg Hospital where she was treated and discharged.

THRROBING PAIN

Ambulances were on the scene in five minutes.

Another victim only discovered she had been injured by shrapnel after she had had returned to work. She felt a throbbing pain in her right leg.

Miss Lindsay Strydom (35), of Olivia Road, Berea, had been passing Mosskays Motor Spares on her way to UIP-Warner in United Towers when the bomb went off.

“I was deafened by the blast but thought I had escaped without injury,” she said.

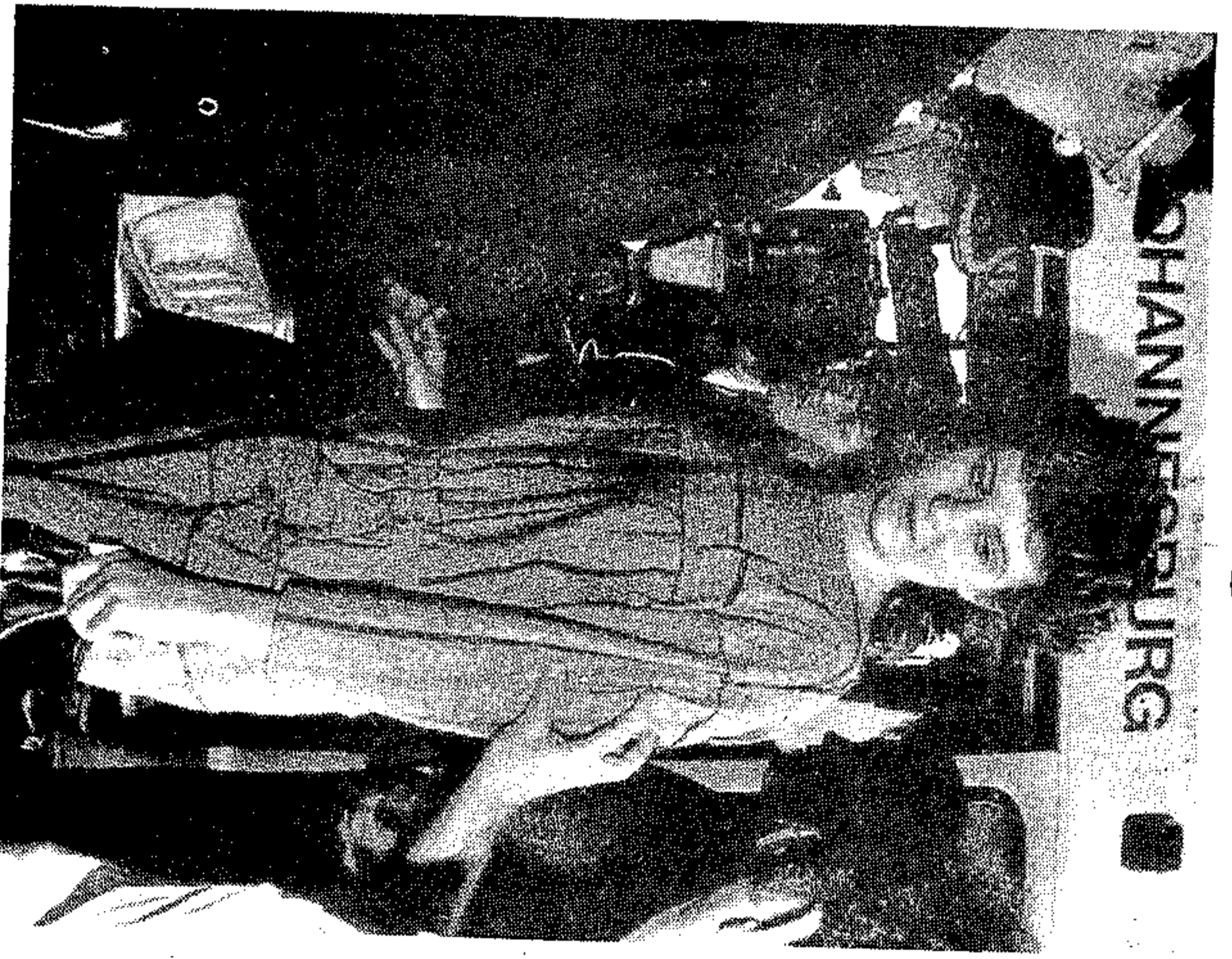
● The latest lunchtime explosion in the centre of Johannesburg was in line with the adopted policy of the African National Congress, according to the Bureau for Information.

Director of Internal Media Liaison, Mr Leon Mellet said the targets had been indiscriminate and again children and women had been hit. — Pretoria Bureau.

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Miss Ronel Wilson (19) ... drove to Central Fire Station to alert colleagues.



Miss Jane Snijman (20) is assisted out of an ambulance at the Johannesburg Hospital. She received cuts to the face and body and was treated for shock.

Drastic tightening of safety measures urged

Preventive security measures in Johannesburg's city centre needed to be improved drastically, city business proprietors and staff agreed after yesterday's bomb blast near the Carlton Centre.

This was the third blast in the city centre in eight days. “Security is disgustingly slack,” said Miss Sharon Smith, a Von Wielligh Street florist, whose shop is next to the spot where the explosion occurred.

“There was a large cardboard box lying outside the bottle store the whole day and no one bothered to look inside to see whether it contained anything dangerous,” she said.

“The security checks done at stores, for example in the Carlton Centre, are not adequate. I've been in and out there without anyone stopping me to check the contents of my bags.”

“Shoppers will stay away from the city centre and go to suburban centres if this continues.”

REMOVE THE DUSTBINS'

Mr Franco Bertasso, a shopowner, disagreed that shoppers would stay away from the city.

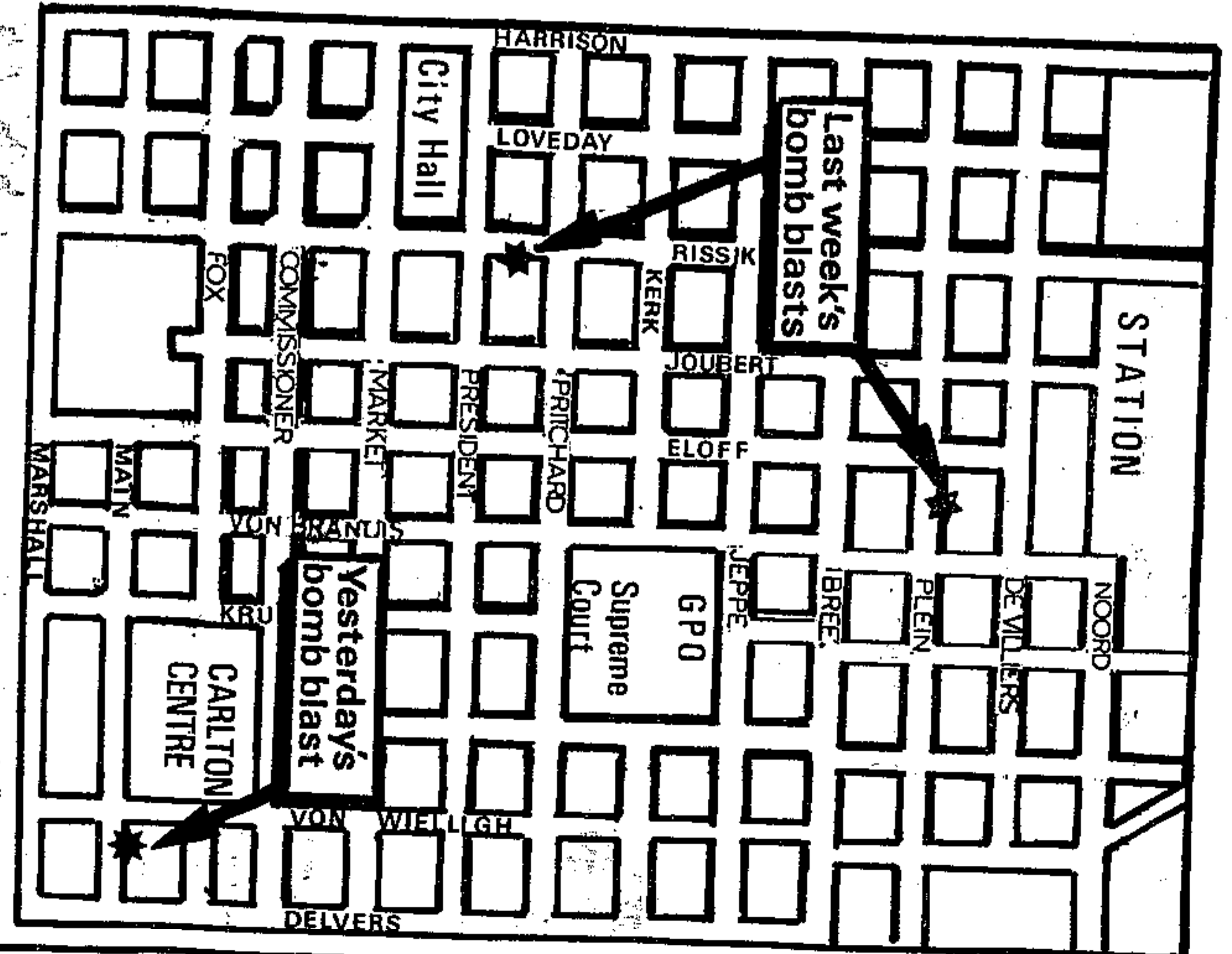
“Most of the people who buy in Johannesburg work in the city anyway,” he said. “We will carry on business as usual, but something should be done to prevent this sort of thing happening. Removing street dustbins would be a start.”

Mr Monty Grunthal, proprietor of a Main Street auto accessories shop, the windows of which were blown out in the blast, said all dustbins attached to poles should be removed.

A shopper, Mrs Annemarie Gouws, suggested the establishment of action groups to make regular checks of their city blocks for signs of unusual activities.

“The security forces cannot be everywhere all the time and it must be the responsibility of businesses to ensure their areas are safe,” she said.

All people interviewed said shopfronts should be fitted with...



Burnt bodies found in kombi after explosion

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BOPHUTHATSWANA police announced yesterday that 10 people were killed — five days after the incident.

The 10, who were killed in an explosion on Friday in the area, have not been identified and the police statement yesterday requested the public to assist in the identification of the corpses.

**SOWETAN
Reporters**

The bodies were found in a burnt-out Volkswagen minibus shortly after the blast.

People who can assist with the identification of the bodies are asked to telephone the police at Mogwase, telephone (014) 652-2111.

Meanwhile eight people, including two children, were injured when a bomb exploded outside a motorcycle shop in Main Street, Johannesburg, yesterday.

The injured people — among them a black woman — were all rushed to the Johannesburg General and Hillbrow hospitals where they have been admitted.

The blast — the sixth in Johannesburg this year — was confirmed by Colonel Frans Malherbe of the South African Police at a Press conference near the scene of the incident.

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He said about 1.55 pm a bomb that was apparently put inside a waste paper basket near the bus stop exploded. Bomb experts were busy sifting through the debris after the blast.

The explosion caused damage to several neighbouring shops.

Firemen and ambulancemen arrived at the scene as hundreds of people gathered in Main Street. Police immediately cordoned off the scene and nobody was allowed near the place.

The manager of the nearby bottle store, Mr

Bomb blast in central Jo'burg

Cecil Smit, said he was surprised that no other people were injured in the blast as it took place near a bus stop which normally was crowded at the time.

In Pretoria, the Bureau for Information said four women and one child were injured in the explosion. The blast was in the line with adopted policy of the African National Congress, the Bureau said.

A Johannesburg Hospital spokeswoman said the injured sustained mainly shrapnel wounds.

The condition of the two-week-old baby boy, Jarret Pailey, was "se-

rious", she said. He has a "badly lacerated ear and it is suspected he has shrapnel in his head."

His mother, Mrs Cheryl Patley (19), had multiple shrapnel lacerations, but was "stable" and both were admitted and would be scanned in the theatre.

The condition of another victim, a three-and-a-half-year-old girl, Geraldine van der Merwe, is not serious and she has been discharged with a "bump on the head", the spokeswoman said.

Geraldine's mother, Mrs Mignon van der Merwe (23), sustained lacerations to her fingers and the others suffered minor injuries, she said. Those treated and dis-

Jane Snyman (20) and Miss Lindsay Strydom (36).

One of the eight injured, the black woman, was taken to the Hillbrow Hospital. The Johannesburg Hospital spokeswoman could not

Nine injured in Jo'burg

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Bomb blast death toll climbs to 13

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A BOMB rocked central Johannesburg yesterday, injuring nine people — including a two-week-old boy who was badly hurt.

Police also disclosed that 10 people had died in a car explosion in Bophuthatswana.

The car deaths — caused when a Combi exploded in the Madikwe area in Bophuthatswana four days ago — brings the official death toll caused by bomb blasts since the introduction of the state of emergency three weeks ago to 13.

About 100 have been injured in bomb blasts in the same period.

In other moves there was also a further clampdown on meetings of political organisations in certain areas.

Yesterday's bomb in Johannesburg exploded shortly before 2pm in a bus-stop rubbish bin outside a motor spares shop on the corner of Main and Von Weilligh streets near the Carlton Centre.

Most seriously injured of the nine victims was Jared Pelley (four months) who sustained lacerations to his ears, shrapnel in his head, and could be brain injured, a spokesman for the Johannesburg hospital said yesterday.

His mother, Sheryl Pelley, 20, was admitted to hospital with shrapnel injuries all over her body.

A witness said a black man went into nearby snack bar shortly before the blast warning customers to leave the premises.

"It's a miracle more people weren't hurt," said another.

HAMISH McINDOE
and THELMA TUCH

"I ran outside and saw people snatch a baby from a pram and take it inside the motor shop," said bottle store-owner Cecil Smit.

Twenty minutes after the blast a black woman was carried out of the snack bar, apparently suffering from shock. She was given first-aid on the pavement before being taken to Hillbrow Hospital.

Glass was strewn across the road with the explosion shattering windows four-stories high in two adjacent buildings. Forensic experts sifted through the debris and searched the area for other bombs.

Hundreds of onlookers gathered around the Carlton Centre with ambulances, fire engines and police cars jamming Von Weilligh Street.

Mrbhatho police believe the Bophuthatswana car blast was caused by explosives carried in the vehicle. They said

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Blast death toll climbs

one device may have accidentally exploded and triggered a chain reaction.

And with a tightening of the clamp on political organisations, the Divisional Police Commissioners of the East Rand, Eastern Province, South Western Districts and the Northern Orange Free State have prohibited a number of organisations from holding or advertising gatherings in their divisions and banned people from attending them.

Those affected are the United Democratic Front, the Azanian People's Organisation and Students' Movement, the Detainees' Parents' Support Committee, and the Release Mandela Committee.

At the Bureau for Information's security briefing yesterday, journalists were told the bombing was a "desperate act of terror" in line with the policy of the African National Congress.

Director of Internal Media Liaison Leon Mellet said the targets were indiscriminate and once again children and women were hit.

The ANC in Lusaka, however, yesterday denied responsibility for the bombing.

Since the state of emergency was declared the following blasts have occurred:

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June 14: A car bomb exploded on Durban's Golden Mile, killing three women, Angeliqwe Pattinden, 22, Mitchell Derard, 26, and Julie van der Linde. Sixty-nine people were injured.

June 24: Two blasts rocked central Johannesburg, one in a Wimby Bar on the corner of Rissik and Pritchard streets and the second in a dustbin outside the President Holiday Inn in Plein Street. Nineteen people were injured. Another explosion ripped through the abutment block at the Jabulani Stadium in Soweto.

June 26: Samuel Nkuna escaped unscathed when a truck he was driving detonated a landmine on a dirt road near the black township of Soshanguve, north of Pretoria.

June 28: A dustbin bomb exploded in a Queenstown shopping centre, injuring two people.

June 30: Two limpet mines planted on a pedestrian crossing over a Durban freeway exploded. No-one was injured.

July 1: Nine people injured in an explosion on the corner of Main and Von Weilligh Streets in Johannesburg.

Rand bombings: Tighten security, say shopkeepers

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Shopowners today called for a tightening of security following three Johannesburg city-centre bombings — and police have appealed to the public to watch for bombs.

The toll is now 27 injured from yesterday's blast at Von Wielligh and Main streets and two blasts last Tuesday.

Three people are today still in hospital following yesterday's blast, which injured eight people.

Shopowners and staff interviewed in the city centre called for more security.

A police spokesman called on people to watch out for suspicious objects being placed in dustbins.

Yesterday's blast was caused by a mini-limpet mine planted in a dustbin.

Mr Monty Grunthal, proprietor of a Main Street car accessories shop whose windows were blown out, said dustbins on poles in the street should be removed.

People interviewed said shopfronts should be fitted with safety glass.

The owner of a shop near the explosion, said the bomb had made him more determined to hold his ground in the face of terrorism.

● 'It was scary' — Page 3.

It was very scary — bomb blast victim

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A 23-year-old mother has told how she shielded her small daughter from shrapnel after the lunchtime bomb blast in Main Street, Johannesburg.

Mrs Mignon van der Merwe of Claremont was at a bus stop on the corner of Main Street and Von Wielligh Street. She was standing in front of her daughter Geraldine, 3, who was sitting on a bench when the bomb went off yesterday. She was wounded by shrapnel and a finger was broken, while Geraldine was unscathed.

With Mrs van der Merwe at the bus stop was her sister, Miss Sheryl Petley, 19, and her two-week-old son Jared, in a pram. Both were severely wounded. The baby has brain injuries and a lacerated ear while his mother has multiple shrapnel wounds.

They were operated on at the Johannesburg Hospital where a spokeswoman said Jared was in a stable condition and would be examined by a neurosurgeon today.

Six women and two children were injured in the blast.

Another victim, Miss Jane Snijman, 20, of Berea, was treated at the hospital and discharged.

"It was very scary and there was an awful ringing in my ears for hours afterwards. The noise of the blast almost deafened me. I couldn't hear properly. It felt as though I was underwater," Miss Snijman said.

Miss Lindsay Strydom of Berea said she was passing Mosskays Motor Spares on her way back to work when the bomb went off.

"I was deafened by the blast and I decided to get away quickly in case there was another bomb.

"Later my leg started throbbing and I found I had been injured and colleagues took me to hospital," said Miss Strydom.

Deeply embedded shrapnel was removed and Miss Strydom was allowed to go home.

Miss Ronel Wilson, 19, who works for the Fire Department, was in her car five metres away from Mosskays when the bomb exploded. She drove with her hand on the hooter and lights ablaze to alert ambulancemen a few blocks away at the Central Fire Station.

Miss Wilson's sister, Mrs Leonie Brummer, was with her

in the car waiting for a robot to change when the bomb exploded — peppering the car with shrapnel and breaking the passenger window. Mrs Brummer's shoulder was injured.

Miss Alice Skosana, of Kwathema, Springs, was treated for shock at the Hillbrow Hospital.

The Bureau for Information has hinted that the ANC was responsible for yesterday's blast.

The ANC has not accepted responsibility for either of blasts.

At its media briefing yesterday, the bureau said the Government condemned the raid as "a despicable act of terror in line with the ANC's policy of hitting soft targets".

No pictures of the blast site, it said, may be published. Only pictures of the victims are allowed.



Johannesburg mother Mrs Mignon van der Merwe was taken to hospital with shrapnel wounds after yesterday's bomb blast at a bus stop. She was one of six women and two children hurt in the blast.

8 hurt in bus-stop blast

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Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A bomb rocked central Johannesburg yesterday, injuring eight people, shortly before police disclosed the deaths of 10 people in a car explosion in Bophuthatswana.

The car deaths — caused when a mini-bus exploded in the Madikwe area in Bophuthatswana four days ago — brings to 13 the official death toll caused by bomb blasts since the introduction of the state of emergency three weeks ago.

Mmbatho police believe the Bophuthatswana car blast was caused by explosives carried in the vehicle — one device may have accidentally exploded and triggered a chain reaction.

Following the blast in Johannesburg yesterday, which most severely

injured a baby who was with his mother at the bus stop where the bomb exploded, the bomb casualty list rose to about 100.

The bomb exploded shortly before 2pm in a bus-stop rubbish bin outside a motor-spares shop on the corner of Main and Von Wielligh streets near the Carlton Centre.

Two-week-old Jarret Petley received lacerations to his ears and shrapnel in his head, and could be brain-injured, a spokesman for Johannesburg Hospital said.

His mother, Mrs Cheryl Petley, was ad-

mitted to hospital with shrapnel injuries all over her body.

A witness said a black man went into nearby snack-bar shortly before the blast, warning customers to leave the premises.

"It's a miracle more people weren't hurt," said another.

Glass was strewn across the road by the explosion which shattered windows four storeys high on two adjacent buildings.

Forensic experts sifted through the debris and searched the area for other bombs, while sniffer dogs darted among parked cars.

At the Bureau for Information's security briefing in Pretoria yesterday, journalists were told the bombing was a "desperate act of terror" in line with the policy of the African National Congress.

The director of Internal Media Liaison, Mr Leon Mellet, said the targets were indiscriminate and once again children and women were hit.

● The Bureau for Information has listed the injuries of the eight people injured in yesterday's blast, Sapa reports.

Three people, including Jarret Petley, are still in hospital while five were treated and discharged.

"Jarret Petley is seriously injured with a badly lacerated ear and suspected shrapnel in his head," the bureau said.

"His mother, Mrs Cheryl Petley, 19, suffered multiple lacerations and is receiving treatment in hospital. Her condition is stable.

Head injuries

"Mrs Alice Skosana, 22, suffered serious head injuries. Her condition is serious, but stable.

"Mrs Mignon van der Merwe, 23, and her 3½-year-old daughter Geraldine were discharged after treatment for minor injuries.

"Mrs Leonie Brummer, 24, Miss Jane Snyman, 20, and Miss Lindsay Strydom, 36, were discharged after treatment," the bureau reported.

Mrs Brummer is from Benoni, Mrs Skosana from Springs and all the other injured are from Johannesburg, the statement said.

Prohibitions

● The clampdown on meetings of political organizations was tightened yesterday when new emergency regulations were promulgated, prohibiting certain of them from holding indoor gatherings in certain areas.

The Divisional Police Commissioners of the East Rand, Eastern Province, South-Western Districts and the North-



Mrs Mignon van der Merwe, a victim of the bus-stop bomb blast, in hospital yesterday.

Blast: battle to save baby's life

JOHANNESBURG — Doctors battled yesterday to save the life of a two-week-old baby injured in the bomb blast here.

Late last night he was reported in a satisfactory condition.

However, a spokesman for the Johannesburg Hospital said last night it was too early to say whether he had suffered permanent injury in the explosion which injured six women and another child.

The blast, at about 1.50 pm, occurred in Main Street only 50 m from the Carlton Centre.

An eyewitness, bottle store owner Mr Cecil Smit, said: "I was sitting inside when I heard a terrible bang. I ran outside and saw people snatch a baby from a pram and take it inside the store."

Mrs Mabel Smith, a cashier at a bottle store across the road, said: "I saw a woman with blood pouring down her face.

"She rushed inside a shop and left her baby at the bus stop."

The Bureau for Information confirmed later that six women and two children, one a two-week-old baby and the other aged 3½, were injured in the blast.

The police public relations officer for Johannesburg, Colonel Franz Malherbe, said it was not yet known what had caused the blast.

The device appeared

to have been placed in a wire rubbish bin.

The Bureau for Information said the blast was in line with the policy of the African National Congress.

The director of Internal Media Liaison, Mr Leon Mellet, said the targets were indiscriminate and "again women and children were hit."

The blast occurred outside the former headquarters of the security police.

The building was known in the 1950s as the The Grey's and was the home of Johannesburg's plain-clothes security branch.

A Johannesburg Hospital spokesman said the injured sustained mainly shrapnel wounds.

Two-week-old Jarret Patley had a "badly lacerated ear and it is suspected he has shrapnel in his head — he may have suffered brain damage," she said.

His mother, Mrs Cheryl Patley, 19, had multiple shrapnel lacerations but her condition was described as "stable".

The condition of Geraldine van der Merwe, aged 3½, was not serious and she had been discharged with a "bump

on the head," the spokesman said.

Geraldine's mother, Mrs Mignon van der Merwe, 23, sustained lacerations to her fingers.

Others suffered minor injuries, the hospital spokesman said.

Those treated and discharged were: Mrs Leonie Brummer, 24, Miss Jane Snyman, 20, and Miss Lindsay Strydom, 36.

One woman was taken to the Hillbrow Hospital.

From her hospital stretcher, Mrs Van der Merwe described how she, her sister and their children had been sitting at the Main Street bus stop for about 10 minutes before the explosion.

"We just saw glass and ran into a shop nearby," she said.

"Moments later one of the shop assistants grabbed my sister's baby from the bus stop bench."

● The rand fell swiftly after yesterday's blast just as it appeared to have scaled the \$0,40 level.

After dipping some 40 points to the day's low of \$0,3970, it closed slightly firmer at \$0,3995. — Sapa



One of the women injured in yesterday's blast in Johannesburg, Mrs Mignon van der Merwe, 23, who received lacerations to her hands.

Woman sergeant, policeman hurt in rush-hour explosion at

Mowbray boom

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By STEPHEN WROTLESLEY and PETER FABRICIUS
Staff Reporters

A BOMB exploded at Mowbray police station today, damaging the building and slightly injuring a policeman and a policeman.

Police spokesmen at the scene declined to comment and said the Bureau for Information would release a statement.

The bureau confirmed from Pretoria that "an explosive device was detonated near the Mowbray police station". A spokesman said damage was minimal and police were investigating.

A policeman and a woman sergeant were injured and treated at a Wynberg hospital.

Police refused a request for an opportunity to interview the two because they were "still too shocked".

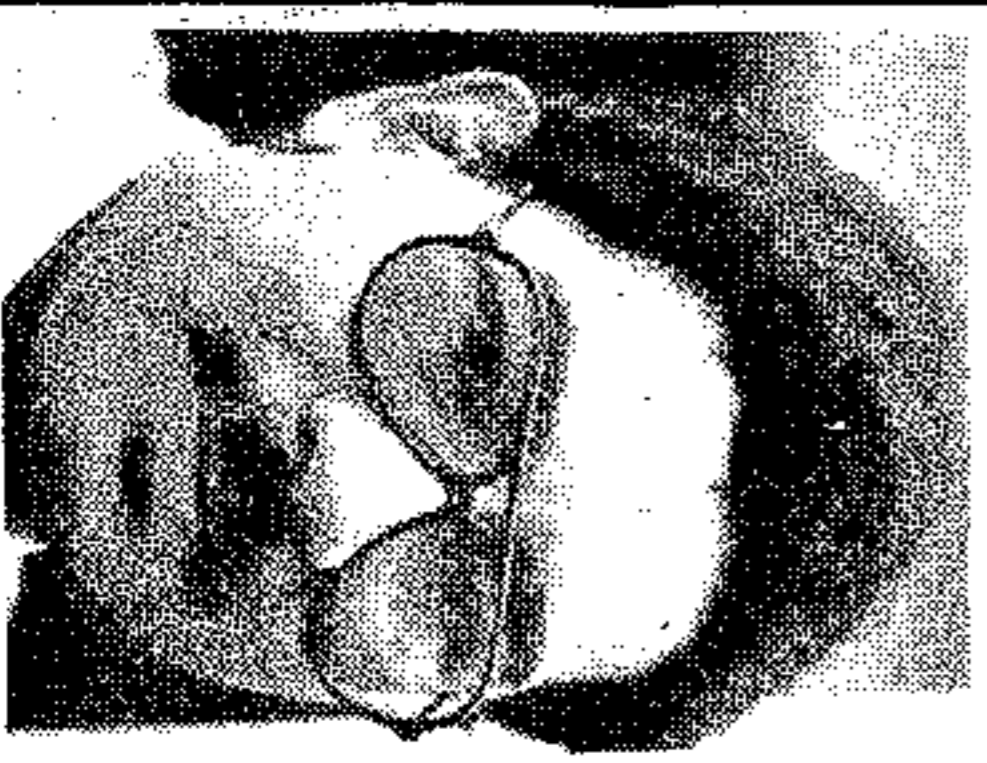
The explosion happened about 7.30am while rush-hour traffic streamed along Main Road outside the police station.

Rubble from a low garden wall was blasted across the street, smashing the display windows of Grand Bazaars.

It appeared that the bomb had been placed in a flowerbed outside the main window of the charge office. The window was blown out of its frame.

The area was cordoned off and traffic was diverted.

Shopowner Mr Martin Margolis said his van was lifted by the blast. He said had he been a second later rubble from the explosion would have hit him. He said: "I was driving towards my



Mr Shahneen Akherwaray ... blown off his feet.

electrical shop, which is about 400m on the town side of the police station, when suddenly it was as though I had hit a barrier. The van lifted.

"Then I heard this terrific bang, saw a flash and heard what sounded like pebbles raining on the van.

"I stopped and saw smoke pouring out the police station.

Bricks and rubble

"I went to see if I could help. There was glass all over the charge office and one policeman with slight scratches on his face."

Mr Mike Sheehan, a department manager for Grand Bazaars, said he had just arrived at work when he heard a bang.

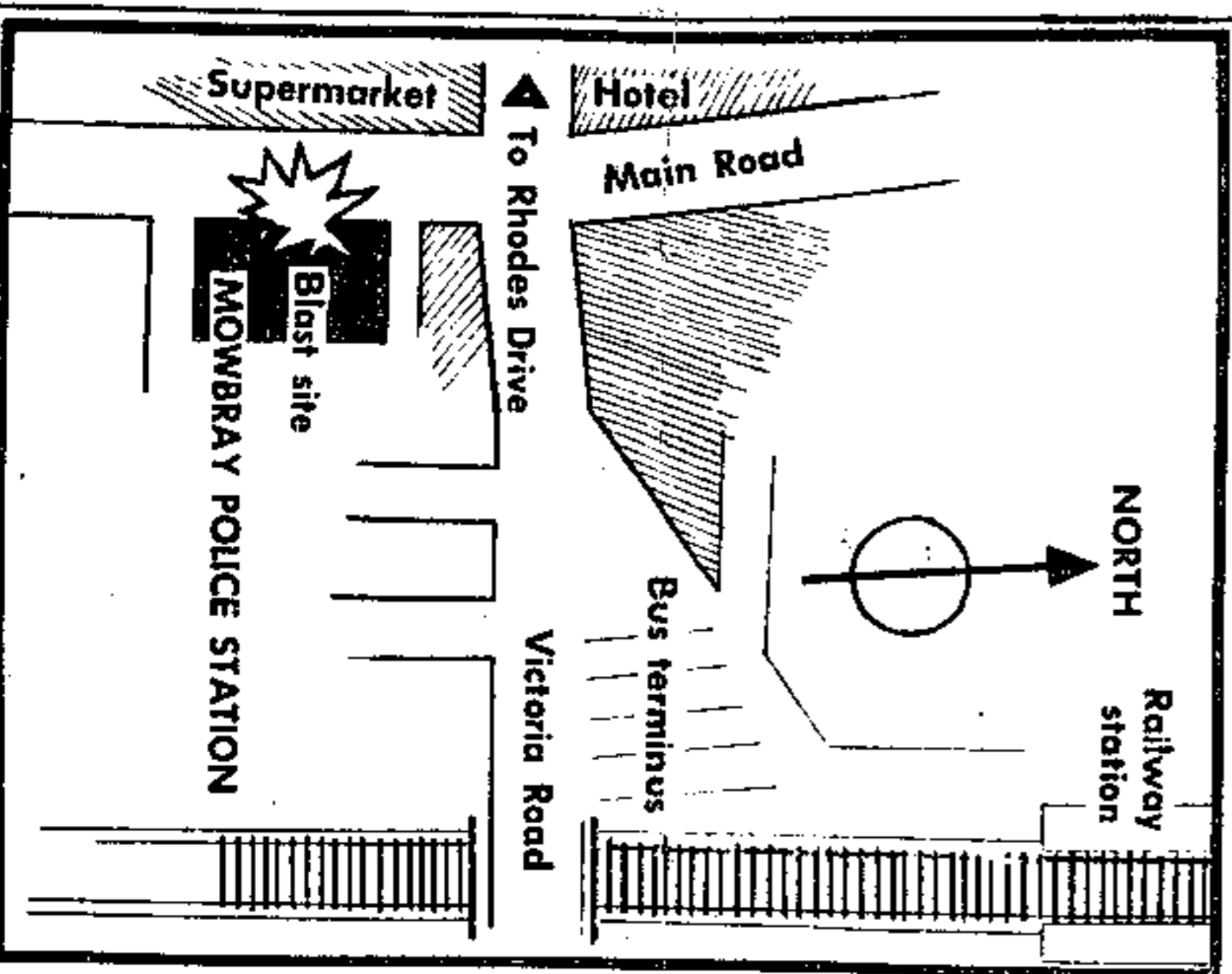
He said: "I saw glass flying in front of the building. At first I thought our shop had been hit. Then I saw bricks and rubble lying

outside the police station."

A trainee manager at the store, Mr Shahneen Akherwaray, said the blast lifted him off his feet. He said: "I saw smoke billowing out of the police station window."

The manager, Mr Eddy Sawyer, said four large windows at the store were destroyed.

He said it was fortunate they were laminated glass and the shop had a second line of windows behind them. No glass had entered the store.



"I came to work at about 7.30am and I was doing routine checks when I heard this terrific explosion.

"Then I was told that the four windows were broken. But they didn't shatter. We are now replacing them.

"At that time of morning it was surprising that no cars were hit."

"Incredibly loud"

It was the second explosion in Mowbray in three months. On April 30 a bomb destroyed a public toilet and a section of a waiting-room at the railway station.

The Argus was inundated with calls from southern suburbs residents. The explosion was "incredibly loud" in Rondebosch, a few kilometres away.

● In terms of the emergency regulations no photographs were allowed while security personnel were active.

Press curbs

In terms of the state of emergency regulations, news, pictures and comment are restricted. Reports on unrest and actions of security forces cannot be published without official clearance.

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damns blasts

JOHANNESBURG —
Bishop Desmond Tutu
has condemned the
spate of bomb attacks in
South African cities,
and appealed for talks
to resolve the violence.

"I am deeply dis-
tressed at the recent
spate of bombings and
condemn such acts of
terrorism vehemently
and unequivocally," the
Archbishop-elect of
Cape Town said in a
statement yesterday.

"The problems of our
country cannot be
solved by the violence of
injustice, oppression and
exploitation, nor by that
of those who seek to
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Doubt about new strategy

Recent bombings in Johannesburg and Durban may have been carried out by rank and file members of the African National Congress without leadership sanction, says political analyst Mr Tom Lodge.

Mr Lodge said yesterday it was too early to say whether there had been a change in ANC strategy.

He added: "There is no evidence these attacks were sanctioned by the ANC leadership."

He said the bomb blasts in which civilians were hurt were similar to the Amanzimtoti explosion "where rank and file members ran ahead of stated ANC policy by going for soft targets".

Mr Lodge made other comments which may not be published in terms of the emergency regulations.

The Star's Africa News Service was unable to contact the ANC in Lusaka at the time of going to press. — Political Reporter.



Bomb blasts anger bishop

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"Must we destroy one another with hate, violence and repression?" he asked.

Meanwhile the condition of Jarret Petley, the two-week-old baby boy injured in Tuesday's bomb blast in central Johannesburg, was satisfactory and stable, a public relations officer for the Johannesburg Hospital, Miss Jenny Gillwald, said yesterday afternoon.

She said the baby underwent an operation on Tuesday night and was conscious yesterday.

The baby's mother, Mrs Sheryl Petley, 19, and her sister, Mrs Mignon van der Merwe, are also in a satisfactory condition, said a Johannesburg Hospital spokeswoman yesterday.

Mrs Petley, her baby, Mrs Van der Merwe and her daughter Geraldine, 3½, were waiting for a bus at the corner of Main and Von Wielligh streets when the bomb exploded.

Mrs Alice Skosana, who was admitted to Hillbrow Hospital after the blast, is in a stable condition, a hospital spokesman said.

Limpet mine

The blast was caused by a mini-limpet mine planted in a dustbin. Twenty-seven people were injured in Tuesday's blast and last week's two blasts — at the Rissik Street Wimpy Bar and near the President Holiday Inn.

Shopowners yesterday called for a tightening of security after the bombings, and police yesterday appealed to the public watch out for suspicious objects being placed in dustbins. — Sapa and Own Correspondent

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Minister: suspects linked to blasts

PRETORIA — A large number of ANC guerillas have been arrested and Russian arms, ammunition and explosives seized in the Durban area, said the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange.

He said the arrests are related to the following incidents of terror which occurred in Durban and the vicinity during the last few months:

- An explosion at an electrical sub-station in Jacobs on March 21.

- The freeing of an ANC guerilla from the Edendale Hospital on May 4. One person was killed and five injured.

- The placing of a large quantity of explosives on the fourth level of the Pine Parade, Pine Street, on May 23. Security police diffused the explosives.

- The car bomb which exploded in front of the Parade Hotel on June 14, killing three people

and injuring ninety-six.

- An explosion at the West Side Building on the corner of West Street and Brickhill Drive on June 21.

- An explosion which damaged a storage tank at Industrial Oil Processors, Jacobs, on June 22.

- Explosions which damaged an oil pipeline in Jacobs on June 22, causing serious pollution.

- An explosion at a water pipeline near Durban, between Durban and Westville, on June 30.

- Handgrenade attacks on a suburb which resulted in residents being seriously injured.

Mr Le Grange said: "The arms and explosives which were seized, in among other places a Durban suburb, include Russian AK-47 rifles, a RPG-7 rocket launcher and projectiles, landmines, limpet mines and handgrenades." — Sapa

Bomb blast baby satisfactory

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Dispatch Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG —

Jared Petley, the two-week-old baby injured in a bomb blast in the city on Tuesday, was yesterday reported to be in a satisfactory condition.

The baby's mother, Mrs Sheryl Petley, 19, and her sister, Mrs Mignon van der Merwe, were also in a satisfactory condition, a Johannesburg Hospital

spokesman said yesterday.

Jared and his mother underwent operations at the hospital on Tuesday night after he sustained a brain injury from shrapnel.

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Q'town blast victim better

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The condition of a 12-year-old boy, Douglas Nepgen, injured when a bomb exploded in a Queenstown shopping complex last Saturday, has improved, according to the deputy superintendent at Frere Hospital here, Dr Ben Hall.

Doctors had planned to remove the plaster cast so that a full inspec-

tion could be made to see how he was responding to treatment.

It had been first thought that Douglas' leg would have to be amputated from below the knee.

Dr Hall said the plaster had been put back after the leg was examined and described the boy's condition as satisfactory. He was responding to treatment.

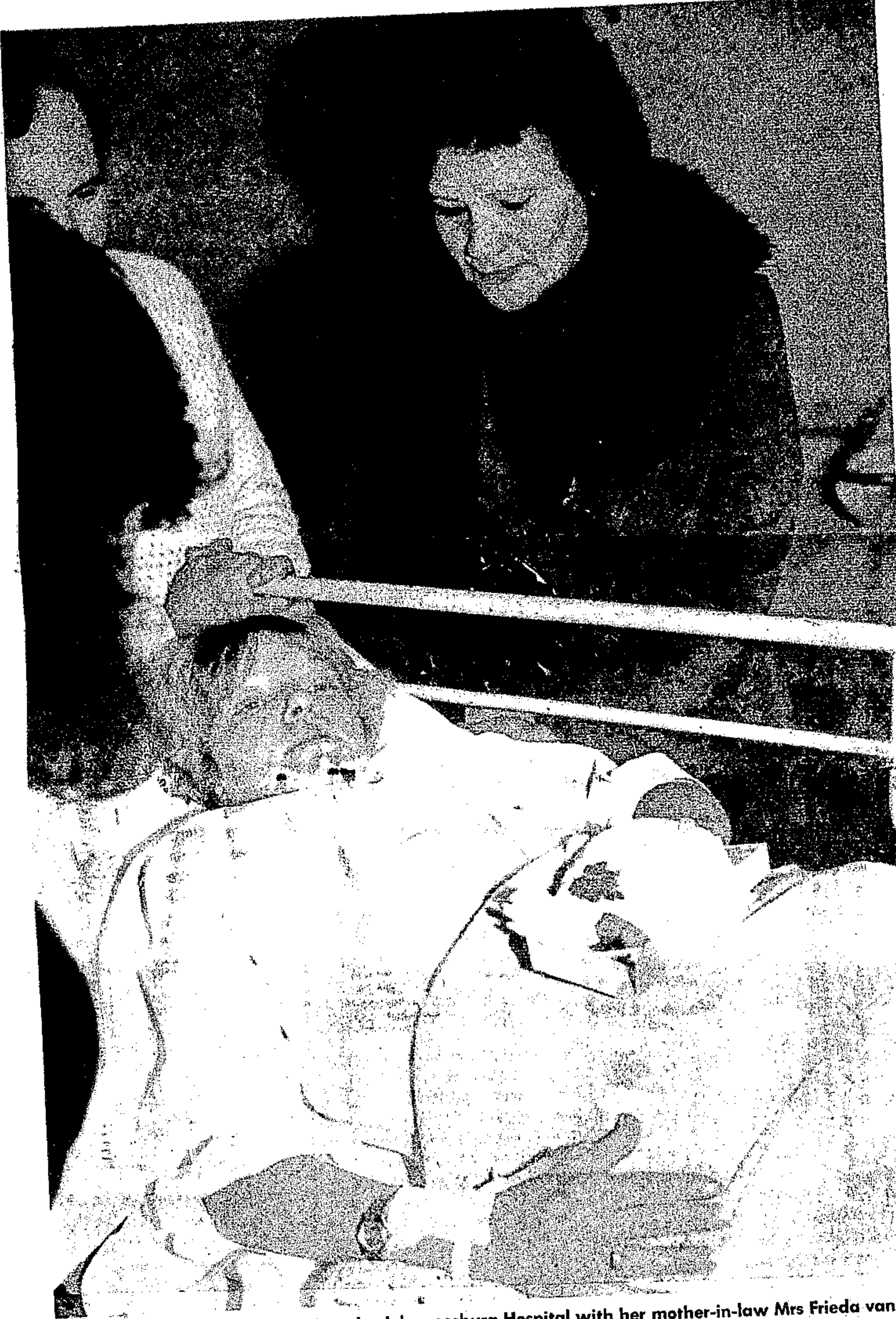
27 bomb victims in 8 days

Blasts: Police call for vigilance



Ambulancemen wheel a victim to an ambulance after yesterday's explosion in the city centre.

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Staff Reporters



Mrs Mignon van der Merwe (23) at the Johannesburg Hospital with her mother-in-law Mrs Frieda van der Merwe. She was at a bus-stop with her baby daughter when the bomb went off.

After three bomb blasts in the Johannesburg city centre within a week, shopowners are calling for a tightening of security — and the police have appealed to the public to be on the look-out for explosive devices.

A total of 27 people were injured in the three blasts: at the corner of Von Wielligh and Main streets yesterday; at a Wimpy Bar in Rissik Street last Tuesday; and at the President Holiday Inn on the same day.

Three people, including a two-week-old boy, are still in hospital after yesterday's blast. Nine people were injured altogether.

Shopowners and staff interviewed by *The Star* in the city centre yesterday called for more security in an attempt to prevent further blasts.

Today a police spokesman called on people to watch out for suspicious objects being placed in dustbins. Yesterday's blast was caused by a mini-limpet mine planted in a dustbin.

Determined to stay

Miss Sharon Smith, whose florist shop is in Von Wielligh Street next to the spot where the explosion occurred, said: "Security is disgustingly slack".

Mr Monty Grunthal, proprietor of an auto accessories shop in Main Street which had its windows blown out in the blast, said all dustbins hanging from poles in the street should be removed.

All the people interviewed said shopfronts should be fitted with safety glass to minimise the effects of flying glass.

Mr Stanley Luntz, owner of a motorcycle shop directly opposite where the explosion took place, said the bomb had made him more determined than ever to hold his ground in the face of terrorism.

The Bureau for Information has hinted that the ANC was responsible for the blast.

Seven women and the two children were injured. The blast was at 1.50 pm outside Mosskay's Motor Spares.

At its media briefing yesterday, the bureau said the Government condemned the raid as "a despicable act of terror in line with the ANC's policy of hitting soft targets."

"They are hitting out indiscriminately at women and children. Responsible leaders of the Western world will not hesitate to condemn this act in the strongest terms."

Most seriously hurt in yesterday's blast were the two-week-old boy, who has brain injury from flying shrapnel, and his 19-year-old mother.

Broken glass was strewn over a wide area and victims deafened by the detonation.

A 19-year-old woman employed by the Fire Department, Miss Ronel Wilson, was in her car at a robot five metres away from Mosskays when the bomb exploded.

She drove off with her hand on the hooter and lights ablaze to alert ambulancemen a few blocks away at the Central Fire Station.

Jared Petley, the badly injured infant, was in a pram with his mother, Miss Sheryl Petley. They were waiting for a bus with her sister, Mrs Mignon van der Merwe (23) and her daughter Geraldine (3½), when the bomb exploded.

Miss Petley ran from the area and Jared was bundled into a nearby shop by onlookers.

Miss Petley and Jared were operated on at Johannesburg Hospital last night.

Other victims who were treated for injuries were Miss Jane Snijman (20), of Berea; Miss Lindsay Strydom (35), of Berea; Mrs Leonie Brummer (24), of Benoni; and her sister Miss Ronel Wilson. Miss Alice Skosana, of kwaThema, Springs, was treated for shock at Hillbrow Hospital.

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A strange milestone for the 'Hiding Hollander'

This month marks an unusual anniversary — Dutch national Mr Klaas de Jonge has been holed up inside the Dutch Embassy in Pretoria for a year. The case of the former teacher has caused international controversy and threatened South Africa's relations with Holland. SUE LEEMAN traces his story.

July 19 will be a special day for South Africa's most wanted man.

On that day, Dutch runaway Mr Klaas de Jonge (47) will have been in hiding in the Dutch Embassy in Pretoria for exactly one year.

It will be a strange anniversary, for the controversial anthropologist-turned-activist is effectively a prisoner.

Although not convicted of anything, he is wanted by the South African authorities on arms charges — and they will arrest him the moment he sets foot outside his refuge.

Negotiations between the Dutch and South African governments continue, but the "Flying Dutchman" affair is known to have severely strained relations between two countries which, at best, have tenuous links.

The de Jonge drama began on June 23 last year when he was arrested on suspicion of being an arms runner for the ANC. His former wife, Helena Pastoors, was also taken into custody at the same time.

The police then took Mr de Jonge to point out to them where arms caches had been hidden and he decided to try and make a break for it.

On July 9, wearing leg irons, he led the police to the Nedbank Building in Andries Street, Pretoria, which at that time housed the Dutch Embassy.

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However, when he dashed into the sanctuary of the embassy offices, the police followed — breaking international law.

They returned him to jail, but an international outcry ensued and the Dutch threatened to recall their ambassador to Pretoria, Mr Hugo Carsten.

On July 19, a smiling Mr de Jonge was returned to the embassy — with an apology from the South African authorities.

But his sanctuary became a prison as the police erected barbed wire barricades, welded grilles over air conditioning ducts and mounted guard at every conceivable point of escape.

The diplomats and politicians then took up the fight in earnest. The South African authorities demanded that he face charges under the Arms and Ammunition Act, but the Dutch dug in their heels, saying as the charges were political they were under no obligation to extradite the man.

The whole matter was further complicated when the Dutch Embassy moved to new premises in Arcadia. Its lease on the offices in the Nedbank Building expired and there was much debate on whether these premises still enjoyed diplomatic immunity.

DELEGATION

When a delegation of foreign ministers from the European Community came to South Africa in August, the Dutch Foreign Minister, Mr Hans van den Broek, was among them.

He stayed a day extra to thrash out the matter with his South African counterpart, Mr Pik Botha. However, very little came out of that meeting.

The dispute also survived several rounds of discussions by lesser diplomats and legal experts.

Pastoors was recently convicted of treason, but acquitted on charges of terrorism.

In the meantime, Mr de Jonge continues to live the life of a hermit. He cooks on a small hotplate and baths in a tub.

Dutch officials are with him around the clock.

He spends his day reading, making entries in his diaries and writing what is believed to be a book. The monotony is rarely relieved.

His presence has put a distinct strain on the embassy's resources. The political and economic sections are still being run from the old premises, so staff have to run between these and the new embassy building.

And always his South African pursuers are there. They will not leave until the matter has been finally resolved.

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Spate of bombings

The Johannesburg city centre was hit by another explosion on Tuesday afternoon — the third in the area within a week. The latest blast was apparently caused by a device placed in a rubbish bin in Main Street, near the Carlton Centre. According to early reports, eight people were injured — six women, an infant and a young child.

The Bureau for Information reports that 34 people have died in political violence in the week to Tuesday, and the death toll since the State of Emergency was imposed on June 12 has risen to 93.

Six other incidents — in which three people were injured — were reported by the Bureau in the past week.

In Westville, Durban, two explosions ruptured the main water pipeline, cutting off supplies to the area and adjoining Pinetown for about an hour early on Monday. No one was injured.

Two people were injured when a bomb blast rocked a busy shopping centre in Queenstown in the eastern Cape at noon on Saturday. One person was wounded during an attack by men armed with an RPG-7 rocket launcher and AK 47 rifles on a supermarket in Tweefontein, KwaNdebele. A truck detonated a landmine near the black township of Soshanguve. The driver escaped injury. Four suspected ANC guerrillas were killed during a skirmish with police near the Botswana border over the weekend.

Arson is being investigated following a fire at Freeway House in Braamfontein, which houses a number of leftwing organisations including the Release Mandela Committee.

Further action has been taken against the foreign and local press, and curfew restrictions have been widened.

The following has been decreed in terms of the emergency regulations:

- People have been prohibited from being in evacuated areas in Nyanga township, near Cape Town, where "structures used in connection with residential purposes have been burnt down".
- In the absence of official written permission, there is a blanket ban on people entering school property in Alexandra, near Johannesburg; and
- A 10 pm to 4 am curfew has been imposed on 11 northern Free State townships. The order also bans the possession of "any device with which a stone or any other projectile can be cast."

The SA Police has offered cash rewards of R1 000 to people who supply information about "necklace" murders.

The Department of Education and Training has postponed the reopening of black schools for the third term for two weeks from

July 1 to 14, to allow it "to draw up and implement plans to ensure that no further disruptions occur."

The press came under the spotlight again during the week. Deputy Information Minister Louis Nel warned newspaper editors at a meeting that the authorities would take decisive action against publications which failed to adhere strictly to emergency regulations. This could, he said, include the suspension of offending newspapers.

New Nation editor Zwelakhe Sisulu became the first newspaper editor to be detained, and West German television reporter, Dr Heinrich Buettgen, has been ordered to leave the country within days. Buettgen is employed by the ARD German television network and is the fourth foreign journalist to receive his marching orders since June 12.

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Only SABC allowed to film blast scene

By CHRIS STEYN

AN SABC film crew acted as "official" cameramen for the Bureau for Information at the scene of the bomb blast at Mowbray police station yesterday morning.

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape

Captain Jan Calitz, barred foreign television crews and local photographers from taking pictures of the police station or surrounding buildings damaged by the blast.

"When I say no way, it is no way," he said.

Journalists stood by and watched as the SABC crew were allowed into the barricaded area to take close-up shots of the exact spot where the limpet mine had exploded.

When confronted by the local press about "discrimination" against local newspapers and foreign crews, Captain Calitz said that the SABC crew was filming the scene for the Bureau for Information.

He said the SABC would give the footage to the bureau for "clearance". The bureau

would supply other news agencies and newspapers with pictures.

Captain Calitz said the

SABC would be able to use the film footage only if the bureau gave them permission.

Yesterday afternoon, however, Captain Calitz informed the Cape Times that photographs of the blast would not be made available to the newspapers.

'Key point'

"A police station is a national key point and may not be photographed. Pictures taken at the scene of the blast are therefore not for publication," he said.

The bureau said in a telexed reply yesterday that it had given permission that photographs of victims were allowed if the victims consented.

"However photographs of the damage to the police station are not allowed for obvious reasons," the bureau said.

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Blast aimed at public, says Bureau

By Sue Leeman,
Pretoria Bureau

Although yesterday's blast at Cape Town's Mowbray police station appeared to be aimed at the security forces, it was another example of the type of indiscriminate violence practised by the ANC, the Bureau for Information has said.

At the daily media briefing yesterday, bureau spokesman Miss Ronelle Henning said the blast — which injured a policeman and a policewoman — had happened in the busy public thoroughfare of Main Road.

It was therefore not aimed primarily at the security forces, but also at the public.

"This is a deed of terror in line with ANC policy."

Miss Henning said Constable Andries Thompson (20), who was on duty at 7.30 am when the blast occurred, had received injuries to his head and right hand when flying glass hit him.

Sergeant Magda van Riel (24), who was walking towards the police station, received light injuries on her legs.

No details were given of the cause of the explosion.

Bricks fly over traffic

Close brush with death

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By CHRIS STEYN

THE bomb blast that rocked Mowbray police station yesterday nearly wreaked far more damage and horror. Half-bricks flew across the cars of rush-hour motorists and a usually busy bus stop only metres away was deserted at the time of the explosion.

And a young policeman also had a narrow escape. He was lucky to be sitting behind his desk at 7.30am when glass cascaded all over the office as the bomb ripped three windows out of the wall.

Constable Andries Thompson, 20, who was on duty in the charge office, was hit by flying glass and suffered minor head and arm injuries.

Policemen on the scene said he escaped death only because he was sitting behind the charge office counter. But he was only about two metres away from the bomb when it exploded.

Constable Thompson's father is a warrant officer at the Bishop Lavis Murder and Robbery Unit.

A policewoman, Sergeant Magda van Riel, 24, who was walking past the station to report for duty, suffered minor injuries when she was hit in the leg by flying glass.

Both victims were treated at 2 Military Hospital in Wynberg and discharged.

They were "severely shocked", however, and could not talk about the incident.

The bomb, believed to be a limpet mine, was planted under a bush behind a low wall in front of the charge office.

The force of the explosion unearthed the bush, ripped a big hole in the brick wall and blasted half-bricks right across the road.

Long queues of commuters often wait for buses at a stop in front of the police station. But nobody was injured yesterday morning.

Motorists driving to work along the busy road miraculously escaped injury as glass and rocks flew across the road.

At the Grand Ultra Market across the road at least three plateglass windows were blown out.

Mr Mike Sheehan, a department manager, said he was busy opening up when he heard the blast.

"I heard a loud bang, I saw glass flying and I knew it was a bomb," he said.

At the police station, bits of glass littered the entire office.

All three heavily barred front windows — and parts of the

strong wooden frames — were blasted out.

At the back of the charge office, a wall clock hung by a few wires. It had stopped at exactly 7.30am.

Members of the Metro rescue services, ambulancemen and traffic officers rushed to the scene.

The area was cordoned off and traffic was diverted for at least two hours while bomb-disposal experts sifted through the debris for clues.

A large number of buses were delayed and commuters were left stranded.

Senior police officers, including the Divisional Commissioner for the Western Cape, Brigadier Christoffel Swart, visited the scene.

A police helicopter hovered over the area for about an hour after the blast.

Police searched the area immediately after the explosion, but no arrests were made.

Confirming the incident in a statement, the Bureau of Information said the type and origin of the explosive device used had at this stage not been determined.

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Warning on hidden explosives

POLICE have warned that suburban backyards and storerooms could be used as hiding places for explosive devices and firearms, following Thursday's bomb blast at Mowbray police station.

In a statement released by the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria yesterday, police said South Africans had a special responsibility to ensure that their premises were not being used for storage of weaponry.

Since the declaration of the state of emergency on June 12 this year, 12 bombs, including a landmine, had exploded in the country, killing and injuring "a number of innocent people of all races", the statement said.

"These acts clearly indicate that the ANC have scant regard for human life, be it black or white."

Police have appealed to citizens who suspect that their properties are being used as a hideout to report it to their nearest police station without delay.

"Any such report will be treated in the strictest confidence and if the information proves positive, the informant might qualify for a reward," the statement said.

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Blast: Baby worse

JOHANNESBURG. — The condition of two-week-old bomb victim Jared Petley has deteriorated and doctors are "very worried" about him, a spokesman for the Johannesburg Hospital said today.

In Tuesday's blast in central Johannesburg Jared's skull was pierced by shrapnel, but the spokesman would not say whether he had brain damage.

"His condition is serious and has deteriorated. We are worried about him and we are watching him carefully."

The baby's mother, Miss Cheryl Petley, was in a satisfactory condition and would probably be discharged tomorrow, the spokesman said. — Sapa.

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Pretoria bomb: Twenty hurt in rush-hour blast

Weekend Argus
Correspondent

PRETORIA — At least 20 people, including a seven-year-old girl, were injured in the bomb blast outside Checkers in the Pretoria suburb of Silverton.

The Bureau for Information said that five people were seriously hurt in the blast, which happened at 5pm yesterday while rush-hour traffic streamed along Pretoria Road.

According to the bureau the explosive was in a black plastic bag in a refuse bin between two parked cars in front of Checkers. Windows of Checkers, Saambou Nasionale Building Society and a café, The Milky Way, were blasted out.

Witnesses said that three victims lost limbs.



Newspaper vendor Norman Mkhizi of Winterveld, who ran off in shock after the blast occurred metres from him

A weeping schoolgirl told of seeing her badly-injured father lying on the ground. Ina Pavier, 18, said: "We were standing outside the shop when I heard a huge explosion and we were thrown to the ground."

"I saw my father lying with a piece of shrapnel the size of a large side-plate in his chest. When I looked up I saw about five injured people lying around me.

"If only I knew how my father was — he was the most badly injured person I saw ..."

Ina's mother cried hysterically while family members helped her to their car.

Pieces of metal

Pieces of metal, from two cars parked near the refuse bin were blasted across the street.

A 15-year-old newspaper vendor, stunned by what he had seen, ran from the scene.

Norman Mkhizi of Winterveld in Bophuthatswana was selling newspapers a few metres from the point of the explosion.

"There was a huge bang and then a flying missile hit a dustbin near me," he said.

He saw a woman lying on the pavement, her legs blown off, and bloodied people running and screaming.

"I saw blood all over the pavement ... and then I ran."

A brother and sister wept in each other's arms when they realised that their father, Mr Ernest Williams, was safe.

The pair, from Eersternst, Pretoria, were trying frantically to find their father after seeing what they believed to be his car in a cordoned-off area.

They asked reporters if they remembered speaking to an uninjured man who could not get to his car after the blast.

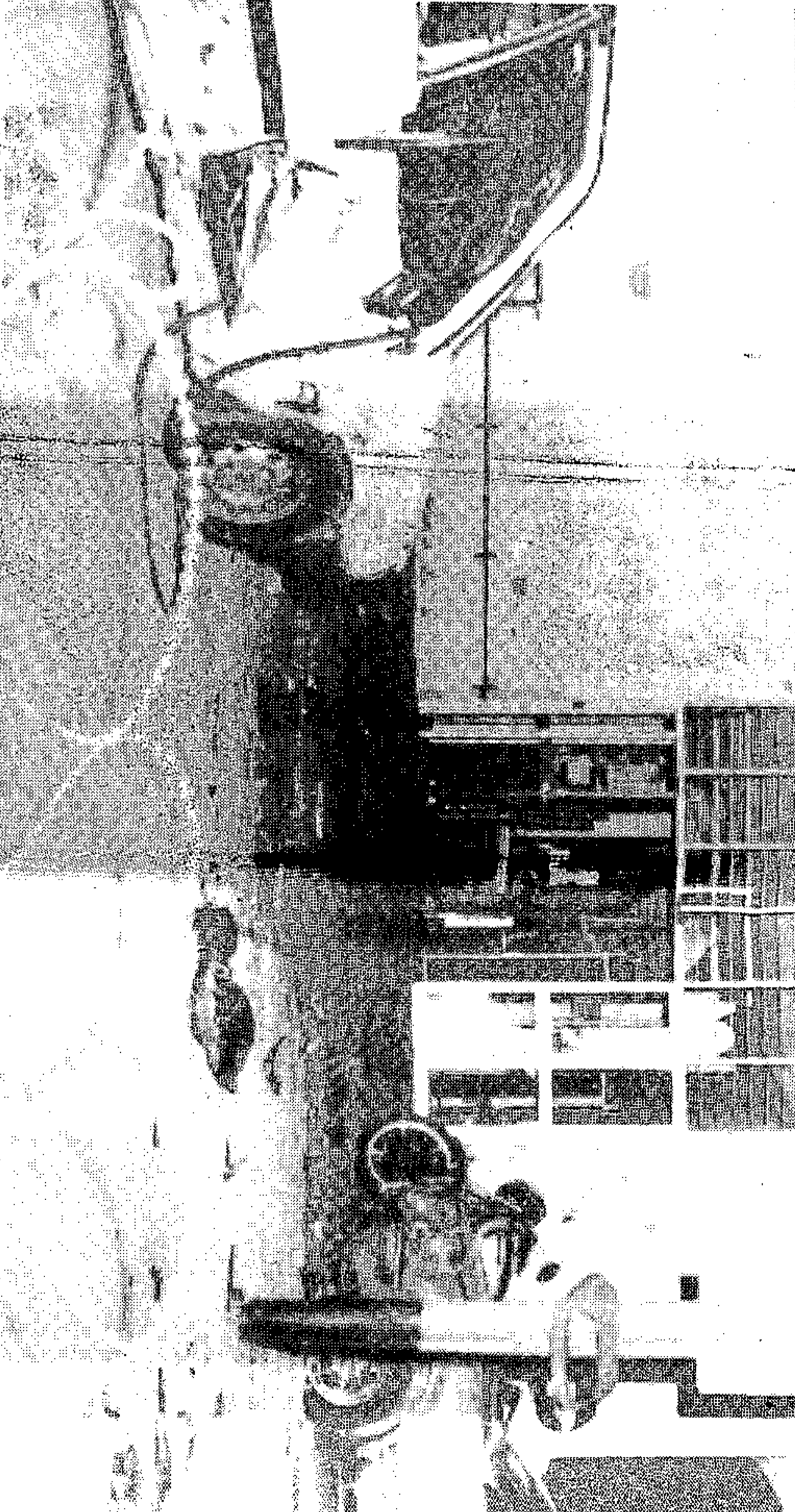
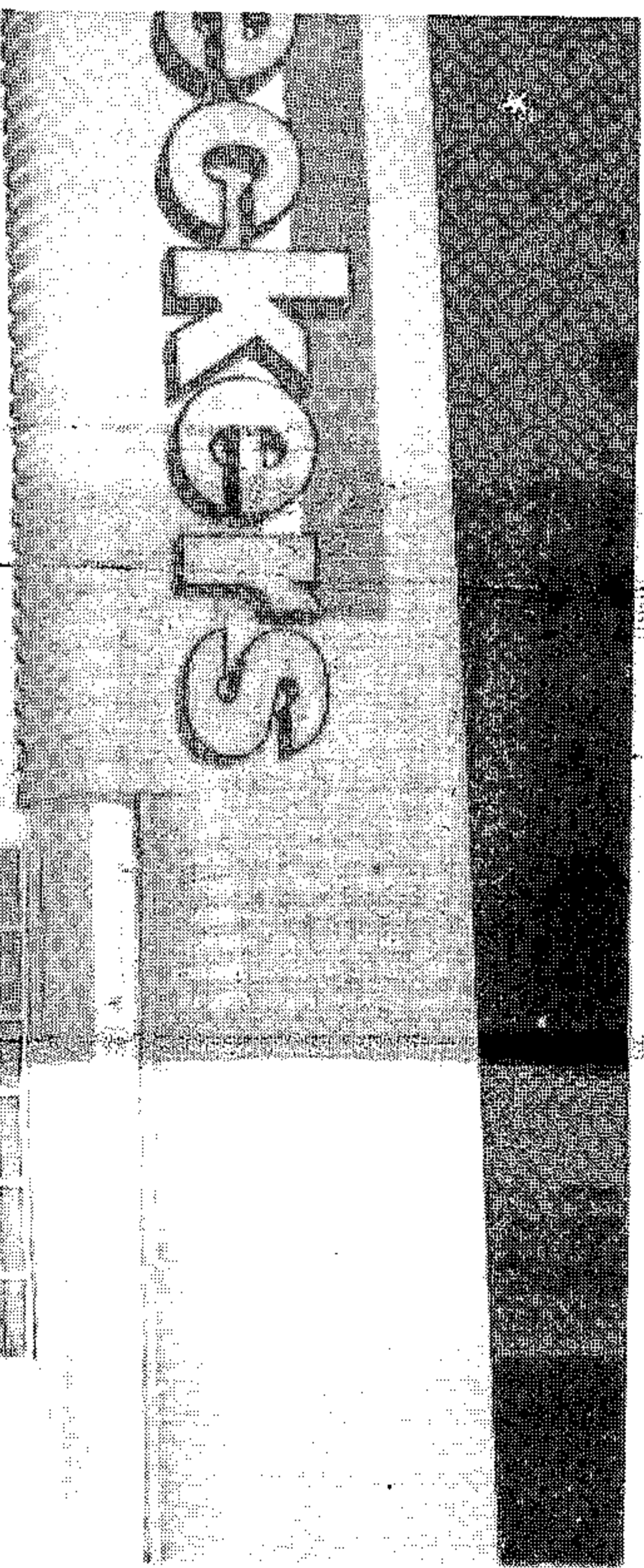
His daughter burst into tears of relief when she read the name the journalists had written down. Her brother grasped her, sobbing uncontrollably.

Mr Alfred Ntuli of Dennilton, 120km from Pretoria, had just entered Checkers: "Then there

was a big noise. I turned round and heard a scream. There was so much smoke — I have never smelt smoke like that before."

He and other shocked customers were let out of an exit at the back of the store.

He said: "There were bodies lying everywhere. People were lying in rows."



The scene of the blast in Silverton, Pretoria in which 20 people were injured, five of them seriously

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19 injured in blast at store in Pretoria

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PRETORIA. — Nineteen people — including a seven-year-old girl — were injured in an explosion outside a supermarket in Silverton, Pretoria, at 5pm yesterday, the Bureau for Information said last night.

It was the fourth bombing this week and the 13th since a state of emergency was declared on June 12.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, said last night he had no doubt the ANC was responsible for it.

Mr Le Grange said he had visited the scene last night and saw fragments of the limpet mine used. It was a large type that only the ANC could have used.

He wanted to assure the public that the police and security forces were working around the clock to counter the ANC campaign of violence.

"I am satisfied we are in control but taking into account the circumstances we must for a time expect such incidents to happen."

According to a man who arrived on the scene of the blast soon afterwards, two women had their legs blown away from the knees down while terror-stricken

people ran down Pretoria Street after the loud explosion.

"When I arrived on the scene minutes after the bang, I saw injured people sprawled on the ground," he said.

The man, who lives nearby and did not want to be identified, said he saw two women lying on the ground "with their legs blown away from the knees down".

The bureau said the explosive device was placed in a black plastic bag between two parked cars in Pretoria Road about 5pm yesterday.

The bureau said earlier that 20 people had been injured.

The injured, according to the bureau, are "one white man, seven white women, a seven-year-old white girl, six black men, three black women and one coloured woman". Their condition was unknown last night.

Two vehicles were slightly damaged and two more seriously damaged. The window

panes of Checkers, Saambou and the Milky Way café were blown out, the bureau added.

The two cars, a yellow Totota Corolla and a red Ford Escort, parked nearby, funnelled shrapnel and the impact of the blast towards the entrance of Checkers, injuring more people there, the witness said.

The man said he later recognized a piece of shrapnel as that from a limpet mine.

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria would say only that "The explosive device was placed in a black plastic bag between two parked cars."

The sides of the cars were extensively damaged.

Three women have died and at least 118 people have been injured in the campaign of bombings that began three weeks ago, striking targets in Johannesburg, Pretoria, Durban and Cape Town.

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Mowbray blast: SABC explains

Staff Reporter

THE SABC yesterday reacted to charges that the corporation's Cape Town film crew had acted as "official" photographers for the Bureau for Information at the scene of the Mowbray police station blast on Thursday.

The Editor of SABC television news for TV1, TV2, and TV3, Mr Rob Stevenson, told the Cape Times that the SABC film crew was initially refused permission to film the scene.

"However, after obtaining the necessary permission from the Divisional Commissioner of Police, we shot some film footage.

"This material will be made available to the Bureau for Information should they request it.

"And film clips prepared by us for broad-

casting will also be made available to foreign news agencies if they ask for it," he said.

The senior media liaison officer for the Western Cape, Captain Jan Calitz, barred foreign television crews and local photographers from taking pictures of the police station or surrounding buildings damaged by the blast.

Journalists stood by and watched as the SABC crew were allowed into the barricaded area to take close-up shots of the spot where the limpet mine had exploded.

When confronted by the local press about "discrimination" against local newspapers and foreign crews, Captain Calitz said that the SABC crew was filming the scene for the Bureau for Information.

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Bombs: ANC has 'no mandate'

Own Correspondent

ULUNDI. — Black South Africans had never once mandated the African National Congress to plant bombs on street corners where they would be killed, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi said here at the weekend.

Addressing 5 000 delegates and observers at the 11th annual conference of Inkatha, the KwaZulu Chief Minister and president of the movement said black South Africa had never once mandated the ANC to try to destroy the economy and to create vast unemployment and under-employment as a certainty in the future.

These tactics and strategies of destroying the economy and blowing up civilian blacks, whites, coloured

people and Indians represented a "horrendous offence" against the halved values in the black struggle for liberation.

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The conference called on President

P W Botha to release jailed ANC leader Mr Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners "for the sake of South Africa".

The resolution urged the international community to place the release of political prisoners at the top of their agendas for discussion with the South African Government.

It said the politics of negotiation demanded that black leaders gain their own constituency support for the positions which they adopted in negotiations.

Another resolution urged the State President to recognize the need for him to negotiate with Chief Buthelezi and other black leaders about the National Statutory Council before it was presented in a Bill to Parliament.

It stated that if President Botha made it possible for Chief Buthelezi to participate in the council, Inkatha would work for mass black support for him and other black members of the NSC who would be negotiating a new constitution for South Africa.

The resolution asked President Botha to consider carefully what Chief Buthelezi had said about the circumstances in which he would find it possible to take part in the proposed council.

The Inkatha president said he had not yet decided whether or not to participate in the NSC.

He said the National Party was to hold a federal congress in Durban on August 13 and he did not know what would be announced then.

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Dispatch Correspondent

ULUNDI — Black South Africans had never mandated the African National Congress (ANC) to plant bombs on street corners where blacks could be killed. The economy would be destroyed and vast unemployment created, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi said in the KwaZulu capital at the weekend.

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In a hard-hitting attack on the ANC's external mission, Chief Buthelezi said its members behaved as though they were gods.

He was loudly applauded when he said he would never condone the use of blacks as "cannon fodder" for political ideals.

He claimed the ANC was trying to renounce its imprisoned leader, Nelson Mandela, because he regarded Chief Buthelezi as important.

Although he did not believe the ANC leadership wanted Mr Mandela released — "he is more useful to them in jail as a martyr" — Chief Buthelezi said he was optimistic Mandela would ultimately be released.

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He urged the State President to recognise the need for him to negotiate with black leaders about the National Council before it was presented as a bill to Parliament, saying there could be no solution to South Africa's problems which excluded Inkatha.

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'CANNON FODDER'

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SA faces years of bomb attacks ~~(MIA)~~ researcher ^(84A)

By Hannes de Wet

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Bomb attacks on soft targets will probably remain part of the South African scene for the next three to five years, says Mr Wim Booyse, researcher at the Institute for Strategic Studies at the University of Pretoria.

However, this should not be seen as a stepping up of revolutionary war. It was rather an indication that the African National Congress had been forced back to the basics.

"Indiscriminate violence against soft targets is one of the earliest stages of the process. It is aimed at creating a fear psychosis and establishing the right climate for a revolution," said Mr Booyse.

He said the recent bomb attacks in Johannesburg, Cape Town and Pretoria reflected a change in ANC strategy, resulting from the success the police had had in uncovering ANC arms caches and rounding up terrorists.

The efficiency of the police in combating terrorism had more than trebled since September 1984, Mr Booyse said.

"Until a few months ago, the ANC's prime targets were still town councillors, the police and people associated with the State. Now the ANC has been forced to concentrate on less risky targets.

"Hence the recent bombs against civilians and land-mine attacks on farmers."

Mr Booyse said this indicated also that the ANC leadership has lost control over its cadres within South Africa. Instead of continuing to concentrate on the more advanced stages of the revolutionary process, these cells had obviously decided to take fewer risks.

The loss of control by the ANC command was partly due to follow-up operations over the borders by the Defence Force.

"The ANC's command and control system has definitely been disrupted," Mr Booyse said.

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Govt, PFP condemn bombings

Political Staff

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GOVERNMENT and Official Opposition spokesmen have condemned the recent spate of bomb blasts.

Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange said after visiting victims of the Silverton blast in hospital yesterday that police would do everything possible to track down those responsible.

Leaders of coloured population groups should take note that although in recent times three whites had died and a further 84 were injured, in the same incidents 27 blacks, nine coloureds and two Indians were injured.

This proved that the ANC's policy of committing terrorism in South Africa was aimed at any person, regardless of race or age, said Mr le Grange.

Law and Order spokesman for the Progressive Federal Party Mrs Helen

Suzman said last night she hoped the perpetrators of the bomb violence were apprehended and brought to trial.

"Whichever organisation is responsible for the terrorist bombs, the strongest condemnation must be directed against them."

Mrs Suzman added that the racial composition of those killed and injured was irrelevant.

