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# Party split over council seats

DURBAN — Groups of the Reform Party are heading for a clash on participation by members in the new South African Indian Council which comes into being on February 18.

The party's national leader, Mr Y S Chinnamy, yesterday sent a telegram to his vice chairman, Mr Sams Moolla, of Stanger, warning that he faced expulsion from the party if he did not decline a government appointment to the council by tomorrow.

But Mr George Thaver, the party's general secretary, said yesterday Mr Moolla was well within his right to accept the invitation by the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Hendrus, to serve on the council.

He said a resolution passed by the party's national executive at a meeting here last month clearly permitted any member to serve on the council either as a nominated or elected member.

The resolution left it to individual members to decide if they wished to participate in the council in their private capacity. 'I am not sure if there is any need for Mr Moolla to decline his appointment or quit the party,' he said.

Mr Chinnamy said that at the executive meeting the party conceded to allow its members to contest electoral college elections as independents and not in the party.

Despite the resolution, Mr Moolla had allegedly acted contrary to the spirit of the resolution.

Mr Chinnamy said he was urging members to leave the situation.

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No rubber stamp  
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## says Indian

Own Correspondent

PRETORIA — "I am no rubber stamp," says Mr E E Abramjee, Pretoria's only nominee to the South African Indian Council.

One of 15 prominent Indian leaders recently appointed to the council, Mr Abramjee emphasised today that he was not happy to be serving on a partly-elected representative body.

"But I see the new council as filling the gap in the interim period until such time as a freely elected body will serve the needs of the people.

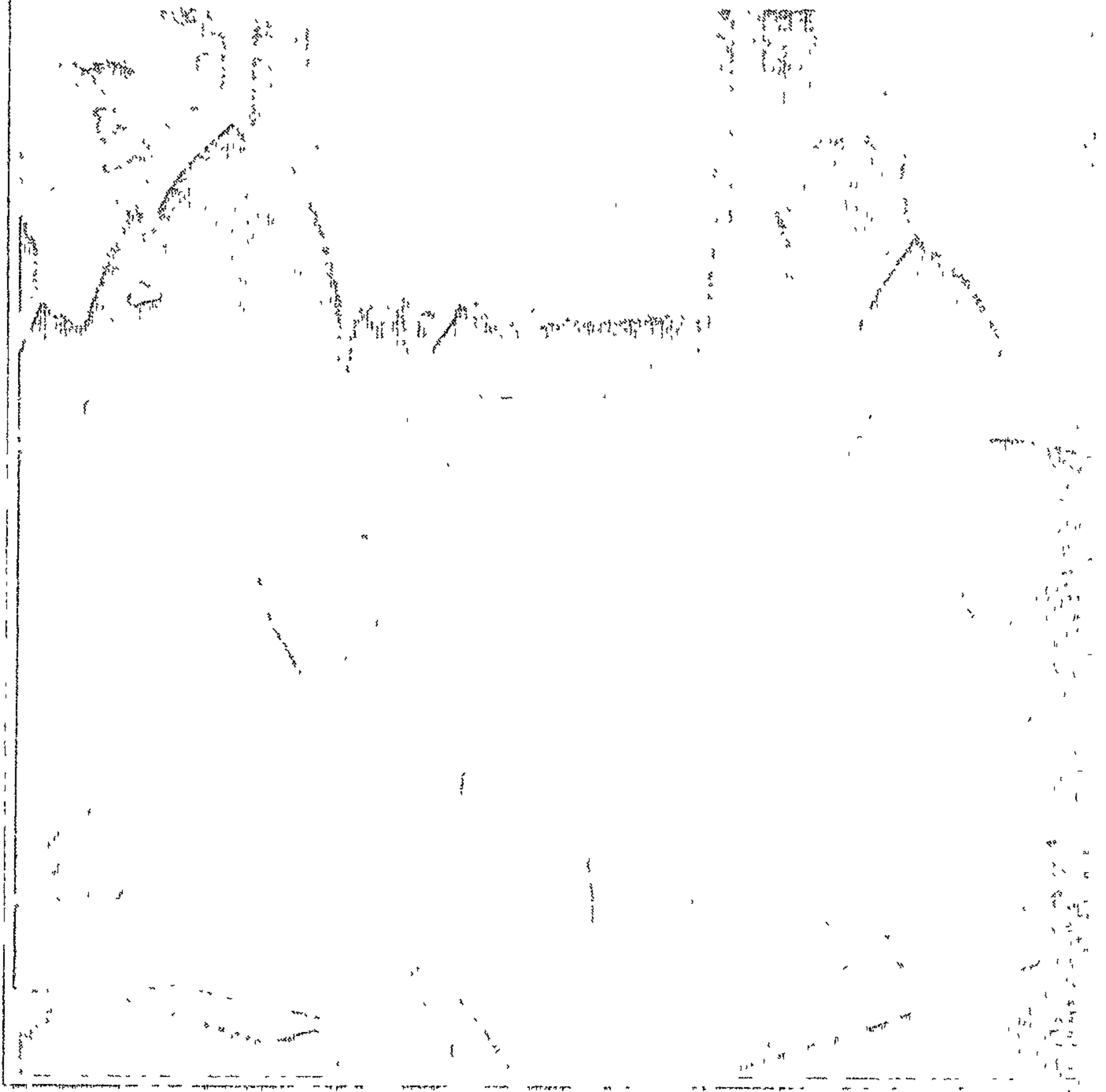
"We expect the President's Council to give a clear indication on the political future of Indians and Coloureds by the end of this year. This is why I cannot see the new council serving for longer than one and a half years at the most," Mr Abramjee said.

In the meantime, the new council would serve as a means of continuing negotiations with the Government aimed at bringing to its attention the people's needs.

"We are tired of serving as an advisory body with no power. We are not fighting with the Government, but we are tired of meetings where resolutions are taken that are never implemented.

He said that during its tenure the Indian Council would seek an acceptable political system for Indians, complete integration of local government activities, one educational system for all races, repeal of the Group Areas Act, and a solution to the chronic housing shortage among Indians.

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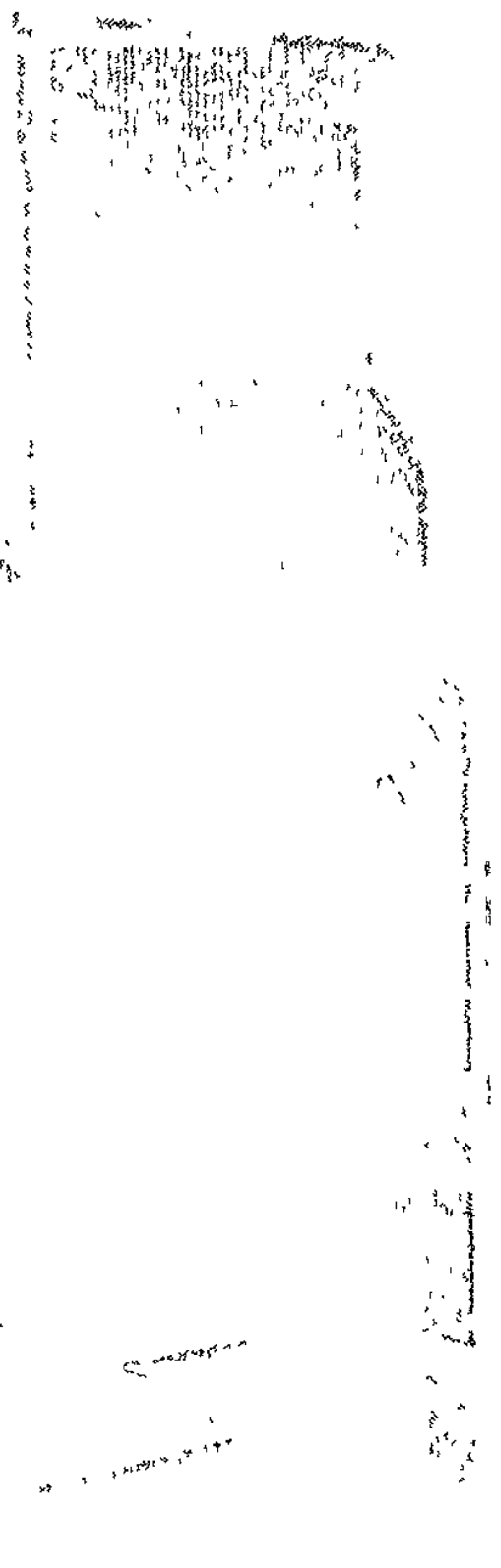
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# Mr Indliam, Education

GENEVA— Both sides in the South West Africa wrangle finally made it to the conference table yesterday, but with throats of withdrawal, it was anyone's guess as to how long they stayed there. At left is Mr Dirk Hodge, secretary-general of the Democratic Turnhalle Alliance, and on the extreme right of the same picture is Mr Danie Hough, the Administrator General. The chief of the Swapo delegation Mr Sam Nujoma, is in the centre of the other picture with Mr Theo Ben Guribab (left) — (Cablecast)

Natal Mercury  
January 8  
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Mercury Correspondent

CAPE TOWN—The Government has announced that it is to double the R50 million spent on Indian and coloured education last year, and that steps are being taken to end the black schools boycott.

In an interview Dr Ferdie Hartzenberg, Minister of Education and Training, said that his department had received requests from black school committees to re-open schools in Kimberley and Illovo.

Meanwhile the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, announced that the R50 million spent on Indian and coloured education last year would be doubled this financial year.

In the interview Dr Hartzenberg said it depends on the parents whether the schools will be re-opened on January 13. We will be ready. The initiative for the re-opening of the schools must come from the parents and my decision will depend on what the parents tell me.

A boycott resulted in the closure of black schools in six Cape municipalities by Dr Hartzenberg in September last year, affecting about 60,000 pupils nationwide. Four secondary and 11 higher primary schools in the Cape Town area were closed.

Black students in Port Elizabeth are holding talks on the possible suspension of the schools boycott while Department of Education and Training officials were expecting requests from parents to re-open schools in the area in January 13.

Asked whether he considered the grievances of black pupils had been met, Dr Hartzenberg said there had been a tremendous improvement in black education as was shown by the number of matriculants who were following the same syllabus and writing the same exams as white pupils.

He said that the backlog of classrooms was on the way out, with 5,000 built in the past two years.

Mr Heunis said the extra money allocated would be spent on 111 new schemes and extensions to provide buildings and facilities at coloured and Indian schools in the coming financial year.

Mr Heunis also said coloured and Indian school children would again receive free school books this year and the system would not be changed.

# Indians query nominations

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By Charlene Beltramo

The last 15 members of the South African Indian Council will be nominated today amid controversy as to why they were not voted in by the Indian people

Mr A B Choonara, of the Lenasia Indian Management Committee, who refused to stand for nomination, asked why Indians would not be voting for the council when all the preliminary steps had been taken to facilitate this

"I would like Mr Chris Heunis to clarify this. Last year Indians were warned that if they did not register as voters they would be fined R50

"The delimitation of voting areas was gazetted

"Mr Marais Steyn (the former Minister of Community Development) said all the steps for a fully-elected body to be voted in would be ready by November last year"

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# Black housing lack: <sup>31/11/81</sup> (253) 'new method needed'

By David Biclar  
Pretoria Bureau

The Department of Co-operation and Development has recommended a totally new approach to solve the housing shortage for blacks — conservatively estimated at 420 000 houses, which would cost at least R3 360 million to build by conventional means.

Mr J H T Mills, Director General of the department, said today he had sent a memorandum to the Cabinet on the housing shortage — his department's greatest challenge.

Mr Mills said it would cost the State at least R820 million yearly over the next five years to wipe out the backlog, without even providing for population growth.

"This is absolutely impossible. A new approach is needed," he said.

Mr Mills said the new approach should be to provide enough ground for the backlog and for population increases and then to plan these sites and provide services, including sanitation and water.

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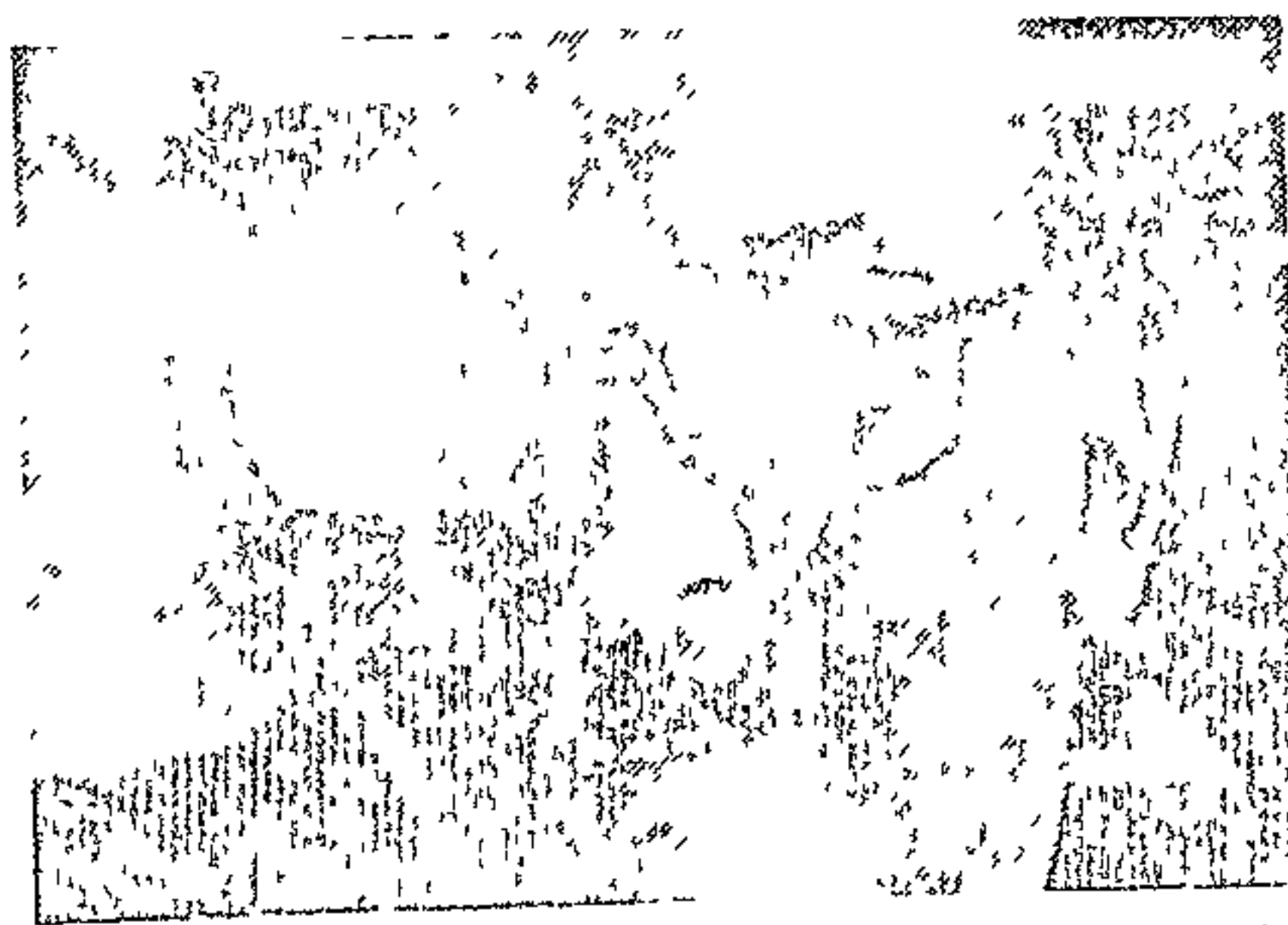
He said these sites should provide for squatters and people building their own homes. Large-scale building material stores should be established and small loans provided to enable blacks to build their own homes in these "site and-service" schemes.

The authorities should make schools and sports grounds available and should also remove all obstacles to help white employers build houses for their black workers.

Mr Mills said the improvement of black living standards in South Africa should not be confined only to Soweto, where the Committee for Greater Soweto under Mr Louis Rive was engaged in the project.

"There are many other Sowetos in South Africa," he said.

Mr Mills said the hou-



Mr J H T Mills "Housing shortage greatest challenge of the Department of Co-operation and Development"

sing shortage for blacks would be in the spotlight this year. He said just as the past two decades had been devoted to the development of black national states, the next decade would be devoted to the development of blacks by-in in South Africa.

He said the position was hardly different from that of the 1940s. Only a few adjustments here and there had been made.

He said there were more than 9 million blacks in South Africa and another 6 million in the national states not yet

independent. They were still technically part of South Africa.

Mr Mills said South Africa was threatened by these numbers and added: "We must give the black man a deal to make him stand on our side against the enemy."

Mr Mills, who was addressing the chief commissioners of Co-operation and Development, appealed to them to open up communications with the black people they administered and not to be deskbound.

He also stated his belief that "respectable" blacks should not be bound by the provision of influx control, which applied to blacks who had no jobs or homes in the cities.

He said he believed many blacks should be exempted from such influx controls and that it was wrong to apply these measures to every black person.



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Mr A Ramsamy

**First  
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**rector for**

**M L Sultan**

Mercury Reporter

DEPUTY rector of Durban's  
M L Sultan Technikon, Mr  
A Ramsamy, has been ap-  
pointed rector in place of  
Dr Alec Solomon, who re-  
tires at the end of March.

Mr Ramsamy, who has  
been a member of the  
technikon staff for about 25  
years, has become the first  
Indian to be appointed  
rector

His appointment was an-  
nounced yesterday by Mr R  
C Throssell, acting presi-  
dent of the technikon.

Mr Throssell said in a  
statement that the appoint-  
ment was made by the Min-  
ister of Internal Affairs, Mr  
Chris Heunis, and takes ef-  
fect from April 1, 1981.

Mr Ramsamy, a keen long  
distance runner, who has  
completed five Comrades-  
marathons, is a brother of  
Mr B R Naidu, who this  
year became the first In-  
dian to be appointed to the  
staff of Michaelhouse.



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University of Durban-Westville research work

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\*9 Mr N B WOOD asked the Minister of Internal Affairs  
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Whether any investigations were made into research work done at the University of Durban-Westville by a person on its establishment whose name has been furnished to the Minister's Department for the purposes of his reply, if so, (a) when, (b) by whom and (c) what was the result of the investigations?

The MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

The question is too vague to reply to

Mr N B WOOD Mr Speaker arising out of this non-reply, can the hon the Minister indicate why my question was changed and differs on the Order Paper from the question I submitted?

+The MINISTER Mr Speaker, I do not regulate the formulating of questions

Mr N B WOOD Mr Speaker, further arising out of the non-reply

Mr SPEAKER Order! I should like to point out to the hon member that that is a matter he may raise privately with me, because the changing of the wording of questions is the prerogative of Mr Speaker. Changes are usually made for good reasons

# Republic Festival could lead to 'new school boycotts'

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Mercury Reporter

INDIAN school principals are being forced to take part in the Republic Festival and the opposition of the Indian community towards the event could lead to more school boycotts this year, according to Mr Y S Chinsamy, leader of the Reform Party

Mr Chinsamy alleged that the Department of Indian Education was coercing school principals to cooperate in events being organised for the festival

The department was doing everything possible to combat resistance to the

celebrations which was being expressed by the majority of the Indian community, he said

Mr Chinsamy said feelings were running very strongly on the issue and he forecast that these might be expressed in the form of further school boycotts

'We will hold the department responsible for the enforcement of festival participation,' he added. 'And we will also hold them responsible, should the boycotts break out again'

The deputy director of Indian Education in Natal, Mr S P van den Heever, said yesterday that he was not prepared to comment on anything Mr Chinsamy said

Pupils in KwaZulu schools have been prohibited from taking part in the festival activities, according to Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, Chief Minister of KwaZulu and president of Inkatha

The Labour Party has been actively campaigning to encourage a boycott of the events at the level of Coloured schools

However, white children will be taking part, following a decision of the NRP-controlled Natal Provincial Council to support the festival

Other bodies in Natal have expressed opposition to the festival

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# Verulam's no to schools

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## Mercury Reporter

VERULAM municipality has turned down a request from Indian schools in the town for a grant-in-aid of about R26 000 to take part in this year's Republican Festival celebrations, Mr Dick Naicker, the Town Clerk of Verulam, said yesterday.

Mr Naicker said the local schools had asked for the money after 26 sporting, social, religious and cultural organisations had

failed to respond to an invitation from the municipality to meet officials from the Development and Services Board, which now runs Verulam, to discuss participation in the celebrations.

'Except for the principals of the various schools in Verulam, none of the organisations that were invited were represented,' he said. All the school principals had agreed for their schools to take part.

Mr Naicker said that

since the town's residents appeared to show some resistance to the festival, the borough had agreed to make a cash donation to schools.

'But when they asked for an amount of about R26 000 it was flatly turned down. We later agreed to donate R500,' he said.

Mr Naicker said that more cash would have been allocated if the town's residents had agreed to join in the celebrations.

# NIC leader attacks Chinsamy's action

## Telegram to

# Botha 'meaningless'

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By Nagoor Bissett

THE Reform Party leader Mr Y S Chinsamy's weekend telegram to the Prime Minister Mr P W Botha calling for a fully elected Indian Council was pointless and meaningless, and did not reflect the wishes of all Indians Mr M J Naidoo, senior vice president of the Natal Indian Congress said today.

What the Congress really seeks for is not an Indian Council but full participation in the Government by Africans in a

democratic political set-up without reference to a person's colour," he said.

Mr Naidoo said he regarded Mr Chinsamy's telegram to Mr Botha as a 'last ditch' move to rescue the already troubled Reform Party, from its present chaotic state.

He said 'if only Reform Party members and candidates in next month's so called SAIC election knew the real feelings of the Indian people they would be clearly espousing the cause of freedom and equal

ity for all South Africans. It may, indeed, be their last hope to redeem themselves.'

Mr Chinsamy said he had urged the Prime Minister in his telegram to scrap this month's electoral college election for the new SAIC and arrange for full elections to take place at the same time as the general election in April, using the existing Indian voters' roll and delimitation of constituencies.

A fully elected SAIC was preferred to a partly nominated partly elected

Indian Council, he said.

Mr Chinsamy's telegram has also aroused anger in many party members who said he should have consulted the party's national executive before 'rushing' his telegram to Mr Botha.

'It is embarrassing, coming as it does on the heels of Mr Chinsamy's backing down on his threat to expel his vice chairman, Mr Yunus Moolah, for accepting a Government appointment on the new SAIC,' members said.



Parliament



MR CHRIS HEUNIS . . . request from the Indian people

# 'TIME TO GET IT SORTED OUT'

## Parliamentary Staff

WHATEVER political model was applicable to South Africa, ethnicity would have to be considered and it would have to have a geopolitical content, the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, told the Assembly yesterday.

Replying to the second reading debate on the Electoral Act for Indians Amendment Bill, he said he did not create this situation but he had to live with it.

The request to postpone the general election of the South African Indian Council had not come from the Government but from the Indian people themselves.

The decision was taken after consultations with the council executive, members of the various Indian political parties and after discussion by the full council at the request of the Minister.

The Government was in favour of a fully elected council instead of a partly nominated one.

There were tensions and divisions among the Indian people and he wanted to give them an opportunity to get themselves organisationally sorted out to enable them to take part in their own general election.

The Opposition made a fundamental mistake if it did not accept that the Indians had not been exposed to the parliamentary institution for as long as the whites.

For that reason a painful organisational process was taking place among them.

The legislation before Parliament represented an agreement with the

Indian population and it was tragic that the Opposition parties disregarded the wishes of these people.

He took cognisance of the attitude of the Indian people.

The fact that there had been 42 nominations for the 15 existing vacancies on the Indian Council was proof that Indians were prepared to serve on the body until a proper election was held.

The Government had taken the initiative in the process to give fundamental rights to Indians. It was the National Party who acknowledged the Indians as South African citizens and Mr Heunis asked whether members of Parliament objected to instruments of consultation, however effective these might be — Sapa

# Nat poll moves 'like comic opera'

**Council election is now on November 4**

Parliamentary Staff

IF the Indian political parties had agreed to another delay in the holding of a South African Indian Council general election, it was because they had been worn down by Government vacillation, Mr Ray Swart (PFP, Musgrave) said in the Assembly yesterday.

Speaking during the second reading debate on the Electoral Act for Indians Amendment Bill, Mr Swart said the Government's handling of the Indian Council election was becoming 'more and more like a comic opera'.

He said that in 1979, the then Minister had announced that because of the appointment of the Schiebusch Commission an election had become necessary so that the Indian Council would properly represent the views of the community. The Assembly was told the voters' rolls were up to date. But nothing happened.

It was then announced there could be an election in March, 1980, but this was defeated early in last year's session of Parliament by an amending bill.

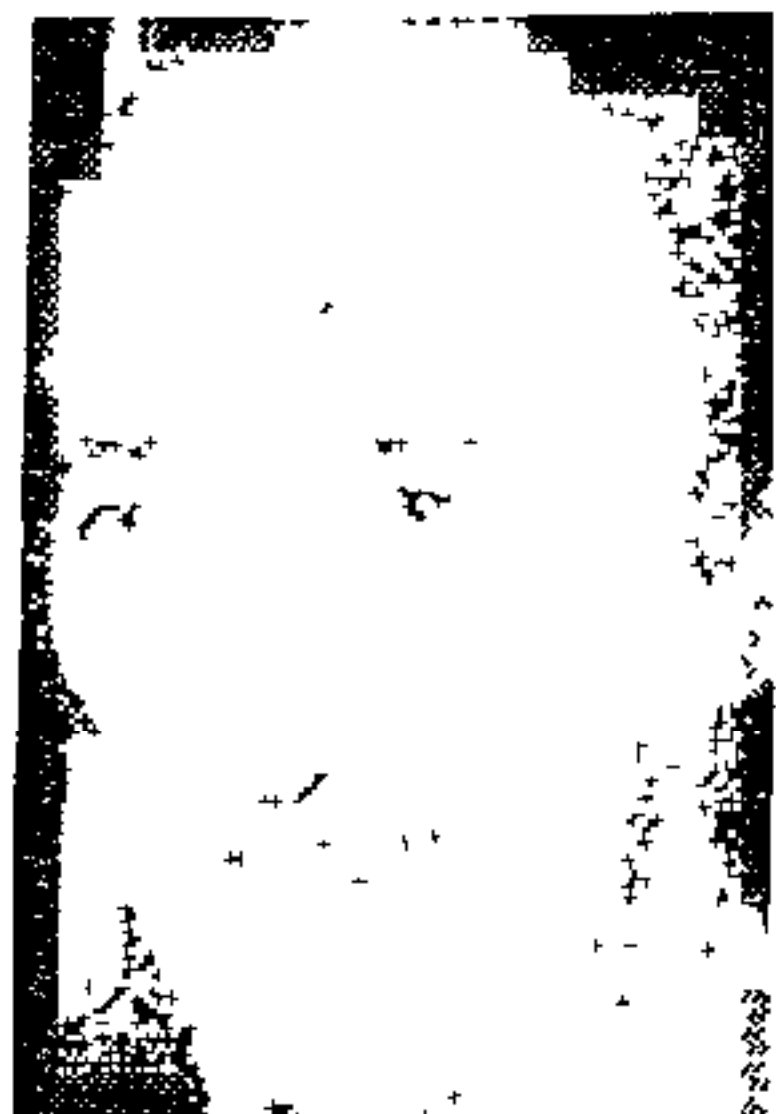
In an act of political acrobatics, the Minister then told us that because of the operation of the Schiebusch Commission it would be unwise to proceed with elections in March, and the life of the nominated body should be extended until November, 1980, said Mr Swart.

This raised expectations, but no election was held and the council went out of existence.

### Basis

'Now we have this Bill to restore the basis of the voters' roll for an election this November, but also to make it possible for a part-nominated, part-indirectly-elected council to go into operation in the meantime,' he said.

Mr Swart said the PFP was opposed to separate racial councils which were always subject to the whims of the sovereign all-white Parliament. However, because of Government policy the PFP was forced to look at the 'second best' situation.



Mr Ray Swart

Indian people were concerned.

The Minister's assertion that the various Indian parties had said they were not ready for a general election was an empty argument.

He said in that case the Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, should have approached the Opposition parties before calling a general election for whites.

### Interim

Dr H M J van Rensburg (NP Mosseil Bay) said the Government has already committed itself to a fully

THE way Opposition speakers described it in Parliament yesterday, the Government's to-and-fro motion over the past few years in arranging an election for Indians is beginning to take on the rhythm of a South American cha-cha-cha.

Their musical idiom was not quite as explicit as this. Mr Ray Swart (PFP, Musgrave) described it as 'comic opera,' suggesting Gilbert and Sullivan, while Mr Brian Page saw it as 'a circus,' suggesting lots of brass and drumrolls but nothing terribly elevating.

Mr Dave Dalling (PFP, Sandton) saw it as a more silent and stately 'charade.'

### FOURTH

At any rate, the Indian Council is due to become representative, with an election on November 4 this year, as announced by the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, during the second reading of the Electoral Act for Indians Amendment Bill.