"One can only offer sincere sympathy and condolences to those who have lost relatives and express the hope that those who have been injured will recover," she said.

● The Argus Africa News Service reports from Lusaka that the African National Congress has accepted responsibility for recent bomb attacks in South Africa, according to reports here.

Government to get tough on bombers

Business accused of security apathy

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The Government has warned of tough action against the people responsible for recent bomb blasts — and the business community in Johannesburg has been criticised strongly for being apathetic to improved security.

"People simply don't seem to care," said Mr Neville Griffin, chairman of Johannesburg's Emergency Planning Association (EPA).

He told *The Star*: "After the recent bomb attacks, the EPA appealed to the business world for financial aid for its emergency programme. The response was abysmal."

The Johannesburg Chamber of Commerce has denied that its members are apathetic to security. Mr Andre Malherbe, assistant general manager of the JCC, said the first priority of businessmen "would be to spend money on their own premises and protect staff".

"In today's economic climate, with businesses battling to stay alive, it is understandable if the EPA is not receiving financial aid for its emergency programme. Businessmen are not apathetic towards security — they are doing something about protecting their

own buildings."

Minister of Law and Order Mr Louis le Grange said yesterday after visiting victims of the Silverton blast in hospital that the police would do everything in their power to track down those responsible.

He said in a statement that he wished to repeat that ANC attackers did not take into account those who fell victim to their actions.

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Three Silverton bomb victims 'satisfactory'

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — The three Silverton bomb victims who had surgery yesterday are said to be in a satisfactory condition in H F Verwoerd Hospital.

Mrs Martie Erasmus, 56, of Arcadia, who lost her right foot in the blast, had an operation on her right leg and a skin graft on her left leg.

Miss Philmarin Marais, 23, and Miss Lea Bruyns of Sunnyside both had skin grafts.

The hospital reported that Mr George Memela, whose condition was described as serious yesterday, was in a stable condition.

The remaining victims were recovering well, the spokesman added.

● The condition of three-week-old Jared Petley, who with his mother were victims of a blast in Main Street, Johannesburg last week, has improved so well that he is ready to be discharged, a spokesman at Johannesburg Hospital said today.

Jared's condition stabilised after deteriorating at the weekend.

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Johannesburg blast mother going home today, but not baby

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Miss Cheryl Petley, 19, mother of blast victim Jared Petley, is to be discharged from the Johannesburg Hospital today, a hospital spokesman said.

But three-week-old Jared would not be going home today because he was running a temperature.

Miss Petley and her son were injured in a limpet mine blast last week in Main Street, Johannesburg. Eight others were also hurt.

Jared's skull was pierced by shrapnel and he suffered bleeding on the brain although no brain damage was caused.

He was ready to go home yesterday but stayed on while his mother had skin grafting to cover shrapnel scars.

Three people who were admitted to Kalafong Hospital after the weekend bomb blast in Silverton, Pretoria are in a satisfactory condition.

A spokesman, Dr G Joubert, said today that Mrs Sophie Madisha, 42, of Mamelodi, Mrs Rebecca Mphofu of Kwandebile and Mr Samuel Masango, 33, of Mamelodi were the only three victims treated at Kalafong Hospital out of a total of about 20. The rest were treated at H F Verwoerd Hospital.

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Mr Masango and Mrs Madisha said yesterday they had bought groceries and were standing outside the busy Checkers store when the bomb exploded about 5pm on Friday.

Mrs Madisha, who is employed by Silverton Engineering Company, said she had left work at noon and met her cousin, who worked near the supermarket.

They went to Checkers where Mrs Madisha waited outside with her groceries while her cousin entered the shop.

She heard a loud explosion and felt her body become rigid.

"I later saw several people lying on the ground and screaming for help. There was blood all over the place. Then I lost consciousness. The next thing I remember was that I was in the ambulance that brought me to the hospital."

Mr Masango said he went to Checkers to buy a soft-drink. He waited for a friend in front of the store. When the explosion came he felt blows to his foot and head.

Mr Masango had a fractured leg and head injuries.



Security guards checking bags at OK Bazaars, the Rand Afrikaans University and Edgars yesterday. ● Pictures by Ruvan Boshoff.

Shopping centres tighten security

By Hannes de Wet

Recent bomb attacks have prompted several shopping centres and supermarkets on the Reef to improve security arrangements.

Handbags and parcels are being searched, car parks patrolled and rubbish bins are being removed.

"I would rather see a littered shop floor than the chaos of an explosion," said Mr Gordon Hoult, general manager of Pick 'n Pay supermarkets in the Southern Transvaal.

He said Pick 'n Pay was removing bins from its shops and car parks.

Other supermarket chains agreed that shopping centres had become obvious targets for bomb attacks and that tighter security was essential.

Mr D T Houston, a director of OK Bazaars, said: "I cannot give too much detail about the steps we have taken as that would be counter-productive but we are searching all the bigger parcels entering our stores as well as customers' handbags.

"Refuse bins inside stores have been filled with sand. Only the top part of the bins has been kept empty for refuse. Bins with a hollow inside structure have been removed."

Mr Buddy Anderson, general manager (loss control) at Checkers, said: "We have taken several measures to step up security. We have also found that the managements of the big centres in which

our shops are housed have put in extra security.

"We have increased the number of security personnel and parcels and handbags are being searched.

"In our Natal stores we use metal detectors at entrances. We also have zonal searches of refuse bins during the day. All bins are regularly checked for unusual objects."

Mr Hoult, of Pick 'n Pay, believed people should be searched at shopping centre entrances, not at individual shops.

"What still worries me is that the entrances of some centres are not controlled at night. I can think of some centres where I would not go to watch a movie or to have dinner," Mr Hoult said.

Mr Dave Kavanagh, manager of Eastgate shopping centre, said: "We are very aware of the situation and are phasing in more stringent measures for screening the public entering our centre. This involves, among other things, searching customers and installing electronic equipment.

"Apart from that, car parks are regularly patrolled and refuse bins regularly emptied.

"These measures are not in force during the evening but we are working towards that. As our manpower is increased and equipment procured we will be able to be more stringent in our security measures.

"Most of the bigger individual shops inside the centre have their own security systems and this results in a duplication of measures such as the searching of handbags."

Assocom advises on ways to protect staff

Set up a security budget, assess all dangers which your staff are likely to face and install emergency procedures. This is the advice of the Associated Chambers of Commerce (Assocom) to businesses in a 21-page booklet on security.

The booklet points out that security measures may be regarded as a form of insurance and should not be taken lightly.

Bomb blasts, terrorist attacks, riots and industrial unrest are dealt with in some detail.

The booklet suggests:

- That a bomb threat be regarded as real until shown to be false.
- If a suspected bomb is detected, the security officer or management should be notified. They in turn should contact the police.
- Where an item could clearly be a real bomb, under no circumstances should any attempt be

made to render it harmless.

● To reduce the risk of terrorist attacks, staff must be trained to keep calm and to co-operate with their attacker as far as possible.

● If part of the premises is taken over by terrorists, management should be able to guide the police into the premises unobserved by their attackers.

● If there is a likelihood of a riot near a company's premises, management should make a contingency plan which must include proper communication between staff and management, evacuation routes and emergency supplies.

● A business should have a contingency plan for a time of industrial unrest, especially when the workforce is on strike.

● Management must take into consideration the very real problem of worker intimidation.

Bins could be hiding bombs

What is the Johannesburg City Council going to do about the hundreds of refuse bins which could be ideal hiding places for bombs or limpet mines?

The council has been inundated by calls from residents insisting that rubbish bins near schools be removed.

A committee has been appointed to look into the matter. Recommendations on ways to minimise the risks presented by refuse bins will be handed to the management committee on July 16.

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Bombings: City stores step up security

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By CHRIS STEYN

CAPE TOWN stores have tightened their security in a bid to ensure the safety of their customers and staff in view of the recent bombings at centres throughout the country.

Several city stores have stepped up their security measures with the introduction of spot parcel checks and the phasing out of "prime target" parcel counters to make shopping safe for their customers.

A police spokesman yesterday confirmed that regular meetings were being held between the police and store managers to discuss security.

Police yesterday put out a statement calling on City housewives to leave their children at home when going shopping — to avoid unnecessary risk to children.

Security measures

Security measures introduced in several supermarkets, department stores, retail outlets and bars in Cape Town include:

- Parcel searches in high-traffic stores;
- The deployment of more security guards inside and outside stores;
- Frequent patrols in and around stores, especially in parking lots;
- Phasing out of parcel counters in some big retail outlets;
- The recruiting of more staff and security personnel and the introduction of intensive staff awareness training programmes;
- Installation of laminated glass on shopfronts;
- Snap-checks on handbags and parcels at stores and pubs.

Police have advised store managers on a "plan of action" in the event of a bomb blast or another emergency situation.

Security firms yesterday reported a "substantial and consistent" increase in business over the past two years.

"Security used to be regarded as an expense. Now people regard it as a saving of company expenses and human life," the spokesman of one security firm said.

A spokesman for a supermarket said security had become of "paramount importance" to big outlets.

"We have stepped up security all round to prevent crimes," he said.

Many stores, which have not yet phased out parcel counters, have trained their staff to spot the "tell-

tale" signs of a suspect parcel. These stores reserve the right to search any parcel left in its care.

A spokesman for a big retail outlet, which has been phasing out parcel counters, said the counters were "prime targets" for bombers who wanted to leave a parcel in an unobtrusive and seemingly innocent way.

Some hypermarkets asked shoppers to declare parcels and to show the contents to security personnel.

Regular parcel searches have been introduced in all the busiest branches of a departmental retail outlet.

Supermarket spokesmen said staff were also thoroughly trained in evacuation procedures in the case of a bomb blast or a bomb scare.

Many stores have also revamped shopfronts with the installation of safety glass to minimise injury in the event of bomb blast. Eighty-five per cent of all bomb blast injuries were caused by flying glass, according to a statement released by the National Safety Glazing Council.

Several stores said they employed their own armed security guards as they were "more responsible and loyal" to the company than hired guards.

However, many shopowners preferred the services of professional security firms, especially firms whose guards underwent para-military training.

Snap searches

A security spokesman for a Cape Town pub, said that apart from snap handbag and parcel searches, full-time security patrolmen kept a tight watch on "strange" vehicles and cars left too long in one place.

The attitude of shopowners was reflected in the words of a spokesman for a department store who said: "Stores simply can't afford a bomb blast — so we have to do whatever is necessary to make shopping safe for our customers."

There have been 13 bomb blasts since the state of emergency was introduced on June 12 this year. Five people have been killed and 123 injured in the blasts.

Mine blasts in E Tvl lead to five arrests

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Mercury Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—Five suspected ANC terrorists and 'collaborators' were arrested yesterday in connection with the spate of landmine incidents in the Eastern Transvaal.

The five could not be named due to 'the security built into the legislation of the state of emergency', said Mr Leon Mellet of the Department of Information.

The arrests were in connection with at least six terrorism acts:

On June 10 18-year-old schoolboy Martin Coetzer of Volksrust lost a foot when his bakkie detonated a landmine.

On March 19 two men, Bisane Mahlang and Mtiselwa Sidane, were killed and nine others injured near Deval when their vehicle detonated a mine.

On April 21 taxi driver Ben Mdluli was injured near Breyten.

The same day a farm worker Simon Makwanazi was injured when the tractor he was driving detonated a landmine on the farm of J J de Villiers.

On June 10 farm workers

Lukas Lushaba and Elias Shabangu were injured on a farm near Volksrust.

The Department of Information said the success of the police in arresting suspected terrorists could not have been achieved without the help of the public.

Commissioner of Police, Gen Johan Coetzee, said the arrests 'clearly illustrates what can be achieved if the public are always on the lookout for anything suspicious and report their suspicions'.

Sapa reports that more than 400 people died in South Africa last year as a result of unrest and about 2 000 were injured, according to the annual report of the Commissioner of Police.

Of those who died, 264 were shot dead during skirmishes with the security forces while seven members of the security forces lost their lives.

The report also says that more than 21 000 people were arrested in connection with incidents of violence during the period.

Damage to buildings and vehicles amounted to about R60 million.

Pregnant bombing trialist granted bail

Court Reporter

A PREGNANT woman, Duduzile Charity Baby 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 of R6 000 in the Supreme Court, Durban, yesterday.

Appearing for the State, Mr B J Schonfeldt told Mr Justice Didcott that Mrs Buthelezi was 37 weeks pregnant and was expecting her baby in two-and-a-half to three weeks.

He said it was the wom-



Duduzile Buthelezi

an's first child and the pregnancy was proceeding normally. But it had been felt for humanitarian reasons she should have her baby outside jail.

Conditions of bail were that she report twice daily between 7 a m and 9 a m and 5 p m and 8 p m at the Umlazi police station.

On the date of her removal to hospital for her confinement, her legal representative was to notify the investigating officer, Maj A R C Taylor, or his repre-

sentative, Lt H J P Botha, or the Attorney-General or his representative, of her removal to hospital and to furnish them with full details of her hospitalisation.

The bail order also stated that for the duration of her confinement she would not be required to report to the police.

However, immediately upon her discharge from hospital she must inform the investigating officer or his representative of the date of her discharge.

She must then resume her daily reporting to the police.

She must also refrain from leaving the Durban

magisterial area without the written permission of the Attorney-General or his representative or the investigating officer or his representative, surrender any passport or travel document to the police, must not communicate with any State witnesses and must not leave her home between the hours of 9 p m and 6 a m without the written permission of the investigating officer or his representative.

The order also stipulates that she refrain from taking part in any activity of the African National Congress, the United Democratic Front and the Medical Students' Representative Council at the University of Natal.

Seven killed, 14 captured since emergency

Police account for 21 terror suspects

By Sue Leeman, Pretoria Bureau

The arrest of five alleged ANC insurgents in connection with several Eastern Transvaal landmine incidents has brought to 21 the total of alleged ANC operatives shot or captured since the start of the emergency.

Since June 12, when the emergency was declared, a total of seven suspected ANC operatives have been killed, 14 are in custody and one escaped the police dragnet.

The Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, announced last night that the police had recently rounded up five alleged ANC "terrorists and collaborators" in connection with a number of landmine blasts which have rocked the Eastern Transvaal since April.

It is understood the men were picked up in different places last week. They are being linked with a number of explosions, including one on June 10 in which 18-year-old schoolboy Martin Coetzer lost a foot when the car he was driving detonated a landmine on his parents' farm near Volksrust.

In another incident on June 10, a tractor driven by Mr Lucas Lushaba detonated a mine on a farm belonging to Mr M J Uys, also near Volksrust. Mr Lushaba and Mr Elias Shabangu were injured.

Other serious incidents in the area included one on May 19 in which two men, Mr Bisane Mahlang and 60-year-old Mr Mthiselwa Sidane were killed and nine other people injured when their vehicle

detonated a landmine near Davel.

On April 21 taxi driver Mr Ben Mdluli was injured when his vehicle set off a landmine near Breyten. On the same day, Mr Simon Makwanazi was injured when the tractor he was driving detonated a landmine on the farm of Mr J J de Villiers, also near Breyten.

Suspected ANC operatives killed by police fire since the emergency died in two incidents:

- On June 27 four were shot in the Nietverdiend region, Western Transvaal, about 30 km from the Botswana border. One man got away.
- On Monday it was announced that another three had been shot after being found in a hut near Empangeni in the Northern Transvaal.

Other alleged ANC operatives have been arrested in a number of areas:

- On June 26, four men were arrested near Pretoria. They were allegedly linked to an incident in which a landmine exploded on a gravel road near Soshanguve. Two Russian-made grenades were found.
- Another four men were rounded up in the Durban area. They are being held under section 29 of the Internal Security Act. Their arrest allegedly arises from the discovery of an arms cache containing, among other things, AK-47 and VZ rifles and chemicals suitable for making bombs.
- A woman was arrested at Swaziland's Golela border post on June 13. She allegedly was found to be carrying a large quantity of explosives, an RPG 7 rocket launcher and ANC literature.

Landmine incidents in the Eastern Transvaal

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THE Commissioner of the South African Police, General Johan Coetzee, yesterday announced that five suspected ANC insurgents and collaborators had been arrested in connection with a spate of landmine incidents in the Eastern Transvaal during April, May and June this year.

By SELLO RABOTHATA

when Mr Bisane Mahlangu and Mr M Sidane (60) were killed and nine others injured after their car detonated a landmine near Davel while on their way to attend a church service of the Zion Christian Church (ZCC).

Uys, Mr Lushaya and Mr Elias Shabangu were injured in the incident. The Bureau for Information said the arrests follow closely on other recent successes by the South African Police. These include:

The incidents, according to a statement released by the Bureau for Information, included the explosion in which an 18-year-old schoolboy, Martin Coetzer, lost one foot when the car he was driving detonated a landmine on his parents' farm, Boshhoek, near Volksrust, on June 10.

Tractor

The five are also being held in connection with:

- A blast on May 19

- Two blasts on April 12 when a taxi driver, Mr Ben Mdtuli, was injured when his vehicle detonated a landmine near Breyten and Mr Simon Mkhwanazi was injured when his tractor was blown up on the farm of Mr J J de Villiers, also near Breyten.

- The arrest of suspected ANC insurgents near Pretoria which followed the detonation of a landmine near So-shanguve on June 26.
- The incident on June 27 in which "four trained ANC men" were shot dead 30 kilometres from the Botswana border.
- The shooting of a further "three trained ANC men" near Empangeni in which the police also took possession of Russian-made weapons and explosives.

- A blast on May 19 near Volksrust, when Mr Lucas Lushaya's tractor was blown up on the farm of a Mr M J

Blasts 5 ANC suspects 10/7/86 D.D. arrested

Dispatch Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — Five suspected African National Congress guerrillas and "collaborators" were arrested yesterday in connection with a spate of landmine incidents in the Eastern Transvaal since April this year.

The five people could not be named because of "the security built into the legislation of the state of emergency", said Mr Leon Mellet of the Department for Information.

The arrests were in connection with at least six incidents, including:

- The June 10 blast in which an 18-year-old schoolboy, Martin Coetzer of Volksrust, lost a foot when his bakkie detonated a landmine;

- The deaths of two men, Mr Bisane Mahlang and Mr Mtiselwa Sidane, and the injury of nine others near Davel on March 19 when their vehicle detonated a mine. They were on their way to a Zion Christian Church service;

- The injury on April 21 of a taxi driver, Mr Ben Mdluli, near Breyten;

- The injury on the same day of a farm worker, Mr Simon Makwanazi, when the tractor he was driving detonated a landmine on the farm of Mr J. J. de Villiers; and

- The injury on June 10 of two farm workers, Mr Lukas Lushaba and Mr Elias Shabangu, on a farm near Volksrust.

The Department for Information said the recent police "success" could not have been achieved without the help of the public.

The commissioner of police, General Johan Coetzee, said the arrest "clearly illustrates what can be achieved if the public are always on the look out for anything suspicious and report their suspicions".

Suspected terrorists arrested in Transvaal



● MELLET

FIVE suspected African National Congress (ANC) terrorists and alleged collaborators were arrested yesterday in connection with landmine incidents in the Eastern Transvaal since April.

The five people could not be named due to "the security built into the legislation of the state of emergency", said Brigadier Leon Mellet, of the Department of Information.

The arrests were made in connection with at least six alleged terrorism acts, including:

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He added that the recent arrests could not have been achieved without public help.

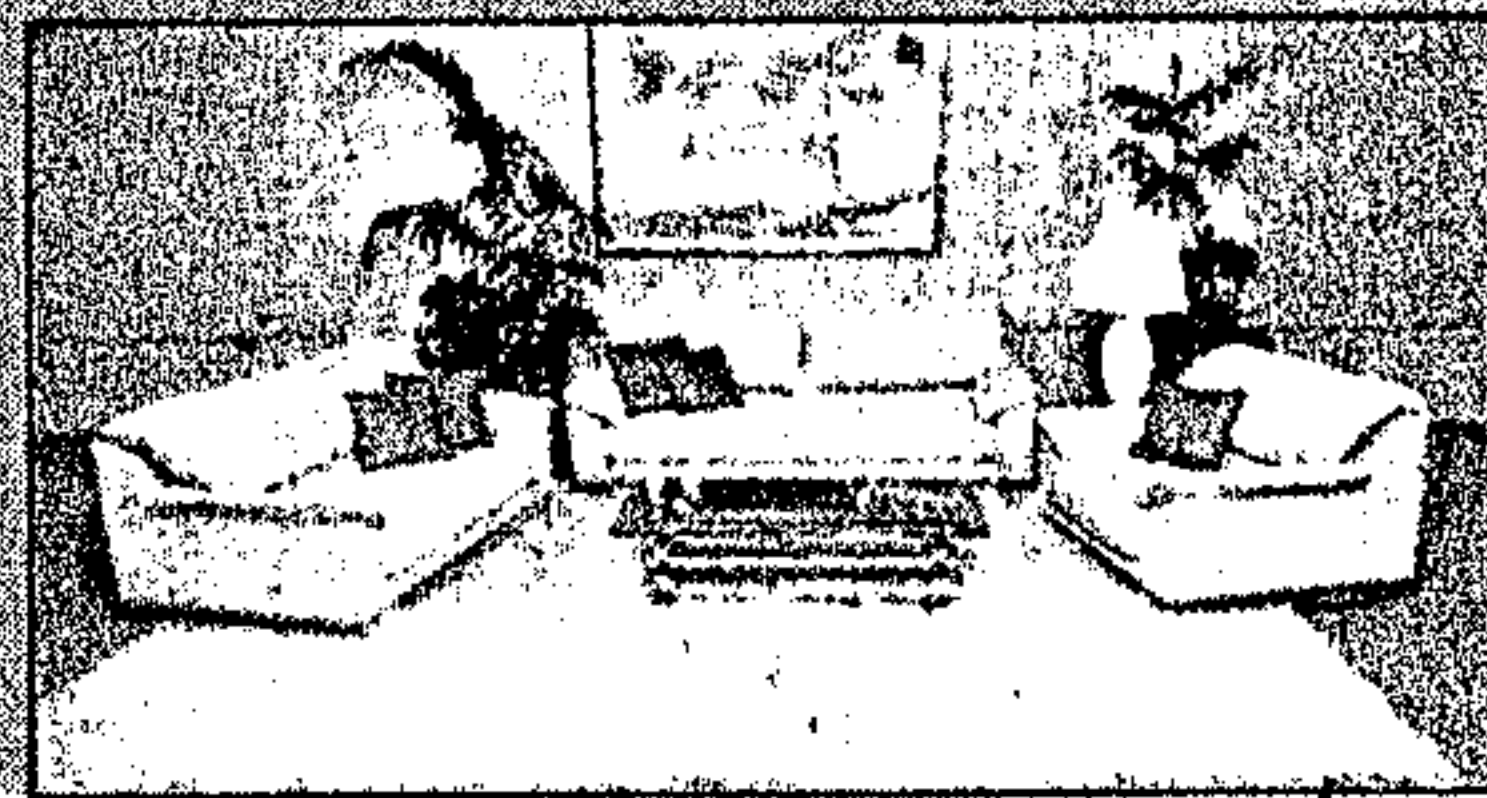
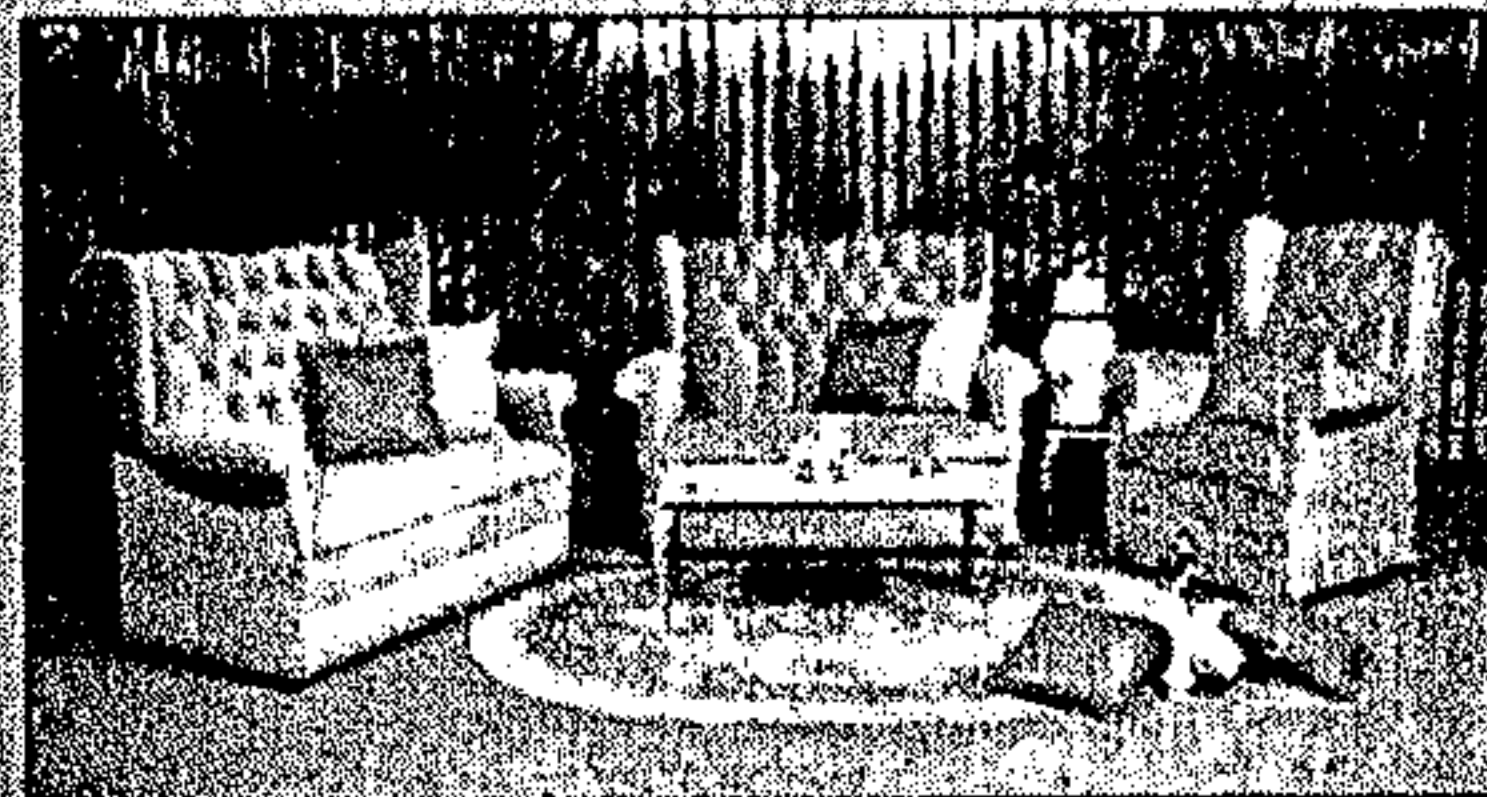
116 now officially dead

ACCORDING to the Bureau for Information, one man died in unrest related incidents in the 24 hours till 6am yesterday. This brings the official death toll in South Africa since the state of emergency was declared on June 12 to 116.

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Landmine blasts 4 suspects arrested

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They could not be named due to "the security built-in to the legislation of the state of emergency", said Mr Leon Mellet of the Department for Information.

The arrests were in connection with at least six terrorism acts, including:

● That of June 10 in which an 18-year-old schoolboy, Martin Coetzer of Volksrust, lost a foot when his bakkie detonated a landmine.

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● On March 19, Mr Bisanah Mahlang and Mr Mtiselwa Sidane were killed and nine others injured near Davel when their vehicle detonated a mine. They were on their way to a Zion Christian Church service.

● April 21 in which a taxi driver, Mr Ben Mdluli, was injured near Breyten.

● The same day a farm worker, Mr Simon Makwanazi, was injured when the tractor he was driving detonated a landmine on the farm of Mr J J de Villiers.

● June 10 when farm workers Mr Lukas Lushaba and Mr Elias Shabangu were injured on a farm near Volksrust.

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20 ANC shot or captured since emergency start

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — The recent arrest of five alleged ANC insurgents in connection with several landmine incidents in the Eastern Transvaal has brought to 20 the number of alleged ANC operatives shot or captured since the state of emergency.

Since June 12, when the emergency was declared, seven suspected ANC operatives have been killed, 13 are in custody and one escaped the police dragnet.

The Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, announced last night that the police had recently rounded up five alleged ANC "terrorists and collaborators" in connection with a number of landmine blasts in the Eastern Transvaal since April.

They are being linked with a number of explosions, including one on June 10 in which 18-year-old schoolboy Martin Coetzer lost a foot when the car he was driving detonated a landmine on his parents' farm near Volksrust.

Suspected ANC operatives killed by police fire since the emergency died in two incidents:

On June 27 four were shot in the Nietverdiend area in the Western Transvaal. One man got away. On Monday another three were shot in a hut near Empangeni in northern Natal.

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Public vigilance 'is of great value to police'

By David Braun, Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Law and Order authorities have appealed to the public to keep a careful lookout and report anything suspicious immediately to the police.

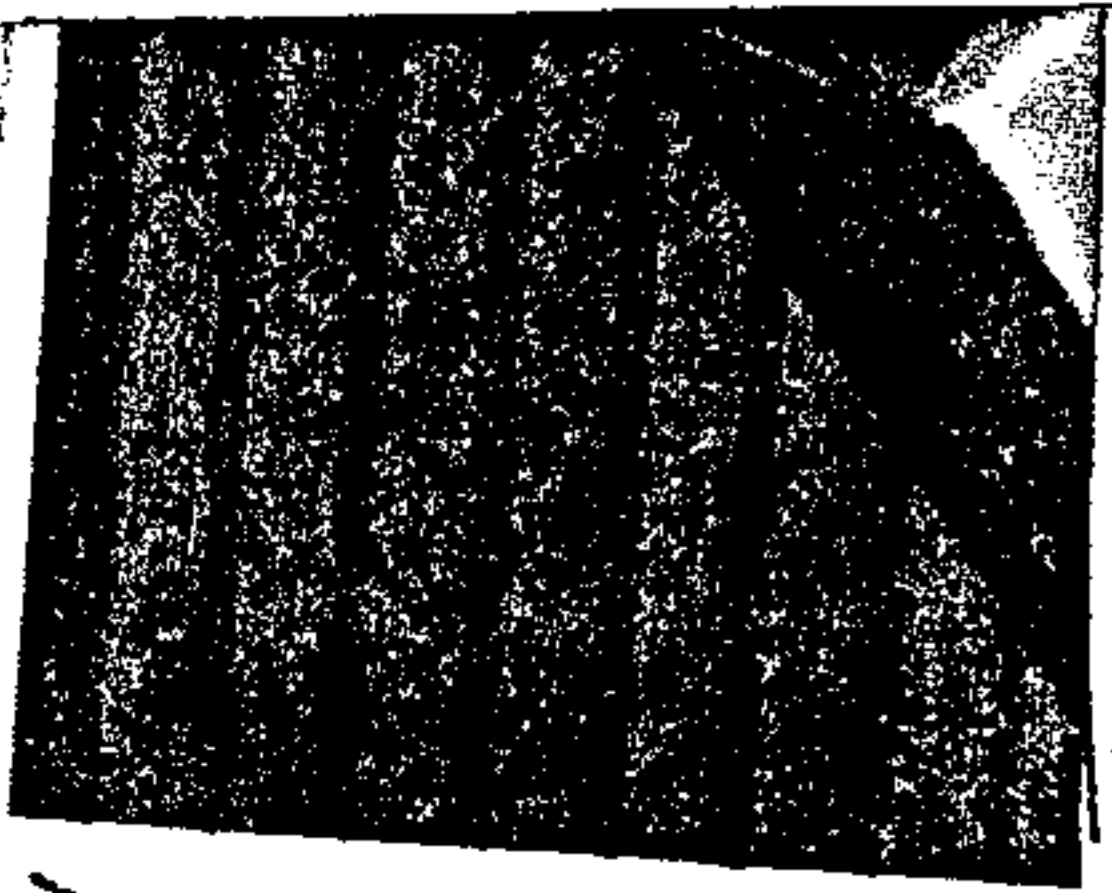
A spokesman for the Ministry of Law and Order said that the recent series of successes that the police had had in the security field would not have been possible were it not for the alertness and assistance of the public.

"This clearly illustrates what can be done if the public is always on the look out for anything suspicious."

Mrs Helen Suzman, Progressive Federal Party spokesman on Law and Order, has meanwhile criticised a ban on indoor gatherings of 33 organisations and trade unions in Johannesburg and Roo-depoort which was, according to the Bureau for Information, imposed in error.

The Bureau said the errors published in an earlier Government Gazette would be rectified today.

the South African Rugby The statement, issued last night



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Explosion at JSE causes little damage

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A small explosive device detonated in the hedge bordering the lawns in front of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange in Diagonal Street at about 4.45pm yesterday, the Bureau for Information confirmed.

No-one was injured and the device, thought to be a pamphlet bomb or a grenade, caused limited damage to the vegetation.

Storeowners opposite the Stock Exchange said they heard an explosion, saw smoke and some papers flying from the hedge.

After the blast, large pieces of paper were strewn in the hedge and on the pavement.

A container, shaped like a plantpot was also visible in the hedge.

Traffic and riot police cordoned off the block between President and Kerk streets.

Some bus services were disrupted and commuters had to take different routes to bus stops in Jeppe Street.

Eastern Cape terror

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Eastern Cape

clash: 4 dead

By SHIRLEY PRESSLY, Crime Reporter

TWO gunbattles raged in the Eastern Cape today in an anti-terrorist operation which started on the Botswana border yesterday and has so far left 10 dead.

Security forces came under fire outside King William's Town, starting the Eastern Cape encounters which added four more deaths to six on the border.

A spokesman for the Police Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria today confirmed two contacts near King William's Town and said one of the men had been positively identified as an ANC terrorist.

The others are believed to be trained terrorists or collaborators.

The drama started yesterday near the Botswana border in the Alldays district, when six trained ANC terrorists were shot dead during an intense battle with secur-

ity forces.

A seventh alleged terrorist escaped during heavy crossfire.

He was thought to have been wounded.

Preliminary police investigations point to the possibility that the seven armed men infiltrated from Botswana.

Police confiscated a quantity of terrorists weapons of Russian origin including limpet mines, hand grenades, AKM rifles, Makarov pistols and ammunition.

In a further counter-insurgency action today in the Border region, four men were killed near King William's Town.

In the skirmish, police, following up information, intercepted a car at

Breidbach, outside King William's Town.

The four occupants climbed out and opened fire on the police.

A hand grenade, which failed to detonate, was thrown at the police.

The police returned fire and a man was killed.

The other two jumped in the car and raced away.

A high speed chase followed and the car was intercepted by police near Fort Jackson.

The men leapt from the car and fled into the bush.

In a follow-up action, police engaged in a gunbattle with the pair,

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both of whom were killed.

A fourth man, who is believed to have been wounded in the earlier contact at Fort Jackson, was found dead inside the car.

There were no police casualties.

Police confiscated hand grenades, Tokarev pistols and AK47 rifles of Soviet origin.

Capt. Van G. 11/7/86
**Blast in
JSE garden**

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A small explosive charge was detonated in a flower bed in the gardens of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange late yesterday afternoon causing no injuries or serious damage to property.

The device is thought to have been considerably smaller than the mini-limpet mines used in recent bomb attacks in Johannesburg and Pretoria.

The blast was timed at 4.45pm.

"It was so small that nobody was evacuated from nearby buildings," said a spokesman for the Bureau for Information.

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Bomb accused wins landmark ruling

WEEKLY MAIL REPORTER,
Durban

THE only woman among 10 alleged Durban bombers was freed on bail this week after a landmark judgement setting aside certificates issued by Natal's Attorney General prohibiting bail.

Dudu Buthelezi, who is due to have her first child later this month, was freed on bail of R6 000.

Among conditions consented to by the prosecution and defence, she has to surrender any travel documents and report twice daily at the Umlazi police station. She may not leave her home between 9pm and 6am, and she may not have any contact with the African National Congress, the United Democratic Front or the Medical School Students' Representative Council at Natal University where she was employed as a secretary.

Buthelezi faces charges of terrorism and possession of banned literature. The state alleges she received "elementary" military training on three occasions and gave transport and accommodation to ANC members. The other accused face charges under the Arms and Ammunition Act as well as the Internal Security Act. They are alleged to have been involved in 13 bomb blasts in and around Durban over the past few years, including explosions at the home of House of Delegates leader Amichand Rajbansi and at a Bluff Girls' High School.

The application for the Attorney General's certificates to be declared unlawful was argued before a full bench of the Supreme Court by Ismail Mahomed SC, who said they were issued without permitting the 10 to make representations if they wished to do so, setting out their objections to the certificates and stating both their circumstances and reasons for wanting bail.

During argument for the state, prosecutor Barry Schonfeldt said there were conflicting judgements on the question of the certificates and a clear ruling on the matter would be welcomed. Justice John Didcott, one of the three judges who heard the matter, asked Schonfeldt whether he did not think it "very bold of the Attorney General to issue certificates when the Judge President of Natal had already said there could be no occasion on which their use could be justified?"

Schonfeldt conceded the principle of allowing the other side to put its point of view was "sacred" and added it was "the duty of the courts to safeguard this right". Didcott referred to a decision by the Attorney General in Natal last year when certificates were issued prohibiting the court from hearing bail applications on behalf of 16 treason trialists. After these certificates had been set aside the security of the state had not suffered when bail was ultimately allowed; the state had not even opposed bail.

In the event, the trial had not even run its full course when the prosecution had been stopped by the state. The senior judge, Justice Kumbleben, said reasons for the decision to throw out the certificates would be given later. He emphasised the judges were not ruling on the question of bail; they were only concerned with the validity of the certificates.

The implication of the judgement cleared the way for bail applications to be heard in court, should the defence wish to bring such applications. Lawyers appearing for the 10 said they were still taking instruction on whether to apply for bail for the other nine accused.

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JOHANNESBURG — A Berea home was petrol-bombed early yesterday, causing R2 000 damage, the Bureau for Information said.

A bureau spokesman said three petrol bombs were thrown at the Olivia Road house of Miss Francis Kaye.

A bureau spokesman said the front door of the house and carpets were damaged. No one was injured. — Sapa

Suspected ANC terrorists die in double shoot-out

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Mercury Correspondent
EAST LONDON—Four men were killed yesterday near King William's Town in police action, just 24 hours after six insurgents were killed by police in the Alldays district near the Botswana border.

And Bophuthatswana police are investigating a series of explosions that rocked the village of Magogwe near Mmabatho yesterday, although the Press liaison officer of the Bophuthatswana police, Col David George, said he did not believe the explosions were politically motivated.

He said it appeared commercial explosives had been used in what was probably an 'ordinary crime'. No one was injured and a house was slightly damaged, he said. The explosions occurred outside St Patrick's Church in the village.

The four suspected ANC terrorists were killed — one near King William's Town and the others during a car chase over nearly

30 km between Breidbach and Fort Jackson. South African and Ciskei police were involved in the shoot-outs.

South African Police, after receiving information, stopped a car about 8 15 a m just outside Breidbach, 10 km from King William's Town.

The four occupants of the car immediately opened fire on the police.

A grenade was also thrown at the police by one of the occupants of the car but did not explode.

Police then immediately returned fire and one of the four men was killed. The remaining three jumped into the car and fled.

A car chase ensued along nearly 30 km of the N2 between East London and King William's Town.

The three occupants in the fleeing car were stopped at a roadblock set up by the S A Police on the N2 to East London near the Fort Jackson off-ramp after police in the area had been alerted to the car chase heading in their direction.

At the roadblock, two of the three men jumped out of the car and fled into the bush. The third occupant had apparently been fatally wounded earlier, either during the shoot-out at Breidbach or during the car chase.

The car was riddled with bullet holes and both the front and rear screens were shattered. Blood stains covered the upholstery.

Police immediately gave chase, following the two men into the bush while other members of the police force staked out positions above the area on the road. Traffic travelling to and from King William's Town was diverted while the shoot-out continued in the bushy valley.

The two men were eventually tracked down and killed in a shoot-out. No police were injured during the incident.

The 'getaway' car, grenades, Tokarev pistols and AK-47 rifles of Russian origin were later confiscated from the scene of the incident by police.

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Emergency

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Because of the emergency regulations, the free flow of information relating to unrest is severely restricted. This newspaper will do its utmost to keep readers informed.

Bureau denial on blast arrests

PRETORIA—The Bureau for Information yesterday scotched reports that a white man was responsible for the limpet mine blast in Silverton, Pretoria, on July 4, or that whites had been arrested in connection the the Durban blast.

No whites were being held in connection with any blasts, and no one had been arrested in connection with the Durban blasts, bureau spokesman Mrs Ronelle Henning said yesterday.

A man who read that someone of his description was considered a suspect in the Silverton blast reported to police and was exonerated.

There had been a 23% decrease in the number of unrest incidents in the past week compared to last week, bureau statistician Dr Kobus Neethling said.

Compared to the first week, the decrease was 77%.

Graphs released by the bureau yesterday indicated there had been a steady increase in the number of

people being killed by the security forces over the past three weeks.

No figures were supplied.

The past three weeks of unrest-related events decreased by between 44% and 69% compared to the first five months this year.

The areas where most unrest incidents occurred were Soweto, the East Rand and the Eastern Cape, where respectively 15,1%, 12,7% and 19% of unrest incidents occurred, statistician Mr David Venter said.

Workers fought, running street battles in Meadowlands, Soweto, on Thursday and yesterday, eight houses being damaged and four set alight, the bureau said.

No one was injured in the fighting, which took place near the Mzimhlope hostel.

A bureau spokesman said the faction fighting that broke out two weeks ago had resumed.

The bureau said eight houses had been damaged.

— (Sapa)

10 die in police action in 2 days

CMB Towns 12/7/86

Own Correspondent

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In the incident outside Breidbach, the SAP Directorate of Public Relations said yesterday, police had stopped a car after receiving information. The four occupants got out and "immediately opened fire on the police. A hand-grenade was also thrown ... but did not detonate".

Police returned fire and a man was killed. The remaining three men jumped into the car and raced away but were stopped near Fort Jackson.

Two men jumped out of the vehicle and fled into the surrounding bush.

In follow-up action by the police both men were killed. The fourth man had apparently been wounded earlier and was found dead in the car.

There were no fatalities among the police. A car and hand-grenades, Tokarev pistols and AK-47 rifles of Russian origin were confiscated.

"One man has already been identified as a trained ANC terrorist. The others were presumably also ANC terrorists or assistants," the directorate's statement said.

Our East London correspondent reports that the car was riddled with bullet holes and the front and rear screens were shattered.

Ciskei's deputy Director-General for Foreign Affairs and Information, Mr Headman Somtunzi, would not say what had happened inside Ciskei before the shootout at Breidbach.

He said it had been agreed that statements on cross-border pursuits would be issued by the SAP.

Yesterday's shootout follows the incident near the Botswana border on Thursday when six "trained ANC terrorists" were shot dead. A security forces member was wounded but his condition was "satisfactory".

Cape Times 12/7/86
Arms: UCT
student fined

GABORONE. — A second-year UCT law student, Mziwoxolo Mfeketho, 30, was convicted in the Magistrate's Court here of being in possession of arms and ammunition and fined 100 pula (about R120) or two months.

Miss Nomaxabiso Dekeda, 31, a shop manageress of Umtata, was acquitted. Both were arrested on May 19.

Mr Bernard Ancer, for the defence, said the accused had shown remorse by co-operating with police. He said that although the arms had been found in Mfeketho's possession in the car in which he had been driving, the real owner of the arms was not before the court. — Sapa

'Toti trial: woman gets bail

By SIBUSISO MNGADI

IN a rare occurrence in an Internal Security Act trial, a nine-month pregnant woman was granted R6 000 bail by a Durban judge - but there were strict bail conditions attached.

Dudu Charity Baby Buthelezi, 32 - one of 10 people 20 facing charges under the Internal Security Act - was granted bail on "humanitarian grounds", so that she could have her baby outside prison.

Buthelezi - who is expecting her baby within the next three weeks - was released after the defence team made a representation to Natal Attorney-General Mike Imber.

It comes two days after a ruling by a full bench of three Durban judges, ME Kumleben, JM Didcott and ED Friedman, that certificates issued by Imber, precluding the ten from obtaining bail, were invalid.

Buthelezi's bail conditions require her to:

- Report to the Umlazi police station between 7 and 9am and between 5 and 8pm.
- Notify the investigating officer Major ARC Taylor or his representative, Lieutenant HJP Botha or Imber or his representative when she goes to hospital and give them details of her hospitalisation. According to the conditions, her reporting to the police station would be suspended during her confinement. But it should be resumed upon her discharge from the hospital.
- Inform the Taylor or Botha when she is discharged.
- Surrender her passport or travel document to the police.
- Refrain from leaving the Durban magisterial district without permission from Taylor, Botha, Imber or his representative.
- Not to communicate with any state witnesses.
- Not to leave her home between 9pm and 6am unless with Taylor's written permission.
- Not to become involved in any activity of the ANC, UDF or Natal Medical School Representatives Council.

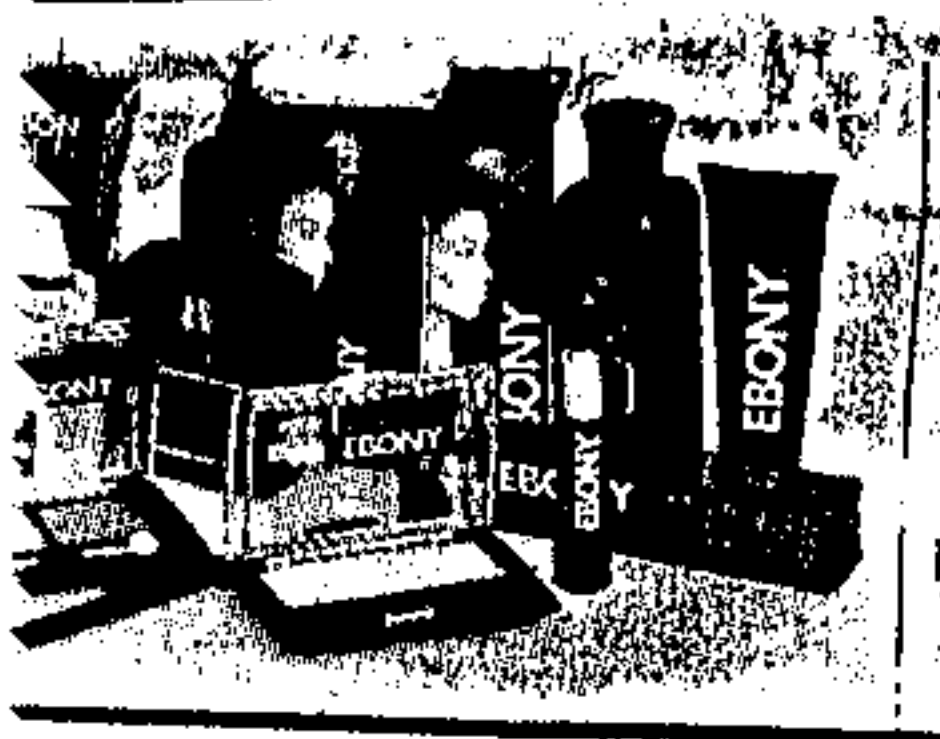
Buthelezi - a former administrative secretary of the MSRC - is appearing with Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo, Dr Vejeinand Indurjith Ramlaklan, Sibusiso Robert Ndlanzi, Jude Francis, Orduway Qonda Msomi, Siphon Stanley Bhila, Phumezo Nxiweni, Mapike Dhlomo and Bafu Bawana Nduqu.

According to the indictment, Buthelezi allegedly joined the ANC and agreed to work for them, particularly to arrange transport and accommodation for ANC members. She was trained inside the country and in Swaziland, it is alleged.



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E TV blasts: Police arrest five

FIVE suspected "ANC members and collaborators" had been arrested in connection with a series of landmine incidents in the Eastern Transvaal since April this year, police commissioner General Johann Coetzee announced in Pretoria.

The incidents included the explosion on June 10 in which Martin Coetzer lost a foot when the bakkie he was driving detonated a landmine on his parent's farm near Volksrust.

No further details of the arrests were given in Coetzee's statement. Bureau for Information spokesman Lon Mellet said police investigations were continuing.

Other landmine blasts related to the arrests included an incident on May 19 in which Bisane Mahlangu and Mtshiselwa Sidane were killed and nine others injured when their kombi detonated a landmine near Davel.

Two incidents on April 21 — one in which taxi driver Ben Nduli was injured when his vehicle detonated a landmine near Breyton, and the other when a tractor driver set off a landmine on a nearby farm.

An explosion near Volksrust on May 19, when a tractor detonated a landmine on MJ Uys' farm. Driver Lukas Lushaba and passenger Elias Shabangu were injured.

Coetzee said the arrest of the five suspects followed closely on other police arrests.

These included the previously announced arrests of suspected guerillas near Pretoria, following the detonation of a landmine near Soshanguve on June 26 and the gunbattle in which four ANC members were shot dead by police 30km from the Botswana border on June 27.

A third was last Sunday afternoon when police shot dead another three suspected guerillas and arrested one after a shootout near Empangeni. Russian-made arms and explosives were also seized in this incident.

Law and Order spokesman Captain Henry Beck said the latest arrests followed the Minister's statement after visiting last Friday's Silverton bomb blast victims in hospital that police "will not rest in their efforts to hunt down the ANC killers." — Sapa

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Expert advises on detecting landmines

Crime Reporter

PUBLIC awareness and vigilance are the best weapons to counter the dangers of landmines which are expected to be increasingly used against civilian targets.

This is the opinion of a leading expert in landmines, who has offered advice to the public following the discovery of two landmines in Northern Natal recently.

The expert has asked not to be named for professional reasons.

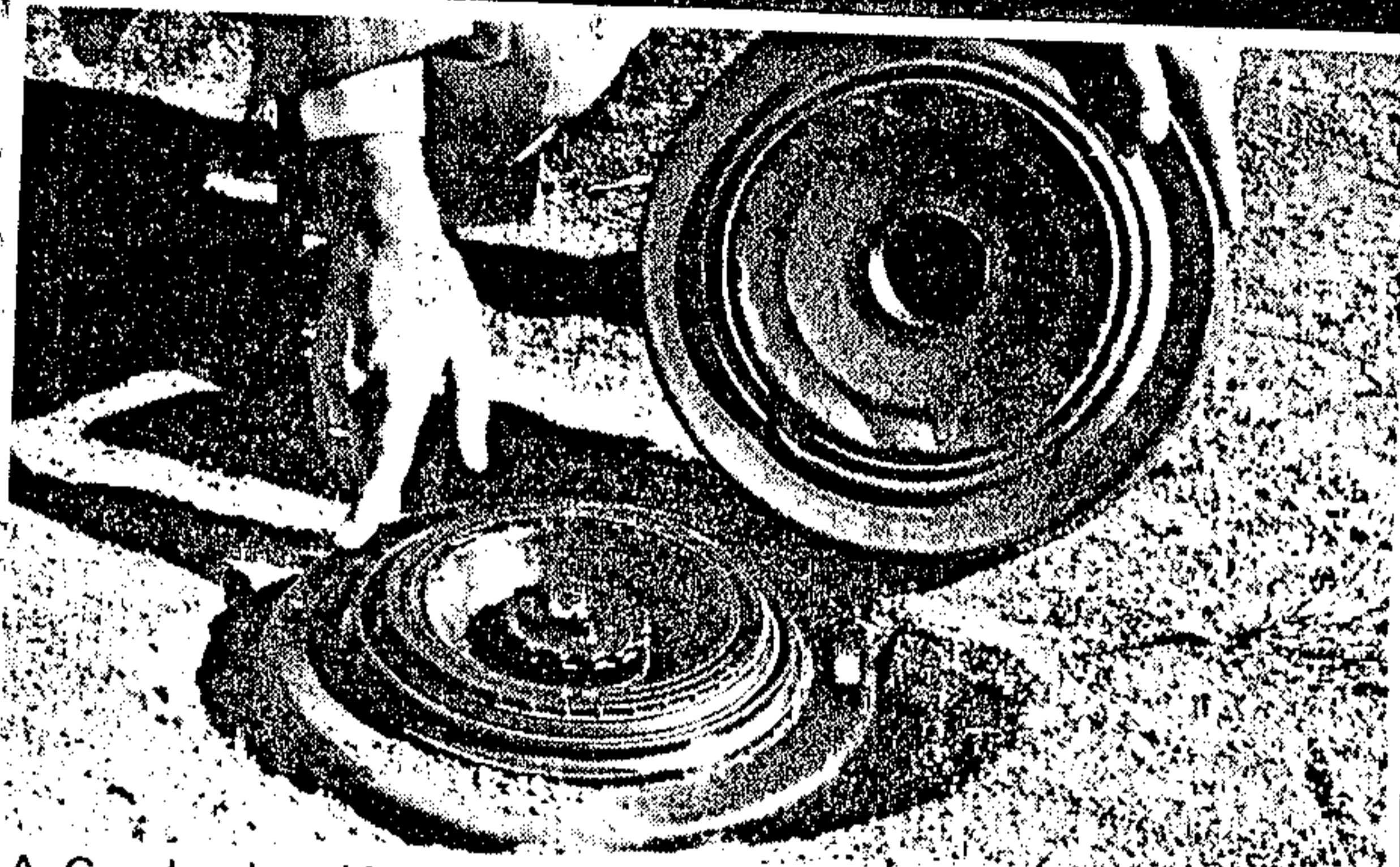
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But he suggested farmers look out for the following tell-tale signs that a mine has been planted:

Piles of earth on the side of the road; unusual tracks on the road and signs that the ground has been disturbed; discarded package cases, plastic or cardboard; suspicious-looking strangers in the area (farm workers should be encouraged to report their encounters to their employers).

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'The terrorist's main advantage in using landmines



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'A mine does a lot of damage and instils a lot more fear in people than an armed attack and the injuries are always fatal or serious,' the expert said.

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'The most important warning is that people do not touch mines they have found — they could be booby-trapped,' he said.

He said the road should

be sealed off at both ends to ensure that no-one used the road before security forces could remove the mine.

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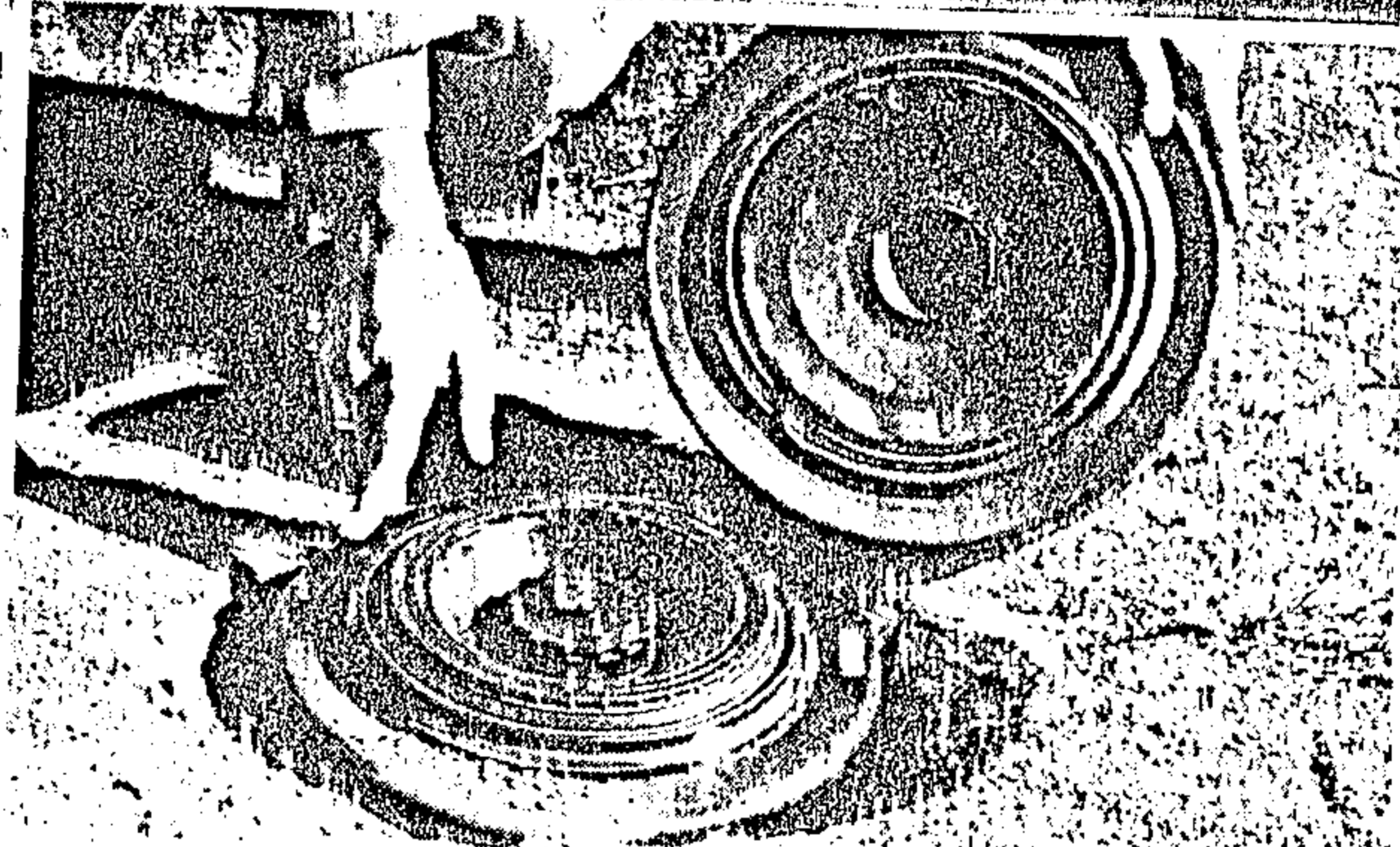
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Anniversary for De Jonge

Andrew Beattie

Mr Klaas de Jonge "celebrates" his anniversary in the Nedbank Building in Andries Street, Pretoria, this week.

The Hollander, first detained with his wife Helena Pastoors on June 23 last year, took refuge in the Dutch Embassy there on July 9 after escaping from police custody.

He was rearrested, starting a diplomatic row between South Africa and Holland over the violation of the embassy's diplomatic immunity.

On July 19 he was returned to the Dutch, who had threatened to withdraw their ambassador, Mr Hugo Carsten, if this was not done.

The South African authorities apologised for the police action but insisted that he be made available to face charges under the Arms and Explosives Act.

Anthropologist Mr de Jonge has been living the life of a prisoner. He cooks on a small hotplate and bathes in a small tub.

Pastoors has since been convicted of treason.

The issue was further complicated when the Dutch Embassy moved its premises to Arcadia. The floor where Mr de Jonge was incarcerated was retained for use as an archive to keep it diplomatically immune.

Minister of Law and Order Mr Louis le Grange disclosed in Parliament that a squad of 24 policemen are keeping the Mr de Jonge under 24-hour surveillance. The group was made up of four lieutenants, four warrant officers, 12 sergeants and 10 constables.

At the same time Mr de Jonge is being protected by two Dutch policemen sent to South Africa for that purpose.

ANC NOT ABLE TO CONFIRM BLASTS

THE African National Congress yesterday refused to confirm or deny that recent bomb explosions aimed at non-military targets in the country were the work of its members.

There have been 14 bomb blasts since the

By SELLO RABOTHATA

state of emergency was announced. While no organisation accepted responsibility for the blasts, Government officials and the Bureau for Information blamed the ANC.

There was however a school of thought in the

black community that said the right-wing element in the country could be behind the bombings in an attempt to discredit the ANC in South Africa's white community and to a limited extent, the black community.

ANC spokesman Mr Tom Sebina said it was

difficult to say who was responsible for the bombings because the state of emergency made it impossible for the ANC to communicate with operatives in the country. He said the right-wing element could not be ruled out and may be responsible for some of the bomb at-

tacks because there were stories of white vigilantes in the townships.

There have been at least 16 bomb explosions so far this year in which four people were killed and 152 injured. At least nine were exploded in places that had no military or security significance, indicating they were aimed against civilians.

Hotel

These were at a telephone booth in Pretoria on February 4, a Braamfontein station toilet on April 9, a Durban hotel on June 14, a Wimpy bar and a hotel in Johannesburg and the Jabulani stadium on June 24, a rubbish bin in central Johannesburg on July 1 and a bus-stop in Silverton on July 4.

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Handgrenade trial: pleas on Friday

Dispatch Reporter **SYA**

UMTATA — The case arising from a handgrenade explosion in an official vehicle near Engcobo on February 2, which claimed one man's life, was postponed in the magistrate's court here yesterday.

The case was postponed to Friday when the six accused will submit their pleas.

Mr Tobile Ndlaku, 31, Mr Pakisa Mabika, 33, Mr

Peace Sokaya Kali, 22, Mr Mlungisi Booi, 28, Mr Bongani Booi, 24, and Mr Vukile Penford Makhwelo, 32, have been charged with harbouring terrorists.

Mr Mlungisi Booi and Mr Bongani Booi are the sons of the Transkei Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, Mr E. Z. Booi.

Bail of R1 000 each has been granted. Bail conditions included the surrender of their passports and travel documents.

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Reef shopping centres are tightening their security

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The drive to tighten security at shopping centres appears to be paying dividends, a survey of several centres in and around Johannesburg has revealed.

At Eastgate, Sandton City, Killarney and The

Firs in Rosebank, alert security officers carried two-way radios.

However, it was only at Eastgate, on the Kensington-Bedfordview border, that security personnel had been posted at all entrances to check the

contents of bags into the centre.

Dustbins were being replaced by wire mesh containers for easy inspection.

With the exception of Killarney, at all the centres visited the dustbins were almost empty - apparent evidence of inspection for possible explosive devices by security and cleaning personnel.

The hallways were clear of loose packages and rubbish.

At Killarney, two overflowing dustbins were found in one toilet. Two large cardboard boxes were lying outside the entrance to a shop and another was abandoned in the car park.

Following the recent spate of urban bombings, police have warned the public to be on the lookout for suspicious parcels in dustbins and flowerpots.

Safety glass was installed at most of the chain stores and larger shops in the centres, but the shopfronts of smaller business premises tended to have unprotected plain glass panes.

It has been estimated that up to 80 percent of all injuries in bomb explosions are caused by flying glass.

Store owners urged to use staff for protection

The Johannesburg Chamber of Commerce (JCC) is urging shop owners to train in-house staff as security officers in a bid to prevent bomb blasts in or near their stores.

In its latest journal, *Chamber Bulletin*, the JCC points out that by using their own staff rather than hiring external security experts, store owners can employ a simple, efficient and cost-effective method of protecting their businesses.

The JCC suggests regular patrols of public areas by store workers during which receptacles or areas where explosives could be concealed are examined.

In-house personnel offer management a resource that can constitute a most effective force against the terrorist, the journal states.

The JCC has compiled a number of guidelines for store owners and shopping centres:

- Reduce the number of entrances to the shop or centre.
- Firms should beware of "fly by night" organisations who pose as security specialists but who employ casual labour.
- Trained personnel should patrol public areas every half hour while shoppers have access to the building.
- Trained personnel should operate the parcels counter and should be able to recognise letter and parcel bombs.
- Staff, and the contents of any packages which they are carrying, should be subjected to inspection.
- Security is a function of top management and should not be delegated to junior staff.

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Wire rubbish bins for Jo'burg

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Municipal Reporter

Metal and plastic litter bins which have been removed from the Johannesburg city centre, Hillbrow and Braamfontein are to be replaced with open wire mesh bins.

The Deputy City Engineer, Mr Stan Verrier, said most, if not all free-standing and pole-mounted litter bins had been taken away in the City Hall and in adjacent streets following requests after the Carlton Centre bomb blast on July 2.

It has now been announced that all the existing 15 litre pole-mounted litter bins and about 1400 of the 85 litre free-standing litter bins will be removed over the next three weeks.

The replacements will be 25 litre open mesh containers. New experimental bins surrounded by water are to be placed at bus stops.

Stores tighten their security

Business Day Reporter

LARGE retail stores have tightened their security in a bid to ensure the safety of customers and staff in view of recent bombings at centres throughout SA.

Several Johannesburg stores have stepped up security measures with the introduction of spot parcel, handbag and briefcase checks.

Woolworths operations department manager Greg Noble said staff were completely security conscious. He said Woolworths staff went on regular training sessions and knew what to look out for.

A Checkers spokesman said the group employed a reputable outside security firm to man the store's doors. He added that a big problem was public apathy and that people should be more aware of the "danger of shopping in these troubled times".

Security firms have reported an increase in inquiries for their services. The spokesman of one security firm said: "Security used to be regarded as an expense. Now people regard it as a saving of company expenses and human life."

A police spokesman confirmed that regular meetings were being held between the police and store managers to discuss security.

Police had advised store managers on a "plan of action" in the event of a bomb blast or another emergency situation.

Police put out a statement on July 8, calling on Cape Town housewives to leave their children at home when going shopping — to avoid unnecessary risk to children.

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Bombs ^{84A} hurled ^{18/7/86} at flat

PORT ELIZABETH

Two petrol bombs were hurled through the first floor bedroom window of a flat here early yesterday, while a third petrol bomb was thrown under the engine of the flat-owner's car which was parked directly under the bedroom window.

Extensive damage was caused to both the car and the flat.

The first bomb struck an airconditioning unit and exploded, setting the curtains and some clothing on fire. The second, which did not explode, shattered two panes of the louvre window and landed against the side of the bed in which flat-owner Mr Petrus Bester, 52, was sleeping.

"At 5am I was awoken by an explosion in my bedroom," he said. — Sapa

PE flat hit by petrol bombs

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Post Reporter

A MAN escaped with his life when one of two petrol bombs flung into his Sydenham flat yesterday failed to ignite after it hit his bed.

And while Mr Petrus Bester, 52, battled to put out flames leaping up his bedroom curtains and among loose clothing, a third petrol bomb exploded under his new car parked outside.

The car and his first floor apartment were badly damaged.

Mr Bester, a bachelor who owns three flats in the block and acts as caretaker, said he was lucky to be alive.

While the first bomb struck the airconditioning unit and exploded, setting the curtains and some clothing on fire, the second bomb shattered two panes of the louvre window and landed against the side of the bed in which he was sleeping.

He had arrived home from work with the South African Transport Services at 1.30am.

"At 5am I was awoken by an explosion in my bedroom, and saw that my curtains, some cloth-

ing, the airconditioner and the wall above the curtains were on fire.

"Immediately after this, two panes of the bedroom window shattered and a second bomb came sailing through. It landed against the side of the bed, but did not explode," he said.

The bomb has been removed by police.

After dousing the curtains Mr Bester looked out the window to see his car, bought two months ago, on fire.

The blaze was put out by a neighbour.

He said he had no idea why he had been selected as a target. He had had a heated argument with a woman who had sought work as a domestic worker at his flat last week.

He had believed the woman was "not really interested in doing any chores".

The police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, Major Eddie Everson, confirmed the incident.

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Jail for assisting terrorist

Court Reporter

A GUGULETU man charged with harbouring an ANC terrorist was yesterday sentenced by a Regional Court magistrate to five years' imprisonment, of which two years was suspended for five years.

Ntozelizwe Thomas Talakumeni, 27, was convicted of contravening the Internal Security Act by harbouring trained terrorists between April 1 and June 19 last year.

His half-brother, Mr Titus Selepe, who gave evidence at the hearing saying that their brother in Lesotho had told them the "ANC wanted to free them from the white man's regime", was not exempted from prosecution, as his evidence was found to be unsatisfactory.

Grenade attack

Mr Selepe said he and Talakumeni had gone to Lesotho after receiving a very secretive letter from China, their younger brother.

Talakumeni had harboured terrorists who had been connected with the grenade attack on the home of Mr Luwellyn Landers, Labour Party MP, in the House of Representatives.

He had also harboured a man connected with the grenade attack on the Langa police station and the placing of limpet mines and further grenade attacks on the homes of Mr Landers, Mr Fred Peters, LP MP, and community councillors Mr John Bolise, Mrs Elfie Shwalane and Mr Roland Njoli.

He had unlawfully helped or harboured Joseph Majoli and Glenville Peters, while he

was aware that they had committed, or had intended to commit, acts of subversion.

He had failed to report their presence to the police, had transported them, had given them food and had allowed them free access to his home and had been instructed in the operation of a weapon.

Mr Selepe told the court that China and two friends, Sipho and Temba, had met them at a station in Lesotho, and had afterwards asked them if they wanted to join the ANC. They had refused.

The three had told them that they had received training in Angola and overseas but had not said what kind of training. Mr Selepe said he had not thought it was military training.

Arrested

He had seen Temba — who was with Mr Talakumeni and a third person, "John from Johannesburg" — in Cape Town almost a year after they had returned from Lesotho. Mr Selepe said they had never received instructions on how to use a gun while in Lesotho.

Mr Talakumeni and Mr Selepe had been arrested after going to inquire about their family's arrests. Mr Selepe said he had been detained for 22 days under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act and Mr Talakumeni had been in prison from June 19 to now.

Mr M J Langenhoven, the magistrate, said that while Temba had been in South Africa, handgrenades had been thrown.

Mr W Viljoen prosecuted. Mr A Omar, instructed by Mr R Vassan, appeared for Mr Talakumeni.

Put back bus stop — plea

Weekend Post Reporter

THE head of PE Tramways, Mr Carl Coetzer, has complained to the Administrator of the Cape and to the Minister of Law and Order over the removal of a bus stop just outside Kirkwood.

In a telex sent yesterday, he said the Winterhoek Divisional Council, without consultation, had removed a "most essential" bus stop which had served the people of Bonrug for 20 years — virtually depriving them of an acceptable form of public transport.

His telex said the council apparently acted on one complaint, from a white farmer whose land borders the road where the stop was situated.

"The South African Police, at this stage, are letting us continue to stop on the road where seven No Stopping signs have been erected in the last two days.

"We appeal to you to act with utmost urgency to remove this restriction," the message said.

A copy of the telex was sent to the council and to Kirkwood's Town Clerk. Neither could be reached for comment.

Buses withdrawn from townships

BUSES were again withdrawn by PE Tramways from three Port Elizabeth townships after a bus was firebombed and destroyed at 2pm yesterday.

The managing director of the firm, Mr Carl Coetzer, said in a statement that he could only make a clear decision on resuming the service to Kwazakele, New Brighton and Zwide after consultations with the "identified leaders" of the black community.

He said the service, which had been withdrawn for about a week, was re-introduced into the townships on Wednesday morning.

"I find that the restrictions under which we seem to be working make it impossible for me to have proper consultations with the identified black leaders and I am finding it extremely difficult to be able to make rational decisions which depend on proper consultations.

"I am appealing to the identified black leaders somehow to make arrangements for us to consult with them. I am prepared to go anywhere, at any time, to talk to anyone," he said.

Mr Coetzer said the bus was the 86th PE Tramways vehicle destroyed since January last year.

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Durban's

By SIBUSISO MNGADI

TWO of the 10 people accused of being "Durban bombers" could face a second "trial" if and when they're convicted.

Doctors Sibongiseni Maxwell Dhlomo, 26, of Umbumbulu, and Dr Velaynd Indurith Ramlakan, 28, of Merebank, may have to face SA Medical Council disciplinary hearings if they're convicted - as former Robben Island prisoner Dr Aubrey Mokoape did last year.

And that could mean being struck off the roll.

Mokoape - jailed for seven years after being convicted of "terrorism" in 1976 - successfully opposed attempts to have him struck off the roll because of his prison record.

But that doesn't mean Dhlomo and Ramlakan will be able to do the same. They and their eight fellow-accused are alleged to be part of a "Durban ANC group" formed.

● "To recruit and train members for the purposes of executing armed at-

tacks."

● "To support all anti-government political activities such as boycotts and strikes by military means."

● "To commit acts of violence in retaliation against the raids by the SADF into neighbouring countries."

Accused number one, Dudu Charity Baby Buthelezi, 32 - nine months pregnant - was released on R6 000 bail by Judge JM Dicoort last week on "humanitarian grounds", so she could have her baby outside prison.

A second accused, Ricky Naidoo, was released on bail later in the week after psychiatric evidence.

According to the indictment, the group's "effective operations" started in November 1984, when Mdunduzi Sithole was brought to Durban to start training members of the local population.

Accused Phumezo George Nxwini, 20, a student staying at Alan Taylor residence, allegedly played a part in an abortive attempt to blow up SADF vehicles in Wentworth and Lamontville last April.



OUT: Accused Dudu Buthelezi celebrates with aunt Ennet Gumbi after being granted bail last week.

In the next incident,

Dhlomo allegedly supplied Phumezo George Nxwini with explosives, which were then placed in Spar Foodliners, in Trust Bank Centre and Gillespie Street. An explosion occurred on April 18, according to the charge sheet.

In June, Nxwini was allegedly instructed to place a bomb in a hotel or restaurant in retaliation against the SADF raid in Botswana. He allegedly placed a limpet mine at the XL Restaurant on the beachfront and Ramlakan allegedly drove to the scene to see if it had de-

noted.

On June 16 last year, accused Sipho Stanley Bhila, 31, allegedly placed a bomb at the Lamontville township offices.

Ramlakan also allegedly went to Swaziland, where he was instructed to recruit an Indian person to place a bomb at Cabinet Minister Amichand Rajbanshi's house. He allegedly trained another accused, Jude Francis, 21, of Shal-cross and another recruit called "Rev". He allegedly gave Rev an explosive device - and on August 4, a bomb exploded at Rajbanshi's house.

Meanwhile Dhlomo had

allegedly obtained permission from Swaziland contacts to place a bomb at Umlazi Bakery in support of the breadworkers' strike. An explosion occurred there on July 31.

At the end of September he allegedly obtained permission to place bombs at OK Bazars in West Street, Checkers in Smith Street, Spar in Trust Bank Street and Game in West Street in support of the consumer boycott. He allegedly gave limpet mines to Nxwini and accused Bate Nqunu of Lamontville. All except the Trust

Bank mine exploded.

The State says two people were killed and one injured when a bomb exploded at Grosvenor Girls' High School, a designated by-election polling station.

Dhlomo then allegedly went to Swaziland and returned with accused number four, Sibusiso Robert Ndlanzi, and another trained member of the ANC called Kevin. The State claims a Lamontville youth - accused number six, Ordway Qonda Msoni - was trained at Umgababa and another resident, Sipho Stanley Bhila, was trained at Alan Taylor resi-

dence.

At the end of November, the State says, Dhlomo fetched three trained members from Swaziland - one of them Andrew Zondo. On December 8, Msoni - allegedly acting under Ndlanzi's instructions - bombed Mobeeni Post Office. Jude Francis, under Ramlakan's supervision, allegedly bombed Chatsworth courthouse the following week.

According to the indictment, on December 20 last year, Ndlanzi received a message from Swaziland to instruct Zondo to retaliate in response to the Ma-

seru raid in which ANC

members were killed. Zondo then allegedly discussed the matter with Msoni, who on December 21 attached an explosive device to a vehicle in Durban's Pine Street which exploded, destroying the vehicle.

On December 23, Zondo allegedly placed an explosive device in the Sanlam shopping centre at Amanzimtoti, which exploded - killing five people.

Zondo was subsequently brought to trial and sentenced to death five times. He was refused leave to appeal.

2 face terror charges

By SOL MORATHI

TWO alleged African National Congress members will appear in the Pretoria Supreme Court on Monday.

Johannes Somdend Mahlangu, 27, of Mamelodi and Mxolisi Bright Gabashe, 30, of Soweto face 13 charges including terrorism, unlawful possession of arms, ammunition, and ex-

ploding, robbery with aggravating circumstances and attempted murder.

The State claims that: ● The two men joined the outlawed ANC and underwent military training in East Germany, Angola, Russia and Zambia. ● Gabashe allegedly left SA in 1977, while Mahlangu followed in 1979. ● They returned to SA us-

ing false identity documents in 1981.

● They plotted acts of violence and recruited other people to either join or support the ANC.

● Tried to gather information for the ANC and identified targets for sabotage in SA.

● Bought cars - with the ANC funds - to transport weapons.

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Bulldozer

hits mine

PRETORIA. — A bulldozer detonated a landmine in a black township near Pretoria yesterday afternoon, the Bureau for Information said in a statement.

There were no injuries, the statement added.

The bureau's statement said: "At 14h15 (yesterday), a bulldozer driven by Mr Jim Nkosi detonated a landmine. The explosion occurred opposite House No 703 Block G in Soshanguve when the bulldozer's left front wheel detonated the landmine.

"No one was injured, but the bulldozer was badly damaged. The SA Police are investigating the matter." — Sapa

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Bulldozer detonates landmine

PRETORIA — A bulldozer driven by Mr Jim Nkosi detonated a landmine in a township near Pretoria yesterday, the Bureau for Information said in a statement.

There were no injuries but the bulldozer was badly damaged, the statement added.

Police were investigating. — Sapa

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Landmine explosion sparks hunt

Pretoria Bureau

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Police have launched an intensive manhunt after a landmine explosion yesterday opposite a home in Soshanguve township, about 30 km north of Pretoria.

Brigadier Jaap Venter, of the Police Directorate of Information, said today no arrests had yet been made.

A bulldozer was badly damaged when a front wheel triggered the landmine — the second to explode in the area within a month, but the first within the borders of a residential township.

The landmine was planted outside a house in Block G. The bulldozer driver, Mr Jim Nkosi, was not injured.

Landmine detonated

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A LANDMINE exploded in Soshanguve, near Pretoria, and a police constable was killed by AK47 rifle fire in Katlehong, near Germiston, yesterday.

The landmine was detonated by a bulldozer driven by Jim Nkosi in front of a Block G home in Soshanguve at 2.15pm.

Nobody was injured.

Constable Sam Baloyi was shot dead and a woman injured when their attackers fired AK47 rifles at the police vehicle they were travelling at Katlehong.

Baloyi, of Germiston murder and robbery unit, was driving on an investiga-

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tion with a Kalewa Romani when a car approached from behind flashing its headlights.

Baloyi slowed down and was killed by a spurt of gunfire from the other car. A bullet slightly injured Romani in a leg.

The attackers fired more shots before speeding off.

Ninety AK47 shells and fragments of a hand-grenade were found.

No arrests were made. Police are investigating.

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'Terrorists' 84A 300
held, arms seized

PRETORIA. — A number of "ANC terrorists" had been arrested, and a large quantity of Soviet-made arms, ammunition and explosives seized in the Durban area, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, announced here yesterday.

The arrests are related to a number of bomb blasts and attacks in the Durban area this year. They include the abduction of Gordon Webster — an alleged ANC member — from the Edendale Hospital on 4 May. One person was killed and five were injured during this attack.

The minister said the arms and explosives seized — some in a Durban suburb — include Soviet AK-47 rifles, a Soviet RPG-7 rocket

launcher and projectiles, Soviet landmines, Soviet limpet mines and handgrenades.

He said the Durban Security Branch, assisted by other Security Branch and CID members, made the breakthrough after intensive investigation.

"Information obtained during interrogation of persons held in terms of the emergency regulations proved invaluable during the investigation.

"Further arrests may follow. Ten people have already appeared in court following a spate of terrorist attacks in Port Natal during 1985," Mr Le Grange said.

The minister added his congratulations to members of the police force for their work. — Sapa

Durban bombings: group held

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Crime Reporter

POLICE yesterday said they had arrested a number of suspected terrorists in connection with nine incidents in the Durban area recently, including the car bomb explosion on the Marine Parade in which three people were killed.

They also said they had seized a large quantity of Russian arms, ammunition and explosives in Durban.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, announced that intensive investigations by police had led to the arrest of the suspected African National Congress terrorists and the confiscation of the weapons.

Information obtained during interrogation of persons held in terms of the emergency regulations proved invaluable during the investigation, his statement said.

Among the incidents which police have linked with the arrested people with are the car bomb explosion outside Durban's Parade Hotel which killed three people and injured 96 others, and the removal by force of suspected ANC terrorist Gordon Webster from Pietermaritzburg's Edendale Hospital on May 4 where one person was killed and five injured.

Oil pipe-line

The arms and explosives seized in a Durban suburb include Russian AK-47 rifles, a Russian RPG-7 rocket launcher and projectiles, Russian landmines, limpet mines and grenades.

Other terror attacks listed by Mr le Grange included an explosion at an electrical sub-station in Jacobs on March 21, the Russian-made bomb found in the Pine Parkade on May 23 and disarmed by security police, the explosion at the Westside building on the corner of Brickhill Road and West Street on June 21 and the explosion which damaged a storage tank at Industrial Oil Processors in Jacobs on June 22.

Other incidents were the explosion which damaged and oil pipe-line in Jacobs on June 22, causing serious pollution, the explosion at a water pipe-line between Durban and Westville on June 30 and the grenade attacks on homes in a Durban suburb, in which several people were seriously hurt.

One of these attacks is believed to that on the home of Wentworth Primary School headmaster Mr Yuill-Peter Klein, on May 1.

Mr Klein, 47, and his wife, Brenda, were seriously injured after two grenades were tossed at their home in Ogle Road, Wentworth, in the early hours of the morning.

One of the grenades landed at the foot of the couple's bed.

Mrs Klein suffered extensive leg injuries while her husband received a skull fracture from shrapnel.

Mr le Grange said yesterday 10 people had already appeared in Court following the spate of terrorist attacks in Port Natal during 1985.

He said further arrests were likely and he praised the police members concerned in the arrests and confiscations.

Alleged ANC members held

A LARGE number of alleged African National Congress insurgents have been arrested and a large quantity of Russian arms, ammunition and explosives seized in the Durban area, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, announced yesterday.

The arrests and confiscations are related to the following incidents in Durban and vicinity during the last few months, a statement released by the Minister said.

- An explosion at an electrical sub-station in Jacobs on March 21;
- The removal of Gordon Webster, an alleged ANC insurgent, from the Edendale Hospital on May 4. One person was killed and five injured during this attack;
- The placing of a large quantity of explosives of Russian manufacture on the fourth level at the Pine Parade, Pine Street, Durban, on May 28;
- The car bomb which exploded in front of the Parade Hotel, Durban, on June 14, killing three people and injuring 96;
- An explosion at the "West Side" building on the corner of West Street and Brickhill Drive, Durban, on June 21;
- An explosion which damaged a storage tank at "industrial oil processors", Jacobs, on June 22;
- The explosions which damaged an oil pipeline in Jacobs on June 22;
- An explosion at a water pipeline, between Durban and Westville, on June 30; and
- Handgrenade attacks in a Durban suburb. — Sapa.

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Minister: arrests linked to terrorism

Pretoria Bureau

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, says the police have made a "major breakthrough" with the latest arrest of an undisclosed number of alleged ANC insurgents in the Durban area.

A large arms cache has also been seized.

Mr le Grange indicated that further arrests might follow soon.

At the last count, a total of 32 suspected ANC insurgents had been either killed or arrested since the start of the emergency on June 12.

INCIDENTS

A spokesman for Mr le Grange said those arrested were being linked to several incidents of terrorism, including:

- The car bomb blast outside the Parade Hotel in Durban on June 14 which claimed three lives.
- The "springing" from the Edendale Hospital of alleged ANC operative Gordon Webster on May 4. One person was killed.
- The placing of a large quantity of explosives of Russian manufacture on the fourth level of the Pine Parkade on May 23. The explosives were defused.
- Three explosions at Jacobs. The first occurred at an electrical sub-station on March 21. It was followed by two blasts on June 22, one of which happened at Industrial Oil Processors and another which damaged an oil pipeline.

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New 'terrorist' arrests a 'major breakthrough'

The Argus Correspondent
PRETORIA. — The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, says the police have made a major breakthrough with the latest arrest of alleged ANC terrorists in the Durban area. A large arms cache has been seized.

Mr le Grange indicated that further arrests may follow.

At last count, not including the latest arrests, 32 suspected ANC insurgents had been either killed or arrested since the start of the emergency on June 12, he said.

A spokesman for Mr le Grange said that the information which led to the arrests was obtained by interrogating people already held in terms of the emergency regulations.

Those arrested were being linked to several incidents of terrorism, including:

- The car-bomb blast outside the Parade Hotel, Durban on June 14 which claimed three lives.
- The "springing" from Edendale Hospital of alleged ANC operative Gordon Webster on May 4. One person was killed.
- The placing of a large quantity of explosives on the fourth level of the Pine Parade on May 23. The explosives were defused in time.
- Three explosions at Jacobs: the first at an electrical sub-station on March 21, two blasts on June 22 — one at Industrial Oil Processors and another which damaged an oil pipeline.

The spokesman said the arms haul included AK47 rifles, an RPG rocket launcher and projectiles, limpet mines, landmines and hand-grenades.

4 linked to Q'town blast

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Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Investigations by the South African Police have revealed that the four men killed in police action on the highway between King William's Town and Mdantsane on July 11 were linked to a limpet mine explosion in Queenstown.

A 12-year-old boy was injured and damage estimated at thousands of rands was caused in the explosion at the Fred Pettit shopping centre on June 28.

The SAP Directorate of Public Relations in Pretoria said in a statement yesterday: "At the time, one of the four men killed on July 11 was identified as a trained ANC terrorist. Another two have now been positively identified as trained ANC terrorists, while it has been established that the fourth man was an ANC collaborator."

The Ciskei Police had announced the death of a fifth terrorist in Mdantsane on July 16, the statement said.

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Petrol bomber jailed

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Dispatch Correspondent
PORT ELIZABETH — A 16-year-old youth who threw a petrol bomb at a police patrol in New Brighton on June 16, has been sentenced to six years imprisonment, three of which were suspended for five years.

The youth, who cannot be named, was found guilty of throwing a petrol bomb, which missed Sergeant Henry Visage and a Constable Pitter, two of four policemen on foot patrol in Msimka Street, New Brighton, at 6.30 pm on June 16 this year.

● A man who threw stones at police vehicles in Walmer on March 21 this year has been sentenced to an effective three-and-a-half years imprisonment.

A New Brighton Regional Court magistrate, Mr P. J. Botha, sentenced Banzi Gaika, 35, of 49 Witbooi Street, Walmer, to six years imprisonment (two-and-a-half suspended for five years).

● Sapa reports that charges of incitement against two freelance

television cameramen have been withdrawn by the state.

The charges against Mr Roger Lucey and his brother Patrick arose from unrest in the Moutse district, about 100 km north-east of Pretoria, in December last year.

They were arrested and held overnight until they were able to pay bail following allegations that they attempted to incite a group of residents in the area to riot.

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'De Jonge must stand trial'

It was obvious that Dutch fugitive Mr Klaas de Jonge, who had been evading arrest by Security Police in the former Netherlands Embassy for over a year now, should appear in court, the leader of the Conservative Party, Dr Andries Treurnicht, said yesterday.

"If an embassy is misused to obstruct a country's law, consideration must be given to closing it," Dr Treurnicht said in a statement.

Mr de Jonge, a Dutch citizen, was arrested last year in connection with charges of smuggling arms and ammunition for the African National Congress, but evaded police and slipped into the then Netherlands Embassy in central Pretoria.

Police re-arrested him, but after an international protest he was handed back to the Netherlands Embassy on July 19 last year. — Sapa.

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ANC is most likely behind Jo'burg blasts

By HOWARD BARRELL, Harare

THERE are strong indications in the Frontline states that African National Congress guerrilla units carried out Tuesday's two bomb attacks in central Johannesburg — despite the outlawed movement's non-committal "no comment" on responsibility.

It has become ANC practice in recent months not to claim responsibility for attacks by its military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe.

ANC sources in exile have explained this change by saying theirs is the only guerrilla army in the field, that the ANC's constituency inside the country knows this, and that internally-based command structures are now overseeing operations with the result that in some cases confirmation is reaching external mission headquarters in Lusaka later than in the past.

The ANC is now likely to issue a public denial of responsibility only if in the future a particular action has both patently not been carried out by their guerrillas and if the association of the ANC's name with such an attack is considered harmful on balance to the outlawed movement.

Although it has succeeded in patching together some unity and sense of purpose over the past year under the leadership of new chairman Johnson Mlambo, the Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) still shows no signs of having the resources, operational structures or know-how necessary to mount an effective guerrilla offensive.

A number of PAC forays over the past two years have been relatively



Aftermath of another blast: A relative weeps at the funeral of Julie van der Linde, one of three people killed when a car bomb exploded in Durban

Picture: AFP

easily dealt with by the South African security forces, according to sources in the frontline states and news reports inside South Africa.

ANC sources will not be drawn on what the meaning of Tuesday's attacks

might be. In the past, the movement has claimed it will not as a matter of policy direct attacks specifically against civilians. Tuesday's attacks were, however, plainly directed against civilians.

But over the past two years there have been signs that some ANC members believe there has been too fine a concern in the past for morality in what they consider to be a state of war.

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SA's 'Queen of Terror' shot dead

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A woman regarded as South Africa's "Queen of Terror" and connected to at least 17 terrorist acts was shot dead in Katlehong on the East Rand in a shootout with security forces on Saturday.

The woman was dressed as a man and is said to have been a trained ANC guerilla. Her companion, identified as Zondi Rolen Molapa, was also killed.

The Bureau for Information declined to name the woman.

According to the bureau the drama started shortly after midnight when six security men

saw a white car parked alongside the road and went to investigate.

They were shot at from the car and called for help from a nearby police station.

They then approached the car with 9mm pistols and shotguns. A shootout started and the alleged terrorists were killed.

A large quantity of weapons and ammunition was found in the car by the East Rand Murder and Robbery unit and the Germiston security police, the bureau said.

These included three AK-47 rifles, four full magazines, an RPG-7 missile launcher and several mines.

The car was stolen on the East Rand on Friday.

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Dead man linked to terror incidents

By Annalouw,
East Rand Bureau

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One of the most wanted terrorists in the country, shot dead in a skirmish with Katlehong municipal policemen at the weekend, is said to have had possible links with several terror incidents in the past few months.

Five policemen lost their lives and 12 were wounded in these incidents.

Zondi Rhollen Molapo (28), alias Clement, alias Mike, and an unknown woman died in the Ntlopo section in Katlehong, Germiston, on Saturday at about 6 am.

Molapo was considered ruthless and extremely dangerous and ranked high on the wanted list.

Police said the incident was sparked off when Molapo and the woman, who were in a car, apparently shot at a patrol of six municipal policemen.

The group scattered. Three fled and others sought help.

When they returned to the scene, Molapo and the woman apparently opened fire a second time.

Russian arms seized

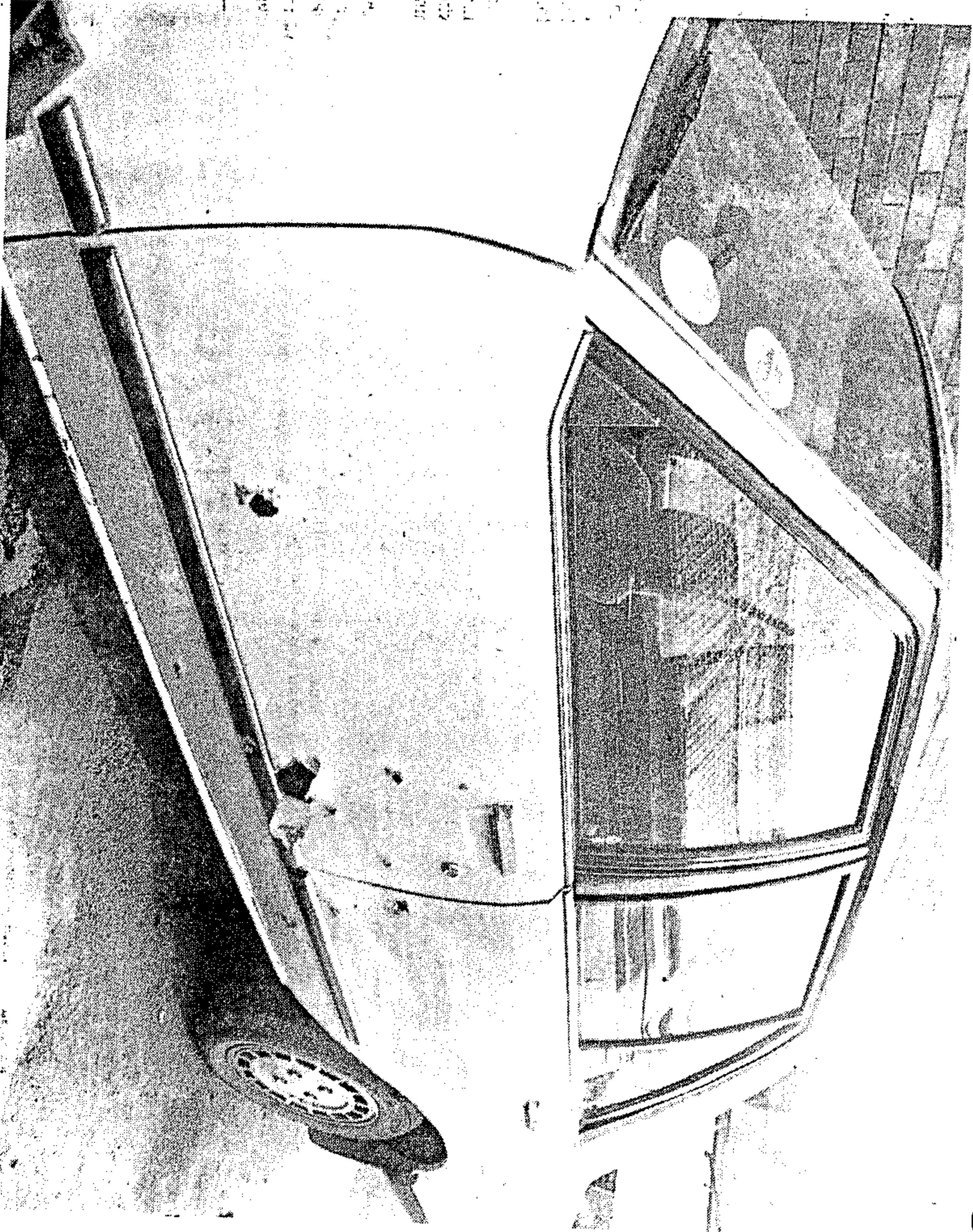
The municipal policemen retaliated, fatally wounding the two.

Members of the Germiston Security Branch were alerted and seized arms and ammunition which they found in the vehicle, including three AKM-47 rifles, four empty and four loaded magazines, a RPG-7 anti-tank rocket launcher, a M75 grenade, a Makarov pistol, a M158 mini-limpet mine, a ZP2 limpet mine and about 25 empty shells found at the scene of the shootout. Some of the weapons were found in a large red and grey canvas bag while others lay loose in the car.

A security police spokesman said yesterday the weapons find was a "big one". He said bigger arms caches had been found hidden or buried on previous occasions but it was unusual for such a large number of weapons to be found in a car.

The ammunition will be taken to the forensic laboratory in Pretoria for further analysis.

Police said the woman had not been identified by late yesterday, and investigations were continuing.



The bullet-ridden car in which two terrorists were shot dead in a skirmish with police.

'Terror queen' shot dead in bloody battle

Mercury Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG—A woman regarded as South Africa's 'queen of terror' and connected to at least 17 terrorist acts was shot dead in Katlehong on the East Rand in a bloody fight with security forces.

The woman, who has not yet been named, was dressed as a man and is said to have been a trained ANC terrorist. Her companion, a trained ANC terrorist identified as Zondi Rolen Molapa, was also killed in the shoot-out.

The Bureau for Information has confirmed the incident but declined to name the woman.

The drama started shortly after midnight on Saturday when six black

security men saw a white Mazda parked alongside the road and investigated.

They were shot at from the vehicle by the two terrorists and had to call in extra forces from a nearby police station.

Bodies

As the group approached the car with 9 mm pistols and shotguns from 200 m the two terrorists got out of the vehicle and the shoot-out started.

The terrorists' bodies were later found next to the car.

A large quantity of weapons and ammunition was retrieved from the car by the East Rand mur-

der and robbery unit and the Germiston security unit.

Among the weapons recovered were three AK 47 rifles, four full magazines, an RPG 7 missile launcher and several mines.

The vehicle had been stolen on the East Rand on Friday.

Acts to which the two terrorists have been linked include the murder of a black policeman in Kwa-Thema near Springs, an explosion in Katlehong on December 31, 1985, the explosions at the President Hotel and Wimpy restaurant in Johannesburg on July 24 as well as the explosion in Main Street, Johannesburg, on July 1.

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ANC man shot dead — linked by police to 17 terror incidents

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — A suspected ANC terrorist who died in a gunbattle at the weekend is being linked by police to 17 acts of terror, including the June 24 Johannesburg blasts outside the Rissik Street Wimpy Bar and the President Holiday Inn and the explosion in Main Street on July 1.

Zondi Rhollen Molapo, 28, died in police gunfire on the East Rand on Saturday. A woman dressed in men's clothing who died with him is also suspected of ANC involvement, according to police.

Their death bring to 19 the number of alleged ANC insurgents killed by police since the emergency began on June 12 and police say only the Silverton bomb blast is now unaccounted for.

Security forces, police said, found the couple in a white car alongside the road to Katlehong on Saturday.

They fired on the security forces with AK-47 rifles, but police called in reinforcements and the two were killed.

Police seized a quantity of Russian-made arms, including a missile launcher, ammunition and a limpet mine.

Molapo was also being linked to the death of East Rand Murder and Robbery Squad detective Constable Sam Baloyi last week and to a number of limpet mine attacks in East Rand towns.

More than 170 people, including alleged ANC operatives, have now died in unrest since June 12.

The Bureau for Information

reported yesterday that another three men had been burnt to death in Soweto at the weekend. Two men are being held in connection with one of the deaths.

In another weekend incident at Cradock in the Eastern Province a police foot patrol was attacked with petrol bombs. Police fired two shotgun rounds and two people were wounded, one seriously.

The bureau added that two black detectives had also been injured while investigating a housebreaking near Ogies in the Eastern Transvaal. One was stabbed in the shoulder and the other had stones hurled at him and their vehicle was set alight. Both men are in a satisfactory condition.

Narrow escape in Parow bomb drama

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By CHRIS STEYN
SWIFT and "death-defying" action by three people prevented the explosion of a car bomb in Parow's busy business district on Friday afternoon, police disclosed yesterday.

However, the bomb was dumped nearby and the police only became aware of its existence at 10am on Saturday.

Brigadier Chris Swart, the Divisional Commissioner of Police, yesterday recounted the bizarre sequence of events.

He said that a 1½-kg coffee tin packed with explosives and a burning activating device flanked by two gas cylinders were spotted on the back seat of a parked car in front of a Parow business complex at 5pm on Friday.

Exact area

He refused to identify the exact area.

Brigadier Swart said that a security official at the centre, a national serviceman and a schoolboy had apparently extinguished the burning device and removed the entire package, excluding the gas cylinders, from the

vehicle and dumped it nearby, obviously unaware that the tin contained explosives.

Police were only informed about the existence of the bomb at 10am the next day when a suspicious object — the bomb — was found at the entrance to the centre and reported.

It was then defused by the police, Brigadier Swart said.

Traced

Further investigations later established that the bomb was in fact the package that had been discovered in the car the previous afternoon, and the three bystanders who dumped it were traced and interviewed by police.

Police also discovered later that the car had been stolen the day before.

"If the car-bomb had exploded it could have had considerable serious consequences," Brigadier Swart said.

"This incident once again proves that there are people among us who, disregarding the consequences of their actions, are capable of anything to promote their interests."

He called on members of the public to be alert to suspicious objects at all times and to report such objects to the police at ☎ 10111.

He also called on the public not to handle these objects themselves but to vacate the area immediately while waiting for the police.

A police spokesman described the removal of the device by the three men — whose names will not be disclosed — as a "death-defying act without knowing it".

Information can also be given to the police anonymously by telephoning Cape Town ☎ 24-3780.

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The coffee-tin bomb riddle: It burned — didn't explode

By **STEPHEN WROTTESELEY**
Crime Reporter

SCORES of people could have been killed or seriously injured had a bomb exploded in a car in the parking lot at a large Parow discount store.

The bomb was seen burning between two gas cylinders on the back seat of the car last Friday by three people, who removed it and left it nearby.

The blast would have been the most serious in the Peninsula, where only one person has been killed in a bomb explosion.

It is believed faulty assembly caused the explosive charge in the bomb to burn instead of blow up.

A schoolboy, a soldier and a security guard put the fire out — not realising they were handling a bomb — and did not contact the police.

Police were told only the next day. They defused it.

Mutilated

The bomb, in a 1,5kg coffee tin, gone off it could have mutilated scores of shoppers.

The explosives were surrounded by shrapnel, which would have been sent flying round the parking lot.

The gas cylinders would also have broken into small pieces in the blast.

Brigadier Chris Swart, divisional commissioner of police for the Western Cape, said today the incident proved there were people who were capable of anything to promote their own ends.

Brigadier Swart said that about 3pm last Friday a security guard, a schoolboy and soldier spotted the flaming tin.

They put out the fire and removed the tin.

"Guards search through women's handbags but do not frisk people — especially men. It is easy for anyone to conceal a gun or even a mini-limpet mine on his person," one source said.

Holsters were available even for the Russian-made Scorpion sub-machine gun, he said.

Brigadier Swart urged the public to be on the lookout for suspicious objects and to report them to police radio control at 1 0111.

Information can be given anonymously to the police at 24 3780.

It was later established that the car was stolen.

The incident has raised doubts over claims that security has been tightened at Peninsula stores.

Security sources said existing precautions were not enough to deter people intent on committing acts of terror.

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kwaNdebele Minister dies in car blast

By Sue Leeman, Pretoria Bureau

The kwaNdebele Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Piet Ntuli, was killed when his car exploded in the homeland's capital, Siyabuswa, last night, the Bureau for Information has announced.

The bureau said it had not yet been ascertained what had caused the explosion, which occurred at 8.35 pm.

Mr Ntuli was the only person in the vehicle when it blew up.

A spokesman for kwaNdebele's Department of Citizen Liaison and Information said the government extended its condolences to Mr Ntuli's family.

Sources said the trouble-torn homeland was tense today and members of the security forces had manned a roadblock near where Mr Ntuli was killed.

RUNNING BATTLES

Since the beginning of the year, kwaNdebele has been the scene of unrest, caused by the homeland government opting for independence and by the incorporation of Moutse into the area.

Villagers and youths opposed to independence have been engaged in running battles with security forces and members of the controversial Mbokotho group, which the authorities describe as the "homeland police".

Mr Ntuli was widely regarded as the "power behind the throne" of the homeland's Chief Minister, Mr Simon Skhosana.

Among other things, Mr Ntuli was head of Mbokotho.

● A Soweto incident resulted in the death of Mr Sam Maetle (25). The bureau said about 20 people had set a private home on fire at about 4 pm yesterday and the security forces had fired three shots, fatally wounding Mr Maetle.

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Blast rocks police station

By KEITH ROSS

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EAST LONDON — The central police station in Umtata was rocked by an explosion last night, but the extent of the damage has not yet been disclosed by the authorities

The explosion was confirmed today by Transkei's Commissioner of Police, General R S Mandanga.

He said reports that the explosion was followed by gunfire were correct.

The blast occurred at 9.40pm and was heard throughout much of Umtata.

"I will probably make a statement this afternoon after I have seen my Minister," Gen Mandanga said.

He would give no further details about the incident, but a spokesman for the local Fire Department believed the police station had been attacked.

The Fire Department spokesman said he believed that a number of people had been injured in the attack.

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PRETORIA — A landmine was detonated by a security force vehicle yesterday morning in Kayanansane township near Nelspruit, the Bureau for Information said.

It added that nobody was injured. Other unrest-related incidents yesterday were confined to only a few areas. Incidents were reported in six of the 19 police divisions countrywide indicating that calm prevailed in most parts of the country.

Most incidents involved stone-throwing and were of a minor nature. Most also occurred in Soweto and the Eastern Province while the Western Province and the West Rand reported only one stone-throwing incident.

Two and one incidents respectively occurred in the East Rand and the South Western Districts.

The bureau said violence among blacks led, however, to the deaths of three people on Monday.

In Kwazakele, Sukumsi Dayi, 28, and an unidentified man, were burnt to death in two incidents.

In Soweto a group of about 300 people necklaced Godfrey Moloi, 23.

The bureau said in two instances the security forces acted in self-defence against groups of attackers.

In Kwazakele, gunmen fired at a patrol, wounding a security force member. The patrol returned fire, killing Mzwandile Mododo, 20.

In the township at Hofmeyer, a group of blacks stoned a police vehicle at 5.50pm. The police fired three shots with a shotgun, killing Johnson Piše Matiso, 18. — Sapa.

Four Umlazi schools hit by petrol-bombs

Mercury Reporter

DAMAGE estimated at more than R15 000 was caused when administrative offices of four Umlazi schools were fire-bombed this week.

Among the four was Zwelesethembiso Primary School, of which Umlazi Mayor, Mr Siphon Mfeka, is the principal. Mr Mfeka is also a high ranking Inkatha official.

A portrait of KwaZulu Chief Minister, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, which was hanging in the principal's office, was damaged.

The Bureau for Information estimated damage at R15 000 but the heads of the affected schools thought this was a conservative estimate.

The other schools attacked were Zimisele Primary School, Lindelani Primary School and Menzi High School, which was fire-bombed early on Monday.

At Zwelesethembiso, two offices were destroyed and fire spread to the nearest classroom. Stationery, office furniture and a science

kit were also destroyed. It was the second petrol-bomb attack this year.

The principal of Lindelani, Mr R S Khumalo, where two offices were set alight, said everything had been destroyed.

He said he would have to rebuild the offices and

open new files and registers. Teaching aids and a science laboratory were also damaged by fire.

Damage at Zimisele and Menzi High School was minimal. The Bureau for Information said no arrests had been made.



A portrait of KwaZulu Chief Minister, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, which was damaged and burned when Zwelesethembiso Primary School was fire-bombed early yesterday. The portrait was hanging in the principal's office.



Charred remains of stationery and documents which were destroyed by fire in a petrol-bomb attack at Lindelani Primary School in Umlazi.

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Slain Minister was 'afraid of the comrades'

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The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — The murdered Kwandebele Minister of Interior, Mr Piet Maqawe Ntuli, had ordered businesses in the same complex as his own to close on Sunday and Monday, saying they harboured "comrades" who wanted to kill him.

Businessmen in the area said he also ordered the closure of a filling station near his shops in the homeland's capital, Siyabuswa, because he alleged it was supplying "comrades" with petrol to burn him.

Mr Ntuli was killed at 8.35pm on Tuesday when his car exploded in Siyabuswa. He was the only occupant.

It is reported that his businesses were being boycotted.

Umtata attack: 8th victim dies

The Argus Correspondent

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DURBAN. — Another person has died, bringing to eight dead and nine injured in the Umtata police station terrorist attack — and hospital authorities believe the death toll could rise.

South African security police have been called in to help and yesterday were at Umtata police station when available evidence was being collected.

Transkei's Commissioner of Police, General R S Mantanga, said today that police casualties included three killed and seven injured.

The terrorists used hand-grenades and AK47 rifles when they struck the main office and that of the CID.

The civilians hit are believed to be South Africans.

No arrests have been made.

Car bomb kills KwaNdebele minister 7 die in Umtata raid

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UMTATA. — Three policemen and four civilians were killed in an attack on the Umtata police station on Tuesday night by men armed with AK47 rifles and hand-grenades.

And in KwaNdebele, the Minister of Home Affairs, Mr Piet Ntuli, was killed on Tuesday evening when his car exploded while he was travelling in the homeland's capital of Siyabuswa.

The Bureau for Information yesterday said it had no idea what type of explosive had been used or who was responsible.

In a third incident, a leading member of the KaNGwane Government, Mr Zebulon Kunene, 45, was shot dead outside his KaNyamazane home.

The Commissioner of Transkei Police, General R S Mantanga, said in a statement yesterday that the Umtata raid took place about 9.30pm on Tuesday.

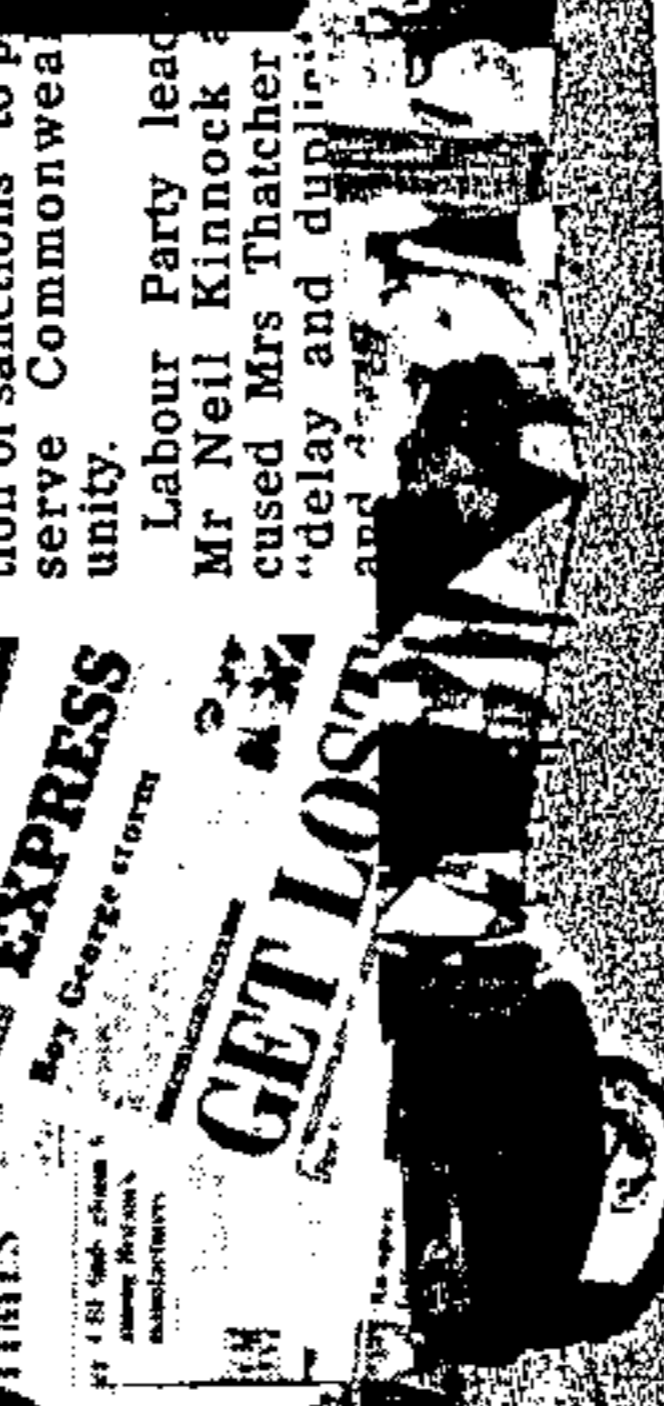
One of the policemen was shot while driving a police vehicle near a hotel across the road from the charge office, he said. Seven policemen and two civilians were injured in the attack.

Witness accounts
He said witnesses had reported seeing three people with firearms. One of the people had shot at the police vehicle.

"From the evidence pieced together by the police, it is obvious the attack was well-planned and timed to coincide with the changeover of men going out and those reporting for duty at the police station," General Mantanga said.

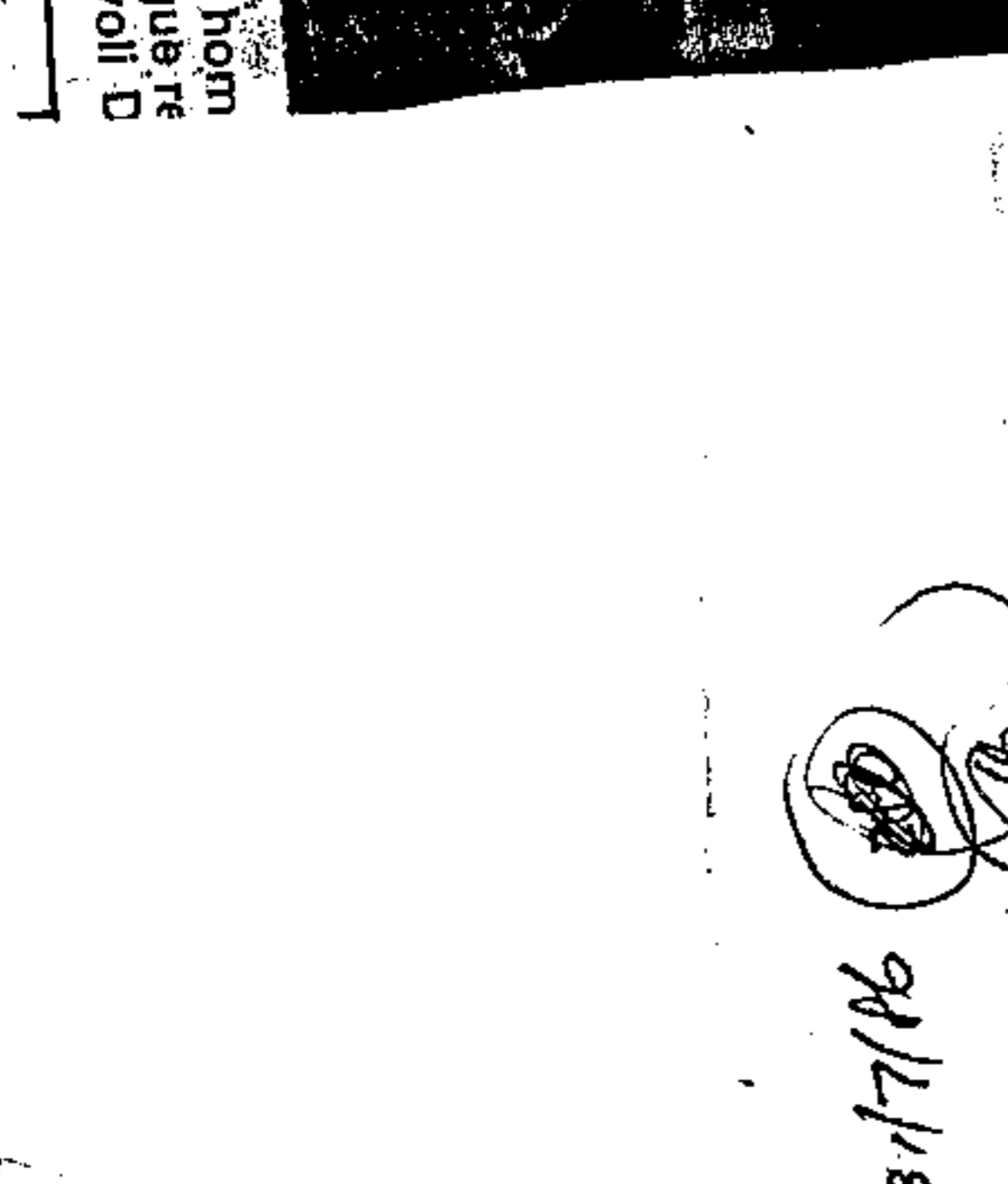
"The police are following certain clues and are tracking down the attackers. Otherwise the situation is under control."

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, situated in Umtata's central business district.



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Labour Party leader Mr Neil Kinnock accused Mrs Thatcher of "delay and disruption" in the implementation of sanctions against South Africa.

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Cars 'armoured' to combat landmines

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DIANNA GAMES
FRONTLINE farmers in SA's insurgency war are slowly abandoning fatalism for practicality in their fight against landmines. About 14 mines have been detonated since the end of last year, and in the Eastern Transvaal — which appears to be the latest "front" — five have been detonated since April. With their arsenals useless against the invisible and arbitrary threat of landmine explosions on their farms, farmers are turning increasingly to the only practical answer — steel-reinforced vehicles.

Escom is also looking at ways of protecting its staff who travel on un-farmed roads in these areas, a spokesman said, adding that it was looking at special vehicles, although no decision on a specific design had yet been made.

Government has addressed itself to the problem in two ways. The Department of Trade and Industry has, through testing at the SA Bureau of Standards (SABS) and the CSIR, set a standard for vehicles undergoing re-conversion.

This is to ensure farmers are not paying for second-rate protection which would not stand the test of a landmine blast and to ensure the vehicles are still roadworthy after conversion.

Farmers in designated areas buying SABS approved reinforced vehicles could be in line for a rebate of 80% of the cost. A representative group from several government departments has been formed to analyse the situation and make recommendations to government.

Designated areas at present cover 50km inland, areas in the North-east and north-western Transvaal along the Limpopo River and Botswana border where it meets SA. A spokesman for the Eastern Transvaal group said the Eastern Transvaal was not yet a designated area and would not be until government had had representations from local farmers.

One Johannesburg security firm said it had produced a prototype reinforced cab and was now waiting for SABS approval before marketing the conversion.

Major Mark Adams, MD of Coin Security Engineering, said the cost of fully reinforcing the cab of a vehicle would average about R14 000. The cost included extending all controls into the interior, which would have to be fully sealed to en-



□ The cab of Mrs Marietjie Roos' Mercedes after detouring a landmine near Nelspruit last Sunday



□ The cab of a truck, reinforced by a Nelspruit firm, after a simulated landmine explosion

sure harmful gases from a mine did not seep into the cab. He described the response as " tremendous," with many orders pending SABS approval.

Two Nelspruit brothers began reinforcing vehicles six months ago and have completed 12, they say. Orders have come from Nelspruit (eight), the Pretoria-Vaalwater area, Kangwane and Messina. Four orders were confirmed on Monday, following Sunday night's blast, the brothers say.

They are also marketing "capsules," which have V-shaped bottoms and no flat surfaces so as to deflect shrapnel and the force of a blast. Marketed as a completed product, they sell for R30 000.

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Lakeside blast rocks post office, shatters windows

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Minister can now
seize publications
'without notice'

By DENNIS CRUYWAGEN
and CHRIS WHITFIELD
Weekend Argus Reporters

A POWERFUL explosive device rocked the a post office in the sleepy suburb of Lakeside this morning 15 minutes before it was to open for business.

No fatalities or injuries were reported. The blast was heard in Muizenberg two kilometres away.

The post office and a cafe facing it remained close.

A block of flats opposite the post office, Lakeside Court, felt the full impact of the blast. Several windows were broken and the lawn was littered with glass.

Sudden flash

Mrs Shirley Holman, who lives at Lakeside Court, said she was still in bed about 8.15am when there was a "sudden flash followed by a loud blast".

The windows in her bedroom were smashed. She jumped out of bed and ran into the road shouting: "Bomb".

Her fiance, Mr George King, who was shaving in the bathroom when the explosion occurred, ran bare-chested across the road to the post office.

He was the first person to come across the stunned postmaster, Mr J Lazzarich, who had been in the building when the blast went off only metres away.

Mr King ran across the road to a shop facing the post office where he found Mrs Mymoena Adams, wife of shopkeeper Mr Ismail Adams who bought the business three months ago, lying on the shop's floor covered with glass.

A badly shaken Mrs Adams refused to speak to the Press.

Treated for shock

It is believed that Mr and Mrs Adams and their two assistants, Mr Joseph Bell and Mr David Blaauw, were working in the shop when the blast occurred.

Mr Lazzarich was led to an ambulance where he was treated for shock. Police refused to allow him to be interviewed.

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He was sent home at 11am, according to Mr G J Bruce, a senior Postal Services employee.

Neighbours on the scene said the bomb appeared to have been planted in a rubbish bin attached to a stop sign outside the post office. The bin was destroyed by the blast and the stop sign was buckled.

All the windows in the post office were shattered. Black flash marks were streaked across the walls.

Mrs Beryl Kotze, another Lakeside Court resident, had a lucky escape when she decided to sleep late.

Spray of glass

Glass was sent spraying across her bedroom by the explosion.

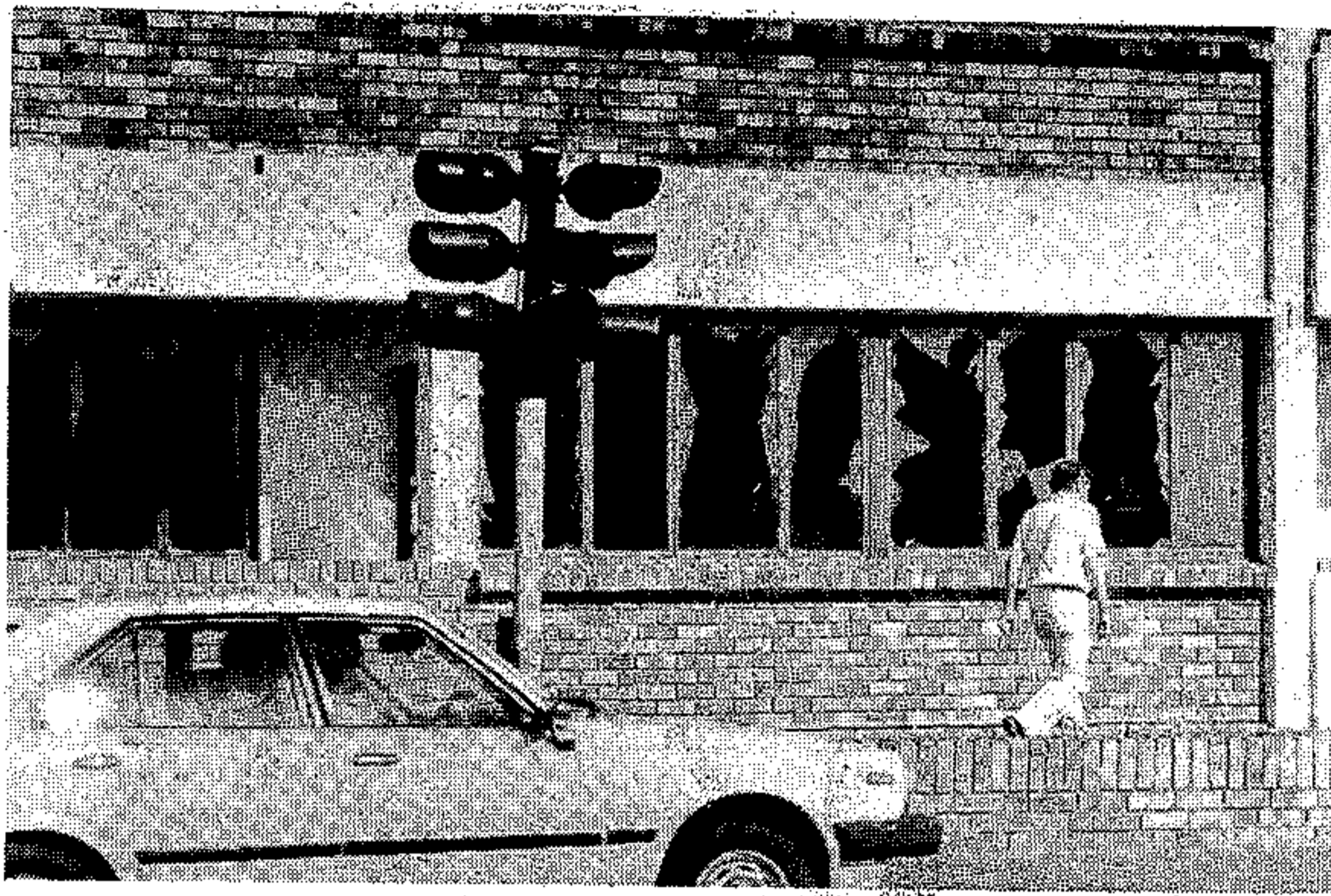
"It all happened so quickly. I have never heard such a noise before. There was a terrific bang and I heard the sound of breaking glass. I thought it was a petrol bomb and was waiting for the flames," she said.

A woman who lives two streets away from the blast, said light fittings had fallen from the ceiling.

Police cordoned off the area and journalists were kept away from the post office. Traffic was rerouted through Boyes Drive. Onlookers gathered on Boyes Drive to watch.



Shocked postmaster Mr John Lazzarich leaves Lakeside post office after the bomb blast.



Pictures: DANA LE ROUX, Weekend Argus

Most of the windows in this unoccupied ground-floor flat in Lakeside Court, a block of flats diagonally opposite the post office, were shattered by the blast.

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One dead in Walvis Bay blast

PRETORIA. — A person was killed and ~~2~~ were injured, three seriously, in an explosion at Atlantic Meat Market in Walvis Bay at 10.45 this morning, the Bureau for Information in Pretoria said this afternoon.

A spokesman for the bureau said the

identities of the dead person and the injured people were not known by early this afternoon.

There were no further details on the explosion, but these would be provided as soon as they became available. — Sapa!

Four die, 24 hurt in Walvis blast

Sunday Times Reporters

FOUR people were killed and 24 injured — five seriously — when a bomb exploded in a Walvis Bay butchery yesterday.

The dead are Mr M Rodkin, Mrs H Rodkin, Mrs M Matsuis and an unidentified man.

In a second blast, an explosion rocked the seaside village of Lakeside, near Cape Town, yesterday morning, shattering windows over a wide area. Only the postmaster suffered a slight injury — a cut finger.

Deflected

In the Walvis Bay blast, further carnage was averted because a large consignment of meat, delivered earlier, deflected the main force of the mid-morning explosion, which ripped off the roof of the Atlantic Meat Market, in the old part of the town.

At Lakeside the post office took the brunt of the blast, which also blew out windows in flats and a shop.

The Bureau for Information said the postmaster, Mr J V Lazzarich, 65, was unlocking the post office when the device exploded.

Mr Lazzarich has a heart condition and is being treated for shock. His only injury was a cut finger.

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Bomb blast toll rises to five

The Argus Foreign Service

WINDHOEK. — The death toll from Saturday's bomb explosion in Walvis Bay rose to five with the death of Mrs Denise Beets in Windhoek Hospital yesterday afternoon, according to a statement from the Bureau for Information in Pretoria.

The bureau said the name of one of the seriously injured was Mr Daniel Shipogeni, not Mr Daniel Shipanga, as previously stated.

Two coloured and two black people were killed. They were Mr M Rodkin, Mrs H Rodkin, Mrs M Matsius and Mr Alpheus Shitenga. Twenty-four people were admitted to hospital. Four were later discharged.

Police said an explosive device of between 200 and 600 grams hidden in a shopping-bag containing meat caused the explosion.

Apart from
2 bombings,
weekend
'was quiet'

By Kym Hasilton,
Pretoria Bureau

There were two bomb blasts at the weekend and one of the explosions has killed five people, said the Bureau for Information.

A Soweto policeman, Constable Michael Chokie (30), was reported to have died on Thursday from gunshot wounds he sustained while escorting a furniture delivery truck in the township, said the bureau.

So far, 207 people have died in political violence in the 10-week-old state of emergency.

Otherwise, the bureau claimed the weekend was quiet with few unrest-related incidents. Those that occurred consisted mainly of stone-throwing and a number of incidents of intimidation of children wanting to attend school, arson and damage to property.

The weekend's first bomb exploded outside the Lakeside Post Office near Muizenberg about 15 minutes before it was due to open on Saturday.

A few hours later a bag containing explosives ripped through Saturday morning shoppers in Walvis Bay, killing five.

The bureau said a limpet mine was put in a rubbish bin attached to a stop sign in front of the Lakeside Post Office. The only injury reported was a cut to the finger of the postmaster. Relatively little damage was caused, said the bureau.

However, a bag containing about 200 to 600 g of explosives destroyed the Atlantic Meat Market in Walvis Bay at 10.45 am on Saturday.

Five people died and 23 were injured, many of them seriously.

In other incidents of unrest reported by the bureau, two members of the security forces were seriously wounded while investigating a complaint at a private home in Siyatamba near Balfour on the East Rand.

As the two men arrived at the house, they were fired on by unknown attackers from the opposite side of the street. Both men are in a satisfactory condition.

A man was injured in Umlazi, Durban on Saturday during an attempt to set a bus on fire.

In kwaZakhele, Port Elizabeth, two arson incidents were reported. A private home was badly damaged, but the second attack failed.

In Bobhelong, Vanderbiljpark, four men were arrested for stoning a delivery van on Saturday morning. One man was injured and three arrested when a mob attacked a security force patrol in Zwellentema, Worcester, about 7.25 pm on Saturday.

On Friday, four cases of intimidation of schoolchildren were reported, two each in Sebokeng and Evaton, both near Vereeniging.

In Langa, Cape Town, one person was arrested for setting a vehicle alight and on the East Rand, two men and two women were arrested for throwing stones.

Walvis Bay blast: no claims yet from killers

The Star's Africa News Service

WINDHOEK — There was still no indication today of who planted the bomb in Walvis Bay on Saturday which killed five people.

Police said about half a kilogram of explosive was hidden in a shopping bag full of meat and its detonation badly damaged a butchery in the town's main street.

Dead named

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria has released the names of the five people killed in the Walvis Bay bomb blast.

The dead are Mrs Denise Beets, Mr Alpheus Shitenga, Mr M Rodkin, Mrs H Rodkin and Mrs M Matsius. — Sapa.

Experts, who believed the bomb was of communist origin, refused to speculate on who planted it.

Finance Minister Mr Dirk Mudge accused Swapo, but local newspapers said the feeling in Walvis Bay was that the bomb

was part of the ANC offensive against South Africa, conducted in concert with Swapo.

Mr Mudge said the Namibian Government would be keeping a 'close watch on the internal wing of Swapo to ensure it did not abuse its rights to conduct free meetings.

He said he was aware that the organisation's leaders were trying to incite more militant action in Namibia but there were indications that most Swapo supporters preferred peace.

Whole town stunned

The explosion shook the small fishing port during Saturday morning shopping and is understood to be the most serious incident of violence in the small desert enclave.

At least 23 people were admitted to hospital. Four of them are believed to be in a serious condition.

Reports said the whole town was stunned by the blast and a number of adults and children were treated for shock.

The Atlantic Butchery was devastated and about R250 000 damage caused.

Ambulances from Swakopmund, about 35 km north of Walvis Bay, were called to help take the injured to hospital and at least one private plane helped to take the more seriously hurt to hospital in Windhoek.

An army cordon was put around the area and road blocks set up on streets leading out of town.

Namibian reporters were referred to the South African Bureau for Information in Pretoria for the official communique on the incident.

Petrol station blasted

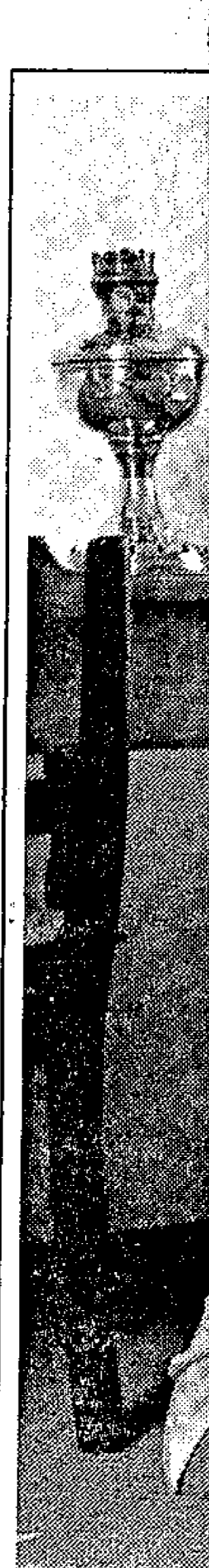
WINDHOEK — A fireman was injured over the weekend when an explosion wrecked a petrol station in the northern Namibian town of Okatana.

The SWABC reported that the fire destroyed three petrol pumps. It was not known what caused the explosion.

Firemen put out the blaze before it reached the large underground petrol storage tanks.

In 1984, Okatana was in the news when two American diplomats, Lieutenant-Colonel Ken Crabtree and Mr Dennis Keogh, were killed in a blast at a petrol station.

Police later blamed Swapo for planting the device. — The Star's Africa News Service.



Petrol pumps destroyed

Two shot after new blast in Namibia

The Star's Africa News Service

WINDHOEK — Two Swapo insurgents have been shot dead in a follow-up operation after a bomb blast in the northern Namibian operational area, according to the South West Africa Territory Force (SWATF).

The dead men are believed to have been part of a group of 10 who carried out sabotage at a petrol station in Okatana. The blast caused a serious fire which destroyed three petrol pumps.

A fireman was injured while fighting the blaze, which was extinguished before it reached the station's huge petrol storage tanks.

Okatana was also hit by a petrol station bomb in April 1984 when two United States diplomats, Lieutenant-Colonel Ken Crabtree and Mr Denis Keogh, were killed.

The diplomats, who had been monitoring the withdrawal of South African troops from Angola, had just pulled into the station when the explosive detonated.

Five killed

Meanwhile, there has apparently been no further progress or arrests in the investigation of the bomb blast in Walvis Bay on Saturday which cost five lives.

South Africa's Administrator-General for South West Africa, Mr Louis Pienaar, has promised that the authorities will do their utmost to bring the culprits to book.

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JOHANNESBURG. — Five people died and 23 were injured when a bomb left in a bag of meat exploded in a Walvis Bay butchery on Saturday.

The death toll in the blast rose to five yesterday afternoon with the death of Mrs Denise Beets in Windhoek Hospital, a statement from the Bureau for Information in Pretoria said.

Four people were killed immediately in the blast, Mr Casper Venter of the bureau confirmed. They were Mr M Rodkin, Mrs H Rodkin, Mrs M Matsius and Mr Alpheus Shitenga.

Twenty-four people, including Mrs Beets, were admitted to hospital. Four were treated and later discharged.

Critical

The five most seriously injured victims of the blast at the Atlantic Meat Market at 10.45am were airlifted to Windhoek Hospital.

Those critically injured were Mrs R du Preez, Mrs Beets, Mr Daniel Shipogeni, Mrs Paulina Shidoro and Mr Raymond van der Schuur.

The bureau said meat was placed in a bag containing 200g to 600g of explosives. The explosive device was left in the butchery.

Satisfactory

The explosion destroyed the butchery and shattered nearby windows.

The injured people who are in a satisfactory condition are Mrs H Havanga, Mrs Frances Phaleni, Mrs Regina Johannes, Mrs Hanna van den Heever, Mrs Johanna Louw, Paulina Nathaniel, 11, Mrs Vera Steenkamp, Mrs Ralie Baker, Mrs Erica Gonteb, Mrs Ella Jansen, Mr Johan Marais, Mr Johnny van Wyk, Mr Sakkie Hileka, Mr Nicholas Bezuidenhout and Miss Sonia Rodkin. — Sapa

Close shaves in Lakeside blast

By JOHN VAN DER LINDEN *844*

A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD girl had a narrow escape when a limpet mine blast shattered the peace of Lakeside on Saturday morning.

The blast occurred at 8.05am when the mine, placed in a blue plastic litter bin near the Station Road Post Office, exploded, the Bureau of Information in Pretoria said yesterday.

Little Malinda Schmit, who was delayed from going to the cafe to buy her mother cigarettes because she could

not find her mother's purse, was about to turn into Station Road when the mine exploded. If she had left the house a minute earlier, she would have walked straight into the blast.

Visibly shaken by her daughter's close shave, Mrs Bessie Schmit said the blast had taken out the windows at the back of their home, 20 metres from the explosion. "I just ran out in panic to get my baby who had left only seconds before," she said.

Ms Lyndré van Niekerk, who moved into her new flat in Lakeside Court on Friday night, narrowly escaped be-

ing injured by a blast for the second time this year.

She drove past the Mowbray police station on July 3 shortly before the building was shaken by an explosion.

When the Lakeside mine went off, she burst into tears while her sister Jeanine, a Swan in the Navy, rushed to get the neighbours out of the flats in case of further explosions.

The postmaster, Mr George Lazarich, 65, who has a heart condition, was opening the front door of the post office when the blast rocked the building, sending a shower of splintered glass

inside. One of his fingers was cut by flying glass and he was treated for shock by ambulance men.

Shock waves from the blast shattered hundreds of windows and woke up late sleepers as far as three kilometres from the scene.

The bin containing the mine disintegrated and a shower of shrapnel pitted the wall. The eaves of the building above the stop sign were blown loose and the pole to which the litter bin was strapped was dented inwards and bent.

Across the road, the windows of Phillip's Fruiterers

were blown in, but the force of the blast was contained by the burglar bars.

Most of the windows of Lakeside Court, diagonally across the road from the blast, were smashed.

"I was still in my bed and thought it was a massive accident," said Mrs Esther Anderson who, together with her elderly sister, Mrs Anne Salt, lives at No 2 Lakeside Court. Three of their windows were broken.

"Anne was bringing me tea and she dropped the tray when the blast hit," Mrs Anderson said. "Luckyly neither of us was near the win-

dows at the time or we would have been seriously cut up."

Mrs Beryl Kotze, of No 10, said she had been taking a "few minutes' extra rest when there was a terrific bang and shattering glass".

"I expected flames, thinking it was a petrol bomb, but luckyly nothing further happened," she said.

Members of the Lakeside Fire Brigade arrived at the scene within minutes and cordoned off the area, checking for people injured in the blast.

The Bureau of Information has not yet disclosed the origin of the limpet mine.



Taking stock of the damage to their new flat are Jeanine and Lyndré van Niekerk.

Queenstown blast: man in court

EAST LONDON — A 31-year-old Transkei man, Mr Fikile Owen Gwadana, appeared in the Queenstown magistrate's court yesterday in connection with a bomb blast at a Queenstown shopping centre earlier this year.

A 12-year-old boy was injured and damage estimated at thousands of rands was caused when a bomb exploded in a dustbin at the Fred F... shopping centre on June 28.

The case was postponed to August 19. — DD

Doctors, young mother charged

THE trial of 10 people facing 20 charges arising out of various bomb blasts and explosions in the Durban area between September 1983 and January this year was adjourned to November 3 in the Supreme Court, Durban, yesterday.

The trial, which will be held in Maritzburg, was adjourned by Mr Justice van Heerden.

The 10, including a woman and two doctors, have all been charged under the Internal Security and the Arms and Ammunition Acts.

Mrs Dududzile Charity Baby Buthelezi, who was granted bail last month, appeared in court with her new-born baby, Mkhonto.



Mr ARMICHAND Rajbansi alleged explosion.

She was granted bail after a Full Bench of judges ruled that orders made by the Attorney-General of Natal precluding her and her co-accused from obtaining bail were invalid.

The nine others are still in custody.

It is alleged by the State that the 10 were involved in explosions at the XL Tearoom, Grosvenor Girls High School, the Executive Hotel in Umlazi, two Spar Foodliners, OK Bazaars, the Umlazi Bakery, West Street Game, a vehicle in Pine Street, the Mobeni post office, the Chatsworth courthouse and the home of Mr Amichand Rajbansi.

They are also alleged to have possessed machine guns, grenades, bombs and ammunition.

Appearing with Mrs Buthelezi are Dr Si-

bongiseni Dhlomo (26), Dr Vejeynand Indurjith Pamlakan (28), Mr Sibusiso Robert Ndlanzi (29), Mr Jude Francis (21), Mr Ordway Qonda Msomi (20), Mr Siphon Stanley Bhila (31), Mr Phumezo Nxiweni (20), Mr Mariki Dlomo (32) and Mr Bafo Bwana Nguqu (30).

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Toilet bomb exploded in man's hands, court finds

By Inga Molzen

A Security Branch lieutenant yesterday told a Johannesburg inquest magistrate that he believed Mr Abram Rapoo (23) had been handling the limpet mine which exploded and killed him.

The blast occurred in the men's toilet near Braamfontein Station.

Magistrate Mr C G de Lange found that Mr Rapoo of Moletsane, Soweto, died of multiple injuries sustained when a limpet mine which he was handling exploded.

The incident happened in the toilets on the corner of Solomon and Smit streets at about 12.55 pm on April 9. A municipal employee testified that many

people had used the toilet and waiting room that morning.

Mr de Lange said: "Mr Rapoo's father tried to impress on the court how good his son was. But because you are a churchgoer does not mean you are not an activist."

"An attendant cleaned that toilet an hour or two before the explosion. People moving in and out of the municipal facility had the opportunity to plant the bomb in the toilet."

Mr de Lange said Lieutenant Zeelie, an explosives expert, had inferred the deceased blew himself up.

"He said that was the only conclusion he could draw from the injuries Mr Rapoo sustained. If the bomb had been placed inside the toilet bowl his in-

juries would have been different," said Mr de Lange.

Lieutenant Zeelie said "If a bomb explodes next to a person, injuries he sustains will be far greater if the person is standing near a wall than further away from it."

"If this limpet mine had been placed inside the toilet, one would have expected Mr Rapoo to have had more injuries to his legs — his feet and hands would not have been blown off."

Lieutenant Zeelie said it appeared Mr Rapoo stood with his left leg on the toilet, handling the mine on his raised knee.

Mr Rapoo's head was blown away, his chest was blown open, both his hands were ripped off from the forearm and his left leg was shattered from the thigh.

'Enough explosives for two car bombs'

Terror trial told of huge arms find

By Estelle Trengove

Enough explosives to build two car bombs were found at a Soweto house in December last year, the Rand Supreme Court heard yesterday.

Lieutenant C A Zeelie, a police explosives expert, said he found 10 demolition charges each containing 6,07 kg of high explosives, 10 mini limpet mines, 26 hand grenades, 27 hand grenade detonators, mechanical and electrical detonators and time switches, at the Soweto house.

The weaponry he found seemed to indicate the planned construction of two car bombs similar to those used previously in incidents in Pretoria and Durban, he said.

High treason

He was giving evidence at the trial of Mr Sibusisa Ngwenya (32) of Dube Village, Soweto; Mr Guy Malamba (25) of Umlazi, Durban; and Mr Abraham Lentswane (30) of Meadowlands, Soweto. The three men pleaded not guilty to charges of high treason and terrorism.

The explosives, together with AK assault rifles, magazines and ammunition, were in a coal-bin outside the house, Lieutenant Zeelie said.

The coal-bin was locked. When asked to open it, the house owner said that the lock did not belong to him. He gave Lieutenant Zeelie permission to force open the lock.

The explosives were packed in a trunk and a plastic bag, which were beneath some planks in the coal bin. The hand grenades and several other items were wrapped in newspaper and tin foil.

The lock on the coal-bin was later opened with a key which was found in Mr Ngwenya's car, security policeman Lieutenant D F M Bosman said.

Mr Ngwenya had been arrested earlier that evening, shortly after leaving the premises where the explosives were found.

Counsel representing the three men, Mr D Kuny SC, said that Mr Ngwenya would give evidence that he had been assaulted at the Soweto house by a senior police officer on the day of his arrest.

Both Lieutenant Zeelie and Lieutenant Bosman denied seeing any assault on Mr Ngwenya that day.

The three men are alleged to be members of the African National Congress (ANC).

The State claims they entered South Africa between November and December last year on a mission to reconnoitre South African Air Force bases in Pretoria with a view to shooting down military aircraft with SAM 7 missiles.

They also allegedly conspired to kill a police detective, Sergeant Thabane Lethuli, but failed to do so.

Mr Malamba and Mr Lentswane allegedly planned to survey various electricity and power distribution stations in the Johannesburg and Pretoria area in order to sabotage them.

The State claims that the two men also planned to construct a "car bomb" and explode it in a densely populated area.

The hearing continues.

Inquest hears of dead Soweto boy's injuries

A Johannesburg magistrate heard yesterday that Patrick Radebe (16) of Zola, Soweto, who died on October 15 last year, had been shot once in the back and had injuries to his forehead and an eye.

It was also stated in medical evidence that the injuries to the forehead and eye could have been caused by falling.

A 16-year-old friend of the dead boy told the court that he and friends were walking in Xuma Street, Soweto, on October 15. They were discussing soccer when they saw seven Casspirs.

"One of the Casspirs approached us and put on its bright lights. Three soldiers jumped out of the Casspir and opened fire on us. As I ran away I saw Patrick fall. I jumped over a fence and hid in a house. I could see the soldiers outside," the witness said.

He went on to tell the court that he stayed in the house and watched two soldiers drag Patrick's body between two houses.

"They got a plank and put his body on it. Then they jumped on it," he said.

The boy said that after the soldiers had done this they went back to the Casspir and climbed in. The Casspir remained outside in the street until about 4 am. He stayed awake the whole night watching it.

The inquest was postponed for further evidence and the magistrate, Mr C van Staden, warned witnesses to appear in court on August 22.

Mrs T Rossouw appeared for the State and Mr H C Coetzee represented the Minister of Defence. The legal representative for the family of the dead boy was Mr Peter Silver.

Court told of explosives find in Soweto

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Enough explosives to build two car-bombs was found at a Soweto house in December last year, the Rand Supreme Court has heard.

Lieutenant C A Zeelie, a police explosives expert, said he found 10 demolition charges each containing 6,07kg of high explosives, 10 mini-limpet mines, 26 hand-grenades, 27 hand-grenade detonators, mechanical and electrical detonators and time switches in a coal-bin.

Lieutenant Zeelie was giving evidence at the trial of Mr Sibusisa Ngwenya, 32, of Dube Village, Soweto, Mr Guy Malamba, 25, of Umlazi, Durban, and Mr Abraham Lentswane, 30, of Meadowlands, Soweto.

The men pleaded not guilty to charges of high treason and terrorism.

Lieutenant Zeelie said the coal-bin was locked. The owner of the house said the lock did not belong to him but gave permission to force it open.

Lieutenant Zeelie broke it open with an axe.

Lieutenant D F M Bosman of the security police said the lock was later opened with a key found in Mr Ngwenya's car.

Mr Ngwenya had been arrested earlier that evening, soon after leaving the premises where the explosives were found.

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'Attack on SAAF planned'

JOHANNESBURG. — Three alleged ANC members reconnoitred Air Force bases in Pretoria with a view to shooting down aircraft by means of SAM 7 surface-to-air missiles, the Rand Supreme Court heard yesterday.

Mr Sibusiso Ngwenya, 32, and Mr Abraham Lentswane, 30, of Soweto, and Mr Guy Malamba, 25, of Durban, are appearing before Mr Justice Strydom charged with treason, alternatively terrorism.

The State alleges that the three men reconnoitred the South African Air Force bases at Swartkops and Waterkloof during December last year in anticipation of using SAM 7 missiles against military aircraft.

It was also alleged by the State that the three men carried out an unsuccessful mission to kill Durban-based Detective Sergeant Thabane Luthuli in November last year.

Coal bin

The three men are also alleged to have smuggled three AK-47 rifles, 47 handgrenades and 10 limpet mines into South Africa via Botswana between July and December last year.

Lieutenant Charles Zielie, a security police-

man from John Vorster Square, told the court weapons and explosives found in a coal bin in a house in Soweto were all made in the Soviet Union.

Weapons like that, he said, were used in South Africa "by the African National Congress that carries out acts of terror in South Africa".

The arms were found after police, who had kept watch on the house, saw Mr Ngwenya drive away in a car and stopped him. They returned to search the premises.

Some of the items found at the house, said Lieutenant Zielie, an explosives specialist, could be used to make a car bomb.

The State claimed Mr Malamba and Mr Lentswane planned to construct a car bomb.

Cross-examined by Mr Denis Kuny, SC, defending, Lieutenant Zielie denied any knowledge of an alleged assault by a senior police officer on Mr Ngwenya on the night of his arrest — December 18 last year.

He personally had held the accused in an armlock, the lieutenant said.