It is sometimes difficult to keep up with the elections the Indians have been going to have but, according to Mr Page, this makes it the fourth in two years.

And Mr Swart found it difficult, in the light of the record of Mr Heunis's predecessors, to accept that it really would take place on November 4.

Could the Minister really guarantee that this time something would

**Here come the Indians hopefully at last!**

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Political diary by Graham Linscott



Mr Dave Dalling



Mr Harry Schwarz

come of it, he wanted to know.

He even posed the exciting possibility that, with another session of Parliament after the April election, the Government would be able to change its mind yet again.

Both Opposition parties opposed the Bill Mr Swart said he would welcome a fully elected Indian Council. His party would prefer Indians being directly represented by Parliament but it had to accept second best.

But the portion of the Bill providing for the interim functioning until November 4 of the Indian Council in its old form (part nominated, part indirectly elected) had to be opposed on principle.

Everybody was speaking for the Indians, who were not there to speak for themselves — but this is to stir up hornet's nests.

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THE same debate suggested that Mr Daan van der Merwe (Nat, Russik) was having some trouble living down the minor scandal of a Nationalist disciplinary committee having to investigate whether he did or did not refer to the Prime Minister as JR (the inquiry was eventually dropped).

'That's the same analogy as Dallas,' called Mr Harry Schwarz (PFP, Yeoville) as Mr van der Merwe compared Mr Page's terminology with that heard at Hyde Park.

'You mean JR,' called another opposition voice as Mr van der Merwe paid tribute to the qualities of Mr Heunis, who is one of the Prime Minister's chief lieutenants.

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Then, as Mr van der Merwe quoted approvingly from Mr Heunis's speech (he had taken the unusual step of distributing it in advance to the opposition), Mr Page pointed out that the paragraph being quoted had been scratched out and was not delivered at all.

'The good guys come short, like Bobby Ewing,' said Dr Alex Boraine (PFP, Pinelands) as he polished his glasses with satisfaction.



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If we are to have a council to test the view of a section of our population, it is obviously better it should be elected, and the sooner the better, he said.

Mr Brian Page (NRP, Umhlanga) said his party would not support the Indian electoral proposals because it could no longer be part of the Government's 'trial of broken promises' as far as the

elected Indian Council. The Bill under discussion was merely an interim measure to help the Indian community overcome a dilemma.

The Government could either call an election for Indians immediately — which their leaders had said they did not want — or it could amend legislation to enable the Indian community to go the polls later in the year.

# COLOURED PEOPLE'S FRANCHISES

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# WENTZEL

1976

By Tos Wentzel

**THE Government is considering referendums for coloured people and Indians on certain issues.**

Legislation is being considered, but could not be introduced during the present short session.

Nationalist sources say the thinking is that some provision must be made to test coloured and Indian opinion while these groups still have to prove their worth.

Among matters which could be referred to a referendum would be the recommendations of the present Coloured People's Commission.

## BYPASS

Although Nationalist do not concede this it also appears as if these referendums could be used to curtail opposition to the Labour Party. It is by spreading over their heads to the coloured people.

Some Nationalists maintain that the Labour Party does not represent the true feelings of the coloured people.

According to Nationalist

Some Nationalists maintain that the Labour Party does not represent the true feelings of the coloured people.

According to Nationalist the referendum idea will not apply to coloured blocks.

The Government remains determined that they must be included in the homelands concept although they could have a high degree of local government.



# Martin gives clean bill to Indian hospital

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**By Mariah Vengtas**  
MR Frank Martin, MEC in charge of hospitals, yesterday cleared Durban's St Aidan's Indian Mission Hospital of allegations of mismanagement when he addressed a large gathering of guests at the opening of the hospital's new nurses' home and services block.

He said allegations concerning the running of the hospital had been investigated in depth by senior members of the Department of Hospital Services.

The investigation followed allegations in a Provincial Council budget debate in May last year by Mr Henry Ritz that methods used by the

hospital to collect doctors' fees amounted to blackmail.

Mr Martin said 'Hospital staff at all levels, past and present, were interviewed. The administration and financial methods and techniques were fully examined. Ex-patients, both those about whom complaints had been raised and a

random sample, were questioned in detail.

The findings of the investigating team were that, with due regard to the nature of the institution and its objectives, all aspects of the management, control and administration of the hospital were fundamentally sound and efficient,' he said.

# Call for direct representation

Mercury Reporter

A STRONG case for direct representation for Indians and coloureds on town councils would be made today in Cape Town at a top-level meeting called by Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr R Narain, secretary of the Association of LACs in Natal, said yesterday

The meeting, which follows widespread discontent by Local Affairs Committee members over the lack of meaningful representation on local authorities for Indians and coloureds, will also be attended by the administrators of the four provinces

Representatives of the United Municipal Executive — umbrella body of the four municipal associations — and the Indian and coloured representatives of the Association of Consultative, LAC and Management Committees were also invited to attend. The Indian delegation, comprising Mr Yunus Moola, chairman of the Natal Association of LACs, and Mr R Narain, secretary, accompanied by Mr David Curry, vice-chairman, left for the talks at the weekend.

Mr Narain said the meet-

ing would discuss direct representation for Indians and coloureds on town councils and several other matters concerning local government. 'We are going to put up a strong case for direct representation on local authorities,' he said.

Other items to be raised at the meeting include representation on permanent committees on town councils and granting of more powers for LACs, consultative and management committees

A call is also to be made for more intensive training of Indians and coloureds in municipal departments, improvement of relationship between town councils and their consultative committees, and the appointment of a liaison officer by the Department of Community Development to deal with housing matters

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# Indian elections (1979) (1979) (1979) 'a farce' - im

By Yussuf Nazeer

Two men nominated as candidates for South African Indian Council's electoral college elections next Wednesday have withdrawn, slamming the Indian elections as a 'farce' and a 'comic opera'.

They are the national vice chairman of the Democratic Party, Mr Faiz Khan, and Mr W Dinky Pillay, a former member of the Lenasia Management Committee.

Both are calling for the elections to be scrapped because of the pending white general election.

The elections next Wednesday are not open to the Indian public.

Half of the 30 man council will be chosen by the Minister of Indian Affairs and the balance by the various Indian management and consultative committees.

A 'general Indian election' is scheduled for November 4. It has already been postponed three times since November 5, 1979.

**Indian school pupils per capita expenditure**

110 Dr A L BORAINI asked the Minister of Internal Affairs

What was the *per capita* expenditure (a) including and (b) excluding expenditure of a capital nature on Indian school pupils in the Republic in the financial year 1979-'80?

The MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

(a) R389,66

(b) R317,76

# Deputation will call for rates reduction

Mercury Reporter

A FIVE-MAN deputation from the Southern Durban Local Affairs Committee will meet Durban City Council's Management Committee on February 19 to call for a reduction in current rates in Indian areas which the LAC has described as unduly high.

Mr V Pillay, a member of the LAC, said yesterday that Manco had acceded to an LAC request for a meeting on February 19.

The deputation will comprise Mr T Palan, LAC chairman, Mr Pillay, Mr P I Devan, Mr M R Moodley and Councillor Peter Corbett — the Council's representative on the LAC.

The LAC also urged the council to make urgent representations to the Administrator-in-Executive-Committee to grant a 40 percent rebate in rates to Indian property owners.

The decision was taken by the LAC at a meeting in the wake of widespread discontent among property-owners over the increase in rates — 'in some cases doubled and trebled' — as a result of the recent revaluation of properties.

Mr Pillay said the increase had dealt a 'crippling blow' to many Indian property-owners and some Chatsworth ratepayers would be forced to sell their properties as they would not be able to afford the higher rates.

'The southern Durban Indian areas were created to mainly house families who have been affected by the Group Areas Act. It is unfair that these people, who had been victims of the Group Areas Act, should now be burdened with additional costs,' he said.



# THE TRANSVAAL INDIAN COUNCIL ELECTIONS

An attempt to get 15 Transvaal candidates to withdraw their nominations from the South African Indian Council elections to be held next Wednesday has failed.

The candidates are contesting four seats out of 15 through a poll in which only management and consultative committees are permitted to take part.

In Natal 42 candidates are fighting for 10 seats, with four in

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the Cape competing for one seat. The balance of the 30-man Indian Council will be nominated by the Government.

One of the Transvaal candidates, Mr W Dinky Pillay, a former member of the Lenasia management committee who said in a Press report yesterday that he would not participate in the elections, has now changed his mind.

Attempts by Mr Pil-

lay—to get the other local candidates to call on the Minister to scrap the elections because their “electoral college nature made them a farce,” failed to get total support.

The Minister of Indian Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis has refused to cancel the elections.

“In view of this and the participation of my colleagues, I now have no alternative but to also take part,” Mr Pillay said.



# Referendum on SAIC suggested

By Nelson Bissett  
 THE time had come for the Government to hold a referendum among Indians to find out once and for all if they want or reject the concept of an Indian Council. Mr. Yunus Moolia, a Government appointed member of the council, said yesterday.

He said there was far too much speculation in the community on attitudes towards the council and a referendum would be the only reliable test of Indian opinion.

A referendum could well call the bluff of some people, he said, adding that the Government should use the existing Indian voters roll for testing the lines.

There were about 300,000 registered voters, and a simple majority - even by one - should be sufficient to decide whether or not the community wanted an SAIC. If the answer is no, the council that comes into office next week must be disbanded at once, he said.

Mr. Moolia said the referendum should be held before the public election on November 4 for the first fully elected council to spare the community of a lot of unpleasantness and division.

He rejected the current campaign by the Durban based Anti SAIC Committee - a branch of the National Indian Congress

to gather signatures for a petition to be sent to the Prime Minister, Mr. P. V. Easwaran, calling for the scrapping of the SAIC and also next Wednesday - electoral college election.

A petition can in no way properly reflect the community's political wishes, he said.

A spokesman for the Anti SAIC Committee said it was hoped to gather more than 20,000 signatures for the petition and more than 10,000 had al-

ready signed.

The committee's chairman, Mr. M. I. Naidoo, has also urged the 41 candidates in the February 18 election to withdraw and the 100 odd voters to stay away from the so-called polls.

Meanwhile a Transvaal candidate, Mr. Dinan Pillay, said yesterday he had abandoned his efforts to persuade candidates to quit. He called a meeting of the 15 Transvaal candidates but no one turned up, he said.

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Four members of the Tenasia management committee have decided to boycott today's monthly meeting with the Johannesburg City Council's Coloured and Asian Affairs Department.

Their decision to stay away from today's meeting at the department's offices in Johannesburg follows a request to hold the meeting transferred to Tenasia.

Mr. Abe Chonani and Mr. Aziz Khan said they had asked for a change of venue for the meeting because they were going to raise "critical housing issues" regarding the presence of Thomsville residents invited as observers.

A Coloured and Asian Affairs Department spokesman said he knew nothing about the arrangement.

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... could be moved...  
 The department did not say what would happen to the remaining 31 families.  
 The spokesman said the houses would be converted into units comprising a bathroom and toilet, bedroom, lounge and kitchen.

Large families would get priority for new homes. Families would remain in the area for the time being.

The Local Resources Clinic in Johannesburg is currently in the process of transferring Thomsville to transfer the Home Act.

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not function satisfactorily  
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the aspirations of these  
groups to have a greater  
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making.

This conclusion was  
reached at a meeting in  
Cape Town between the  
Minister of Internal Af-  
fairs, Mr. C. F. H. van  
der Merwe, and the  
representatives of the  
Association of Indian and  
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In anticipation of such  
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that municipalities should  
be improved and it was  
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tion over a wide field  
should take place between  
various bodies.

In consultation with the  
respective municipal  
bodies, the Indian and  
coloured associations and  
other parties concerned,  
the government will  
institute negotiations with  
a view to giving practical  
effect to the proposals.

An investigation into  
Indian and coloured local  
government systems may  
be one of the President's  
Council's first projects.

"Blacks  
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sion of blacks from parti-  
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Council emasculated it  
and caused it to lack  
credibility. Indian member  
Mr. M. Rajah, said yesterday.

"We stand at the begin-  
ning of one of the most  
important formal constitu-  
tional phases in the his-  
tory of our country," he  
said in his maiden speech  
at a plenary session of the  
Council.

"But I believe, with  
most other peace loving  
and forward looking people  
of all races that to raise  
the acceptability of any  
recommendations we  
make we must consult as  
widely as possible with all  
the different population  
groups in South Africa,"  
he said.

The Council was begin-  
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tage. Some elements of  
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udiced against it and many  
people had high expecta-  
tions that it would solve  
all the country's problems  
immediately.

The Council's main aim  
was to solve the country's  
constitutional problems  
and advise the Govern-  
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ing the legitimate aspira-  
tions of all.

This main purpose will  
be negated if we don't  
have proper consultation  
with the group that makes  
up 70 percent of the po-  
pulation, Mr. Rajah said.

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19/2/81  
Fifteen elected to Indian Council

Pretoria Bureau

FIFTEEN candidates from the Transvaal, the Cape and Natal were elected to the South African Indian Council yesterday — despite Transvaal attempts to have the election called off.

In Natal 42 candidates contested ten seats, in the Transvaal 11 contested four seats and in the Cape three contested one seat. The Government will appoint a further 15 members later.

Yesterday's election of Transvaal representatives was held at Laudium, near Pretoria.

One of the candidates, Mr W D Pillay of Lenasia, attempted last week to get the ten other candidates to withdraw and called on the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, to cancel the election because, he said, it was a "farce".

The Transvaal electoral college has 139 members, of whom 116 voted yesterday — a poll of 90%.

The four Transvaal men voted on to the council are Mr A Arbee, chairman of the Barberton consultative committee, Mr R Kahn, a Springs businessman, Mr A Lambart, an attorney from Springs, and Mr I Dussoo of Vereeniging, a former member of the council.

There were originally 15 candidates, but four withdrew from the contest as a result of Mr Pillay's call.

Mr R Bahnaa of Port Elizabeth, a former member of the SAIC, was elected the Cape Province representative.

The Natal representatives are Messrs I A Patel, K Nair, R Dickie, V R Rancia, E V Mahmoud, M S Limalia, A Rajbansi, V S Naicker, Y M Belium and B Dooke.

There was a poll percentage of 90.5 in Natal, while 100% of the electoral college in the Cape voted.

CHEMICAL

# Indian leaders warn of chaos

Indian community leaders have called for an urgent meeting with the Minister of Community Development Mr Kotzé, and warn that chaos would result if Indian and coloured people were evicted from white areas.

Fears of mass evictions have been caused.

○ The Government's decision to proceed with the prosecution of hundreds of coloured and Indian people — and some blacks — living illegally in white areas.

○ A letter in which the Deputy Minister of Community Development Mr Cronje said his department was obliged to carry out court orders calling for eviction of people found guilty of illegal occupation.

Community leaders today warned that there was serious overcrowding in coloured and Indian areas.

Cramping more people into those areas would cause animosity and could lead to a violent reaction. Mr Mike Richard, chairman of the Coloured

Management Committee.

There will be chaos if these people are evicted and have to look for accommodation. They will have to camp in the street. Mr Richard said.

In a letter to Actstop the anti-evictions body Mr Cronje said the greatest measure of circumspection and compassion would be shown when people were evicted.

But the Actstop's chairman Mr Cassim Saloojee strongly criticised Mr Cronje.

'I find it difficult to see how people can be thrown out of their homes with circumspection,' he told the Actstop annual general meeting last night.

Mr Cronje told Actstop about a building programme involving more than 9 000 new houses and 3 000 new sites.

Applicants on waiting list and those living in bad conditions would receive preference, he said but the programme should make it easier for illegal residents in white areas to get home in their own area.



MYTH, RITUALS AND CEREMONIES:

It is therefore necessary to explore the value of myths, ~~and~~ rituals and ceremonies as healing factors. There is a tendency to dismiss myths as falsehoods or fiction. In a psychological sense they are not. In the past few decades much has been written to confirm the value of myths, symbols and rituals pertaining to the mental health and wellbeing of individuals and groups.

May<sup>11</sup> states that a myth is a cluster of symbols and symbols<sup>15</sup> that which draws together and unites experiences. Ritual is the externalizing or acting out of such myths through the use of symbolic acts. ~~It~~ <sup>May</sup>

then comments on the history of mankind and shows that during phases of human society when myths and symbols were relatively unified citizens experienced little anxiety, but during periods of development and people grabbed at pseudo myths. The state suffered by all cultures. When the myth "the lonely search, for personal internal identity" Campbell<sup>12</sup> contends that the symbol of forward as opposed to other human fantasies with inertia and to infantile regressive tendencies.

It is apparent that the rituals of present day medicine men of primitive tribes and of great civilizations of the past conducted people across the difficult threshold of transformations not only of the conscious but also of the unconscious life. During the performance of such rituals it is not only the candidate who is touched, but every member of his circle. I can vouch for that - I have been profoundly influenced by being a participant observer at such ritual ceremonies.

My contention is that certain gifted indigenous healers, in a community with shared constructs, are able to activate the symbols of

that community and to give the unconscious the necessary power to function in an autonomous way. This re-integrates the patient in his community and the isolation which characterises all mental illness is decreased. The sense of helplessness and hopelessness is diminished in the firm belief in the presence and benevolence of his ancestors and the ability of the healer as a knowledgeable mediator. It also increases his feelings of acceptance and self-esteem and anxiety is relieved. But perhaps most important of all is that there is a change of attitude and feeling. Life acquires meaning and purpose. Amongst other things life does not end with death, because after death one still shares in the lives of one's kins as a living dead or an ancestral shade.

These unifying and healing effects are obtained by the perform-

of the ceremonial where beer, "the food of the gods" is consumed. The re-establishment of the Government-created South African Indian Council yesterday made little impression on the Indian community, Indian spokesmen said. Fifteen of the 30-member council were chosen by various management and consultative committees. The rest were chosen by the Minister of Indian Affairs, Mr Heunis, on December 30 last year. The Indian public had no say in the elections. Indians against "separate development" have over the years made it known they totally reject the apartheid-orientated Indian Council. They have repeatedly called for the scrapping of this "limited" council. Leaders, particularly in the student population, have criticised the SAIC as "nothing less than a farcical stooge body." Earlier announcements that the SAIC would be thrown open to a general "Indian public" election have been rejected by those against "Indian only" apartheid. SAIC members themselves had on three occasions resolved in their council to cancel dates set for a "general election" when radical anti-apartheid Indian bodies threatened to boycott and disrupt the elections.

# Hostility towards Indian Council

SOURCE: THE NEWSPAPER AND NEWS PAPER

This seems to me to be comparable to the aim of depth therapy i.e. to establish an easy relationship and interaction between the ego and the more powerful unconscious part of the psyche which is the source of creativity and the constant renewal of mental activity and also contains the potential for mental health.

USE OF DREAMS:

Even those healers who restrict their efforts to symptom relief regard dreams as important, but they do not work with ~~them~~ <sup>them</sup> as intensively



Group B hospitals - specialist, non-teaching - have a more limited drug schedule. Group C hospitals - non-specialist and non-teaching, have a smaller schedule. Woodstock and Somerset West fall in Group B, as do the Day Hospitals since they treat many patients referred from specialist hospitals. Chronic cases especially require monthly prescriptions of expensive drugs for diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, hypertension and arthritis. There are also restrictions within each hospital - at the Day Hospitals, each patient may only receive three different drugs although concessions are made. At Groote Schuur, in an effort to limit drug wastage, patients are only given one month's supply at a time although they may only have a consultation every three months. The problems of polypharmacy and patient compliance cause great concern.

The Day Hospitals are particularly concerned about their high pharmaceutical costs. The importance of case mix on the average cost per patient can be seen from Table (4.3) which illustrates differences in per patient cost at two Day Hospitals due to differences in case mix. Heideveld treats a larger proportion of patients with progressive illness and has a higher c

Table (4.3a)

	Per Patient expenditure at Guguletu	
	January 1977	October 1977
Provisions	450	0,01
Cleaning	1962	0,02
Pharmaceuticals	87919	0,99
Surgical	11114	0,13
Radiological	7109	0,08
	108554	1,23

Table (4.3b)  
Differences in average cost per patient between teaching hospitals - Groote Schuur and Red Cross - Heideveld and Guguletu and Heideveld Day Hospitals (1977)

SA INDIAN COUNCIL (258)  
**Fourth postponement**

In a stunning paradox <sup>FM 20/2/81</sup> Internal Affairs Minister Chris Heunis explained that elections for the SA Indian Council (SAIC) had been postponed to November because not to do so would be to ignore the wishes of the Indian people

What he seemed to be saying was that it was the wish of the Indian people that their opportunity to express their wishes at the ballot box should again be postponed (for the fourth time)

As the FM went to press, however, 15 new members of the SAIC were due to be chosen - via an electoral college To Heunis' obvious satisfaction there were four candidates for each post How much support for the council this demonstrated is open to question

Opponents of ethnic councils claim that SAIC incumbents are essentially opportunists after status salary and connections The anti-SAIC movement sees the community's most eloquent reaction to the SAIC as being embodied in the poor reaction when the electoral register was first compiled in 1976

For its part, government can point to the present 87% registration (2,6 000 voters) although this was only achieved after registration was made compulsory on the threat of a R50 fine

At least one nominated Council member has described this week's "election" as a farce Three members of the electoral college have resigned and some have

shown no interest in the exercise The reconstituted body (to sit until November) will consist of 15 nominated members and 15 chosen by township management committees

Heunis introduced the Electoral Act for Indians Amendment Bill last week It provides for 40 elected members plus five to be nominated by contesting parties in proportion to the number of votes they receive Constituencies have been delineated 27 in Natal, 10 in Transvaal and three in the Cape Indians are forbidden to live in the Free State

Former council chairman, Yelman Chinsamy, who resigned in protest at the last election postponement, was a member of the delegation which met Heunis a day before he announced the new election date Chinsamy says that while he does not support what the SAIC stands for, he supports the principle of an Indian election which would once and for all make clear the community's attitude - even if it meant electing a body which "might do what the (coloured) Labour Party did and end the thing"

The present chairman, I F H Mayet, says the council needs to carry on "because we are going through a very interesting period in SA," and in order to deal with low-level civic administration He supports the ethnic election because it "will at least give a leadership which can be seen to have a popular mandate" Mayet believes that people should use their vote, if only to spoil their ballots

The Natal Indian Congress totally rejects the council and calls for a fully elected government The NIC's M J Naidoo says the anti-SAIC campaign will be re-vitalised Petitions calling for the scrapping of the SAIC have been assembled to coincide with the electoral college meeting

Naidoo predicts "an overwhelming rejection of the SAIC elections," pointing out that the average vote in local affairs committee elections has been only 14,2%

November will tell if the Indian Council is destined to go the way of the scrapped Coloured Representative Council and remove all credibility from a government policy to which a national convention of all groups is anathema

The average cost per patient at Heideveld is 108554 and at Guguletu is 123



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Hierby word bekend gemaak dat die Staatspresident sy goedkeuring gegee het aan die Wet wat hierby ter dokumente aangeheg is.

It is hereby notified that the State President has assented to the following Act which is hereby published for general information -

No 9 van 1981 - Wysingswet op Ouderwettige Indiers

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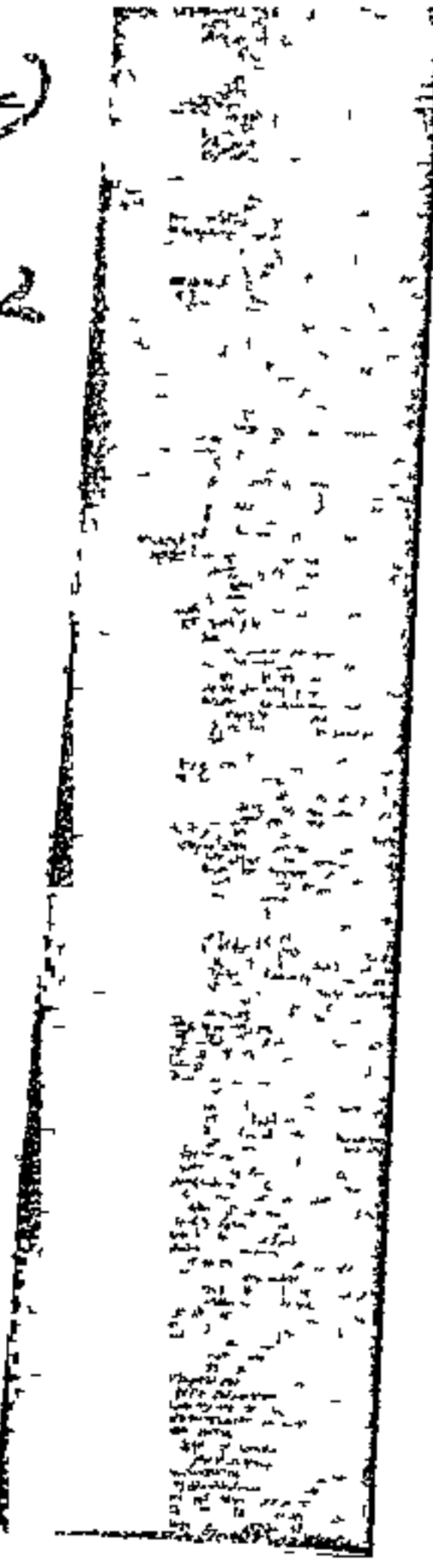
Coloured/Asian students, examination fees-

359 Dr. A. L. BORAINÉ - asked the Minister of Internal Affairs

- (1) Whether there has been any recent increase in the examination fees for Coloured and Asian students, respectively, if so, (a) what was the increase and (b) (i) when and (ii) for what reason were such fees increased, in each case, if not
- (2) whether an increase in such fees is planned,
- (3) whether he will make a statement on the matter?

The MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

- (1) No
- (a) and (b) Fall away



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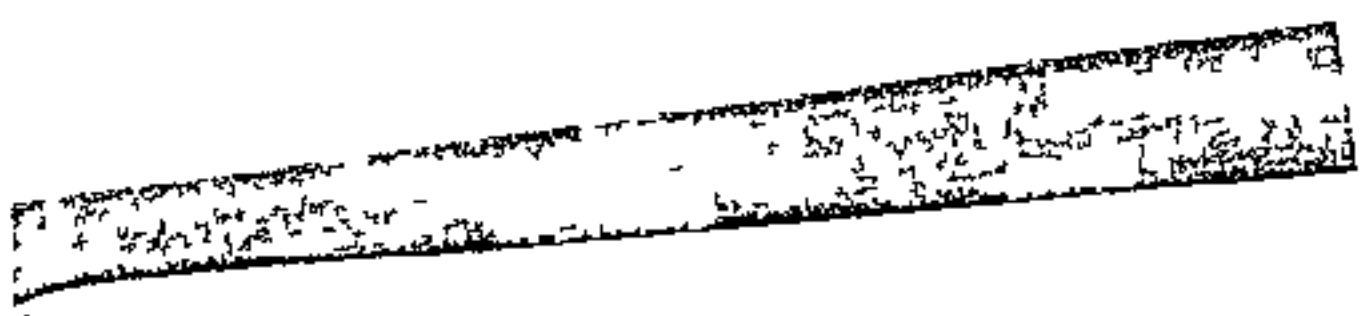
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- (2) An increase is at present under consideration
- (3) Not at this stage

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Teacher training institutions for Coloureds/Indians  
327 Dr A L BORAINÉ asked the Minister of Internal Affairs

- (1) Whether any new teacher training institutions for (a) Coloureds and (b) Indians were established by his Department in 1980, if so (i) where and (ii) how many students were enrolled in each institution.
- (2) what was the total number of students enrolled in teacher training institutions for (a) Coloureds and (b) Indians in the Republic as at 1 March 1980?



325 THURSDAY 26  
The MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS  
(1) (a) and (b) No  
(i) and (ii) Fall away  
(2) (a) 6 432  
(b) 1 122

Old age pensions

204 Mr B B GOODALL asked the  
Minister of Internal Affairs

- (1) How many Indian persons applied for old age pensions in 1980.
- (2) how many of these applications (a) were granted, (b) were refused and (c) are still under consideration
- (3) how many of the refusals were due to the applicants assets exceeding the limits laid down in the means test?

The MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

- (1) 2 636
- (2) and (3) Statistics are unfortunately not available. The computer has on record only the total number of cases in payment



# Gang attacks, stabs <sup>NM</sup> a 13/81 three <sup>278</sup> teachers <sup>276</sup>

Mercury Reporter

SEVEN people, including three schoolboys, are expected to appear in the Verulam Magistrate's Court today in connection with the alleged stabbing of three schoolteachers and a pupil of a Durban Indian school at the weekend.

According to a teacher, a gang of men and youths had arrived at a sports meeting and tried to interfere with some of the girl pupils.

Teachers chased the gang away but they returned later with bottles, sticks and other weapons.

Screaming women and children were chased by the gang who later turned on the three teachers, attacking them with knives. Cars belonging to teachers and parents were damaged.