Mr Justice J J Strydom adjourned the hearing to tomorrow. — Own Correspondent and Sapa

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Safety first

The spate of terrorist bombings in SA has created an awareness of the need for good security and access control among landlords, shoppers and shopkeepers.
Retailers are now demanding that security

in their centres be upgraded. Some who are planning to relocate will consider premises only where access is controlled and where bomb-proof windows have been installed.

One chain reckons it is now paying more attention to security than to stock shrinkage.

There has also been a significant change of attitude among shoppers over security searches. Only a few months ago any request to reveal the contents of parcels or handbags to a security guard was often resented. The mood has changed and, judging from an *FM* straw poll, most now accept that it is being done for their own safety.

Jeremy Frere, director of projects and development for Fidelity Guards, one of SA's biggest security firms, says storekeepers who want to stay in business will have to control who and what goes into their shops.

"Shoppers will shun stores with no security within a day of the first bomb going off and causing serious casualties," he says.

Frere stresses the need for an awareness of what security is about. Guards must be trained to know what they are looking for and must be relieved every few hours to maintain alertness. And while the flow of customers into a shop should not be slowed down because of over-zealous searching, it should also not be possible for anyone to slip past a guard.

Security guards must be fully supported by management, says Frere. "There should be a no-exception rule. Everyone, including

the MD, must be searched when he goes into a shop." He also points out that it is not good security to make people surrender their hand luggage before entering a shop — particularly if it is placed on a shelf without being examined.

Some shopping centre landlords are also introducing security measures, and others are giving the proposal serious consideration.

Sanlam Properties, owners of the Amanzimtoti shopping centre, where a limpet mine killed five people during the Christmas season last year, has been inspecting hand luggage in its Natal centres since then, says Niel Krige, assistant GM, property. "We are expanding that to other centres, and taking other precautions as well," says Krige.

Safety glass

"By the end of September, the windows in all our shopping centres (more than 50) will either be safety glass or covered with safety film, which proved itself in the Amanzimtoti blast. Had it not been for the safety film on the centre's windows, the death toll could have been higher."

Sanlam is also installing access control in its office blocks and solid metal refuse bins are being replaced with mesh-wire bins, or filled nearly to the brim with sand.

Taffy Hewson, OK director in charge of security, says: "We started stopping and searching all people coming into our stores in

built-up and troubled areas a long time ago."

Searches, he says, are purely for security reasons and not aimed at stock shrinkage. Staff are also trained to recognise explosive devices and undergo regular refresher courses.

"Comment from those who shop in our stores has been favourable. People say they feel secure in our stores," he says.

Hewson is concerned by the number of people who carry firearms, but because there is no safe way of keeping firearms while the owners do their shopping, the OK allows them through.

Pick 'n Pay has been security conscious in all its stores for a long time, says René de Wet, director in charge of security. The group also checks hand luggage at the entrances of shopping centres it either owns or has a headlease over. In other instances, it is trying to persuade landlords to do checks at all centre entrances.

"We also do a security sweep of all our stores every 30 minutes. We check everything, look for parcels left lying around and empty all refuse bins regularly."

The major shopping centre landlords, such as Anglo American Property Services (Ampros) and Rapp & Maister have yet to install security checks at their centre entrances. Ampros, for example, "is very concerned and is looking at the problem," according to Joe Hallis, leasing director. "But we haven't started searching bags yet." ■

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4 guerillas jailed in Botswana

GABORONE. — Four black South Africans, apparently guerillas opposed to the Pretoria government, were jailed for seven years each yesterday for illegally possessing military weapons in Botswana.

The four — Dalumuyo Majija, 30, Bongo Qina, 24, Nonthuthuzelo Mabutyana, 27, and Simphiwe Mini, 31 — are all from Transkei.

The State said the men were found in a car near Gaborone in May with four Soviet-made AK rifles, 558 rounds of ammunition, 16 handgrenades, 48 detonators, 10 limpet mines and two anti-tank mines.

After the sentence was passed, the four raised clenched fists and shouted "Amandla" (Power).

Botswana police reported yesterday that since South African troops attacked a village near Gaborone on May 19, 40 people, 29 of them South Africans, had been arrested at roadblocks in Botswana for possession of arms and ammunition.

A Botswana police spokesman said of the others arrested, three were Portuguese, three Zimbabweans, a Briton, a Greek, a Mosotho, a Mauritian and an Australian. — Sapa-Reuter

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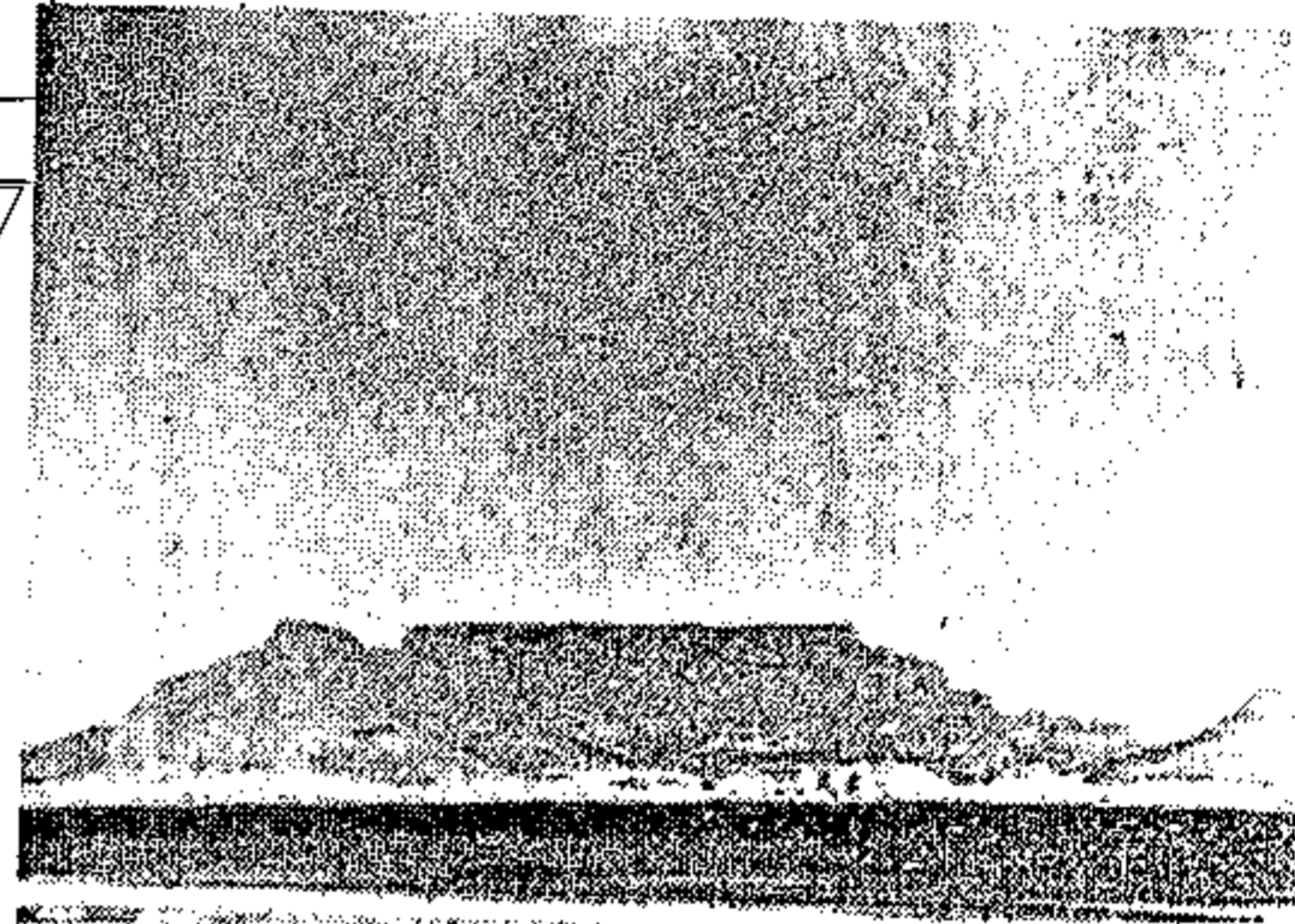
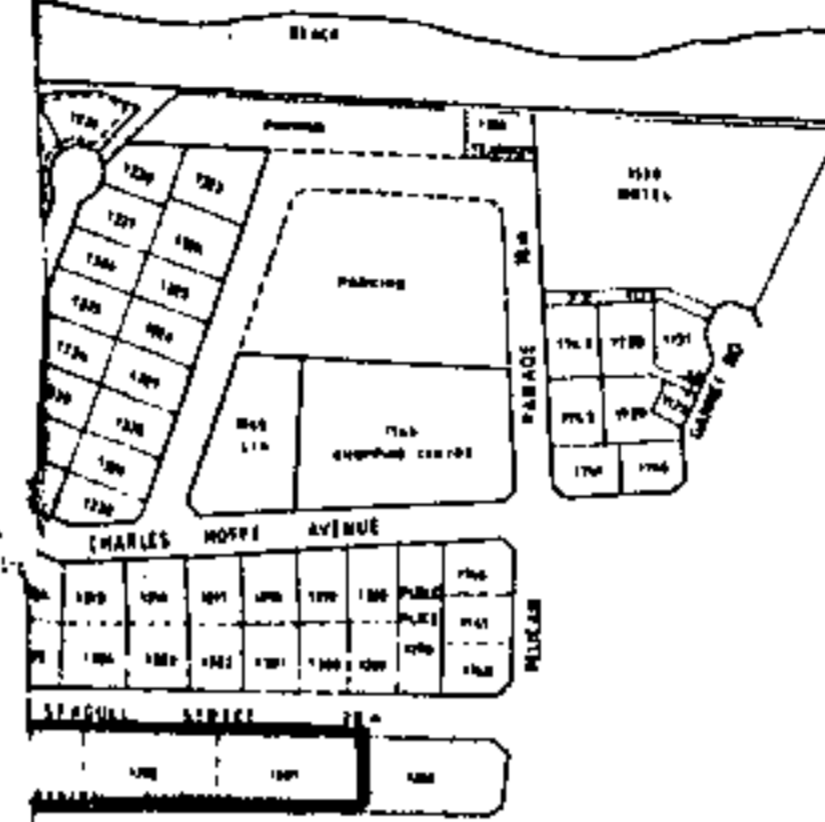
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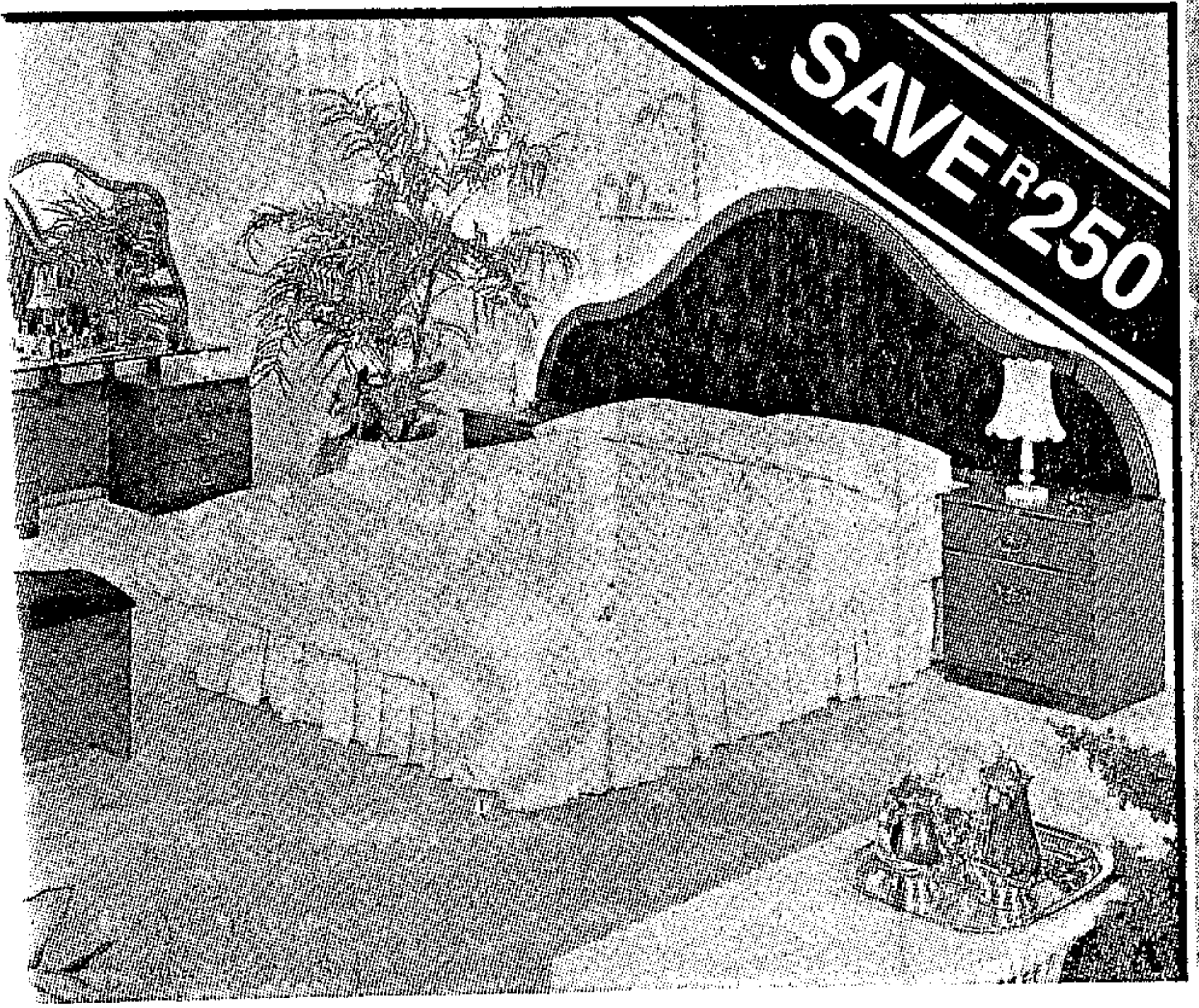
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Durban bomb accused in court

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CP Correspondent

TEN alleged bombers appeared in the Durban Supreme Court this week – to the sound of freedom songs and praises for Nelson Mandela.

The accused – charged under the Internal Security and Arms & Ammunition Acts – and supporters crammed the public gallery, singing Mandela's praises before and after the brief hearing, and drawing curious onlookers from other courtrooms.

The case was adjourned until November 3 by Judge Van Heerden – and will resume in the Maritzburg Supreme Court.

The judge changed the bail conditions of accused Dudu Buthelezi, whose baby, Mkhonto, was born a few weeks ago. He ruled she now had to report to the police only once a day.

While the accused waited for the hearing to begin they passed baby Mkhonto around, bouncing him in time to the singing.

After the hearing was over, the celebrations began. One of the accused made a brief speech of congratulations to accused Sibongiseni Dhlomo – who has just passed his final doctor's exams.

All 10, together with supporters in the gallery, sang songs before they went back into the cells to a treat of cakes provided by well-wishers.

The accused are charged with planting a number of bombs in and around Durban over the last few years, and were allegedly responsible for blasts at the Executive Hotel in Umlazi and at the home of House of Delegates leader Amichand Rajbansi.

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Grenade kills policeman

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Police have made no arrests yet in connection with the killing of a Durban security policeman in a grenade attack on his Durban home at the weekend.

Lieutenant Victor Raju, 61, of Shallcross, who had received numerous death threats and was recently threat-

ened with necklacing, died when a grenade exploded in his bedroom early yesterday.

Another handgrenade exploded in the lounge.

Lieutenant Raju had been retired from the force for about five years, but was asked back.

He will be buried with full military honours in Chatsworth tomorrow.

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Grenade blasts: 7 men in court

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Seven men, five of them disabled with either amputated hands or fingers, appeared yesterday in the Supreme Court, Pretoria, on charges of terrorism.

They were all members of the banned Congress of South African Students (Cosas).

The State alleges that they were injured during the explosion of hand-grenades which they possessed in attempts to murder two former town councillors and several policeman on June 25 and 26 last year.

The incidents took place in Duduza, Tsakane and KwaThema, all on the East Rand.

Mr Joseph Mazibuko, 18, Mr John Mlangeni, 21, both with amputated right hands, Mr Samuel Lekatsa, 19, Mr Humphrey Tshabalala, 19, Mr Johannes Mazibuko, 18, Mr Hosea Lengosane, 20, and Mr Cedric Dladla, 19, pleaded not guilty to two charges of terrorism, alternatively five counts of attempted murder, the unlawful possession of hand-grenades and two counts of malicious damage to property.

The prosecutor, Mr J L Oberholtzer, said he would lead evidence to show that all accused used Soviet manufactured RGD-5 hand-grenades which were not fitted with a time-delay device.

He referred to them as a booby-trap type of hand-grenade designed to explode immediately upon release of the safety-lever fitted to them.

The State alleges that the accused — jointly or separately — attempted to kill Warrant-Officer Ben Baloyi, his wife and three children, in Brakpan, two former Duduza councillors — Mr David Namane and Mr Steven Namane, Sergeant E D Mazibuko and other policemen, by attacking their homes with hand-grenades.

Mr Solomon Mahabane, Mr Lincoln Mogodi, Mr Osborne Dlamini, Mr Mbowa Mashiane, Mr Jabulane Mahlangu, Mr Kholekule Nokwindla, Mr Petros Modisane and Mr Congree Mtsweni died in the incidents.

The case is before Mr Justice Strafford and two assessors.

Youths deny spate of grenade attacks

SEVEN youths — five having lost fingers or a hand — appeared yesterday in Pretoria Supreme Court on terrorism charges.

The State alleges they were injured by hand-grenades while trying to murder two former town councillors and several policeman on June 25 and 26 last year in the East Rand townships of Duduza, Tsakane and KwaThema.

Joseph Mazibuko, 18, John Mlangeni, 21, Samuel Lekatsa, 19, Humphrey Tshabalala, 19, Johannes Mazibuko, 18, Hosea Lengosane, 20 and Cedric Dladla, 19, each pleaded not guilty to two charges of terrorism, alternatively five counts of

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attempted murder, unlawful possession of hand-grenades and two counts of malicious damage.

J L Oberholtzer, prosecuting, said he would show all accused used Soviet-manufactured RGD-5 hand-grenades.

He added they were designed to explode immediately on release of the safety-lever.

Targets, such as the homes of policeman and councillors, were traditionally vulnerable to attack by youth groups, Oberholtzer said.

The accused were all described as

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members of the banned Congress of South African Students.

The State alleged they attempted to kill police and others with hand-grenades.

Property in Duduza and KwaThema, Springs, were other targets, according to the State.

Dr Lucas van der Berg, who examined four of the accused shortly after the explosions, said they had shrapnel wounds, fingers missing and perforated ear drums.

The case, before Mr Justice Strafford and two assessors, is expected to last six weeks.



Police say they have man who planted Parade Hotel bomb

Court told of Durban terror

DURBAN — 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 Maritzburg hospital, were revealed in papers before the Supreme Court, Durban, yesterday.

Captain Jacobus Adriaan Vorster, of the Security Branch in Maritzburg, alleged 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.

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 Bāqwa 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 "push out" his brother, Mr Gordon Webster, if it was true that he had not been found.

In a telex to Mrs Webster's lawyers a police officer

said he 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.

Captain Vorster said he had interrogated a Mr Robert McBride from July 17 to 20 and he, among others, revealed certain information.

He alleged Mr 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, Mr McBride was the head of an ANC cell under the overall charge of Mr Gordon Webster, Captain Vorster said.

From January this year until his arrest, Mr McBride had committed or tried to commit a series of acts of terror, Captain Vorster alleged.

Attempts at sub-stations

These acts were:

January 6: Mr McBride and Mr 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 allegedly spent the night with Mr George Webster at his house and left the next day.

January 9: Mr Gordon Webster was allegedly responsible for two explosions at the Chamberlain Road sub-station. The explosives were given to him by Mr McBride that night.

In the second explosion Lieutenant Colonel 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 sub-station was allegedly caused by Mr McBride, Mr Gordon Webster and another locally trained ANC terrorist 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.

May 4: Mr Gordon Webster, who had been wounded a few days previously in a gun battle with police, was sprung from Edendale Hospital, allegedly by Mr McBride and five other ANC members.

May 23: Mr McBride and another allegedly 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: Mr McBride and two other ANC terrorists allegedly 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: Mr McBride and two other ANC terrorists allegedly planted a bomb in a rubbish bin in front of The Copper Shop at the corner of Brickhill Road and West Street.

June 22: Mr McBride and two other ANC terrorists allegedly caused an explosion at a vegetable oil tank in Jacobs, and an explosion at the oil pipeline between Sapref and the Mobil refinery at Merebank on the same day.

June 30: Mr McBride and two other ANC terrorists allegedly caused an explosion at a Westville water pipeline — Sapa.

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Court rejects bid to free detainee

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — The Natal Supreme Court yesterday refused an urgent application for the release of a relative of an alleged ANC member who was sprung from police custody at Edendale Hospital earlier this year.

The application for the release of Mr George Webster was made by his wife, Mrs Lucille Elizabeth Webster.

Turned down

She said in papers he was detained on July 22 under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Mr Justice Page turned down the application and ordered Mrs Webster to pay costs.

Mrs Webster said it was her sincere opinion that her husband had been detained in order to "flush" the alleged ANC member, Mr Gordon Webster, out, if it was true that he had not been found.

She 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.

Captain Jacobus Adriaan Vorster, of the security police in Maritzburg, alleged that members of an ANC cell based in Durban had been responsible for several acts of violence in the area between January and June this year.

He said he had interrogated a Mr Robert McBride from July 17 to 20, and he disclosed certain information. This included the admission that on June 14, Mr McBride and two other ANC members planted a car bomb at the Parade Hotel, Marine Parade. The explosion killed three people and injured about 100. Thirty cars were damaged.

When they committed these and other acts of violence Mr McBride

was the head of an ANC cell under the overall charge of Mr Gordon Webster.

Mr McBride said he had been recruited for the ANC by Mr Gordon Webster, who had trained him in South Africa in the use of explosives and weapons.

Escape

Captain Vorster said that after his arrest Mr McBride disclosed Mr George Webster's involvement in ANC activities.

The policeman also outlined the planning for Mr 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, Mr Gordon Webster hid in Mr McBride's workshop in Jacobs where he was treated medically.

LONDON — The bomb explosion that killed five people in a meat market in Walvis Bay, the South African enclave in Namibia, recently, is likely to herald an intensification of the guerilla war.

It is the most serious act of urban guerilla warfare in two decades, though brutality has long been a fact of daily life in the rural north of the South African-occupied territory.

No one has claimed responsibility for the Walvis Bay bombing, but it could have been a joint operation by the African National Congress (ANC) and the South West African Peoples' Organisation (Swapo), the Namibian nationalist movement. Walvis Bay, whose position as part of South Africa is disputed by Swapo and the United Nations, would have been the ideal focus to show that South Africa was the common enemy of the two guerilla armies.

But political activity in the colony is also likely to increase after an important decision by the all-white Windhoek Supreme Court last month. As a result, Swapo has been able to hold legal public meetings for the first time in five years. In 1981, the South African-inspired Prohibition and Notification of Meetings Act effectively outlawed Swapo from holding any public demonstration.

The justification was that the movement advocated the violent overthrow of the state. Other political organisations, deemed to be peaceful, simply had to notify a magistrate of their intention to hold a meeting 24 hours before it took place.

Since then a number of braais and other social gatherings attended by Swapo supporters have been raided by the police, the participants

DENIS HERBSTEIN reports that the Namibian liberation movement Swapo is now able to hold legal meetings for the first time in five years.

Swapo shows its legal face

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arrested, held without bail, and often jailed.

But in June 1985, South Africa instituted an interim government of "friendly" Namibians, who were intent on showing their democratic colours. They issued a Bill of Fundamental Rights, which os-

tensibly guaranteed basic freedoms. At the end of July, however, the government banned a Catholic-led march in Windhoek.

Then last month came the challenge to the meetings ban. The lawyer for three Swapo office bearers charged with attending a political meeting argued that the law conflicted with the Bill of Rights's guarantee of free assembly.

The three-man Bench, under Judge Harold Levy, agreed, and also found that it was not Swapo's sole objective to overthrow the government. "If an organisation propagates peaceful and permissible activities it is not hit by the section (in the Act), even though it may also propagate the overthrow of the state."

But Judge Levy also said that none of the "aims and objectives" in Swapo's Constitution and Political Programme provided for the overthrow of any government or authority or



Mr SAM Nujoma, Swapo's president.

any change whatsoever to be brought about by violence, intimidation or force of any nature. Swapo's political programme did make reference to the "armed struggle," he said, but there was still "no statement which calls for or advocates or propagates the overthrow of a government or some form of change by violence, intimidation or forceful means."

As a result, Swapo have organised a number of public meetings throughout the country, of which the largest was in the Windhoek black township, Katatura, on July 27. An estimated 15 000 people, among them dozens of whites, were there.

The enthusiastic response to the judgment indicates that Swapo support, far from being buried by the state, has been biding its time.

The legalisation of the liberation movement's public face will provide extra problems for the so-called "Transitional Government of National Unity," a motley array of disparate political groupings, of which the white nationalists are the most numerous.

Now the government is reportedly considering a new law which would provide for the expulsion of non-Namibians. Targets are known to be the white South African lawyer, Mr David Smuts, who often represents Namibian na-

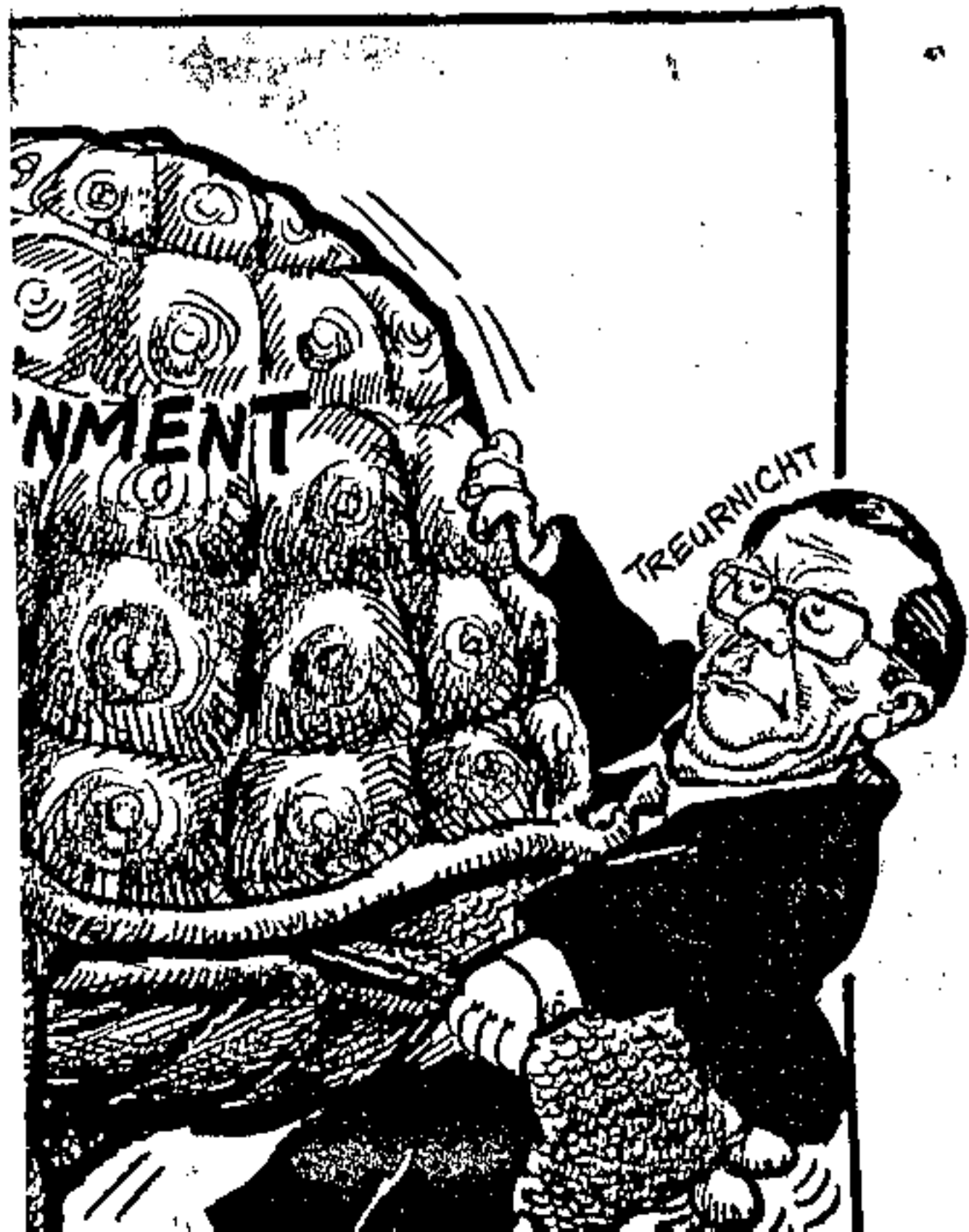
tionalists, as well as Ms Gwen Lister, editor of the liberal newspaper *The Namibian*. The law would also enable them to be rid of Dr Abisai Shejavali, secretary-general of the Christian Council of Namibia, one of the most effective critics of the South African connection. He came to Namibia from Angola at the age of five. — COPYRIGHT LONDON OBSERVER SERVICE.

LET US PRAY

THIS prayer by Archbishop-elect Desmond Tutu, is especially for those families who are without their loved ones in these troubled times.

God said: "My name is Emmanuel which means God with us." He is the God who stood with the three in the fiery furnace. Jesus said: "In the world you will have suffering, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

That is our God. If this God is for us, who can be against us? Nothing in heaven or on earth or underneath the earth can separate us from the love of God, who did not only give good advice but came and was involved with us in our suffering. He died, and they thought they had killed



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Man quizzed after fingers were amputated

A DOCTOR told the Pretoria Supreme Court yesterday that one of the seven accused in the Du-duza terrorism trial was so critically wounded he would not have allowed police to interrogate him 17 hours after he was operated upon.

Dr Lucas van den Berg was testifying at the trial of Mr Joseph Titus Mazibuko (18), Mr John Mlangeni (21), Mr Samuel Lekatsa (19), Mr Humphrey Tshabalala (19), Mr Johannes Veli Mazibuko (18), all of Du-duza, and Mr Hosea Lengosane (20) and Mr Cedric Dladla.

They have pleaded not guilty before Mr Justice Stafford, sitting with two assessors, to charges of terrorism, unlawful possession of handgrenades and a bomb, and alternative counts of attempted murder and malicious damage to property.

Their appearance follows attacks on the

By MONK NKOMO

homes of councillors and policemen in Du-duza, Springs, and Tsakane in Brakpan in June last year.

Defence council, Mr Eric Dane, yesterday submitted that one of the seven, Mr Tshabalala was interrogated by police 17 hours after his finger were amputated at a hospital.

Wait

Mr Tshabalala, Mr Dane said, suffered traumatic effects, shock, loss of blood and at one stage had difficulty in speaking.

Asked if he would have allowed Mr Tshabalala to be interrogated by the police, Dr van den Berg replied: "I would have asked them to wait".

Dr Philippos Synillides, yesterday testified that Mr Joseph Mazibuko and Mr Mlangeni were brought to the Natalspruit Hospital during the early hours on June 26 last year.

Both had multiple injuries and their right hands were completely mutilated and later amputated.

Dr Synillides said Mr Mlangeni had told him the injuries were sustained during a grenade explosion.

Dr Douglas Baden, a district surgeon, said he conducted a post mortem on the bodies of Mr Petrus Modisane and Mr Congress Mtsweni in July last year.

Mr Mtsweni, he said, died from fragmentation of the body caused by a number of handgrenades or a powerful explosive device.

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Reporter to appear in court

Staff Reporter

A CAPE TIMES reporter, Chris Steyn, has been ordered to appear before a Johannesburg magistrate to give evidence in connection with an alleged contravention of Section 27 (b) of the Police Act by three men, one of whom she interviewed in June last year.

A warrant for Miss Steyn's arrest was issued when she failed to appear on August 6, but was held over pending a second appearance on August 21.

The order relates to a series of hand-grenade blasts in Duduza, Tsakane and KwaThema on the East Rand on June 25 and 26 last year, and an interview Miss Steyn conducted in connection with the blasts.

At the time, she was crime reporter for The Star.

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'SAP officer trained ANC terrorist'

Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG. — Gordon Webster, an alleged ANC terrorist who was sprung from Edendale Hospital in Maritzburg where he was being treated for wounds following a shoot-out with police, had been trained in the use of firearms and explosives by a South African policeman at a terrorist base in Angola.

This was said by the divisional commanding officer of the Port Natal Security Branch, Brigadier Johan van Niekerk, in an affidavit in the Supreme Court, Durban, this week.

The affidavit was in reply to an urgent application made on Tuesday by Mrs Lucille Webster against the Minister of Law and Order and the Police for the release from detention of her attorney husband, Mr George Webster. Gordon Webster is the brother of George Webster.

The policeman, who was an ANC member at the time, recognized Gordon Webster from a photograph given to him

by security police following the shoot-out.

Brigadier Van Niekerk said in his affidavit that Gordon Webster was arrested on April 27 after he was wounded in a shootout with police.

"A landline photograph of Gordon was sent to a member of the SAP who identified him as an ANC terrorist he had trained in the use of arms, explosives and other general terrorist acts at the Pango Base in Angola," Brigadier Van Niekerk said.

The brigadier said he did not want to identify the policeman as he believed it would place his life in danger.

"The policeman who gave me this information is experienced and reliable and in my opinion one can rely on his information," he said.

Brigadier Van Niekerk denied a statement in Mrs Webster's affidavit that her husband was being detained in order to "flush out" his brother.

The application was dismissed with costs by

'Policeman trained sprung terrorist'

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Brigadier van Niekerk said in his affidavit Mr Webster was arrested on April 27 after he was wounded in a shootout with police.

In danger

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Grenade attack (275)

DURBAN. — A hand-grenade was hurled into a temporary police station at Sobantu township in Maritzburg yesterday, injuring a policeman and causing slight damage, according to a spokesman for the Bureau for Information. — The Argus Correspondent.

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Police wife describes grenade attack

THELMA TUCH

THE wife of a Springs security policeman told Pretoria Supreme Court yesterday of the arrival of a group of men at her home about 10 minutes after three "terrible tremors" shook the earth outside her Tsakane house.

Grace Baloyi was giving evidence in the trial of seven youths — five of whom have either amputated hands or fingers — charged with terrorism and the attempted murder of two former councillors and several policemen.

They have pleaded not guilty to all the charges.

In a series of incidents, the seven allegedly tried to kill several people with hand-grenades on June 26 last year.

Seven youths were killed — and the accused themselves were injured — during the explosion of the hand-grenades, which were not fitted with a time-delay device, the State alleges.

Baloyi said her husband, Ben, was not at home at the time of the explosions. When she went outside, she saw the bodies of three people in the street. Shortly afterwards a similar blast went off, shattering two windows in her house.

Former Duduza town councillor Steven Namane said he and his family evacuated their home and fled the township on June 15 for fear of their lives. When he returned home on June 25 he found three bedrooms, two bathrooms and the kitchen burnt out.

He said he knew one of the accused — John Mlangeni — and that he was "very friendly" with Mlangeni's parents. Namane said he had been a town councillor for nearly a year until the council became defunct in November 1984.

A nightwatchman at an electrical sub-station in KwaThema, Joseph Xhaba, said he saw the dismembered head and legs of a body after an explosion blasted the station on June 26.

The sub-station was among the alleged targets of the youths' grenade attacks.

The hearing continues today.

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Witnesses tell of blasts' damage

JOHANNESBURG — The wife of a Springs security policeman told the Pretoria Supreme court yesterday of the arrival of many policemen at her home about 10 minutes after three "terrible tremors" shook the earth outside her house in Tsakane.

Mrs Grace Baloyi was giving evidence in the trial of seven youths — five of whom are dis-

abled with either amputated hands or fingers — charged with terrorism and the attempted murder of two former councillors and several policemen. In a series of incidents they allegedly tried to kill them with hand grenades on June 26 last year.

Seven youths were killed and the accused themselves were injured during the explosion of

the hand-grenades which were not fitted with a time delay device, the state alleges.

Former Duduza town councillor Steven Namane told the court how he and his family evacuated their home and fled the township on June 15 for fear of their lives.

When he returned to his home on June 25 he

found three bedrooms, two bathrooms and the kitchen burnt out.

He said he knew John Mlangeni — accused number 2 — and his parents.

Mr Namane said he had been a town councillor for nearly a year until the council became defunct in November 1984 following anonymous letters calling on councillors to re-

sign and a spate of subsequent resignations.

A nightwatchman at an electrical sub-station in KwaThema, Mr Joseph Xhaba, said he saw the dismembered head and legs of a body after an explosion blasted the station on June 26. The sub-station is among the alleged predetermined targets of the group of youths' hand-grenade attacks.

Witness saw hand and legs

By MONK NKOMO

A NIGHTWATCHMAN told the Pretoria Supreme Court yesterday that he saw the head and legs of a man shortly after a powerful explosion rocked the power substation in Springs on June 26 last year.

Mr Joseph Xaba, an employee of the Kwa-Thema Town Council, said he was sitting in a small office near the substation. He heard a loud explosion about 3am.

Later he saw the legs and head of a man lying inside a house at Kgasane Street, Kwa-Thema.

He was testifying against Mr Joseph Mazibuko (18), Mr John Mlangeni (21), Mr Samuel Lekatsa (19), Mr Humphrey Tshabalala (19), Mr Johannes Veli Mazibuko (18), all of Duduza; Mr Hosea Lengosane (20) and Mr Cedric Dladla of Tsakane in Brakpan. They have pleaded not guilty before Mr Justice Stafford and two assessors to charges of terrorism, unlawful possession of handgrenades and a bomb, attempted murder and malicious damage to property. The State alleges they conspired to commit acts of terror and sabotage in Duduza, Tsakane and KwaThema at midnight on June 25 or 26.

Hand

The court also heard that Mr Mlangeni, who sustained multiple injuries and had his right hand amputated, made a statement before a magistrate eleven hours after he was operated upon.

Dr Phillipos Synillides, under cross-examination by the defence lawyer, Mr Eric Dane, said he would not have allowed Mr Mlangeni to make a statement because of his injuries.

Dr Synillides, under cross-examination by the state prosecutor, Mr Jan Oberholzer, changed his earlier version when asked if Mr Mlangeni could have been affected by drugs or operation when he made the statement. "I can't answer the question," he said, adding that people responded differently.

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Litter bins removed

Municipal Reporter

PLASTIC litter bins on poles which security experts fear may be used as bomb receptacles have been removed by the City Council.

The senior deputy City administrator, Dr Donald Craythorne, yesterday said that after the Lakeside litter bin blast on August 2, the executive committee had decided to review the placement of bins.

Bins in areas where their misuse could be particularly dangerous to public safety would be removed, he said. This would be done on an ongoing basis, after consultation with security experts.

No replacement bins of different materials or design had thus far been placed, he said. Research was being done on this question in the Transvaal, but the council had not yet received a report on it.

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Dimbaza home petrol bombed

Dispatch Reporter

DIMBAZA — The house of a Dimbaza community councillor, Mr Mbuyiselo Qomoyi, was extensively damaged when petrol bombs were thrown at it in the early hours of Wednesday morning.

The incident was confirmed by the Ciskei Police directorate of information.

Mr Qomoyi's wife, Mrs F. Qomoyi, who yesterday afternoon was busy cleaning the house, said that she and her family were woken up by petrol bomb explosions.

She and her husband rushed to the bedrooms in which their children and relatives were sleeping and woke them up.

They all ran out of the house.

Police were investigating an arson case and no arrests had been made.

Grenade blasts police station in Pietermaritzburg

Mercury Reporter

A SHARP increase in unrest on Wednesday resulted in damage estimated at hundreds of thousands of rands, as well as two deaths, says the Bureau for Information in Pretoria.

A police station outside Pietermaritzburg was rocked by a grenade explosion while 11 vehicles and two private homes were set alight in Soweto.

The bureau had not received reports of any deaths as a result of the violence in Soweto and no reasons for the outburst were given.

According to the bureau, the hand grenade hurled into the police station at Sobantu township near Pietermaritzburg caused slight damage, injuring a policeman.

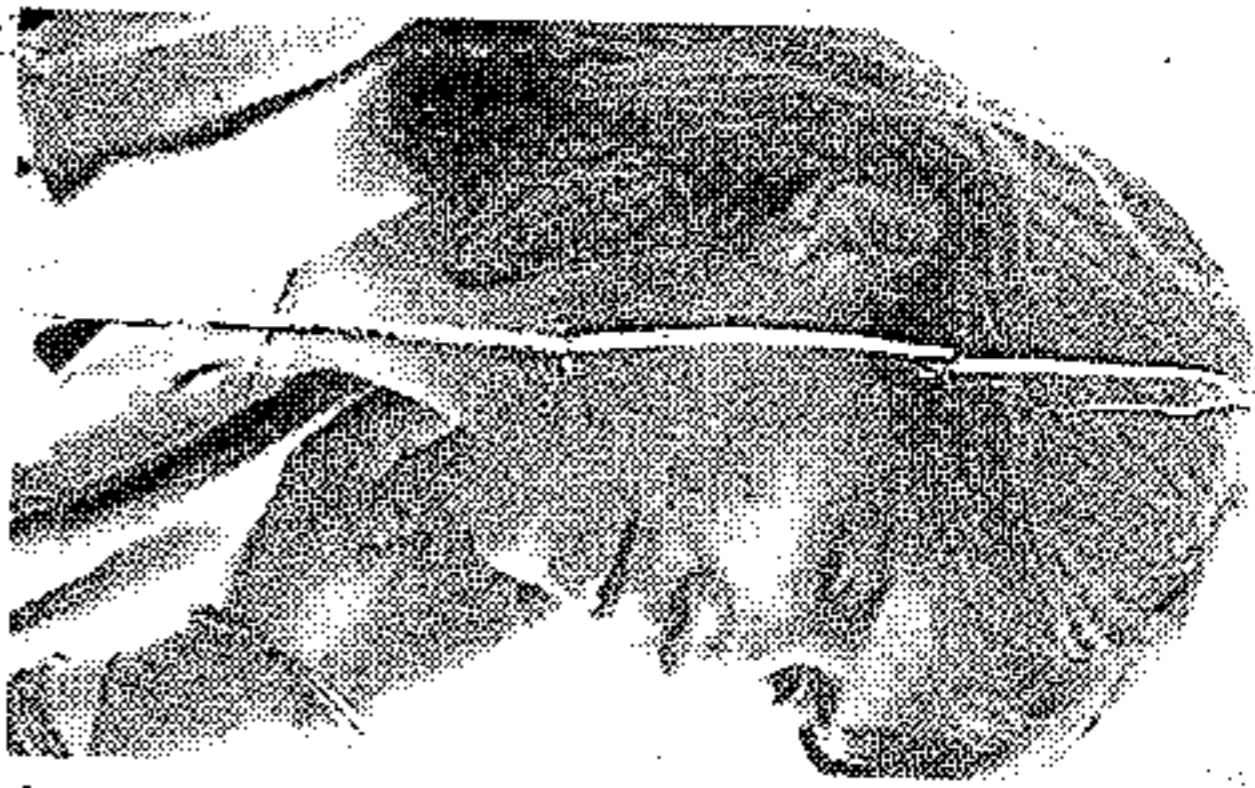
In KwaNdebele, security forces killed an unidentified man who allegedly helped eight other men in 'necklacing' a woman outside her home in Kwaggafontein.

The security forces arrested the eight alleged attackers, the bureau said.

The bureau said that, on average, the security forces were petrol-bombed, stoned, or fired on by township residents about seven times a day.

In the eight-week period of the state of emergency, security force patrols had been attacked 420 times — 180 times in the first seven days.

Marion Sparg appears in court



Miss Debbie Sparg, the sister of former journalist Miss Marion Sparg, outside the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Court Reporters

After five months in detention without access to legal advisors, former journalist Miss Marion Monica Sparg (27) appeared before a Johannesburg magistrate yesterday in connection with allegations of arson and treason.

The case relates to her alleged involvement in Limpet mine explosions at two police stations, the planting of a mine at a third police station and the burning or attempted burning of three Progressive Federal Party offices.

Appearing in the same court shortly before Miss Sparg was Mr Steven Johannes Marais (29) on charges of terrorism. Both the appearances were brief and both people were represented by their attorneys.

The attorneys, Mr Norman Manoin (for Miss Sparg) and Miss Cathy Satchwell (for Mr Marais),

said they had not had access to their clients and were "meeting them for the first time".

Shortly after 2.30 pm, Mr Marais was led from the cells below to briefly consult with his attorney in the dock. Security police rushed them through their meeting. Miss Satchwell complained to the police: "Four minutes after five months is not much to ask for!"

Then the magistrate, Mr Ronnie Laue entered the courtroom.

Appearing for the State, Mr Kevin Attwell of the Attorney-General's office said Mr Marais had until yesterday morning been held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. "He has been relieved of this detention and rearrested in terms of Section 54 of the Internal Security Act."

The case was postponed to August 29 after a bail application by Miss Satchwell was opposed. It

was agreed that representations would be made to the Attorney-General's office before the next court appearance.

Mr Marais' trial will be heard before a regional magistrate.

Miss Sparg appeared next. Dressed in a black suit and turquoise blouse, she seemed frightened as she faced the magistrate and spoke briefly to her attorney.

The prosecutor, Mr Attwell said Miss Sparg had also been held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act but had been rearrested "on charges of arson and treason".

After a bail application by Mr Manoin, Mr Attwell said the alleged offences related to a Schedule 3 offence in terms of the Act and the Attorney-General was considering prohibiting any bail whatsoever.

"But, representations can be made within the next 14 days," Mr Manoin said.

Miss Sparg's sister Debbie sat in the gallery with her uncle and aunt. She was initially held in custody with her sister but was later released.

Mr Manoin told the relatives they would be able to visit Miss Sparg twice a week at Diepkloof prison.

Two alleged terrorists indicted

Dispatch Correspondent
DURBAN — Two alleged ANC terrorists, thought to be part of a conspiracy involving various bomb blasts in Durban, were indicted in the magistrate's court yesterday.

Mr Malusi Israel Majola, 20, and Mr Vusumuzi Wesley Mahlobo, 27, were not asked to plead and were charged under the Terrorism Act for allegedly carrying out various acts of terrorism as well as for possession of firearms and explosives.

Mr C.J. van Schalk-

wyk from the Attorney General's office asked that the two alleged terrorists be joined with 10 others who appeared earlier this year on 20 charges under the Internal Security and the Arms and Ammunition Acts.

All 12 would appear together at the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg, on November 3.

The two men were originally detained under the Internal Security Act and then released on Thursday.

Immediately following their release, they were again detained.

The other 10, including two doctors and a pregnant woman, are said to be responsible for various bomb blasts and explosions in the Durban area between September 1983 and January.

Month old baby killed in farm landmine blast

PRETORIA — A landmine blast near Nelspruit in the Eastern Transvaal yesterday killed three women and two children, including a one-month-old baby, on a farm road near Nelspruit.

Bureau for Information spokesman Miss Ronelle Henning said the bomb was detonated at 5 30pm yesterday by a private car on the farm Kingston Vale belonging to Mr Hennie Bekker.

The mine was planted at the junction between the gravel road from the farm and the main road between Nelspruit and the nearby township of KaNyamazane.

Three black women and two children, including the one-month-old baby, were killed in the blast. Two black men were injured and are being treated in the Nelspruit Hospital.

Arrests

The names of the victims have not yet been released, and no further details were immediately available from the Bureau for Information.

It was the first blast in the area since June.

Early last month police said they had arrested five suspected ANC terrorists and 'collaborators' in connection with a spate of landmine incidents in the Eastern Transvaal.

The five suspects were connected with at least five landmine blasts:

● On March 19 two black men were killed and nine injured near Deval when their vehicle detonated a mine.

● On April 21 a black taxi driver was injured in a blast near Breyten. On the same day a farm worker was hurt when his tractor detonated a mine in the district.

● On June 10 an 18-year-old white Volksrust schoolboy lost a foot when his bakkie detonated a mine planted near the entrance to his father's farm. Later that day two workers were injured in another landmine blast on a farm in the same area.

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Kills, injure 4 Landmine blasts

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Dispatch Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — Five people were killed and four seriously injured yesterday in a wave of explosions near Nelspruit in the Eastern Transvaal.

The Bureau for Information last night confirmed three blasts in the area and warned people travelling in the region to be careful.

Early yesterday morning a sewerage pipe at the Kingston Vale petrol pump station, 4 km from Nelspruit, was damaged by two limpet mines.

At 5.30 pm, five people — three women aged 28, 23 and 20 and two children aged ten months and nine months — were killed near Kanyamazane township when their car detonated a landmine on a farm belonging to Mr Hennie Bekker.

The driver, and another occupant of the car were seriously injured and are being treated in the Nelspruit Hospital.

In the third incident, at 8.20 pm, Mrs Marietjie Cornelia Roos, 32, and her son Johannes Jacobus, 9, were seriously injured when a landmine exploded under their car near their farm about 15 km from Nelspruit and 300 m from their home.

Mrs Roos was returning from a church service with three of her children. The two other children sustained light

injuries and they are all being treated in hospital.

● Sapa reports that security forces in northern SWA/Namibia tracked down and killed four Swapo insurgents who were involved in a stand-off bombardment on Oshakati early on Saturday.

The South West Africa Territory Forces (SWATF) said in a statement in Windhoek that a recoilless B10 cannon used in the brief attack on the nerve centre of the SWA/Namibian war zone was found in operations by pursuing members of the security forces.

At least three civilians were killed and 10 others injured in the nearby Okatana township in the bombardment at 1.15 am.

The statement said the four insurgents were shot dead in a skirmish. Earlier, in a similar "stand-off" bombardment of Ruacana, Lance-Corporal Andre Herscholl Erasmus, 20, was killed, Defence Headquarters in Pretoria announced.

Lance-Corporal Erasmus is survived by his parents, Mr and Mrs D. J. Erasmus, of Mitchell's Plain, Cape Town.

Minty, a griffon belonging to Mrs N Boor (right) of Ottery. Both dogs were taking part in the Park Kennel Club's open show yesterday.

Five killed in landmine blast

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Five people were killed and three seriously injured yesterday in a series of three landmine explosions within short distances of Nelspruit in the Eastern Transvaal.

The Bureau for Information last night confirmed the three blasts and issued a strong warning that people travelling in the area should be careful.

Early yesterday morning, a sewage pipe at the Kingston Vale petrol pump station, 4km from Nelspruit, was damaged by two limpet mines.

At 5.30pm, five people — three women aged 28, 23 and 20 and two children aged 10 months and nine months — were killed when the car they were travelling in detonated a landmine on the Kingston Vale farm near KaNyamazane township.

The driver and another occupant of the car, aged 31 and 43 respectively, were seriously injured and are being treated in Nelspruit Hospital, which last night declined to comment on their condition.

Returning from church

The farm where the incident occurred belongs to Mr Hennie Bekker and is 15km from Nelspruit.

In the third incident, Mrs Marietjie Cornelia Roos, 32, and her son Johannes Jacobus, 9, were seriously injured when a landmine exploded at 8.20pm under their car near their farm Stellenrust about 15km from Nelspruit and 300m from their homestead.

Mrs Roos was returning from church on the Nelspruit-Komatipoort road in a car with three of her children.

The two other children received light injuries and they are all being treated at Rob Ferreira Hospital.

Bureau rocks pop world

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The Bureau for Information's R500 000 venture to bring together musicians of all races to record a pop song has caused a major row.

Some pop singers are horrified at the cost to the taxpayer of the project, which is said to have attracted 46 artists.

Des and Dawn Lindberg have attacked the project as plain propaganda, and said the SABC last year refused to televise "Living Land", a record produced for Operation Hunger and involving 50 of South Africa's top performers.

A bureau spokesman, Mr Johan Eiselen, last night said the venture was a way of improving communication between the government, public and media.

Songwriter Terry Dempsey, who will co-ordinate the project, said he did not believe the song was government propaganda.



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Police hunt after mines kill five, 84A injure four

The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — Police are combing the Nelspruit area after two landmine explosions killed five people and seriously injured four.

Travellers have been warned to stay off gravel and farm roads until the roads have been swept for landmines.

The Bureau for Information said three women, aged 20, 23 and 28, and two babies aged nine months and 10 months died. Their car hit a landmine on a dirt road on Kingston Vale Farm, near Kanyamazane township, at 5.20 last night.

The driver and another passenger were seriously injured.

Farm labourers in a hut 20m away said they heard a loud bang.

"A ball of fire from the explosion travelled over our hut and landed close to where children were playing. Fortunately it did not harm them," a man said.

In another blast Mrs Marietjie Cornelia Roos, 32, and her son Johannes Jacobus, 9, were seriously injured when their car detonated a landmine on Stellenrust Farm, 15km from Nelspruit, at 8.20pm yesterday. Two other children were slightly injured.

Two limpet mines went off at Kingston Vale petrol station near Nelspruit yesterday morning, damaging a sewage pipe.

Police comb Nelspruit area

Landmines kill 5, badly injure 4

Staff Reporters

Police are combing the Nelspruit area after five people were killed and four seriously injured in two landmine blasts yesterday. Two limpet mines exploded in the same area.

Travelers have been warned to stay off gravel and farm roads until these have been swept for further landmines.

The Bureau for Information said three women, aged 20, 23 and 28, and two babies, aged nine and 10 months, were killed when their car hit a landmine on a well-used dirt road on the farm Kingston Vale near the black township Kanyamazane at 5.20 pm last night.

Badly mutilated bodies were flung over a radius of more than 50 m from the point of the explosion, which ripped a large hole in the road. The driver of the car, and another occupant were seriously injured and were admitted to hospital.

Farm labourers in a hut only 20 m from the blast said they heard a loud bang shortly after 5 pm. "A ball of fire from the explosion travelled over our hut and landed close to where children were playing. Fortunately it did not harm our children," one said.

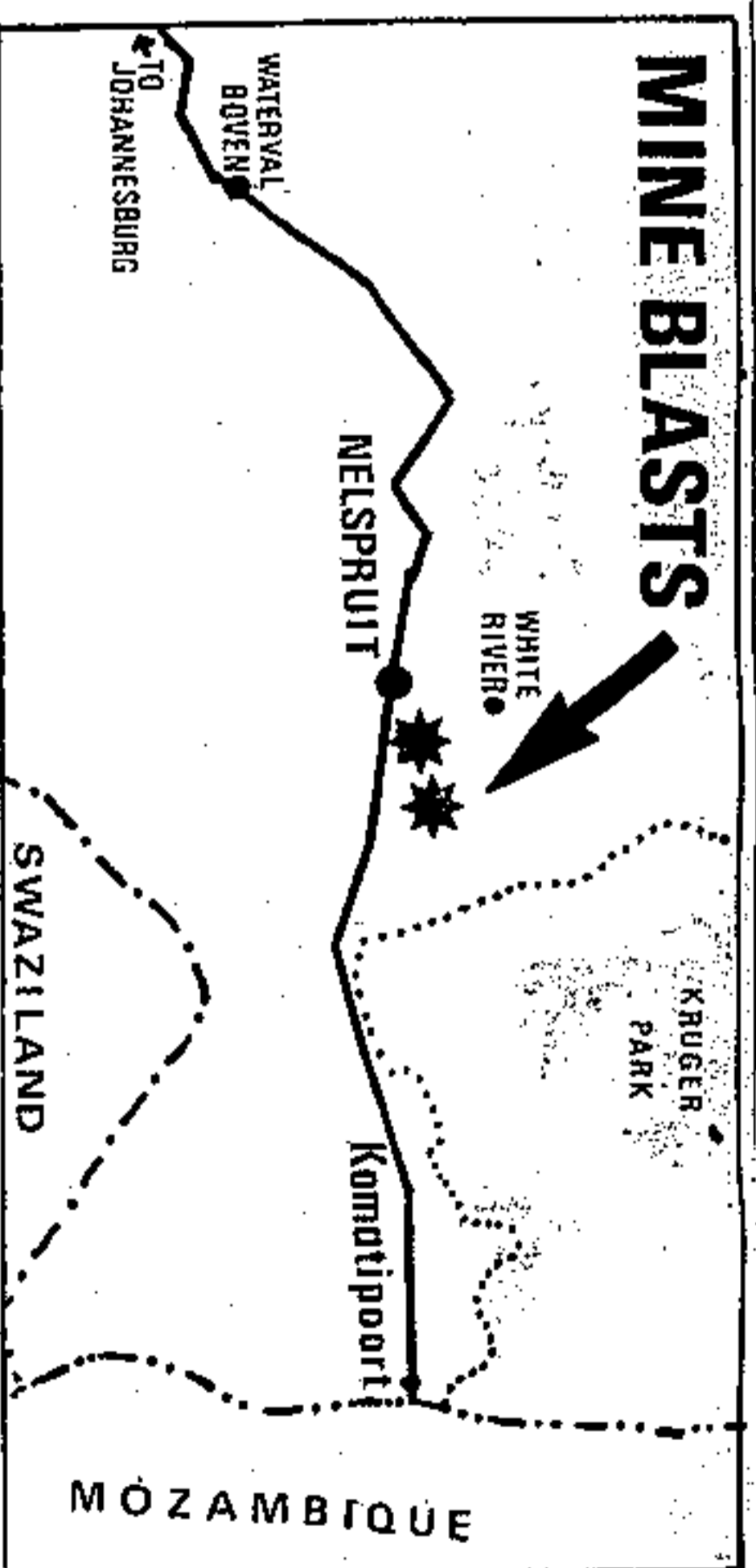
Mr Marcel Mare (33), a Nelspruit company representative who travelled along the same road minutes before the explosion, considered himself lucky to be alive. "I must have missed that mine by centimetres — how I did not trigger it only God knows," he said.

In another blast Mrs Marietjie Cornelia Roos (32) and her son Johannes Jacobus (9) were seriously injured when their car detonated a landmine only 300 m from their home at 8.20 pm. Two other children were slightly injured.

The family was returning from church along a dirt road on the farm Stellenrust about 15 km from Nelspruit. Mrs Roos's husband, Johan, was travelling behind in another vehicle and was not injured.

A spokesman for Nelspruit's Rob Ferreira Hospital said today that Mrs Roos and her son were still critical. Both had undergone emergency operations and were in intensive care.

In a prelude to the evening explosions, two limpet mines blasted Kingston Vale petrol station 4 km from Nelspruit early yesterday morning, damaging a sewage pipe.



Mine blasts: ANC blamed

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A woman and her son, injured in Sunday night's landmine explosions near Nelspruit, are still in a critical condition in hospital after lengthy emergency operations.

They were injured in one of two explosions that killed five people and seriously injured four others.

The Deputy Minister of Information, Mr Louis Nel, yesterday claimed the blasts were the work of the African National Congress.

'Horrendous'

Mr Nel said that the ANC was responsible for "these horrendous deeds of terror" and yet the ANC was not condemned by the outside world.

Mrs Marietjie Roos, 32, has had one leg amputated and suffered severe injuries to the other, while her son Johannes, 9, is said to be suffering severe head and chest injuries after the front of the family's luxury German car detonated the mine about 100m from the main Komatipoort road.

Mrs Roos and her three children were returning from church when the explosion occurred near their farm. Her daughters, sitting at



Mr Louis Nel

the back of the car, were treated for shock.

Two limpet mines also exploded at a petrol pump station four kilometres from Nelspruit early on Sunday.

Police began combing the entire area after the explosions and were still busy yesterday.

The first blast occurred on Kingston Vale farm about 10km from Nelspruit. While police were investigating this blast which occurred at 5.30pm, they heard the second near the Roos farm at 8.20pm.

Miss Linbiwe Mdluli, 20, Miss Katie Sambo, 23, and Miss Ernelena Sebityi, 28, and two babies, ten-month-old Joyce Nkowane and nine-month-old Regina Nkowane, were killed in Kingston Vale blast.

The mine, detonated by a back wheel of their car, threw the bodies of two women and the babies more than 60m from the car.

Mr Absalom Nkosi, 31, and Mr Roger Nkowane, 43, are in a satisfactory condition in a Nelspruit hospital.

In Pretoria, Mr Nel criticized the West for practising double standards.

"The succour and the tacit support given to the perpetrators of these murders, friends of the Ted Kennedys, Bob Hawkes and Bill Gray of this world, again demonstrate the double standards applied to South Africa," he told a press conference at the Bureau for Information.

The West was trying to eradicate terrorism world-wide, yet it was aiding and abetting those responsible for "blatantly brutal acts of terror in South Africa", Mr Nel said.

'Hunt down'

The South African Government and people would not be intimidated, however.

He said: "The South African security forces will continue to hunt down and bring to trial the perpetrators of these senseless crimes."

Mr Nel said it was difficult to say whether those who planted the mines had infiltrated the country from Mozambique or Swaziland.

Court told of EL bomb blast

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Dispatch Reporter
EAST LONDON — Two Mdantsane men accused of bombing the City hall and a service station here in June last year appeared in the Supreme Court here yesterday on charges of murder, attempted murder and terrorism.

Mr Khaya Carmichael Libaza, 25, and Mr Andile Hewukile, 25, both pleaded not guilty before the Judge President of the Eastern Cape, Mr Justice Cloete, and two assessors, Mr H. F. Redpath and Mr D. B. Muir.

It is alleged that they murdered Detective Constable Lungisile Bhekiso near Mount Ruth on July 31 last year in a shoot-out with police after they were ordered out of the vehicle in which they were travelling with three other people.

Two men, Mzwandile Mcata and Nkululeko Njongwe, alleged allies of the accused, were shot in the incident.

It is also alleged that the men attempted to murder Ntsikelelo Shadrack Sizani, Robert Graham Keth, Johannes Renier Venter, Josias Crous and Nolan Warren Schlemmer.

Further allegations against the men are:

- That they placed an SPM limpet mine at the Kings Hotel on June 14 or 15.

- That an SPM limpet mine placed by them at the East London City Hall exploded on June 21, causing R12 500 damage to the City Hall, R660 damage to the city's library, R8 000 damage to the Allied Building and about R3 000 damage to vehicles in the vicinity.

- That they placed a 158 mini limpet mine at Swan's Motors on June 21 last year, which when it exploded, caused R13 700 damage to the garage and R3 000 dam-

age to a car and caravan belonging to Mrs L. Biogio.

A further six SPM limpet mines and eight 158 mini limpet mines, together with two AK47 automatic rifles, three handgrenades, two Makarov self-loading pistols and about 200 rounds of ammunition were allegedly found in the men's possession.

In a statement read to the court by their defence counsel, Mr P. Langa, the accused gave their reasons for pleading not guilty.

They said they had met two men known as Bra-L and Lucas in Mdantsane and only found out later that they were trained ANC members. They said they feared for their lives if they did not do what Bra-L and Lucas told them to do.

They did not foresee that the men would start shooting at the police in an attempt to kill, and they themselves took no action during the firing, they said.

They denied they had had various types of ammunition in their possession.

A state witness, Mrs L. Biogio, told the court she had stopped to ask for directions at Swans Motors, Amalinda, at about 8 pm on June 21.

As she was getting out of her vehicle a loud explosion rocked the garage. The explosion came from a petrol pump next to which her vehicle was parked. The whole area was engulfed in flames.

Mrs Biogio said her only thought was to get her two sons out of the vehicle. Since the incident she had been a very nervous person, she said.

A trained fireman, Mr C. du Plessis, said he jumped across two fences after hearing the

explosion and ran to the garage where he found petrol attendants struggling with fire extinguishers.

A petrol attendant, Mr G. Cingani, said when he heard the explosion he ducked behind a car in the driveway. He then ran to a roadhouse to telephone the police and the fire brigade.

He said he had seen a van at the pump some time before the explosion but could not remember how many passengers were in it.

Mr C. Kruger, who was assistant manager of the Kings Hotel in June last year, told the court he had found two limpet mines on top of a dividing wall in the backyard of the hotel when he took his dog for a walk at 3 am.

He had been alerted by a hotel trolley that was not in its usual place.

The hotel was evacuated and the police were called. No damage was caused, Mr Kruger said.

A cook at the hotel, Mrs J. Constable, said she had seen the "thing" on the wall at about 9.30 pm but did not know what it was and did not pay any further attention to it.

Other witnesses, including Mr Hewukile's mother, Mrs Deborah Hewukile, and Mr Libaza's grandmother, Mrs G. Libaza, testified that they had seen the two accused with various "strange young men" in Mdantsane in June last year.

Mrs Hewukile said she was arrested by Ciskei Police on July 31. She did not know at that stage what had happened to her son.

The trial continues today.

Mr W. Kingsley, SC, appeared for the state.

BLAST



Mr LOUIS Nel.

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THE five people — three women and two children — who died in a landmine blast near Nelspruit in the Eastern Transvaal on Sunday afternoon have been identified.

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria yesterday said those who died were Ms Ernelia Sebiti (28), Ms Lindiwe Mdluli (20), Ms Katie Sambo (23), Joyce Nkomane (10 months) and Regina Nkomane (nine months).

Two men who were injured in the blast are Mr Absolom Nkosi (31) and Mr Roger Nkomane (43). Their condition was said to be "satisfactory".

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A spokesman for the Department of Information, Miss Ronelle Henning, said two landmine blasts occurred in the afternoon and evening killing the five and injuring four other people. The first was detonated at 5.30pm by a private car on Kingston Vale farm which belongs to Mr Hennie Bekker. It is about 12 km from Nelspruit.

The mine was planted at the junction between the gravel road from the farm and the main road between Nelspruit and the nearby township of Kanyamazane.

The second landmine was detonated when 32-year-old Mrs Marietjie Roos and her

three children were returning to their farm, Stellensrus, after church about 8.30am. She and her nine-year-old child were seriously injured.

Her other children sustained minor injuries. By late yesterday afternoon, Mrs Roos and her son, Johannes, were described as "critically ill" by Dr A M le Roux, a spokesman for the Rob Ferreira Hospital in Nelspruit.

The Deputy Minister of Information, Mr Louis Nel, yesterday slammed the West for practising double standards, following Sunday night's blasts.

The African National Congress was responsible for "these horrendous deeds of terror" he said in Pretoria — yet the ANC was not condemned by the outside world.

Blast victims critical: Nel castigates West

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JOHANNESBURG — The mother and child who were injured in yesterday's landmine explosion at Nelspruit are in a critical condition.

Mrs Marietjie Roos, 32, and her nine-year-old son, Johannes, were "critically ill," a spokesman for the Rob Fer-

reira Hospital, Dr A. M. le Roux said yesterday. Mrs Roos has had a leg amputated.

They were injured in the landmine explosion on their farm, Stellen Rust, near Nelspruit. Mrs Roos's two other children who were in the car were not seriously hurt.

Dr Le Roux said Mr Absalom Nkosi, 31, and Mr Roger Nkowane, 43, injured in another landmine explosion where three women and two infants were killed on Sunday — were in a "satisfactory condition" in the hospital.

He leased the names of the three women and two infants in the other blast near Kanyamazane township. They are: Miss Katy Sambo, 23, Miss Lindiwe Mdluli, 20, Miss Emelina Sebeti, 28. The two children were a ten-month-old Joyce Nkomane, and a nine-month-old June

Nkomane. Meanwhile, the Deputy Minister of Information, Mr Louis Nel, yesterday slammed the West for practising double standards. Reacting in Pretoria to news of the two blasts, Mr Nel said the ANC was responsible for "these horrendous

deeds of terror" — yet the ANC was not condemned by the outside world. "The succour and the tacit support given to the perpetrators of these murders, friends of the Ted Kennedys and Bob Hawkes of this world, again demonstrate the double stan-

dards applied to South Africa," he told a press conference at the Bureau for Information. The West was trying to eradicate terrorism world-wide, yet it was aiding and abetting those responsible for "blatantly brutal acts of terror in South Africa," Mr Nel said. — Sapa

Lowvelders tell of landmine carnage

By Clyde Johnson, Lowveld Bureau

NELSPRUIT — Farm labourers living in a hut less than 50 m from a landmine explosion which killed five and seriously injured two people last Sunday had thought they were being bombed by terrorists.

Two labourers, identified only as Andries and Elias, ran to Mr Deon Erasmus at a nearby Kingstonsvale farmhouse and said:

"Please help, we and our families are being attacked by people with bombs."

Grabbing his double-barreled shotgun, Mr Erasmus followed the frightened men.

"At the scene I immediately realised it was a landmine explosion," Mr Erasmus said.

"It was horrible — bodies scattered all over the place and the grass on fire."

Mr Karel Olivier (75) of the nearby Reivilo farm — who missed the landmine by centimetres — says a change of vehicles probably saved his life.

"My bakkie, which turns widely, was giving trouble so I used my car to go to Kingstonsvale on Sunday."

"I took the turn narrowly at the bend where the landmine was planted — something I would have been unable to do with my bakkie."

Mr Wim Vorster, who lives about 100 m from the spot of the landmine explosion, said the blast shook his home.

In a statement the Chief Minister of KaNgwane, Mr Enos Mabuza, condemned "the violent manner in which five innocent civilians were killed and four seriously injured".

Blast mother and son 'critical'

NELSPRUIT — Lowvelders are shocked by the two landmine explosions which killed five people and seriously injured four on farms near Nelspruit on Sunday.

Mr Deon Erasmus of Kingstonsvale said he heard the explosion at about 5.30 pm.

"I ran out to see what had happened and two black men came running towards me saying their homes were being bombed. I grabbed my shotgun and ran towards their hut.

"Bodies were lying all over the place, and the veld was on fire."

Survivors of the first explosion are in a satisfactory condition at the Rob Ferreira Hospital.

Mrs Maritjie Roos (32) and her son Johannes (9), injured in the second blast on the Stellenrust Farm, are still in intensive care. Their condition is critical. — Lowveld Bureau.

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Mother loses leg after mine blast

A WOMAN and her son, injured in Sunday night's landmine explosions near Nelspruit, are in critical condition after emergency operations.

Two explosions killed five people and seriously injured four others.

Marietjie Roos, 32, has had one leg amputated and has severe injuries to the other.

Her son, Johannes, nine, has severe head and chest injuries.

Their car detonated a mine about 100m from the main Komatipoort road as Mrs Roos and her three children were returning from church.

Farmers in the area, where four landmines have been detonated in six months, said they were scared but would not leave.

Many patrol their farms. In the past two months an emergency radio system linking far-

DIANNA GAMES

mers and police has been introduced, one farmer said. Two weeks ago a Nelspruit farmer found men planting a mine on his farm road.

Two limpet mines also exploded at a pump station 4km from Nelspruit early on Sunday.

Detectives at the scene of the first blast, on Kingston Vale farm, about 10km from Nelspruit, said that while investigating that blast they heard the second on the Roos farm.

At the Kingston Vale explosion three women, Linbiwe Mdluli, 20, Katie Sambo, 23, and Ernelena Sebiti, 28, and two babies, 10-month old Joyce Nkowane and nine-month old Regina Nkowane, were killed when their car detonated a mine.

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INSTANT EXPLOSIONS

Grenades had no delay mechanism

By MONK NKOMO (SAP)

THE hand grenades used during alleged attacks on the homes of councillors and policemen in Duduza last year, were designed to explode immediately upon release of a safety lever, the Pretoria Supreme Court heard yesterday.

Captain Francois Steenkamp, the investigating officer, told Mr Justice Stafford and two assessors that the hand grenades used during the attacks at midnight on June 25 or 26 last year were of Russian origin.

Eight alleged attackers died when the grenades exploded unexpectedly, the State alleges.

Captain Steenkamp was giving evidence in the trial of Mr Joseph Titus Mazibuko (18), Mr John Mlangeni (21), Mr Samuel Lekatsa (19), Mr Humphrey Tshabalala (19), Mr Johannes Veli Mazibuko (18), all of Duduza and Mr Hosi Lengusane (20) and Mr Cedric Diadla (19), both of Tsakane, Brakpan.

Not guilty

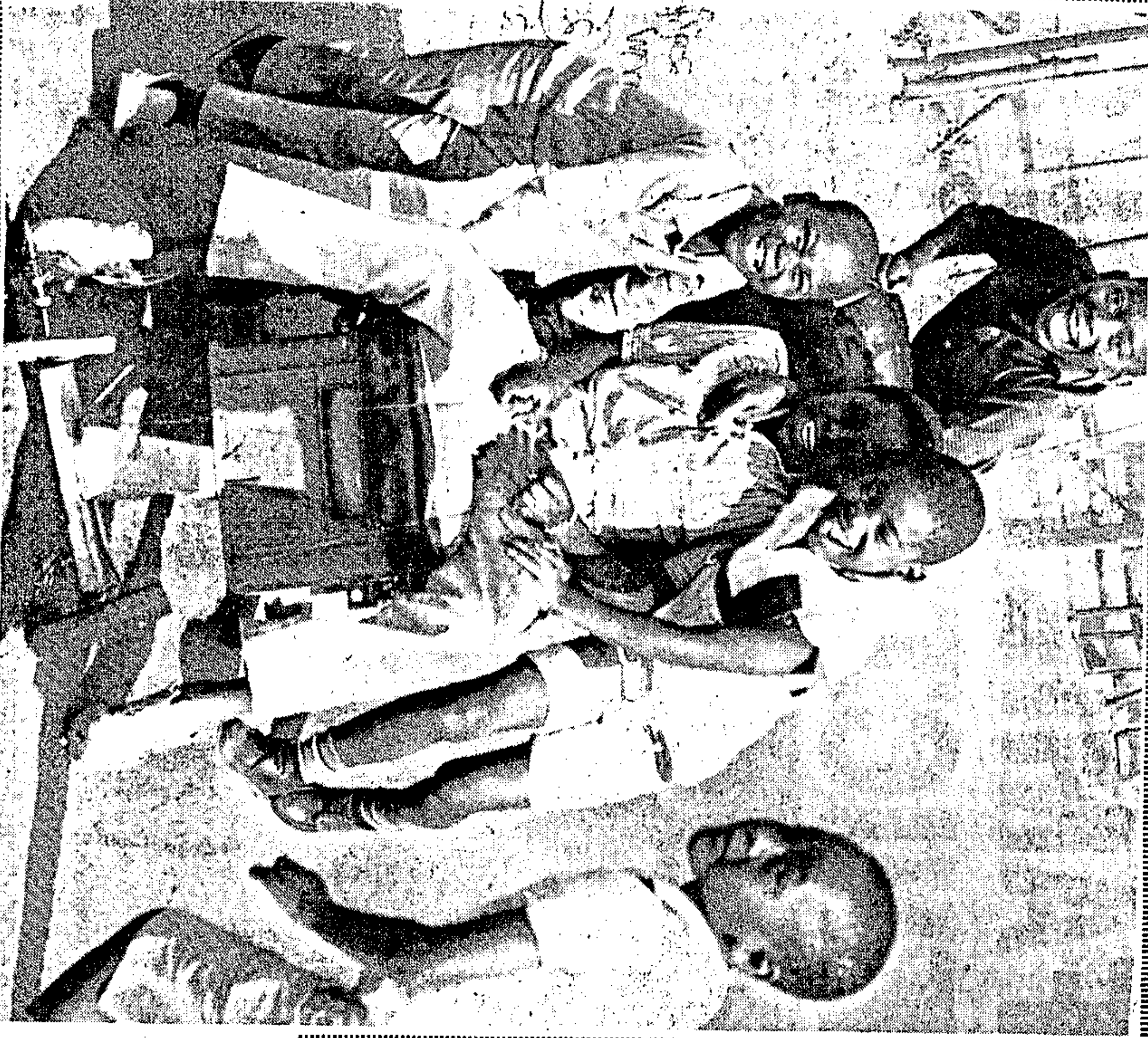
They have all pleaded not guilty to two charges of terrorism, five counts of attempted murder, a charge of illegal possession of hand grenades and a bomb, and two charges of malicious damage to property.

The State alleges that they attacked the homes of

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former Duduza councillor Mr Steven Namine and his brother David, Warrant Officer Ben Baloyi and Sergeant Themba Ndaba in Tsakane and Springs.

Capt Steenkamp yesterday told the court that the hand grenades that were allegedly used by the accused were not equipped with time-delay mechanisms.



Bomb attacks: 5 held

EAST LONDON — Five youths have been arrested in connection with petrol bomb attacks on the Dimbaza homes of a senior Ciskei police officer, Major-General M. C. Takane, and a community councillor, Mr M. Qomoyi.

This was disclosed by the Ciskei Police's public relations directorate in a telex message to the Daily Dispatch yesterday.

The message said there had been an arson attempt at the house of General Takane.

The attacks were not the first in Dimbaza. Earlier, a taxi and a bus were extensively damaged by petrol-bombs.

The situation was "under control" and investigations were continuing, the message said. — DDR

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Mine victim in coma *84A*

PRETORIA. — Mrs Mar-
ietjie Roos, a victim of
Sunday's landmine blast
near Nelspruit, is still in
a coma in Rob Ferreira
Hospital in the town, a
spokesman said last
night.

Mrs Roos, 32, was in a
"critical" condition.

The condition of her
son Jaco, 8, who had
been transferred from
Nelspruit to a hospital
in Pretoria, was "serious
but stable".

Police are investigat-
ing the two blasts which
happened within
minutes of each other. —
Sapa

Man shot dead by security forces

PRETORIA. — The Bureau for Information, in its situation report covering the 24-hour period until 6am yesterday, reported one death and said incidents of unrest had been limited.

"In the only serious incident reported, about 100 black youths stoned and set the private home of a coloured family in Klein Skool, Port Elizabeth, alight with petrol bombs and tyres.

"When the security forces arrived at the scene, the group attacked them with pickhandles, pangas and assegais.

"The security forces fired at the group in self-defence, fatally wounding an unknown black man. Two men were arrested in connection with the incident."

Landmine

The bureau also said Mrs Marietjie Roos, 32, of Nelspruit, who was seriously injured in Sunday's landmine blast near the town, died at 9am yesterday in the hospital at Nelspruit.

Her nine-year old son, Johannes, also seriously injured in the blast, is still being treated in the intensive-care unit of the Eugene Marais Hospital in Pretoria.

Mrs Roos leaves her husband and three children. — Sapa

'BOMBS COULD

THE bombs that rocked the electrical sub-station in Springs last year, killing the alleged attacker, Mr Congress Mtshweni, could have been made in South Africa, the Pretoria Supreme Court was told yesterday.

Captain Francois Steenkamp, the investigating officer, also told the court that the first impression he got after the alleged hand-grenade and bomb attacks on the houses of councillors and policemen in Duduza and Tsakane in June last year was that the attackers were given wrong training or instructions.

He also thought the attacks were a rare form of "terrorism".

The attacks left eight people dead and some of the accused with amputated hands.

Captain Steenkamp was giving evidence in the trial of Mr Joseph Titus Mazibuko (18), Mr John Mlangeni (21), Mr Samuel Lekatsa (19), Mr Humphrey Tshabalala (19), Mr Johannes Veli Mazibuko (18), all of Duduza, and Mr Hosia Lengosani (20) and Mr Cedric Dladla (19) both of Tsakane, Brakpan.

They have pleaded not guilty before Mr Justice Stafford and two assessors to charges of terrorism, attempted murder, malicious damage to property, possession of hand-grenades and a bomb.

In answer to a question by defence counsel Mr Nick de Vos, Captain Steenkamp conceded that the persons

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who allegedly handed the accused and eight of their dead colleagues the hand-grenades, may have planned to murder them.

He also admitted that the hand-grenades used during the alleged training were fitted with time-delay mechanisms but those allegedly handed out during the attacks did not have these mechanisms.

Identify

Captain Steenkamp also told the court that police had not been able to establish the make or identify the bomb that rocked the Springs electrical sub-station at midnight on June 25/26. Cross-examined by Mr de Vos, he admitted it was "strange" that no pieces of metal or any substance of the bomb were found at the scene of the blast.

He admitted that the bomb could have been home-made or manufactured in South Africa.

Police have not yet been able to trace the instructors or to find out who had allegedly handed the hand-grenade to the accused.

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Mother dies of blast injuries *SA*

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Another victim of Sunday's landmine blasts near Nelspruit, a mother of three children, died in the Rob Ferreira Hospital in Nelspruit yesterday morning, bringing to six the death toll from the two blasts.

Mrs Marietjie Roos's condition deteriorated late on Tuesday and plans to have her transferred from Nelspruit to Pretoria were shelved.

A hospital spokesman said Mrs Roos, 32, had been severely mutilated in the blast. Complications had set in on Tuesday and she lost consciousness.

Her son Johannes, 9, who was transferred to the Eugene Marais Hospital in Pretoria on Mon-

day, underwent an emergency operation yesterday to remove shrapnel in his head.

His condition has been described as "still critical but stable". It is feared, however, that he suffered extensive brain injury from the blast.

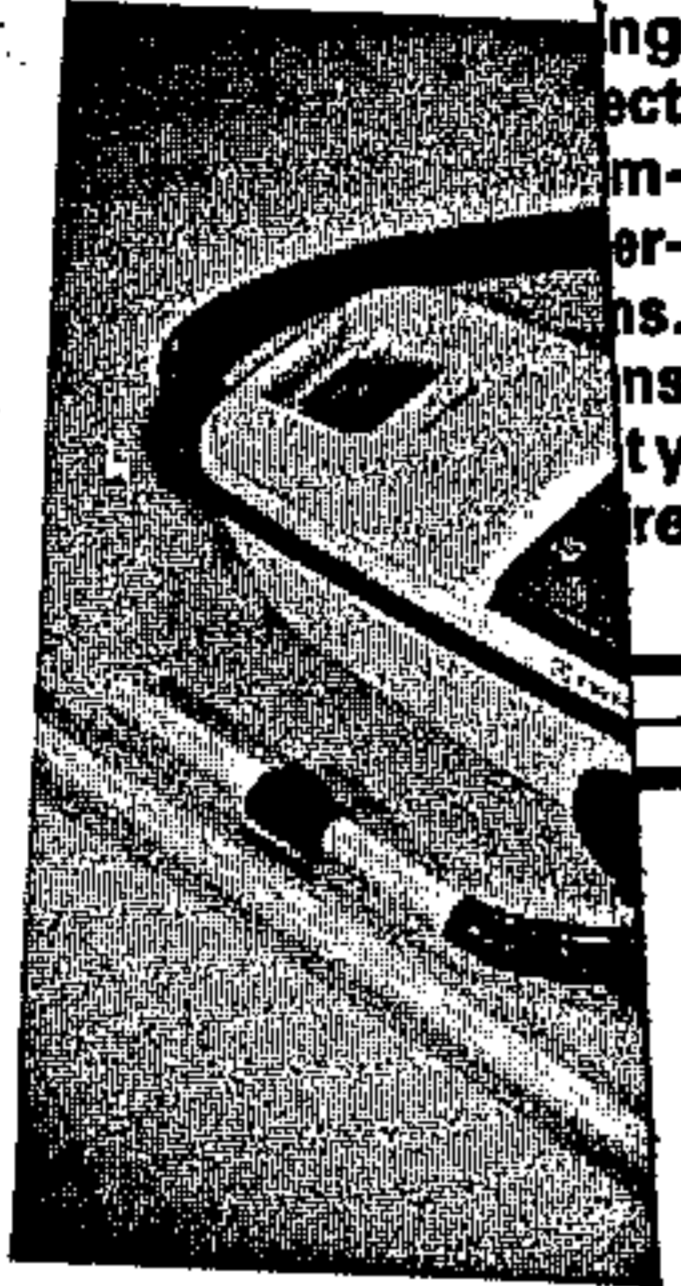
The family was returning from church on Sunday when the car detonated a mine on a farm road. Two daughters in the back of the car were not badly injured.

One of two men in the front seat of the car which detonated a landmine on Kingston Vale farm on Sunday, has been discharged from Nelspruit Hospital.

The other is in a satisfactory condition.

Three women and two babies were killed in the first of the two blasts.

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Arms were of Soviet origin EL court is told

EAST LONDON — The Supreme Court here was told yesterday that explosives and ammunition found at various places in the city last year were all of Soviet origin.

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Two Mdantsane men, Mr Kaya Libazi, 25, and Mr Andile Hewukile, 25, have pleaded not guilty of murdering Detective Constable Lungisile Bhakiso and attempting to kill five others in a shootout on July 31 last year.

Two alleged terrorists, Mr Mzwandile Mcata and Mr Nkululeko Njongwe, died in the shootout.

An explosives expert, Warrant Officer G Viljoen, told the court he "grew cold" at the thought of what could have happened had the

mines at the hotel exploded. They would have killed within a 10-metre radius.

He described how the mines and hand grenades worked. He found limpet mines, with their detonating mechanisms in them, ready for use in the back of the bakkie in which the men had been stopped by the security police.

The chief of the EL murder and robbery squad, Lt C Landman, said that when he arrived at the scene of the police shootout he found a spent cartridge in the back of the bakkie.

He took possession of various items of Soviet ammunition, as well as "many" pairs of woollen gloves, which were found in the bakkie.

Under cross-examination by defence counsel Mr Roy Allaway, he said that when he arrived, a car, which had stopped behind the bakkie, was no longer there.

The trial continues today. — Sapa

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The week's tally 84A

The Sunday peace of the eastern Transvaal was shattered when two separate landmines were detonated, killing three women and two children, and injuring four others — two of whom were still critically ill as the *FM* went to press.

The first explosion was at a garage near Kanyamazane outside Nelspruit. The dead were: Katy Sambo (23); Lindiwe Mdluli (20); Emelina Sebeti (28); Joyce Nkomane (10 months-old), and June Nkomane (nine months-old). Absolom Nkosi (31) and Roger Nkowane (43) were injured in the same blast.

In the second explosion, a Mrs Roos and her three children drove over a landmine close to their farmhouse near the Nelspruit-Komatipoort road. The woman and her nine-year-old son were critically injured.

Four men were shot dead and a fifth was wounded in a skirmish with police in the eastern Transvaal near the Swaziland border last Thursday.

Police arrested the fifth man in the vicinity the following day. They also seized a number of Russian weapons, including an RPG launcher and projectiles, limpet mines, hand grenades, and AK 47 rifles. Law and Order Minister, Louis le Grange, said the incident happened while the men were trying to enter SA.

Following the blasts, Deputy Information Minister, Louis Nel, slammed the West for practising double standards by supporting the African National Congress.

Fourteen people died in other unrest-related incidents for the week to Tuesday, according to the Bureau for Information, bringing the death toll to 228 since the emergency came into effect on June 12.

Most of the recent fatalities and unrest-related incidents occurred on the Reef, particularly in Soweto, Tembisa, and Katlehong. However, the level of unrest is declining, according to the bureau.

On the plus side, four people were saved — two by the security forces — from being burned to death. Eight people have been arrested and will be charged.

On Monday, an Umlazi attorney and United Democratic Front member, Kwenza Mlaba, was shot in the back by unknown men. His wife said shots were fired into her daughter's room, their cars set alight, and their lounge petrol-bombed. Mlaba is in a stable condition in hospital.

Also in Umlazi, a policeman and his wife were slightly injured in a hand grenade attack on their home at the weekend.

Following the publication of the names of 8 501 emergency detainees by Le Grange this week (see page 47), the Department of Law and Order said that weekly supplementary lists of detainees would be issued, which would include only the names of those who had been in detention for more than 30 days. The supplementary lists are to be issued in terms of the Public Safety Act.

Meanwhile, in the Maritzburg Supreme Court, argument continued in the case English-language newspaper groups have brought against emergency regulations 7 to 12 (*Current affairs* August 15).

Sidney Kentridge QC, for the newspapers, contended that the regulations were inordinately punitive on editors and publishers who transgressed; that the State President had exceeded his powers; and that the consequence of his emergency decrees could not have been foreseen by parliament.

The State argued that the regulations were necessarily uncomfortable — which is why they were regulations — and that it would be difficult for the court to assess their reasonableness without being acquainted with the circumstances which prompted them.

□ The appeal against the Natal bench judgment invalidating emergency regulations 3 (1) and 3 (3) — on the grounds that they contradicted the spirit of the Public Safety Act — is now only likely to be heard in the Appeal Court in Bloemfontein early next month.

Seized explosives were of Soviet origin, court told

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mines, together containing nearly 2 kg of TNT, or a mixture, were found at the back of King's Hotel early on June 16 last year.

An explosives expert, Warrant Officer G Viljoen, told the court he "grew cold" at the thought of what could have happened if the mines at King's Hotel had not been found in time. If

they had exploded, the explosion would have been lethal to anyone within a radius of 10 m.

Two Mdantsane men, Mr Kaya Libazi (25) and Mr Andile Hewukile (25) have pleaded not guilty to placing the mines. They have also pleaded not guilty to charges of illegal possession of explosives and ammunition. They are also charged

with murdering Detective Constable Lungisile Bhekiso and attempting to murder five other policemen in a shoot-out after being stopped by police on July 31 last year. Two alleged terrorists, Mr Mzwandile Mcata and Mr Nkululeko Njongwe, died in the shoot-out.

Warrant Officer Viljoen described in detail how the mines and grenades worked and how they were detonated. He said he found limpet mines, with their detonating mechanisms in them, ready for use in the back of the bakkie in which the men had been stopped by the Security Police.

He also found three grenades, two of which had the striking mechanisms intact, also ready for use.

The chief of the East London Murder and Robbery Squad, Lieutenant Charles Landman, told the court that when he arrived at the scene of the shoot-out, he searched the area extensively.

He found a spent cartridge in the back of the bakkie in which the men had been travelling. He said the Murder and Robbery Squad had already searched for the missing driver of the vehicle, but had not found him.

The hearing continues. — Sapa.

Man guilty over illegal expenses

A building society employee was yesterday convicted in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court of theft for submitting expense claims to his employer without authorisation.

Eugene James Davies (44), of Bergkaree Avenue, Weltevreden Park, pleaded guilty to 21 counts of theft from the South African Permanent Building Society last year.

Davies said that he was aware that entertainment expenses had to be authorized in advance and that it was against company rules to endorse one's own invoices. The hearing was postponed to October 1 for sentence. Mr A G A du Toit was on the Bench, Mr C Ascar prosecuted and Davies appeared in person.

Garage men brought into credit card fraud

A 24-year-old salesman, who tempted garage attendants to assist him in a scheme to obtain cash fraudulently by using a company credit card, was convicted in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday of 67 counts of fraud.

David Gordon Fiend, of Uys Avenue, Highway Gardens, Edenvale, was fined R1 000 (or one year's imprisonment). A further one year's imprisonment was conditionally suspended for five years.

Between May and July last year, Fiend misused a credit card issued to him by his employer in order to buy petrol for a company car. He pretended that invoices submitted to his company reflected petrol purchases made by him.

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Magistrate Mr A G A du Toit said: "You established contact with garage attendants and tempted them to commit offences by offering them money.

"It is clear the money was used for entertainment for you and your girlfriend."

Fiend pleaded guilty to defrauding his employer, Pford South Africa (Pty) Ltd, of more than R2 500.

The court heard that Fiend was addicted to cough mixture at the time.

The magistrate said Fiend was a first offender and would find it difficult to find another job. Although he had not reimbursed his former employer for losses incurred by them, he could still be sued in a civil claim. These were mitigating circumstances.

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Alleged bomb training suicide - defence

THE alleged local training in the use of explosives received by the accused in the Duduza trial was in fact suicide, a defence advocate, Mr Nick de Vos, said in the Pretoria Supreme Court yesterday.

The investigating officer, Captain Francois Steenkamp, conceded under cross-examination by Mr de Vos that "objectively speaking", the training was suicidal but only if the accuseds' alleged instructors knew that the hand grenades and the bomb used during attacks on the policemen and councillors' houses in June last year were not fitted with delay mechanisms.

Mr Joseph Titus Mazibuko (18), Mr John Mlangeni (21), Mr Samuel Lekatsa (19), Mr Humphrey Tshabalala (19), Mr Johannes Veli Mazibuko (18), all of Duduza and Mr Hosea Lengosane (20) and Mr Cedric Dladla (19), both of Tsakane, Brakpan, have pleaded not guilty before Mr Justice Stafford and two assessors to charges of terrorism, attempted murder, possession of hand grenades and a bomb, and of malicious damage to property.

Midnight

A State witness, Mr Michael Msimanga of Duduza, Nigel, yesterday told the court he was awakened by a knock on the door about midnight on June 25 last year.

Two young men — one of them the accused, Mr Mlangeni — asked him to take them to the Far East Rand Hospital. Both had sustained injuries to their right hands.

Mr Msimanga said he saw the bodies of two or three people lying on the ground near businessman Mr David Namane's house the next morning while on his way to work.

Captain Alfred Dyk, chief of the Security Branch (terrorism section) in Springs yesterday said although terror attacks on the East Rand came to his attention, a special police unit investigated these cases.

The case continues on Monday.

Court told of lethal explosives at hotel

Dispatch Reporter
EAST LONDON — Had two limpet mines found at the King's Hotel last year gone off, the explosion would have killed anyone within a 10 m radius, the Supreme Court here was told yesterday.

An explosives expert, Warrant Officer G. Viljoen, who is in charge of bomb disposal in the Border area, said he grew cold at the thought of what could have happened if the mines had not been found in time.

The mines, together containing nearly 2 kg of TNT — or a mixture — were found at the back of the hotel in the early hours of June 16 last year.

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They are also charged with murdering Detective Constable Lungisile Bhekiso and attempting to murder five other policemen in a shootout after being stopped by police on July 31 last year.

Two alleged geurillas, Mr Mzwandile Mcata and Mr Nkululeko Njongwe, died in the shootout.

W/O Viljoen described in detail to the court how limpet mines and handgrenades worked and how they were detonated.

He said he had found limpet mines with their detonating mechanisms in them, ready for use, in the back of the bakkie in which the men had been stopped by security police.

He had also found three handgrenades, two of which had the striking mechanisms intact, ready for use.

Tracer bullets and silencers were among the various items of ammunition found in a bag in the back of the bakkie, he said.

It was "very unsafe" to transport these explosives with their detonating mechanisms in them, as various factors could activate them, for instance rough handling and changes in temperature.

Warrant Officer D. Naude, who also worked in the bomb disposal unit, said the only reasonable conclusion he could come to when he went to Swans Motors was that a mini-limpet mine had been used there.

He said 22 of the fluorescent lights in the roof of the garage were broken by the explosion and extensive damage was caused to the petrol pump to which the mine had been attached. The other pumps and a vehicle were damaged by shrapnel.

The head of the murder and robbery unit here, Lieutenant Charles Landman, said that when he was called to the scene of the shooting between security police and alleged African National Congress geurillas, he had searched the area extensively.

He said he found a spent cartridge in the back of the bakkie in which the men had been travelling.

The murder and robbery unit had searched widely for the missing driver of the vehicle, but had not been able to find him.

Lieutenant Landman said he had taken possession of various items of Russian ammunition, as well as many pairs of woollen gloves, which were found inside the cab of the bakkie.

Under cross examination by counsel for the defence, Mr R. Allaway, Lieutenant Landman said that, when he arrived at the scene, a private vehicle which had stopped behind the bakkie in which the accused were allegedly travelling was no longer there.

As a matter of routine he would "most certainly" have taken the names of the occupants of the car, as well as the registration number, as these people had witnessed the incident.

In reply to a question by Mr Allaway, Lieutenant Landman said he had not contacted the security branch in connection with the missing driver. The murder and robbery unit had tried to find the man of its own accord.

"I am sorry to say this in a court of law, but there is no love lost between us and the security people," he said.

The case continues today.

The Judge President of the Eastern Cape, Mr Justice Cloete, and two assessors, Mr H. F. Redpath and Mr D. B. Muir, were on the bench. The prosecutor was Mr W. Kingsley. The other defence advocate was Mr P. Langa. Mr Allaway and Mr Langa were instructed by Magqabi and Partners.

Officer: accused were going to sub-station

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — The investigating officer in the bomb trial in the Supreme Court here said yesterday both accused, while lying wounded at the scene of a shootout with security police in July last year, had said they were on their way to electrical sub-stations in Wilsonia and West Bank.

Various weapons, ammunition and explosives of Russian origin were found in the vehicle in which they were travelling.

Detective-Sergeant Chris Engelbrecht, of the security police, said that as far as he knew there were no armed guards on 24-hour duty at the two sub-stations.

He was giving evidence in the trial of Mr Khaya Libazi, and Mr Andile Hewukile, both 25 and of Mdantsane, who are appearing on one charge of murder, five counts of attempted murder and various terrorism-related offences, including placing limpet mines at the Kings Hotel on June 14 last year and causing limpet mine explosions at the East London City Hall and Swans Motors in Amalinda on June 21 last year.

The blasts at the City Hall and Swans Motors caused extensive damage and the two limpet mines placed in the backyard of the Kings Hotel were defused by a security police explosives expert.

A security policeman, Detective Constable Lungisile Bhekiso, and two men, Mr Mzwandile Mcata and Mr Nkululeko Njongwe, were killed during the shootout on July 31.

Yesterday the defence advocate, Mr R. Allaway, SC, told the court Mr Mcata and Mr Njongwe had been trained members of the military wing of the African National Congress.

Det-Sgt Engelbrecht said Mr Libazi and Mr Hewukile had both been seriously wounded but were able to speak and had given him their names and addresses.

He said he had knelt down next to

them and when he asked them where they were going, they had answered they were on their way to the two sub-stations.

He said two forged "dompas books" belonging to the geurillas who were shot dead were found later.

The books were made out in different names and he had established later that they were forged.

The two accused told him at the scene of the shootout that one man was known as Bra-L and the other as Lucas.

He said it had also been established that the owner of the vehicle in which the accused were stopped lived in Mdantsane, but the man had disappeared and could not be traced.

Det-Sgt Engelbrecht told the court that when he arrived on the scene a private vehicle which had come to a halt behind the accused's vehicle was still parked there.

Neither the identity of the occupants of this vehicle, nor the registration number, were established.

When the explosives, including limpet mines and handgrenades, were found in the back of the bakkie in which the accused were travelling, all other people were told to leave the scene.

Under cross-examination by Mr Allaway, Det-Sgt Engelbrecht denied the driver of the accused's bakkie had been a police informer and was therefore allowed to "escape".

Mr Allaway put it to Det-Sgt Engelbrecht that the reason the identities of the occupants of the other vehicle had not been established was that "too many cooks spoil the broth".

Det-Sgt Engelbrecht replied: "Definitely not in this case."

The case will continue on Monday.

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'Limpet miners' in court

CP Correspondent

TWO Mdantsane men have been charged with planting three limpet mines in East London and killing a security cop.

Khaya Libaze, 25, and Andile Hewukile, 25, pleaded not guilty in the Supreme Court to murder, "terrorism" and attempted murder.

They're alleged to have planted limpet mines at a city hotel on June 15 last year, at East London City Hall and at a garage in the city.

The murder charge relates to a shootout with police on July 31 last year in which Security Police Constable Lungisile Bhekiso died.

The two have pleaded not guilty - saying they had "gone along" with two other men - known as Bra-L and Lucas - because they were afraid they would be killed if they didn't.

Bra-L and Lucas - real names Mzwandile Mcata and Nkululeko Njongwe, according to the State - died in the shootout.

Hand-grenade kills girl

Pietermaritzburg Bureau

A FIVE-year-old girl was killed and her older sister slightly injured in a hand-grenade explosion in Imbali near Pietermaritzburg on Sunday night.

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria said Siphokazi died about 8 30 p m

when a grenade was hurled through the window of the room in which she was sleeping.

Siphokazi's 12-year-old sister Cindy received minor injuries.

The incident happened at Councillor Austin Kwejama's home in Nogjawa Road. The bureau also said

Mr Themba Nguboo was burned to death in a house in Langa, Uitenhage, about 3 30 a m yesterday.

'Few other unrest-related incidents were reported and the weekend was generally quiet,' the bureau said in its unrest report for the 24-hour period until 6 a m yesterday.

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BREWING INDUSTRY, CAPE TOWN

Parties Employer Organisation: South African Brewing Industry Association
Trade Union: Brewery Employees' Union (Cape Peninsula)

Area Municipal Area of Cape Town

Footnotes

1. Annual Leave - Skilled workers are entitled to 15 or 18 days leave per year

2. Sick Leave - In addition to full pay for 10 and 12 days, allowance is also made for a further 15 or 18 days at 30% of full pay.

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Accused says ANC men threatened him

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — One of the accused in the East London bombings trial said in the Supreme Court here yesterday that he had been threatened by two trained members of the military wing of the ANC and had driven them to places where they set limpet mines.

Mr Andile Hewukile, 25, who is appearing with Mr Khaya Libazi, 25, is charged with murdering a security policeman, Detective-Constable Lungisile Bhekiso, and with attempting to murder five other security policemen on July 31 after police stopped them at a roadblock.

During an ensuing shoot-out, two alleged ANC men, Mr Mzwandile Mcata and Mr Nkululeko Njongwe, also known as Bra-L and Lucas, were killed.

The accused also face charges of illegally possessing firearms, explosives and ammunition, placing limpet mines at the King's Hotel on June 14, and causing limpet mine explosions at the East London City Hall and Swans Motors, Amalinda, on June 21.

Mr Hewukile told the court yesterday he had met Bra-L and Lucas through a school friend, Welile Salman, who told him he had received training in Lesotho to "fight for the people".

"He told me there were things in the Freedom Charter that people should have freedom in order to live with people of different races.

"He said they should unite and change their opinions, and said for a long time there had been negotiations, and while these negotiations were in progress, there should be some people who should be fighting."

Mr Hewukile said Welile Salman told him he wanted him to meet two outsiders — who he had brought to Mdantsane.

He said he was told other people should not know about the two men. Welile Salman also told him he knew he could obtain a car.

When he met the two men, they told him they were in Mdantsane on a mission. When he bought food and took it to the two men, he found Lucas in a bedroom busy cleaning a gun, with two handgrenades beside him on the bed.

Mr Hewukile said he was very frightened, but did not want Lucas to know that. He asked him how the weapons worked. He had seen handgrenades and pistols in films and knew what they were.

"He said I should tell no-one, and if he found out I did, he would kill me."

Mr Hewukile said he met the men again about two weeks later at Mr Libazi's home. He had travelled there in a borrowed car to fetch his girlfriend and child.

"Lucas then said I must go to NU 16, and when I told him there was not enough petrol, he said I must do what he told me to do.

"From there he told me to drive to the Quigney, and we went to the King's Hotel. He told Khaya to go with him, and when they returned a little later, I asked him what he was doing.

"He told me he had placed the bomb. He said I was being watched, whatever I did."

In his statement to a magistrate, Mr Hewukile wrote: "The bombs were fortunately found unexploded without causing anyone any trouble."

He said when he and

Mr Libazi went to load cement on June 21, Lucas again appeared on the scene.

"I was not happy about the situation as Lucas had placed a bomb and I did not trust him. I was afraid of him."

He said he was instructed by Lucas to drive to town that night and to stop at the central railway station.

Mr Hewukile said Bra-L then called Mr Libazi and told him to walk with him. Bra-L was carrying something hidden under his jacket. After a while Mr Libazi returned, and told him and Lucas that Bra-L had said he could not place the bomb at the station then, as there were too many people.

He said while he was sitting in the bakkie with Lucas, Lucas asked him why he always queried instructions he was given.

"I told him I was unhappy about the whole matter, and that I was afraid. He said there was no way out as I had seen what they did in the beginning."

A limpet mine was placed at the city hall and when he stopped at Swans Motors to put air in his tyres, he saw Lucas bending over as if he was bending to pick up something.

He said he was shocked to learn later that Lucas had placed a bomb there and was even more shocked when he heard on the news that bombs had exploded.

Mr Hewukile told the court that, when they passed what Bra-L thought were police cars, Bra-L handed him a handgrenade and told him to use it on the police.

When Bra-L was not looking, he put the handgrenade in the

front of his trousers, he said.

He said he was frightened when their vehicle was stopped by police at the roadblock near Mount Ruth station. He was standing with his hands above his head when he heard shots.

He showed the court where he was shot — in the back of the leg, on his shin, in his shoulder and in his neck.

He denied he had been grabbed by the collar by a policeman or that he had told sergeant Chris Engelbrecht of the security police that they were on their way to electrical substations.

He said he did not know where they were going and denied ever threatening any policeman.

The trial continues today.

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The hearing continues.

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I threw notes away - witness

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A FORENSIC expert attached to the police yesterday told the Delmas treason trial that he threw away some of the notes he had made while analysing police tapes of political meetings.

Colonel Jansen said this during cross-examination in the trial of 22 men facing charges of treason, alternatively subversion, murder and terrorism.

Asked by the defence if the purpose of making notes was not to record what he could forget in two or three days time, Col Jansen said he did have some of the notes, but he threw others away.

The tapes included the United Democratic Front launch in Mitchell's Plain in Cape Town, the Albert Luthuli memorial and a Huhudi Civic Association meeting.

Col Jansen was asked if he consulted the police about problems he encountered on the tapes. He agreed, adding that he also made contact with the police photographer who shot some of the tapes.

Bomb attacks ANC in denial

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LUSAKA — The African National Congress has denied allegations that the movement has stepped up its activity in Mozambique.

ANC spokesman, Mr Tom Sebina, said the ANC only has a diplomatic representation of less than 10 people in Maputo and that they are not using Mo-

zambique for attacks against South Africa.

In reaction to recent Press reports in South Africa, following a spate of landmine explosions in the Eastern Transvaal, it was speculated that the ANC was using Swaziland as a route to smuggle landmines and other weaponry into South Africa from Mozambique.

Mr Sebina said that no landmines were smuggled through Swaziland.

**SOWETAN
Correspondent**

'No mines coming via Swaziland'

On the proposed talks between Pretoria and Maputo scheduled for later this year and an announcement by the South African Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Ron Miller, that the presence of the ANC in Maputo will be raised, the ANC spokesman said that the South

African Minister was "only creating excuses for South Africa to support the MNR."

The visit to Swaziland on August 26 by the South African Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, further raised speculation that the alleged ANC activities in Swaziland were creating worries in Pretoria and that these activities were discussed during Minister Botha's visit to Swaziland.

However, both Mr Botha and his Swazi counterpart denied that the ANC was discussed.

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Expert quizzed at Delmas trial

THE defence in the Delmas treason trial will continue with its cross-examination on a forensic expert attached to the Pretoria police headquarters today.

Colonel Jansen has been in the witness box since last Wednesday and being cross-examined by Mr Zac Yacoob, one of the advocates representing the 22 men appearing on charges of treason, alternatively subversion, terrorism and murder.

All the accused have pleaded not guilty before Mr Justice van Dijkhorst, who is sitting with two assessors.

One of the accused, Mr Lazarus More (25) of Sebokeng, did not attend the trial on Friday as a result of an illness.

He was rushed to a doctor on Thursday after he had complained of stomach pains.

The trial is a sequel to the unrest which broke out in the Vaal Triangle townships on September 3, 1984.

18 HURT IN STORE BLAST

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ABOUT 18 people were injured in an explosion in Durban yesterday.

The explosion occurred at 12.58pm at the Pick 'n Pay in the Old Mutual Centre in Montclair, Durban.

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that the entire parcels counter was blown to bits.

"It was unreal. It seems that somebody left the device at the parcel counter and left," he said.

No fatalities were reported, the Bureau for Information said in a statement from Pretoria.

Most were slightly injured.

It is believed the explosive device was disguised as a package and was left at the store's package counter, where it subsequently exploded.

At the time of going to Press it has been established that the following 18 people were injured.

M C Brown, (35), H K Botha (40), F Ntshangase (44), C Hlongwana (42), Z Buthelezi (23), M Mkhaliya (62), A Mucwebe (38), M Madinane (26), D Nkize (22), E Donza (47), C Madonsela (19), F Khuluse (37) and Miss M Wilcox (3), who are all said to be "slightly injured".

Seriously

The following are said to be "seriously injured": M Strydom (20), S Maarten (56), S van Loggerenberg (69), M Vennel (52) and R Horbett (27).

The assistant manager of the supermarket, Mr Kazik Szczawinski, said

NURSE WHO WON'T GIVE EVIDENCE



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Unrest stories

THIS Issue of the Sowetan has been produced under conditions that amount to censorship.

Some stories that relate to unrest, the state of emergency and the activities of the security forces have been heavily vetted by our lawyers to conform with emergency regulations.

Additional facts of information which we may have had relating to unrest had to be approved by the bureau or cannot be published.

Supermarket blast injures 18

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Dispatch Correspondent DURBAN — A woman shop assistant was in a critical condition in hospital last night after taking the brunt of a bomb blast in a supermarket at a shopping centre here at lunchtime yesterday.

Another 17 people were slightly injured in the explosion.

Police believe the bomb, which shattered a large section of a Pick 'n Pay supermarket at the Old Mutual Centre in Montclair at 12.58 pm, had been placed in a package handed in at the store's parcel counter.

A 3 kg Russian limpet mine caused the explosion at the centre, the Bureau for Information said from Pretoria.

Mr Leon Mallett, the bureau's director for internal media, said because shatterproof glass had been used at the entrance to the supermarket the lives of some people were saved and it reduced the risk of more serious injuries.

A counter assistant, Miss Monica Strydom, 19, who is fighting for her life at Addington Hospital, took the brunt of the blast.

Mrs Maureen Watrus, 43, who runs a florist's shop metres from the entrance, spoke of the chaos after the bomb.

"I heard this loud bang and when I went out there was smoke coming out of the store and women coming out crying.

"I saw a staff member lying on the floor behind the sweet counter — it was terrible," she said.

A disaster ambulance and other ambulances were used to ferry the injured to King Edward VIII and Addington hospitals.

Five women were taken to Addington, four were treated and discharged and Miss Strydom was admitted to the intensive care unit with head injuries.

At King Edward VIII Hospital, 13 victims were treated at casualty and by nightfall all had been treated for minor injuries and sent home.

A three-year-old girl, M. Willcox, was slightly injured.

● In its unrest report yesterday, the bureau said a 12-year-old girl, Buyisiva Hoboshi, died in a petrol bomb attack on a private home in Tanti township, Grahamstown, on Sunday night. Two women, Priscilla Hoboshi and Nobela Hoboshi, were injured.



East London Technical College students bring some spring joy to Mrs Elizabeth Tunborg, 86, of the Victoria Home for the Aged. From the left are: Janine Wewege, Paula Thorvaldsen, Shirley Anderson and Lynn Bousfield.

Sunshine heralds spring

Dispatch Reporter EAST LONDON — Glorious sunshine heralded the "official" first day of spring yesterday after a week of wet weather in which 95,3 mm of rain fell.

Winter woollies which were brought out for the weekend were packed away again yesterday morning as shoppers

took to the streets in spring outfits ... although some of the not-too-brave had jerseys just in case.

But they probably won't need them today — the spring weather is expected to continue through to tomorrow and it will be fine and partly cloudy, according

to the East London weather office.

Yesterday, to celebrate the start of spring, students of the East London Technical College visited 600 residents at old age homes throughout the city, entertaining them with songs and handing over posies of flowers and sweets.

Double blow for Border

EAST LONDON — Border's elation at beating Boland to earn a place in the semi-final of the Sport Pienaar Trophy rugby competition was tempered yesterday by the news that North East Cape, which topped the A Section log, will play in the promotion-relegation series, even if Border wins the trophy.

Another blow came when it was ruled that Border would have to travel to Bethlehem for their semi-final against Eastern Free State on Saturday — DDR.

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Mrs Sue Guest with her arms in plaster.



Explosion: Woman is critical

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — A woman was in a critical condition in hospital last night after taking the brunt of the lunch-time bomb blast in a supermarket at a shopping centre here yesterday. Another 18 people were slightly injured in the explosion.

Police believe the bomb, which shattered a large section of the Pick'n Pay supermarket at the Old Mutual Centre in Montclair at 12.58pm, had been placed in a package handed in at the store's parcel counter.

The Bureau for Information's Director of Internal Media, Mr Leon Mellett, last night said a three-kilogram Russian limpet mine caused the explosion.

Counter assistant Miss Monica Strydom, 19, who is fighting for her life at Addington Hospital, took the brunt of the blast, which smashed shop-front window panes and demolished displays.

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At King Edward VIII Hospital, 13 victims were treated at casualty and by nightfall all had been treated for minor injuries and sent home. A three-year-old baby girl, M Willcox, was slightly injured.

Mr Mellett said the shatter-proof glass at the entrance to the supermarket saved lives.

The following is a list of the injured, none of whom are seriously hurt: Mrs F Ntshangasa, 44; Mrs C Hlongwa, 42; Mrs Z Buthelezi, 23; Mr M Mkhajja, 62; Mr A Mucwebe, 38; Mrs M Madinane, 26; Mrs D Nkize, 22; Mrs E Donza, 47; Miss C Mdonsela, 19; Mrs F Khuluse, 37; Mrs S Martin, 56; Mrs M Vennel, 52; Mr S van Loggerenberg, 69; Mr R Horbett, 27; Mrs M C Brown, 35; Mr H K Botha, 40.

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Parcel boom

A WHITE woman, Miss Monica Strydom, was fighting for her life last night after taking the brunt of the lunchtime bomb blast in a supermarket at a Durban shopping centre yesterday. Another 17 people were slightly injured in the explosion.

Mercury Reporters

And a controversy has broken out over security at the Old Mutual Centre in Montclair where the explosion occurred. The Montclair Ratepayers' Association has criticised the 'lack of security' at the centre, particularly the absence of bag searches.

A spokesman for the owners of the centre replied that they doubted whether bag searches prevented a really determined bomber getting into a shopping centre.

Police believe the bomb, a 3 kg Russian limpet mine, which shattered a large section of Pick 'n Pay supermarket at the centre at 12.58 p.m., had been placed in a package handed in at the store's parcel counter.

Counter assistant Miss Strydom, 19, who is in a critical condition in Addington Hospital, took the full force of the blast which smashed shop-front windows and demolished displays.

Mr Leon Mellett, the Bureau for Information's director for internal media, said because shatterproof glass was used at the entrance to the supermarket the lives of some people were saved and it reduced the risk of more serious in-

juries, reports Sapa.

Mr Mellett said: 'The cowardly manner in which the bomb was planted in a supermarket is evidence of the ANC's publicly proclaimed tactics of indiscriminately attacking soft targets.'

He added that the blast again emphasised the need for tighter security measures 'especially as far as parcels are concerned.'

Mrs Maureen Watrus, 43, who runs the Montclair Flower Boutique metres from the entrance, spoke of the chaos after the bomb.

Terrible

'I heard this loud bang and when I went out, there was smoke coming out of the store and women coming out crying.'

'I saw a staff member lying on the floor behind the sweet counter — it was terrible,' she said.

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Pam Williams, public relations officer for Pick 'n Pay supermarket at Montclair, talks to shoppers who were forced to evacuate the premises.

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Witness describes Durban blast chaos

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Mrs Monica Strydom, the 25-year-old mother of two who was critically injured in yesterday's Montclair shopping centre bomb blast, is fighting for her life at Durban's Wentworth Hospital.

The young woman, who worked at the Pick 'n Pay parcel counter where the bomb was reportedly placed, is a divorcee with two young sons.

She was close to the limpet mine, which is believed to have been handed over to her at the parcel counter, when it exploded, and was critically injured in the blast, sustaining extensive head and body injuries.

The limpet mine, which injured 18 people, seven of them seriously, exploded shortly before 1 pm yesterday when the centre was busy with lunch-hour shoppers.

The blast blew away the parcel counter and the entrance of the store, and caused extensive damage. Fortunately all the windows at the centre had been replaced with special glass, so injuries from flying glass were minimal.

A *Daily News* employee, Mr Bobby Carr, was at the shopping centre when the blast occurred.

"I went into Pick 'n Pay at about 12.30, bought some groceries and then went to the upper floor," he said. "Suddenly there was a huge bang, which sounded like a thunder crack, followed by an eerie silence. There was also a lot of smoke, which smelt like cordite.

"Then the screaming started. My immediate reaction was to get away in case there was a second bomb. Two women in the shop said 'Let's go'. But then a guy, who looked like a plain-clothes policeman, shut the shop door. We went out the back entrance," he said.

"Outside people were milling around. Some were crying. Crowds of people flocked to the centre.

"Two doctors from across the road arrived within minutes. They were fantastic. The police also arrived very quickly and cordoned off the area."

A team of paramedics treated people in the car park. One of the victims was hysterical. Another patient was fed with glucose and a makeshift intravenous drip was hooked up.

"The neighbourhood is stunned," said Mr Carr. "We all know people who work at the centre and people who shop there."

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria has released the names of people injured in the blast.

They are F Ntshangasa, C Hlongwana, Z Buthelezi, M Mkhajja, M Madinane, D Nkize, C Mdonsele, F Khuluse, A Mucwebe, E Donza, S van Loggerenberg, S Maartin, M Vennel, Miss M Willcox, R Horbett, MC Brown, H K Botha and M Strydom.

The bureau said damage to property was extensive.

Blast victim fights for life

A WOMAN was in a critical condition in hospital last night after the lunchtime explosion in a supermarket at a Durban shopping centre that injured another 17 people yesterday.

The blast was caused by a 3kg Russian limpet mine.

Police believe the mine, which shattered a large section of Pick 'n Pay supermarket at the Old Mutual Centre in Montclair at 12.58pm, was in a package handed in at the store's parcel counter.

Counter assistant Monica Strydom, 19,

who is fighting for her life at Addington Hospital, suffered head injuries in the blast which smashed shop-front window panes and demolished displays.

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Child's ^{still} lucky escape in Natal bomb blast

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — Natalie Wilcox of Yellowwood Park, who celebrated her third birthday this week, is one of the survivors of yesterday's bomb blast in Montclair.

"She was so lucky," her father, Mr Michael Wilcox, said today.

Natalie and her mother Kathleen were at the sweet counter in Pick 'n Pay and were talking to Mrs Monica Strydom when a limpet mine exploded.

Mrs Strydom, 25, was critically injured and was having major surgery at Wentworth Hospital today.

Mr Wilcox said: "Natalie had asked my wife for a sweet and they went to the sweet counter where Mrs Strydom was the assistant."

As they were walking away from the counter the bomb exploded.

Mrs Wilcox and Natalie were thrown to the ground but neither was seriously hurt.

CUTS

"Natalie has bruises round her throat, a broken tooth and small cuts on her hands and neck and around her eyes," he said. His wife had a few cuts on her throat.

A hospital spokesman described Mrs Strydom's condition as "still critical".

She has two sons, aged four and three.

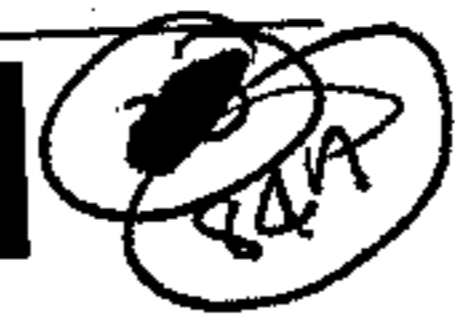
The limpet mine exploded just before 1pm yesterday, injuring 18 people, seven of them seriously.

The blast blew away the parcel counter and the entrance of the store, causing extensive damage. All windows at the centre had been fitted with special glass, so injuries from flying glass were minimal.

Paramedics treated people in the carpark. One of the victims was hysterical. Another patient was fed with glucose and a makeshift intravenous drip was hooked up.

The Bureau for Information said a 3kg Russian limpet mine caused the explosion, Sapa reports.

3/11/86 ZOWEYAN



Loophole blamed

PICK 'n Pay management yesterday denied that it lacked security at its stores and that there were no bag-searchers at Durban's Montclair supermarket — scene of Monday's horror bomb blast.

Eighteen people were

injured, one very seriously, when a three-kilogram limpet mine exploded in the supermarket's parcel counter, which also has a kiosk selling sweets and cigarettes.

Mr Vernon Mitchell, general manager of Pick

'n Pay in Natal, said special bomb-proof doors at the entrance of the supermarket had prevented the impact from spreading to other parts of the Old Mutual shopping centre, opposite the Ramblers football grounds.

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Blast victim in coma *84A*

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — The Pick 'n Pay employee critically injured by a limpet mine explosion on Monday has been transferred to Wentworth Hospital and after emergency surgery is still in a coma.

A spokesman for Addington Hospital said Mrs Monica Strydom, 24, had been transferred late on Monday night when it was established that her injuries were more serious than had been thought at first.

Mrs Strydom's father, Mr Ben Breedt of Montclair, said his daughter was moved to Wentworth's neuro-surgical unit about 11pm on Monday.

All night

Mr Breedt said surgeons operated on his daughter "all night", but that her condition was still critical.

Sapa reports that the director of staff and security of the Pick 'n Pay group, Mr Ren de Wet, says damage estimated at R75 000 was caused in the blast.

ANC man, weapons seized

Cape Times Own Correspondent *4/9/86* *8411*

DURBAN. — A man, alleged to be a highly trained member of the ANC, has been arrested in Durban and a large quantity of explosives and weapons seized.

Police in Pretoria announced yesterday that members of the security branch made the arrest in Durban and confiscated explosives, arms and ammunition.

"The weapons included limpet mines of Russian manufacture, similar to the one which exploded in the Old Mutual Centre at Montclair on Monday," a spokesman said.

No further information was made available on the arrest.

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THE ANC

Under pressure

The State of Emergency, and the "neutralisation" by the security forces of a large number of African National Congress (ANC) insurgents, appear to have had a dampening effect on the organisation's military activities. This is the view of two academics — Mike Hough of Pretoria's Institute of Strategic Studies, and Wits political scientist Tom Lodge.

No one had claimed responsibility for Monday's explosion at the Montclair, Durban, branch of Pick 'n Pay at the time of going to press. However, it was the first instance of an urban bombing since the spate that occurred in late June and early July.

During July and August there were also relatively few bombings or violent attacks by the ANC; a handful of landmines were detonated in rural areas. It remains to be seen whether Monday's explosion represents the beginning of yet another cycle of urban attacks. It was not a very sophisticated operation and may have been the work of township-trained guerrillas.

Both experts note that no one has claimed responsibility for the urban bombings. But it is generally believed the ANC was responsible for most of them. Hough's view is that

such tactics are having a negative impact on ANC attempts to gain a measure of respectability in the West. But this will not change the ANC's attitude toward "indiscriminate attacks" on civilians. The organisation's solution, Hough says, has been not to claim responsibility. Lodge says the ANC's silence on such matters could be indicative of a certain amount of embarrassment.

Hough believes the relative quiet over the past two months could be explained as a period of internal re-organisation for the ANC. It has also been suggested the organisation may be keeping down insurgent attacks since the possibility of a meeting with US Secretary of State George Shultz was mooted last month.

Because ANC operations are normally carried out clandestinely anyway, the organisation is better able to adapt to emergency conditions than others, says Lodge. But, he adds, it has certainly not been unaffected. There have been restrictions on movement. And detainees have been questioned to a far greater extent than during the last emergency, he explains. This may well have been in order to gather more information about the ANC.

But while it is facing these difficulties inside the country, the ANC's standing in the outside world — which urges government to unban and talk to the organisation — has never been higher. It has been able to make official contact with government in

both the US and the UK. In the US particularly, says Lodge, its presence has become far more sophisticated.

The ANC is also expected to show a high profile at this week's Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) conference in Harare. This is evidently to stake its claim as the pre-eminent movement in the liberation struggle — as if that were in any doubt. The point is that Zimbabwe has generally favoured the rival, but smaller, Pan Africanist Congress. More importantly, the ANC aims to ensure unified NAM policies toward Pretoria and to try to eliminate the possibility that weaker members of the movement will play a role in SA's sanctions-busting activities. ■

Man dies after Q'town blast

Dispatch Reporter
QUEENSTOWN — A man has died following an explosion at the municipal power station here which caused damage estimated at R500 000 and plunged the town into a blackout.

The dead man, Mr Andrew Meintjies, 51, a senior shiftsman, sustained 100 per cent burns when the explosion occurred at 8.30 pm on Thursday.

He was admitted to the Frontier Hospital and was transferred by ambulance to the Frere Hospital in East London at 10.30 pm. He died yesterday afternoon.

The deputy town electrical engineer, Mr H. O. Perryer, said yesterday the cause of the explosion was not known. Foul play or subversive action is not suspected.

The explosion was heard over a radius of 3 km.

Extensive damage was caused to electrical switchgear equipment and part of the power station building when the high-tension, low-voltage and Escom panels — the whole switchgear panel area — exploded.

Some circuit-breakers in the voltage panels were immersed in oil, which caught alight and splashed over Mr Meintjies, causing extensive third-degree burns.

The explosion occurred in an area below a storeroom containing power station records going back more than 60 years. The fire which re-

sulted from the explosion destroyed the records and gutted the storeroom.

The blaze was extinguished by the fire brigade about 11.30 pm.

Yesterday investigators were assessing the damage, which was estimated at about R500 000, and the area was cordoned off. Other investigators are expected in Queenstown on Monday from East London to try to ascertain the cause of the explosion.

If necessary electrical experts from further afield will be called in.

Although foul play is not suspected police are involved in the investigations.

The power supply from Escom was restored early yesterday morning. Mr Perryer said the town would be totally dependent on electricity from Escom until all damaged equipment at the power station had been repaired. This could take "quite a while", he said.

A spokesman for the town treasurer's department said electricity for consumers would still be measured on a demand system, even though power was being received from Escom and not from the municipal power station.

Mr Meintjies, of 50 Prince Alfred Street, had been employed at the power station for nearly four years. He leaves his wife, Tina, and four children, aged 10, four, three, and two.

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A small price saves lives in glass blast

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MORE than 80% of injuries suffered in bomb explosions in recent years have been caused by jagged pieces of glass. After a large bomb explosion, glass is flung outwards at speeds of up to 3 000km/h.

But there are ways of protecting the public. For instance, Hyde Park Corner shopping centre in Johannesburg has had Klingshield installed to safeguard employees and customers.

Brian Dauncey, national maintenance manager of OK Bazaars, says his company is working as fast as possible to ensure that all its buildings are protected either by laminated glass or protective film.

"We give priority to stores according to their location," says Mr Dauncey.

Most OK shops are now protected.

Intact

Rapp & Maister has installed protective film or laminated glass in all its shopping centres.

Simon Hobday, general manager of R&M's Sandton City centre, says: "About 50 000 people pass through here daily. In peak periods we have up to 25 000 people in the centre at any one time. Our buildings are meant for the public so we have a responsibility to ensure they are protected."

At a cost of R50 000, pro-

ective film has been installed on all glass that was not originally laminated.

Mr Hobday says: "It is a small price to pay for customer safety."

Julian Norwood-Young, managing director of Glass Shield — the company responsible for these installations — says: "The use of safety film has saved lives in recent blasts. The Trust Bank building in Johannesburg is protected by Saftee Shield film — and the windows remained intact after the explosion in the Wimpy Bar opposite."

Warning

However, he and other glass experts advise caution in the selection of film thicknesses.

Mr Norwood-Young says: "There is little point in applying a film that does not offer adequate protection in the event of a blast. Those areas that are highly vulnerable, such as a shopfront, should have a thicker safety film than windows on the top floors of a large building. Using a thinner and often cheaper film is not clever cost saving."

"A good-quality, properly installed safety film should be virtually invisible on windows," says Mr Norwood-Young. "Shop-owners should ensure that the windows have been properly cleaned before installation, otherwise the existing smear marks and dust will be trapped between the film and the glass."



Saftee Shield protective film proves its worth . . . it remains intact after a half-kilogram wet explosive detonation

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Two hurt in attack on house

Crime Reporter

TWO women suffered shrapnel wounds in a handgrenade and rifle attack on a home in Kwa Mashu, Durban, at the weekend.

They were Mrs Mary-Anne Mahlangu, 43, and Lily Mahlangu, 18.

The Bureau for Information did not supply the address of the home and a spokesman said it was not known whether the owner was a policeman, councillor or political activist.

In its unrest report for the period ending 6 a m yesterday, the bureau said more than half the weekend's violence occurred in Soweto.

Unrest 'consisted of illegal gatherings, arson and stonethrowing'. Security forces fired on crowds four times, once in retaliation to a shot fired at them, the report said.

According to the bureau, no injuries were reported.

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Blast in Jo'burg

AN explosion shook central Johannesburg last night, police headquarters said. (84A)

The blast occurred at 6pm on the fifth floor of the Toracties building on the corner of Commissioner and Goud streets.

A police spokesman said the cause of the explosion, which sparked off a fire, was not yet known.

Firemen were on the scene to put out the blaze, he said.

The extent of the damage was not yet known and no injuries had yet been reported. — Sapa.

'Toti bomber goes to gallows for killing 5

ANC 3 hang as pleas for clemency fail

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By Kym Hamilton and Maokeng Kgwete,
Pretoria Bureau

Three African National Congress killers were among six men hanged at Pretoria Central Prison today.

One was Andrew Sibusiso Zondo, who was sentenced to death for planting a limpet mine in a shopping centre in Amanzimtoti last December last year. Five people were killed and many injured by the blast.

The other two were Sipho Bridget Xulu and Clarence Lucky Payi, convicted for the murder of Mr Benjamin Langa of Georgetown near Maritzburg in 1984.

Mr Langa was gunned down at his home. According to evidence during the trial, Xulu and Payi had been told to kill Mr Langa by the ANC.

Local anti-apartheid organisations and Amnesty International had appealed to the State President to grant the three men clemency and give them prisoner-of-war status.

The Sheriff of Pretoria, Mr Melt van der Westhuisen, confirmed that the executions took place on schedule at 7 am.

The other three men executed were:

Toto Swapi, convicted of murder by the East London Supreme Court in February 1983; Ernest Tapiyiana, convicted of murder by the Springs Circuit Court in February 1984; and Joseph Junior Basa, convicted of murder by the Maritzburg Supreme Court on October 16 1985.

The ANC trio had decided not to seek a last-minute stay of executions "because they were not fighting a legal battle but a political one", according to relatives.

The three were visited on death row at Pretoria Central Prison yesterday afternoon by their families and lawyer, Mr Bheka Shezi.

Afterwards, Mr Shezi said they were in good spirits and determined not to attempt an 11th-hour fight to stay their executions.

The Department of Justice issued a statement today saying there was no justification for commuting the death sentences. Cognisance had been taken of requests from local and international bodies for clemency, but in view of the "horrendous murders" there was no justification for commuting the court's sentences.

Reprieve calls

Mr Shezi said Zondo had not been prepared to beg the State President to spare his life.

He told the lawyer that if he had wanted to escape the gallows he would have accepted an offer from the State to testify against others facing similar charges.

A relative of Xulu said the family were pained that the State President had not found it possible to reprieve the men.

The United Democratic Front had called on President Botha to order an immediate reprieve for the ANC men.

Saying they were not "ordinary blood-thirsty criminals", the UDF argued that they should be accorded prisoner-of-war status in terms of the Geneva Convention.

It added that hanging the three men would only be seen as immoral and unjust. "There is nothing in this act that promotes reconciliation. Rather than hanging those fighting for freedom, the Government should be meeting the demands of the people."

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4 shot dead. Police silent

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Own Correspondent
DURBAN. — Police yesterday refused to confirm or elaborate on earlier reports that four suspected "terrorists" were shot dead in Durban on Sunday night.

They also would not say whether the men were thought to have been involved in an earlier grenade attack on a home in KwaMashu. All police would say was that four men were killed in a shoot-out with police on Sunday night and that a quantity of weapons of Russian origin were seized.

The statement did not describe the men as ANC suspects and a senior security branch policeman said the public relations division of the police were under instructions from him not to release further details on the incident as investigations were still at a "truly sensitive stage".

"We are not even going to confirm the men were terrorists." It was reported yesterday that the men killed in the shoot-out had been involved in a grenade attack on the home of the Mahlangu family in KwaMashu.

Two women, Mrs Mary-Anne Mahlangu, 43, and Miss Lily Mahlangu, 18, were wounded by shrapnel.

Meanwhile, the Bureau for Information yesterday released information on a petrol-bomb attack on the Umlazi home of lawyer Mr Sandile Ngcobo. Mr Ngcobo was injured.

In yesterday's unrest report, the bureau said an unknown man was killed when a shot was fired at security forces from a group of 50 stone-throwers in Walmer in the Eastern Cape, and the forces returned fire.

The stone-throwers tried to overturn their vehicle and were dispersed with tear smoke. Five men were arrested in KwaZakhele, near Port Elizabeth, following an attempted murder by burning of a 25-year-old man, Mr Qolain Netno, who escaped, the report said.

Reprieve plea
for ANC men

JOHANNESBURG. —
The United Democratic
Front has appealed to
the State President, Mr P
W Botha, to reprieve
three members of the
African National Con-
gress due to hang today.

They are: Andrew Si-
busiso Zondo — sen-
tenced to death for his
part in planting the lim-
pet mine in the Aman-
zimtoti shopping centre
last December where
five people died in the
blast, and Sipho Bridget
Xulu and Clarence
Lucky Payi — who will
hang for the assassina-
tion of Mr Benjamin
Langa at Georgetown,
Natal.

Blast at housing

Official's home

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JOHANNESBURG — A bomb exploded at the Craighall Park home of Mrs Del Kevan, the Soweto Director of Housing and former PFP Randburg City Councillor, early today.

Nobody was injured. Damage was estimated at R10 000.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information said the blast, which also damaged surrounding houses, was caused by a Soviet limpet mine.

Mrs Kevan said the bomb was either thrown through a window or planted outside in the garden.

"The blast woke me up at about 3.30. The lights went out and the burglar alarm went off. I looked for my torch and switched off the alarm.

"My neighbours were there very quickly and called the police," she said.

Mrs Kevan said windows were broken, a wall was cracked and part of the roof gone.

Two windows in a neighbouring house, belonging to Mr Peter Wodrich, were blown out.

Mrs Kevan lives alone and was not injured.

It was the first sabotage attack on a home in a white suburb since the current wave of unrest in the country began two years ago.

Mrs Kevan has been strongly criticised by Soweto residents and the black Press for her tough policy towards rent defaulters.

"I have not had a chance to think about my position and cannot at this stage say what I will do or if I will carry on with the job. There's glass everywhere and I have had no chance to touch sides," she said.

"The police are still here and they're still investigating. I don't exactly know what happened.

Mrs Kevan has worked for the housing branch of the Pretoria City Council and later became housing manager in the Johannesburg City Council.

She also served on the management committee of the Randburg Town Council as a PFP councillor.

Feelings against her have been running high since evictions of seven families at Jabulani and Chiawelo.

Some Soweto residents blame her for the deaths of at least 20 people in White City, Jabavu, last month when residents clashed with security forces after alleged threatened rent evictions.

She was labelled a "racist" and after receiving death threats had to be escorted to work in Soweto. — Sapa

News in brief

US envoy to Zimbabwe

WASHINGTON. — Mr James Wilson Rawlings, president of Union Carbide Southern Africa, has been named by President Ronald Reagan as United States Ambassador to Zimbabwe. Mr Rawlings will succeed Ambassador David Charles Miller. — UPI

Shot man 'ANC member'

PRETORIA. — One of the four black men shot dead by police in the Durban area last Sunday had been identified as an ANC member, police headquarters announced in a statement here yesterday. All four men had been identified. Three Russian-made automatic rifles, hand-grenades and explosives were seized. — Sapa

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'Wanted ANC man' shot dead

Own Correspondent

PRETORIA. — One of the 10 most-wanted men in the country was shot dead on Thursday night after confessing that morning that he was an ANC member, a police spokesman said yesterday.

Despite the restraints of leg irons and handcuffs, Mr Jacob Mahlangu allegedly grabbed a service pistol on the front seat of a police vehicle and shot at the two Pretoria Murder and Robbery Squad detectives.

One bullet hit the dashboard and another went through the windscreen.

A detective shot him twice in the head and once in the chest.

Mr Mahlangu, who had escaped from police custody five times before, was supposed to be showing the detectives arms caches in the veld near Mamelodi.

The detectives had arrested him in the southern Free State the day before, a police spokesman said.

He had confessed to 17 crimes, including two murders and several armed robberies, after incriminating fingerprint-evidence had been shown to him, the spokesman said.

He had told police he had ANC connections in Botswana and Lesotho and had agreed to accompany them to alleged accomplices.

No arms caches were discovered.

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Limpet mine in centre

By STEPHAN TERBLANCHE

when the bomb was discovered.

POLICE found a limpet mine in public toilets at a shopping centre yesterday — less than 50 m from the ramp where a fashion show was due to start.

Earlier, they had evacuated hundreds of people waiting for the show at Verwoerdburgstad near Pretoria.

One of the models, former Miss South Africa Sandra de Meyer, was in a changing tent close to the men's toilet

The official in charge of the centre's security refused to comment on the incident or answer the questions of concerned showgoers.

The centre manager, Mr Neil van Zyl, said afterwards that everything was under control. It was his only comment.

A police spokesman confirmed that a limpet mine had been discovered by a police dog unit in a men's toilet behind the musical fountain at the centre.

Large bomb rocks children's home

Mercury Reporters

A FUL bomb exploded outside a holiday home for underprivileged children in Durban last night, destroying two cars but leaving the 126 youngsters in the home unhurt.

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The device exploded about 7.13 p.m., minutes after the owner of one of the wrecked cars, Mr Greg Pyle, had parked the vehicle.

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Asked if the home had been the target, he said: 'If it was, it is certainly in

line with the ANC's stated policy of hitting soft targets.'

Police said the bomb was planted between Mr Pyle's car, a Datsun Skyline, and the pavement outside the home.

The Datsun Skyline and a BMW were destroyed and another BMW parked in front was badly damaged.

Seconds after the explosion, people from flats and holidaymakers from the nearby hotels flocked to the scene.

Sniffer dogs

Police arrived within minutes and ordered bystanders back behind cordons set up about 150 m from the wreckage. They also erected a barbed wire barricade around the cars.

Bomb Squad officers using sniffer dogs checked for other explosives in the area.

Reporters were not al-

lowed near the scene until it had been declared safe, three-quarters of an hour later. They were then escorted by police officers and allowed to have a look at the site of explosion but no photographs of the damage were allowed.

The crumpled wreckage of the Datsun Skyline lay half on its back and its side. Next to it was a hole in the pavement about 1.5 m wide and 1 m deep.

A witness said he arrived at the scene while the car was still engulfed in flames.

'When the police arrived — two men with dogs — a black man ran up to them saying he had seen men running from the cars just before the bomb exploded. He pointed in the direction the men had run.'

A nightwatchman who saw the explosion said when he heard the deafen-

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Bomb rocks children's home

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ing blast he looked up to see the car lift into the air about head-height before bursting into flames.

Another witness was a tourist from Norwich, England, Miss Joe Burrows, 22.

She has only been in South Africa for two days. She said she was in the Golden Sands flats at the

time of the explosion.

'There was a mass exodus. Outside, people from all directions were running towards the scene.'

Mr Guy Denney, resident in the nearby Grosvenor Court, said: 'The blast shook the building but luckily it did no damage. The police should be commended for arriving about a minute after the blast and taking firm control of the situation.'

55% poll at

Homes of council policemen are bombed

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women said a counter-attack by the residents early yesterday morning damaged scores of homes. The hostel dwellers fled when Meadowlands residents counter-attacked.

Yesterday a youth from the hostel going to school was attacked and is in hospital.

The Azanian Peoples' Organisation publicity secretary, Mr Muntu Myeza visited the area yesterday and said the fighting in Mzimhlope was a battle no one was going to win.

He appealed to all

those concerned to come together and try and solve the dispute.

In Sharpeville the homes of two Lekoa Town Council policemen — Constable Carter Qubuza and Constable Johannes Moeketsi — were petrol-bombed.

Hundreds of residents stayed away from work yesterday — apparently to march to the office of the local authorities where they were prepared to lodge their protests against evictions.

Those who were shot include Mr Albert Botha, who is the executive member of the Sharpeville Civic Association, former soccer player, Mr Oupa Moropodi; Mr Simon Tshabangu and a man known only as Toni.

Security was tight at the Sebokeng Hospital yesterday and reporters could not visit the injured.

The Bureau for Information yesterday confirmed that teargas was used to disperse a crowd of stone-throwing people who damaged Lekoa Council vehicles.

The bureau could not confirm the shooting of residents and the petrol-bombing of policemen's homes at the time of going to Press yesterday.

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home when shots were suddenly fired. He was injured in the right knee and taken to hospital.

Mrs Josephine Tshabangu said her brother was shot and wounded after he was attacked by people who were marching in the street. "My brother is not guilty because he only went to investigate".

The council's town clerk, Mr Nikolaas Louw, yesterday said they would continue evicting defaulters. People could not stay in homes where they did

not pay for rent and service charges.

"We shall not tolerate this attitude," he said. He declined to give details of which township they would be moving to this week.

• A black policeman is believed to have been killed at Mshengu's squatter camp, in Mofolo Central, Soweto, on Sunday.

According to residents, the policeman, in civilian clothes, was surrounded by a number of people and hacked to death.

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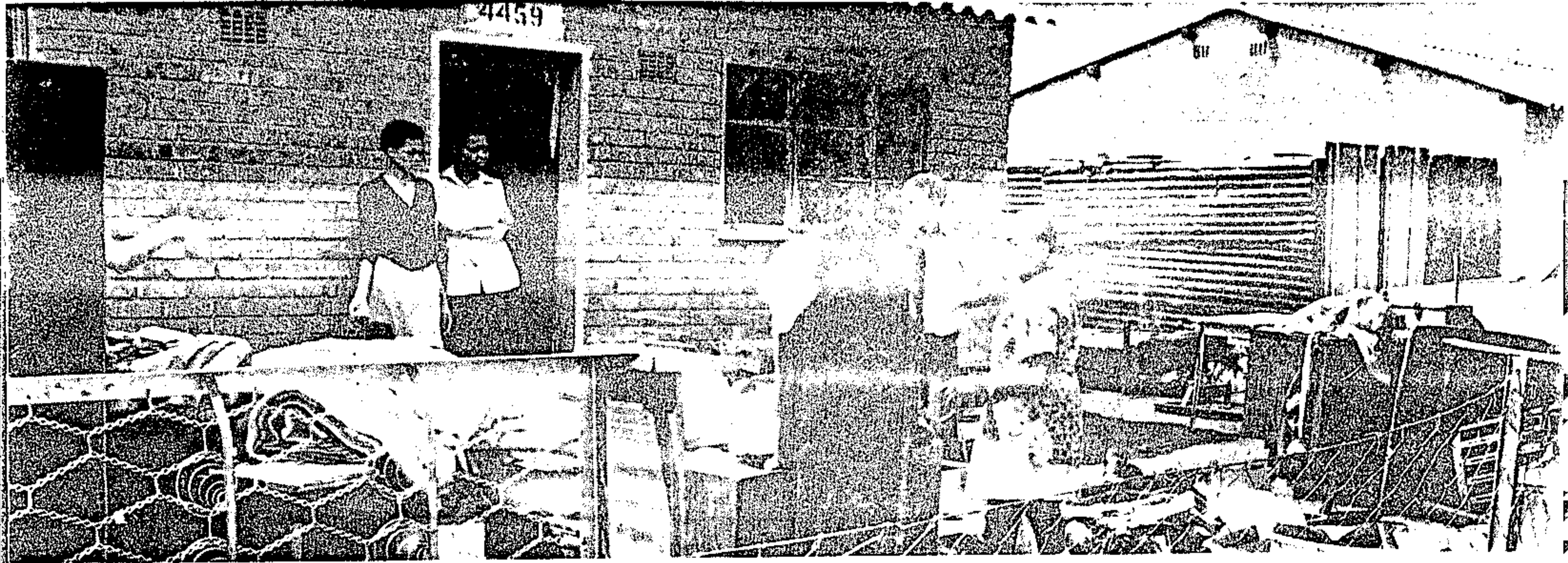
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Men who planted mines convicted

The Argus
Correspondent

EAST LONDON. Two men who planted three limpet mines here last year have been convicted of terrorism.

The mines were placed at the King's Hotel, the City Hall and a service station in the suburb of Amalinda. No one was injured.

Khaya Libazi and Andile Hewukile of Mdantsane, both 25, were found guilty in the Supreme Court, Grahamstown, of terrorism and one count of possessing explosives.

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They were acquitted of murder, five counts of attempted murder and three counts involving arms and ammunition.

These charges arose from a shootout at a roadblock near Mdantsane on July 31 last year, during which Detective-Constable Lungisile Bhekiso and two ANC guerrillas were shot dead. The accused were injured.

The Judge-President of the Eastern Cape, Mr Justice Cloete, said they took part in heinous crimes with potentially disastrous consequences.

In mitigation Mr Pius Langa said the men had been seriously injured and had played a minimal role in the events.

Sentence will be passed tomorrow.

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**Durban
bomb 844
destroys
2 cars**

Own Correspondent

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Seven ANC suspects arrested

S.M. Pretoria Bureau
18/9/86

Several alleged ANC members have been arrested and are being held in connection with the landmine explosions near Nelspruit last month and a bomb explosion at Silverton, Pretoria on July 4.

This brings to 71 the number of alleged ANC members arrested this year.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange released a statement yesterday detailing the arrests.

The statement said two of the suspects are being held in connection with three landmine blasts in the Nelspruit district on August 17 which killed six people.

Two of the alleged ANC operatives were arrested together with two other suspects at a roadblock. Security forces found demolition charges and limpet mines in their vehicle.

Police also arrested five other ANC suspects and found weapons including a landmine, AK rifles and grenades.

Two of the alleged ANC members are being held in connection with the limpet mine explosion in Pretoria in which 20 people were injured.

Miracle escape in bomb blast

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN — A car and a brick wall shielded 126 children from serious injury and possible death when a powerful bomb, believed to have been a limpet mine, exploded outside the Star Seaside Home on the Durban beachfront last night.

The children were at a prayer meeting at the home in Molyneux Road, behind the Elangeni Hotel, when the bomb, which was placed between a parked car and a wall, exploded — only minutes after a Scottburgh man, Mr Graig Pyle (23), had parked his car and walked to a nearby pub for a drink.

The explosion, at 7.15 pm, was the second this year on the beachfront. The first was a car bomb outside the Parade Hotel which killed three people and injured 79 in June.

Mr Pyle's car was a wreck and took the brunt of the explosion. No one was injured and there was no damage to surrounding buildings. Two other cars were also damaged in the blast.

Police immediately cordoned off the area and sniffer dogs searched for other explosives.

People from all over the beachfront area flocked to the scene of the blast within minutes. Crowds of people were seen running along Snell Parade towards the scene. One bystander said he had leapt out of his bath in a West Street flat and run to the scene of the blast.

Mrs Heather van Heerden, one of the helpers at the seaside home, said that the children were attending a church service in the hall when the bomb went off.

"There was a very loud blast. We immediately knew it was a bomb. I think the brick wall around the children's cloakroom shielded us. The children were very calm although shocked. I believe it was God's good hand upon us that nobody was injured," said Mrs van Heerden.

The cinema shows and skating sessions at the nearby Ocean City complex had not been disrupted.

Early today, police were still busy with their investigations. The scene of the explosion was still cordoned off and soldiers were guarding the area.

The Press were taken to the scene of the blast but were not allowed to take photographs of the damage.