The principal of the school, who last night refused to comment on the incident, immediately called off the sports meeting.

Police are investigating.

# Anger at 'exclude' call (258)

The Johannesburg City Council's opposition to having new extensions of Lenasia incorporated into its municipality has angered the Indian community

Civic spokesmen have reacted to Johannesburg Management Committee chairman, Mr Francois Oberholzer's statement that Lenasia was a liability in that the council lost money by developing services.

Former member of the Lenasia Management Committee, Mr Dinky Pillay, said the council should

not blame Lenasia for this.

He said Mr Oberholzer should hit at the true causes of the problem — the Group Areas Act, which created this racially separated area to burden the council with added costs.

"The council, like all other local bodies, was paying the price of apartheid imposed upon its so-called second class citizens," said Mr Pillay.

Mr Pillay said there were now three bodies controlling Lenasia's new extensions which had no tarred roads, stormwater drains or street lights.

The new areas were being controlled by the Department of Community Development, the Peri Urban Board and the Johannesburg City Council

"Each of these bodies is passing the buck to the other, with the result that no service progress is being made," said Mr Pillay.

Other civic leaders in the area agreed with this. Petitions have been drawn up to be sent to the ministers of Indian Affairs, and of Community Development, calling for one local body to run the township.

# Indian elections

3/3/81

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## 'a waste of money'

### Mercury Reporter

THE chairman of the Indian Council's 'caretaker' executive committee, Mr Ismail Mayat, said yesterday the first public elections for a new council on November 4 would provide an 'excellent opportunity' for the Indian community to pick its true leaders with a mandate to act on its behalf.

But Mr Pat Poovalingam, a Durban member of the President's Council, yesterday rejected the Indian Council, saying it would be tantamount to 'fraud' to describe the council as an organ of political expression. He would brand as a 'liar'

anyone who tried to pretend that the Indian Council offered the exercise of proper political rights, he said.

The Government would be wasting public money by going ahead with the promised November election, he said, adding that if necessary, the present interim Indian Council should be allowed to function for a maximum two years as a community council attending to parochial matters.

### New session

'I have suggested the two-year period as I believe by that time a new

constitution for South Africa, providing for political participation by all South Africans, will have come about. The Indian Council will then die naturally,' he said.

Mr Mayat said the Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, had been invited to open the partly elected, partly nominated interim council's new session in Durban on March 16.

The 30-member council would be sworn-in before the opening ceremony and remain in office until the first ethnic one-man-one-vote election in November.

'Even if this election serves no other purpose, it will, at least, help the community to pinpoint its leaders who will have a meaningful mandate to direct the future political destiny of the country's 850 000 Indians,' he said.

Mr Mayat said that nearly 300 000 adult Indians had already registered as voters and the time had now arrived when the community must pick its leaders — and accredited spokesmen — through the ballot box.

(Report by Nagoor Bissetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

Note : Cash and kind sub-totals do not add up to total wages, due to rounding off during conversion from annual to weekly rates.

No details of the methods used for evaluating payments in kind are given in the Theron Commission Report — the Commission merely notes that evaluation is difficult and that the Unisa researchers took a great deal of trouble to measure payment in kind as uniformly as possible.

The study groups of farmers run by Grootfontein Agricultural College provide figures for 'labour costs per worker' which are to some extent comparable with those in this survey. Farmers are asked to detail cash wages, bonuses, rations, meat (valued at R15 a sheep) and milk (valued at 2c a litre for skim milk and 10c a litre for full milk). The estimates do not include clothing, grazing rights, Christmas 'presents' or medical costs, nor do they include housing.

# Govt rejects call for referendum on Indian Council

7/3/81 (258)

**Mercury Reporter**

THE Government has rejected calls by some Indians for a referendum to test the community's feelings towards the South African Indian Council — and is going ahead with its first public elections planned for November 4

Mr J W A van der Merwe Director-General of the Department of Internal Affairs, says the Government has considered requests for a referendum and rejected them Mr van der

Merwe added that the Government 'did not contemplate any such action for the present'

However, the SAIC elections would be held on November 4 as scheduled, he said yesterday in a letter to Mr Ismail Moolla, an unsuccessful candidate in the recent SAIC electoral college election

Mr Moolla earlier wrote to Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Internal Affairs, calling for a referendum because some Indians had

accepted the SAIC as a channel of contact between the community and the Government, while others were consistently rejecting it

Mr Moolla said the present SAIC voters' roll with about 300 000 registered voters should be used to test Indian attitudes towards the council

'I wrote to the minister calling for a proper test of Indian opinion because I felt it would be waste of time and money holding a

public election if the majority in the community did not want an SAIC in the first place,' he said

Meanwhile, Mr M J Naidoo, chairman of the Anti-SAIC Committee, an offshoot of the Natal Indian Congress, said the committee would campaign to discourage Indians from taking part in the November elections to show their 'total rejection' of the SAIC system

(Report by Nagoor Bissett 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

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There are four to 12 farmers in each

introduce a bias into some of the figures) and grouped according selected (which, the economist at Grootfontein points out, may College, Middelburg. (2) Farmers in these groups are self-

ural Economics and Marketing from Grootfontein Agricultural Study groups of farmers run by the Department of Agriculture

interviewed. all permanent coloured workers had an equal chance of being the farmers were selected, but points out that on each farm The Commission's report does not give details as to how

workers were interviewed. (1) Retnet, Gordonia and Vredendal, in which 87 farmers and 128 the survey focussed on the districts of George, Graaff- magisterial districts, including Graaff-Retnet and Middelburg; and 68 workers in that district. Area 5 contains 39 on Calvinia as 'study district' and interviewed 45 farmers BeaufortWest and Frasersburg. The Unisa survey focussed Area 4 contains 24 magisterial districts, including

or magisterial districts were chosen as 'study districts'.





# Boycotters seek aid in city rent battle

Mercury Reporter

THE Department of Inter-national (Indian) Affairs is to be formally asked today to come to the rescue of thousands of Indian tenants of the Durban City Council in Phoenix who are fighting an increase in rents.

A deputation from the Phoenix Rent Action Committee headed by the committee's chairman, Mr Jackie Nair, will make the request when it meets Mr W J Schreuder regional representative of the department in his Stanger Street office this morning.

## Subsidy

Mr Nair said they were meeting Mr Schreuder in the hope that the department would help the thousands of Phoenix families who are boycotting rents as a protest against Durban City Council's decision to raise them by 15 percent from the beginning of this month.

One way the department can help us is by approaching the Department of Community Development to subsidise rents in the housing schemes he said.

Mr Schreuder yesterday declined to comment except to say that 'if these people want to run to the Press even before the meeting it's their business'.

Meanwhile the Phoenix Rent Action Committee yesterday sent a letter to

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Meanwhile, the Phoenix Rent Action Committee yesterday sent a letter to Durban's Town Clerk, Mr Gordon Haygarth, informing him that more than 5,000 council tenants in Phoenix were boycotting payment of their March rents

### **Boycott**

'We also issued a stern warning to the council not to take action against these people. If the electricity supply to their homes is interrupted because of non-payment of rents, there is going to be a strong backlash with thousands of Indian and coloured tenants of the council from other areas joining the rent boycott,' said a spokesman for the committee last night

Mr Virgil Bonhomme, Secretary of the Durban Housing Action Committee, said the rent boycott in the Newlands East and Sydenham Heights area was 'still going strong'. The coloured tenants of the council from these areas were determined to continue the boycott until the council met all the demands of the tenants

These include scrapping the 15 percent increase in rents granting a 30 percent rebate on rates and a review of the entire rental structure with a view to 'bringing it within the reach of all tenants'

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# Religious split threatens new Indian council

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Last-minute agreement by members of the South African Indian Council (SAIC) to elect representatives to the executive committee on a regional basis overcame the Hindu-Muslim split that threatened the first day's proceedings of the new council.

A further bid to split the vote for chairmanship of the council failed when unsuccessful executive committee candidate Mr A Rajbansi, won comfortably.

Yesterday 15 nominated and 15 elected members were sworn into office by the Assistant Chief Magistrate of Durban, Mr A Potgieter. Four of them took the oath of office of the executive while Mr J B Patel took over as the new chairman of the executive committee.

Yesterday's elections were held against a background of a suspected Muslim pact to keep Hindu members from office.

Twelve candidates offered themselves for the four positions on the executive. After agreeing that there should be representation on a provincial basis, the following members were elected: Mr Yunus Moolla and Mr Hashim Cassim of Natal, Mr Ismael Mayet of Transvaal

and Mr Gopi Munsook of the Cape.

Yesterday, tension marked the opening of the new session and members on both sides of the religious barrier were silent about an alleged pact by some Muslim members to gain control of the council.

Muslims with 14 members on both sides of the number Hindus. Two members, the Reverend E Manikkam and the Reverend John Prakassim are Christian clergymen.

Asked what precipitated the split, which followed a similar pattern that "reduced the elections to a farce," a source said "It is nothing but blatant sectarianism reflecting the religious and ideological differences in the council."

Today the Vice State President, Mr Alwyn Schlebusch, officially opened the new council.



# Chinsamy's

**Mercury Reporter**  
THE Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, was correct in his claim that division and conflict in the Indian community made it difficult for the Government to meet the community's political aspirations, Mr Y S Chinsamy, veteran politician and leader of the Reform Party, said yesterday.

'The new controversial South African Indian Council, which was sworn into office in Durban yesterday, is an unwelcome product of division among Indians,' he said, commenting on the minister's weekend address to the conference of the Natal Association of Local Affairs Committees in Stanger

Mr Heunis told LAC delegates on Saturday that the community was riddled with division and conflict, making it difficult to find a constitution that would satisfy all aspirations, and, he said, he was prepared to back his claim by opening his files containing numerous letters from Indians, to the association

Describing the new SAIC as a 'sad event in the annals of the Indian people', Mr Chinsamy, who was also chairman of the former Indian Council, said yesterday the new council was putting the Indians' political clock back

He said 'Half of the present council's 30 members were nominated by the Government and the others elected by an unsatisfactory method of an electoral college of LACs, making the present SAIC one of the lowest forms of representation — a system that is outdated and indefensible

'No one must be under the illusion that the council represents the country's 900 000 Indians as even the

15 so-called elected members were chosen by fewer than 250 electoral college voters.

'What makes this SAIC particularly irrelevant is that it is coming into office after the Government had announced that the first full elections for Indians will take place on November 4. As its short term of office will end in about seven months its creation is nothing but a futile exercise

'After 120 years in South Africa, the Indians, together with other blacks, should be given the common franchise and not third-rate representation'

At yesterday morning's closed session, Mr Am-

chand Rajbansi, of Chatsworth, was elected new chairman of the council and Mr Gopi Munsook, of Cape Town, Mr Ismail Mayat, of Johannesburg, Mr Hassim Cassim, of Dundee, and Mr Yunus Moolla, of Stanger, were elected as executive members Mr J B Patel, of Durban, was recently appointed as executive chairman by the minister

At 11 a m today Mr Alwyn Schlebusch, Deputy State President and chairman of the President's Council, will open the SAIC's week-long session in the council's oak-panelled second-floor debating chamber in the Government buildings in Stanger Street, Durban

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## New Indian Council an 'unwelcome product of division' says politician

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# Open schools to all races says the SAIC

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**Mercury Reporter**  
 THE South Africa Indian Council called for schools colleges and universities to be open to all population groups when it met in Durban yesterday.

The meeting appointed Mr R G Pillay, a former chief inspector of Indian education, as convenor of a resolutions committee with the instruction to draft a resolution to submit to the Government calling for non-racial education.

Executive member Ismail Mayat, of Johannesburg said the mixing of Indians and coloureds in Indian and coloured schools and colleges should be facilitated by the Department of Internal Affairs which controlled educational institutions for both races.

The committee was also asked to draft a resolution calling on the Government

to allow sport at school level to be integrated as this would help South Africa out of isolation in sport and help to facilitate its re-entry into world sports.

A resolution to re-delegate certain powers on education to the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, will be tabled at today's session by Mr Ismail Patel of Pinetown.

Dr A M Dhooth, of Port Elizabeth said earlier that the Government should be told that the community would not be satisfied with Indian children from the Cape and Transvaal being forced to attend a technikon and a university in Durban simply because similar institutions in their own provinces were closed to them on racial grounds.

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# 'My quandary over Group Areas Act'

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By Nagoor Bisetty

THE South African Indian Council yesterday appeared to be uncertain whether the Group Areas Act should be condemned as 'obnoxious and beastly' and removed from the Statute Book, or to press for eventual repeal and plead with the Government for its application to be tempered with mercy.

The convener of the council's resolution committee, Mr R G Pillay, ad-

mitted to the meeting that he was in a quandary on how to have a resolution suitably phrased for tabling at today's final session because of conflicting approaches to the Act.

'If we want the Act scrapped, how can we ask for it to be implemented more humanely?' he asked council chairman Amichand Rajbansi.

'Be pragmatic,' said Mr Rajbansi, adding that the Act could not be thrown

out overnight.

Executive chairman J B Patel said 'Let's face realities and accept the implementation of the Act under protest. Let it be implemented humanely.'

Hardships experienced by Indians under the Act, widely regarded as the cornerstone of apartheid, aroused the ire of many members at the session in Durban, and a deputation from the executive committee will ask to see three Cabinet ministers to seek redress and relief.

Mr Patel said proclamations of land for whites and Indians in terms of the Act were grossly unjust and diabolical, and while whites benefited, Indians lost heavily. He said up to the end of last year there were 841 proclamations under the Act reserving 767 544 ha for whites while 258 proclamations provided only 45 747 ha for Indians.

The Rev Joseph Prakasim told the session earlier that Indians who condemned group areas while accepting benefits under the Act should search their conscience.

Condemning group areas Dr A M Dhooth, the member from Port Elizabeth, said he was worried because his wife was a Muslim Malay and his children were classified Indians, but in terms of the Act Indians and Malays were not permitted to live in the same area.

## Not enough land, houses for Indians, says Mayat

By Nagoor Bisetty

JOHANNESBURG City Council came under heavy attack at a meeting of the Indian Council in Durban yesterday for not providing enough land and houses for Indians.

Spearheading the attack, executive member Ismail Mayat of Johannesburg described the housing situation for Indians in the area as farcical and urged the City Council to act immediately to end the shortage.

Lenasia, with about 48 000 Indians, became an Indian group area by accident and not because the City Council really wanted to create the township.

The Indian Council decided to approach three ministers, those of Internal Affairs, Community Development and Justice, to ask for group area prosecutions to be stopped in the Transvaal.

Mr Mayat told the meeting that the executive was concerned because the Supreme Court gave judgment against Indians in a test case in which they had been charged with illegally occupying property in white areas.

As a result, about 500 Indian families in Johannesburg faced eviction, he said. (Report by N Bisetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

## Grey Street rethink bid

Municipal Reporter

DURBAN'S Management Committee wants the Minister of Community Development, Mr S F Kotze, to consider changing the restriction on residential development in the Grey Street Indian business district.

Manco chairman Neil MacLennan said yesterday the committee would ask the City Council to invite Mr Kotze to visit the area.

The committee had resolved to do this after considering a letter in which the Director-General of Community Development, Mr L Fouche, had declined to discuss the matter any

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# SAIC votes to visit detainees

By Nagoor Bissetty

THE new South African Indian Council yesterday shed the traditional conservative approach of former councils and voted to ask the Government to arrange an inspection of political prisoners on Robben Island by council representatives

Initiating the move for a trip, Mr Ismail Patel, the member for Pinetown, told the council session in Durban that he hoped the trip, although a contentious one, would not only help to create a new image

for the SAIC, but would also 'hopefully undercut' attempts by some Indians to discredit the council

The SAIC had been repeatedly attacked by certain Left-wing organisations and sections of the community and is often referred to as 'sell-out', he said

For the first time, the usually mundane atmosphere at sessions of the Government-created council was rocked by repeated references by speakers backing Mr Patel's call, and references to alleged subversive activities by

Afrikaners, including Robey Leibrandt, during World War II, and political detentions of other Afrikaners

Mr Patel, a former teacher who gained the highest votes in the recent SAIC election by an electoral college of LACs, urged the meeting to support the trip, saying the Indian struggle for freedom was likened to that of Afrikaners, some of whose leaders were accused of subversion during the last war but who later rose to become important people

Executive member

Hassim Cassim of Dundee said Mr B J Vorster once had been interned as a political prisoner, and later became not only Prime Minister but also State President

Mr M A Bellim, the member for Umzinto, who seconded the motion, described political prisoners on Robben Island, including Nelson Mandela, as martyrs. But he was challenged by executive member Gopi Munsook of Cape Town who said that while he did not object to the trip in principle, the motivation for it placed him in

an awkward position

The member for Port Elizabeth, Dr A M Dhoo-dhat, said he was worried that although the visit could be a humane gesture, there was the danger of the SAIC being snubbed by prisoners on the island

Mr R G Pillay, the member for Umhlathuzana, who was the only member who abstained from voting on the Robben Island motion, warned that a snub for the SAIC by prisoners would not only be embarrassing but would also strengthen the hand of the Anti-SAIC Committee (formed by the Natal Indian Congress to oppose the Indian Council)

## Supported

Mr S V Naicker, the member for Zululand, said he feared the SAIC's 'very ethnic character' would make such a visit outside the council's purview, but Mr Amichand Rajbansi, council chairman, disagreed, saying there were many teachers employed in Indian schools although they were strongly non-racial in their thinking

Executive member Yirus Mcoo

supported the call, saying political prisoners on the island 'hold the same view as we do that there must be direct representation for all in a single Parliament on a common roll'

The meeting voted for Mr Ismail Patel and the Rev A Manikkum of Cape Town to accompany the five-man executive committee headed by the executive chairman, Mr J B Patel, on the trip

(Report by N Bissetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)



rations (on a few farms only), clothing, medical care, grazing rights and rights to grow vegetables on a piece

# Bid to visit detainees 'a silly gimmick'

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## Anti-SAIC body slams plan to inspect Robben Island

By Nagoor Bisetty  
A SOUTH African Indian Council move to visit political prisoners on Robben Island to investigate their welfare was yesterday rejected by the fledgling Anti-SAIC Committee as 'a silly gimmick and empty gesture' hardly likely to impress the community.

'Instead the SAIC should attempt to test its credibility by getting its members to address public meetings all over the country and seek a mandate from the community on

whose behalf the council purports to act,' said attorney M J Naidoo, who is chairman of the Anti-SAIC Committee.

The Indian Council, at its session in Durban on Friday, voted to request the Government to arrange for a seven-man SAIC delegation to go to Robben Island, and also to ask that a commission be appointed to investigate the need and desirability of granting political detainees parole or remission of sentences.

Mr Naidoo said yesterday that the

island's political prisoners were mature leaders 'who would never condescend to seeing anyone they regarded as Government stooges or sellouts'.

But, he said, he would concede that, if the delegation did see some detainees, including Nelson Mandela, it would be a real feather in the SAIC's cap.

'While it remains beyond doubt that the detainees will give the delegation the rebuff it deserves, there is nothing to stop any SAIC group

from going to Robben Island and meeting warders over plates of biryani and dhal curry,' he said.

Mr Naidoo said he admired SAIC member Ismail Patel, who initiated the 'Robben Island visit' resolution, for his 'basic honesty' that he saw such a visit as a means not only to help boost the council's failing image but also undercut attempts to discredit it.

(Report by N Bisetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

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## Find Indian-Zulu link call

By Nagoor Bissetty NM 3/3/67

A PROMINENT member of Durban's Indian community, Mr. J N Reddy, yesterday called for research to establish possible cultural links between Zulus and Indians

Addressing more than 500 people at Inanda, near Durban, where he opened a clinic as an Indian gift to KwaZulu, Mr Reddy said Indians and Zulus cherished their close links and relationships and, as they were destined to live side by side, the possibility of the communities being linked culturally in the past should be researched

This should be done soon before the two groups began to lose some of their customs and traditions through Western influences, he said

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The Unisa survey found an average of 5,62 permanent farm workers per farm in area 3 and 2,84 in area 4. (3)

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SOURCE: Report on agricultural and pastoral production, Agricultural Census No. 46, 1972-73, Report No. 06-01-10.

District	No. of workers	No. of holdings	Average No. of workers per holding
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Agricultural census data give the following averages:



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# Plans to launch new Indian political party

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THERE are plans to launch a new Indian political party to contest all 40 seats in the first public elections on November 4 for the first fully elected Indian Council.

Behind the proposed party are several former leading members of the Reform Party who broke away after dissensions and disputes which rocked recently.

The new party is likely to be called Peoples' Party.

Mr. George Thaver, former general secretary of the Reform Party, confirmed yesterday that a meeting of about 100 men and women, all prominent in different fields, would be held in Durban in April to launch the party.

Leading members of the community have agreed on the need for a new non-aligned political party, but the convenors are not in a position to identify them at this stage at their special request, he said.

Asked if the new party, after its launching, would seek to join the Black Alliance under the leadership of Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Mr Thaver said this was unlikely as many of the new party's backers wanted the party to be completely non-aligned.

There was, however, no doubt that the party would recognise and accept Chief Buthelezi as the undisputed leader of all black communities, he said, adding that party backers were

of the opinion that the party would have to operate outside any political alliances to gain widespread acceptance in the Indian community.

The Alliance at present comprises Inkatha (Zulu), Labour Party (coloured) and Reform Party (Indian).

Mr Thaver said the new party would be drawn from all all sections - Hindus, Muslims and Indian Christians.

(Report by N Bissett, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban).

It was the item most frequently mentioned by farmers as the major advantage to workers of living on a farm, offsetting,

Housing is clearly an important part of payments

Distribution of families according to income

Income (R per week)	Number of families
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2,01 - 3,00	33
3,01 - 4,00	36
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7,01 - 8,00	6
8,01 - 9,00	4
9,01 - 10,00	1
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# Ladysmith

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### Committee of 12

Mercury Reporter

LADYSMITH Town Council would not recognise the newly formed Committee of 12 as a representative of the town's Indian community, Town Clerk Pieter Hurter, said yesterday

He said as far as his council was concerned the committee — formed after the disbanding of the Indian Local Affairs Committee — was not elected by the people and therefore did not represent them

The LAC disbanded several months ago because of what it called frustration over lack of meaningful response by the council to its many recommendations on matters concerning the Indian community

Mr Hurter said, however, the 'ball was still in the Indian community's court' if they wanted to elect a new LAC to represent them on the council

'In the absence of an LAC my council will not recognise the Committee of

12 as a representative body of the Indian community'

He denied claims that members of the Indian community had been approached by a council official to serve on a nominated LAC

'We are certainly not going to go around recruiting people for the LAC if the community wants an LAC the door is still open. They can come forward and ask the council to set the machinery in motion for elections.'

Mr S Pacha, former chairman of the disbanded LAC, said it had been pointless serving on the LAC when the council refused to accept some of the committee's recommendations

Mr B K Chinna, a spokesman for the Committee of 12, said that if the council was attempting to end the deadlock between the LAC and the local authority it was going about it in the wrong way

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Dr Guy Daynes was the medical superintendent of St Lucy's Hospital when the project was first suggested.

Before leaving for the Transkei I discussed the project with Dr Stanford of the Bland-Sutton Institute and with Dr Stott of the Brompton Hospital. Dr Kleeberg and Mr Araman of the South African Tuberculosis Study Group provided me with much useful local information and advice before I arrived.

Dr and Mrs Devonshire not only made me welcome at St Lucy's, but also provided me with a grant from the research fund of the hospital and lent me a Land Rover.

Mrs Va and Mrs Dazana were indefatigable translators and guides; I owe them a particular debt for leading me past the many pitfalls of working in an alien culture.

Sister Waser helped me to hear test the children.

My somewhat jejune statistics have been entirely re-worked by Mr G.B. Newman and Mr Suheil Shahyar.

Finally, I have discussed aspects of the survey with Dr Stanford and Professor Muller, and I am grateful for their comments and criticisms.

# Distributive unions plan amalgamation

Two unions in the commercial distributive trade are planning to amalgamate

The National Union of Distributive Workers and the National Union of Commercial Catering and Allied Workers have initiated moves to become one union

The former union represents about 5 000 white workers while the latter represents about 5 500 coloured workers

Both are affiliated to the Trade Union Council of South Africa

The two unions are also members of the Association of Distributive and Allied Workers' Unions

The third member body of the Association is the Commercial, Catering and Allied Workers' Union which is affiliated to the Council of Unions of South Africa



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**5. NATAL INDIAN CONGRESS**

The *FM* has published the views of the four main parties contesting the SA General Election. In this issue, M J Naidoo, vice-president of the Natal Indian Congress, gives the view of a voteless political group.



Until elections in this country are based on democratic principles which involve all its peoples, black SA will have no real interest in the outcome and will, in fact, show contempt for the many racial outbursts that are a feature of the

present elections. Nothing that has been said or done so far in the election campaign has given the slightest hope that whites seriously intend giving genuine freedom to blacks. Even the meagre, reluctantly given, salary increases to the huge, wealth-producing black labour force has been more than swallowed up by immediate increases in prices of essential commodities.

Equity demands that those in most need should receive priority when the helping hand reaches out. But not so in this country. With absolute indifference, callousness and greed, the white minority always takes the cake, doles out crumbs as a magnanimous gesture of goodwill and feels disappointed when a standing ovation is not forthcoming. It does not matter to this ever-so-blind minority that many blacks die of hunger every year, it doesn't matter that the entire world outside SA, including the so-called friendly Western nations, is totally opposed to its evil policies of white superiority.

In the present elections, the time-honoured and worn-out bogeymen have been brought out into the open again to threaten and cajole the whites into voting conservatively. The former NP speciality of "swart gevaar" and the "communist-behind-every-black-voice" is currently the stock-in-trade of the extreme right, but I see only a difference in language and emphasis among

the different candidates.

The NP has been paying lip service for some time to "moving away from discrimination." But when under pressure from their right-wingers they withdraw like tortoises into their apartheid shells. Not a single discriminatory law has been removed from the statute book despite all their sayings — on the contrary many more discriminatory laws have been added.

Even the President's Council, which to us blacks is no more than an empty gesture, is now clearly subject to a veto by just one of the NP provincial congresses. Of the opposition parties, all of whom are totally irrelevant to the black struggle, the kindest thing that one can say about them is that a few of their candidates at least are tentatively drawing attention to the inevitability of black rule in this country. However, because they are faced with an overwhelming race-orientated, selfish white community, they constantly dissipate their energies in a never-ending search for a formula within a federal, confederal or consociational structure. All of which are no more than devices like the NP constellation of states, the three-tier — parliamentary — system, President's Council and so on, which are intended to preserve white power and wealth. Never have they criticised the present parliamentary system as undesirable for themselves, nor have they conceded that they operate within a totally undemocratic framework.

That NP policy is, however, consistent with apartheid which implies both separateness and "white baaskap." They have no intention of getting rid of either of these cornerstones and at best they intend merely to soften the blow of "harmful" or "hurtful" discrimination. The most redeeming feature is that you always know where you stand with the NP. As far as blacks are

concerned, however, the NP only intends to remove discrimination where it harms or hurts them or their overseas image. If they could help it they would rather prefer to issue a blanket ban on news media so that the evils of apartheid remain swept under the carpet.

It is exasperating that there is no opposition white group which is prepared to say that denial of equal rights to blacks is an unmitigated wrong. The so-called progressive white elements will only go so far as to say that they are prepared to give equal voting rights in terms of ethnicity in a divided SA. The effect of this will clearly be that blacks will be left toying around with their token "rights" in their assigned homelands, mostly overpopulated barren wastelands, without any effective power to make real changes.

It is time whites realised that the only road to peace and prosperity is in sharing, and sharing equally — not sharing a la apartheid.

Surely this country has enough, and as yet much untapped, resources to proffer a sufficiently high standard of living to all its people without the vast majority having to be exploited. If white selfishness is so granite-like as to resist changes, it is far more tragic to note that there is no enlightened leadership to steer whites away from their present path.

White SA should by now feel compelled to take a hard look at that situation "too ghastly to contemplate" — for that is exactly where their present policies are leading us. Black thinking in many quarters has already reached the stage where equal rights is no longer a sufficient remedy. According to this emerging logic, to undo more than 300 years of discrimination and exploitation, whites will have to make a sacrifice — a supreme sacrifice in terms of which they will have to be satisfied with less than their equal share for some time in the future in order that blacks be enabled to reach the level of equality with whites. It is the moral and legal compensation that whites will have to pay to blacks for the retardation that blacks suffered in the past.