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Several by-standers said both the city police and SAP, as well as fire engines from Durban

Central firestation, were on the scene promptly.

In a statement released by the Directorate of Police in Pretoria yesterday, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange said that seven alleged ANC terrorists had been arrested.

The alleged terrorists were arrested in connection with the landmine explosion on August 17 this year in the Karino district of Nelspruit.

Mrs M. C. Roos died from injuries sustained

in the explosion.

The arrests were the result of a roadblock during which the SADF found several demolition charges, limpet mines and other devices, in a vehicle in which the two alleged terrorists and two other suspects were travelling, the statement said.

The SAP also arrested a further five suspected ANC terrorists and found a large quantity of terrorist weapons including a landmine, AK rifles and handgrenades. — Sapa

ANC silent on bomb attack

Mercury Reporters wide area.

AN AFRICAN National Congress spokesman in Lusaka yesterday refused to confirm or deny that the ANC was responsible for the limpet mine explosion outside the Star Seaside Fund Home in Durban on Wednesday.

A large piece of twisted metal lay in the centre of the Star Seaside home's playground about 20 m from the bomb site.

Mr Craig Pyle, 23, of Scottburgh, whose year-old Nissan Skyline GLX was destroyed, said yesterday he was fully insured and his insurance company had indicated there would be no problem with the claim.

Mr Pyle had been with a friend at Derby's Corner in the nearby Elangeni Hotel when the bomb went off.

The owners of the two BMWs which were extensively damaged could not be contacted yesterday.

Representatives for a company which fits safety film to windows were yesterday plying their product at the many blocks of flats in the area.

'We do not comment on operations of a military nature,' the spokesman said. He said the 'no comment' policy on bomb blasts had been followed by the ANC for some time.

Meanwhile, Durban City Police started mopping up operations at the scene of the blast yesterday morning.

Although damage was restricted mainly to three parked cars and the pavement, debris and bits of metal and upholstery from the cars were strewn over a

PTA PUPIL (16) DIES IN BOMB ATTACK

Powerful explosion rips home

A 16-YEAR-OLD high school pupil has died after a powerful explosion ripped through his home in Atteridgeville, Pretoria, yesterday morning.

Walter Ledwaba of 33 Serote Street, a Form III student at the local Hofmeyer High School, died at the Kalafong Hospital shortly after the attack in the early hours of yesterday morning, a relative said.

A spokesperson for the Bureau for Information in Pretoria yesterday confirmed the incident and said the explosion was caused by "a home-made explosive device".

She also confirmed that one person had died and another injured. No arrests have been made and investigations are continuing.

Walter's brother, Mr Abel Ledwaba said they were awakened by a loud explosion after an object was hurled through the window of his bedroom. "A cloud of smoke covered the room and I ran into the front room. I then heard a loud explosion", he said.

Mr Ledwaba said Walter, who was sleeping in the dining room, who was when he tried to run towards the other rooms at the back. He was rushed to Kalafong Hospital where he died soon after arrival.

Police and members of the SADF cordoned off the area soon after the blast that blew off the roof in one of the bedrooms.

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Pretoria Bureau

In a review of terrorism in South Africa over the past 10 years, analysts at the University of Pretoria said that 566 incidents of terrorism and sabotage had occurred since 1976 — the overwhelming majority in urban areas.

The review, by the Institute for Strategic Studies, added that the past two years of unrest had been accompanied by an increase in the military and political activity of the banned African National Congress.

Civilians were now one of the main targets despite attempts by the ANC leadership

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Review reveals change in terror tactics

to create the impression that civilians would become targets only if they were caught in the crossfire.

It was also significant, said the institute, that the ANC was apparently refraining from claiming responsibility for recent incidents from which negative publicity, especially in Western countries, ensued.

The ANC's present military strategy seemed to be aimed specifically at giving direction to the unrest — intimidating ci-

vilians and attacking symbols of government authority.

In 1976 there were four terror attacks. The number of attacks increased gradually through the years to 136 in 1985 and, by August 31 this year, 168. There were 55 attacks in 1981 and 56 in 1983. Most of the attacks were directly connected to the ANC, said the institute.

The majority took the form of "murder and attempted murder on police" (126) and

"murder and attempted murder on civilians" (136).

There were 64 sabotage attacks on government and public buildings, 59 on railway installations, 57 on power installations and 36 on business properties.

The institute said that an analysis of the types of incidents in the 24 months prior to the present unrest, and the 24 months of unrest, showed that "the ANC is exploiting the climate created by the current

unrest situation to further its revolutionary aims".

The analysis showed a shift in targets since September 1984. In the 24 months prior to unrest, 79,34 percent of attacks were aimed at key installations while, during the unrest, only 30,36 percent were, said the institute.

Acts of terrorism against civilians and private property increased from 7,6 percent in the two years prior to September 1984 to 38,92 percent in the two

years of unrest since then. Attacks on policeman also rose from 11,95 percent prior to the unrest period to 27,84 percent during the current troubles.

Sabotage, said the institute, was the main tactic of terror attacks. Since 1976, 57 percent of all incidents were sabotage-related.

But the percentage of sabotage-related attacks decreased during the unrest period, from 79 percent to 39,31 percent. The geographical distribu-

tion of terror attacks was as follows: The PWV area (212), Natal (148), rest of Transvaal (77), Eastern Cape (54), Western and Northern Cape (48), Free State (26), Walvis Bay (1).

An analysis of weaponry used in the attacks showed a significant shift in the types used prior to and since September 1984. In the 24 months before the current period of unrest, only seven attacks involved the use of grenades. This rose to 122 during the past

24 months of unrest. There was also a major increase in the use of attack weapons such as AK-47 rifles. Landmines were used for the first time during the current unrest situation, 87,5 percent of these being used in rural areas.

More than 55 arms caches were discovered in the past 14 months and the total value of arms discovered in the past two years was given as R793 387.

Since 1976, 428 alleged terrorists had either been killed or captured. Of these almost half, 42,28 percent were captured or killed during the current unrest situation, said the institute.

Civilians now 'main target of the ANC'

20/1/86 Pretoria Bureau

The African National Congress (ANC) has shifted its targets as well as increased its military and political activities, according to the Institute of Strategic Studies at the University of Pretoria.

A report, "Terrorism and Sabotage in the RSA: 1976-1986", states that the ANC is exploiting the climate to further its revolutionary aims.

"Civilians have now become one of the main targets, despite attempts by the ANC leadership to create the impression that civilians would only become targets if they were caught in the 'cross fire'," said the report.

It was also significant that the ANC was apparently refraining from claiming responsibility for recent incidents even where they could clearly be linked to the organisation.

"This reportedly follows a decision by the ANC not to claim responsibility in cases where 'negative' publicity — especially in Western countries — was likely."

In the past 10 years there had been 566 incidents of terror and sabotage, said the ISS. Many — 168 — had taken place within the first eight months of this year.

Only 3 terror attacks unsolved — Le Grange

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By Kym Hamilton, Pretoria Bureau

Out of 170 terror attacks this year, only three had not been solved by the police, said Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange.

So far 45 alleged ANC members have been killed by security forces and a further 80 arrested.

Except for three instances, all acts of sabotage and terror committed against South Africans had been successfully investigated and the perpetrators identified and caught or killed, he said.

Addressing students at a graduation ceremony at the Potchefstroom University, Mr le Grange said the country was faced with a revolutionary threat from radical organisations both from within and from outside.

Since September 1 1984, 1 776 people had died and 5 614 injured in political violence. Fifty-six members of the security forces had also been killed.

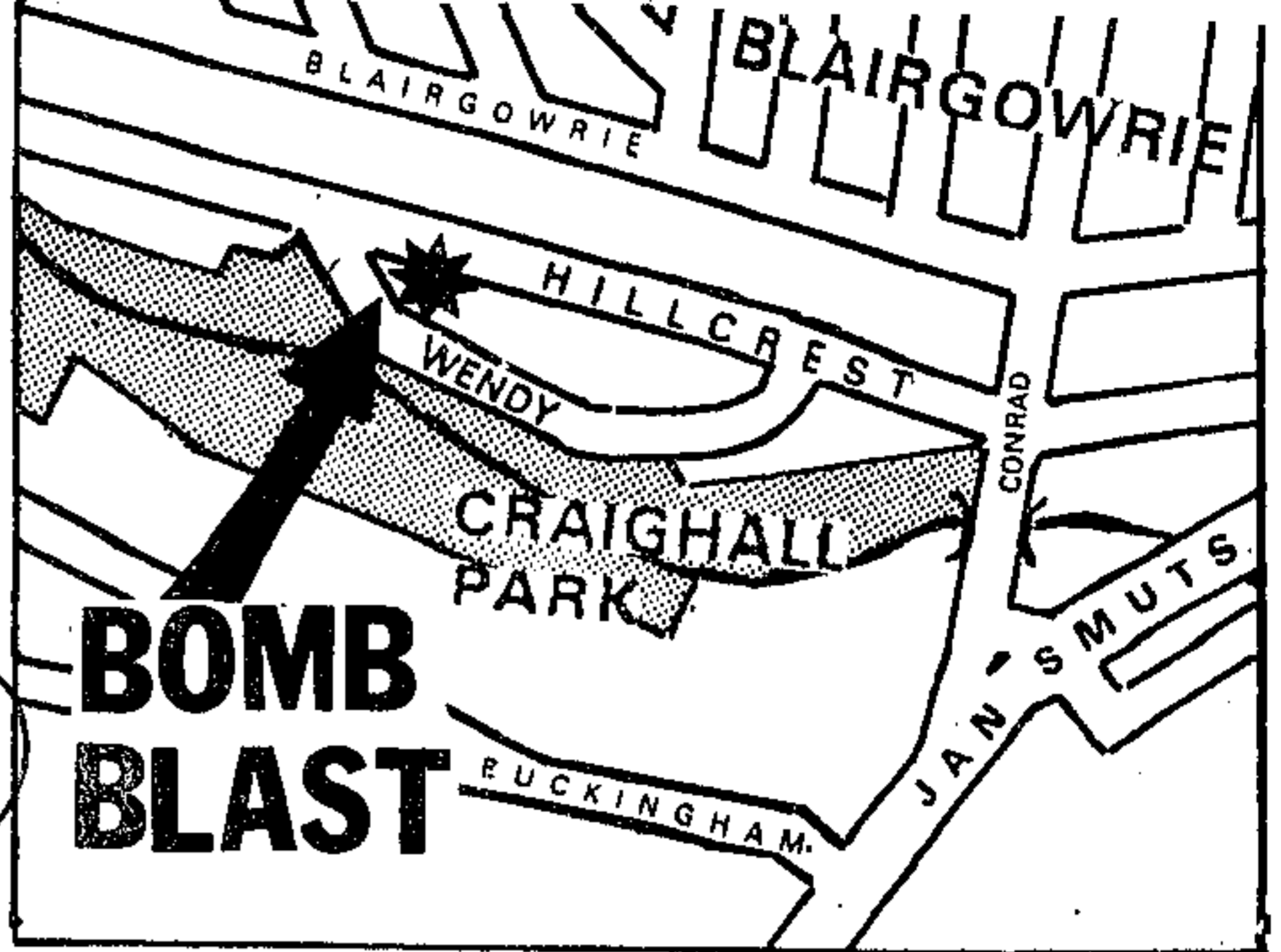
Mr le Grange said this description of the extent of the present situation showed that things sometimes got out of hand and abuses of power did occur. However, the Government was not prepared to sanction any such abuse, he said.

Turning to the position of detainees, Mr le Grange said it was not possible for detainees being held in terms of emergency regulations to be maltreated without it being discovered.

Further, only one percent of all cases involving an abuse of power by the police were found to have any merit, he said.

Link to Soweto evictions?

Northern suburbs home hit by blast



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Staff Reporters

A bomb exploded at the Craighall Park home of Mrs Del Kevan, Soweto's director of housing and former Progressive Federal Party councillor in Randburg, early today. No one was injured.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information said a Soviet-made limpet mine was planted against the western wall of the house, next to the chimney wall of the lounge. The explosive was planted on the ground.

The house, on the corner of Hillcrest Avenue and Wendy Avenue, was extensively damaged in the blast which occurred at about 3.30 am.

Mrs Kevan has received death threats in the past. Feelings against her have been running high since the evictions of seven families at Jabulani and Tshiwelo. Some Soweto residents blame her for the deaths of at least 24 people in White City, Jabavu, this month when residents clashed with security forces after alleged threatened rent evictions.

All the front windows and those on one side of the house were blown out. Two windows in a neighbouring house, belonging to Mr Peter Wodrich, were blown out.

Damage has been estimated at R10 000.

An armed policeman refused *The Star* entry to the house.

Mrs Kevan said this morning she was sure the attack was connected to her position as director of housing in Soweto and the death threats she had received.

"I have not had a chance to think about my position and cannot at this stage say what I will do, or if I will carry on with the job. There's glass everywhere and I have had no chance to touch sides."



Mrs Del Kevan . . . received death threats.

Bedroom

"The police are still here and they're still investigating. I don't know exactly what happened.

"All I know is there was a terrible explosion. It was quite close to my bedroom. Naturally I got a terrible fright. I didn't know what it was."

Since taking up the position of director of housing in Soweto in January, Mrs Kevan has been labelled a racist. After receiving death threats she has had to be escorted to work in Soweto.

But she refused to give up the job, saying she believed her 24 years experience in housing would be of use in Soweto.

She resigned her seat on the Randburg Town Council where she had been chairman of the management committee.

She is known in the town as an outspoken critic of the National Party and its policies and as a tireless worker for black rights.

Mr Mike Choat, a neighbour, said he was woken at about 3.30 this morning by a massive explosion. "We came haring out and when I went down to the house, I saw Mrs Kevan standing outside. She seemed to be quite calm and controlled."



Mrs Kevan's house where a bomb exploded early today. A Soviet-made limpet mine was planted next to the chimney wall of the lounge.

Bomb blasts Rand home of Soweto housing director

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JOHANNESBURG. — A limpet mine blast blew out the windows and parts of the roof of the Craighall Park house of Mrs Del Kevan, Soweto's director of housing, early today.

The windows of about 10 neighbouring houses were broken, including that of a bedroom where 13-year-old girl was sleeping.

In Mrs Kevan's house window frames were twisted, the chimney and roof were wrecked, and walls were charred.

Roof tiles and shards of glass littered the garden.

NEW WINDOWS

Workmen are now repairing damage at the homes of Mrs Kevan and neighbours.

Mrs Kevan said the mine appeared to have been planted in her garden.

"The blast awakened me at 3.30. The lights went out and the burglar alarm went off.

"I looked for my torch and switched off the alarm. My neighbours were there very quickly and called the police," she said.

Mrs Kevan lives alone and was not injured. She appeared calm as she supervised men cleaning up her property.

She told reporters she was sure the attack was connected to her position as director of housing in Soweto.

Previously she had received death threats.

Several cameramen were present, but she refused to let them on to her property. Her house was guarded.

Since taking up the position of director in January Mrs Kevan has been labelled a "racist" and has been escorted to work in Soweto.

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However, she refused to give up the job, saying she took it because she believed her 24 years' experience in housing would be of use.

She resigned her seat on the Randburg Town Council, where she served for a while as chairman of the management committee.

She is known in the town as an outspoken critic of the National Party and its policies and a tireless worker for black rights.

"LIKE THUNDER"

Mrs H Sloan, a neighbour, said: "It sounded like a crash of thunder ... then there was a smash of glass."

About five windows in her home were damaged by the explosion.

"My 13-year-old daughter was lucky she was not injured as her bed was right underneath one of the smashed windows.

"I feel sorry for Mrs Kevan. I believe her life has been threatened by callers who have mentioned bombs and tyres."
— Sapa.

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Mrs Monica Strijdom, 24, critically injured in the limpet mine blast at Montclair Pick 'n Pay in Durban earlier this month, died yesterday.

"Monica just lived for her children and they will be in my care now," her father, Mr Bennie

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Mother hurt in Durban blast dies

Breedt, said yesterday.

Mrs Strijdom died in the intensive-care unit of Wentworth Hospital at 4.15am yesterday without regaining consciousness.

She received severe head injuries from the explosion on September 1 while working at the supermarket's sweet counter.

A divorcée with two sons, Morné, 4, and Marcel, 3, she had been living with her father and mother at Burman Court, Montclair.

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House blasted after threats

From SOPHIE TEMA

JOHANNESBURG. — After weeks of receiving death threats and being called a racist, Soweto's director of housing, Mrs Del Kevan, believes that the limpet mine attack on her Craighall Park home was linked to her job.

Asked if she would continue working for the Soweto Council Mrs Kevan said: "I have not had a chance to think about my work and position and cannot at this stage say what I will do and whether I intend carrying on with the job."

Yesterday a limpet mine of Soviet origin exploded at her home causing considerable damage.

Nobody was injured in the blast but damage to the house has been estimated at about R10 000.

Some of her colleagues at the Soweto Town Council yesterday said they suspected the attack on Mrs Kevan was linked to the recent Soweto evictions.

She was blamed by some for the death of 21 people in Soweto's White City Jabavu following the evictions of seven families from Jabulani and Tshiawelo.

The former Progressive Federal Party Randburg town councillor has also been called a "racist" for re-

marks that she was determined to crack down on people who refused to pay their rent.

The blast about 3am was heard several kilometres from the Craighall Park home.

Several windows in front and on the side of the Kevan house were blown out as were five in a neighbouring house. Her 13-year-old daughter, who was sleeping under one of the windows, escaped injury.

Yesterday afternoon Mrs Kevan's house was guarded and friends would not allow photographers to enter.

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria confirmed that damage to Mrs Kevan's house was caused by a limpet mine of Soviet origin.

In the only other incident of unrest reported yesterday, a security force vehicle was stoned by a group of approximately 600 people when they went to rescue a man being attacked in Soweto on Tuesday morning. One shot of buckshot was fired and the crowd dispersed. The man was admitted to hospital with serious stab wounds.

"A few other incidents, mainly stone-throwing, were reported," the report added.

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Blast linked to job — Kevan

SOPHIE TEMA

AFTER weeks of receiving death threats and being called a racist, Soweto's housing director Del Kevan believes the limpet mine blast at her Craighall Park home yesterday was linked to her job.

Asked if she would continue working for the Soweto Town Council, Kevan said: "I have not had a chance to think about my work."

Nobody was hurt in the blast, which caused about R10 000 damage.

Some of Kevan's colleagues said they suspected the blast was linked to the recent Soweto evictions.

Kevan became unpopular after the killing of 21 people in Soweto's White City Jabavu — a result of seven families being evicted from Jabulani and Tshiawelo.

She was called a "racist" after saying she was determined to crack down on people who refused to pay their rent. And that led to her being gagged by the council.

As well, she received several death threats and had to be escorted to and from work.

Kevan said the mine could have been planted in her garden, because she heard a loud blast close to her bedroom window.

The former Randburg Progressive Federal Party councillor said she was convinced the attack was connected to her Soweto job and the death threats she had received.

Several windows in front and on the side of the Kevan house were blown out, as well as five windows in a neighbouring house.

Kevan said: "I got a terrible fright when the blast woke me because I did not know what it was."

"I got out of bed and noticed that the lights had gone out and the burglar alarm had also gone off."

"I looked for my torch and by the time I got outside some of my neighbours were already on the scene and called the police."

"I went into the front rooms and saw glass everywhere."

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Blast at home of housing director

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JOHANNESBURG — Extensive damage was caused when a limpet mine of Soviet origin exploded at the Craighall home of Soweto's director of housing, Mrs Del Kevan, at about 3.30 am yesterday.

The windows of about 10 neighbouring houses were broken — and the 13-year-old daughter of a neighbour narrowly escape injury when her bedroom window shattered in the blast. Nobody was injured.

The bomb was apparently either thrown through a window, or planted outside the win-

dow of Mrs Kevan's home.

The window frames of her home were twisted, the chimney and roof were wrecked and the walls were charred. Roof tiles and shards of glass littered the garden.

Damage has been estimated at R10 000.

Mrs Kevan's rent policies were widely criticised after the deaths last month of at least 20 Soweto residents who clashed with security police when they resisted eviction. — Sapa



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I AM says a shocked Mrs Del Kevan

SCAPEGOAT

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By MANDLA
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THE home of Mrs Del Kevan, the Soweto City Council's housing director, was extensively damaged by an explosion yesterday after a "death squad" had earlier called her "white vermin venom" to be removed from the face of the earth."

A Bureau for information spokesman confirmed the incident and said the blast was caused by a Soviet limpet mine that was planted near the chimney outside the house. It exploded early yesterday morning.

The spokesman said several windows, including those of nearby houses were blown out. Nobody was injured and the police were investigating.

The attack on the house in Wendy Avenue, Craighall Park, Randburg has been linked to the Soweto rent evictions.

Mrs Kevan told the *Sowetan* yesterday: "I have been made a scapegoat for something I had no control over".

Resistance

Mrs Kevan said had she known that such a great number of people would die as a result of resistance to rent evictions, she would have done all in her powers to stop it.

She was referring to the more than 25 people who were shot dead in White City Jabacvu recently.

Mrs Kevan said she received death threats from a "death squad" soon after evictions in Jabulani and Tshiawelo. She said the squad told her they knew where she lived and they would "remove" her from the face of the earth because she was "white vermin".

She said like other white officials of the council, she was occasionally escorted to work by the council's police. She did not know whether she would

continue with her job after yesterday's attack.

"I have worked tirelessly for the rights of black people and to me they are not black people but just people. That is why it hurts me now that I have been made a scapegoat for something I had no control over", said Mrs Kevan.



MRS DEL KEVAN ... death threats.

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Unrest stories

THIS issue of the *Sowetan* has been produced under conditions that amount to censorship. Some stories that relate to unrest, the state of emergency and the activities of the security forces have been heavily vetted by our lawyers to conform with emergency regulations. Additional information which we may have had relating to unrest had to be approved by the Bureau or cannot be published.

Bomb blast woman quits

JOHANNESBURG —
Soweto's Director of
Housing, Mrs Del Kevan,
today resigned her posi-
tion and immediately left
on an extended holiday.

She handed her resigna-
tion to Soweto's Town
Clerk, Mr Nico Malan.

On Wednesday a limpet
mine blasted her home
here.

"I believe I had a part
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gauntlet by staying on
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faceless terror," she said.

"I can fight my own
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people who will not come
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fer to use terror." — Sapa

ARGUS 26/9/86

Bombed Del Kevan quits — 'faceless terror'

Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Soweto's director of housing, Mrs Del Kevan, resigned today and immediately left on an extended holiday.

Her move comes in the wake of a limpet mine attack on her Craighall Park home early on Wednesday.

She said she handed her resignation to the Town Clerk, Mr Nico Malan. He asked her to reconsider, but her decision was final.

"By staying on I would be endangering my neighbours, who face the risk of another bomb attack against my home.

"A neighbour's child narrowly missed injury from flying glass after the explosion

smashed windows in nearby homes this week," she said.

Mrs Kevan said she was resigning "with the deepest regret" with effect from next month.

"I believe I had a part to play in Soweto but I cannot throw down the gauntlet by staying on when I am dealing with faceless terror," she said.

"I can fight my own fears and I can talk and listen to other people's fears — but I have no answer to people who will not come out into the open and prefer to use terror tactics."

Mrs Kevan became head of the black city's housing department in January and has lived with death threats since.



Mrs Del Kevan

Maputo line sabotaged

The Star's Africa News Service

MAPUTO — The railway line between Maputo and the South African border town of Komatipoort is out of action after an act of sabotage, the Mozambique News Agency (AIM) said yesterday.

A source in the Ministry of Transport said the line had been sabotaged in an area 6 km from the South African border.

He gave no further details.

The agency accused "South African-backed bandit gangs" of frequently attacking this railway, and the line from Swaziland to Maputo.

It said the Komatipoort line had declined in importance for South African business interests "due to the South African boycott of the port of Maputo".

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Supermarket bomb blast victim has died

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Mercury Reporter

MRS Monica Strijdom, 24, who had been in a critical condition since she was injured in the limpet mine blast at Montclair Pick 'n Pay in Durban earlier this month, died yesterday.

'Monica just lived for her children and they will be in my care now,' her heartbroken father, Mr Bennie Breedt, said yesterday.

Mrs Strijdom, a divorcee with two sons, Morné, 4, and Marcel, 3, never regained consciousness after the September 1 blast, and died in the intensive care unit of Wentworth Hospital at 4 15 a m yesterday.

Mrs Strijdom received severe head injuries when the bomb exploded where she was working behind the sweet counter at the supermarket.

She had been living with her father and mother at Burman Court in Montclair.

She was the eldest daughter in the family of four, with two brothers, André, 29, Johan, 26, and a sister, Debbie, 19.

Mrs Strijdom had attended the Saamwerk Laerskool in Sarnia Road and the Eendrag Staatskool in Woodlands.

Funeral arrangements have not been finalised.

Durban bomb victim dies

DURBAN — Mrs Monica Strijdom, 24, who had been in a critical condition since she was injured in a limpet mine blast at a Pick 'n Pay supermarket in Montclair, Durban, earlier this month, died yesterday.

Mrs Strijdom, a divor-

cee with two sons, Morne, four, and Marcel, three, never regained consciousness after the September 1 blast, and died in the intensive care unit of Wentworth Hospital.

Mrs Strijdom sustained severe head inju-

ries when the bomb exploded where she was working behind the sweet counter at the supermarket.

"Monica lived for her children and they will be in my care now," her father, Mr Bennie Breedt, said yesterday.

— DDC.

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Target of bomb attack resigns post

JOHANNESBURG—Soweto's director of housing, Mrs Del Kevan, yesterday resigned her position and immediately left here on an extended holiday.

Mrs Kevan took over the position as head of the black city's housing department in January.

Early on Wednesday morning a limpet mine blasted her home in Craighall Park.

She said she had handed her resignation to Soweto's Town Clerk, Mr Nico Malan, who had offered her the opportunity of reconsidering the matter, but her decision was final.

'By staying on in the job I would be endangering my neighbours, who face the risk of another bomb attack being launched against me,' she said.

She said she was resigning from October 'with the deepest regret'. — (Sapa)

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Three escape Natal

landmine explosion

Crime Reporter

A MAN and two women passengers were unharmed when the light truck they were travelling in detonated a landmine on the Mjindi experimental farm near Ubombo in Northern Natal about 3 a m yesterday.

According to the Bureau for Information, the right rear wheel of the Ford F100 detonated the landmine.

The vehicle was seriously damaged by the explosion but the occupants were not injured.

The driver and his two passengers, whose names were not released, walked to the nearest army camp to seek help, the bureau

said.

A resident of Ubombo said that while the Defence Force launched a sweep of the area, local police manned roadblocks on several roads for most of the day, stopping and searching all the vehicles.

Graffiti

From Johannesburg Sapa reports that the Bureau for Information has confirmed that an explosion shook a hotel in the Braamfontein flat district yesterday.

Three men, two of them white, were slightly injured in the explosion, in a toilet at the Devonshire Hotel at 2 10 p m.

Lt Pierre Louw, police media liaison officer for the Witwatersrand, said police were also investigating an incident that occurred on Thursday at another hotel — a popular student and youth haunt.

He said a docket of malicious damage to property had been opened after a group daubed the walls and front doors of the Oxford Hotel and adjacent shops in Rosebank with political graffiti.

The receptionist said she saw eight men in balaclavas painting on the hotel's front door last night. She telephoned the police and the men ran off. Slogans had been painted on the walls in various colours.

W/E ARGUS 27/9/66

Fund for the two sons of Durban mine-blast victim

The Argus Correspondent
DURBAN. — Pick'n Pay is to set up a trust fund for the young sons of Durban limpet-mine blast victim Mrs Monica Strijdom.

Mr Ferreira said: "We have already approached the two funds for relief. No amount has yet been set for the trust fund and our Cape Town office is working out the legalities."

Mrs Strijdom, 24, died on Thursday in Wentworth Hospital here.

Sweet counter

The fund will be designed to take care of Morné, 4, and Marcel, 3. Mrs Strijdom was divorced.

Asked whether the fund would be for the families of other employees in a similar situation, Mr Ferreira said each case would be treated on its merits.

Funeral

A Pick'n Pay spokesman, Mr Terry Ferreira, said the supermarket chain would pay the costs of Mrs Strijdom's funeral.

Mrs Strijdom was working behind the sweet counter in Montclair shopping centre on September 1 when a limpet mine blew up only a metre or two away from her.

It would also take care of the legal work to secure benefits for the boys from the State President's Disaster Fund and the Workmen's Compensation Fund.

She received head injuries and remained in a coma until she died. Her condition seemed to be improving just before her death.

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PRETORIA — The government announced yesterday that a man and two women had a narrow escape when the vehicle in which they were travelling detonated a landmine.

The incident occurred on the Mjindi experimental farm near Umbombo in Northern Natal, the Bureau for Information said.

"The right rear wheel of the Ford F100 detonated the landmine. The driver and his two passengers, who were sitting in the cabin, were not injured.

"They walked to the nearest army camp to request help. The vehicle was seriously damaged."

The bureau said no arrests had been made in connection with the limpet mine explosion at the home of Soweto's director of housing, Mrs Del Kevan, early on Wednesday morning. — Sapa

Why bomb victim Del did her 'deadly' job

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Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Mrs Del Kevan, target of the first terrorist bomb attack on a white northern suburbs home in Johannesburg, has faced death threats for the past eight months.

The Soweto housing director also has been stoned twice and escaped a "necklace" death when the black councillor accompanying her routed the culprits with his firearm.

Until her resignation yesterday, she lived with death threats and, after 23 people

were shot by the police in the recent alleged rent evictions in Soweto, faced alienation from the political party she once led in the Randburg Town Council.

"I went to Soweto to talk" said Mrs Kevan.

"From the first day I walked into my office my door was open to everyone. And, they came in an endless stream — but I cannot find solutions with people who come to plant bombs in the dark."

It is common knowledge that council decisions on matters such as evictions are taken by all the black Soweto coun-

cillors as well as department heads.

What has not been publicised is one fact she refuses to acknowledge — that hers was one of the voices that refused to support evictions unless they had been legally handled by the courts.

She is bitter that she has been wrongly accused of having blood on her hands.

"Had I known of the



Mrs Kevan

events taking place on the night of the deaths, I would have moved heaven and earth to save innocent people. I believe the dead were pawns in a power game, just as I have been made the scapegoat for the problems in Soweto."

"Political rent boycotters were never part of the evictions, only those people who failed to pay up for months before the political resistance got off the ground. These people whom I referred to as the "incorrigibles" were singled out just as they would be anywhere in the world," she said.

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3 hurt in hotel bomb

By Glenda Spiro

Three people were slightly injured when a bomb exploded in a Braamfontein hotel at lunchtime yesterday.

Police on the scene said a mini limpet mine of Soviet origin detonated at 1.50pm in the Devonshire Hotel on the corner of Melle and Jorissen streets.

Mr Michael Paulson (48) of Randpark Ridge, Randburg, Mr Henning Snyman (47) of Bracken-

downs, Alberton, and Mr Richard Xhuma (28) of Meadowlands, Soweto were cut by glass.

The managing director of the Devonshire, Mr Henry Schonwinkel, said two of the men were sitting together at a table in the Long Bar with their backs to the public toilet where the bomb went off.

"They both had small cuts on their backs and were in a state of shock but their injuries were minor."

Mr Schonwinkel said Mr Xhuma worked for the hotel as a cleaner and was walking in an adjacent alley at the time of the explosion.

Mr Schonwinkel said he could not understand why a bomb had been placed in his hotel. He thought it might have been left on a toilet windowsill in the alley.

"I doubt that someone walked into the bar with a bomb. We have a regular clientele and someone would have noticed."

He said the damage was minimal and the bar was open for business last night.

Mr Kevin Thornton, a Wits student, said he heard an "almighty bang" when the bomb exploded. People around him fell off their stools.

"After the bomb everyone just stood around but we sat down and finished our beers. The Devonshire is a serious drinking pub," he said.

Mr Arthur James said he had just left his car when he heard a bang. "People started screaming and everyone ran towards the place where it went off."

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Bomb blasts hotel toilet

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — An explosion smashed up the toilet adjoining a bar in a four-star Braamfontein hotel, injuring three men, just after 2pm yesterday.

A student's left hand was cut by flying glass when a mirror shattered in the bar and another man had a heart attack at the scene.

Three injured who were treated at a hospital for cuts from glass were Mr Michael Paulsen, 48, of Rand Park Drive, Randburg, Mr Henning Snyman, 47, of De Waal Street, Alberton, and Mr Richard Xhuma, 28, of Area Six, Meadowlands, Soweto.

Mr Paulsen and Mr Snyman were in the bar at the time of the explosion. Mr Xhuma was walking down the alleyway next to the hotel, the Devonshire.

The explosion extensively damaged the toilet and a kitchen, tearing off wall tiles, shattering windows and ripping off pipes, electrical fittings and the grille covering the windows facing the alley.

SA Police liaison officer for the Witwatersrand Lieutenant Pierre Louw confirmed three men had been slightly injured.

Mr Michael Sher, who works in a nearby clothing shop, said: "I went to the door and saw people coming out of the Long Bar and running in all directions. One man was bleeding in the right part of his back and blood was coming from another's left hand."

University of the Witwatersrand students Mr Anthon Traser and Mr Gary Collins carried on playing pool in the Tavern, next to the Long Bar.

They said they were enjoying their game, felt safe underground and were used to violence and bombs.

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Landmine blast on Natal farm

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — A man and two women escaped unhurt when the light truck in which they were travelling detonated a landmine in Northern Natal on Thursday morning.

According to the Bureau for Information, a back wheel of the Ford F100 detonated the landmine on the Mjindi experimental farm near Ubombo soon after 3am.

The vehicle was badly damaged.

The driver and his passengers walked to a nearby army camp to ask for help, the bureau said.

A resident of Ubombo said the army searched the area while the police manned roadblocks.

The bureau said in its report for the 24 hours to 6am yesterday that the number of unrest-related incidents decreased compared to that of the previous day, Sapa reports.

Only two incidents, one an illegal gathering, were reported in Soweto. The Eastern Province and Western Transvaal each reported one incident.

The bureau was unable to confirm reports that people had petrol-bombed and stoned houses of Mamelodi residents who were not participating in the national rents boycott.

According to reports, people petrol-bombed and stoned seven houses on Tuesday and Wednesday night.

The bureau was able to confirm only that two petrol bombs had been thrown at one house, causing minimal

damage and no injuries. No arrests were made.

Reporters may not enter or be within sight of unrest areas, in terms of emergency regulations issued on September 3.

The bureau denied claims by the National Union of Textile Workers that shop stewards and officials of the union's Parys branch were being harassed by police.

On Monday Mr Dan Rhaketsi, secretary of the shop stewards committee at the Arwa plant, was detained by security police, his house searched and union T-shirts and documents confiscated, NUTW said in a statement.

Later that day, the house of the committee's chairman was searched.

On Wednesday an NUTW organizer, Mr Norman Ratshidi, was stopped by uniformed police outside the factory. His car was searched and he was taken to the police station. Here he was questioned about his union work.

That night police visited the home of Mr Rhaketsi and asked for minutes of a union meeting with management.

The union said this was "unwarranted interference" in its affairs and the lives of its officials.

The Bureau for Information said: "The SA Police deny that there was interference in bona fide union activities. Should anyone believe that there is cause for complaint, affidavits can be made to the police. The allegations will then be investigated."

Grenade hurled into packed Reef nightclub

JOHANNESBURG— Three people were injured when a grenade was hurled into the lobby of a packed non-racial nightclub in the coloured township of Eden Park, near Alberton, early yesterday.

The attack took place at the 527 International Discotheque about 1 15 a.m. The grenade was believed to have been of Soviet origin.

Injured in the blast were Mr Lucas Johan Meyer, 25, head of security at the club, his friend Miss Bobby Hovell, 20, and the club's manageress, Miss Lorraine Wilkinson, 24, of Eden Park.

Mr Meyer's legs were shattered when he tried to kick the grenade. He also received shrapnel wounds to the stomach.

Miss Wilkinson's eye was injured and Miss Hovell's

foot was injured. The three were all admitted to the Johannesburg Hospital.

A spokesman said earlier yesterday that Mr Meyer and Miss Hovell were in a serious condition. Miss Wilkinson was 'satisfactory'.

A Bureau for Information spokesman said the club was extensively damaged. Damage has been estimated at about R12 000.

The man who threw the

grenade, described as dark and tall, was later found to have entered the premises through a rear entrance, where a gate chain had been broken with wire cutters.

The grenade, thrown through the lobby door, had rolled across the floor towards the door to the office where Miss Wilkinson was working.

Mr Meyer, in the lobby at the time, shouted 'grenade' as the attacker closed the door and ran off. Mr Meyer tried to kick the grenade away as Mrs Wilkinson came from her office.

The grenade, on a 4.5 second fuse, exploded, shattering Mr Meyer's leg and sending shrapnel into Mrs Wilkinson's face.

In a separate incident two petrol bombs were thrown into the Vanderbijlpark home of Lekoa Town Clerk Mr Nic Louw.

Mr Louw said about R2 500 damage was caused by the fire which destroyed the curtains and carpet.

NIGHT CLUB GRENADE HORROR

THREE people were injured — one seriously — and extensive damage caused to property when a hand grenade was thrown at the entrance of the Five to Seven night club in Eden Park, on the East Rand, early yesterday.

The incident happened at about 1am.

The Bureau for Information in Pretoria yesterday confirmed the incident. The Bureau further stated that no arrest has been made and that police investigations were still continuing.

Eden Park is a coloured township next to Thokoza and Katlehong township.

Those injured are: Mr

Johan Meyer (27), a white man, of Kuisab Street, Alberton, who was seriously injured, Miss Larai Wilkenson (24), of 19 Peterson Street in Eden Park and a unidentified white woman.

The three were admitted to the Johannesburg General Hospital.

Miss Wilkenson is the daughter of the night club's owner, Mr B Wilkenson.

According to reports reaching the *Sowetan* yesterday, the club was packed with patrons when the hand grenade exploded. The reports further stated that people ran in different directions seeking shelter.

At the time of going to Press, the motive behind the attack had not

By MZIKAYESE EDOM

yet been established.

Meanwhile, the Bureau reported that:

- The burnt corpse of a man was discovered in Malie Street in Kwanobuhle, Eastern Cape.

- On the West Rand (Kagiso) Mr Benson Mhumbu (34), of 5838 Kagiso was burnt to death when a house was set alight in the township.

ARGUS 22/9/86

Grenade blast injures 3

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Two women and a man were injured when a Russian-made hand-grenade was thrown into the crowded 527 nightclub in Eden Park, Alberton.

Mr Johan Meyer, 31, of Alberton, was seriously injured in the blast.

Miss Lorraine Wilkinson, 24, of Eden Park, and Miss Bobby Havell, of South Hills, Johannesburg, were slightly injured.

Damage has been estimated at R10 000.

Grenade blast injures three in nightclub

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Three people were injured when a Russian-made grenade was thrown into the crowded 527 nightclub in Eden Park, Alberton, early yesterday morning.

Mr Johan Meyer (31) of Alberton, was seriously injured.

Miss Lorraine Wilkinson (24) of Eden Park and Miss Bobby Havell of South Hills, Johannesburg, were slightly injured.

They were admitted to the Johannesburg Hospital. A spokesman today described Mr Meyer's condition as "serious but stable".

A police spokesman said a man threw the F-1 grenade in the south exit of the nightclub at 1.15 am.

Mr Meyer, the club's security officer, tried to kick it away and it exploded. He received shrapnel wounds in both legs.

The women were also wounded by shrapnel.

Damage has been estimated at R10 000.

Police described the attacker as black, about 28 years old, with a moustache and beard and unusually long hair. He was wearing a green jacket.

Bin replacement is delayed

Plans to install bomb-proof wire mesh litter bins in Johannesburg have been delayed while the city council conducts new tests into other suitable materials.

Mr Stan Verrier, the city's chief solid waste engineer, said original plans to replace the 1 400 free-standing refuse bins and 2 500 pole-mounted bins mainly in the CBD and Hillbrow were altered after media coverage brought in new expert advice.

"It now appears that we will

be using plastic instead of wire mesh, but tests are still being conducted on the cushioning effect of bins surrounded by water-filled jackets," he said.

The delay in installing the new bins would be longer than anticipated.

Mr Verrier said the CBD had been kept remarkably clean despite the fact that no additional staff had been recruited and no extra shifts were being worked since the city's bins were removed in July.

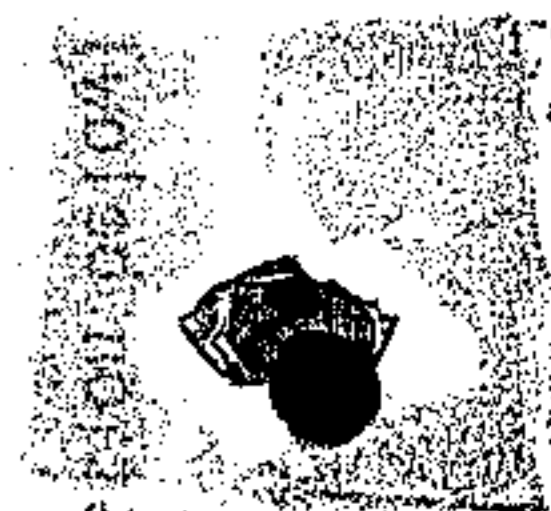
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**Blast at
sub-station**

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — A bomb exploded today at an electricity sub-station in Mobeni, shattering windows and a door.

The blast about 2am is believed to have been caused by a limpet mine.

The Bureau for Information said the wire fence around the sub-station had been cut and the explosive device placed against the door of a control room. No one was injured.



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PRETORIA — Damage amounting to R10 000 was caused when a petrol bomb exploded at the David Vuka School in New Brighton, Port Elizabeth, last night, the Bureau for Information said today.

"An explosion at the Mobeni power station south of Lamontville early this morning caused slight damage. No injuries were reported. The limpet mine used was of Soviet origin.

"The explosion occurred at about 2am. The explosive device was placed at the door of a control room, and only the door and windows were damaged.

"The police investigations are continuing.

"Incidents were reported in only six of the 19 police divisions. Seven incidents were reported in the Eastern Province, while the East Rand reported only one incident." — Sapa

R10 000 damage at PE school

PRETORIA — A petrol bomb caused R10 000 damage to the David Vuka school in New Brighton, Port Elizabeth, the government announced yesterday.

In their latest unrest report, the Bureau for Information said "unknown persons" threw the bomb at the school. The bureau reported that an exploding Soviet limpet mine caused slight damage to the Mo-

beni power station south of Lamontville yesterday. No injuries were reported.

"The explosion occurred at about 2 am. The explosive device was placed at the door of a control room, and only the door and windows were damaged."

The bureau said seven unrest incidents were reported in the Eastern Province, and one on the East Rand. — Sapa

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Louw baffled by bombing

By JOSHUA RABOROKO

THE Lekoa Town Council's clerk, Mr Nikolaas Louw, yesterday said he was still baffled by the motive behind the petrol-bomb attack on his home in Vanderbijlpark.

Mr Louw becomes the latest white official of a council whose home has been attacked. The other official is Soweto director of housing, Mrs Del Kevan, who has since resigned.

Two petrol-bombs were hurled into Mr Louw's home setting fire to the curtains and carpet in the lounge at the weekend.

He used a fire extinguisher to put out the flames. One of the bombs failed to ignite and was found by the family on the window ledge. He estimated damage to about R2 500.

Mr Louw, who reported for work in Sebokeng yesterday, told the *Sowetan* that although he was shocked by the incident he was still prepared to continue his work and would not resign.

He had worked with black local authorities for almost 30 years — the past 10 years in Sebokeng as assistant director of housing for the now defunct Oranje-Vaal Administration Board and now as town clerk.

Meanwhile the Wits University Community Research Group said the township rent boycotts have spread to 54 townships. There has been an increase in the number of people not paying rents in some Port Elizabeth townships.

Power station bombed

PRETORIA — A petrol bomb thrown from a group of 30 youths caused extensive damage to a power substation at Bonteheuwel, near Cape Town.

However, the station's power supply was not cut off, the Bureau for Information reported in its latest unrest report yesterday.

Considerable damage was also caused when "unknown persons" set the Tshanvenjene School at Middelburg in the Eastern Transvaal alight.

Most unrest was reported in Soweto. The West Rand, East Rand and Western Province each reported one incident, the bureau said. — Sapa

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News in brief

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Suspected terrorists shot

PRETORIA. — Two foreign-trained suspected ANC terrorists were killed in a shootout with members of the SA Police in northern Natal yesterday, the Directorate of Public Relations of the SAP in Pretoria said yesterday.

A member of the police was slightly wounded. The shootout took place after an attack, with automatic rifles of Russian origin, on a kraal in the Umbombo district on Monday.

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STATE OF EMERGENCY —
Bombs and Info
Another wave of bomb attacks — apparently from the Left and the Right to judge by their targets — hit the country in the past week. The Bureau for Information has, however,

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made it even harder for the media to publish information they may receive independently by closing its media centre last Friday. Only in exceptional cases, such as terror attacks, it said, would it respond to telephone inquiries. Its daily reports, which are as bland as ever, would continue. Telexed queries will be investigated.

According to bureau reports, the level of political violence is declining. Four people died in unrest-related incidents — including a woman, Monica Strydom, who was injured in a limpet mine blast at the Montclair, Durban, branch of Pick 'n Pay on September 1. This brought the total number of people killed during the current State of Emergency to 299 by Tuesday morning.

Two of the victims were burnt to death. One accidentally blew himself up with a hand-grenade which was dug up outside his house in Khayelitsha. Three children — Lumka Tsheke (6), Shatanathi Aziya, (5), and Buntu Mpakati (15) were injured when the grenade exploded.

The township rent boycott crisis took a frightening new turn with the bombing of the homes of two white local government officials associated with attempts to break it. Both Soweto housing director Del Kevan and Lekoa town clerk Nic Louw have been closely linked with the eviction of families in rental arrears in Soweto and Vaal townships. Kevan's home in Craighall Park was damaged by a limpet mine in the early hours of Wednesday last week. Louw's Vanderbijlpark house was petrol-bombed early on Saturday morning. No one was injured.

On Sunday night, a fire damaged the office of Wits University political studies lecturer Tom Lodge, who is a frequently-quoted academic expert on the ANC. The cause of the fire was not known but firemen apparently found papers soaked in an inflammable substance.

Three men were injured in an explosion at the Devonshire Hotel in Braamfontein, Johannesburg; and three more people were injured when a handgrenade was thrown into the entrance of a nightclub in Eden Park. The bureau reported that the grenade used was of local origin, and that the incident

was probably not unrest-related.

A limpet mine exploded at the Mobeni power station south of Lamontville causing slight damage on Tuesday. And in a land-mine explosion days earlier in northern Natal, Themba Mapembe and his two female passengers narrowly escaped injury when the light truck in which they were travelling detonated a bomb on the Mjindi experimental farm in the Ubombo district.

The bureau confirmed petrol bomb attacks on private homes in Thabong at Welkom and in Mamelodi, Pretoria.

Bureau for Information reports continue to merely list an unspecified number of unrest-related incidents. The bureau rarely supplies any details of the circumstances surrounding the incidents.

Some detail was given in incidents involving damage to school property. In Soweto, the Aurora Girls' School was set alight by an unknown group. At New Brighton, Port Elizabeth, damage amounting to R10 000 was caused when unknown persons threw a petrol bomb at the David Vuka School.

In another incident in Soweto, a security vehicle was stoned by a group of about 600 blacks when security forces came to the rescue of a man being attacked. One shot was fired and the crowd dispersed.

In Soweto in the eastern Cape, two security force members were slightly injured after being shot at by unidentified attackers. ■

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Bellville man hurt in blast

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PRETORIA. — A Bellville SA Defence Force soldier, Lance-Corporal H H van der Merwe, 25, was one of six injured in a landmine explosion yesterday morning.

The military vehicle in which the soldiers were travelling detonated a landmine in KaNgwane, near the Mozambique border, a spokeswoman for the Bureau for Information said here.

The nature of their injuries was not known yet and they had been flown to the No 1 Military Hospital at Voortrekkerhoogte.

Bureau spokeswoman Miss Ronelle Henning said the explosion occurred at 8am on a dirt road near Nbuzine in KaNgwane.

She said it could be expected that the mine had been planted by the African National Congress.

"The type and origin of landmine used in this attack are still being investigated. It is, however, believed that the landmine was planted by ANC terrorists and was probably of Soviet origin. The nature of the attack is clearly in line with stated ANC policy," the bureau said.

The six SADF soldiers were all in a satisfactory condition last night, Defence Headquarters said.

The other five men are:

— Rifleman V B van der Vyver, 24, of Carletonville.

— Rifleman S J Pienaar (no age available), of Vryburg.

— Corporal B S Moir, 23, of Empangeni.

— Corporal D B Jordaan, 24, of Evander and

— Corporal C G Fourie, 26, of Benoni. — Sapa

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6 soldiers hurt in blast

SIX members of the South African Defence Force were injured yesterday when the military vehicle in which they were travelling, detonated a landmine on a dirt road near Nbuzine in Kangwane, near the Mozambique border.

The Bureau for Information reports that the type and origin of landmine are still being investigated.

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The Bureau also said that in Umlazi, near Durban, a large crowd set a vehicle alight on Sunday. A passenger who tried to escape, was attacked and burnt to death. Another passenger was seriously injured.

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Landmine hurts SADF six

SIX members of the SADF were injured yesterday when their vehicle struck a landmine at Nbzine, in Ka-Ngwane.

The names of the men, who were rushed to No 1 Military Hospital at Vortrekkerhoogte, have not yet been released.

In other incidents in the 24 hours to 6am yesterday a burnt body of a youth was found in Kwazakhele, near Port Elizabeth.

In Umlazi, near Durban, a crowd set a vehicle alight. A passenger who tried to escape was burnt to death.

GERALD REILLY

On Sunday a crowd of about 600 attacked the home of a Soweto councillor, causing about R5 000 damage. Pieter Mague died and two other men were injured when shots were fired by a member of the security forces.

Members of the security forces, accompanying a soccer team, were attacked by stone-throwers in Namafulbedu, in the northern Free State.

They fired buckshot and wounded six men and one woman.

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PRETORIA — Six members of the South African Defence Force were injured when the military vehicle in which they were travelling detonated a landmine at about 8 am yesterday on a dirt road in Kangwane, near the Mozambique border.

The six were all in a satisfactory condition in No 1 Military Hospital at Voortrekkerhoogte, Defence Headquarters said last night.

They are Rifleman V. B. van der Vyver, 24, of Carletonville, Lance Corporal H. H. van der Merwe, 25, of Bellville, Rifleman S. J. Pienaar of Vryburg, Corporal B. S. Moir, 23, of Empangeni, Corporal D. B. Jordaan, 24, of Evander and Corporal C. G. Fourie, 26, of Benoni.

"The type and origin of landmine used in this attack are still being investigated," the Bureau for Information said in a statement. — Sapa

Argus 7/10/80

Six soldiers 'satisfactory' after landmine explosion

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Six members of the South African Defence Force, who were injured when a military vehicle detonated a landmine on a gravel road at Nbczine, near the Mozambican border, are in a satisfactory condition, a SADF spokesman said today.

The Bureau for Information announced that the men injured yesterday are: Rifleman V P van der Vyfer, 24, of Carletonville, Rifleman S J Pienaar (no age given) of Vryburg, Lance Corporal H H van der Merwe, 25, of Bellville, Corporal B S Moir, 23, of Empangeni, Corporal D B Jordaan, 24, of Evander, and Corporal C G Fourie, 26, of Benoni.

At a news conference here yesterday the bureau said the men were taken to 1 Military Hospital, Pretoria.

The type and origin of the landmine was being investigated but the bureau said it was believed to have been planted by the African National Congress.

A spokesman for the SADF said today the soldiers were in a satisfactory condition. He declined to describe the men's injuries, saying it was not SADF policy to disclose this information.

● Mr Pieter Mague died and two men were injured when a member of the security forces shot at a crowd of about 600 attacking the home of a Soweto councillor.

About R5 000 damage was caused in the incident at midday on Sunday, the bureau said.

● Members of the security forces accompanying a soccer team were stoned in Namafulbedu, in the northern Free State, on Sunday afternoon. The security forces fired buckshot at the crowd, wounding six men and a woman who were later arrested.

● The burnt body of a youth was found in Kwazakele, near Port Elizabeth, on Sunday afternoon, the bureau reported.

● In Umlazi, near Durban, a large crowd set a vehicle alight on Sunday afternoon. A fleeing passenger was attacked and burnt to death. Another passenger was seriously injured.

A motorist, who knocked down someone at the scene, was wounded in the shoulder when shots were fired at his vehicle. Security forces arrived and dispersed the crowd with tearsmoke.

● In Clearwater, near Durban, the storeroom of a school was set alight on Sunday afternoon, causing R5 000 damage.

● A man was attacked in Atteridgeville by a group on Sunday afternoon. He was admitted to hospital with serious injuries. The security forces dispersed the crowd with tearsmoke.

Isolated incidents — mainly stone-throwing — occurred elsewhere, the bureau reported.

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SA warns Machel of possible reprisals

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MOZAMBIQUE was warned yesterday of possible reprisals by Defence Minister Magnus Malan, after the landmine blast which injured six South African soldiers in KaNgwane on Monday.

Malan said President Samora Machel held the future of the Nkomati Accord — aimed at improving security between SA and Mozambique — in his hands and that recent events in that country seemed to indicate that he had lost control.

He said SA wanted neither an economic nor a revolutionary war, but would be prepared to fight both with all the strength it could command.

But SA should not be regarded as being in the last trench. It would not only survive, but would come out stronger and with a political and economic system to meet the demands of its peoples.

Malan also hit out at the US and the USSR saying it was possibly time for the Southern African sub-continent to be declared a neutral zone with no military access for either super-power.

The men injured in the blast — Rifleman V P van der Vyfer, 24, of Carletonville; Lance-Corporal H H van der Merwe, 25, of Bellville; Rifleman C J Pienaar, of Vryburg; Corporal CS Moir, 23, of Empangeni; Corporal D B Jordaan, 24, of Evander; and Corporal C G Fourke, 26, of Benoni — are in a satisfactory condition in 1 Military Hospital in Voortrekkerhoogte.

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12 face Toti bomb blast trial next month

Pietermaritzburg Bureau

TWELVE people, including two Durban doctors, will appear in the Supreme Court here on November 3 to face a total of 22 charges relating to a series of bomb blasts in the Durban area last year which culminated in the Amanzimtoti bomb on

December 23 which killed five people.

It is alleged in the indictment that one of the accused instructed Amanzimtoti bomber Andrew Zondo to retaliate in response to a raid allegedly carried out by the SADF on December 19 last year in Maseru.

The accused concerned is named as Sibusiso Robert Ndlanzi, 29, of Kwa Mashu.

The 22 charges include terrorism; possession of publications disseminated by or on behalf of an unlawful organisation; contraventions of the Arms and Ammunitions Act, including possession of a machinegun or rifles, possession of grenades and/or bombs, and possession of ammunition.

Recruiting

The 94-page indictment lists the names of 80 State witnesses who could be called to testify.

The State alleges that the accused were members of the banned African National Congress and that in line with the overall aims of the organisation, a Durban group was formed with the specific object of recruiting and training members of the local population for the purpose of executing armed attacks; to support all anti-Government political activities such as boycotts and strikes by military means; and to commit acts of violence in retaliation for raids performed by South African Defence Forces into neighbouring territories.

It is alleged that effective operations started in November 1984 when a certain Mduduzi Sithole was brought to Durban to train members of the local population.

The instructions for the various operations came from Swaziland, it is claimed.

It is alleged that the two doctors among the accused, Sibongiseni Dlomo, 26, and Velaynana Indurith Ramlakan, 28, had concealed and treated a member of the ANC who was injured in a bomb blast at the Grosvenor Girls' High School on October 24 last year and later smuggled him out of the country to Swaziland.

It is alleged that Dr Dlomo had to flee following the blast, because of his connection with two people who were killed in the explosion, and that he returned to the Republic soon after.

The other accused in the trial are Duduzile Buthelezi, 32; Jude Francis, 21; Ordway Msoni, 20; Sipho Bhila, 31; Phumezo Nxiwen, 20; Mapiki Dlomo, 32; Bafu Nguqu, 30; Malusi Mayola, 20; and Vusumuzi Mahlobo, 27.

Retaliation

The bomb blasts or attempted blasts during 1985 referred to in the indictment include the following: An abortive attempt to blow up SADF vehicles at Wentworth and Lamontville in April; a bomb blast at Spar in Gillespie Street on April 18 in support of a consumer boycott;

An attempt to blow up the XL Restaurant on the beachfront on June 14; a bomb at Lamontville Township offices on June 16; an abortive attempt to place a bomb at the Sarmcol rubber factory at Howick in July; a mission to assassinate an Inkatha member 'Sabelo' in retaliation for Inkatha attacks in Umlazi and Lamontville which was later abandoned;

A bomb blast at Umlazi Bakery on July 31 in support of a breadworkers' strike; a bomb blast at the home of Mr Armichand Rajbansi on August 4; explosions at Game and OK Bazaars in West Street and Checkers in Smith Street on September 27, as well as an attempt to bomb the Spar Foodliner at Trust Bank Centre the same day; a bomb blast at the Executive Hotel in Umlazi on September 28 because Inkatha members were there;

The blast at Grosvenor Girls' High School on October 24; a bomb blast at the Moberi post office on December 8; an explosion at the Chatsworth courthouse on December 13; a car bomb in Pine Street on December 21; and finally the Amanzimtoti blast on December 23.

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Security force man
killed SA bureau

PRETORIA. — A security force member, C Ngombane, was shot dead in Joza township near Grahamstown on Monday evening by "an unknown person (who) fired three shots", the Bureau for Information reports.

Six SA Defence Force members injured in the landmine explosion in KaNgwane on Monday were: Rifleman Y P van der Vyver, 24, of Carletonville, Lance-Corporal H H van der Merwe, 25, of Bellville, Rifleman S J Pienaar of Vryburg, Corporal B S Moir, 23, of Empangeni, Corporal D B Jordaan, 24, of Evander and Corporal C G Fourie of Benoni.

A seriously injured Sowetan man is in Baragwanath Hospital after a group of blacks tried to set him alight.

In Pimville, a group of about 15 blacks tried to set fire to a 15-year-old boy and a man. Security forces fired two shots at the group wounding two who were arrested with five others.

The Sowetan in Johannesburg reported yesterday that a 23-year-old man, Mr Peter Makgae, was shot dead and several others were allegedly wounded by Soweto municipal police while returning from a funeral on Sunday.

Police guarding Soweto councillor Mr Patrick Gaboutloeloe's house were allegedly attacked by a crowd of about 600, according to the bureau. — Sapa

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**12 on Durban
bomb charges**

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Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG. — Twelve people, including two Durban doctors, will appear in the Supreme Court here on November 3 to face a total of 22 charges relating to bomb blasts in the Durban area last year which culminated in the Amanzimtoti bomb on December 23 which killed five people.

The accused are: Dr Sibongiseni Dlomo, 26, Dr Vejaynana Indurith Ramlakan, 28, Mr Mapiki Dlomo, 32, Mrs Duduzile Buthelezi, 32, Mr Jude Francis, 21, Mr Ordway Msomi, 20, Mr Siphobhila, 31, Mr Phumezo Nxiweni, 20, Mr Bafo Nguqu, 30, Mr Malusi Majola, 20, Mr Vusumuzi Mahlobo, 27, and Mr Sibusiso Ndlanzi, 29.

Malan warns after blast

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PRETORIA. — The Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, has warned Mozambique of possible reprisals following the landmine blast which injured six South African soldiers yesterday in KaNgwane.

The men are Rifleman V P van der Vyfer, 24, of Carletonville; Lance Corporal H H van der Merwe, 25, of Bellville; Rifleman C J Pienaar, of Vryburg; Corporal C S Moir, 23, of Empangeni; Corporal D B Jordaan, 24, of Evander, and Corporal C G Fourie, 26, of Benoni. They were flown to 1 Military Hospital in Voortrekkerhoogte after the blast and are in a satisfactory condition.

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The stage had been reached where terrorism in Southern Africa "could no longer be seen through one's fingers" and the sub-continent's leaders had to decide for themselves which road to walk.

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However, because of the warring factions in Mozambique it found itself being too easily blamed for problems in that country.

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A Mercury Reporter writes that the Empangeni soldier, Cpl B S Moir, 23, who was injured in the explosion is expected to be home in about a week when he is discharged from hospital.

All six men are in a satisfactory condition.

SA bans Maputo workers

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Political Staff

PRETORIA. — The government yesterday banned Mozambicans from working in South Africa. The ban comes into effect immediately.

And those working in South Africa will not be allowed to return after their permits expire.

The move follows a landmine blast near the Mozambican border on Monday which injured six South African soldiers and the warning on Tuesday by the Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, that there could be reprisals.

The ban was announced here by four cabinet ministers after a day of intensive discussions.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, the Minister of Manpower, Mr Pietie du Plessis, the Minister of Mineral and Energy Affairs, Mr Danie Steyn, and the Minister of Home Affairs, Mr Stoffel Botha, said a diplomatic note had been sent to the Mozambican Government yesterday.

Last night the National Union of Mineworkers and the Chamber of Mines condemned the ban.

The Chamber of Mines said it regretted that the move had been found necessary. It welcomed the fact that "the inevitable disruption to operations will to an extent be cushioned since the government has decided that workers currently employed will be permitted to complete their contracts".

"The Chamber earnestly hopes that negotiations between the South African and Mozambican governments will lead to an early return to normality."

The NUM spokesman made no mention of earlier threats that the union would organize a national strike if the workers were repatriated. His statement merely warned that the decision would be "disruptive" to the mining industry.

He said: "This action is purely part of an attempt to defend apartheid in the wake of concerted international pressure against the regime, and is not a solution to the South African question and peace in the sub-continent."

Opposition Leader Mr Colin Eglin described the clampdown as "labour sanctions" which could mean the end of the Nkomati Accord.

The ban could mean a devastating blow to Mozambique's already disastrous economy. Some 60 per cent of the salaries of Mozambican workers in South Africa are sent to the Maputo government in cash. It will be worth about R100m this year.

Some 52 000 Mozambicans, employed on gold and coal mines in 1985, could be repatriated within a year. Mozambique workers on gold and coal mines sign initial contracts for a period of one year.

Explosion at nightclub man in court

Mr Solly Tantij (32), of Eden Park, appeared in the Alberton Magistrate's Court this week in connection with a grenade explosion at a nightclub in Eden Park last month.

Mr Tantij, who faces a charge of attempted murder, was arrested by the Germiston Security Police in Eden Park last week after a tip-off.

Three people, Miss Lorraine Wilkinson, Mr Lucas Johan Meyer and Miss Bobby Hovell were injured in the blast on September 28 when the grenade was thrown into the 725 Nightclub.

Mr Meyer was discharged from hospital on Friday. Miss Wilkinson and Miss Hovell are still in hospital.

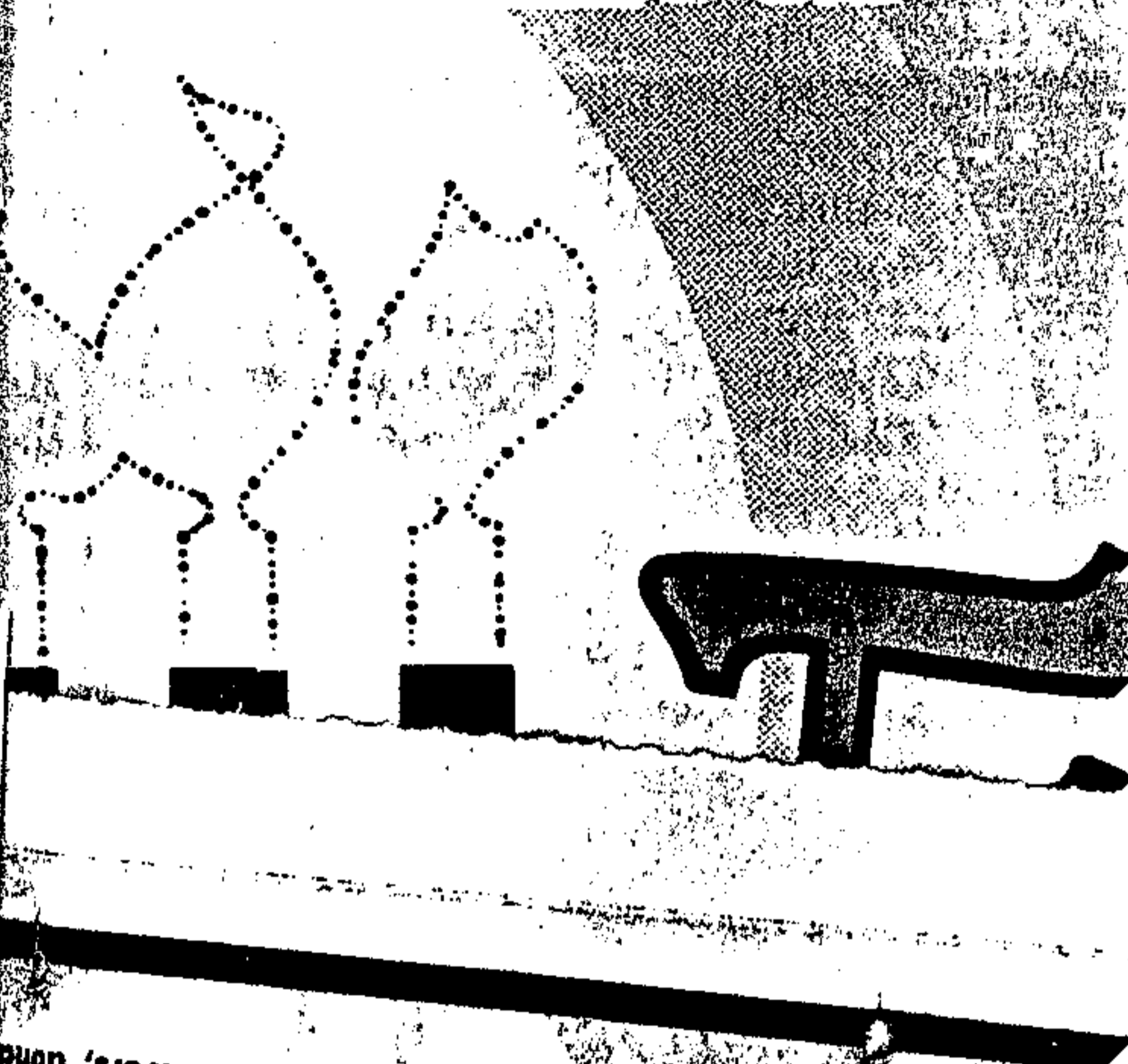
The SAP Directorate of Public Relations said the speedy arrest was due to the fact that an observant member of the public supplied police with important information.

The case has been postponed to October 20.

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Pr service for WATSON LAU YUN, late of Jeppe, Johannesburg, in Street, Braamfontein, Johannesburg, 12/10/86 at 2.30 pm by wife Mona, sons Derek and Clavin. In lieu of flowers, donations

Handwritten Chinese text, likely a list of names or a memorial notice.

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Mines found on Limpopo border

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PRETORIA. — Two landmines have been found on a South African farm bordering Zimbabwe, the Bureau for Information said yesterday.

The bureau said the first mine was found at 5pm on Wednesday by a farm worker. The mine was of Czechoslovak origin and had been found on a farm near Pontdrif.

The mine had been laid about 100m from a farm house and about 300m from the Limpopo River which forms the border. The mine was dug up and defused. A 5kg TNT-charge "booster" had been planted under the mine.

The area had been searched by security forces who found a similar mine about 8am yesterday. The second mine was found about 150m from the border.

□ The bureau reported fewer than 20 incidents of unrest during the 24-hour period to 6am yesterday.

□ Early yesterday morning about 200 people set fire to the house of a member of the South African Police in Soweto. The bureau said the house had been extensively damaged. It said the policeman's 65-year-old father was slightly hurt by bricks thrown at the house.

□ At 3.15pm on Wednesday a group of people stoned a police vehicle in the KwaZakhele township near Port Elizabeth. One shot was fired by the security forces and a man was slightly injured and arrested. — Sapa

Mines found on Tvl farm

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PRETORIA — Two landmines were found on a South African farm bordering Zimbabwe, the government said yesterday.

The state Bureau for Information said one mine was found at 5 pm on Wednesday on the farm San Maria of a Mr Heyns near Pontdrif.

Security forces were alerted and the mine, laid about 100 m from the farm house and about 300 m from the Limpopo River which forms the border between South Africa and Zimbabwe, was dug up and defused.

The bureau said a 5 kg TNT-charge "booster" was found under the mine.

It said the area was "thoroughly searched" and another mine was found about 8 am yesterday about 150 m from the Zimbabwean border.

● In the unrest report for the 24 hours to 6 am yesterday, the bureau said a man was injured and arrested after security forces fired a shot when a group stoned a police vehicle in Kwazakela, Port Elizabeth on Wednesday. — Sapa.

Army scours veld after landmines found

By Dirk Nel,
Northern Transvaal Bureau

PONT DRIFT — The Defence Force is scouring the Pont Drift area after the discovery of two undetonated landmines on Mr Hennie Heyns' farm on the banks of the Limpopo River on Wednesday.

They are also investigating tracks leading into Botswana.

The Heyns family, visitors to their farm and a tractor driver had all repeatedly driven over one of the landmines, but it had failed to detonate.

Another landmine was found by a farmworker's child who was walking along a farm road idly kicking up sand as he went.

Mrs Heyns said: "The child spotted a shiny object, and my husband was summoned".

The object was identified as a landmine, and security forces moved in to search for more devices. The second was found a short distance away.

The Bureau for Information confirmed in Pretoria today that the mines were of Czechoslovakian origin and a 5 kg booster was discovered underneath the second mine.

Today Military Headquarters for the Soutpansberg area in Messina refused to confirm or deny whether the devices were similar to those which exploded in the Weipe area east of Pont Drift in November and December last year.

Seven people died in the Weipe blasts, and there were further fatalities in the Ellisras district a month later.

Bomb in Durban road

Crime Reporter

A BOMB planted in a manhole in Mobeni, Durban, exploded yesterday, causing minor damage.

The Bureau for Information said the explosion occurred at 3 p m in Leicester Road near Lamontville not far from a bus rank. There were no injur-

ies and policemen and solidiers sealed off the area.

The bureau said it had not yet been established what type of explosive had been used.

All that could be seen of the blast aftermath was some debris in the road and a hole where the bomb had gone off.

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Blast near bus depot in Durban

Weekend Argus
Correspondent

DURBAN. — An explosive device blasted out a stormwater drain in Leicester Road in the Mobeni industrial area just south of Durban, outside the Management Transport Board's bus depot.

No one was injured in the explosion, believed to have been caused by a limpet mine.

Police and Defence Force troops immediately cordoned off the area and bomb-sniffer dogs searched cars parked nearby for any more explosives.

Substation

The bomb was placed inside the stormwater drain in front of an electricity substation, near which a bomb exploded in Pendlebury Road 10 days ago.

The explosion late yesterday occurred about 100 metres from the Mobeni branch of the Kentucky Fried Chicken chain. About 19 people were in the shop at the time, 10 of them customers.

According to staff members, everyone froze and stood stunned for a few minutes after the blast, before panic set in.

Buses leaving and entering the depot were not affected.

Five left
**Children
injured
in blast** *16/10/86*

PRETORIA — Six people — including three children — were seriously injured when a petrol bomb was thrown at a private home in Bonteheuwel, Cape Town last night.

The Bureau for Information said the bomb also caused considerable damage to the house.

In Soweto, Johannesburg last night, two handgrenades were thrown at the house of Councillor R Radebe.

Both grenades exploded outside the house and no damage was caused.

Near Kagiso, Krugersdorp, people threw stones at two Greyhound buses.

— Sapa

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**Grenades
thrown
at home** (84A)

PRETORIA — Two handgrenades were thrown at the home of a Soweto community councillor on Wednesday evening, the Bureau for Information's unrest report for the 24 hours up to 6am yesterday said.

"At 8.45 pm last night two handgrenades were thrown at the house of Councillor Radebe in Soweto," the report said.

Both grenades exploded outside the house and there was no damage or arrests.

A petrol bomb was thrown at a private home in Bonteheuwel, Cape Town, at 10.30 pm on Wednesday, injuring six people and causing "considerable" damage.

—Sapa

**Bandits
blew up
track**

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BANDITS have been blamed for blowing up the railway line between Mozambique and SA on Wednesday.

Mozambique's official news agency said bandits placed the mine which derailed a train and damaged the track 40km north of Maputo.

The damaged track is being repaired and the line will be fully operational from today.

No-one was injured in the derailment.

The agency added that another mine exploded on the Limpopo railway line on Monday.

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PRETORIA — Two explosions, believed to have been caused by limpet mines, occurred in Volksrus, the Bureau of Information reported today.

The first explosion occurred last night, causing slight damage to windows and water pipes. The explosive device was apparently hidden in rubbish behind the BKB building.

The second explosion at another building in the town at 2am today caused extensive damage.

The bureau reports that no one was injured. Police investigations are continuing.

In another unrest incident, in Soweto, a group of about 300 people set two buses and a private vehicle alight, causing damage exceeding R300 000.

In Mohalekeng on the West Rand a delivery van was set alight.

In Kathlehong a group of about 200 people caused extensive damage when they set fire to the Funana High School. — Sapa

Second blast hits Volksrust

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Crime Reporter

YESTERDAY'S bomb blast in Volksrust, the second to hit the small Transvaal town in four hours, caused extensive damage to a building in the centre of the town.