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**Mercury Reporter**

A RECORD 800 degrees and diplomas will be awarded to Indian students of the University of Durban-Westville at two separate graduation ceremonies at the university tomorrow night and on Saturday afternoon

Highlight of Friday night's graduation, which starts at 8 p.m., is the conferring of an honorary doctorate in literature on Prof G S Nienaber, chairman of the university council

Dr N Stutterheim, chairman of the Council of the University of Witwatersrand, will be guest speaker

At Saturday's graduation which starts at 2.30 p.m. the main event will be conferring of an honorary doctorate in education on Mr P R T Nel, the first Director of Indian Education

Mr H E Joosub, a Pretoria businessman and former chairman of the South African Indian Council, will also receive an honorary doctorate in commerce. Mr Owen Horwood, Minister of Finance and Chancellor of the University of Durban-Westville, will confer the doctorates

Prof L H Ahrens, will deliver the address on Saturday

# Students pelt inspectors with eggs

# ANOTHER BOYCOTT

THOUSANDS of students in schools controlled by the Coloured Education Department yesterday boycotted classes.

And in Cape Town four senior Department of Internal Affairs inspectors were yesterday besieged inside the Elswood High School principal's office after pupils had pelted them with eggs.

An inspector was struck on the chest and he later took shelter in the principal's office and could not leave because pupils stood outside and threatened to throw eggs again. Tension mounted again at the school yesterday after it was closed last week when students

demand inspectors leave the premises. More than 1000 pupils at five coloured high schools on the Reef are staging a peaceful boycott of classes after last week's police/pupil clashes.

Attendance at the five schools Westbury, Chris Jan Botha, Riverlea, Coronationville and Eldorado Park High varied from 40 percent of the pupils to over 290 percent yesterday.

The decision taken by some of the pupils to return to school, however, does not mean that they are attending classes, and three school principals confirmed that there are no classes being held.

Examinations which were due to start on Monday have been postponed in all of the schools. Pupils from Riverlea high and Westbury High left school at 12 - as part of the boycott plan on Monday.

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## Boycotts

considered by the Department to counter class boycotts by pupils and students

Other measures proposed were the expulsion of pupils guilty of misbehaviour and influencing others to boycott

Students at colleges participating in a boycott would forfeit bursaries

It was suggested to principals not to schedule examinations on June 16 and 17, the commemoration days of the Soweto unrest, said a principal who attended the meeting

The principal said there was "widespread unhappiness" among teachers over the threat to sever pay if schools were closed down

A circular has been posted to parents of pupils at coloured schools by the Department of Internal Affairs

The circular appeals to parents to ensure that their children attend school

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Meanwhile principals at a number of Cape Peninsula schools have been warned by education authorities that their teaching staff would be sent home without pay if schools are closed down due to unrest

The warning was issued by the Director of Coloured Education Mr A J Arendse at a meeting of principals of schools under the Department of Internal Affairs

The meeting was called to inform principals of steps that were being

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Argus Correspondent

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The announcement of the suspensions was made yesterday by the principal, Mr. R. R. Maharaj, after the pupils boycotted classes and gathered around the school premises, south of Durban.

Some returned to the entrance of the school early today, bearing placards, but dispersed when a police vehicle arrived.

Confirming the suspensions, Mr. Krog said the pupils first boycotted classes at the school on April 27.

'Their parents were then sent letters by the principal informing them of the effects such action could have on their education. The parents were also invited to talk to the principal and staff of the school about any problems.'

# Suspension

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## Mercury Reporter

INDIAN parents of Merebank are angry over the decision by the principal of the local high school, Mr R R Maharaj, to suspend more than 300 pupils for boycotting classes.

A spokesman for the parents said yesterday a meeting was being planned this weekend to discuss the mass suspensions at the Merebank High School.

The pupils, who boycotted classes on Thursday in protest against the Republic Festival, were told by the principal that they had been suspended indefinitely. They were told to leave the school premises immediately and not return.

However, some of them returned with their parents yesterday morning, volunteering to go back to classes.

But the principal refused to allow them into their classrooms. An attempt by some pupils to protest against the suspensions by carrying placards failed

because they dispersed when the police arrived.

Mr Maharaj declined to comment.

The Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, yesterday confirmed that 315 pupils of the school had been suspended. He said he would decide whether to expel the pupils after he had received a report from the principal.

He said the pupils first boycotted classes on April 27 and their parents were sent letters informing them of the effects such action could have on their children's education.

He said the parents were also invited to talk to the principal and staff of the school about any problems concerning education.

Meanwhile, about 1000 pupils of the Reservoir Hills High School also boycotted classes yesterday. More than 300 pupils at the Chatsworth High School boycotted classes on Thursday in protest against the Republic Festival.



# Boycott:<sup>C7</sup> Pupils<sup>258</sup> suspended<sup>16/5/8</sup>

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Their parents were then sent letters by the principal informing them of the effects such action could have on their education.

When they boycotted classes again, the principal had no option but to suspend them indefinitely.

The Merebank Parents' Support Committee, formed during the school boycotts in Natal last year, is to call an urgent meeting over the weekend to discuss the issue.

Meanwhile, more than 300 pupils at the Chatsworth High School also boycotted classes on Thursday but were back at school yesterday — Sapa

Indefinite suspension follows boycott by high school pupils

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**Mercury Reporter**

THE Apollo Indian High School in Chatsworth closed an hour early yesterday after most of its pupils were suspended indefinitely for boycotting classes in protest against the Republic Festival.

Earlier police were called to the school in Collier Avenue Umhlatuzana township after the boycotters allegedly stoned a passing car near the school. A pupil spokesman said pupils attacked the car after the driver and three other occupants assaulted girl pupils and ordered them to return to school.

The boycotters, who originally numbered about 200, were informed of their suspensions by the principal Mr V S Pillay yesterday morning at assembly. They were told to leave the school premises. Another 300 pupils at the school boycotted classes in protest against the suspensions.

**No comment**

The headmaster declined to comment yesterday.

Mr Gabriel Krog, director of Indian Education, said he did not know how many pupils had been suspended as he was waiting

for a report from the principal.

Meanwhile the fate of the 315 Merebank High School pupils who were suspended last week for boycotting classes in protest against the Republic Festival still hangs in the balance. Mr Krog said no decision had yet been taken whether to expel them or set aside their suspensions.

# School 27 19/5/81 suspends 227 50 258 boycott pupils

DURBAN — The Apollo State Indian High School in Chatsworth closed an hour early yesterday after most of its pupils said to number about 700, were suspended for boycotting classes in protest against the Republic Festival

Earlier, police were called to the school after boycotters stoned a passing car near the school. A spokesman for the pupils said pupils had attacked the car after the driver and three other occupants had assaulted girl pupils and ordered them to return to school.

"We were staging a peaceful boycott in the street fronting the school when a car stopped near us. Four men armed with sticks jumped out and lashed out at some of the girls for staying away from classes.

"This angered the other pupils who retaliated by confronting the men with stones," he said.

## Smashed

The car's windscreen was smashed and some of the men were slightly injured. A pupil was also injured.

The boycotters, who originally numbered about 200, were informed of their suspensions by the principal, Mr V S Pillay yesterday. They were told to leave the school premises. Another 300 pupils went to join the boycott in protest against the suspensions.

They too were then suspended after ignoring pleas to return to classrooms. The school was closed as the remaining number of pupils dwindled rapidly as groups from classrooms walked out to join the boycotters.

The headmaster declined to comment yesterday. Mr Gabriel Krog, director of Indian Education, said he was waiting for a report from the principal.

# Indian pupils expelled over festival boycott

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**Own Correspondent**  
**DURBAN**—More than 500 Indian pupils from local high schools have been expelled by the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, after sporadic boycotts of classes at many schools in protest against the Republic Festival.

It is believed that letters of expulsion are being sent to parents of pupils who had been suspended from classes, after they had stayed away from

school during the past week.

The number of expulsions may be even higher as the director waits for reports from principals of other schools which were also affected by the boycotts.

Schools affected so far are Merebank Secondary, Apollo High in Chatsworth, Orient, Avoca and Reservoir Hills.

The expulsions follow a walkout from classes by hundreds of pupils at several Durban schools, and protests outside the en-

trances at certain schools against the Republic Festival.

At Merebank 315 pupils were placed under suspension by the principal, Mr R R Maharaj, and were told they could not return to school until a decision had been taken about their future by the director.

President of the Teachers' Association of South Africa (Tasa), Mr Pat Samuels said his organisation would seek an urgent interview with Mr Krog to discuss the fate of the expelled pupils.

# School records destroyed

**Own Correspondent**  
**MARITZBURG** — Old examination papers and records were destroyed in a brief fire in the senior staff room at the Rasehothe Indian High School yesterday.

It is believed arsonists caused the blaze. Mr Ramsudh the principal, said a cleaner noticed smoke pouring out of the staff room yesterday afternoon.

She summoned a workmate and they extinguished the blaze.

Mr Ramsudh said damage to the school was minimal.



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# Police question suspended pupils

## Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Three suspended pupils of the Apollo High School in Chatsworth were questioned by security police yesterday for more than four hours following a boycott of classes by most of the school's pupils.

The two matric and a Standard Nine pupil who preferred to remain anonymous said they were picked up by police at 7.30 am and questioned for 4 hours about the boycott of classes in protest against the Republic Festival.

"We were also questioned about the distribution of pamphlets among school children urging them to stay away from school in protest against the Republic Festival," said a spokesman.

## In the balance

Meanwhile the fate of several hundred Merbank and Apollo High School pupils who were suspended for boycotting classes still hangs in the balance. Mr Gabriel Krog, director of Indian Education, said yesterday that he was still deciding whether to expel the pupils or to set aside their suspensions.

Scores of Hindi-speaking children who have been selected by various religious schools to take part in the annual Hindi Eisteddfod in Durban on May 30 and 31 yesterday threatened to boycott the two-day Eisteddfod unless the organizers changed the date because it coincided with the Republic Festival.

Pupils of the Lower Tugela

Hindi Patshala (religious school) said they were boycotting the Republic Festival and wished not to be associated with any function or event during the festival.

Mr S. Bal Ganesh, chairman of the Hindi Shiksha Sang of South Africa, said it was a sheer coincidence that the Eisteddfod would take place during the Republic Festival.

# 500 pupils expelled over Festival boycott

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**Arcus Correspondent**  
DURBAN — More than 500 Indian high school pupils in the Durban area have been expelled by the Director of Indian Education Mr Gabriel Kiro, following sporadic classroom boycotts at many schools in protest against the Republic Festival.

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had stayed away during the past week.

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The expulsions follow a walkout by hundreds of pupils at several Durban

schools and protests outside the entrances at certain schools against the Republic Festival.

At Merchants 315 pupils were placed under suspension by the principal Mr T R Mahomed and were told they could not return to school until the director had decided on their future.

Pupils from other schools who joined the boycott were also placed under suspension.

In an interview yesterday Mr Kiro said he had acted with 'compassion' since the start of the boycott but now had no option but to take action against the pupils.

The President of the Teachers' Association of South Africa (TASA) Mr P. Samuels said his organization would seek an imminent interview with Mr Kiro to discuss the expulsions.

# Anger at Krog's decision to expel 500 Indian pupils

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## Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council's Natal Committee, which meets in Durban today, is to request an explanation from the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, about the reported expulsion yesterday of more than 500 Indian high school pupils

The pupils, who were earlier suspended for boycotting classes at several Durban schools in protest against the Republic Festival, were yesterday officially expelled by Mr Krog

The expulsion triggered off widespread resentment among pupils, parents and community leaders

A spokesman for the Stu-

dents' Representative Council at the University of Durban-Westville said last night that a call had been made for students of the university to stay away from lectures today to protest against the expulsion of the high school pupils

Mr Krog was not available for comment yesterday, but Mr S P van den Heever, deputy director of Indian Education, confirmed that a 'large number' of pupils were expelled for staying away from school. He said the pupils were from Merebank High, Apollo High and Orient High Schools

He said letters of expul-

sion would be sent to the parents of pupils suspended from school following the boycott of classes during the past week.

Mr J B Patel, the SAIC's executive chairman, told the Mercury last night that the SAIC had not been consulted by Mr Krog before the decision to expel the suspended pupils was taken

At an emergency meeting of the Apollo High School Education Committee last night it was decided to seek an interview with Mr Krog to demand the immediate reinstatement of all expelled pupils

# MOVE FOR REINSTATEMENT OF STUDENTS

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Mercury Reporter

A TEN-MAN committee, formed at a meeting of more than 700 parents and students in Merebank last night, is to demand the immediate reinstatement of more than 500 Indian high school pupils who were expelled during the recent school boycott.

The committee, comprising parents and guardians of some of the expelled pupils of the Merebank high school, will make its demands formally when it meets the director of Indian

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## Committee to make demands at meeting with Krog

education Mr Gabriel Krog, either today or tomorrow.

At last night's meeting convened by the Merebank Support Committee in the MITS hall the director, Mr Krog, came under heavy criticism for expelling pupils who boycotted classes in protest against the Republic Festival.

'The director's reaction to pupils' peaceful demonstration of their rejection of the apartheid celebration is grossly unfair,' said a parent who demanded that the pupils be readmitted at once.

The meeting, chaired by Mr R K Vardoo, a prominent former sports administrator, also asked the committee to seek legal opinion if Mr Krog refused to reinstate the pupils.

Meanwhile the South African Indian Council's Natal standing committee is to seek a meeting with Mr Krog today in a bid to have the pupils readmitted to school. Mr J B Patel, the executive chairman, said yesterday.

At a meeting of several public organisations at

the weekend a sub-committee including Mr M J Vardoo, vice-president of the Natal Indian Congress and other congress leaders, Mr George Serpell, Dr Jerry Coovadia and Mr Archie Gwede was appointed to work towards the immediate reinstatement of the pupils.

As a first step towards its goal, the committee is to convene a public meeting of parents and students in Durban tomorrow night to decide on a line of action.



# Indian schoolchildren from State schools participate in festival

## Mercury Reporter

WHILE hundreds of schoolchildren in Merebank and Chatsworth boycotted the Republic Festival celebrations — a move which led to their expulsion — at least 200 children from State schools in Phoenix took part in the festival celebrations at King's Park stadium yesterday.

The pupils, mainly young girls, featured in a variety of Indian classical dances and other concerts which highlighted the traditional Indian way of life in the youth programme. They were from the Phoenix Pioneer School, Hopeville Primary and Phoenix High

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The children, who also featured in other programmes during the festival, were provided special accommodation at Durban's Springfield College of Education where they had been staying since Wednesday under the supervision of a senior lecturer of Durban Indian Girls' High School and other teachers.

## Opposition

They returned to their homes in two buses yesterday afternoon after giving their final performance during the youth programme.

Some pupils of the

Merebank High School, the Apollo High School in Chatsworth and the Orient High School in Durban demonstrated their opposition to the Republic Festival celebrations by boycotting classes for several days last week. They were suspended from school and later expelled by the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, after they had ignored appeals to return to classes.

Mr Krog could not be contacted for comment yesterday but he is on record as saying that Indian schoolchildren were not compelled to take part in the Republic Festival if they opposed it.

Boycott blues for 500 Indian pupils expelled by Krog

# GO HOME, Parents worried as new bid to return to school fails

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**Mercury Reporter**  
WHILE thousands of Indian children went back to school yesterday after the Republic Festival holidays the fate of more than 500 high school pupils expelled for boycotting classes still hung in the balance.

Some of the expelled pupils made another unsuccessful attempt yesterday to return to their

classrooms at Merebank High School, Orient High and Apollo High in Chatsworth. They were told to go back home as they had been expelled by the director of Indian Education Mr Gabriel Krog and only on his instructions could they be readmitted.

Worried parents of some of the expelled pupils told the Mercury last night they were concerned that their

children would miss the mid-year examinations if they were not immediately reinstated.

'We sincerely hope that Mr Krog will change his mind and allow all pupils back into their classrooms. They have already missed a lot of work and it's going to be difficult for them to catch up with their missed lessons in order to be fully

prepared for the June examinations,' a parent said.

Mr Krog could not be contacted for comment yesterday but according to a source in the South African Indian Council which met the director last week in a bid to have the pupils reinstated he had been placed in an extremely difficult situation.

'If he bows to requests to

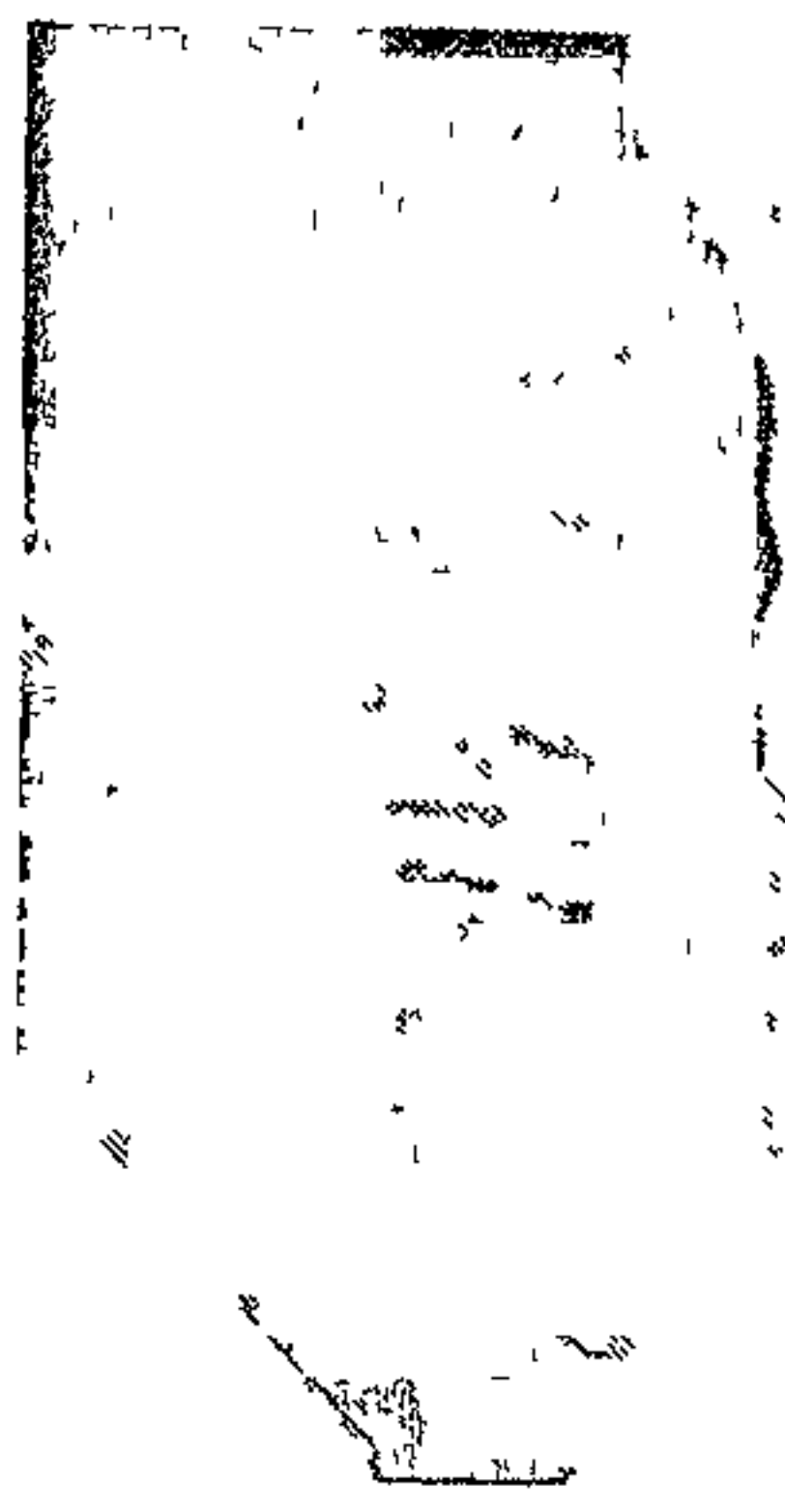
withdraw the expulsions there would be no guarantee that other pupils would not resort to boycotting of classes to demonstrate their grievances.

A case in point is June 16 which has been declared by schoolchildren and university students as the anniversary of the Soweto disturbances. There is no guarantee that

Indian schoolchildren would not boycott classes again later this month to mark the Soweto anniversary.

'This appears to be one of Mr Krog's primary concerns,' said the source who added that it had been felt that as long as the expulsions were in force they would act as a deterrent to others.

# Storm over Ben's teacups



MR BEN Cele  
central figure in row

## Resignations from board after pay 'discrimination'

By Mariah Vengtas

THE all-Indian Umzinto North Town Board, which was yesterday rocked by a spate of resignations of senior administrative staff and a board member, is probably the only local authority in South Africa where the teamaker earns a higher wage than the switchboard operator, typist, clerks and the heavy duty driver

The 'pay discrimination' coupled with a general dissatisfaction over the running of the town are some of the causes of the employees' grievances which yesterday led to the resignations of the traffic officer, Mr H F P Naidoo, town foreman Mr C W Seiler and librarian Mrs K Ramjathan

Board member Mr R 'Leo' Naidoo also quit yesterday because he was 'not happy at the manner in which the town was being run'

Town Clerk Enoch John explained that teamaker Ben Cele, designated as a messenger, was paid R20 more than the board's switchboard operator — a first-year BA student — because he had been in the employ of the board since 1975

Mr John pointed out that as black employees of the board did not have a fixed wage scale they were granted wage increases practically every year, while the wages of Indian staff rose strictly according to scales

'Our switchboard operator joined the services of the board only in December last year and this is why she has been placed at the bottom of the scale,' he said

He conceded that the wages of the Indian staff were low — some earning less than R150 a month — but, he said, his recommendation for wage increases for all workers was rejected by the board

### Increase

Instead the board decided that the 1978 salary structure be retained and workers be given an across-the-board increase of 10 percent

Mr S Bagratee, the board's chairman, told the Mercury last night that the salary structure of all employees would be reviewed in August when the board's next estimates of expenditure were prepared

'As our financial year will be ending on July 31, we thought it appropriate to review the entire salary structure in the next estimates. As an interim measure we approved a general 10 percent increase for all workers last month' he added

Meanwhile, the board's Staff Association sent a memorandum to the Natal Provincial Administration setting out its grievances and calling for an immediate inquiry into the running of the board



Krog to reconsider when 'things have returned to normal'

# BOYCOTT PUPILS will have to wait

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Mercury Reporter

MR Gabriel Krog, director of Indian Education, said yesterday that he would reconsider the position of more than 500 expelled high school pupils only when he was satisfied that 'things had returned to normal' at Indian schools.

He was replying to appeals by parents to lift the expulsions on the pupils, who have been barred from school following a boycott of classes in protest against the Republic Festival celebrations.

When asked by the Mercury whether any of the pupils could apply for re-admission, he said they could not do so while the expulsions were in force.

Asked to comment on parents' fears that their children might miss the mid-year examinations if they were not reinstated in time, Mr Krog said 'Didn't they think about the examinations when their children boycotted classes?'

Before the decision to expel the pupils was taken, parents were informed by the principals of the schools concerned of their children's behaviour.

They were asked to ensure that they returned to school. But the plea was ignored.

Mr Krog said he was prepared to meet representatives of parents' committees from the affected schools to discuss the position of the expelled pupils.

He denied that one of his primary concerns about reinstating the pupils was that there was no guarantee that they would not again boycott schools.

## Difficult

A source in the South Af-



MR Gabriel Krog .. 'wait and see'

met Mr Krog last week told the Mercury that Mr Krog had been placed in 'an extremely difficult situation' in view of the approaching June 16, which had been declared by school children and university students as the anniversary of the disturbances in Soweto.

The source said that it had been felt that while the expulsions were in force at least until June 16, it would act as a deterrent to other pupils.



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# Expelled pupils await word

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Hundreds of expelled pupils are anxiously waiting at home for Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, to lift their expulsions so that they may return to schools in time for the June examinations

More than 500 pupils of the Merebank High, Apollo High and Orient High Schools in Durban were expelled by Mr Krog recently for boycotting classes in protest against the

Republic  
celebrations

Worried parents of some of the pupils said yesterday that although their children were spending their time at home and at local libraries reading, it was difficult to catch up with missed classroom lessons

"The sooner they are allowed to return to school the better their chances of passing the half-yearly examinations which are due to be held soon," said a mother of

Festival

one of the expelled pupils

Mr Krog said this week that he would reconsider the position of the expelled pupils only when he was satisfied that "things had returned to normal" at Indian schools

But teachers said yesterday that parents need not fear about their children missing the June examinations. They should, however, continue their studies at home and not look on the period as a holiday

# WHITE WILL HEAD INDIAN VARSITY AGAIN

## ACADEMICS HIT OUT OVER THE APPOINTMENT OF NEW RECTOR

Tribune Reporter

BLACK educationists, academics, politicians and civic leaders slammed the appointment this week of another white, Professor Jaap Greyling, as rector of the University of Durban-Westville. The appointment, which was announced by the council of the university on Friday, has been described as a tragedy.

Prof Greyling, who will also be the new vice-chancellor of the university, will succeed Professor Farie Olivier who retires at the end of the year.

Mr M. J. Naidoo, vice-president of the Natal Indian Congress, said Prof Greyling's appointment should be viewed with contempt.

"While I firmly believe that all appointments should be made on merit, there are many blacks suitably qualified to be the rector.

"The appointment of another white as rector of the institution is part of the policy of total strategy to enable the state to be in control of all departments and areas concerned with blacks," Mr Naidoo said.

"It was clear that anyone who worked in Government-created institutions was mainly benefiting the policy of apartheid and the country's white hierarchy," he said.

Prof Greyling said this week he had "no say" in his appointment as rector — he merely applied when the post was advertised.

"The senate and council were also invited to submit names of possible candidates so they could be approached for the vacancy," he said.

A lecturer who has been on the staff of the university for the last 10 years said the problem at UD.W was

the lack of communication between the university and the "man at the top"

"The new rector will continue to symbolise the state and Afrikaner domination and along with this the Group Areas Act, the colour bar and other political frustrations. Because he represents the ruling party, he can never move closer to Indian students and the Indian community," he said.

# Big campaign bid for Indian poll stayaway

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CONFERENCE ON THE ECONOMICS OF HEALTH CARE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

By AMEEN AKHALWAYA  
Political Reporter

A MAJOR campaign is to be launched to persuade Indians to snub November's SA Indian Council elections, the first official test of a black group's attitude towards the P W Botha government's policy initiatives

About 150 representatives of political, religious and community organisations met in Lenasia, Johannesburg, at the weekend, to form the Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee

The 12-man committee, headed by Dr Issop Jassat — banned for 10 years until 1974 — has been entrusted with drawing up a manifesto and involving other community organisations in the campaign

SAIC elections have been repeatedly postponed by the Government, and speculation is now growing that coloured and Indian people will be given direct representation in Parliament, on separate voters' rolls

A spokesman for the new Anti-SAIC Committee said yesterday that representatives at the weekend meeting expressed a desire for the Freedom

Charter, adopted by the now defunct SA Indian Congress 20 years ago, to be used as a basis for the manifesto

The committee will campaign throughout the Transvaal to persuade the Indian community not to be party to the elections involving Government-created political and civic institutions

It is likely the committee will co-ordinate with the Anti-SAIC Committee in Natal

Among those who will serve on the Transvaal committee with Dr Jassat — once a member of the old Transvaal Indian Youth Congress, — are Dr Rashid Salojee, of Lenasia, and Dr Ismail Cachaha, of Actonville, both vice-chairmen, Mr Ismail Momoniat, secretary, Mr Prem Naidoo, assistant secretary, and Mr Namm Pahad, publicity secretary

The success of the boycott campaign will determine for the first time a black Government-created committee's attitudes to the policies of the Prime Minister.

The significance of the SAIC elections will depend not so much on which parties tri-

umph, but to what extent the community turns out to vote

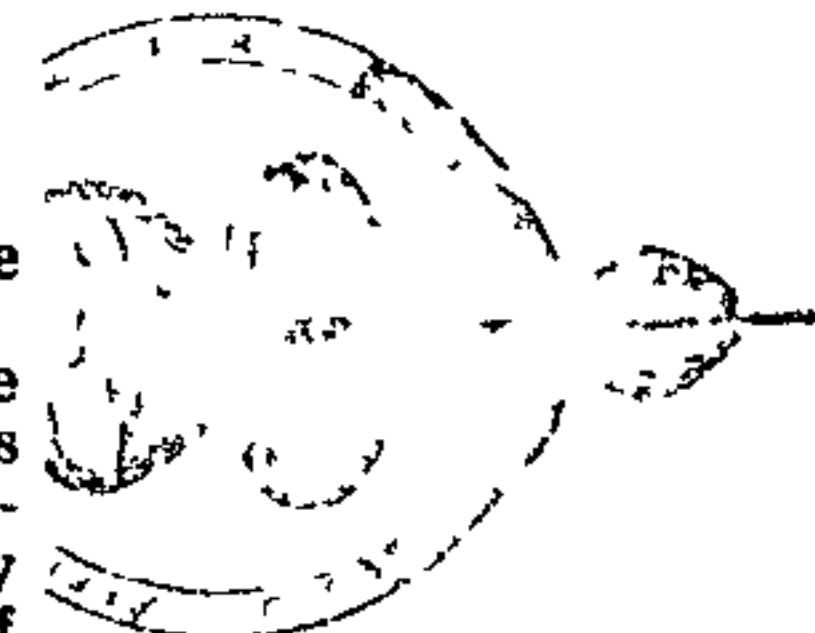
A big turnout could indicate the Indian community backs the Government's new initiatives, while a big stayaway could mean a rejection of racially-based political institutions

The Indian community has not participated directly in past SAIC elections, SAIC members have either been nominated by the Government or chosen by an electoral college of local management and advisory committees

The coloured community has already rejected segregated institutions. The Labour Party won a majority in both the 1969 and 1975 Coloured Representative Council elections

The Government scrapped the CRC last year after pressure from the parties involved in the "coloured parliament".

Since then, the Government has created the controversial President's Council, to which coloureds and Indians have been nominated, with whites, to propose socio-economic and political changes



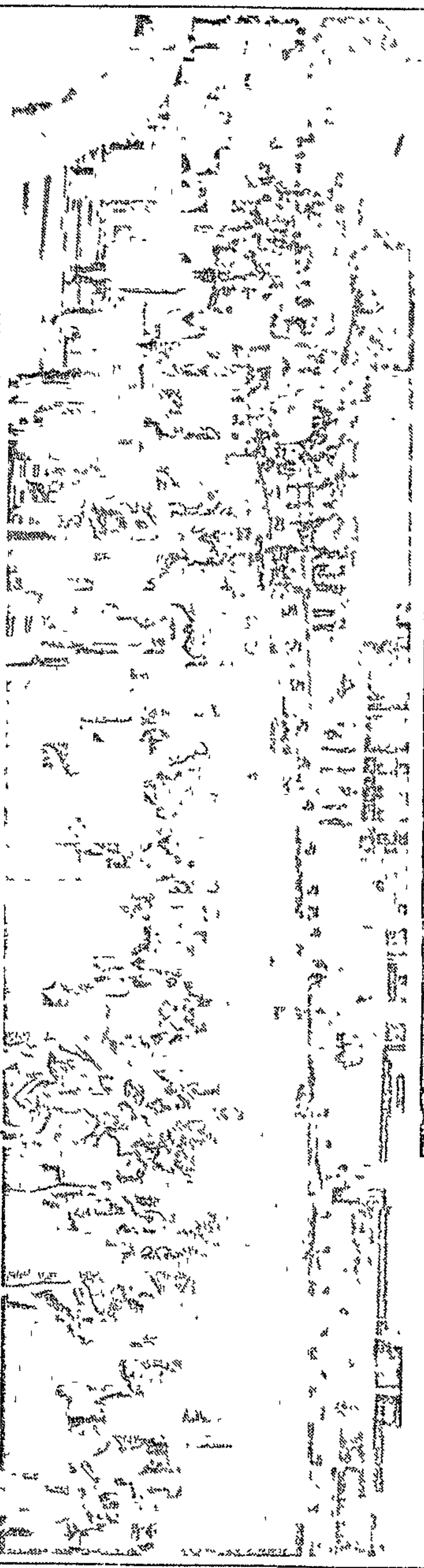
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**2000 students decide to boycott until demands are met**



UNIVERSITY of Durban-Westville students march out of the campus yesterday after their vote for an indefinite boycott

# The big walkout

Mercury Reporter

UNIVERSITY of Durban-Westville students who do not write their mid-year examinations, which start next week, could lose a year or more of their education. Mr Nico Nel, the university's public relations officer, warned yesterday

His warning came after 2 000 students met on the campus yesterday and reaffirmed a decision taken the previous day to boycott academic activity at the campus until three of their demands are met.

The original decision was that students remain on boycott until the demands are met. It was also decided that the boycott be called off if fewer than 3 000 students supported the call.

Though only about 2 000 students turned out for yesterday's meeting, it was nevertheless agreed to go on an indefinite boycott

Students say they are boycotting lectures because they want the expelled high school pupils reinstated, a physiology lecturer replaced and that examinations on June 16 --

the day of the 1976 Soweto disturbances -- be postponed.

A move by some students to call off the boycott, suggesting that black emblems be worn on June 16, failed

Following the decision to go on an indefinite boycott, more than 1 000 students, some carrying placards later marched through the campus calling on others to join the boycott

Freedom songs were sung while they marched along, closely watched by Security Branch men

As the students passed the administration block they yelled out their demands and also their disapproval with the appointment of Prof J J C Greyling as the new rector of the university

A spokesman for the University's Students Representative Council, said yesterday that they were aware of the consequences if students did not write the mid-year examinations

'It was a majority decision to go on boycott,' he said

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PARENTS of expelled



Prof S P Olivier, yesterday banned all student meetings on the campus from today.

The unprecedented step was seen yesterday as a move to quell the growing student unrest on the campus.

In notices to all staff and students, the rector said no further meetings would be permitted this term without his consent. The Students' Representative Council president Mr Alfthaff Karim was also instructed by Prof Olivier not to convene or administer any student meeting on the campus.

Prof Olivier also announced that all lectures and practicals would continue as normal today, the last day of lectures at the university this term.

pledge to Mr Gabriel Krog, director of Indian Education, that they would ensure that their children would not boycott classes after they have been reinstated.

The pledge is contained in a memorandum handed to Mr Krog yesterday by the Apollo High School Education Committee, in a fresh bid to persuade him to lift the expulsions on hundreds of pupils, following a boycott of classes.

Mr George Thaver, vice-chairman of the committee who led the deputation comprising Mrs D Naidoo, Mr M N Ramson and Mr Lennie Mannie, told the Mercury afterwards that the meeting had been 'fruitful' and they had no doubt in their minds that all pupils would be reinstated.

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STUDENTS, POLICE, BOYCOTTS, VIOLENCE

Eldorado Wits Police school erupts BSS leader just pass by

AS THE coloured high schools boycott entered its fourth day on the Reef violence erupted between pupils and police in Eldorado Park

The incident occurred at about 11 30 yesterday morning when pupils from the Kiptown High School marched to the Eldorado Park high school to give the support of the pupils there in their protest

According to the teachers of Eldorado Park High they were having a staff meeting at the time

Camouflaged uniformed riot police with rubber sjamboks chased the pupils and were seen beating several of the girls

Two sneeze machines were also seen parked next to the school grounds by the teachers

There were six pupils allegedly held by the police for questioning Four girls and two boys, but this has not been confirmed

The Eldorado Park Number Two High School in Willow Crescent was also the scene of pupil demonstrations yesterday

The principals of the three schools, Mr M Jacobs - Eldorado Park High No 1, Mr Noble - Eldorado Park High No 2 and Mr SF Scholfield - Kiptown High have all been summoned to an emergency meeting with the chief inspector of coloured education in the Transvaal, following unrest at the schools over the past three days They were unavailable for comment

Yesterday's protests follow a police announcement of the continued detention of student leader Aziz Jardine under Section 10 of the Internal Security Act which allows for indefinite detention

At all of the schools principals have decided to postpone exams some until June 18

detained

THE vice chairman of the University of Witwatersrand's Black Students Society (BSS) Mr Azhar Cachalia, and his brother, Feroze, were taken by Security Police from their Benoni home last night

The two Wits students who are also members of the Benoni Students Movement are held under Section 22 of the General Laws Amendment Act which entitles police to keep them in detention for up to 14 days without trial

Feroze is a former chairman of BSS and according to a close member of the family about seven policemen arrived at their home at about midnight and took them away after searching the room in which they slept

Reacting to their detention yesterday, Mr Sammy Adelman with SRC president said it was astonishing that students were being detained when university activities had been stopped in preparation for examinations

Further security detentions this week include four members of the Young Christian Workers who were detained in Port Elizabeth They are Mr Edward Stanley, Mr Simuzile Nondumo, Shepherd Mhuzi Mazi and Mr Mlungisi Johnson whose detentions have been confirmed by the Directorate of Police Public relations in Pretoria

Also detained under security legislation in the Eastern Cape are three members of the Motor Assembly and Components Workers Union of South Africa (Macwusa) Mr Dumile Makanda (chairman) Mr Maxwell Madlingozi (executive member) and Mr Mveliso Didiza (organiser)

POLICE moved in on the campus of the University of Durban-Westville yesterday following Wednesday's ban on all meetings by the rector

They were parked outside the main hall, while nearby in the quadrangle a few hundred students had gathered holding informal discussions

A spokesman for the SRC said the arrival of the police was seen as an intimidatory measure to prevent any likelihood of a disruption of exams

It is obvious they are here to protect those students who have ignored the calls to boycott and have decided to write the exams However, we will hold informal meetings to counter the ban a student said

The students are protesting over the expulsion of about 5600 pupils from schools in and around Durban the appointment of a lecturer in the physiology department and the setting of exams on June 16

The Public Relations Officer of the University, Mr Nico Nel described the presence of the police as a courtesy call

"They are here as part of their crime prevention routine visiting many areas of Durban They were not called by the university The colonel, who just had tea with us said he was just passing by Mr Nel said - Sapa

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# Durban-Westville

## student suspended, another barred over academic boycott

**Mercury Reporter**  
A SECOND-YEAR BA student of the University of Durban Westville was suspended yesterday and a final-year law student barred from the university following the boycott of academic activities.

The students, who preferred to remain unidentified, said yesterday they were told in letters by the rector Prof S P Olivier that the decision against them had been taken following charges of misconduct during the last boycott in protest against the Republic Festival celebrations.

The charges are still being investigated by the university's disciplinary committee and until you have been informed to the contrary you may not enter or be on the campus, the students were told.

Mr Nico Nel, the university's director of public relations, declined to comment, except to say that disciplinary committee measures were treated in strict confidence.

Meanwhile an uneasy calm prevailed on campus yesterday as about 500 boycotting students gathered in the quadrangle and cafeteria while police stood by.

The boycott of academic activities, including mid-year examinations entered its fourth day yesterday with no indication by the university administration of acceding to student demands for the removal of a senior lecturer whom, they claim, is not suitable.

They also want the immediate reinstatement of the 500 expelled high school pupils and the postponement of examinations on June 16 — 'a day of mourning' to mark the 1976 Soweto unrest.

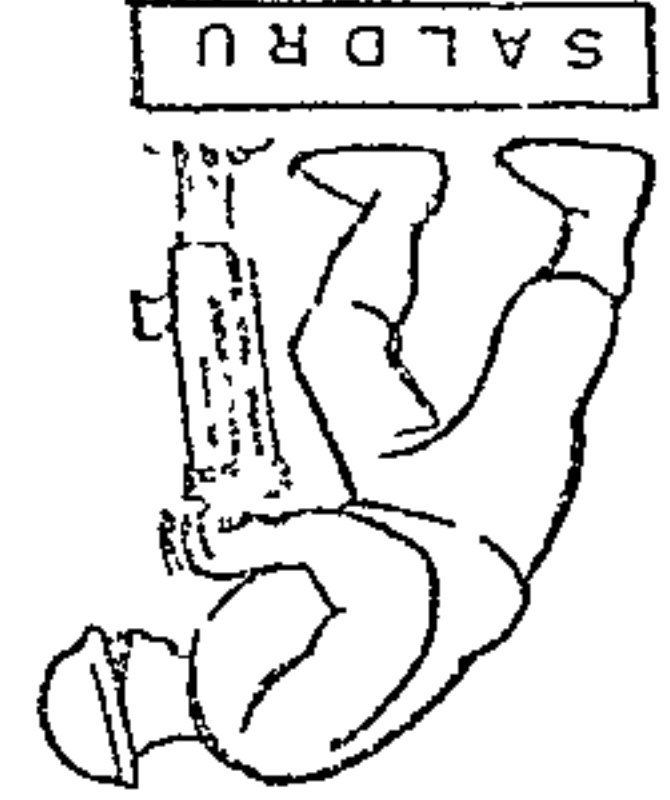
Attendance at examinations written by engineering students yesterday was reported to have been good. Examinations start in earnest from Monday.

### Baseless

Commenting on the police presence on campus Mr Nel denied they had been called to the university. They are here purely as a routine measure as members of the crime prevention unit, he said.

Asked to comment on student demands for the removal of a white lecturer, Mr Nel said the allegations against him were baseless. The lecturer concerned is a highly qualified man and holds a doctorate degree, he said.

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Mercury Reporter

THE Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, yesterday told a delegation that he would stand by his decision not to reinstate expelled high school pupils until the situation at all schools returned to normal.

'I am sticking to my decision, and I am not prepared to say when I will consider the situation of expelled or suspended pupils,' he said. 'It could be tomorrow, next week or next year.'

Mr Krog said no amount of pressure from any delegation would change his mind.

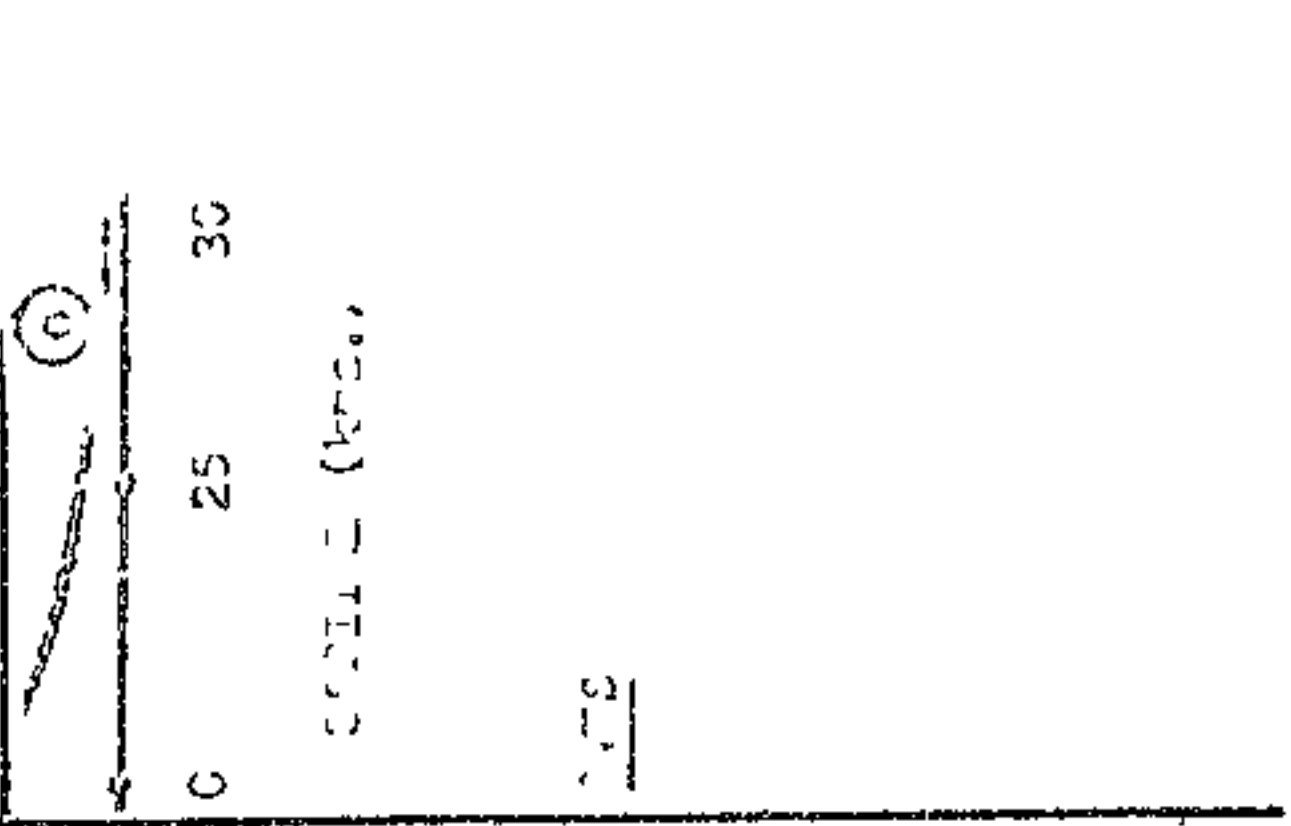
The delegation, which was led by a blind advocate Mr. Zac Yacoob was appointed at a meeting of more than 1000 parents, students and pupils in Durban earlier this week.

The meeting mandated the delegation to urge Mr Krog to reinstate all expelled and suspended pupils unconditionally and not to peruse them if they did not write the mid-year examinations.

The director was told that the situation at schools would get worse if pupils were not allowed back soon.

Agitators

That's when Krog could reconsider expulsions





# Police chase

# defiant students

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## Mercury Reporter

HUNDREDS of boycotting students of the University of Durban-Westville were yesterday chased by police and ordered off the campus after they unsuccessfully attempted to defy a ban on student meetings.

The ban was imposed by the rector Prof S P Olivier earlier this week following a decision by about 500 students to boycott all academic activities, including examinations.

The students assembled in the quadrangle because they had been locked out

of the cafeteria — their usual meeting place — and attempted to hold a meeting to decide whether to continue the boycott when the police moved in.

They were given 10 minutes to disperse — or the riot police would be called, they were told. While some of the students moved off, others remained in the quadrangle.

Uniformed policemen, some armed with quirts, chased the students after isolated incidents of stone-throwing. The students later left the campus by bus.

The university's chief security officer, Mr Alec Burger, has laid a charge of assault after he allegedly had been hit by a stone.

Earlier, Mr Burger stopped a Mercury reporter from taking photographs as police chased students. Mr Burger grabbed the camera from the reporter, but handed it back after taking the film.

The film was later returned to the reporter after the intervention of the rector who apologised to the reporter for Mr Burger's actions. Mr Burger also apologised.

Commenting on student demands for the postponement of examinations on June 16 — 'a day of mourning' to mark the 1976 unrest in Soweto — Prof Olivier said that the examinations would not be postponed in any circumstances.

'We have taken adequate precautions for those students who want to write, but those who still insist on not writing the compulsory examinations must be warned that they could be penalised to the extent of 50 percent of this year's work.'

## Natal University senate urged to declare June 16 a holiday

### Mercury Reporter

THE Academic Freedom Committee of the University of Natal has recommended that the senate executive consider making June 16 a university holiday.

The chairman of the committee and acting principal of the university, Prof Piet Booysens, said this would mean that no

lectures or examinations would take place on that day.

The Students' Representative Committee of the university's Durban campus has arranged a meeting for June 16 in memory of the Soweto riots.

'All students have also been requested to wear black armbands,' said an SRC spokesman.

'The wearing of armbands will mean that the day will be remembered by the students even if the meeting is banned as it was last year,' he added.

Student leader Andrew Botame and Chris Swart, former SRC president, were convicted earlier this year for holding and addressing a prohibited meeting on June 16 last year.

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# Police move in as meeting ban is defied

**Staff Reporter**  
WHILE the schools boycott continued with one minor incident reported in Johannesburg's coloured townships, trouble flared at the University of Durban-Westville yesterday. Hundreds of boycotting students at the university were chased by police and ordered off the campus after they unsuccessfully attempted to defy a ban on student meetings. The ban was imposed by the rector, Prof S P Olivier, earlier this week following a decision by about 500 students to boycott all academic activities, including exams. The students assembled in the quadrangle as they had been locked out of the cafeteria — their usual meeting place — and attempted to hold a meeting to decide whether to continue the boycott when the police moved in.

They were given ten minutes to disperse and told the riot police would be called if they did not. Some students moved away. The tense situation was interrupted at short intervals by students singing freedom songs. They stood a considerable distance away from the police. The police, some armed with quirts, chased the students following isolated stone-throwing incidents. The students later left the campus. The university's chief security officer, Mr Alec Burger, opened a charge of assault after he had been allegedly hit by a stone. Prof Olivier said that under no circumstances would the examinations be postponed. In other incidents yesterday: ● Cars passing by the Eldorado Park Senior Secondary School Number 1, in south-west Johannesburg, were stoned by pupils. ● The Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, told a

delegation of parents and students he would stand by his decision not to reinstate expelled high schools pupils until the situation at all schools returned to normal. About 3 000 parents have signed a petition, which will be sent to Mr Krog, demanding the immediate reinstatement of all affected pupils. ● In separate statements, the Black Sash, Bishop Desmond Tutu and Professor Philip Tobias condemned the detentions of student and trade union leaders, and ● Five Seshego township youths who were detained by Lebowa police yesterday had not yet been charged, a Lebowa Police officer Lieutenant-Colonel P Moloto, said in Seshego yesterday. The youths were arrested after allegedly stoning vehicles near Mmadikoti Technical College in Zone 3, Seshego.

Meanwhile, a case in which three Western Coloured Township youths applied for bail at the Newclare District Court yesterday was postponed until early next week. The three youths were arrested on June 4. They are charged with public violence. Preparations are continuing for the staging of services throughout the country to mark the fifth anniversary of the start of the outbreak of the Soweto unrest on June 16, 1976. A spokesman for the Azanian People's Organisation said the first meeting would be held in Durban today, while services in other centres would be held tomorrow and on Tuesday. The Soweto Tavern Association said shebeens it represented would not serve liquor on Tuesday, while the Soweto Chamber of Commerce announced that shops would be closed between 1pm and 4pm in the townships on Tuesday.

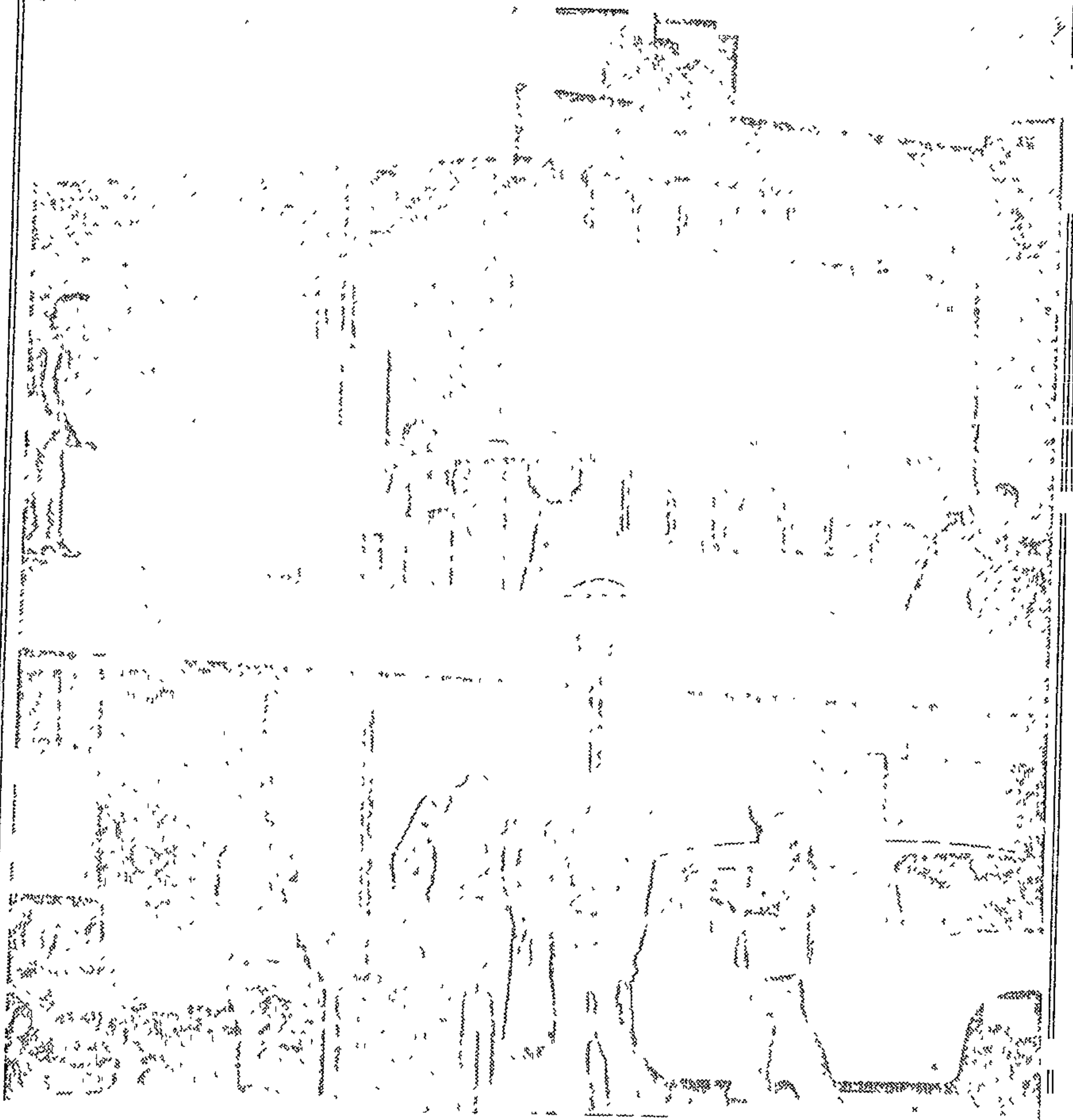
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Learning theories of various types have been invoked not only in the attempt to explain why some people become alcoholics, but to explain why people drink at all. Alcohol consumption according to these theories, is a reflex to certain kinds of stimuli or a way of reducing fear and anxiety. The basic assumption of the reinforcement theory of learning is that the learning of an association between a stimulus and a response requires the presence of some sort of



# UDW students, guards clash in running battle at men's res



UNIVERSITY of Durban-Westville campus guards on a men's residence rooftop after chasing students who had been throwing stones at police below.

# ROOFTOP BATTLE AT UNIVERSITY

Tribune Reporter

UNIVERSITY of Durban-Westville campus guards on a men's residence rooftop after chasing students who had been throwing stones at police below yesterday.

The unrest broke out after students had been told to leave the area of an examination hall because it was felt they were intimidating students wanting to write the exams

At the same time a fire broke out in the physiology laboratories at the campus. Senior firemen at the scene said they had not established the cause of the fire yesterday and police are investigating.

The incident on the residence rooftop broke out after students on the roof... center of the residence... they continued to throw objects at the guards on the rooftop and sprayed hoses at them.

Windows were shattered during the fracas. Police at the scene took no part. University authorities at the campus said yesterday "quite a few" students wrote exams, but students said only 6 out of 329 wrote a geography exam and one out of 400 an applied mathematics exam

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# Intimidation prevents university

Mercury Reporter

**INTIMIDATION** was preventing students of the University of Durban-Westville writing their mid-year exams, which started in earnest yesterday, Mr Nico Nel, public relations officer of the campus, said.

In spite of the presence of armed police with batons, sjamboks, teargas and special shields, who had arrived on the campus in 20 riot vehicles, only about 10 percent of the students wrote the examinations yesterday.

A spokesman for the Students' Representative Council said about 168 out of 1 644 students sat the exams.

Mr Nel said the boycotting students were intimidating those who were keen to write the exams.

'The students are afraid I personally escorted several who said they could not write the exams for fear of victimisation,' said Mr Nel, adding that one student had told him that his life had been threatened.

The riot police, with the university's internal security, stood by while hundreds of students continued their boycott of the mid-year exams.

The boycotting students, who had assembled in the quadrangle, were given 10 minutes to disperse after the last deadline for them to sit for their papers had expired. Students, some who had been studying in the mosque, library and cafeteria, which were later closed, were ordered to leave the campus.

The students dispersed and waited at the hostel, but returned to the cafeteria and quadrangle after the first paper. They were again told to disperse.

A Press photographer, Mr Omar Badsha, who was involved in an altercation with a university security guard, Mr Alec Burger, received a gash above the eye. His camera was confiscated and he was taken to the university's security offices.

Mr Burger said yesterday that a charge of assault was to be laid against Mr Badsha. He said a charge

of attempted murder is also to be laid against a student who tried to run him down with a car.

Meanwhile, Mr Athaff Karrim, the president of the SRC, was barred from the campus yesterday.

Mr Vish Panday, another member of the SRC and the vice-chairman, Mr Mo Shaik, also received letters banning them from the campus, the SRC spokesman said last night.