However, there were no injuries reported.

The first bomb, believed to be a limpet mine, exploded in a rubbish pile behind the BKB building, damaging only windows and water pipes, the Bureau for Information said.

According to the bureau, the second one, which exploded about 2 a m yesterday, ripped through walls of the Evette building on the corner of Louis Trichardt Street and Vrede Street causing extensive damage.

Police are investigating.

The bureau said other incidents of unrest for the 24-hour period ending yesterday 6 a m consisted mainly of stone-throwing and arson.

In one incident in Soweto about 300 people set alight two buses and a private vehicle causing damage of more than R300 000.

Volksrust picks itself up after landmine blasts

By Andre du Toit

When two landmine explosions rocked Volksrust earlier this year, parents collected R22 000 to put a razor wire fence around the primary school.

And, somehow, they will cope with the two blasts that hit the centre of the town this week, said Mr Pieter van der Linde, local bank manager and community leader.

Yesterday morning, the people of Volksrust were still dazed by the two explosions that shook their town, perched on the border between Transvaal and Natal, the previous night.

The worst-hit victim was Mr Johan van Zyl, born and educated in Volksrust and owner of the E-Z Handelshuis, a general dealer who started the business 35 years ago with his father.

Mr van Zyl said he received a call from the police at 1.30 am yesterday telling him not to panic — but his shop had been blown up. He left immediately to inspect the damage and, by yesterday afternoon, was still trying to calculate its extent.

"The blast was shattering and could be heard all over town. A trowel was flung into the ceiling," Mr van Zyl said.

The blast that virtually destroyed Mr van Zyl's family business was the second to shake the townfolk out of their sleep.

"At two minutes past ten, a bomb went off in the backyard of the BKB Farmers' Co-operative shop, right next to Volkskas bank," explained Mr van der Linde.

Windows were blown out and piping damaged but no one was killed or injured, said a statement issued yesterday by the Bureau for Information in Pretoria.

The latest bomb blasts would be discussed by the local Afrikaanse Sakekamer and the municipality, said Mr van der Linde.

But the people of Volksrust refuse to believe a local could have been involved in Monday night's explosions.

"We have never had any trouble here," Mr van der Linde added.

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Arrests linked to bomb blasts

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It is also alleged that they were responsible for several other bomb blasts in the Durban area. — Sapa

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**Police arrest
2 after blasts
in Durban**

The Argus Correspondent
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New Durban terror arrests

Crime Reporter

DURBAN security police, who have arrested 70 alleged ANC saboteurs so far this year, detained two more suspected bombers in the city this week.

Police suspect the two men are 'locally trained terrorists'.

They are being held for questioning in connection with the bombing in August of the Chatsworth home of the chairman of the House of Delegates, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, and December's explosion at the Chatsworth's Magistrate's Court. A spokesman in Pretoria

said the suspected terrorists were expected to join 12 others in the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg, on November 3 for trial on charges of treason and terrorism.

Among the accused are two doctors.

The charges against the 12 range from terrorism, contraventions of the Arms and Ammunitions Act and possession of subversive literature.

The success rate of the Durban security police in tracking down suspected ANC terrorists is the highest of any police division in the country.

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'50 trained ANC fighters go into SA every month'

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Weekend Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — Recruitment to the African National Congress has increased above the levels of the pupil exodus that followed the Soweto riots in 1976 and about 50 trained fighters are returning to South Africa every month, according to a Witwatersrand University academic, Dr Tom Lodge.

Dr Lodge, a recognised expert on the ANC, has contributed an article on the organisation to the latest International Affairs Bulletin.

Dr Lodge says there is no reason to disbelieve ANC claims that it is dispatching about 50 trained men or women a month, and that it is recruiting more people than it did during the Soweto pupil exodus.

The increase in the number of security force-inflicted losses indicated that counter-insurgency measures were keeping pace with the increase, but not exceeding it.

"But the army and police have forces and resources in reserve," he adds.

According to Dr Lodge the ANC

expanded its traditional "urban constituency" and began a programme of rural recruitment. The increase in the number of rural landmine attacks reflected this.

Indications were that in some rural areas the ANC had been recruiting farm workers and trying to mobilise them against their employers. The fact that wages in some areas could be as low as R2 a day was an inducement to labourers to join the movement.

According to figures compiled by Dr Lodge on the activity of the ANC's military wing Umkhonto we Sizwe (Spear of the Nation) for the first six months this year (compared to the last six months of 1985), there has been a significant increase in attacks on so-called "soft targets" accompanied by a stepping-up of attacks on "hard targets".

There were nine attacks on "soft targets" (restaurants, hotels, commercial buildings and so on) in the first six months of 1986 (two in the preceding six months).

Man with grenades guilty of terrorism

Staff Reporter

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A 25-year-old Guguletu man has been convicted of terrorism for possessing two Russian-made hand-grenades between February and April this year.

Wiseman Ndodomzi Mdlalana of NY 49, Guguletu, pleaded guilty and, in a statement read by his counsel Mr Dullah Omar, admitted that he had possessed the grenades.

Giving evidence in mitigation, Mdlalana said: "On April 18 I was at a shebeen in Guguletu where I spoke to Mr Mzwandile Lucky Madubula.

HOW TO PULL THE PIN

"He told me he was a member of Umkhonto we Sizwe, the African National Congress's military wing. He said he had a handgrenade and showed me how to pull the pin.

"I would not have become involved had I not been drinking. I was slightly aware of what was happening, but I was more or less under the influence.

"I was arrested that day before I could give the grenade back to its owner. He ran away when the police came."

HELD HANDGRENADE

Prosecutor Mr M L Sher: Would you have used the grenade if the police had not arrived?

Mdlalana: No, I would have handed it over to the owner.

Mdlalana said he had also possessed a handgrenade on an earlier occasion when he held one while Mr Madubula demonstrated its use.

Sentence will be passed by Mr J D Beyers tomorrow.

Limpet mine smuggler jailed for 10 years—

Stephen Johannes Marais (29), who admitted smuggling limpet mines into South Africa to be used "in accordance with the aims of the African National Congress", was sentenced yesterday to 10 years' imprisonment for terrorism.

In passing sentence, magistrate Mr T J la Grange said Marais regarded the aims of the ANC as of paramount importance — and human life as secondary.

Marais, an Environmental and Development Agency field worker assisting villagers with vegetable gardening, water and health projects, accompanied Miss Marion Monica Sparg to East London in February, Johannesburg Magistrate's Court heard. Six limpet mines were stored at his home in Transkei.

Miss Sparg is awaiting trial in the Rand Supreme Court for treason.

A short while after the trip, Marais heard that a limpet mine had exploded at a police station in East London — causing no injuries and limited damage.

The magistrate said Marais was prepared to justify the use of limpet mines as long as these were aimed at striking military, political and economic targets.

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Marais said under cross-examination: "It is tragic, but inevitable, that the innocent may be seriously injured or killed."

He was asked to comment on the ANC aim of overthrowing State authority by violence.

He said he did not condone indiscriminate killing of civilians by striking "soft" targets, such as supermarkets.

The magistrate said he could not reconcile these two views.

"There's no point in trying to uplift the lives of some people and trying to destroy the lives of others," said Mr la Grange.

Marais did not complete his fine arts degree at the University of Cape Town because he received his call-up papers in 1978. He refused to do his national service but became involved as a field worker in rural development projects.

Mr la Grange said Marais pleaded guilty, "but there was no evidence of any remorse only his justification for his actions".

At a previous hearing, the court heard that through ANC members in Lesotho, Marais became convinced the ANC was "the most important organisation fighting for change from the apartheid system".

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Bomb blast suspect escaped, say police

By Philip Botha

ONE of the alleged ANC terrorists linked to the Marine Parade bomb blast in Durban in which three people died this year, escaped from police custody early last month but was later rearrested after being shot, police revealed yesterday.

The detainee was Robert McBride, who was alleged in court papers to be responsible for the Marine Parade blast and various other acts of terror in the Durban area.

A spokesman for police headquarters yesterday confirmed that a detainee being held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act escaped from custody in Durban about 7 p m on September 11.

He said the escaper was arrested within 30 minutes after police shot and wounded him in the foot.

'We confirm that he is one of the persons arrested in connection with certain acts of terror in and around Durban some time ago,' the spokesman said.

A security policeman, Capt Jacobus Adriaan Vorster, alleged in papers before the Supreme Court, Durban, opposing the urgent application for the release of Mr George Webster, that Mr McBride had been responsible for a number of terror incidents.

These included, apart from the Marine Parade blast, an explosion at the Mayville sub-station, an explosion at the Chamberlain sub-station, which led to the death of Lt-Col Robert Welman, another explosion at the same sub-station and a grenade attack on the home of a member of the Labour Party.

Other acts allegedly committed by Mr McBride were the grenade attack on the home of another Labour Party member, the dramatic rescue of Gordon Webster from Edendale Hospital in Pietermaritzburg in which one person was killed and several wounded, the placing of a 15 kg bomb in Pine Parkade, the explosion at the Copper Shop in West Street, an explosion at an oil tank in Jacobs and the sabotage of a water pipeline in Westville.

Grenade attack kills police officer

Crime Reporter

A DURBAN security force member who was found dead in his house in Umlazi yesterday, is believed to have bled to death from leg injuries he sustained in a hand grenade attack on his home.

The Bureau for Information confirmed the death of Det W/O M Sokela, of CR Swart Square.

Police estimated that a handgrenade was hurled through W/O Sokela's bedroom window about 1 am yesterday. His legs were badly mutilated and it is believed he died from loss of blood.

His body was found by neighbours.

The bureau also announced that two limpet mines were found and deactivated in the centre of the Northern Natal/Transvaal border town of Volksrust.

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Horseman killed by land-mine

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PRETORIA. — A South African Defence Force member died when his horse detonated a land-mine on a dirt track about 20km from Barberton in the Eastern Transvaal, said the SADF directorate of public relations today.

In a news release it said Lance-Corporal Albertus Marthinus le Roux, 20, died in the afternoon on a track regularly used by mineworkers.

"There was no doubt at this stage that the mines were planted by African National Congress (ANC) terrorists operating from Mozambique."

Lance-Corporal le Roux leaves his mother, Mrs A H van Tonder, of Kloofsig, Pretoria.

— Sapa.

ANC 'soldier' Sparg gets 25 years

BY MARTIN NTONGENGE

FORMER journalist Mar-
ion Sparg - described in
court as a "dedicated un-
repentant member of Unk-
honto we Sizwe" - has been
jailed for 25 years.

Sparg, 28, was sentenced
yesterday by Judge PJ van
der Walt after being found
guilty of treason, arson and
attempted arson.

The woman who de-
scribed herself as "an Afri-
can National Congress sol-
dier" had pleaded guilty to
all charges.

She was jailed for 20
years on the treason charge,
five years each on the arson
charges and two years on the

attempted arson charge. All
but the treason charges will
run concurrently - so she
will serve an effective 25
years.

The State had asked that
she be jailed for life.

Sparg hugged and kissed
her crying family before she
was led to the cells after
being sentenced.

A few of the 100 specta-
tors in the Rand Supreme
Court carried yellow flow-
ers.

Passing sentence yester-
day, Judge Van der Walt
described Sparg as "a dedi-
cated and unrepentant
member" of MK.
"I regard it as an aggra-

vating factor that, as a white
South African, you chose to
espouse the cause of revol-
ution," he said.

During the trial, Sparg
had admitted planting lim-
pet mines at three police
stations this year.

Two of the mines ex-
ploded - at Cambridge po-
lice station in East London,
and at John Vorster Square.

The third, planted at Hill-
brow police station, was dete-
ronated before it could ex-
plode.

Sparg also admitted pe-
trol bombing three Progres-
sive Federal Party offices in
1981, during Republic Day
protests.

● Sparg's defence advocate,
Jules Browde, had argued
during the trial that his cli-
ent's case was "a difficult
one".

He added: "It is inherent
in our justice system that
because of our troubled his-
tory, with treason being
committed for various politi-
cal reasons and beliefs,
judges should not mete out
heavy sentences which may
create martyrs."

Browde said Sparg's mo-
tives were laudible - but the
judge quickly answered that
her motives were irrelevant
and that she would be sen-
tenced for her actions.

● During cross-examina-
tion, prosecutor Keith
Atwell had asked Sparg
whether she regarded her-
self as a traitor.

She answered: "I regard
myself as a patriot."

Atwell pointed out that
Sparg was "educated, so-
phisticated and intelligent".

"She does not come from
a deprived family, nor has
she endured hardships - or
been part of people victi-
mised by the system so as to
prompt her extreme ac-
tions," he said.

"She has shown no sign of
remorse."

● In her own evidence,
Sparg said her political in-
volvement started when she

enrolled at Rhodes Univer-
sity in 1979 to study for a
degree in journalism.

She took part in an eight-
day hunger strike in protest
against Biko's treatment be-
fore he died.

After completing her
journalism course at
Rhodes, she said, she joined
the *Sunday Times* as a po-
litical and labour reporter.

She said there was a lot of
self-censorship at the *Sun-
day Times*, and she there-
fore had many clashes with
the editor.

Sparg also took part in a
one-day strike at the news-
paper, but later decided she
had had enough of "the so-

called liberal Press".

Sparg said she had be-
come a journalist because
she loved writing - but later
thought she could help
change society.

The judge then asked her
if she rejected the idea of a
journalist as an objective ob-
server.

She answered that jour-
nalists are part of society
and have to take sides.

● Sparg also rejected an al-
legations that the ANC
trained people to commit
murder.

She referred to her uncle,
who was imprisoned by the
Nazis during the last world
war.

"Whites and blacks who
fought the Nazis during the
last world war were not mur-
derers."

"Nazism was an evil
crime against humanity and
a threat to world peace.

"Apartheid is also a crime
against humanity and a
threat to world peace."

She said she had attacked
police stations because it
was MK policy to attack
targets "directly representa-
tive of the brutality of apart-
heid"

This was done "in broad
daylight so as to pre-empt
the routine suppression of
information relating to acts
of sabotage".

Former journalist admits planting mines in police stations

Marion Sparg convicted of 38 treason and arson charges

By Don Holliday
and Jenni Tennant

It took less than an hour for former journalist Marion Monica Sparg to be convicted in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday of treason, two counts of arson and one of attempted arson.

Sparg (28), address given as Emberton Court, Hillbrow, pleaded guilty to the charges.

She confirmed in a clear, firm voice the contents of a statement she made to a magistrate after her arrest on March 7 this year, as well as of a letter to her mother.

In the statement, she said she joined the *Sunday Times* as a reporter in early 1980.

During the course of her work she met Mr Arnold Geyer and Mr Damian de Lange. She accepted an invitation from them to join a Marxist reading group.

"De Lange, Geyer and myself decided to carry out petrol bomb attacks against three PFP (Progressive Federal Party) offices, which we did on the eve of the Republic Day celebrations in May 1981," she said.

They left South Africa for Botswana, where she was recruited by the ANC.

In early 1982 she underwent military training in Angola.

She worked for *Voice of Women*, an ANC publication, before joining the ANC's military wing Umkhonto we Sizwe in 1984.

In February 1985 she and Stephen Jolannes Marais smuggled

eight limpet mines and detonators, hidden in the door panels of their hired car, into South Africa from Lesotho.

On February 19 she placed two limpet mines in the toilet of the Cambridge Police Station in East London. Both exploded.

On March 4 1986 she placed two limpet mines in the toilets at John Vorster Square and one in the toilets at the Hillbrow Police Station.

The mines at John Vorster Square exploded, but the mine at Hillbrow was discovered and detonated by police.

No one was injured in any of the explosions.

Why Sparg rejected 'a normal life'

By Don Holliday

A letter written by Marion Sparg to her mother on March 3 this year was read in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday, minutes before she was convicted of treason, two counts of arson and one of attempted arson, to all of which she pleaded guilty.

In the letter Sparg explained her reasons for rejecting "a normal life" and joining the military wing of the African National Congress.

The letter said:

"I can understand that, in a way, you have cause to hate and resent me for bringing more pain and problems to a family that has already had more than its fair share of trouble.

"Quite simply, there is no other life for me except the one I'm living.

"I do not regret giving up my previous life. The struggle to set this country free, is my life now.

"My life has meaning now. I know where I'm

Part of the damage caused when petrol bombs were hurled into the offices of the Progressive Federal Party in Norwood, Johannesburg.



going and I know we'll reach there — even if I don't personally make it. I've never felt more fulfilled.

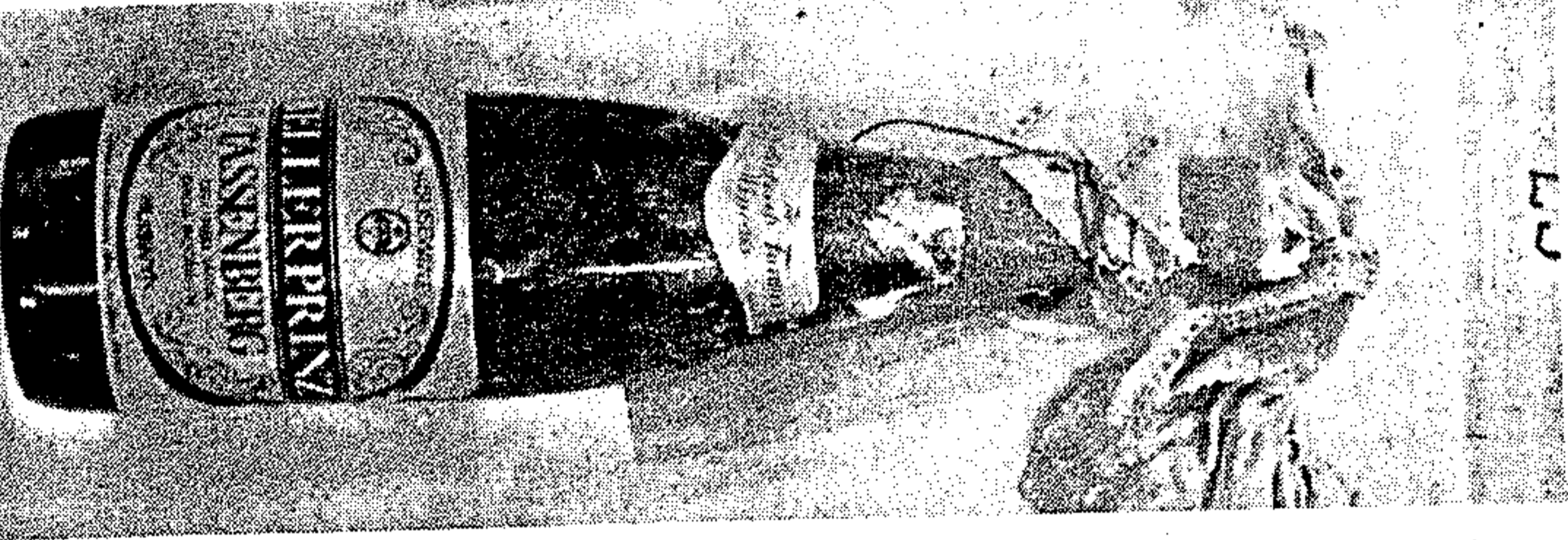
"In Alexandra last week more than 80 people were shot dead. Most were simply teenagers with nothing more than stones in their hands.

"But I can understand the fear of the white policemen and soldiers as they faced those children. I can understand their fear as they failed to understand that children with stones were prepared to take on armoured cars and sub-machine-guns.

"In a way I have made enemies of my family and some previous friends. For, if they are to defend apartheid, then I am their enemy for life.

"You see, there really is no going back for me. One can only move forward now. If it means my life, I'm quite prepared.

"This war has to be fought to the bitter end. And it is going to be bitter."



An unexploded petrol bomb hurled into Progressive Federal Party offices by Marion Sparg.

Tight security as Natal terrorism trial begins

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MARITZBURG — The terrorism trial of 12 people, charged with responsibility for the wave of crimes that culminated in the Amanzimtoti bomb blast, began amid tight security at the Supreme Court in College Road yesterday.

The 12, including two doctors and a mother, are charged with a total of 22 counts resulting from a series of bomb blasts in the Durban area.

All 12 arrived at court yesterday chanting freedom songs about recently hanged Amanzimtoti bomber, Andrew Zondo, who was allegedly instructed by one of the them, Mr Sibusiso Robert Ndlanzi (29) of kwaMashu, to retaliate for the alleged SADF raid in Maru last year.



People attending the terrorism trial in the Maritzburg Supreme Court yesterday were searched and allowed into the courtroom in groups of five at a time.

Zondo was sentenced to death earlier this year for planting a bomb at an Amanzimtoti shopping centre. Five people were killed in the blast.

The blasts with which the 12 are alleged to be connected include:

- The bomb at Grosvenor Girls' School where two men were killed.
- A bomb at the home of Mr Amichand Rajbansi.
- Blasts at a number of supermarkets and a bakery allegedly in support of a boycott.

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- Blasts at a beachfront restaurant, at the Lamontville township administration office, and the Chatsworth courthouse.
- An attempted assassination of an Inkatha member.
- An attempt to blow up SADF vehicles.
- An abortive attempt to bomb the then Sarmcol rubber factory at Howick.

All 12 accused, whom the State alleges are members and/or supporters of the African National Congress, yesterday pleaded not guilty to the main charge of terrorism.

In addition some face alternate counts, to which they also pleaded not guilty. These include possession of publications disseminated by or on behalf of un-

lawful organisations and contravening the Arms and Ammunition Act.

People entering the courtroom were searched.

The accused, who included a mother, Mrs Duzile Charity Baby Buthelezi and who was allowed to hold her four-month-old infant in the dock, entered the court chanting.

The State alleges that the ANC, acting through its military wing, Umkhonto We Sizwe, was active in the Durban area and that a Durban group, of which the accused were part, was allegedly formed with the object of recruiting and training people in the use of arms, and to support all anti-Government activities in retaliation for alleged SADF activities.

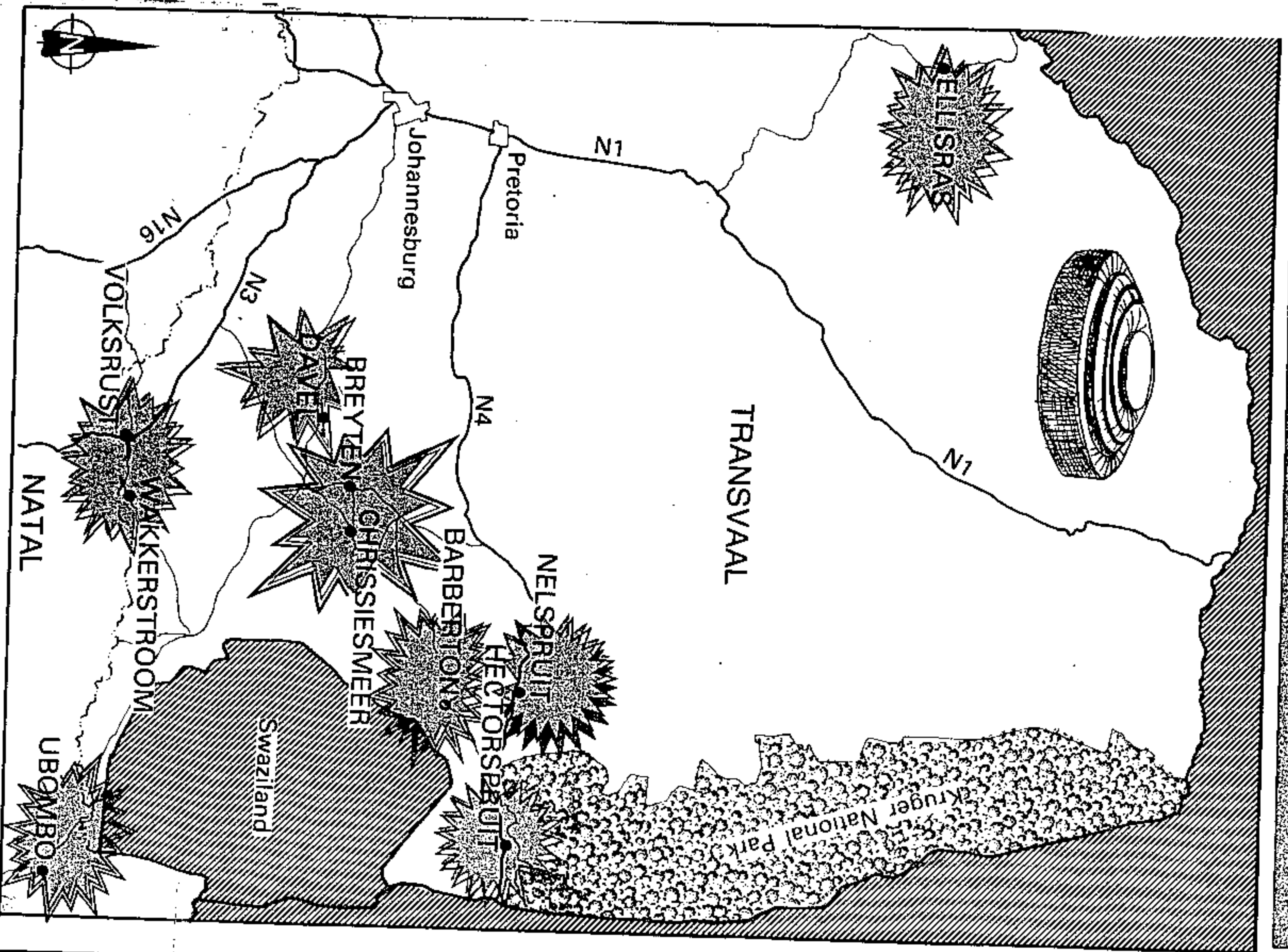
The two doctors, Dr Sibongiseni Maxwell Dhlomo and Dr Vejaynand Indurjith Ramlakan allegedly concealed and treated a member of the ANC who was injured in a bomb blast at the Grosvenor Girls' School, and later smuggled him to Swaziland.

Mr Mapiki Aaron Dlomo faces more charges than any other of the accused. These include an accusation that he received military training at Dr Ramlakan's house, and that he helped establish arms caches.

Mrs Buthelezi allegedly arranged accommodation for ANC members in Durban.

The hearing continues. — Sapa.

Landmine terror



The pattern of landmine blasts in the eastern and northern Transvaal since the beginning of the year. It is now almost a year since the first landmine blast inside South Africa, near Messina on November 26, 1985. Between that day and the end of 1985, 15 people were injured and nine people killed in landmine blasts.

Graphic: TINA COOMARIS

Soldier is latest victim in surge of mine blasts

By ROGER WILLIAMS
Chief Reporter

AT LEAST 12 people, including Lance-Corporal A Me Roux who died when his horse detonated a landmine near Barberion on Sunday, have been killed this year in a succession of landmine blasts in the Transvaal and Natal.

The landmine has, since January, been used increasingly in a startling surge of guerilla activity in South Africa — most of it so far confined to rural areas near South Africa's borders with neighbouring states.

These were among the incidents recorded:

□ **January** — SA troops sealed off the remote farming area north of the border town of Ellisras, 285km north of Johannesburg, after a landmine had ripped apart a farmer's truck, killing his wife and father.

The explosion was the eighth of its kind in five weeks. It prompted the Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan, to say the government would act "in order to fight this evil".

□ **February** — The University of Pretoria's Institute of Strategic Studies recorded 19 bombing incidents, including some involving landmines, and commented that this was "far more than in the corresponding periods in previous years".

□ **April** — Police and soldiers uncovered four more landmines on dirt roads in the Breyten area of the East-

ern Transvaal, in the wake of two landmine blasts which had injured three men a few days earlier.

□ **May** — Russian-made landmines were found in a bag next to the bodies of two men who died when a landmine they were priming exploded on a gravel road in the Hectorspruit area.

About the same time a landmine exploded under a tractor on a dirt road near Davel, north-west of Ermelo. Two people had been killed and eight injured in the area a few days earlier.

□ **June** — Police and soldiers searched for men who had laid mines which exploded between Volksrust and Wakkerstroom, injuring three people.

Five "suspected ANC terrorists and collaborators" were later arrested in connection with a spate of landmine incidents in the Eastern Transvaal since April.

Also in June, an 18-year-old schoolboy lost a foot when his bakkie detonated a landmine near Volksrust.

□ **August** — Five people were killed and three seriously injured in three landmine explosions within short distances of Nelspruit, in the Eastern Transvaal.

□ **September** — A man and two women escaped unhurt when the light truck in which they were travelling detonated a landmine near Ubombo, in Northern Natal.

State demands long sentence for 'revolutionary' Sparg

By Jenni Tennant

African National Congress member Marion Monica Sparg was a dedicated revolutionary, the State argued in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday when it asked for a long sentence to be imposed on the former journalist.

Sparg (28), address given as Emberton Court, Hillbrow, Johannesburg, was convicted on

Monday of treason, two counts of arson and one of attempted arson after pleading guilty to the charges.

Sentence is expected tomorrow.

Yesterday, after evidence in mitigation of sentence had been led, the defence and the State concluded their arguments.

Mr J Browde SC, for Sparg, said that, in assessing an appropriate sentence, the court had to

take into consideration the particular facts as seen by Sparg which motivated her actions.

Sparg, who said she considered herself a patriot and not a traitor, did what she did because of her convictions, Mr Browde argued.

The deputy attorney-general, Mr K M Attwell, submitted that the sentence should be an extremely long period of imprisonment and recommended that the

court consider imposing life imprisonment. He said that rehabilitation would have no effect on Sparg as there had been no real hint of remorse for what she had done.

Earlier yesterday Sparg — a member of the military wing of the ANC, Umkhonto we Sizwe — told how she joined the banned organisation and described some of the influences which helped shape her political thinking.

She met leaders of the ANC and also studied its history.

"I consider it a privilege to have met people of the calibre of Oliver Tambo, Thabo Mbeki, Joe Slovo and others," she said.

"I believe my actions amount to patriotism, not treason."

Her motives for placing limpet mines in three police stations were that of a soldier, she said.

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SENTENCE will be passed tomorrow on Marion Sparg, convicted on Monday in the Rand Supreme Court of treason for placing limpet mines in the toilets of three police stations during February and March.

The State yesterday asked Mr Justice van der Walt to impose a life sentence of 25 years on Sparg, who pleaded guilty to treason, arson and attempted arson.

Sparg, 28, was convicted of treason for detonating two mini-limpet-mines at East London's Cambridge Police Station on February 19; detonating two such mines at John Vorster Square, Johannesburg, on March 4; and, later on the

Call for life sentence for treason trialist Sparg

same day placing a limpet mine at Hillbrow Police Station.

Sparg was convicted of arson and attempted arson for petrol bombing PFP premises in Norwood and Parktown on Republic Day, 1981.

Sparg said yesterday in testimony from the dock she was a committed member of the ANC, "fighting the apartheid evil — a threat to world peace — in the belief that SA belongs to all the peoples who live in it".

Sparg said she had attacked the premises of the PFP, together with accomplices Damien de Lange and Arnold Geyer, to reciprocate the PFP's refusal to boycott the Republic Day celebrations.

She said she attacked the police stations in accordance with a recent Umkhonto we Sizwe policy decision to "attack targets directly representative of the brutality of apartheid in broad daylight so as to pre-empt the routine suppression of information relating to acts of sabotage".

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Mozambican trips mine near SA

JOHANNESBURG. — A Mozambique citizen crossing into South Africa was injured when he set off an anti-personnel mine before reaching the fence, the Bureau for Information report on unrest-related incidents in the past 24 hours said.

The bureau did not say where Mr Fillisiane Nabange, 28, was crossing when the explosion occurred. He is said to have crawled under the fence into South African territory where a security force patrol found him. He was given medical treatment at their unit. — Sapa

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Maputo denies mine claims

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The Star's Africa News Service

MAPUTO — Mozambican government ministers have denied claims that Mozambique had recognised its involvement in a landmine explosion in South Africa.

It was reported yesterday that Mozambique had accepted that two terrorists of the African National Congress entering from Mozambique had placed the mine which killed an SADF soldier near Barberton on Sunday.

The Mozambique news agency, Aim, said last night that the three members of the Mozambican Government had dismissed the story as "false".

The agency said there was concern over statements made by the South African minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, that tension would rise if reports that Cuban troops were about to go to Mozambique were true.

"The reports mentioned by Mr Botha are in fact just claims made by a spokesman of the MNR bandits in Lisbon," said Aim.

Bomb expert tells of OK blasts

MARITZBURG — A police explosives expert testified at the trial of 12 alleged ANC members yesterday that a few hours after he investigated an explosion at an OK Bazaars branch in Durban last September another bomb exploded in the same store.

Captain S J Weyers was giving evidence in the Supreme Court in Maritzburg against the 12 charged with terrorism and 22 other counts. They are allegedly linked to a spate of bombings in Durban last year, including blasts at a number of supermarkets, a school, a hotel and at the Aman-

zimtoti shopping centre.

Captain Weyers told the court that in the early evening of September 27 last year he was called to OK Bazaars in West Street, Durban where a mine had exploded on the crockery display shelf.

HOTEL BOMB

He returned early the next morning to find that a similar explosion had occurred several shelves from the first blast.

On the same day as the first OK explosion a mini limpet mine exploded at Game, just across the road from OK, the captain said.

An explosion at the

Umlazi Executive Hotel two days later was probably caused by a bigger limpet mine, he said. It was placed under a washbasin in the men's toilet and the explosion demolished three walls.

The accused are Mrs Duduzile Buthelezi, Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo, Dr Velaynand Ramlakan and Mr Sibusiso Ndlanzi, Mr Jude Francis, Mr Ordway Msomi, Mr Sipho Bhila, Mr Phumezo Nxiweni, Mr Mapiki Dlomo, Mr Bafo Nguqu, Mr Malusi Majola and Mr Vusumuzi Mahlobo.

The hearing continues.
— Sapa.

Sparg's lawyers tight-lipped on appeal against sentence

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NO INDICATION has yet been given by lawyers for Marion Sparg whether they will appeal against the effective 25-year prison sentence imposed on her in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

Her lawyers would only confirm that no decision had yet been made to appeal to the Appellate Division against the sentence.

But they emphasised that 14 days remained in which to lodge an appeal.

ANC member Sparg, 28, was sentenced yesterday to 20 years imprisonment

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ment for treason, and to an effective five years imprisonment for two counts of arson and one of attempted arson.

She pleaded guilty to the charges and was convicted by Mr Justice Van der Walt for placing limpet mines in three police stations in February and March and for petrol-bombing three Johannesburg premises of the PFP in 1981.

During his 20-minute judgment yesterday, Mr Justice Van der Walt said it was a tragedy for Sparg and her family that she had allowed herself to "be misguided by persons like Joe Slovo".

In acknowledging Sparg, standing in the dock wearing ANC colours, as a "dedicated Marxist and revolutionary", the judge described her formative years as "without any significant hardships".

Describing her circumstance as a white South African as "an aggravating factor" in his consideration of sentence, he said he would "understand though not

excuse" the actions if a black South African had perpetrated them.

He attributed her actions instead to a history of obesity, a condition which a defence witness had earlier described as negatively influencing her ability to relate socially.

The judge said he hoped her sentence would act as a deterrent to "all those against law and order in SA who chose to align themselves with an organization dedicated to revolution and terror".

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Snipers guard treason trial

WEEKLY MAIL REPORTER

SNIPERS, video cameras and a phalanx of uniformed police controlled the more than 400 singing people who greeted the terror trial accused as they arrived at the College Road Supreme Court in Pietermaritzburg on Monday.

Twelve Durban residents, including two doctors and the mother of a two-month-old baby, have pleaded not guilty to a main charge of terrorism and 22 alternative charges relating to the possession of banned literature, the training of ANC insurgents and charges under the Arms and Ammunition Act.

The 12 entered the court singing freedom songs — including a tribute to the recently executed ANC guerrilla, Andrew Zondo — and were greeted by a packed gallery who rose to the clenched fist salute.

A large crowd, unable to get access to the court, were kept beyond a four metre-high security fence erected around the court buildings after a bomb blast there last year.

All the accused have pleaded not guilty to the charges.

The state alleges the 12 were involved in 17 bombings in the Durban area between April 18 and

December 24 last year. They also claim that one of the trialists, Sibusiso Ndlanzi, instructed Zondo to blow up the Sanlam arcade in Amanzimtoti as revenge for the SA Defence Force attack on Maseru in 1985.

At least 80 witnesses will be called by the state. The names of some witnesses have not been listed, as the state's attorneys say this would prejudice their safety. Among those listed as a state witness is the executed Zondo.

The first three days have been filled by police officers and supermarket personnel describing the damage caused by the various blasts.

Justice Thirion is presiding.



Court evidence: Marion Sparg points to a police station toilet where she planted a limpet mine

Picture: Reuter

MARION SPARG, a former journalist who was sentenced to 25 years imprisonment yesterday on charges of high treason and arson, told the Witwatersrand Supreme Court she had acted as a soldier of the banned African National Congress (ANC).

The 29-year-old Rhodes University graduate is the first white South African woman known to have served as a member of the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe.

Pleading guilty to all the charges against her, Sparg admitted planting the limpet mines which exploded in Johannesburg's John Vorster Square police headquarters and East London's Cambridge Police Station at noon earlier this year. She said the ANC regarded South African police as highly trained combatants who had brutally suppressed legitimate opposition to apartheid.

Sparg said she knew it was possible policemen or civilians would die in the blasts — several police received minor injuries at John Vorster Square. "But my motive was not to injure or kill people. It was one of a soldier of Umkhonto we Sizwe, a military army. I followed orders just like any other soldier."

She said she regarded herself as a patriot rather than a traitor. "Even as a white South African I do not owe any loyalty to a government which is clearly not based on the will of the people," she said.

Passing sentence before a packed public gallery yesterday, Justice PJ van der Walt said it was providential no one had died in the police station explosions, as Sparg was indifferent to causing loss of life. He said she was a dedicated Marxist and revolutionary and while this was understandable, though not excusable, in black South Africans, he found it difficult to understand in a white South African.

Shortly after her arrest in March, certain newspapers described Sparg as a lonely, overweight person who turned to revolutionary politics out of a desire to belong. It was an image difficult to reconcile with the woman who spoke in confident, measured tones about her political commitment.

Giving evidence in mitigation of sentence on Tuesday, Sparg said her political development began in 1977 when she enrolled at Rhodes University's journalism department to

A white woman tells why she joined Umkhonto

The judge who sentenced Marion Sparg to 25 years for planting limpet mines, said he found her actions inexplicable for a white. Sparg told the court how she came to accept violent change. JO-ANN BEKKER reports

pursue a love of writing. "At Rhodes for the first time I met blacks, not as servants but as equals," she said.

The death in detention of black consciousness leader Steve Biko that year horrified her, Sparg added, as had the reaction of most whites around her, "who simply did not seem to care".

Biko's death set her thinking about violence and pacifism. "At one time I believed to respond to violence with violence was to sink to the same level as the authorities, but my contact with black students convinced me that was a relatively easy position to adopt as a white South African."

Although she participated in the National Union of South African Students (Nusas) and Delta, a self-help organisation, Sparg said "on the whole I felt rather disillusioned by what I saw as a lack of action and commitment in white student politics at that time."

While at Rhodes she rejected the notion that a journalist could be neutral or objective, she said, and still held this view. "A journalist is part of society and therefore has to take sides."

After completing her degree in 1979 she worked on the Daily Dispatch in East London for several months and then took up employment on the Sunday Times. It was as a reporter that she saw for the first time the squatter camps she had read about, and witnessed police baton-charging parents of detained schoolchildren.

However, she felt "very frustrated on the newspaper, not only because of restrictive press legislation, but by the editors' self censorship. I felt it was an excuse to cover up their own political

bias."

During her employment at the Sunday Times, she became friendly with another journalist, Arnold Geyer, and participated in his Marxist discussion group. "It offered a political outlet at a time when I could see no other."

Her first act of political violence had been to join Geyer and another reporter, Damien de Lange, in petrol-bombing the offices of the Progressive Federal Party (PFP) in 1981. Sparg said she had been angered by the PFP's refusal to join extra-parliamentary organisations in boycotting the government's celebrations of the 20th anniversary of Republic Day.

"I decided to use violence in a limited way to shock whites into an awareness of the conflict in South Africa which then, as now, was mostly confined to black townships."

Sparg said in retrospect her choice of the PFP as a target had been immature and emotional. "But, quite honestly, I cannot say I regret the violent action," she added. Replying to a question from Judge Van der Walt, Sparg said had she known then what she did now, she would have selected a police station as her target instead.

Shortly after the night-time PFP petrol bombings, Sparg followed Geyer to Botswana, but severed contact with him after she made contact with the ANC.

"I regard it as a privilege to have met Thabo Mbeki, Oliver Tambo and Joe Slovo," she said of the exiled organisation's leadership.

Like all ANC members, Sparg said, she attended a standard three-month period of military training in an

Angola camp. "Most of the people I trained with were black South Africans of my own age group who had left the country after the 1976 Soweto killings. I was continually aware that for many it was my presence that proved the ANC was not fighting a racist war; that whites were prepared to fight alongside them."

After completing the camp, Sparg was assigned to the ANC's Department of Information and Publications, where she worked mainly on a publication, the Voice of Women.

However, after the SADF killed 30 South Africans in its December 1982 raid on Lesotho, Sparg said she felt compelled to join Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK).

After a second period of training in Angola, where she received political training and was instructed in the use and maintenance of firearms and explosives, she returned to South Africa and scouted selected targets for attack — "I was amazed at the lack of security at the police stations, I could have placed the limpet mines in the charge offices."

In February she planted the mini-limpet mines which exploded in Cambridge Police Station, and in March the mines which damaged John Vorster Square — "the police station which has come to represent all the brutality of the apartheid policy." Damage to the police stations and PFP offices was estimated at nearly R40 000. Sparg also planned to attack a third police station, the Hillbrow Police Station, but the mine failed to explode. When police detonated the landmine, the controlled explosion caused nearly R8 000 damage to surrounding buildings.

However, she said, she did not regard herself as a violent person. "I still maintain the hope that white South Africa and the Botha government will come to its senses and realise the conflict can be solved at a conference table. But it should not expect the ANC to suspend violence without a similar undertaking from the Botha government."

Sparg received a total of 13 years imprisonment for the three attacks on the PFP offices, but the terms will run concurrently, making an effective five years jail term. She was sentenced to 20 years for high treason.

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No decision on appeal by jailed Sparg

JOHANNESBURG. — No indication has yet been given by lawyers for Marion Sparg whether they will appeal against the effective 25-year prison sentence imposed on her in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday.

Her lawyers would confirm only that no decision had yet been made to apply to the Appellate Division against the sentence. But they stressed that there were still 14 days in which to lodge an appeal.

Sparg, 28, an ANC member, was yesterday sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment for treason and to an effective five years on two counts of arson and one of attempted arson.

Sparg pleaded guilty and was convicted by Mr Justice Van der Walt for placing limpet mines in three police stations in February and March this year, and for petrol-bombing three Johannesburg premises of the Progressive Federal Party in 1981.

During his 20-minute judgment yesterday, the judge said it was a tragedy, to Sparg personally and to her family, that she had allowed herself to be "misguided by persons like Joe Slovo".

He acknowledged Sparg — bedecked in the dock in the colours of the ANC — as a "dedicated Marxist and revolutionary".

He said the fact that she was a white South African was "an aggravating factor" in his consideration of sentence.

He attributed her actions to a history of obesity, a condition which a defence witness had earlier described as negatively influencing her ability to relate socially.

Limpet mines explode at Putco offices ^{See page} ^{19/11/86} SVA

PRETORIA — Two limpet mines of Soviet origin exploded last night and early today at Putco bus company ticket offices in Soweto, the Bureau for Information has confirmed.

Nobody was injured in the explosions but windows, a door and nearby buildings were damaged, a spokesman said.

The first limpet mine exploded at the Putco office in Diepkloof at 10.15pm yesterday, smashing windows and a door.

The second went off at the Ikwezi office in Mofolo North at 2.30am today, breaking windows in the building and those in nearby houses.

Damage of R5 000 was

caused to each office.

In its daily unrest report, the bureau said about 50 people threw stones at a security force patrol in Soweto yesterday. The patrol killed a man when they fired birdshot at them. No arrests were made.

At Umlazi, Durban, a petrol bomb was thrown at a private home yester-

day. Two toddlers were slightly injured, according to the bureau.

Damage to the house was negligible and no arrests were made.

● The bureau was unable to supply any further information about Bongani Thomas Kheswa, 11, who was allegedly shot dead from a bus window.

"In view of the continu-

ing police investigation into this unnatural death and in preparation of the judicial inquiry into the matter, the Bureau for Information is unable to supply any further information at this stage," the bureau said in a statement released in Pretoria today.

Bongani was shot dead on November 5. — Sapa

Mine blasts at Putco offices

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The bureau said the mines were of Soviet origin. — Sapa.

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Mines rock Putco depots

By SY
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THE Putco bus boycott took a turn for the worse when two of the company's bus depots were rocked by Soviet-made limpet mines in Soweto at the weekend.

Damage was estimated at R10 000.

The two explosions, in Diepkloof and Ikwezi, come at a time when Putco is recruiting new drivers for its Durban South division in the wake of a labour dispute involving about 200 drivers.

Tiles, doors and windows were damaged in the explosions, which took place within four hours of each other.

A Bureau for Information spokesman yesterday confirmed the blasts.

The Bureau also said a few incidents of stone-throwing at Putco buses were reported in Soweto on Sunday.

A spokesperson for Putco said yesterday that bus services at the Durban South division had come to a halt following a labour dispute between the company and about 200 drivers about two weeks ago.

She said the company was busy recruiting new drivers and hoped to resume the service in a week's time.

The spokesperson also said Putco was losing a considerable amount of money as the boycott of its buses continued.

Ticket sales, she said, increased to 65 percent yesterday morning.

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Judge says 3 State witnesses lied

Three State witnesses, including a magistrate and a policeman, who testified in the treason trial of seven Duduza residents, were described yesterday as untruthful witnesses by a judge in the Pretoria Supreme Court.

Mr Justice Stafford said the evidence of the policeman, a Warrant Officer van Dyk, was false and said he had attempted to escape being cross-examined.

The policeman was involved with the magistrate, Mr Peter Marx, and an interpreter, Mr Boy William Mabena, when a statement was obtained from Mr Joseph Mazibuko in hospital on June 28 last year.

Mr Mazibuko told a court in his evidence-in-chief that he twice refused to make a statement but consented on the third day "in order to get rid of the magistrate".

The judge yesterday said Mr Marx and the two other officials gave false and contradictory evidence. Although the accused was ill the magistrate had attempted to impress upon the court that he was sleeping peacefully.

The accused earlier testified that he twice told the magistrate that he could not make the statement because he was too sick.

During part of his judgment on the admissibility of statements made by five of the seven accused, Mr Justice Stafford also ruled that medical evidence led by State witnesses Professor Laubscher Walters and Professor Adriaan Plomp had been accepted by the court as being more comprehensive and logical than those of their counterparts — Professor Donald Moyers and Dr Dion Fine who had testified for the defence.

The judge ruled that medical evidence had shown that the accused were in sound and sober senses at the time the statements were made.

Professor Plomp's evidence, the judge added, was unbiased and impressive.

The judge said he appreciated that the five accused were not normal when they made the statements. They had lost their hands or fingers and were operated upon and were in pain at various hospitals.

The trial is proceeding.

Blasts linked to PW's visit to France

Paris

hit by

three

anti-SA bombs

By Bruce Cameron, Political Staff

Paris

Three bombs exploded almost simultaneously in Paris in the early hours of this morning and the French terror group Action Direct, which has links with the ANC and PAC, has claimed responsibility — saying they were planted in opposition to President Botha's visit.

One blast which went off at a Peugeot Motor Company showroom in the Champs-Elysees shook the hotel where most of the South African contingent in France for today's inauguration of the Delville Wood Memorial are staying. Firemen said one person was injured.

President Botha and several of the VIPs in his party are staying at a different hotel.

The Peugeot showroom is only a few blocks from the Arc de Triomphe, which will be the centre of the French commemoration of Armistice Day.

The other blasts were at the multi-storey Manhattan Tower and the Total Tower, both of which are in the huge suburban office complex of La Defense.

Direct Action is reported to have said they were set off because of the firms' commercial links with South Africa.

There was plenty of evidence yesterday of top security for the South Africans in Paris, as well as at the South African Embassy on the banks of the Seine River.

Although there has been no official contact with South African Government members in Paris — the French are showing a cool stance towards the visit — French Minister of Military Veterans Mr G Fortes met the chairman of the Delville Wood Fund-raising Committee, Mr Justice Tienie Steyn.



State President Mr P W Botha arrives at Orly Airport, near Paris, yesterday. On the left is a French official.

Tension over PW's trip to Madeira

LISBON — Tension increased in Portugal yesterday over the planned visit later this week of Mr P W Botha to the island of Madeira.

Officials in Lisbon took pains to distance the Portuguese state from Mr Botha's visit to the island.

Reports from Funchal, the island's capital, that regional President Alberto Joao Jardim would hold a reception for Mr Botha remained unconfirmed.

Mr Botha's party is scheduled to visit major tourist attractions of the sub-tropical island and neighbouring Porto Santo island "at the invitation of businessmen of the Madeiran emigrant community in South Africa".

"There is some consternation over this visit," Mr Miguel Almeida Fernandes, spokesman for Portugal's President Mario Soares said.

He said the president's office "is concerned over possible protests. There have been protests in France". — Sapa-Associated Press.

Seamier side

President Botha — unwittingly and probably unknowingly — came into contact with the seamier side of the French capital yesterday.

He and Foreign Minister Mr Pik Botha, surrounded by a posse of security men and aides, went for a walk in the Bois de Boulogne, a thickly wooded area in central Paris.

This is a notorious haunt for prostitutes, who were very much in evidence plying their trade in the early afternoon.

None made any approaches to the presidential party, and although the South Africans attracted attention, no one seemed to realise who they were.

President Botha is in France to inaugurate a memorial to South Africans killed in the two world wars and Korea.

He has made the trip despite a cold shoulder from the French Government, and he has been received by only low-level officials.

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Station case postponed

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The Argus Correspondent *B. H. H.*

PRETORIA. — A group of men and one youth from Laudium appeared in the Pretoria Magistrate's Court in connection with an attack on the Laudium police station in October this year.

They face charges of public violence, malicious damage to property and possessing petrol bombs.

The case has been postponed to December 30 for further investigation. All the men, except a Mr Myager, have been granted bail.

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19 hurt in 2 blasts

AT least 19 people — among them a magistrate — were injured in two bomb explosions in Newcastle yesterday.

The Bureau for Information issued the following report on the explosions:

“At 14h42 an explosion occurred in the CNA in the Game complex, central Newcastle. One black woman and one white woman were slightly injured in the blast.

A second explosion occurred at 10 outside the magistrate court in Newcastle. Five people were seriously in-

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jured while several other people received slight injuries. The bomb was planted in a dustbin outside the B-court.

“The magistrate and public prosecutor were among those who received slight injuries.

“Serious structural damage was caused to the court building.

Critical

“The cause of the explosions has not yet been established.”

A spokeswoman for the Newcastle Provincial Hospital

said 19 people had been injured in the two bomb blasts.

Clarifying initial confusion that four people had been killed, she said seven of the 19 injured were in a serious condition.

“Two of these are in a critical condition.”

The hospital spokeswoman said nobody had been seriously injured in the first blast, and that the victims — “I can’t tell you immediately how many there were” — had been taken to the Madadeni Hospital just outside Newcastle in KwaZulu.

Those seriously injured were all victims of the second blast.

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Unrest Stories

THIS issue of the Sowetan has been produced under conditions that amount to censorship.

Some stories that relate to unrest, the state of emergency, activities of the security forces, have been heavily vetted by our lawyers to conform with emergency regulations.

Additional information which we may have had relating to unrest had to be approved by the bureau or cannot be published.

George Wauchope's home attacked

By ALLI MPHAKI and MANDLA NDLAZI

THE home of George Wauchope, general secretary of the Azanian Peoples' Organisation was yesterday petrol-bombed, causing damage estimated at thousands of rands.

The attack, at about 3am at his home in Dlamini, Soweto, occurred a few days after a meeting of parents on Sunday decided to call on organisations that enjoy the support of the black community to stamp out physical clashes because of ideological differences.

The parents, from Moletsane, Tladi, Jabulani and Zola yesterday issued a statement and said their representatives would meet leaders of black organisations to try and end clashes because of ideological differences.

The attack on Wauchope's home is the latest in a series of incidents that have led to several lives being lost. Major organisations have decried the violence.

Mrs Ethel Wauchope, George's mother, said she was awoken by footsteps outside her home at about 3am. "I peeped out and saw more than 50 people in my yard. Before I knew what was happening there was an explosion in the house.

"We tried to run out but the doors were fastened from outside and could not be opened. Obviously the group wanted to burn us to death inside the house. We managed however to smash our way out and survived. There were five of us, including a three-year-old boy," she said.

The furniture in the bedroom and dining room was destroyed with R600 in cash she had in her bedroom. Mrs Wauchope said it was the second attack on her home. Last Friday a petrol bomb was thrown at the outside walls.

The statement, released by the parents yesterday, read: "We the parents of Moletsane, Tladi, Jabulani and Zola townships, comprising membership and loyalties that transcend ideological differences of our various community organisations, and as parents of children whose membership and loyalties likewise transcend these boundaries, having met on Sunday on account of the new wave of killings which have occurred in our townships in the last

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11 fined for 'wheelies, doughnuts'

Staff Reporter

DURBAN. — As two wounded policemen were fighting for their lives today, other victims described the horror of the courtroom bombing in Newcastle.

At least 25 people were injured in yesterday's double bombing in the northern Natal town — five of them seriously.

The first explosion occurred outside the Central News Agency in the Game Centre in Scott Street, the town's main street, about 2.40pm, injuring two women.

Thirty minutes later a blast ripped through the Magistrate's Court building in Murchison Street, injuring 23 people.

The uniforms of the two policemen, who were on duty at the court, were ripped off by the blast. The bomb was planted in a rubber dustbin outside B Court, which was sitting at the time.

A witness said one of the policemen had a piece of iron embedded in his leg. The legs of the other policeman were shattered. A third man had multiple injuries.

Brilliant flash

Student Constable Johan Simelane, 26, Constable Vasi Neme, 29, and Siphon Khumalo, 16, were operated on last night.

Constable Neme had both legs amputated. Student Constable Simelane injured his right leg and chest and Siphon has a fractured leg. Siphon's mother, Mrs Emily Khumalo, was also injured.

The magistrate, Mr Ed Hickman, today said he saw a brilliant flash of light through the window opposite him, then heard a dull thud.

He said he was blasted off the bench as debris from the ceilings fell on top of him. He rolled under the bench for safety.

There were about 15 to 20 people in the court at the time, including two accused in an assault case, a witness and the court interpreter.

Leg wounds

"I got out after checking to see there were no bodies lying around. Dust and debris were still pouring from the roof. I left the building and saw people lying on the lawn outside, mainly with leg wounds.

"By the time I got out of the building, police were already arriving."

Mr Hickman has minor cuts on his face and hands.

Mr Philemon Mphuthi, 25, who is recovering in Madadene Hospital, said he was standing outside the court about two metres from where the bomb went off.

He was chatting to Constable Neme who was sitting on a dustbin and Student Constable Simelane who was on the steps of the court.

Mr Mphuthi was sitting on the wall of a flower bed.

"The next thing we knew we were covered in dust," Mr Mphuthi said.

"I felt pain in my legs and there was a lot glass flying around. I ran away."

Dust everywhere

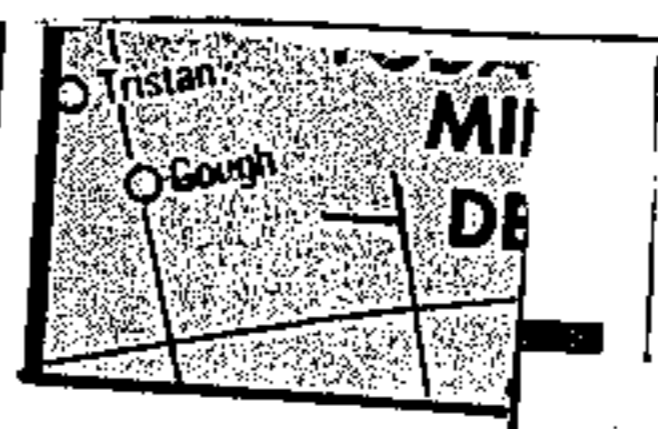
He said he could hear a loud ringing in his ears, and both his arms and right thigh were cut.

Mr Alf Strachan, the public prosecutor, said today that he heard an explosion about 3.10pm just outside the court wall.

"I knew immediately it was a bomb. There was dust everywhere. I looked to see if I was still in one piece, saw I was and ran out."

Mr Strachan said the people in the back of the courtroom were the closest to the blast and caught the greatest impact. He has minor cuts.

Mr Abel Nkosi, 21, a student from Osizweni township, who is being treated for spinal injuries at the Madadene Hospital,



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Victims tell of horror blast

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was about to give evidence when the blast rocked the building.

"I was terrified and I thought I was dying because I had never heard such a loud bang before. Dust was all over the place and people began stampeding towards the door."

"I thought at first the noise was a machine-gun."

Mr Nkosi was trampled on by people trying to get out of the courtroom.

"I saw the magistrate and the prosecutor rushing out. It was terrible. People were screaming and panicking and nobody knew what had happened."

Mr Christopher Mguvu, 19, was also injured in the rush.

"I was listening to the court case when I heard a big bang behind me. I heard people screaming and started running for the door. The door was jammed and people were fighting to try to get out," he said.

"I screamed and blacked out. When I tried to open the door, I fainted and fell.

"People were screaming all around and others were just running everywhere.

He has spinal and chest injuries.

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Mrs Emily Khumalo, 44, who is in Madadene Hospital, had accompanied her 16-year-old son, Siphon, to B court, where he was to give evidence.

He was outside the courtroom when the bomb exploded.

"Pieces of the ceiling fell on top of me. They hit me on the head and landed on my back."

She said she went deaf in one ear from the explosion.

She fainted and only when she was outside did she recover. Then she saw her son lying on the lawn with his legs and face badly cut.

He is in Newcastle Hospital.

Police sources indicated that the CNA blast could have been caused by a limpet mine.

Mr Alec Hurter, president of Game Discount World, who have the main lease at Game Centre, said shops in the centre had their own security systems.

Bomb blasts rock

Own Correspondent

DURBAN.—Nineteen people were injured, four of them seriously, in two bomb blasts which rocked Newcastle within less than half-an-hour of each other yesterday afternoon.

Dr Melle Briscoe, superintendent at Newcastle Hospital, said one of the seriously injured would have to undergo an operation today to have his legs amputated. Another was receiving treatment in the intensive-care unit for shrapnel wounds in his chest.

The two other seriously hurt victims had been transferred to nearby Madadeni Hospital in Kwa-Zulu, said Dr Briscoe.

It is understood most of the victims were black.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information in Pretoria said the first bomb went off at 2.42pm at the Central News Agency in the Game Shopping Centre. The second bomb, hidden in a dustbin in front of "B" court at the local magistrate's court, exploded at 3.10pm.

A magistrate and a public prosecutor, who were presumably inside "B" court, were slightly hurt, the spokesman said.

"Considerable structural damage" was caused to the court building but the newsagent's shop was not seriously damaged.

Nobody had been seriously injured in the first blast.

According to an eyewitness at the magistrate's court "there was a loud bang and people rushed

A GIRL aged four narrowly escaped injury yesterday when a number of windows in the Crawford home of her grandfather, the Western Province Cricket Union (WPCU) secretary, Mr Frank Brache, were shattered with half-bricks.

Large chunks of glass from Candice Brache's street-facing bedroom window showered on to her bed about 12.30am when a group, calling themselves the "Commando of Angry Sport Persons", tossed three half-bricks through three separate windows.

Candice was not injured in the attack. Blinds and curtains in front of the window broke the impact of the half-brick and glass shards.

"I thought it was a giant flying saucer. I got a fright," she said.

The "Commando" — which is opposed to the Australian cricket tour — also

By RIAAN SMIT

Mr Brache and his wife slipped through a lounge window, hitting the brickwork.

A wall next to Candice's bedroom

Mr Brache said the area "cleared" when he went outside immediately after the attack.

He received four theater calls while the Cape Times home yesterday afternoon, but would not resign from the WPCU.

"If this is the price you pay when you strive for a normal life, I suppose I will have to pay it."

He had chosen cricket as a hobby which to create "some kind of

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19 injured in Newcastle blasts

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Own Correspondent

gistrate's court, "there was a loud bang and people rushed from the building".

A decision to draw money before going into the CNA to buy a magazine may have saved the lives of two Newcastle housewives.

As the two, Melodie Temple and May van der Walt, walked from an automatic teller in the Game centre, the bomb blast ripped through the left window of the CNA just across the passage, spewing glass in all directions.

The women were knocked to the ground by the force of the blast.

Shortly after the blasts, shop owners and staff were told that it was believed a third bomb had been placed somewhere in the town.

Many searched their premises

24 hurt by twin Natal bomb blasts

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AT LEAST 24 people were injured, four of them seriously, in two bomb blasts which rocked Newcastle within half-an-hour of each other yesterday afternoon.

Dr Melle Briscoe, superintendent at the Newcastle Hospital, said a seriously injured man would have to have his legs amputated. Another victim was receiving treatment in the intensive care unit for shrapnel

wounds in his chest.

The two other seriously hurt victims had been transferred to nearby Madadeni Hospital in KwaZulu, said Dr Briscoe.

It is understood that most of the victims were black.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information in Pretoria said the first bomb went off at 2 42 p m at the Central News Agency in the Game Shopping Centre.

The second bomb, hidden in a dustbin in front of the B Court at the local Magistrate's Court, exploded at 3 10 p m.

A magistrate, Mr E D Higman, and a public prosecutor, Mr M A R Strachan, who were be-

lieved to be inside B Court, were slightly hurt, the spokesman said.

'Considerable structural damage' was caused to the court building but the newsagent's shop had not been seriously damaged.

Nobody had been seriously injured in the first blast.

According to a witness at the Magistrate's Court, there was a loud bang and people rushed from the building.

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As they walked from an automatic teller in the Game Centre, the bomb blast ripped through a window of the CNA just across the passage,

spewing glass in all directions.

The women, Mrs Melodie Temple and Mrs May van der Walt, were knocked to the floor by the force of the blast.

Yesterday, just minutes after the blast, a shocked Mrs Temple described what had happened: 'As May and I were walking out of the centre the bomb went off.

'I knew immediately what it was and thought how strange it was that I had, just minutes before, looked at the dustbins in the centre and thought about how they are often used to hide bombs.

Bombs rock Newcastle'

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'Deciding to draw money saved our lives. It was terrible with all that noise, glass, smoke and dust all around us. All we could think of was to get away from the scene.'

Mr Martin Hopkins, an attorney in Newcastle, was at the Magistrate's Court when the second blast occurred in a passage in the building.

'There was a terrific explosion and it would seem that the bomb had been placed in one of the plastic rubbish bins in the passage.

'Two black men took the full impact of the blast, one of them had almost all his clothes ripped off.

'In the courtroom closest to the bomb the glass had shattered and the magistrate who had been presiding received cuts on his face,' he said.

Shortly after the blasts shop owners and staff were told that it was believed a third bomb had been placed somewhere in the town.

Many searched their premises.

Last night Mr Leon Mellet, director of internal media liaison with the bureau, said it was difficult to ascertain how many people suffered slight injuries as most had gone home in private vehicles.

A black woman and a white woman were slightly injured at the CNA blast, the bureau said.

Mr Mellet said it was not yet known what type of explosive device had been used in the bombings, but police were still combing the two bomb sites for clues by nightfall.

The Town Clerk and chief of civil defence in Newcastle, Mr Len de Wet, refused to comment on the bombings last night and would only say that the town's civil defence had been involved in the rescue operations.

Ambulances

'I just said we must run as fast as we can and get to my car.

'I had already driven around the block when I decided to stop and go back to see if I could help anyone who might have been hurt.

'When I got there the ambulances and police had already arrived. They said I should get away in case a second one went off.

'It was the worst experience I have had in all my life. All I could do afterwards was cry and shake — I'm still a little deaf and have earache.'

Said Mrs van der Walt:

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Security witness cross-examined

MARITZBURG — The terrorism trial of 12 people allegedly connected to a series of bomb blasts in Durban continued in the Supreme Court yesterday with the cross-examination of a security policeman.

Lieutenant A P Robertshaw was cross-examined by defence counsel

Mr A Magid on his evidence that one of the accused, Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo, had taken policeman to Alan Taylor medical residence where, in a storeroom, they had found ANC literature and chemicals.

The lieutenant was also examined on his evidence that Dr Dhlomo

had taken the policeman to open ground opposite an Umlazi hotel where the police had found a bag containing an AK47.

Lieutenant Robertshaw said that police had searched the site for one to two hours before they found the weapon.

The hearing continues.
— Sapa.

Victims describe Newcastle court blast

Huge police search for Natal bombers

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Police have thrown a dragnet around Newcastle following yesterday's twin blasts which left five people seriously injured and at least 20 slightly wounded, a police spokesman said today. No arrests have yet been made.

Two policemen, one whose legs have been amputated, are fighting for their lives after the double bomb blast.

As a huge manhunt for the bombers was launched, victims of the blast told The Star that at least two victims of the bomb blast at the Newcastle Magistrate's Court received spinal injuries in the stampede to get out of the courtroom.

The bomb exploded outside the courtroom, directly behind the public gallery, at about 3 pm.

The other bomb was at the CNA.

Three of the people seriously injured in the blast at the court are in a stable condition in the Newcastle Hospital, said a hospital spokesman.

Mr Johan Simelane (26), Mr Vasi Nene (29) and Mr S. S. M. M. (17) were operated on last night.

Mr Nene had both legs amputated. Mr Simelane suffered injuries in the right leg and chest and Mr Khumalo has a fractured fibia and tibia.

The superintendent of the hospital, Dr Mell Briscoe, described two blast cases as serious. He added that the hospital had treated at least 19 minor cases.

Fifteen people were admitted to the Madadeni Hospital, 10 of whom were discharged yesterday.

The Bureau for Information said a white woman and a black woman were slightly injured in the first blast outside the CNA in the Game shopping complex in the town at 2.42 pm.

Last night the victims described the shock and terror they experienced when the bomb exploded at the court.

Mr Abel Nkosi (21), who is being treated in the Madadeni Hospital for spinal injuries, was about to give evidence in a theft case when the blast rocked the building.

"I was terrified and I thought I was dying because I had never heard such a loud bang before. Dust was all over the place and people began stampeding towards the door."

Mr Nkosi was injured when he was trampled on by people trying to get out of the courtroom.

**By Adele Baleta,
Sue Leeman and
Craig Kotze**

"I saw the magistrate and the prosecutor rushing out. It was terrible. People were screaming and panicking and nobody knew what had happened."

Mr Nkosi said a woman outside the courtroom gave him first aid before he was taken to the hospital.

Mr Christopher Mguvu (19) was also injured in the rush to leave the building.

"I was listening to the court case when I heard a big bang behind me. I heard people screaming and started running for the door. The door was jammed and people were fighting to try to get out," he said.

Mr Mguvu there was glass all over the courtroom, the windows were shattered and plaster, cement and dust fell from the ceiling.

The area around the court and the arcade in which the CNA is situated were cordoned off last night by police.

The Bureau for Information said the bomb at the magistrate's court had been planted in a dustbin outside the B court. The magistrate, Mr ED Higman, and public prosecutor, M A R Strachan, were slightly injured.

Serious structural damage was caused to the court building.

By this morning the bureau still could not say what type of explosives were used.

Police sources indicated that the CNA blast could have been caused by a limpet mine.

Natal blast victim still 'serious'

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JOHANNESBURG.

Constable Vasi Nene, 29, whose legs were amputated after the Newcastle courtroom bomb blast on Tuesday, is in a serious but stable condition, a Newcastle Hospital spokesman said.

Constable Nene was one of at least 25 people injured in Newcastle's twin blasts, one outside a packed court and the other outside a CNA.

Two other victims admitted to the hospital, Student Constable John Simelane, 26, and Mr Siphon Khumalo, 17, are making satisfactory progress.

Mr Khumalo has a broken leg and shrapnel wounds while Mr Simelane has serious chest and leg injuries.

IN SHOCK

"Constable Nene is still in a state of shock and we are watching him carefully. All three men will not be discharged for some time," said the spokesman.

She said 19 people with minor injuries had been treated and discharged.

Madadeni Hospital superintendent Dr Leslie Stewart-Smith said the five bomb victims at the hospital were all in a stable and satisfactory condition.

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — A 30cm piece of a foot scraper was removed from a policeman's chest at Newcastle Hospital hours after the bomb blast at Newcastle Magistrate's Court on Tuesday.

Staff at the hospital were mystified by the origin of the metal which pierced 21-year-old Student Constable J Z Similani's lungs.

Yesterday, after discussions with prosecutors, hospital staff learnt that the fragment was torn from a foot scraper close to where the bomb was planted.

A hospital spokesman said Constable Similani was in a critical condition.

□ The ear-shattering blast from Tuesday's bombing, the sound of breaking glass and hysterical screaming are all on tape.

The tape-recording was made in the regional court, where proceedings in a lengthy fraud case had just begun, said prosecutor Mrs Corrie Greyling.

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Bomb victim had metal in his chest

By Terry van der Walt

A 30 cm-long piece of metal from a foot scraper was removed from a policeman's chest at Newcastle Hospital hours after the bomb blast at the Magistrate's Court on Tuesday.

Staff at the hospital had been mystified about the origin of the length of metal which pierced 21-year-old Student Const J Z Simelane's lungs in the blast.

Yesterday afternoon, after discussions with prosecutors who were visiting bomb victims, hospital staff learnt that it was from a foot scraper torn from its posts close to where the bomb had been planted.

A hospital spokesman said Const Simelane was in a critical condition.

The ear-shattering blast

from the bomb, the sound of crashing glass and then hysterical screaming is all on a court tape recorder.

The recording was from the Regional Court, where proceedings in a lengthy fraud case had just begun, said prosecutor Mrs Corrie Greyling.

Public prosecutor Mr Alf Strachan, who received a few minor scratches when the blast ripped through B Court, believes this to be the first bomb blast sound recording.

'We have played the tape back and it is eerie — a loud bang and then glass shattering and screaming,' he said.

Recordings in B Court, which bore the brunt of the blast, were knocked out by the blast.

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Victim unaware he's lost his legs

Mercury Reporters
 THE 33-year-old policeman who had been seriously hurt in Tuesday's bomb blasts in Newcastle had not been told yet that his legs had been amputated, a hospital spokesman said last night.

Const Vusi Nene is still in a serious condition in the intensive-care unit of the Newcastle Provincial Hospital and may have to undergo another operation on the remains of his legs.

The Bureau for Information yesterday released the names of 24 people injured in the blasts at the Game shopping centre and the magistrate's court.

The other two people seriously hurt were also policeman, Const B T Mncube, 48, who suffered serious cuts, and student Const John Simelane, who has chest injuries.

List

Sipho Khumalo, 17, is also being treated in the Newcastle hospital for a badly fractured leg and shrapnel wounds.

Only two people were slightly injured in the first explosion at the shopping centre. They were Norence Kwekwani, 28, of Hlobane, and Ansie Loots, 40, of Newcastle.

The list of the remaining injured is: AM Nkosi, 21, Bheki Buthelezi, 17, Johanna Nkosi, 49, M Motaung, Vuzi Radebe, Elizabeth Motaung, Francisca Komeda, Len Mapalade and Bridge Hlatswayo, all of Osizweni; Elwin Mhlaniyona, Lucky Dinjane, Elizabeth W Kalala, Vincent Mncube, Alson Nakonga, Anton

Nkosi and Dumisani Kubheka, all of Madadeni, and A J Charles.

Magistrate Mr Edward Hickman and public prosecutor Mr Alf Strachan were also slightly injured.

Glass

The bureau's Leon Mellet said yesterday that although nobody had claimed responsibility for the blasts and police investigations were not complete, the Newcastle bombings 'fall in line with the openly adopted ANC policy of attacking soft targets'.

Mopping-up operations and the introduction of tighter security continued yesterday.

At the Game centre, glaziers were replacing panes of glass.

Another company was employed to weld a barrier at the single entrance where security guards have been posted to search handbags, parcels and pockets.

Damage to the magistrate's court was far greater than that of the Game centre, where only windows were shattered.

Hundreds of panes of glass were shattered and large areas of ceiling were reduced to shards of asbestos.

Commended

But it was business as usual yesterday, with cases being heard in another courtroom while Court B underwent repairs.

Mr Hickman, who had to have stitches to cuts on his face, was in Court B when the blast rocked the building.

He commended police and ambulance men who were at the scene within three minutes.

Sipho Khumalo, who had been at the court building with his mother, Mrs Emily Khimalo, was the worst injured among the civilian victims, a hospital spokesman said.

Mr Phillemon Mphathi, 25, spoke of his ordeal from his bed at Madadeni Hospital yesterday.

He has multiple shrapnel wounds to his arms and legs.

'I was sitting outside Court B with Solomon Magabane and John Similani when there was this loud bang.

Trampled

'My pants and shirt were torn from my body and when I tried to run away, I just collapsed,' he said.

Another victim, Mr Abel Nkosi, 21, who suffered a neck injury, spoke of being trampled while fleeing the courtroom.

'After the blast I quickly ran for the entrance, but before I got to the door I fell and people trampled over me to get out,' he said.

He was treated by ambulance men who had set up an emergency treatment area nearby.

Mr Mellet appealed for the public to be more alert.