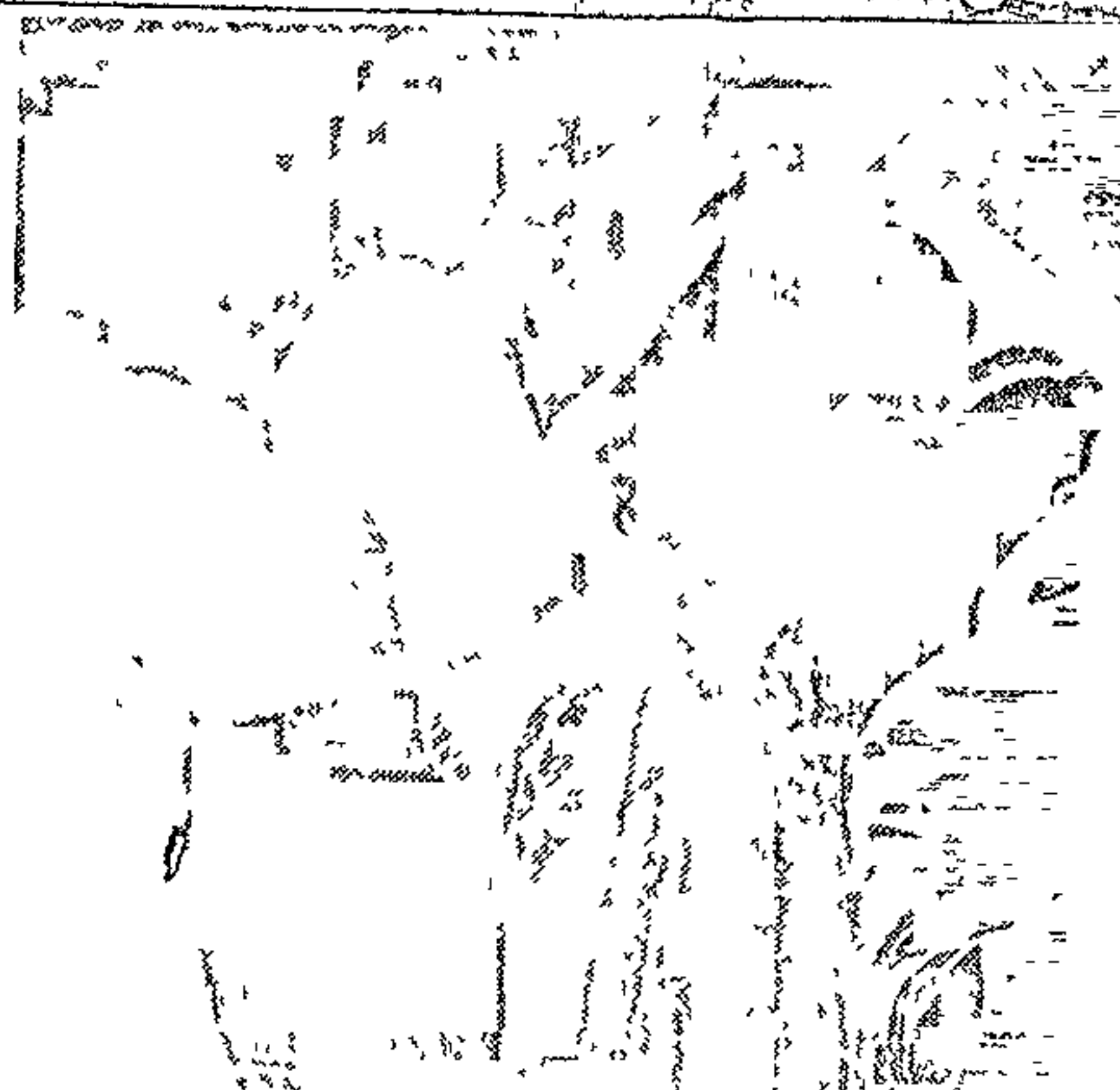
The atmosphere at the campus remained tense throughout yesterday. Most of the riot police stood outside centres where exams

were being held, while a further squad armed with shields kept guard outside the main hall and at the entrance to the quadrangle.

The police were called in to supplement the university's internal security following a flare-up of unrest on Friday and Saturday.

Students indicated yesterday that the boycott would continue until their demands were met.

All student meetings on the University of Durban-Westville have been banned.



MR Nico Nel, th.

# Fear on

'Play  
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university's public relations officer, talks to students after they were given 10 minutes to disperse

# the campus

## Mercury Reporter

MORE than 600 high school pupils who were expelled for boycotting classes were urged yesterday by Mr Pat Samuels, president of the South African Teachers' Association, mouthpiece of about 6 000 Indian teachers, to 'play it cool' so that the situation at all schools returned to normal

Mr Samuels, who had spoken to Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, in connection with the expelled pupils, warned that none of the pupils would be re-admitted to school until there was a return to normal at all schools

'Mr Krog has made up his mind, but if pupils play it cool and the situation returns to normal then he will have to re-admit the pupils in terms of his promises,' said Mr Samuels

## Soweto riot

## anniversary rally

## is banned in Durban

### Mercury Reporter

A RALLY which was to have been held at the Beatrix Street Congregational Church tonight to mark the fifth anniversary of the Soweto riots has been banned, in terms of a prohibition order issued by Durban Magistrate H E Thompson

The order, which was issued yesterday, is effective for not more than 48 hours. It came into effect at 6 p.m. yesterday

The order makes it clear that the meeting may not be held anywhere else in the Durban magisterial district. It has been issued in terms of the Riotous Assemblies Act

The meeting has been banned because the magistrate has reason to fear that the 'public peace would be seriously endangered' if it were held

The gathering had been

organised by the Students' Representative Councils of the University of Natal in Durban, the University of Durban-Westville and the Medical School of the University of Natal as well as by the Natal Indian Congress and the Release Mandela Committee

Students on the Durban campus of the University of Natal have been asked by the SRC to wear black arm bands in memory of those killed in the disturbances of 1976

The situation was complicated yesterday afternoon with a call by a conservative student group for students to wear white arm-bands

Organised commerce and industry are not expecting major stay-aways today, according to spokesmen for the Durban Chamber of Commerce and Natal Chamber of Industries

## Arson probe started

### Crime Reporter

POLICE are investigating a fire which destroyed R3 000 worth of equipment and rats used for experiments in the physiology laboratory at the University of Durban-Westville at the weekend

An arson docket has been opened after a rag smelling of inflammable fluid was found in the laboratory

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**Hope for ousted pupils**

<p>DURBAN—The Director of Indian Education, Mr C Krog, has indicated he would be prepared to reconsider his decision on the expulsion of 637 Indian high school pupils, provided parents and pupils made representations to him through the various school committees for readmission.</p> <p>A statement issued</p>	<p>in Durban yesterday by Mr J B Patel, chairman of the executive committee of the SA Indian Council, said Mr Krog's decision came after discussions with the committee.</p> <p>The pupils were expelled from several schools after boycotts of classes to protest Republic Festival celebrations. — Sapa</p>
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# Krog has still not decided on expelled pupils

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**Mercury Reporter**  
MR GABRIEL Krog, Director of Indian Education, had yesterday still not decided whether to allow the 600 expelled high school pupils to return to their classrooms

In yet another bid to persuade the director to reconsider his decision yesterday a petition signed by more than 7 000 people was presented to him by a deputation headed by Dr Jerry Coovadia

Mr Krog yesterday con-

firmed that he had received the petition but said he had not yet taken a decision on the future of the pupils who had been expelled from various high schools in Durban following a boycott of classes in protest against the recent Republic Festival celebrations

Dr Coovadia warned that failure to re-admit the pupils was contributing to an 'abnormal situation at schools and could lead to an escalation of the crisis'

Mr R Ramasar, secretary of the Interim Parents-Students Committee, who also accompanied the deputation urged Mr Krog not to ignore the legitimate and reasonable expectations of the community

Other members of the deputation included Mr Pat Samuels, president of the 7 000-strong Teachers' Association of South Africa and Ml Dhama Nair, the association's secretary

Meanwhile letters re-

questing assurances are to be sent to the parents of the 112 pupils suspended from the coloured high school at Harding

This was disclosed yesterday by a spokesman for the high school

The spokesman said that the parents would be given 15 days to reply to the letters. He said the school wanted an undertaking from parents that they would support the authorities



# Rector turns down request for meeting

Mercury Reporter

THE rector of the University of Durban-Westville, Prof S P Olivier yesterday turned down a Students' Representative Council request to hold an open meeting on campus to discuss the boycott of mid-year exams, and also to allow four banned students to return to the university.

Yesterday's meeting between the rector and the SRC secretary, Mr Yacoob Abba Omar, follows a student decision to continue boycotting exams in spite of the rector's warning that mid-year exams would not be repeated.

Mr Omar said the rector was adamant that a student meeting on campus would serve no real purpose.

## Allow

'He said a meeting of students on campus would not resolve the pressing issue but would incite the students,' said Mr Omar adding that the rector had asked the SRC to use its influence in bringing about normality on the campus.

Mr Omar said the rector also refused to allow four students, three of whom are SRC members, to return to the campus. Serious charges were levelled against the four banned students, Mr Omar said.

The rector told the SRC that he would have looked at a student demand to put off exams on June 16 in a 'different light' if a request was made in advance.

Meanwhile students continued to boycott the mid-year exams yesterday in spite of the rector's warning and the withdrawal of the riot police.

## Improved

Mr Nico Nel, the university public relations officer said last night that there was a 90 percent boycott of exams during the morning session yesterday although the police were not present.

'However, the position improved in the afternoon when the police were called to protect students wanting to sit for the exams. About 16 percent wrote the afternoon session,' he said.

Boycotting students again assembled on the university's quadrangle

while some remained in the cafeteria and mosque, which remained open throughout yesterday.

A student Mohamed Iqbal Saved claimed that he had been assaulted in the university's mosque by one of the security guards. He said a report had been made to the rector and the police.

Plans for Indian council elections  
'are well underway'

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**Mercury Reporter**

PLANS for the South African Indian Council's first full elections were well underway, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, chairman of the council, said yesterday after discussions with Minister of Internal Affairs Chris Heunis

Mr Rajbansi, who met the minister with the council's executive committee in Pretoria, told the Mercury the Government would issue soon a proclamation confirming November 4 as the SAIC election day

'Mr Heunis is also expected to announce the date soon when nominations will be opened,' he said

Hitting out at moves for a boycott of the elections,

Mr Rajbansi said the 'so-called anti-SAIC committees which mushroomed overnight should first prove what positive achievements they have attained for the community before attempting to discredit the SAIC'

He said people who had the habit of forming anti-organisations had very few positive results showing what they were doing to alleviate the sufferings of the community

The Indian council, he pointed out, was 'very much' part of the struggle against apartheid society

'In many countries the system was used as a tactic as well as a strategy. Why can't we too use the system in our struggle for justice and fairplay?' he asked

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Mercury Reporter

THE secretary of the University of Durban-Westville Students' Representative Council, Mr Devraj Woodhaymal, was forcibly removed from the SRC offices yesterday, following the confiscation of more than 3 000 pamphlets, which were being distributed on the campus.

Mr Woodhaymal who refused to accompany four security guards was pulled out of the office and taken to the administration buildings. Later he was asked to see the university's head of security, Mr M A van Niekerk.

'I was forced out of the SRC office by two of the four security men who wanted me to identify the driver of the SRC vehicle,' Mr Woodhaymal said.

The pamphlets, which outline the day-to-day 'happenings' on campus since the start of the student boycott were confiscated by the university's security guards.

Mr Woodhaymal said more pamphlets would have been printed, but the power in the SRC offices, the mosque and the printing press went off while the pamphlets were being printed.

'We were told that some switch had blown out and that it would take some time to repair,' he said.

Another student, Mr Adh Mahara, a former member of the SRC has been barred from the campus. He is the fifth student who has been told he cannot enter the university.

Mr Nico Nel, university public relations officer, said a security guard of the campus, Mr D Rathnam, had been injured on Wednesday night on the western freeway in a hit and run accident. The condition of the guard is not known as it could not be established yesterday if he was in hospital or at home.

**Milling**

Meanwhile, boycotting students who previously assembled on the university's quadrangle, cafeteria and mosque were prevented from doing so yesterday.

Mr van Niekerk warned students to leave the campus if they were not sitting for the exams.

He labelled students who were milling around the campus and not writing exams as intimidators. He warned them that they faced arrest if they did not disperse.

Riot squad police who kept guard outside the examination halls in the morning, left before the second session.

Mr Nel said about 10 to 15 percent of the students sat exams yesterday.

Commenting on a report that the university might be closed down indefinitely, Mr Nel said that it was merely a rumour.

he was forced by guards to leave SRC offices



# Tension stranglehold on Indian varsity

By RAJENDRA CHETTY

TENSION remained high this week at the University of Durban-Westville as security men and riot police patrolled the campus

Mr Nico Nel, university public relations officer, confirmed that the majority of students had boycotted mid-year exami-

nations despite a warning by the rector, Professor S P Olivier, that the examinations would not be repeated

Student spokesmen say they resent the fact that there was academic activity on the campus on June 16, the anniversary of the 1976 Soweto disturbances

They also want the reinstatement of 800 Indian high-school students expelled after recent student unrest, and of a number of Students' Representative Council officials who had been suspended

In addition, they seek removal of all police and security men from the campus. Students are also demanding the removal of a physiology lecturer

Early this week, riot police were out in force on the campus. Armed with batons, sjamboks, teargas and shields, they

joined campus guards in what university authorities claimed was an attempt to protect students who wanted to write mid-year examinations.

The president of the SRC, Mr Althaff Karrim, and his deputy, Mr Mo Shaik, were banned from the campus

The SRC, which was refused permission to hold a mass meeting on the campus on Friday, has scheduled a meeting for Durban tomorrow morning

University authorities said reports that the university might be closed for the rest of the year were "wild rumours"

Other rumours suggest that legislation might be rushed through Parliament soon to give university councils the power to close universities in the event of serious student unrest

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# Natal pupils call for new boycott

**Argus Correspondent**  
DURBAN — Another classroom boycott is being considered to pressure the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, into readmitting 636 expelled schoolchildren.

Meanwhile students at the University of Durban Westville yesterday reaffirmed their decision to

continue their boycott of academic activity until their demands have been met

A meeting last night decided to continue to make representations to the director to have the pupils reinstated

In a report-back after twice meeting Mr Krog, the chairman of the in-

terim parents-students committee, Dr Jerry Coovadia, said the only assurance they had received was that he would take the pupils back 'when things return to normal'

Pupils who shouted that they wanted to launch another boycott to demonstrate their solidarity with the expelled pupils, had to be restrained by one of

the speakers, Mr Zac Yacoob

Mr Yacoob urged them to reconsider such a call until the 'area committees' had reported on the response of other pupils from the various areas

Mr Yacoob said they were also examining the legal implications of the expulsions

**INDIAN COMMUNITY**  
**Waiting for November**

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It, after its fourth postponement, an ethnic election to the government's SA Indian Council (SAIC) is finally held on November 4, it could be the first real indication of how P W Botha's government is taring in its battle to win Indian hearts and minds

However, this verdict could prove unsettling to Pretoria. According to the coordinator of the anti-SAIC Campaign in Natal, M J Naidoo, government fears an overwhelming rejection of separatist institutions. The campaign is designed to persuade Indians to boycott the apartheid election.

Naidoo, who is also vice-president of the Natal Indian Congress, has correctly forecast the cancellation of each promised SAIC election over the past five years. He argues that some excuse will be found to call off the latest one as November draws nearer.

This time, he charges, government will use the nominated President's Council to say that it is about to make startling recommendations on Indian political representation which supersedes the SAIC — so why bother with an election? The scenario is not dismissed by SAIC executives, Ismail Mayet and Yunus Moolla who met Internal Affairs Minister, Chris Heunis last week.

There is no undertaking to close the SAIC if November comes and goes without elections. Indeed, in terms of its enabling statute, the reborn council still has three years of life. This leaves government more room for manoeuvre than did former Indian Affairs Minister Marais Steyn when he undertook to shut the council failing a poll in 1980.

Having duly gone through the motions of closing the council last year, government reconstituted it a few months later.

□ Before going to press, the F'M learned that SAIC executives did try unsuccessfully to get the November election delayed when they met Heunis last week. This was not mentioned in the course of a long interview with two leading SAIC executives after their meeting. Heunis is believed to have said the election would go ahead as planned. Council member Ismail Mayet later reportedly explained that the election would be a waste of time in the absence of a blueprint from the President's Council.

(Current Affairs February 20) The council now consists of 15 government-nominated members and 15 elected by a college of local management committees.

The nominated Indian councillors appreciate that there is opposition to their serving on an ethnic, government-created body. Some say they want an election to establish once and for all Indian opinion on the matter. In the meantime, they say, they are using this channel to government to take care of various civic matters affecting Indians.

At its meeting with Heunis last week for example, the SAIC executive committee also met with Community Development Minister Pen Kotze to discuss issues like the admission to SA of foreign Indian brides, the housing shortage, Group Areas prosecutions and rates differentiation in Durban between whites and Indians.

Opponents dismiss outright the concept of separate representation. Hence the relaunch of the anti-SAIC campaign, of which a Transvaal branch was set up recently under the chairmanship of (formerly banned) Dr Essop Jassat.

Jassat tells the F'M that the SAIC has no mandate to speak for the Indian community, and says "complete and equal representation is called for. He claims that Indian rejection of separate development institutions is shown in the poor recent response (under 15%) to local committee elections in Natal. The anti-SAIC grouping, made up of various community and political organisations, will be campaigning against all candidates in SAIC elections.

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### A Plea for Improved South African African and Vital Statistics.

By H S GILL, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H., D.T.M. & H., F.S.S.  
Union Department of Public Health, Pretoria

This year has brought an unusual and yet important experience to every South African citizen in his co-operation in the most complete Census yet undertaken in this country. Though this alone makes 1936 a landmark, it has other claims to significance in the vital and medical statistical calendar. It was exactly one hundred years ago in 1836, that the General Registry Office was established inaugurating the first scientific collection of English vital statistics. These were eventually to provide William Farr, the greatest of all medical statisticians, with the material for his classical reports. Unfortunately our profession is all too ignorant of the genius of Farr and of the influence that through him the English vital statistical data had in arousing public opinion firstly in England and later in other countries, to the need for sanitation and preventive medicine.

Furthermore the death has occurred this year of Karl Pearson, one of the great intellects of our time, to whom science and medicine owe largely the great advances in the application of mathematics to biological measurement. Pearson's contributions in such fields as the measurement and interpretation of correlation and the theory of probability are fundamental, but also from him inspiration was drawn by such leading medical statisticians and epidemiologists as Raymond Pearl and Major Greenwood. In this year, then, it is appropriate that South African medicine should give some thought to a subject ever growing in importance—medical and vital statistics.

The preliminary results of the Census have been a succession of shocks and surprises, giving expression to many national and local problems which have surreptitiously developed. Statesmen, for instance, are seriously perturbed by all the implications in the shifting distribution of our European population. The "trial to the towns" has received exact description and its serious character has been stressed but it may be prophetic enumeration are will be portrayed.

That so much nature of a revelation the system of many vital phenomena and geographic imperfectly known, scientist, knowledge of European, gulf forces is imp preparation for labour, educational system is haphazard

That these vital statistical defect import is recognized, but in the medical profound forces are without definition unknown owing to the lack of statistical pervasiveness of almost any issue of our show the handicap suffered by investigators in the absence of knowledge incidence and prevalence. This la affairs has on occasions received recently the writer has had cause to the incidence of tuberculosis and South Africa, especially among populations. In the case of tuberculosis the very important publication of the Institute for Medical Research Tuberculosis Research Committee the tuberculosis survey conducted two reports rank with the best of the South Africa has yet produced constant regret is expressed at the mental vital and medical statistics strong criticism in the Report Research Committee, worded thus:

"The need for 'vital statistics' to a scientifically organized campaign, or, indeed, any health, was stressed by the Commission in 1914, and the same need the Health Department of the remarkable that 16 years after far-reaching report by a commission the Government and set to work expense, for several years, to make recommendations as to cardinal necessity for progression of disease should still remain.

These are strong words, but from his recent attempts to combat venereal disease that the emphatic Venereal Disease Inquiry of how difficult it is to gauge the of morbidity forces in this country of syphilis and gonorrhoea can health and efficiency (an we the damage in the European,

Executive member Yunus Moolla said that emotion in the community over the plight of the expelled pupils was building up and, unless the expulsion was lifted soon, there could be grave repercussions.

A three-man deputation, comprising Mr Rajbansi, Mr Patel and Mr R G Pillay, was elected to meet the deputy director of Indian Education today.

The Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, and Mr van der Merwe are expected in Durban today and there were indications last night that the matter would probably be raised with them if the deputation failed with the deputy director.

**Mercury Reporter**  
AN APPLICATION for readmission to schools by seven expelled pupils had been rejected yesterday by Mr Gabriel Krog, Natal's Director of Indian Education, a meeting of the South African Indian Council was told.

In a special announcement during the meeting, Mr J B Patel, executive chairman, said that the application had been turned down because there was 'no mitigating circumstances' to warrant readmission of the pupils who are among 601 expelled recently following the boycott of classes. Mr Patel said the seven pupils applied for readmission through the school education committees after an announcement by the director that he would consider applications for readmission provided they were made via the education committees.

In response to the announcement only seven applications were received out of the total number of pupils who have been expelled,' he said. In a snap debate later, members of the council expressed anger at Mr Krog's latest decision and demanded an urgent meeting with him to discuss the issue, but the council was told that Mr Krog was away in the Transvaal until next week.

Chairman Amichand Rajbansi warned that a 'mockery' should not be made of the Indian Council.

'We should take this matter up with the Director-General of the Department of Internal Affairs, Mr Jimmy van der Merwe, if we failed with Mr Krog,' he said.

# Expelled pupils 'won't be admitted'

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This paper, published over forty years ago, has been reprinted in full in this collection of conference papers.

The comments made then are still applicable - possibly even more so as he anticipated the issues relevant to the health needs of today.

# Apologise or stay out warning to expelled pupils

By GEORGE MAHABEER

THE Department of Indian Education has told 601 expelled high-school pupils to write letters of apology if they want to be considered for re-admission to classes

The pupils were expelled by the Director of Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, after they staged a boycott during May and June to protest against the Republic festival and to commemorate Soweto day

Informed sources said this week that the department had asked pupils to comply with three conditions before their applications for re-admission would be considered

## Conditions

These were to

- Apologise for "embarrassing" the department
- Promise not to boycott school again
- Have their letters countersigned by parents and the chairman of their respective education committees

However, Mr Krog will have the final say as to which students will be re-admitted

School principals, meanwhile, have confirmed that most pupils have applied for reinstatement

After the expulsion, several appeals were made to Mr Krog by parents, church leaders, educationists and the South African Indian Council, in the hope that he would reconsider his decision

He indicated that while he was prepared to consider re-admitting the pupils, he could not do so immediately

Last week the SAIC drew the matter to the attention of the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, at a meeting in Durban



# PUPILS FACE A PERMANENT BAN

Tribune Reporter

NONE of the 600 Indian schoolchildren who were expelled for boycotting classes in protest against the Republic Day celebrations after also taking part in last year's national education boycott appears to stand any chance of being re-admitted.

Late this week about 500 of the 600 senior pupils expelled from four high schools in Natal applied for re-admission.

According to a report, the acting Director of Indian Education, Mr J. S. M. Zwiendelaar, says the situation will only be assessed after the July vacation, and no immediate decision has been made.

However, he mentioned that there would be a problem with the pupils who

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**Out in the cold**

boycotted classes last year.

Educationists believe this referred to those pupils who boycotted classes last year and were among the 10 000 pupils reinstated by the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog.

Many parents fear that the applications by their children will be rejected because they had participated in the 1980 boycott.

The rush to seek re-admission follows a top-level meeting in Durban between the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, his Director General, Mr J. W. A. van der Merwe, Mr Zwiendelaar and a South African Indian Council delegation.

The Teachers Association of South Africa

(Iasa) was not party to the talks held early this week.

A Press release issued after the meeting indicated that there was no guarantee that all or any of the pupils would be accepted.

One of the stipulated conditions for readmission is that all applications must be channelled through the respective parent education committees.

Scores of pupils have not re-applied yet.

The Merebank Secondary School is the hardest hit — a total of 350 senior pupils were expelled.

Already Mr Krog has rejected seven applications sanctioned by the

education committees because there were "no mitigating circumstances to warrant re-admission."

Mr Pat Samuels, president of Tasa said yesterday "We have not received any official report but we are watching the situation closely."

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T = TOTAL ANNUAL COST.  
 Δ = TOTAL DENTAL COST.  
 R = TOTAL PHARMACEUTICAL COST.

ONLY some of Natal's 600 expelled Indian pupils will be readmitted unconditionally when schools re-open tomorrow. The rest will have to reapply next year.

This was confirmed last night by the Director of Indian Education, Gabriel Krog.

Matric pupils, who have been told that they cannot return to their schools will be allowed to sit the external examination as private students at the end of the year.

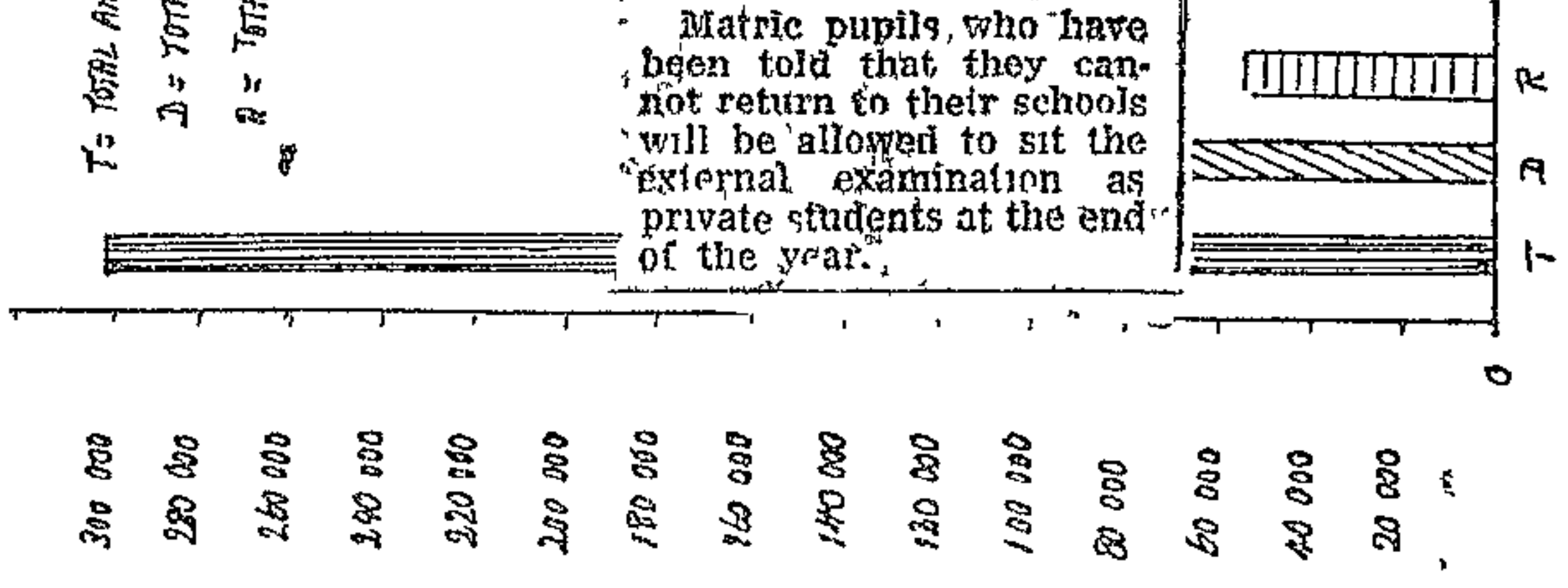


TABLE 4 COST OF OUT-PATIENT CLINIC SERVICES

EP = EARNINGS PLUS PENSION  
 P = PENSION ONLY  
 Y = TOTAL CLINIC COST  
 TDC = TOTAL CLINIC DENTAL COST.  
 RCO = PHARMACEUTICAL COST ONLY

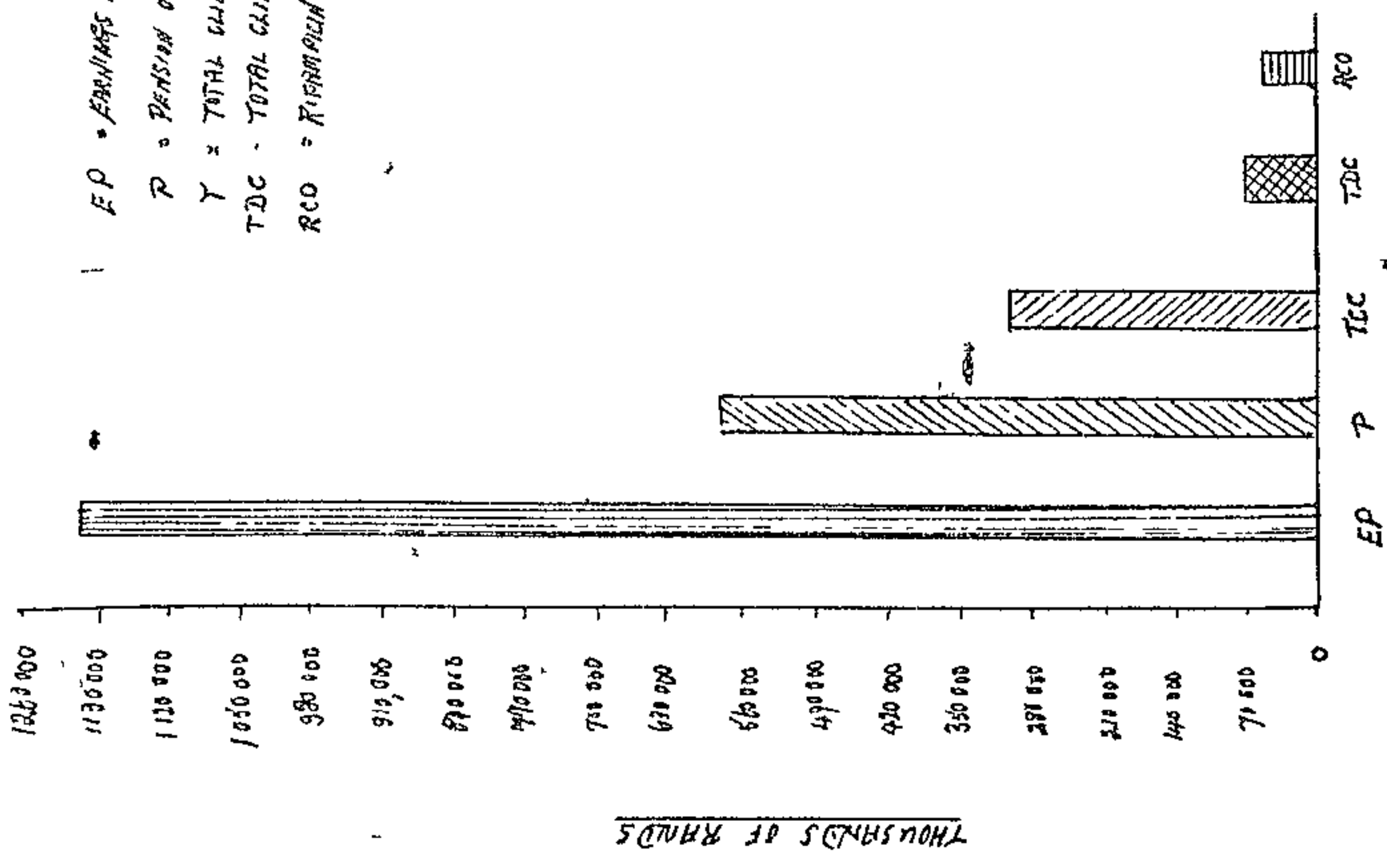


TABLE 3 EARNINGS AND PENSIONS VIS-A-VIS OUT-PATIENT COSTS.

# 'Confused'

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## boycott by students

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UNIVERSITY of Durban-Westville students returned after the winter recess yesterday but continued to boycott lectures

Many students were confused about the boycott but a request by their representative council to hold a meeting in the main hall was turned down by the administration "for fear of recurrence of damage"

Two suspended students, Mr Alf Karrim and Mr Mo Sheik, had their suspensions lifted last week and another, Mr Rushi Bujram, is to appear before a disciplinary committee

Mr G Krog, Director of Indian Education, said the entire needlework and domestic science block at Southlands High School had been burned at the weekend and damage was estimated at R200 000

Pupils at other high schools were returning "in dribs and drabs" - Sapa

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For the best student in the  
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III: No award

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For the best student in each of  
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P R Swift

Surveyors' Prize  
For the student obtaining  
the highest marks in  
Professional Practice.

The Committee of the Western  
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P C Key

Bell-John Prize  
For the best all-round student  
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# School arsonists criticised

THE wilful destruction by Indians of their own schools was strongly condemned yesterday by the chairman of the executive committee of the South African Indian Council, Mr J B Patel

He was referring to a fire that destroyed part of Southlands Secondary School in Durban at the weekend

"These senseless acts, perpetrated by mindless individuals, are foreign to the standards and traditions of the Indian people of South Africa, who have shown over the years their reverence for education and its institutions. The Indian community has a proud record in respect of the establishment of schools at tremendous personal sacrifices

"It is acts of this nature that besmurch the image of and detract from the praiseworthy achievements of the Indian people," the chairman said - Sapa

Award who has shown at the end

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Staat van Inkomste ingevorder gedurende die tydperk 1 April 1981 tot 30 Junie 1981  
Tresourie, Pretoria

Statement of Revenue collected during the period 1 April 1981 to 30 June 1981  
Treasury, Pretoria

Inkomstehoof	Head of Revenue	Ingevorder vir die vier tydperke 31 Maart 1981 Collections for year ended 31 March 1981	Maand Junie Month of June		Totaal 1 April tot 30 Junie Total 1 April to 30 June	
			1981	1980	1981	1980
<i>Staatsinkomsterekening</i>	<i>State Revenue Account</i>	R	R	R	R	R
Doecane en Aksys—	Customs and Excise—					
Invoerep	Customs Duty	735 834 201	84 233 612	44 902 274	239 798 136	143 672 318
Aksysreg	Excise Duty	1 213 706 700	127 022 655	97 408 662	329 293 276	263 773 524
Verloopreg	Sale Duty	199 812	44 263	88 328	44 407	125 030
Bobelasting	Surcharge	Dr 2 735 134	Dr 151 455	Dr 352 462	Dr 266 205	Dr 765 32
Diverse	Miscellaneous	26 000 000	4 177 525	1 523 824	8 056 616	14 535 528
		R	2 023 540 511	216 206 599	146 630 676	586 801 130
Oordrag na Sentrale Inkomste Fonds	Transfer to Central Revenue Fund (a)	Dr 41 500 000	Dr 4 000 000	Dr 3 000 000	Dr 19 819 413	Dr 9 500 000
Betalings ingevolge Doecane Unie ooreenkomste	Payments in terms of Customs Union Agreements (b)	Dr 504 000 000	—	—	Dr 125 792 750	Dr 118 475 000
		R	Dr 545 500 000	Dr 4 000 000	Dr 145 612 743	Dr 127 975 000
		P	1 477 940 511	212 206 599	143 630 676	411 153 692
Binnelandse Inkomste—	Inland Revenue—					
Belasting op Inkomste	Tax on Income	7 522 174 818	593 740 003	396 326 014	1 437 676 978	1 333 075 721
Ander Belasting en Ontvangste—	Other Taxes and Receipts—					
Goudmy nuurloot	Gold mining duties	833 195 071	—	Dr 1 117	8 653	Dr 1 200
Ander mynuurloot	Other mining duties	33 500 000	605	Dr 161	1 373	116 432
Staatsdiamantwinning op diamantmyne	State Diamond Revenue on diamond mines	18 655 551	32 328	Dr 1 925	399 705	20 091
Uitvoerrepte op diamante	Export duty on diamonds	24 797 430	1 318 420	374 112	3 623 483	4 839 534
Belasting op buitelandse aandeelhouders	Non-Resident shareholders tax	25 500 000	19 723 000	19 854 430	85 036 650	59 031 657
Pentebelasting op buitelanders	Non-Resident tax on interest	17 000 000	1 337 000	14 811 118	32 688 113	3 700 243
Belasting op oningel eerte winste	Undistributed profits tax	2 000 000	557 000	371 505	729 818	509 007
Belasting op pensioene	Pension tax	1 000 000	159 701	45 370	635 145	2 043
Seelregte en gelde	Stamp duties and fees	127 500 000	10 500 000	9 450 000	33 000 000	31 000 000
Heerregte	Transfer duties	153 000 000	13 000 000	11 000 000	25 000 000	33 000 000
Boedelbelasting	Estate duties	61 300 000	65 000	3 310 000	17 200 000	15 000 000
Belasting op bemarkbare sekuriteite	Tax on marketable securities	43 150 000	2 141 907	2 700 000	58 000 000	64 350 000
Lisensies	Licenses	2 000 000	1 000	4 000	10 000	17 000
Kinematograffilmsbelasting	Cinematograph film tax	800 000	62 000	53 500	100 712	205 000
Ander	Other	2 133 000	2 717 308	Dr 1 673 000	4 015 000	6 710 000
Departementele en Diverse Ontvangste—	Departmental and Miscellaneous Receipts—					
Staatsdiamantdelwerke	State Diamond Duties	5 000 000	—	—	—	2 357
Bosinkomste	Forestry revenue	44 000 000	—	3 079 502	2 131 000	8 000 000
Waterinkomste	Water revenue	61 200 000	—	3 073 000	5 000 000	8 700 000
Boetes en verbodverklaringe	Fines and forfeitures	13 500 000	1 324 187	1 074 000	3 500 000	3 075 000
Verhuur van voorslotte	Recoveries of advances	13 000 000	5 000 000	2 300 000	2 300 000	2 300 000
Verkoop van staatsgrond	Sale of state land	2 000 000	—	—	—	10 000
Verhuur van staatsgrond	Rent from state property	10 000 000	3 133 727	1 010 000	4 345 000	1 000 000
Algemeen	General	2 100 000	11 700 000	30 454 000	19 875 204	39 117 537
Rente en Dividende	Interest and Dividends	571 000 000	31 000 000	2 257 000	63 400 000	135 774 000
Terughetaling van Lenings	Remission of Loans	1 000 000	1 200 000	1 300 000	1 300 000	23 000 000
Algemere Verloepbelasting	General Tax	1 000 000	177 200 000	177 200 000	472 600 000	377 300 000
		R	11 833 100 000	791 874 120	609 245 700	2 290 900 700
		R	13 310 000 000	1 094 170 700	752 867 300	2 731 000 000
Staatsoliefonds	State Oil Fund (d)	71 000 000	25 000 000	21 774 500	69 700 200	64 000 337
Nasionale Palfonds	National Palfonds (e)	140 000 000	12 700 000	11 128 200	35 300 000	32 700 477
Suid-Afrikaanse Ontwikkelingsrustfonds	South African Development Trust Fund (f)	13 000 000	500 000	400 000	1 300 000	1 200 000
Rekening vir Swart Vervoerdienste	Account for Black Transport Services (g)	15 000 000	900 000	400 000	1 700 000	2 000 000
Fonds vir Sorghumbiervoorvoering	South African Sorghum Fund (h)	1 000 000	200 000	200 000	200 000	200 000
Suidwes-Afrika Gebiedsinkomste	South West Africa Territorial Revenue Fund (i)	1 000 000	—	—	—	1 000 000
		R	448 000 000	39 300 000	34 240 000	109 200 000
		P	13 758 000 000	1 043 470 000	797 110 000	2 840 200 000
Totaal	Total					
Rekonsiliasie met opgaaf gepubliseer by Goewermentstienskrif 1465 in Staatskoerant van 17 Julie 1981	Reconciliation with statement published by Government Notice 1465 in Government Gazette of 17 July 1981				59 618 694	—
In Transit 31 Maart 1981	In Transit, 31 March 1981		22 754 101	—	—	—
In Transit 31 Mei 1981	In Transit, 31 May 1981		1 043 443 101	—	2 840 285 452	—
Invoerings voors hierbo	Collections as above		—	—	—	—
		R	1 066 237 202	—	2 840 285 452	—
In Transit 30 Junie 1981	In Transit, 30 June 1981		18 404 146	—	18 404 146	—
In Staat inkomste ontvang	Received into Exchequer Account	R	1 084 641 348	—	2 858 689 601	—

(a) Artikel 22 (1) (d) van Wet 25 van 1969  
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Staat van Inkomste ingevorder gedurende die tydperk 1 April 1981 tot 30 Junie 1981

Statement of Revenue collected during the period 1 April 1981 to 30 June 1981

Tesourie, Pretoria

Treasury, Pretoria

Inkomstehoof	Head of Revenue	Ingevorder vir die jaar geëindig 31 Maart 1981 Collections for year ended 31 March 1981	Maand Junie Month of June		Totaal 1 April tot 30 Junie Total 1 April to 30 June	
			1981	1980	1981	1980
<b>Staatsinkomstersrekening</b>	<b>State Revenue Account</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>
<b>Doerane en Aksyns—</b>	<b>Customs and Excise—</b>					
Invoerreëg	Customs Duty	735 834 701	81 333 612	44 002 774	233 708 136	149 672 318
Aksynsreëg	Excise Duty	1 714 700 270	127 092 655	97 409 662	330 269 776	263 773 531
Verkoopreëg	Sales Duty	793 812	44 263	19 3 3	44 407	175 030
Bebelasting	Sunharre	Dr 2 705 134	Dr 151 456	Dr 352 462	Dr 76 305	Dr 76 392
Diverse	Miscellaneous	46 743 303	4 172 525	4 533 8 4	8 066 616	14 573 573
		<b>R</b>	<b>2 023 590 511</b>	<b>216 296 599</b>	<b>146 670 676</b>	<b>596 001 130</b>
Oordrag na Sentrale Inkomste Fonds	Transfer to Central Revenue Fund (a)	Dr 41 590 000	Dr 4 000 000	Dr 3 600 000	Dr 10 849 493	Dr 9 500 000
Betalings ingevolge Doerane Unie ooreenkomste	Payments in terms of Customs Union Agreements (b)	Dr 504 019 131	—	—	Dr 175 12 50	Dr 118 435 750
		<b>P</b>	<b>Dr 545 609 131</b>	<b>Dr 4 000 000</b>	<b>Dr 3 600 000</b>	<b>Dr 145 422 248</b>
		<b>P</b>	<b>1 477 981 377</b>	<b>212 296 599</b>	<b>143 670 676</b>	<b>441 188 152</b>
<b>Binnelandse Inkomste—</b>	<b>Inland Revenue—</b>					
Belasting op Inkomste	Tax on Income	7 522 124 818	503 740 009	396 376 014	1 497 676 958	1 333 075 721
Ander Belasting en Ontvangste—	Other Taxes and Receipts—					
Goud- en silwerkontrakte	Gold mining leases	838 105 071	—	Dr 1 117	8 653	Dr 1 200
Ander myn- en steenkoolkontrakte	Other mining leases	23 515 031	—	Dr 191	1 438	116 447
Staats-eiensdomsreëginkomste op diamantmynre	State Ownership Revenue on diamond mines	13 151 561	32 328	1 135	390 736	291 091
Uitvoerreëg op diamante	Export duty on diamonds	74 737 470	1 318 478	374 112	3 673 483	4 833 574
Belasting op buitelandse eieners van onroerende goeie	Non-Resident shareholders tax	20 557 001	18 723 000	18 854 430	85 053 600	50 011 657
Pentebelasting op buitelanders	Non-Resident tax on interest	17 311 873	1 337 676	1 468 118	4 255 813	3 720 213
Belasting op omsetbelasting	Unincorporated profit tax	13 157	557 649	1 155	7 018	510 197
Belasting op goetdiele	Donations tax	1 531 203	169 701	45 379	676 175	2 014 3
Skeieëg en gelde	Stamp duties and fees	177 504 072	10 304 278	9 650 000	33 704 577	31 014 350
Herreëg	Transfer duties	153 014 014	13 000 787	11 417 001	35 189 411	33 731 419
Boedelbelasting	Estate duties	61 731 022	7 656 64	3 633 093	1 290 15	16 000 12
Belasting op binnelandse seluiterse	Tax on marketable securities	34 013 310	2 141 927	2 769 095	5 143 95	6 045 021
Lisensies	Licences	1 531 203	154 9	1 155	10 112	11 132
Kinematograafbelasting	Cinematograph films tax	800 7	2 653	53 50	10 712	205 616
Ander	Other	2 131 103	2 717 333	Dr 1 571 133	4 015 16	6 310 15
Departementele en Diverse Ontvangste—	Departmental and Miscellaneous Receipts—					
Staatshoofdelwys	State Diamond Duties	5 195 001	—	—	—	7 357
Bosinkomste	Forestry revenue	43 622 77	—	3 079 592	2 131 004	8 099 600
Waterreëg	Water revenue	61 2 43 33	—	73 817	5 133 03	8 7 4 095
Doerane en verbodde verklaringe	Fines and forfeitures	13 3 5 12	1 321 187	1 074 000	3 344 491	3 075 710
Verhaling van voerbelasting	Provision of advances	14 597 153	530 104	2 3163	2 311 3	2 20 663
Verkoop van staatsgrond	Sale of state land	2 557 03	—	10 040	—	10 000
Verhuur van staatsgrond	Rent from state property	15 172 00	3 134 727	1 012 05	3 345 050	1 07 000
Algemeen	General	227 155 051	11 702 432	30 734 40	19 875 24	39 117 517
Rente en Dividende	Interest and Dividends	5 111 310	31 698 195	1 257 317	89 453 617	125 743 310
Terugbetaling van Lenings	Repayment of Loans	50 749 000	1 231 375	1 831 873	1 333 415	24 001 171
Algemeen Verkoopbelasting	General Sales Tax	1 073 077 77	17 200 11	12 700 75	172 036 00	3 310 11
		<b>R</b>	<b>11 833 10 043</b>	<b>791 874 122</b>	<b>609 236 750</b>	<b>2 260 020 770</b>
		<b>R</b>	<b>13 310 211 170</b>	<b>1 004 170 723</b>	<b>752 867 315</b>	<b>2 731 050 691</b>
<b>Staatshoofdelwys</b>	<b>State Oil Fund (d)</b>	277 474 574	25 090 855	21 774 505	69 760 205	61 075 337
<b>Nasionale Padfonds</b>	<b>National Road Fund (e)</b>	149 722 649	12 790 000	11 124 265	35 310 002	32 000 000
<b>Suid-Afrikaanse Ontwikkelings- en Infrastruktuurfonds</b>	<b>South African Development Trust Fund (f)</b>	13 270 000	57 100	4 166 1	1 1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1
<b>Rekening vir Swart Vervoerdiens</b>	<b>Account for Black Transport Services (g)</b>	15 000 000	910 251	650 000	2 065 164	3 435 000
<b>Fonds vir Suid-Afrikaanse Ontwikkelings- en Infrastruktuur</b>	<b>South African Development Trust Fund (h)</b>	1 000 000	2 100 000	2 100 000	8 73 3	1 10 000
<b>Suidwes-Afrika Gebiedsinkomste-fonds</b>	<b>South West Africa Territorial Revenue Fund (i)</b>	1 000 000	—	0 5	19	13 3
		<b>R</b>	<b>449 012 533</b>	<b>39 212 373</b>	<b>31 213 033</b>	<b>109 215 831</b>
<b>Totaal</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>13 753 333 613</b>	<b>1 041 433 101</b>	<b>797 110 434</b>	<b>2 840 285 452</b>
Rekonsiliasie met oopbaar gepubliseer by Government Gazette 1981 in Staatskoerant van 17 Julie 1981	Reconciliation with statement published by Government Gazette 1981 in Staatskoerant van 17 Julie 1981					
In Transit 31 Maart 1981	In Transit 31 March 1981	—	—	—	51 643 004	—
In Transit 31 Mei 1981	In Transit 31 May 1981	—	22 754 101	—	—	—
Invorderings verskuiwings	Collection in advance	—	1 043 433 101	—	2 840 285 452	—
		<b>R</b>	<b>1 066 237 202</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2 891 934 116</b>	<b>—</b>
In Transit 30 Junie 1981	In Transit 30 June 1981	—	18 404 146	—	18 404 145	—
In Skatverrekening ontvang	Received into Cash/other Account	R	1 047 833 056	—	2 891 530 001	—

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# 'My conscience is clear' says Krog

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## Mercury Reporter

THE director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, said yesterday his decision not to readmit expelled high school pupils was based on 'sound educational principles'

'My conscience is clear. What I've done is above board and in the interest of all other pupils at school,' he told the Mercury in an interview yesterday.

He said of the total number of 601 pupils who had been expelled for boycotting classes, some had been readmitted and others refused readmission.

He declined to say how many children had been refused readmission, but according to parents about 420 children were still out of school.

Referring to a report in the Mercury on August 4 when he was to have addressed a meeting of parents at the Apollo High School in Chatsworth, Mr Krog denied that he was upset because information about the meeting had been leaked to the Press.

He said he was upset because 'certain statements' in the report were 'inaccurate'. He did not tell a

deputation from the Apollo School's Education Committee that the Press should be barred from that meeting, he said. 'I would have gladly liked the Press to be present as I have nothing to hide,' he said.

Emphasising that it was he who had volunteered to speak to parents after the deputation had told him they were finding it difficult to convey his message to parents of the 49 expelled Apollo High pupils, he said the Press report had wrongly created the impression that he had been asked to attend the meeting but withdrew after seeing a report of the planned meeting in the newspaper.

Asked why he still refused to readmit the 49 expelled pupils, Mr Krog said: 'These children have been boycotting classes for more than eight weeks and in spite of repeated pleas to return to classes made by principals on my instructions they had refused to return.'

'At a certain school pupils challenged the principal and jeered at him, undermining his authority.'

'As a result of the boycotts last year there was a significant drop in the number of subject distinctions in matric in the final examinations. There were only 82 subject distinctions last year compared to the previous year when there were between 400 to 500 subject distinctions.'

He said he was not prepared to allow a repetition of last year's poor examination results. Readmitting pupils now would disrupt normal school programmes.

as the expelled children had missed nearly two months' work.

However, as a 'special concession', he had extended the closing examination date for private senior certificate candidates from June 30 to August 15.

'These children can still write their senior certificate examination at the end of the year — and as a 'further concession' they could re-write it again in March next year if they failed.'

'In fact these children will have two bites at the cherry,' he said.



# Pay, quarters hold up Indian nurse recruiting

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### Medical Correspondent

Poor pay and accommodation problems were holding up the recruiting drive for Indian nurses, says a member of the Indian Hospital Board of Hillbrow Hospital

The new Indian hospital will be in the section which previously served

Johannesburg's black people

Speaking at the inaugural meeting of the six-member Indian Hospital Board, Mr C Pillay said the hospital could not be opened until sufficient nurses to staff it had been recruited

The authorities are

finding it difficult to recruit Indian nurses for the hospital situated in the Hillbrow Hospital complex

"Accommodation is a problem. More nurses could be attracted if they could live in the home previously occupied by white nurse

(The old 'Gen' was

previously a white hospital)

Mr Pillay said many Indian nurses had to travel long distances to the hospital, but that problem would be solved if they lived on the premises

The Transvaal Director of Hospital Services, Dr Hennie Grove, replied: "I believe the board should make representations to my department. I will take the matter further. An investigation is being made into the possibility of introducing a transportation system for the hospital."

Mr I F H Mavet, chairman of the hospital board, said that if Indian nurses and teachers were paid the same salaries as whites the shortages problem could be solved

The board will be an advisory body to the hospital superintendent and the Department of Hospital Services

# The case against the SAIC and the election

Anti-apartheid leaders are highly critical of the arguments the South African Indian Council spokesmen hold in favour of the Indian elections and "co-operation with a separatist policy"

In past weeks SAIC members argued that the election presented an opportunity to Indian people, for the first time in their 121 years in this country, to elect true leaders in a country-wide poll — at the expense of the Government.

They argued that, if outspoken leaders did not participate in the elections, it would leave the field open for political opportunists or puppet spokesmen to get in and keep the Indian council going "to the detriment of the Indian community"

The election of true leaders they said, would enable them to close down the council just as the coloured Labour Party leaders did with the Coloured Representative Council.

There were also the arguments of pro-SAIC spokesmen. They believe that bodies such as the SAIC and the lesser management and consultative committees were necessary as "channels of communication" with the Government, involving day-to-day problems of the Indian people

All these arguments have been rejected "without reservation" by anti-apartheid leaders on the Anti SAIC Committee and other bodies, such as the Islamic Council of South Africa, Muslim Youth Movement, Muslim Students Association, Anti-apartheid Solidarity Front, Natal Indian Congress, Gandhi Centenary Committee

The basis of their argument is that the election is an apartheid-oriented "Indian only" event being staged by rulers of the land whose policy is rooted in racial discrimination.

South African Indian Council members have presented their reasons in The Star why they believe Indian people — and anti-apartheid leaders — should participate in the Government-created SAIC election, less than three months away. This report by YUSSUF NAZEER gives the Anti SAIC Committee viewpoint.

To participate in such an election would be to co-operate with this discriminatory machine, they say.

"We don't have to jump on to the back of a rejected, losing horse to prove that we do not want to ride it. We simply don't climb on to it in the first place," said Dr Essop Jassat, chairman of the Anti SAIC Committee.

He added: "The argument that, if outspoken leaders did not take part in the elections, stooges and puppets would take over the council, is irrelevant

"We are not fighting to keep out pro-Government rubber stamp spokesmen from the SAIC. We are fighting a racial discriminatory political system which excludes the majority of people in this land from participating in a non-racial unitary political system

"We are involved in viewing this problem in its broader spectrum. The SAIC, management committees and all other Government-created institutes are merely cogs in the wheel of the overall apartheid system

"To shut down the SAIC inside an apartheid structure is merely a waste of time and energy. The system can survive without the SAIC

"The removal of this little apartheid wart is not going to remove the Group Areas Act, racial education and all other discriminatory legislation which subordinates the human rights of all people in this country who are not white," said Dr Jassat.

Mr Ramlal Bhoolia,

anti-apartheid disciple of Mahatma Gandhi, said the SAIC had no credibility in the eyes of the world which rejected apartheid.

"To participate in an election centred around this universally rejected South African Government, created body would be the height of folly," said Mr Bhoolia.

"Those who have served the SAIC for the past 17 years should have learnt by now that it (SAIC) is a Government tool created to keep the Indian people divided and suppressed to suit the Government's apartheid policy," he added

Mr Bhoolia, an attorney, is the son of the late, staunch group areas defier, Mr Nana Sita, who died in 1969

Mr Sita, who repeatedly refused to budge under a Group Areas order from his home in the white area of Hercules, Pretoria, in the 60s, was taken to court and sent to jail on three occasions between 1962-64. He had lived in Hercules since 1920

After his death in 1969, his family moved to Laudium, the Indian area in Pretoria.

Mr N G Patel, chairman of the Transvaal Gandhi Centenary Committee and who is also on the Anti-SAIC Committee, said "One does not participate in discriminatory bodies to keep channels of communication going"

He added "We can produce clear evidence that bodies working outside the apartheid system have achieved more for their people than those harbouring inside the system"

"The SAIC, through its so-called communication channels with

the Government, has failed miserably to stop people being uprooted under the Group Areas Act; or getting the Government to implement equal education and preventing the school boycotts; or solving the scores of other political problems plaguing our people," said Mr Patel.

Dr Ismail Cachalia, father of the two Witbanned students, Azhar and Feroz, said; "An apartheid election only furthered the discriminatory ends and policy of the Government, compounding the problems of our people by keeping them trapped in the apartheid system

"Apartheid denies our people their universally accepted basic human rights as people. And as the SAIC election is an apartheid-oriented one, what real rights can the people expect after this election?" he said "No right-minded person would go to the polls to participate in a futile exercise"

The vice-chairman of the Anti SAIC Committee, Dr R A M Salojee, rejected calls by SAIC members that the "true" Indian leaders would be thrown up in the elections if anti-apartheid leaders also took part in the elections.

Dr Salojee said. "This is a naive statement when it is well known that most of our true leaders, such as Fatima Meer and others, are banned.

"But even if our true leaders were allowed to contest the elections, they would not do so, as we do not co-operate with systems and institutions which protect the privileges of one section of the people and deny basic human rights to another section.

"We are not hypocrites and will not compromise with apartheid. For we see it as spiritually unethical and immoral," said Dr Salojee



Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Scores of parents of expelled pupils protested to the Directorate of Indian Education in Durban today, demanding the readmission of their children.

A busload, mainly of women, were locked out by security guards at the esplanade entrance to the building and when they attempted to get in through the other entrance in Stanger Street they were again turned back.

Eventually the director, Mr Krog, agreed

Guards  
hold off  
protest  
mothers

to meet a deputation of five parents to hear their demands after the parents had persisted in their demands to see him

The decision to approach Mr Krog was taken at the weekend

by parents of pupils expelled from the Merebank High School in a last-ditch move to appeal against their expulsions

Of the 601 initially expelled, 420 remained excluded for their part in the boycott of the school in protest over the celebration of the Republic Day Festival.

The matriculation pupils have been allowed to sit the end-of-year examinations. In the meantime, the other expelled pupils are also keeping up their studies





PARENTS of expelled pupils walk towards the Government building demanding to see Mr Krog.  
Picture by GREG ENGLISH

# Demands for Krog's dismissal rejected

## Mercury Reporter

THE Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, yesterday rejected demands by the Reform Party for the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, to be replaced and expelled high school pupils readmitted to schools

He said in a telegram to party leader Yellan Chinsamy it was not the fault of his department nor

of any of its officials that the education of the pupils concerned was in jeopardy

'I am not prepared to instruct the reinstatement of all expelled pupils and I am not prepared to consider the position of the director,' he said in the telegram replying to Mr Chinsamy's earlier demands in a telegram to the minister and also to the Prime Minister Mr P W Botha

Meanwhile Mr Krog, who yesterday met a deputation of protesting parents of expelled Merebank High School pupils, refused to reconsider his decision not to reinstate the pupils in spite of special pleas made by women members of the deputation

He told the Mercury after an hour-long meeting with parents in his Stanger Street office, the position of the expelled pupils remained the same

'Of the original number of 320 Merebank High pupils who were expelled, some had been re-admitted while others either had been expelled permanently or would be considered for readmission next year,' he said

Earlier a busload of more than 100 parents, mainly women, were barred from entering the

department's offices by the department's security guard who closed the gates

However, about 20 parents who managed to enter through a side entrance assembled in the corridor outside Mr Krog's fifth-floor office, demanding to see the director

Mr Krish Naidoo, the parents' spokesman, told the Mercury that Mr Krog had refused to meet them saying he was not prepared to talk to '80 or 80' parents

'He told us he will only be prepared to talk with the school's education committee, a statutory body, but we continued waiting until a police officer arrived and went into Mr Krog's office apparently to arrange a meeting between the director and five of the parents — after we had told the police of our predicament.