Eighty percent of bombs planted in Israel were found by civilians because of their vigilance, he said.

Anybody finding a suspicious object in a public place should not touch it. Instead, the area should be evacuated and the police should be called immediately, Mr Mellet said.



Mr Abel Nkosi comforts Mr Phillemon Mphathi — both victims of the magistrate's court blast.

'Air link to S A won't be severed'

Mercury Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—The general manager of Air Zimbabwe, Mr Augustin Mutyambidzi, yesterday dismissed reports that direct air links between Zimbabwe and South Africa would be severed on November 15.

He said he had received no instructions from the Ministry of Transport to discontinue flights.

Speculation on the termination of air services, which would leave hundreds of travellers stranded, stems from a recent statement by Prime Minister Robert Mugabe that

Zimbabwe would take action 'towards the end of November' to implement the Commonwealth sanction package against South Africa.

Included in this, Mr Mugabe said, would be the termination of all direct air links and overflying rights for aircraft flying to or from South Africa.

Harare sources reported this week that the Government might be forced by practical considerations to defer a decision on implementing sanctions to the New Year. They denied reports that the Zimbabwean Trade Mission in Johannesburg is to close shortly.



Public prosecutors who were caught up in the blast at the court building are Mrs Jean Jay and Mr Alf Strachan.

UK consulate to move

Mercury Reporter
 THE British Consulate in Durban is moving offices. Vice-consul Mrs Marion Orr said: 'It's purely administrative. We need a little extra space, having gained one full-time and one part-time person since our offices were downgraded in scale and size in 1979.'

But the consulate would offer more facilities.



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Durban bomb blast: man and woman on 24 charges

The Argus Correspondent

DURBAN. — A man and woman, accused of murdering three women by bombing the beachfront Magoo's Bar in June, appeared in the Durban Magistrate's Court today on 24 charges.

It is alleged, also, they shot dead a Maritzburg hospital guard and wounded others while helping a suspected wounded terrorist to escape.

They are Mr Robert John McBride, 27, of 29 A Hardy Place, and girlfriend Miss Greta Margaret Apelgren, 30, of 20 Maria Crescent, both of Austerville.

They will stand trial in the Supreme Court, Maritzburg, next year.

Mr McBride is charged with four murders, five attempted murders, 12

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counts of terrorism. Some arising out of Durban bombings this year, and one each of furthering the aims of the African National Congress, aiding suspected terrorist Gordon Webster to escape, and harbouring him.

Miss Apelgren is charged with similar offences except that she is charged with five counts of terrorism.

They were arrested in Nigel on July 27.

LIMPET MINE

They are charged with the murder of Miss Angelique Pattenden, 23, Miss Marchelle Cheryl Goddard, 28, and Miss Julie Emily van der Linde, 28, by bombing the Parade Hotel on June 14.

They also face a charge of attempted murder in that they "at-

tempted to kill members of the general public who were at or near the Parade Hotel".

The State claims Mr McBride placed an explosive device and a limpet mine in the boot of a car which he and a person known as "C" drove to the hotel.

Miss Apelgren had parked her car outside the hotel and as Mr McBride drove up she left, allowing him to take her parking space.

Mr McBride, who activated the bombs, and C, left the vehicle and walked to Miss Apelgren who was waiting for them some distance away. They drove off.

The blast killed the three woman and wounded many people.

The indictment also alleges that Mr McBride, his brother, and C fired

at random at guards while helping a wounded, alleged terrorist Mr Gordon Webster escape from Edendale Hospital, Maritzburg, on May 4.

Webster was wheeled out of the hospital on a trolley to a vehicle and was smuggled into Botswana four days later.

The McBrides allegedly fired at random and killed Constable Mungise Buthelezi. The other two guards were wounded.

In May, Mr McBride, Antonio du Preez and C established a cache of arms and explosives at Shongweni.

Mr McBride took the police to this spot after his arrest. The cache consisted of an RPG-7 rocket launcher, six rockets, three AK-47 rifles, grenades, landmines, cartridges and other devices.

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Two held after Newcastle blasts

Crime Reporter

Police yesterday arrested two suspected African National Congress members in connection with the twin Newcastle blasts on Tuesday, SAP Commissioner General Johann Coetzee said yesterday.

At least 25 people were injured by the bombs — one outside a crowded courtroom and the other in a shopping arcade.

A Pretoria spokesman said today the men were arrested in a black residential area near Newcastle.

General Coetzee said the men were being de-

tained, also in connection with a mine explosion at the Glencoe railway station and an AK-47 rifle attack on the Osizweni police station in October.

One of the injured Newcastle policemen, Student Constable F Simelane (21), was yesterday flown by helicopter to Durban's Wentworth Hospital, police said.

Another injured policeman, Constable Vusi Nene (33), whose legs were amputated above the knee, is in a satisfactory condition in the Newcastle Provincial Hospital, a spokesman said.

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UDF holds 'Christmas against emergency'

The United Democratic Front (UDF) has announced a 10-day "Christmas against the emergency"

Two held over blast

TWO suspected ANC men have been arrested in connection with two explosions in Newcastle earlier this week, the Commissioner of the South African Police, Gen P J Coetzee, said in Pretoria yesterday.

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Police warning on ANC terror

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ELLE JEANNE-MARIE LARONDE, 23, Miss Trinidad and Tobago 1986 Miss World in London last night. Blonde 19-year-old Pia Denmark was runner-up, with Miss Austria, Chantal Schreiber, third.

Strawberries and champagne for world's top beauty

First representative of the Caribbean island chain to win the title, was chosen from among 17 contestants. Denmark's Pia Larsen, was first runner-up, with Austria's Chantal

Schreiber in third place. Miss Laronde this morning had a croissant and orange juice for breakfast, along with the traditional strawberries and champagne. With the title, she won

£5 000 (R15 000) in cash and a £25 000 (R80 000) contract to promote clothes and beauty products.

Miss Laronde, who is 1,65m and measures 86-63-88cms, dismissed a suggestion that her victory meant she was the world's most beautiful woman.

"I'm sure there are more beautiful girls in the world than me. I'm was fortunate to have been chosen on the night." — Sapa-AP

PRETORIA — Police have warned that African National Congress guerillas may step up their activities during the Christmas festive season.

The SA Police have appealed to the public to be on the lookout for suspicious objects which may be explosive devices.

A statement from the police public relations division said: "Experience has taught that an increase in deeds of terrorism may occur over the coming festive season.

"It is well known that the ANC has declared 1986 to be the year of *Umkonto we Sizwe* (Spear of the Nation), which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year.

"The possibility that the ANC will commit further deeds of terror during the last few weeks of 1986 to regain imagined prestige, cannot be excluded."

In Port Elizabeth, security measures are being stepped up for the Christmas season.

Major Eddie Everson, police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said surveillance of sensitive areas was being increased.

Officials at shopping centres in the city are confident current security measures are adequate.

The manager of the Greenacres Centre, Mr P B Lawrence, said ex-

tra precautions were being taken for the season and that security personnel were highly trained for their jobs.

Mr Fred Pearl, general manager of the Pick 'n Pay Hypermarket, said the area was well covered, including the perimeter doors and parking lots.

Everything possible had been done recently to ensure the safety of customers.

As part of the measures to avoid terrorist attacks, police in Pretoria said the public were requested to be especially observant and to report any suspicious behaviour or objects to the police immediately.

Here are some safety precautions recommended by the police:

● Any object which is lying around, is not in its normal position or has not been noticed before — such as trunks, suitcases, thermos flasks, books and shopping bags — could be a bomb or contain a bomb.

Do not touch it or try to remove it — it may explode.

● You must leave the premises where the bomb is, open all doors and windows of the building.

When you are near the site of an explosion you must call the police, fire

brigade and ambulance, render first aid, help remove the injured, leave the site after you have done what you can to help and leave your name, address and telephone number with the police.

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Arrests after Natal blasts

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PRETORIA. — Two men described by police as suspected African National Congress guerrillas have been arrested in connection with the two bomb blasts that hurt 30 people in Newcastle on Tuesday.

The Commissioner of Police, General P J Coetzee, said the men had also been linked to other acts of terror, including a limpet-mine explosion at Glencoe railway station on September 20 this year and an AK-47 rifle attack on the Osizweni police station on October 10.

Yesterday the SAP warned of possible "deeds of terror" next month by the military wing of the ANC, Umkonto we Sizwe (Spear of the Nation), and appealed to the public to be "especially observant".

A victim of Tuesday's bomb blast at Newcastle Magistrate's Court was flown to Durban by a South African Air Force helicopter yesterday afternoon.

Student Constable Johannes Simelani, 21, was admitted to Wentworth Hospital.

Constable Simelani suffered lung injuries after a 30cm-long section of a footscrapper outside the court building was blown off in the blast and was embedded in his chest.

□ Brigadier M Stadler, information chief of the security branch in Pretoria, said in recent court cases that there have been 598 ANC-related terrorist attacks in various parts of the country in the past 10 years.

Although there had been an escalation of ANC activity, with 200 attacks this year as against 136 last year, the police had had "tremendous success" in their actions against the organization.

Business Day Reporter

TWO suspected ANC terrorists were arrested in connection with the two bomb blasts in Newcastle on Tuesday, SA Police Commissioner General P J Coetzee said yesterday.

One bomb exploded in the CNA at Game Centre and the other in a dustbin outside Court B of the Newcastle Magistrates Court.

The two men were also being held in connection with a mine explosion at the Glencoe Railway Station and an attack with AK rifles at the Osizweni Police Station on October 10.

Police had confiscated explosives, plastic detonators and switches.

Suspected ANC men arrested after bomb

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Police yesterday warned it was possible the ANC would be more active this festive season.

They appealed to the public to be vigilant and on the lookout for suspicious objects that may be explosive.

A statement said: "Experience has taught that an increase in deeds of terrorism may occur over the coming festive season.

"It is well known that the ANC has declared 1986 to be the year of Ukhonto weSizwe (Spear of the Nation

— the ANC military wing) which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year.

"The possibility that the ANC will commit further deeds of terror during the last few weeks of 1986, in order to regain imagined prestige, cannot be excluded."

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- books, shopping bags — could be, or contain, a bomb. Do not touch it or try to remove it as it could explode.
- Leave premises housing a bomb but open all doors and windows of the building.
- When you are near the site of an explosion:
- Call the police, fire brigade and ambulance, render first-aid, help re-move the injured, leave the site after you have done what you can to help but leave your name, address and telephone number with the police.
- Do not loiter in the vicinity or take pieces of clothing, glass, motor car parts or anything else for mementoes, or rummage in or disturb the rubble.
- Leave old military ammunition and bombs where they are and keep other people away.

Always be on the lookout for strange objects or packages in or near entrance halls, offices, public places, toilets or dustbins.

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Natal boombo blasts: two held

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TWO men have been arrested in connection with the bomb blasts in Newcastle this week, as well as other acts of terrorism.

Op to remove needle near boy's heart is delayed

Mercury Reporter

THE operation to remove a needle which is lodged only 5 mm from 13-year-old Marc Stoliz's heart has been delayed again because his lung has collapsed.

Marc, from Hillcrest, was admitted to hospital a week ago after his temperature soared. X-rays revealed a needle embedded in his chest and it is still not known how it got there.

The operation to remove the needle was delayed because of the high temperature.

His father, Dan Stoliz, said: "There had been a computer error because some of the needles had collapsed. The doctor here said the needle is now only a millimetre from the lung. It is not safe to set his temperature down and his lung will collapse."

Chissano

MAKING HIS DEBUT as Joaquim Chissano chaired his first Cabinet meeting

Police suspect they are African National Congress terrorists.

Commissioner Gen P J Coetzee said in Pretoria yesterday that apart from the two Newcastle blasts, the suspects had been linked to a limpet mine explosion at the Glencoe Railway Station on September 20 and an AK-47 rifle attack on the Osizweni Police Station on October 10.

Plastic explosives, detonators and fuses were recovered by police after the arrests.

In the Newcastle explosions, which occurred within minutes of each other, 30 people were injured, four of them seriously.

The blasts were at Newcastle's Game centre and the magistrate's court.

During the rifle attack on the Osizweni Police Station, a constable was shot and wounded when two terrorists opened fire at a police vehicle parked in front of the station.

Air lifted

Nobody was injured when a limpet mine, which had been placed in a dustbin, exploded at the Glencoe Railway Station.

Meanwhile, a claim of Tuesday's bomb blast at the Newcastle Magistrate's Court was air-lifted to Durban by a South African Air Force helicopter yesterday afternoon.

Student Const Johannes Simelani, 21, was transported in a Super Trelon from the Newcastle Hospital to the Durban Air Force Base and later admitted to the Westworth Hospital, where he is to receive specialised treatment.

Const Simelani received lung injuries after a 30 cm-long section of a foolscap paper outside the court building was blown into the dustbin, became embedded in his chest.

The Newcastle hospital superintendent, Dr Willie Briscoe, said: "Other victims were off the critical list. Const Van Nie, 33, whose legs were amputated, is in a satisfactory condition but further operations to his stumps will be necessary."

Sipho Khumalo, 47, suffered a compound fracture to his leg and was also satisfactory. Dr Briscoe said:

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SAP warns of bombings

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PRETORIA—The South African Police said yesterday there was a possibility that African National Congress terrorists would step up their activities during the Christmas season.

The SAP has appealed to the public to be vigilant and watchful for suspicious objects which may be explosive devices.

A statement from the police public relations division said: 'It is well known that the ANC has declared 1986 to be the year of Umkonto we Sizwe (Spear of the nation) which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year.

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If a suspicious object is found, open all doors and windows and leave the premises.

When you are near the site of an explosion:

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Do not take pieces of

clothing, glass or any other objects and do not rummage in or disturb the rubble.

Always be on the lookout for strange packages or objects in entrance halls, offices, public places and toilets and in or near dustbins. — (Sapa)

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Farmer, son hurt in blast

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Weekend Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A Northern Transvaal farmer stood with his critically injured son in his arms after their bakkie detonated a landmine on a farm road near their homestead.

The injured father and his unconscious son, both shocked and bleeding profusely, were found by neighbour and friend Mr Kallie Boshoff only minutes later. The blast happened close to the Botswana border near the small police post of Pontdrif.

Mr Dries van der Westhuizen, 34, and his eight-year-old son, Pieter, were driving home from school yesterday afternoon when the rear wheel of their bakkie detonated the Soviet-made landmine. The vehicle was blown apart.

Mr Boshoff said: "I heard this terrible explosion and immediately knew it was a bomb."

"Dries was standing under a tree. There was blood on his head. He was holding young Pieter in his arms."

"I took little Pieter in my arms and ran 600m to the tarred road. The police from Pontdrif were already on the scene."

"I got into a police van and we drove at high speed to the emergency hospital at Alldays."

A SAAF helicopter took him to Pietersburg Hospital, where his condition is serious.

Bomb-proof bins for Jo'burg on Monday

By Shirley Woodgate

The first of Johannesburg's new plastic "bomb-proof" refuse bins will be installed in the CBD on Monday.

Mr Stan Verrier, chief solids waste engineer, said Johannesburg would not be following Durban's thinking on underground "bomb-proof" dustbins because they were impractical for Johannesburg conditions.

"We're concerned that if we start digging into our narrow streets and sidewalks we will damage service connections laid underneath. Another problem is an explosion in an underground bin would detonate upwards,

ricocheting off the concrete overhead canopies that we have in the central area," he said.

Initially 2 000 pole-mounted bins would be installed in places where damage would be restricted by aiming the blast in a certain direction, Mr Verrier said. Another 2 000 would probably be ordered later.

Durban security chief Captain Arthur Willis said he would recommend the installation of the underground bins, after his division found this week that two out of six bins tested withstood the force of the blasts. These bins have concrete bases, which would be installed below ground level, and plastic cone tops.

Consecrations

FALKSON

The consecration of the tombstone in loving memory of Rosalie Falkson will take place at the Pretoria Jewish Cemetery, Rebecca Street, on Sunday 16 November 1986 at 11am. Relatives and friends kindly accept this intimation.

DURBAN

Cape Times 15/1/86

City's security slack

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SECURITY in Cape Town shops just over a month before Christmas was found to be dangerously slack by a Cape Times lunch-time survey.

Three of the largest departmental stores and a banking hall had no security guards at any entrance.

The survey found a seeming "it-will-never-happen-to-us" attitude towards possible bomb blasts. It was prompted by the Newcastle bomb blasts and a police warning of possible "deeds of terror" by the ANC military wing over the Christmas season.

A uniformed security guard in the Golden Acre shopping

complex yesterday stepped on a "suspicious looking" black plastic bag, placed next to an elevator by this reporter.

After four minutes, two uniformed security guards spotted the black bag where it was placed next to the elevator where thousands of people pass daily.

One of the guards walked up to the bag, which contained rolled-up newspapers, looked at it for a while without touching it, and then stepped on it.

Another "suspect" bag was conspicuously placed against a shelf in one of the largest book shops in the Golden Acre. Shop attendants spotted the bag 15 minutes after it had been placed and handled it while asking whose bag it was.

At one banking hall, six empty money boxes, which can easily be confused with certain ammunition cases, were stacked for more than an hour against a wall where it was possible to briefly handle them without being seen.

Only one shop checked in Adlerley Street, a women's clothing outlet, had a security guard searching bags at the entrance.

By RIAAN SMIT

Limpet wrecks activist's home

A LIMPET mine exploded at the home of political activist Thami Mcerwa this week - minutes after Azapo publicity secretary George Wauchope's home was devastated by petrolbombs.

Mcerwa is former vice-president of the Azanian Students' Movement. A Mcerwa family friend said "a limpet mine exploded outside the house damaging windows and the roof".

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A Bureau for Information spokesman said they were checking whether a limpet mine was used.

★ Wauchope has claimed the petrolbombing of his house on Tuesday was the work of a rival political organisation. 16/11/86

The bombing followed a meeting at which a group of parents from Moletsane, Tladi, Zola and Jabulani.

- Sapa. CIMPRES

Durban blast: couple in court

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A DURBAN man and woman, accused of murdering three women by bombing the beachfront Magoo's Bar in June, appeared in the Durban magistrate's court yesterday on 24 charges.

Robert John McBride, 27, of 29a Hardy Place, Austerville, and his girlfriend Greta Margaret Apelgren, 30, of 20 Maria Crescent, Austerville are also alleged to have shot dead an Edenvale hospital guard and wounded others while helping a wounded suspected guerilla escape from hospital.

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The indictment charges them with the murder of Angeli-que Pattenden, 23, Marchelle Cheryl Goddard, 28 and Julie Emily van der Linde, 28 by bombing the Parade Hotel on June 14. They also face a charge of attempted murder in that they "attempted to kill members of the general public who were at or near the Parade Hotel". - Sapa.

Evidence not admissible — defence

Argument as to whether a policeman could reveal that a man accused of terrorism had admitted being involved in hand-grenade attacks was heard yesterday in the Pretoria Supreme Court.

Before being halted by an objection from Mr N de Vos, defending, Captain Hendrick Jacobus Brits of the security branch had begun giving evidence in the trial of Mr Joseph Titus Mazibuko (18), Mr John Mlangeni (21), Mr Samuel Lekatsa (19), Mr Humphrey Tshabalala (19), Mr Johannes Veli Mazibuko (18), all of Duduza, Nigel, and Mr Hosea Lengosane (20) and Mr Cedric Dladla (19), both of Tsakane, Brakpan.

They have pleaded not guilty to two charges of terrorism, a charge of illegal possession of hand-grenades and a bomb, and several counts of attempted murder.

Earlier Mr Justice Stafford ruled that a statement to a magistrate by Mr Joseph Mazibuko was inadmissible.

Yesterday Captain Brits said he questioned Mr Mazibuko on August 2 last year.

Mr de Vos objected and Mr Justice Stafford then heard argument as to whether Captain Brits's evidence was admissible.

The hearing continues.
— Pretoria Correspondent.

CAPE TOWN 21/8/84

Guguletu man had grenades

Court Reporter

A GUGULETU man was jailed yesterday for five years by a Regional Magistrate for possessing two Russian hand-grenades.

Wiseman Ndodomzi Mdlalana, 25, of NY 49, had pleaded guilty to a charge of terrorism. He was sentenced to seven years, two of which were suspended for five years.

In a statement, Mdlalana admitted he had possessed a hand-grenade with the intention to "instil fear amongst certain persons in Guguletu".

In another statement he said that between February and April he had met a Mr Mzwandile Lucky Madubula, who said he belonged to Umkhonto we Sizwe, the military wing of the African National Congress.

Mr Madubula had showed him a hand-grenade and offered to teach him how to use it and an AK-47 rifle. Mdlalana said he had met a friend, Isaac, "who wanted help against the comrades".

One night Mdlalana and Mr Madubula had been drinking in a shebeen when "Lucky" put something in his pocket and told him to keep it. He later discovered it was a Russian-made hand-grenade.

A "very drunk" Mdlalana had left the shebeen with Mr Madubula and they had met Isaac. Soon after he and Isaac had been arrested. "Lucky ran away."

Passing sentence, the magistrate, Mr J D Beyers, took into account that Mdlalana did not belong to an organization.

Mr F Silbert prosecuted. Mr A Omar appeared for Mdlalana.

Botswana prepares for SADF raid

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Staff Reporter, Own Correspondent and Sapa
BOTSWANA steeled itself for another SADF raid yesterday as the army chief, Lieutenant-General A J "Kat" Liebenberg, claimed guerillas sheltered in Gaborone were infiltrating South Africa with the knowledge of President Quett Masire's government.

General Liebenberg told military correspondents in Pretoria SA reserved the right to strike against terrorists wherever they hid themselves, adding that the SADF did not plan to invade neighbouring countries.

Attack expected

Botswana's External Affairs Minister, Dr Gaofitwe Chiepe, last night said his government was expecting another attack on its citizens by the SADF.

"Every so often, when they start making such allegations, we know they are planning to attack," he told our Johannesburg correspondent in a telephone interview.

"I'm sure this is an excuse to prepare the international community to accept the SA army's next attack on us."

The latest salvo in a war of words between the two countries

came days after President Masire, during an opening address to parliament, said SA was looking for excuses to attack its neighbours.

Referring to the activities of black nationalist guerillas fighting against Pretoria, Dr Masire said SA clearly wished to take on lesser opponents than the "difficult and determined lot it finds in South Africa itself".

'Scapegoats'

"Having amassed an arsenal of weapons and deployed the largest army, it (SA) wants to use these weapons to murder more people. It is looking for excuses and scapegoats to commit murder and plunder in Mozambique, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Botswana, Swaziland and Lesotho.

"Southern Africa is at the crossroads, for the danger of a full-scale war is lurking," Dr Masire said.

He accused South Africa of attempting to divert attention from its internal conflict.

Dr Chiepe said his government did not allow an African National Congress presence in the country. If there was such a presence it was not surprising, as "it is impossible to keep tabs on the entire Botswana border".

In SA the government could not deny an ANC presence for similar reasons, he said.

Gen Liebenberg said ANC guerillas operating from Botswana had been responsible for six mine incidents and 14 other incidents so far this year.

He said one of eight captured "terrorists" called "Junior" had confirmed two infiltration routes from Botswana. The Botswanan Government apparently had knowledge that collaborators in Gaborone provided shelter for "terrorists".

"Junior" had said the main tasks of "terrorists" operating from Botswana was to intimidate farmers in the Western Transvaal into leaving their farms. His designated operating area stretched from Tloabazambi to Pietersburg.

Remarks such as Dr Masire's could only worsen relations between the two countries, he said.

He added that ANC "terrorists" planned to escalate their mine warfare against South Africa. The ANC would celebrate its 75th anniversary next year and it could therefore be accepted that it would escalate its activities.

Gen Liebenberg confirmed a R2 500 reward for reporting a terrorist, R3 000 for reporting a vehicle mine, R2 000 for large limpet mines and R1 000 for small mines.

Reporting a rifle carried a R600 award, bombs and grenades R200, while petrol bombs carried a R50 reward, he said.

Two blasts rock flats of Soweto 'exiles'

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THE Bureau for Information yesterday confirmed that two limpet mines exploded at a Fordsburg block of flats — new home of Soweto councillors who fled the township earlier this year.

The mines blasted two "big holes" through the ground floor facade.

About 27 councillors took refuge in the building in August, at the height of the White City "rent war" which left at least 30 people dead, among them councillor Sydenham Mkhwanazi.

The councillors vacated their homes after deciding at a special council meeting not to resign, as residents had demanded soon after the Soweto Council an-

Business Day Reporter

nounced tariff hikes which triggered the rent boycott.

The bureau spokesman would say only that the mines exploded at 1am on Saturday morning, causing no injuries to any of the building's occupants.

In its unrest report yesterday, the bureau said that two security force members were stabbed to death on Saturday — one in Somerset East, and one in Nyanga.

The report said another four security force members were injured during unrest-related incidents in Bekkersdal (Westonaria), Tantje (Grahamstown) and Umlazi (Durban).

Soweto was said to have been "fairly quiet" during the period.

Explosion at Fordsburg flats

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A BOMB exploded at the weekend at a block of flats in Fordsburg, Johannesburg, housing Soweto councillors who fled the township during disturbances in September this year.

No one was injured during the explosion. Police have confirmed

the incident. A police spokesman said windows were extensively shattered on the ground floor. The blast occurred about 1am on Saturday.

The councillors fled the township at the height of the White City "rent war", which left 30

people dead, including a councillor, Mr Sydenham Mkhwanazi.

2 blasts being probed

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JOHANNESBURG — Police are investigating two bomb blasts that occurred in a block of flats where Soweto councillors are allegedly living, a Bureau for Information spokesman said today.

The limpet mine explosions ripped two holes in the walls and shattered several windows at Octavia Hill flats in Pioneer Street, Fordsburg, at 12.45am on Saturday.

No one was injured in the explosions.

The Bureau spokesman said she could not confirm the councillors lived in the flats.

The Soweto Town Council was not available for comment or confirmation of councillor addresses. — Sapa

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Botswana *CAF - Times 24/11/86* 'knows of ANC ops'

PRETORIA. — The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, said yesterday in a telex sent to Botswana's Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr G Chiepe, that Botswana was aware that ANC terrorists operated against South Africa from its territory.

He was reacting to reports that Dr Chiepe had denied that the Botswana government was aware of ANC operations being launched from that country.

Botswana had reacted to a statement made on November 20 by the chief of the SA Army, Lieut-Gen A J "Kat" Liebenberg, that the Botswana Government either knowingly assisted the ANC in their deeds of violence against South Africa, or at least acquiesced in their activities.

There had been six landmine incidents on the Botswana border this year, and eight terrorists had been arrested.

Mr Botha said the SA Government invited the Botswana Government to send security officials to interrogate, in the presence of the SA Police, one of them, "Junior", to whom General Liebenberg had referred.

Gen Liebenberg said "Junior" had stated that the ANC used two infiltration routes through Botswana.

His instructions were selectively to murder farmers in the border area, convert vacated farms into ANC bases and to maintain contact with elements in Botswana for logistical support.

Mr Botha also referred in yesterday's telex to the trial of E B Bogatsu, an employee of the Botswana Housing Corporation, who in 1986 was found guilty of transporting trained terrorists into South Africa from Botswana.

He added that the use of Botswana as an ANC infiltration route had been discussed at length during ministerial meetings in February and September 1985. — Sapa

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Limpet mine blast probe

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Man arrested after KTC grenade blast

CAPE TOWN — Police have confirmed that a man has been arrested in connection with the grenade blast at the KTC squatter camp in which two policemen were injured today.

Capt P Loock, CID branch commander at Guguletu, and Sgt A Steenkamp, of the dog squad, suffered multiple shrapnel wounds when a grenade exploded close to them during a routine crime prevention exercise.

Both men were treated on the scene and admitted to hospital, where they are in a stable condition.

● An intensive crime prevention operation was launched today by security forces to search for stolen property, dagga and drugs.

Capt Loock and Sgt Steenkamp were moving between shacks when a man pulled out a gun and fired at security forces before hurling an explosive device. — Sapa

16 hurt in Sun

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**Grenade
injures
officers**

CAPE TOWN — The head of the detective branch at Guguletu, Captain Paul Looek, who was seriously injured in a handgranade attack in KTC yesterday morning, is making satisfactory progress in the intensive care unit at the Wynberg Military Hospital.

Capt Looek and Sergeant Andre Steenkamp, of the Dog Unit at Wingfield, were on patrol when shots were fired at them. When they took cover, the handgranade was thrown. They both suffered multiple shrapnel wounds.

Sgt Steenkamp was not seriously injured.

A 30-year-old man was arrested shortly after the incident, and police took possession of a pistol and ammunition.

The state-run Bureau for Information said the policemen were on a "routine patrol". — Sapa

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Grenade attack
CAPE TOWN—A 30-year-old black man from Guguletu has been arrested in connection with the grenade blast yesterday at the KTC squatter camp in which two policemen were injured, police have confirmed. Capt P Looek, CID branch commander at Guguletu, and Sgt A Steenkamp of the dog squad, suffered multiple shrapnel wounds when a grenade exploded close to them during a routine crime prevention exercise. —
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Grenade wrecks mayor's bedroom

Mercury Reporter

THE Mayor of Magabheni township, near Umkomaas, Mr Divas Mncwabe, said he thought he was dreaming when he heard a handgrenade explosion at his house early yesterday.

He and his wife, Irene, narrowly escaped serious injury in the attack.

The grenade fell in their bedroom, shattering furniture and blowing the roof off the room.

Mr Mncwabe was slightly injured on the forehead. Mrs Mncwabe was not injured.

Mr Mncwabe estimated damage at R10 000.

Mr Mncwabe, an active Inkatha member, was in the kitchen when the explosion happened.

'The explosion was followed by several shots which hit the wall of my bedroom.'

The Bureau for Information said it was believed an AK-47 assault rifle was used in the attack.

3 acquitted in Delmas

By **MONO BADELA and
MARTIN NTSOLENGOE**

THREE OF the 22 men who were charged with high treason in the Delmas Circuit Court have been acquitted by Judge van Dijkhorst yesterday.

In his 100-minute long judgement, Van Dijkhorst found Vaal Civic Association members Lazarus More, Simon Vilakazi and Mkhambi Amos not guilty of the crime as there was no evidence and no case against them.

Immediately after their acquittal, the three men were mobbed by a crowd outside the court. The fight is still going on for the acquittal of the other 19. One of them said, "We are relieved but not happy. The fight is still going on for the acquittal of the other 19. One of them said. Van Dijkhorst said that More had merely introduced speakers at a meeting and therefore it could not be said that he was part of the leadership. The judge said Malindi only participated by singing freedom songs and there is no evidence that he was part of the leadership or the management. In the case of Vilakazi, the only evidence against him is that he merely listened to Radio Freedom. Van Dijkhorst said.

The case against the 19 others, who include top UDF leaders like Patrick Molele, Moss Chikane and Tom Mantshe, will continue on January 21. Van Dijkhorst said the 19 will have to come back "to prove their innocence". However, there are indications that bail applications for the 19 would be made on Tuesday.

Before the trial commenced, several people, including representatives from Austria, France, Canada and Sweden, were turned away.

Also turned away were several journalists, the wives of the accused and representatives from organisations like the Release Mandela Campaign, United Democratic Front, Black Sash, Transvaal Indian Congress, SA Council of Churches, Soweto Youth Congress, Azaso and the Anti-President's Council Committee.

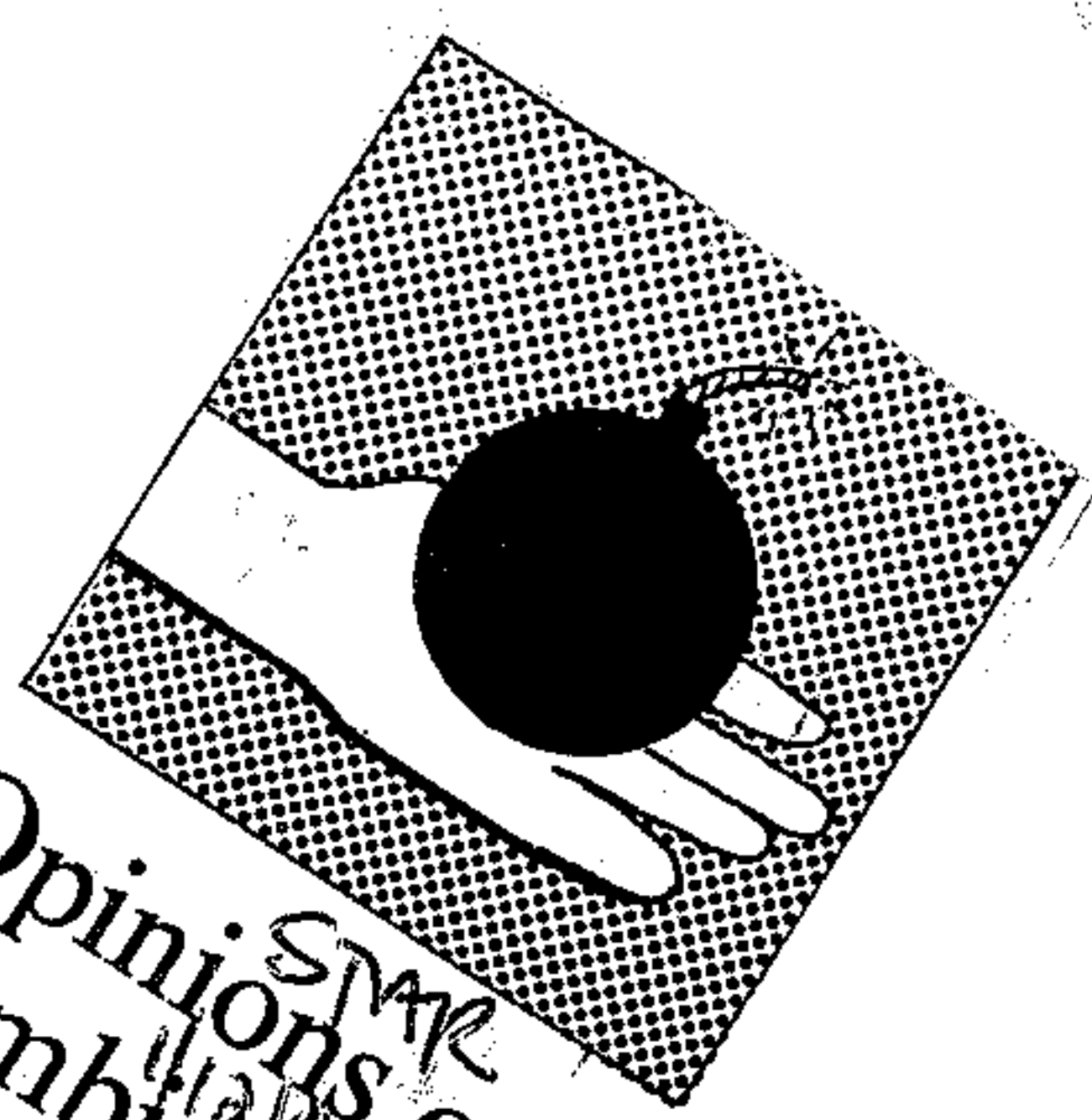
Leading personalities who could not find room in the crowded courtroom were Ussuf Cachalia, Helen Joseph, Cassim Saloojee and Aubrey Mokoena. A group of women wearing their Roman Catholic church uniforms, who arrived early yesterday morning, were also turned away.

It was also a disappointing day for the family members and relatives of the accused who arrived at the Delmas court in cars and buses hoping to return home with some of their husbands and sons.

Martha Chikane of Mamelodi whose husband, Moss, is one of the 19 accused said it would be a disappointing day for her children who were waiting at home to welcome their father.

The 19 accused are also facing alternative charges of incitement to murder, subversion and terrorism.

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Opinions on bombing of innocent vary with age

One of the premises set by pollsters was: "In the last year there have been many bombings in countries around the world, including South Africa, in which many people — men, women and children of many colours — have been hurt or killed. It is said this is the work of terrorists."

Urban blacks were then asked if they considered the bombing of innocent people wrong, or politically justified.

The purpose was to establish black thought on the principle of terrorists using bombs for political aims, rather than to look specifically at events in South Africa.

Said analysts: "It is interesting to observe that 82 percent of black males aged 50 or more say bombing innocent people anywhere is 'wrong', compared with 53 percent of the more militant younger age group (18-24) who take the same viewpoint."

"In contrast, only 14 percent of the older age group say there is political justification for such action while 34 percent of the younger men took this stance." By region, bombings were condemned by 73 percent of black respondents in Durban against 45 percent in the Eastern Cape and 54 percent in the PWV (Pretoria-Witwatersrand-Vaal) industrial complex.

JUSTIFIED

One in three urban blacks in the PWV and Eastern Cape saw bombings as politically justified. "There are very mixed signals", commented the head of the survey team. "Because the canvas is so wide, opinions in one area of the poll would support what blacks believe while contradicting others." "Looking at the scene from white political leadership standpoints, there are a lot of green lights for progress.

"The most heartening aspect of responses from blacks willing to express a viewpoint away from the threat of intimidation is the degree of goodwill that reflect a great deal of political pragmatism.

"But clearly, events of the past few months in their view threaten to erode that goodwill."

3 children burned in home attack

Mercury Reporter

THREE children received serious burns when three houses, including that of the KwaZulu Chief Minister's praise-singer, Mr Ephraim Buthelezi, were fire-bombed and stoned in Kwa Makuta township near Amanzimtoti at the weekend and early yesterday.

All three houses belonged to local Inkatha members.

Little damage was caused at the other two houses, but at Mr E Ngema's house, where three children were burned, there was extensive damage.

A relative of Mr Ngema, Miss Dudu Mbatha, who was present at the time of the attack, said they saw the house exploding into flames early yesterday.

'When we tried to move out of the house we found that two doors, the back and front, had been wired shut. My brother had to jump through the window

to open the doors,' Miss Mbatha said.

She said while they were still trying to escape, three children were caught in the fire.

Police said two petrol bombs were thrown through into the house, causing damage estimated at R2 000.

The injured were Goodman, 14, Gladness, 11, and five-year old Nombuso Ngema.

Two other homes petrol-bombed at the weekend belonged to Mr Ephraim Buthelezi.

He was not at home during the attack and little damage was done as the petrol bomb did not ignite.

A relative at Mr Buthelezi's home said this was the second attack this year.

The home of Mr Johannes Mahaye of 1249 Kwa Makuta was also attacked with petrol bombs, but little damage was done.

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Spate of township petrol-bombing

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Mercury Reporter

THE new wave of violence which hit Kwa Makuta at the weekend continued yesterday, with the further petrol-bombing of two houses, including that of the town-

ship mayor, Mr Jerome Mshengu.

The spate of bombing in the township, which began last Friday, has so far left five homes damaged, some extensively.

Mr Mshengu told the Natal Mercury yesterday that his home had been surrounded by unknown people who had hurled petrol bombs into it.

Mr Mshengu said the assailants were trying to trap him and his family inside the house.

'Luckily I heard them while they were still a bit far from my home. When I rushed into the house to wake up the children the first petrol bomb exploded right in front of the door and the house caught fire,' said Mr Mshengu, who is an Inkatha member.

He realised they could die inside the house and they moved out without trying to rescue anything.

He had no doubt that there was a political motive behind the attack.

Furniture in the lounge, kitchen and bedrooms was destroyed. Mr Mshengu estimated damage at more than R10 000.

A spokesman for the Bureau for Information yesterday confirmed the incident. She said no one had been injured and no arrests had been made by yesterday.

The other home attacked early yesterday was that of Mr Edwin Mbatha.

Dispute over notes

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THE trial of Alan Edward Pearce, 25, on charges of arson, terrorism and possession of grenades and bombs was adjourned in the Durban regional court to allow the defence to apply for a Supreme Court order that the prosecutor make available police notes taken during his interrogation.

Pearce has pleaded not guilty to setting fire to a laboratory at a Wentworth school on September 3 1985; damaging water pipes at Westville on June 30 this year with two limpet mines; and possession of

four handgrenades and two mini-limpet mines at Wentworth between April and July this year.

His lawyer HK Naidoo had applied to prosecutor D Schaup to be supplied with notes taken by the police during interrogation. Schaup refused, saying the defence was not entitled to see them.

The case was adjourned to April 22 for the defence to apply for a Supreme Court order that Schaup hand over the notes. - Sapa

Huge increase in armed violence

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A whale of a job



CAPE TOWN—An increase of 800% in 'armed revolutionary violence' in South Africa since 1984 was noted in statistics for 1986 released this week by the University of Cape Town's Institute of Criminology.

Mercury Correspondent

While figures for the latter half of 1986 were not available for the institute's annual report, statistics for the two previous years indicate a marked increase in violence by and against the State.

The institute's analysis on unrest-related incidents, including terrorist attacks, was compiled from figures released in Parliament, newspaper reports and from extra-parliamentary organisations, like the Repression Monitoring Committee and the Detainees' Parents Support Committee, and the University of Pretoria's Institute of Strategic Studies.

The report, comparing terrorist attacks by the banned African National Congress between April 1985 and April 1986 with the corresponding previous year, noted an increase in such attacks from a weekly average of 3,711 to 6,25.

Commenting on the increase, the report quoted former Deputy Minister of Information Louis Nel as telling Parliament that ANC attacks had increased by 322% in the two years since April, 1984.

According to Wim Booysse, senior researcher at the Institute of Strategic Studies at the University of Pretoria, the incidence of "armed revolutionary violence" has increased by 800% in the last two years.

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The report stated that certain figures regarding 'unrest' were not available because the former Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis le Grange, 'did not deem it in the public interest to furnish (such) information'.

This included the number of people killed, injured, arrested or detained in connection with unrest since March 7 this year as well as information about the number of incidents of sabotage, arson, stone-throwing, public violence and malicious damage to property.

It did note, however, that 191 people were killed by police in unrest during the first six months of this year. 379 were killed by 'other persons', and 15 members of the police died while on duty in unrest areas.

Some 562 adults of all races were killed and 2 000 others were wounded by police in 1985.

Some 201 juveniles of all races were killed and 571 others were wounded by police in 1985.

Some 2 223 people died in 'unrest' between February, 1984, and June, 1986. Of these, 479 were killed in 1985 and 689 in the first six months of this year.

In its statistics on 'State repression in 1985', the report noted that 18 966 people were arrested that year — an average of about 54 a day — and an average of 2,4 people died and 6,1 were wounded daily during this period.

State keeps out of home loan battle

Mercury Correspondent JOHANNESBURG—The Reserve Bank will not intervene as competition between building societies and banks heats up.

The official view is likely to remain that events of the past few days which saw the Standard Bank reduce its home-loan rate drastically are healthy and in line with recommendations of the report of the De Kock Commission.

Banks Act, the authorities will stand back and let events unfold to the benefit of the consumer.

And, says UBS Chief Executive, Piet Badenhorst, who attended yesterday's meeting between building society executives and the Reserve Bank: 'The Standard Bank's move is the kind of action we expect in a deregulated environment and we regard it as fair competition. We have said

Natal Sharks Board employees battle to free the 7,4 m shark from rocks near Hibberdene yesterday.

Picture by TERRY HAYWOOD

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Cash grab
Shoot-out
Crime Reporter
THREE armed black men

Copter helps pull whale shark off beach

Mercury Reporter A LARGE beached whale shark was hauled from a shallow gully at Hibberdene yesterday in a four-hour operation involving members of the Natal Sharks Board, a South African Air Force helicopter crew and a Kuswag vessel.

A large crowd of holiday-makers watched the operation.

More than 55 arms caches were discovered in the past 14 months, valued at R793 387. Since 1976, 428 'alleged terrorists' had been killed or captured; 42,28% of them since 1984.

There were 217 incidents of sabotage, armed attacks and explosives in 1985. These included 41 armed attacks on members of the police, 19 on police homes, 14 on police stations and 26 private homes.

In attempts to contain rioting in 1985, 16 policemen were killed and 330 others were injured. Some 1 153 buildings belonging to the State and 2 787 belonging to individuals were destroyed or damaged in such rioting.

Witness says he took in 'Toti bomber'

10/12/80 Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG — A secret witness told the terrorism trial in the Supreme Court here yesterday of accommodating Amanzimtoti bomber Andrew Zondo, not knowing that he had planted the bomb.

The witness "C" told of living in Groutville for several months this year with accused Mr Malusi Israel Majola after police had come to their homes in kwaMashu looking for them.

"C" said that when Mr Majola heard a radio broadcast about Zondo, he had got a fright. Mr Majola had then explained that Zondo was the person for whom "C" had arranged accommodation a few days after five people were killed in the Amanzimtoti bomb blast in December 1984.

"C" told of testing a machine-gun with Mr Majola at Groutville. Both had fired the weapon.

He also told of being brought a book of instructions on the making of bombs. The book was disguised in a cover with the name Ripley Underground.

He bought chemicals needed to make bombs and wanted to conduct experiments with grenades but had been arrested before being able to do so.

He said the machine-gun had not worked and they had told accused Mr Vusumuzi Mahlobo about it. Mr Majola, Mr Mahlobo and "C" cleaned it but the automatic mechanism had not worked.

The hearing continues.

The accused are: Mrs Duduzile Charity Baby Buthelezi (32) of Umlazi; Dr Sibongiseni Maxwell Dhlomo (26) of Doctors' Residence, Impala House, Umbilo; Dr Vejaynand Indurjith Ramlakan (28) of 2 Nardaba Road, Merebank; Mr Sibusiso Robert Ndlanzi (29) of Kwa Mashu; Mr Jude Francis (21) of Shallcross; Mr Ordway Qonda Msomi (20) of Lamontville; Mr Siphon Stanley Bhila (31) of Lamontville; Mr Phumezo George James Nxiweni (20) of Alan Taylor Residence, Lamontville; Mr Mapiki Aaron Dlomo (32) of Lamontville; Mr Bafu Bawana Nguqu (30) of Lamontville; Mr Malusi Israel Majola (20) of Chesterville and Mr Vusumuzi Wesley Mahlobo (27) of kwaMashu.

17/12/86

'Terrorists' held, arms seized in ^{SUN} Natal raid

JOHANNESBURG. — Suspected terrorists were detained and arms seized in a police swoop near the Swaziland border in northern Natal.

A police spokesman last night confirmed that Durban police had arrested several people and seized weapons near the Golel railway station in the past 24 hours.

He said follow-up operations were under way.

Security sources said recently that the Newcastle bomb attacks in November heralded the beginning of new African National Congress terrorist activity for the Christmas season.

WORST YEAR

So far 1986 has been the country's worst year for terrorist activity. However it has also been the most successful year for police action against terrorists.

Last week the new Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, said police were ready for the expected escalation of terror attacks on soft targets. Police, however, would hit back, he said.

Police have appealed to security personnel at shopping centres and to the public to be particularly alert in the next few weeks. — Sapa.

Farmers to get R28000 Govt grants and loans for anti-landmine vehicles

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Weekend Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The Government is giving certain northern Transvaal farmers R28 000 grants and R12 000 low-interest loans so that they can buy vehicles protected against landmine blasts.

About 300 farmers stand to benefit from the subsidies which may be extended next year to farmers along the Swaziland border.

The subsidy scheme has thrown the local mine-protected vehicle industry wide open and various companies are vying for guaranteed cash payments. Involved in processing subsidy applications are the departments of Commerce and Agriculture.

At least five automotive design companies are preparing to release a new range of landmine protected vehicles for use in the farming, industry and private sectors.

Competitive industry

In what is fast becoming a highly competitive industry, the new armoured and bullet-protected models — all stringently tested by the CSIR and Bureau of Standards — will come off production lines in different parts of the country in the next few weeks.

They will sell at between R25 000 to R40 000 and some of the companies are also gearing to convert most types of existing pickup trucks — one, two and three-tonners — to the new specifications at a cost of R12 000 to R15 000.

The subsidy applies mainly to farmers of the northern and north-western Transvaal, and means they can buy a R40 000 vehicle without having to outlay a single cent.

On the production side, one automotive designer, Mr Ernest Konschel, who has designed a one-ton anti-ambush and mine resistant bakkie called the Cougar, and is building it in Germiston, has been commissioned to de-

liver 54 units to an agricultural concern near Komatipoort next year.

Four models are available, ranging from two to eight-man configurations, and all are adapted to local conditions.

According to Mr Konschel, a mine-detecting vehicle, based on the celebrated Rhodesian "Pookie", which lifted over 300 mines in the war against Zanu and Zapu, and in the process saved thousands of lives, will go into production at his Germiston plant next year.

Troubled areas

A Pretoria motor company executive, Mr Koos de Wet, the creator of the Buffel transport carrier — one of the most successful of its kind in the world — and the Casspir, has designed the Krimpvark mine resistant vehicle for the civil sector, and is being built by Afrit (Pty) Ltd., of Rosslyn.

Also a one-tonner, but of a different design, the Krimpvark has a top speed of 140kph, a fuel consumption of 20 litres for 100km, weighs two tons, offers good all-round visibility and is well ventilated.

It is being made available to farmers, government agencies and to the private sector in border or troubled areas. The first production model has been delivered to a business concern in Witbank.

At least two more engineering firms are making use of a CSIR-designed basic mine protected capsule which they are adapting in projects of their own for mounting on almost any model of pickup truck.

One is the Rooibok, which will be marketed soon.

The CSIR developed the capsule as a guideline for the production of home-built mine protected vehicles for use in the private sector, and the basic designs were distributed to interested parties by the Department of Commerce.

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ANC suspect shot dead at roadblock

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A suspected member of the banned African National Congress was killed in a Northern Cape shoot-out and two policemen were seriously injured in an Eastern Transvaal landmine blast at the weekend, police reported.

Police said the alleged ANC insurgent was shot by police at a roadblock on the Jan Kempdorp road near Warrenton when he fired at them from a car.

Four more suspected ANC insurgents were arrested after the shooting, he said.

No policemen were injured. Russian weapons, including handgrenades and rifles, were seized.

Early yesterday, Sergeant A Rossouw, 28, and Constable L Mavudla, 23, were seriously injured when their patrol van detonated a mine at Josefsdal, near Barberton.

The policemen received leg and facial injuries.

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SADF — and farmers — are on the alert

MESSINA — The Defence Force says it is ready to ward off an intensified African National Congress (ANC) assault from Zimbabwe, Botswana and Mozambique across the northern border.

Military correspondents who visited the area at the weekend learnt that the SADF had organised farmers north of the Soupsansberg into a task force of militarily-prepared commando members.

Farmers' wives have been issued with 9 mm sub-machine guns, while the Officer Commanding the Soupsansberg Military Area, Colonel Swanepoel, can reach 300 farmers by radio from his operations room.

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dent involving Pontdrif farmer Mr Dries van der Westhuizen, the farmers swung into action themselves, transporting the injured to hospital and keeping Soupsansberg Command informed of events by radio.

But the drought and depopulation of farms presented infiltration dangers, Colonel Swanepoel said, necessitating military patrols in the sparsely populated inland regions.

About half the farms — covering 15 000 sq km — are uninhabited.

In Messina which helps to infiltrate terrorists deeper into South Africa, Colonel Swanepoel said.

A complex beacon system, using secret marks on baobab trees to guide infiltrators into the country, had been uncovered.

But the far Northern Transvaal had not yet been troubled by unrest.

"The assault is mainly carried out in a cowardly fashion by the laying of landmines," Colonel Swanepoel said.

"The ANC strategy is to plunge the region into chaos so that, when the farmers leave the area, it can be turned into another military front."

Colonel Swanepoel said he had no doubt there would be another border assault. He also revealed that ANC insurgents liked to enter South Africa close to the Zimbabwe/Botswana and Zimbabwe/Botswana borders because this made it difficult to establish from which country they had come.

Several terrorists have been shot dead in the past few years and 15 landmines have been planted in the area — of these, nine were detonated.

The most serious single landmine assault occurred on November 26, when 12 mines were planted in the Welpe district, west of Beit Bridge. Eight were detonated, resulting in seven deaths.

Most casualties involve black people and this is why farm labourers want to be included in the commando training projects and be issued with arms, as some have been.

As an aid to combating infiltration, a 2 800-volt fence has been erected along a section of the 350 km border which Soupsansberg Command patrols.

But the fence is not foolproof and seven successful crossings have been made during the past six months. Between seven and 15 attempts are made each month.

Two people were electrocuted last year and one this year.

The fence, running about 250 km south along the Limpopo, cost R130 000 a kilometre.

One of the border farmers who does not mind living behind security fencing is Mr Willie Esterhuize, who farms about 45 minutes bumpy ride in

a Buffel armoured vehicle west of Beit Bridge. Last year a tractor driver was killed near Mr Esterhuize's farm when he detonated a mine.

"At first we were nervous but we have become accustomed to this life."

"It is still inconvenient not to be able to drive around as you please," he said, entertaining the correspondents on his lawn close to the Limpopo.

Mr Esterhuize pumps 900 000 litres of water an hour from the Limpopo to irrigate his sprawling cotton fields and make a comfortable living for

him, his wife, Etienne, and their three children.

"We enjoy staying here. We won't leave — no way."

Colonel Swanepoel said the 10 trains and 50 trucks which crossed Beit Bridge daily posed another security problem as it was impossible to make thorough searches of all cargo.

About 150 illegal entrants, driven by poverty and hunger, were arrested along the border every month.

They were tried and sentenced near Messina, jailed for three months at Louis Tricharit and then taken to Johannesburg and Nelspruit to be documented before being deported, the colonel said.

"Two months later they are back again." — Sapa.

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SADF ready to fight ANC border assaults

MESSINA. — The South African Defence Force has prepared itself to combat intensified African National Congress assaults across South Africa's northern border from Zimbabwe, Botswana and Mozambique.

Military correspondents visiting the area at the weekend learned the SADF had woven farmers north of the Soutpansberg into a network of commando members.

Farmers' wives have been issued with 9mm sub-machine-guns, while the officer commanding the Soutpansberg Military Area, Colonel Swannie Swanepoel, can reach reach 300 farmers by radio.

With 15 000 km² of farmland uninhabited the depopulation of farms presented infiltration dangers, Col Swanepoel said.

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Police men hurt in blast

TWO policemen were injured in a landmine blast, an alleged ANC member was shot dead, and a white man was necklaced in separate incidents at the weekend.

The Bureau for Information reported that two members of the police were seriously injured early yesterday when the vehicle in which they were travelling detonated a landmine on a dirt track at the T-junction on the Josetsdal/Barberton road in the Eastern Transvaal.

Both Sergeant A Rossouw and Constable L. C. Mavudla sustained leg and facial injuries and were admitted to hospital. The bureau gave no further details.

□ The police public relations division in Pretoria said an alleged ANC member was shot dead and four people arrested on Saturday night after a man fired on policemen at a roadblock on the Jan Kempdorp-/Hartswater road near Warrenton in the northern Cape.

No members of the police were injured during the shootout which occurred at 9.15pm.

Police took possession of weapons of Russian origin, including handgrenades, rifles and ammunition. Investigations are continuing.

□ In an incident on the West Rand, police are investigating the "necklace"

death of a white man, SABC TV news reported on Saturday.

Police believed the motive behind the crime was robbery.

The body was discovered shortly before noon on Saturday near Westonaria, 200m from the Potchefstroom/Johannesburg road. Several tyres were used to set the man alight.

Colonel Colin Steyn of the West Rand CID said the killers seemed to have made every effort to destroy evidence of their presence on the scene. It is believed they set the man alight to throw police off the track and to make identification virtually impossible. — Sapa

2 policemen injured by landmine

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Crime Reporter

A suspected member of the banned African National Congress (ANC) was killed in a Northern Cape shootout and two policemen were seriously injured in an Eastern Transvaal landmine blast at the weekend, police report.

A spokesman said the alleged ANC insurgent was shot by police at a roadblock on the Jan Kempdorp road near Warrenton when he fired at them from a car on Saturday at about 9.15 pm.

Another four suspected ANC insurgents were arrested after the shooting, he said.

Quantities of Soviet-made weapons, including grenades and rifles, were seized, the spokesman said.

DIRT ROAD

Early yesterday Sergeant A Rossouw (28) and Constable L Mavudla (23) were seriously injured when their patrol van detonated a mine on a Josefsdal dirt road near Barberton.

The mine exploded at a T-junction, the spokesman said.

The policemen were taken to hospital with leg and facial injuries.

Security forces are investigating the blast.

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Blast victim loses foot

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Eastern Transvaal landmine victim Sergeant A Rossouw's right foot was amputated in Nelspruit's Rob Ferreira Hospital at the weekend, police reported.

He and Constable L Mavudla, 23, were seriously injured when their patrol van detonated a mine on a dirt road in Josefsdal, near Barberton on Sunday about 6.45am.

A police spokesman said Sergeant Rossouw, 29, also had a broken left leg and Constable Mavudla had received leg and facial injuries. They were both in a stable condition.

Arms, fences and landmines just part of their lives

Border farmers determined to stay

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — South Africa has a new breed of frontiersmen — tough, uncompromising farmers occupying a 350-kilometre strip along the Limpopo River.

The strip lies in the lush bushveld along South Africa's far northern border with Botswana, Zimbabwe and Mozambique and has become the natural launching ground for African National Congress operations into South Africa.

Already sparsely populated, the area has been the target of ANC landmine attacks designed to drive farmers off the land and to clear the Limpopo River-springboard for operations into South Africa.

Landmines

This year 15 landmines were planted in the Weipe, Alldays and Pontdrif areas. Eight were detonated by vehicles and seven people died. Seven mines were detected by South African Army units and farmers, and disarmed.

As Christmas approaches and with the 75th anniversary of the founding of the ANC early in the new year, the army and farmers in the area are convinced that attacks across the border will be intensified.

During a trip to the border area by a group of pressmen at the weekend, it became apparent that if the ANC expected to panic the small farming community, they could not have picked a tougher target.

Fortified

Instead of frightening them off to safer interior regions, the attacks have united the farmers, their wives, families and labourers resulting in the emergence of a fortified, security-conscious community.

"We're not going anywhere," said cotton farmer Mr Willie Esterhuysen, who was elected by farmers in the Weipe border area as their senior military coordinator and link with army detachments operating on the border.

"When the first mine blasts took place last year most of us got a terrible shock. Sure we were scared. But we took stock, we discussed the problem with the army and we began organising ourselves.

"We're not scared any more, we're careful. We will fight for

what we have built up."

Because of the landmine threat, the farmers' children are ferried to school hostels in army anti-mine Buffels on Mondays and returned again on Fridays.

Farmhouses are surrounded by high security fencing and farmers are installing sophisticated spotlights and are even putting grenade screens over the windows of their homes.

The cost of the security measures is being heavily subsidised by the Government, but still the cost to farmers can run into five-figure sums.

The army and farmers sweep rural roads for landmines every morning and farmers will not move a vehicle until a road has been cleared. Most farmers are eagerly awaiting the development of a reasonably priced anti-landmine vehicle which can take their whole family.

"There have already been attempts to slap something together, but nothing suitable and affordable has been made available yet," said Mr Esterhuysen.

Women on the farms have been trained in the use of sub-machineguns and other light weapons and army personnel say their morale is outstanding.

Even the children have adapted to living constantly under threat.

"My children accept the situation," said Mr Wynand Malan. One of his tractor drivers was killed when the tractor detonated a mine planted only 70m from the homestead.

"We have drilled the children on exactly what to do in the event of an attack and they have adapted to react automatically," Mr Malan said.

Less than a decade ago the area along the Limpopo River was occupied by a few cattle farmers trying to survive the drought. Then the potential of the area for cotton and wheat farming was discovered and young farmers moved in clearing thousands of hectares of riverside bush and installing massive irrigation schemes.

Army sources say that virtually every farm along the border strip is now occupied.

Today, as the farmers wait for an expected increase in ANC cross-border raids, hundreds of sprinklers cast a cloud of mist

over the cotton lands.

But below the surface of normality is the coiled spring — every farmer has been issued with sophisticated small arms ranging from sub-machineguns to pistols and .303 rifles are to be issued to labourers in the event of an attack.

The landmine attacks, which have taken their toll on everyone in the area, have resulted in the local black farm population insisting on being trained in the use of weapons, detection of landmines and in being involved in spotting illegal border crossings, according to the SADF.

The army has assisted the farmers in becoming a formidable first line of defence by giving them the expertise and incentive to protect their own properties.

Three years ago the army began registering every resident north of the Soutpansberge. It divided the region into seven strategic areas and asked the farmers in each area to elect a man to lead them in military organisation and training.

Army radios

Colonel Johan Swanepoel, officer commanding in the Soutpansberg military area, said 300 army radios were distributed throughout the area, giving farmers 24-hour contact with the nearest army base.

"But they can also communicate with each other and that is one of the most important things in the event of an alert.

"If there is an incident I can turn the entire population on and off at a moment's notice. If there is a confirmed terrorist crossing I can inform the farmers immediately and through the network of radios and telephones the whole area is alerted."

Colonel Swanepoel said the farmers had been alerted in this way on a few occasions during the past few months.

"At first it created some fear and worry but now they have come to terms with it.

"In a nutshell I am in command of what amounts to a hell-of-a-good force of civilian soldiers."

Colonel Swanepoel says that on the first day that weapons training was offered for labourers in the area, 56 volunteered.

"Eventually we will have 500 to 600 farm labourers trained in the use of rifles."

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Soviet arms confiscated, three arrested

Three men were arrested and thousands of rounds of ammunition of Soviet origin confiscated on Monday when police confronted two men in a light pickup truck at the Bordergate border post near Swaziland, a police statement said yesterday.

A third man was arrested "after further investigation", the statement added.

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Investigations thus far indicated an attempt had been made to bring the ammunition into South Africa from Mozambique via Swaziland, the statement said.

Police investigations are continuing. — Sapa.

No statement on Swazi raids

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Crisis deepens as landmine injures soldier

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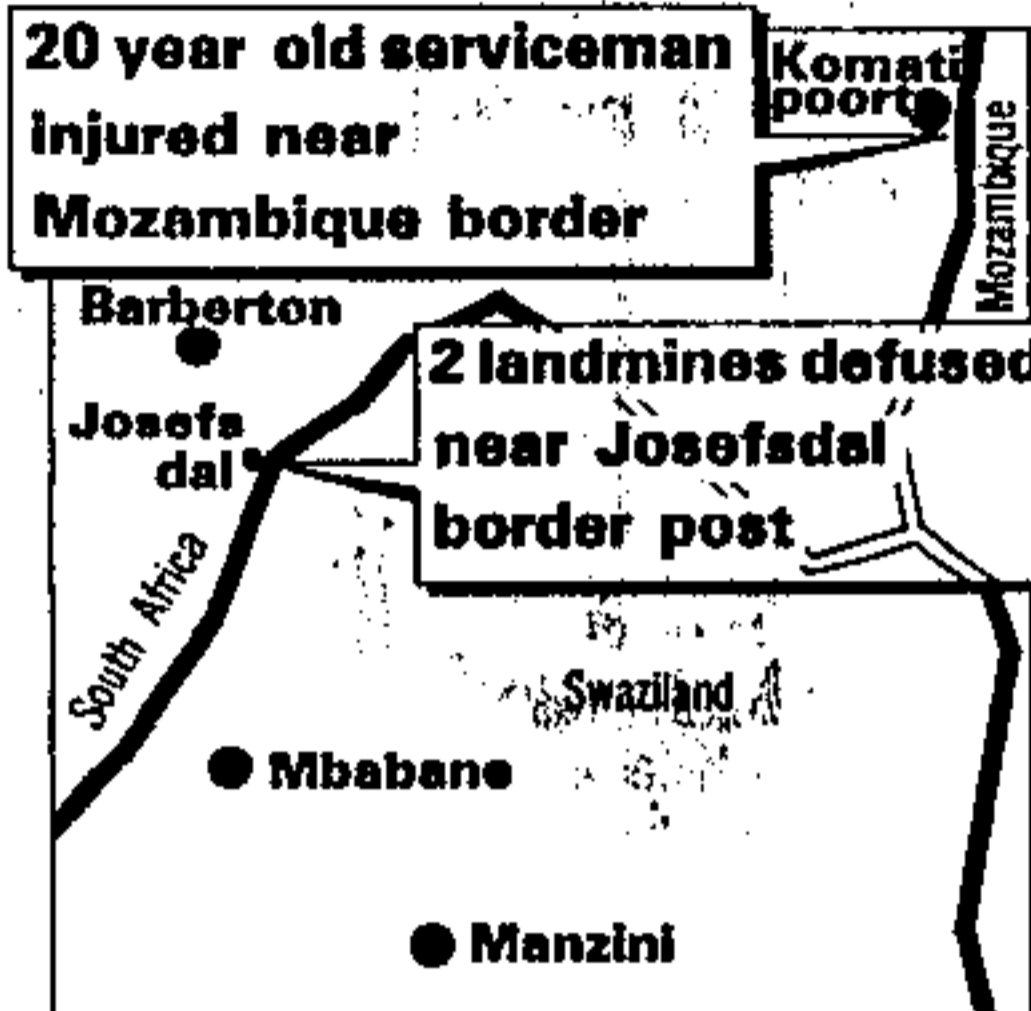
THE Swazi-SA crisis intensified yesterday when a national serviceman was injured after stepping on a landmine near Komatipoort, and two landmines were found near the countries' border.

The SA government's statement on the Swazi raids, promised several days ago, has still not materialised as government departments refer queries from one department to another.

Earlier this week, a Foreign Affairs spokesman intimated there was confusion over which department would issue a statement on the fate of Swazi national Grace Cele and ANC member Mathews Maphumulo, who went missing in Friday's armed raids on six houses in Mbabane and Manzini.

No statement has been issued on the UDF man who was abducted from Umbuluzi Valley on Monday night. A Foreign Affairs spokesman suggested that the Bureau for Information be contacted on Cele's disappearance.

Yesterday neither the Bureau for



Information nor the State President's Office would issue a statement and referred the matter to Foreign Affairs.

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Landmine victim 20 today

SA 19/12/86 By Sue Leeman, Pretoria Bureau

The national serviceman who was seriously injured in a landmine explosion near the Mozambique border on Wednesday turned 20 today, said his mother, Mrs Bettie Herman of Claremont, Pretoria.

Private Deon Herman is in No 1 Military Hospital at Voortrekkerhoogte being treated for shrapnel wounds.

An SADF spokesman said he was in a satisfactory condition.

Private Herman sustained wounds on the leg, arm and neck when he detonated an anti-personnel mine near Komatipoort.

The mine was apparently hung from a tree and was detonated when he stepped on a trip wire.

Mrs Herman said she was not sure whether she would take gifts with her on her daily visit to his bedside.

Private Herman, who began his national service in July last year, matriculated at Pretoria's Tuine Tegniese Hoërskool.

Mrs Herman said he had not decided what to do when he left the army.

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Mine wounds soldier: Swazi crisis worsens

Own Correspondent

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Nor has any statement been issued on the UDF man who was abducted from Umbuluzi Valley on Monday night.

Yesterday neither the Bureau for Information nor the State President's office were able to issue statements and referred the matter to Foreign Affairs. A Foreign Affairs spokesman said he believed no statement other than those made at the weekend was forthcoming.

Mines found on Swazi border

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Mercury Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—The tense situation on South Africa's borders intensified yesterday when a South African national serviceman was seriously injured after stepping on a landmine near Komatipoort and two landmines were found near the SA-Swaziland border.

The South African Government is due to make a statement on recent raids into Swaziland, which the Swazi government alleges came from South Africa, but so far the statement has not materialised.

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A Foreign Affairs spokesman said as far as he was aware no statement other than those made at the weekend was to be issued by his department.

Meanwhile yesterday, the S A P announced they had defused two Soviet-made landmines, a TM-46 and a TM-57, 800 m from the Eastern Transvaal/Swaziland border on the Barberton-Josefsdal dirt road, near the Josefsdal border post.

Condemning

And the SADF said Pte Andries Deon Herman, of Pretoria, was in a serious condition in 1 Military Hospital after having stepped on an anti-personnel mine near Komatipoort, close to the Mozambican border, north of Swaziland.

The Swiss Ambassador to Swaziland, Jean Oliver Quinche, who is based in Pretoria, had closed talks with Swazi Prime Minister Stoja Dlamini yesterday.

The US State Department has issued a statement through its Mbabane embassy condemning the raids by 'SA security forces' as illegal, violent and uncalled for.

Our London Bureau reports that the ANC has made a rare appeal to the Commonwealth Secretariat in London to secure the release of three people it alleges were abducted.

An ANC spokesman said in London that the three had been taken during the raids into Swaziland.

Cape Times
22/12/86

A-G can't confirm newsmen charged

By EBRAHIM MOOSA

THE Attorney-General of the Cape, Mr Niel Rossouw, was yesterday unable to confirm a report in the pro-Nationalist Rapport newspaper that two Cape Times journalists have been charged with violating the Police Act.

Mr Rossouw said he was "aware" of the case against Mr Chris Bateman and Mr Tony Weaver but had not personally worked on it and therefore could not confirm the report.

Yesterday, a surprised Mr Weaver said he had not been informed about any charges against him.

Mr Bateman is away on holiday in Zululand and could not be contacted.

The two journalists are alleged to have breached the Police Act in reporting events surrounding the killing of seven suspected ANC guerillas in a police ambush near Guguletu in March this year.

Mr Rossouw said he was "distressed" at the fact that information had been leaked to the media before the persons charged had been notified.

"I will definitely make an inquiry into the matter."

He said that someone from his staff of 27 people could have issued the order in his name.

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Blast at SATS: Man arrested

Staff Reporter

A SERIOUSLY injured man aged 36 was arrested by police last night soon after a gas explosion at the South African Transport Services electrical workshop in Bellville South.

A police liaison officer for the Western Cape, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said the man was found lying on the ground near the damaged workshop when police arrived to investigate the explosion.

The blast took place about 7.30pm.

Police have estimated that about R5 000 damage was caused to the building's roof.

The injured man is in Tygerberg Hospital under police guard.

Police were continuing their investigations, Lieutenant Laubscher said.

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Terror captives kills 2 police

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Weekend Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Two policemen have been shot dead in an attack by a suspected member of the African National Congress who was being taken under guard to Messina.

Four other alleged members of the ANC were shot dead during a security operation in the Northern Transvaal.

The dead policemen were Warrant Officer T J Gerber and Sergeant J M Nel, both of Beit Bridge. Each was married with three children.

The attack on the policemen came only hours after an encounter between five alleged terrorists and security forces after a tip-off from a hunter.

The hunter, Mr R Schubert, found five men sleeping under a tree on Dunsappie Farm, 50km west of Messina in the Weipe district yesterday. As the men fled, leaving their rucksacks, Mr Schubert fired several shots. No one was hit.

Security forces were called and made contact with the band. Three were shot dead and landmines, anti-personnel mines and other explosives were found.

A manhunt was launched by security forces.

Skirmish

In a joint statement by the Defence Force and the police it was announced yesterday that a fourth man was shot dead in a skirmish with security forces.

The fifth man was captured and was being taken to Messina when he attacked his captors. He overpowered the two policemen and grabbed a service pistol.

Several shot were fired and the two policemen died.

A spokesman for the police refused to speculate whether the fifth man crossed the border into Zimbabwe.

It is believed the five men had crossed into South Africa from Zimbabwe.

A follow-up operation is under way, with security forces using helicopters and tracker dogs, while platoons of men scour the area.

"Dedicated"

Sergeant Nel is survived by his 37-year-old wife Ria, a daughter, Martie, 17, and two sons, Paul, 16, and Harm, 14.

Distressed Martie said the family heard about the incident early today.

"My father was a dedicated policeman for 23 years and loved his work," she said.

Warrant Officer T J Gerber is survived by his wife and three children.

Hunt for 'ANC killer' after escape drama

JOHANNESBURG. — Police are still hunting for an alleged African National Congress insurgent who shot and killed two policemen during an escape early on Saturday, a spokesman said.

The spokesman said officers had combed a remote area of the Northern Transvaal, close to the Zimbabwe border, UPI reports.

The man grabbed a firearm and shot the two officers while he was being transported in a police truck to a prison in Messina.

Police said he was one of five ANC guerillas suspected of a role in a series of landmine attacks in the past 13 months.

A hunter surprised the five men while they slept under a tree on Friday. He alerted security forces who searched the area and traced the men.

Police said three men were shot and killed on the scene, one was arrested and the fifth man escaped.

The man who escaped was found and killed on Saturday, the spokesman said. The arrested man managed to escape and had not yet been found.

Two policemen, Warrant Officer T J Gerber, 44, and Sergeant J M Nel, 43, were taking the captured man to Messina when he managed to free himself, seize a loaded weapon and kill the two men before escaping, police said.

Both policemen were from Beit Bridge, and both were survived by a wife and three children.

A Defence Force spokesman said a quantity of mines, anti-personnel mines and plastic explosives were recovered by security forces.

□ Sapa reports that the Soutpansberg Military Area OC, Col "Swannie" Swanepoel, said earlier this month that the security forces assumed that an underground network existed whereby insurgents were spirited from Messina further inland.

Cape Times
Hungarian rifles, 3/12/86
bullets found on Reef *Sapa*

JOHANNESBURG. — Weapons of Hungarian origin and about 375 bullets were found here yesterday.

Two ADM65 machineguns, the Hungarian version of the Russian AK47, were found hidden in a crate next to a post office transmission tower.

It is the first time the Hungarian version of the AK47 has been found locally, according to a spokesman for the police directorate of public relations.

The two rifles, six magazines and about 375 bullets were packed neatly in the crate, hidden under a bush about 50 metres from the top of Steyn Street, on the Observatory hill.

The crate had been pushed under a bush and was found by a municipal worker, Mr Kasper Rossouw, 21, who was working under a government unemployment scheme to build stone steps on the hillock.

In April, Russian and other weapons were found in the luxury suburb of Constantia Kloof, Roodepoort. — Sapa