## Denied

'The police seemed to display far more compassion and understanding of our problems than some departmental officials,' Mr Naidoo said

In an interview afterwards Mr Krog denied he had agreed to meet parents under pressure from the police

He said when the parents arrived at his office he was already engaged in a meeting with parents of pupils expelled from another school

'The police officer merely came into my office to ask if I would see the parents.

'I told him I had informed them earlier that I would see only a deputation of five — and I repeated this to the parents' spokesman in the presence of the police officer later,' he said

Mr Chinsamy said last night he was calling an urgent meeting of his party's national executive to consider Mr Heunis's reply and also to decide what further action the party should take





## SA INDIAN POLITICS

### Tasc call intensifies

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The campaign for a total boycott of the first Indian election to the government's SA Indian Council (Saic) on November 4 was stepped up at a Transvaal Anti-Saic

Committee (Tasc) meeting with the press in Johannesburg this week

The Tasc panel, headed by chairman Essop Jassat, with deputies Rashid Saloojee and Ismail Cachalia, explained the campaign aim to achieve 'as low a poll as possible' on the day of the ethnic election Tasc, which is part of a nationwide campaign in all the Indian ghettos or group areas," registered its opposition to all "dummy institutions such as the Saic. That body's advisory-only capacity fell short of what is sought — Direct (parliamentary) representation and a meaningful stake in policy-making.

Tasc views ethnic representation as a policy of divide-and-rule. The committee was elected at a mass meeting in Lenasia on June 6 on the basis that 'only the principles of the Freedom Charter can serve as a guideline for the creation of a non-racial and democratic South Africa. The Freedom Charter was drawn up after a meeting of the "Congress of the People" which included the ANC and the SA Indian Congress in Kliptown in 1955. The Committee calls for a National Convention embracing all the people of SA including 'our true leaders on Robben Island and those in exile'.

Jassat described how government created the Saic in 1963 by nominating Indian community "representatives. Later, members to that body were partly nomi-

nated and in part chosen by an electoral college of local management committees. In its 18 years the Saic had achieved "nothing" for Indians, save to get government to relent in some cases where permission was sought to allow foreign Indian brides to reside here.

Tasc dismissed the charge that it was afraid of going before the Indian people on November 4 for fear of being rejected. It was pointed out that Indian voter registration had taken three years and three deadlines to reach 80%, and that only after the threat of a fine or imprisonment was issued by the authorities.

#### Promises

The Saic, it was claimed, had not dared to hold a single public meeting since its inception but had consistently misled the people with promises. The pointlessness of being party to "separatist" institutions was amply demonstrated by the history and demise of the (institutionally similar) Coloured Persons Representative Council (CRC). And the futility of serving on the Saic was underlined by its record and the Prime Minister's recent statement in Parliament in which P W Botha in effect affirmed "white domination and black subservience," Jassat stated.

It is worth recalling that some moderates, like President's Councillor Pat Poovalingam view the Saic as a "dead-end"

body since, if Indians took part in elections to it, that would "enable government to claim that Indians had the vote." Some likely candidates to these elections argue that they would at least enable the true representatives of the Indian community to be identified — even if they then chose to close the council as did the Labour Party in the CRC.

Meanwhile, Tasc have embarked on a programme of door-to-door campaigning newsletters publicising its stance think-again approaches to candidates and public meetings — the first of which takes place in Lenasia on August 19. The Committee are confident that the majority of SA Indians are in favour of an election stayaway. November 4 will tell.



# Parents in last ditch move

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## Mariah Vengtas

PARENTS of expelled high school pupils are hoping for a 'change of heart' by Mr Gabriel Krog, director of Indian Education, when they meet him in his Stanger Street office today in a last-ditch bid to have their children readmitted.

They told the Mercury last night that they were looking forward to a possible announcement by Mr Krog today that their children would be allowed to go back to school next week.

Mr J B Patel, executive chairman of the South African Indian Council, said last night that Mr Krog had agreed to reconsider the position of the pupils at

the request of the Indian Council's executive committee.

'We had a two-hour discussion with Mr Krog and I will be meeting him again today, he said.

'The report yesterday by the Minister of Internal Affairs Mr Chris Heunis, that his department was re-considering the re-admission of a number of the 450 expelled pupils gives us a glimmer of hope, said Mr M N Ramson, senior member of the Apollo High School Education Committee.

He said a favourable decision in the pupils' favour would be most welcome by parents who had become

deeply concerned about their children's plight in recent weeks.

'Parents had been having sleepless nights during the past couple of days over Mr Krog's persistent refusal to reverse his decision,' he said, adding that some parents went to the extent of taking legal opinion to try to gain readmission of their children.

He said a favourable decision would also help restore harmony between parents and the director in addition to putting an end to parents' sufferings and anxiety over their children's education.

Social workers of the Durban Indian Child Wel-

fare Society said yesterday that they had been approached by several worried mothers, who receive State grants, expressing fears that the grants may be withdrawn if their children are not readmitted to school.

Mrs Esther Maharaj, the society's social worker said one of the conditions of the State grants to mothers was that the child must attend school.

Meanwhile, Mr Heunis was quoted as saying that it was regrettable that an official of Mr Krog's calibre should have his integrity questioned — a reference to calls for his resignation.

# Heunis considers letting 450 boycotters return to school

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## Political Staff

CAPE TOWN — The Department of Internal Affairs is re-considering the re-admission of a number of the 450 Indian School children who boycotted classes during the recent Republic Festival

Mr Heunis, Minister of Internal Affairs, objected today to the manner in which the issue was being "exploited by politicians white and Indian, in an irresponsible manner with motives which are strongly under suspicion"

Mr Heunis defended the

action of Mr Gabriel Krog, director of Indian Education saying it was regrettable that "an official of his calibre should have his integrity questioned in such a way"

Mr Heunis, who held talks this week with Mr Krog over the expulsions in Cape Town, said of the 598 pupils originally expelled 553 applied for re-admission of whom 148 were unconditionally allowed back

To date no application for re-admission had been made by the remaining

450 pupils.

Ten pupils "were finally expelled since they were guilty of damaging state property, incitement of other pupils and unruly or arrogant behaviour"

The initial decision on the remaining 395 pupils was that the 172 expelled senior certificate pupils would be allowed to write their matric examinations while 223 Standards 7, 8 and 9 pupils who were not re-admitted, would have their applications re-considered "favourably" in January

Statistics of the demand at peak hours will clearly show how many machines and cashiers are needed. Provision must also be made for the customers requiring additional services once in the hall without leaving the building, but still passing through the initial channels'. (Mathewson, 1957 : p.83).

Modern beer halls are designed not only to streamline consumption, but also to resist political attacks. Since 1960 when the original beer halls were destroyed in rioting, they have remained symbols of oppression. <sup>17</sup> Latter-day beer halls are riot proof. <sup>18</sup>

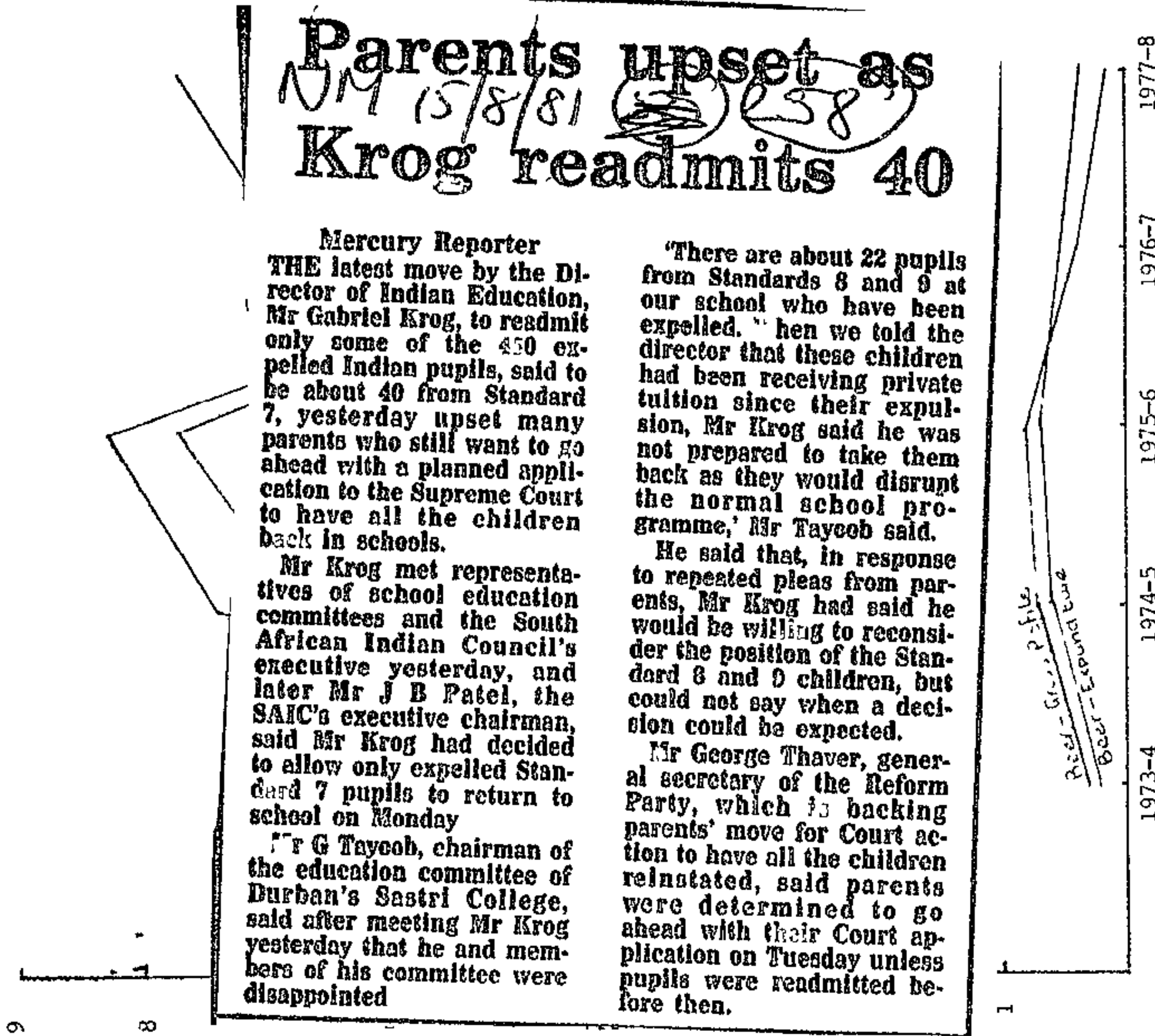
The beer halls at Langa built to replace those destroyed in 1976 are fitted with steel-louvered windows. The buildings are protected by concrete facades, and bollards protect the steel entrance gates from being rammed. (Argus, 15.6.78). Despite the infrastructure that has developed around the sale and consumption of beer and liquor, the profits of the latter have proved to be an unstable income source. The income from beer and liquor rose steadily (see Appendix A), but following the insurrection of 1976 it fell dramatically. Not only were the halls and outlets physically destroyed - until rebuilt in 1978 no structures existed in which beer and liquor could be sold<sup>19</sup> - but also a large proportion of the stocks for the 1976-77 financial year were looted or destroyed, reducing the gross profit margin for that year and the next.

17. In Langa in 1960 all the existing beer halls were burned out by rioters. New loans were raised to rebuild them but most were again destroyed in the unrest of 1976.

18. A new beer hall constructed in Soweto following the 1976 riots was described as follows: The walls and roofs will be made of fire-proof reinforced concrete. The buildings will have no windows but will be fully air conditioned for the comfort of the liquor dealers and their patrons. Bullet-proof glass will separate cashiers from customers. steel security doors and direct radio links to the cops will also be installed. Financial Mail, 29 4 1977

19. The rebuilding of the beer halls committed the board to raising new expensive loans - the latter were internal loans with high interest rates of 10% and a short redemption period.

Graph Showing BAPB Expenditure relative to Income, 1973-8  
(To the nearest hundred thousand rands) per sector (4)



# Parents upset as Krog readmits 40

**Mercury Reporter**  
THE latest move by the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, to readmit only some of the 450 expelled Indian pupils, said to be about 40 from Standard 7, yesterday upset many parents who still want to go ahead with a planned application to the Supreme Court to have all the children back in schools.

Mr Krog met representatives of school education committees and the South African Indian Council's executive yesterday, and later Mr J B Patel, the SAIC's executive chairman, said Mr Krog had decided to allow only expelled Standard 7 pupils to return to school on Monday.

Mr G Taycob, chairman of the education committee of Durban's Sastri College, said after meeting Mr Krog yesterday that he and members of his committee were disappointed.

"There are about 22 pupils from Standards 8 and 9 at our school who have been expelled. When we told the director that these children had been receiving private tuition since their expulsion, Mr Krog said he was not prepared to take them back as they would disrupt the normal school programme," Mr Taycob said.

He said that, in response to repeated pleas from parents, Mr Krog had said he would be willing to reconsider the position of the Standard 8 and 9 children, but could not say when a decision could be expected.

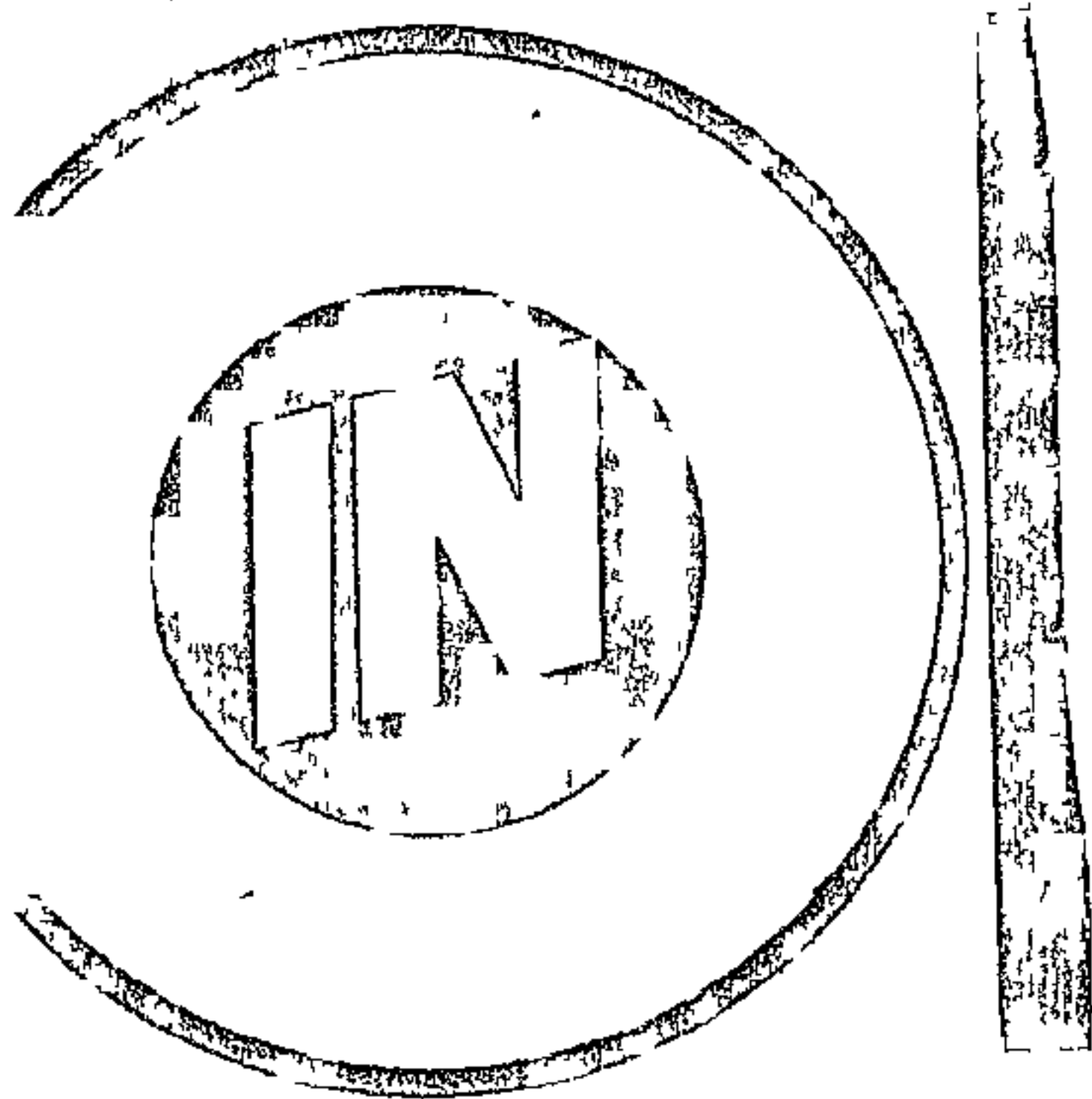
Mr George Thaver, general secretary of the Reform Party, which is backing parents' move for Court action to have all the children reinstated, said parents were determined to go ahead with their Court application on Tuesday unless pupils were readmitted before then.



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'I'm being whipped for doing my job to the best of my ability'



Gabriel Krog

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GABRIEL Krog, director of Indian Education in Natal, has been severely criticised, threatened with a court action and demands have been made for his dismissal because he is refusing to allow about 300 pupils to return to school after being expelled for boycotting classes.

But the man at the centre of the three-month long dispute claims that his action was based on sound educational principles with the academic welfare of the majority of pupils at heart.

In an interview with the Sunday Tribune this week Mr Krog said he was being "whipped" for doing his job to the best of the his ability.

He said the trouble started on April 23 this year when some pupils refused to attend classes as part of a commemoration of last year's boycott in which 10 000 pupils took part.

The boycott later became a protest against the Republic Festival celebrations.

"When I first heard of the intended boycott I instructed school principals to play it in

By KEN DANIELS

other students who have not missed classes."

On Friday Mr Krog agreed to allow 40 and 7 pupils to return after talks with members of the education committees representing the parents and SAIC members. He said after the meeting the applications of the expelled pupils would still be considered.

"I feel for the pupils who have been prevented from continuing with their schooling and also the parents but I have a responsibility to the other pupils."

But does the director not think his action has not been too harsh?

"It depends on which

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After the third boycott of classes, principals were asked to talk to the pupils and pleaded with them to return to classes. They refused and letters were sent to the parents of the 600 pupils involved in the boycott warning them that their children faced expulsion if they continued to stay away from classes.

In terms of regulations passed last year the director of Indian Education has the power to expel any pupil whose conduct is deemed to be detrimental to the school or to other pupils.

"When some pupils continued absenting themselves from classes they were sent letters of expulsion and the pupils were ordered from the school premises.

"Then came the request for re-admission. Many pupils believed re-admission would be automatic as had been the case last year when 10 000 boycotting pupils were all taken back.

### Ten expelled

"But this year we studied each application for re-admission before deciding who would be accepted back. Of the 598 pupils expelled, 45 did not apply for re-admission and 10 were permanently expelled for vandalism, physical intimidation and intemperment leaving 543 applications.

"We decided to re-admit all first offenders, that is pupils who did not take part in last year's boycott and these amounted to 148."

Mr Krog said there were 172 matric pupils among the expelled pupils who would be able to enter their final examinations as private candidates.

"I did not want to be too hard on them but at the same time did not want them to return to school for good educational reasons.

"They have already missed about two months of the academic programme and if they are allowed to return they will hold back the

side of the fence you are. Discipline is a necessary ingredient for academic progress and if principals find it difficult to maintain discipline in schools then I must help them."

### Track record

Asked whether he would have acted in the same way had the children involved been white, Mr Krog said "I would have acted in exactly the same way."

"I challenge anyone to say that I have ever taken a decision on the colour of a man's skin. You just have to look at my track record."

Mr Krog has been attacked for his apparent unwillingness to talk to the parents of the expelled pupils.

"I have seen parents at an average of at least four a day since the boycotts. I refused to see a group of people who came to my office on one occasion because they would not say who they represented. I wanted to give recognition to the education committees which are statutory bodies appointed to represent parents of school-children. The incident received a lot of negative publicity."

"I was also criticised for not attending a meeting which had been planned, but demands were made before the meeting which I found unacceptable. The organisers wanted certain political groups to be present and I did not want to talk to anyone but the parents of the affected pupils."

The Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis this week turned down requests for Mr Krog's dismissal by saying that he would not allow the integrity of a fine educationist such as Mr Krog to be brought into disrepute.

A court action against Mr Krog's decision to expel the pupils is also being planned by the Reform Party. Mr Krog declined to discuss the matter this week because he said he had only read of it in the Press.



# Urgent talks in Cape Town on expelled pupils

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By Nagoor Bissetty

THE Teachers' Association of South Africa, mouthpiece of more than 6 000 Indian teachers, yesterday sent its president, Mr Pat Samuels, to Cape Town for urgent talks with the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, in a fresh bid to have all expelled pupils readmitted to schools immediately

'My association is gravely concerned, and we are pleased the minister has agreed to meet us,' said Mr Samuels, speaking from his Cape hotel

He is accompanied by Mr Dhama Nair, the association's secretary

Meanwhile in Durban yesterday, the Reform Party, which is backing a move by parents to seek the help of the Supreme Court to have all pupils back in classrooms, made another plea to Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, to reconsider his decision not to readmit the remaining 350 pupils

'In the light of written apologies furnished by the affected pupils — these were countersigned by parents — and their undertaking not to boycott classes again, a favourable reaction from Mr Krog may well be seen as an act of diplomacy rather than something that should make him want to hang his head in shame,' said Mr Y S Chinsamy, the party's national leader

He said the apologies and undertakings given by the pupils made the director's stated reasons for still keeping the expelled children out of school hard to accept.

## Proud

'How can Mr Krog's concern for the education of our children be more profound than ours?'

Mr Chinsamy said the Indian community was always proud of its own record in the creation of school opportunities for its children

record the education of Indians as "one of the marvels of the contemporary scene," Mr Chinsamy said

A meeting called by the Natal Indian Congress in Durban yesterday and attended by representatives of 22 organisations condemned the director's refusal to readmit all pupils and decided to send an ur-

gent telegram to the minister demanding that Mr Krog's decision be reversed

The meeting also decided that the director's 'intransigent attitude' made negotiations with him by parents and others humiliating and fruitless, Dr Farouk Meer, a spokesman for the NIC, said



MR GABRIEL Krog ... still barring the pupils although they gave signed apologies.

'Long before the Department of Indian Education was even thought of, Indian parents were ready and willing, in spite of hardships, to dig into their pockets and pour hundreds of thousands of rands into the community's school building projects up and down Natal

'They also provided furniture and equipment for numerous classrooms and, on top of it, were hard pressed to contribute towards the salaries of teachers

'Parents' concern for their children's education at a time when the Government had neglected its duty towards a voteless minority and their action to get things done themselves had rightly prompted the Mercury 20 years ago to



# Indians to launch campaign against elections

By MONTSHIWA MOROKE

THE first mass public meeting in the Transvaal against the pending South African Indian Council elections will be held at the Lenasia Civic Hall tonight.

The rally is being called by the recently established anti-SAIC committee in its campaign to mobilise the people of Lenasia not to go to the polls on election day, November 4.

A spokesman for the anti-SAIC committee said yesterday that his organisation believed the SAIC was just one aspect of the apartheid structure created to bludgeon the Indian community.

## Appeal

"We have called for a total rejection of all government-created institutions such as the SAIC, the President's Council, community councils and all other puppet organisations. What we want is meaningful representation in Parliament."

The publicity secretary of the Azanian People's Organisation, Mr George Wauchope, said that in terms of resolutions passed at their seminar on Sunday, Azapo had pledged its unqualified support for the anti-SAIC committee. His organisation would do everything in its power to see the coming elections were a failure.

"Azapo appeals to the black community to fully support the anti-SAIC committee and to attend tomorrow's rally," Mr Wauchope said.

Among tonight's speakers will be Mrs Nontsikelelo Sisulu, wife of the imprisoned African National Congress leader, Walter Sisulu, Mr Paul Davids, a representative of anti-SAIC in Natal; Dr Ram Saloojee, of the People's Candidates Party in Lenasia, and Dr I Cachalia, also of anti-SAIC.

# Anti-SAIC

## campaign

## draws big

## turn-out

By Craig Charney

The campaign to boycott the SA Indian Council (SAIC) elections was launched at a tumultuous meeting of 2 000 in Lenasia last night.

The huge crowd, the largest at a Transvaal Indian political meeting for a generation, spilled out into the corridors of the Civic Centre to cheer speeches denouncing the council and endorsing the Freedom Charter.

Though the majority of the audience were young Indians under 30 there were also many old stalwarts from the defunct Transvaal Indian Congress (TIC), which stood alongside the now banned African National Congress (ANC) in the 1950s. There was also a sprinkling of whites, black, and coloured people.

Old-timers said the electric atmosphere recalled the 1950s, with the freedom song sung in Tulu

and African tongues, frequent shouts of the ANC slogan Mavibuke Afrika (Come Back, Africa), and the pictures on display of Indian Congress leaders Mahatma Gandhi and Yusuf Dadoo and late ANC leader Albert Lutshuli.

### MESSAGE

At the start of the meeting Dr Essop Jassat, chairman of the Transvaal Anti SAIC Committee (TASC) declared "For us, Lenasia is the Soweto of the Indians. And as in Soweto we would like to see a four percent turn-out."

Before the November 4 vote he said, "we of the TASC intend to visit each of the 40 000 Indian families in the Transvaal. We intend to visit every city, town, and dorp across the Transvaal to carry our message."

"It is not an offence not to vote and this is our call to the people of the Transvaal. The voting will be by secret ballot and nobody will know whether you voted or not," Dr Jassat said.

Standing ovation marked a speech by Mrs Albertina Sisulu, recently unbanned wife of imprisoned ANC leader Walter Sisulu.

"My pleasure at being unbanned will not be complete until all South Africans are completely free," she said.

"Some of you may ask, 'well what can I do?' There is still something you can do. You can boycott these Indian Council elections," Mrs Sisulu said.

The meeting then unanimously passed a resolution condemning the SAIC as a "racialist body" and an "agent of apartheid" and calling for the establishment of "people's organisations based on the Freedom Charter."

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 Angry parents of 60 expelled high-school students in Durban this week prepared to take the matter to the Supreme Court to seek the children's re-admission. The pupils are among 600 expelled by the Director of Indian Education Gabriel Kroeg in the wake of nationwide anti-Republic Day demonstrations during May-June this year. All but 47 have applied for re-admission yet Kroeg has remained unmoved in the face of appeals by various community organisations including the SA Indian Council and educationists.

Both the Prime Minister and Internal Affairs Minister Chris Heunis, who controls Indian affairs, have refused to intervene. Heunis has rejected calls — including one from the P.P.P. — for Kroeg's dismissal.

This week 40 Standard Seven pupils

were permitted to return to their classes. But parents reportedly view the concession as simply meeting the law requiring under-17s to attend school.

When the PM sought clarification about the affair from Kroeg, the director was hardly forthcoming. Asked for the number of pupils affected, he replied that he could not be expected to have all the figures at his fingertips. Asked whether or not the other pupils might be re-admitted to school on the same basis as were the 40 this week, the director asked: 'What basis?'

Most of the students, who have since their expulsion been studying privately, are from the Merebank High School, with others from schools in Chatsworth, Tongaat and Shastri College in Durban. Early last month the Department of Indian Education reportedly stipulated conditions the students had to comply with before their applications could be considered. These included an apology for embarrassing the department and a promise not to boycott classes again.

Kroeg said at the time that the students' position would only be reconsidered when he was satisfied matters had returned to normal. Regarding parental concern that the children would miss their mid-year exams, Kroeg's reply was: 'Didn't they think about the examinations when their children boycotted classes?'

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(1) Each actual argument may be an expression (logical or arithmetic), an array name, a Hollerith constant, or the name of an external procedure (see EXTERNAL statement)

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 CALL name  
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To invoke a subroutine subprogram.

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PRETORIA — The establishment of a high court for the Ciskei was announced in a Government Gazette published here today

A proclamation by the South African State President establishes the court from October 1

The court will replace any provincial division of the Supreme Court of South Africa, appeal courts for commissioners' courts, and divorce courts which had jurisdiction in the area

The seat of the court will be in Zwelitsha, but the Chief Justice may from time to time determine circuit courts. **SAPA**

**why pupil cannot be re-admitted**

# Court told of girl's expulsion

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**Mercury Reporter**

THE Judge President, Mr Justice James, yesterday issued a rule nisi against the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, to show cause on September 3 why a Merebank Secondary School pupil should be prohibited from attending any other school under the control of the Division of Indian Education.

The rule was granted in the Supreme Court. Pietermaritzburg, following an urgent application by a Merebank father, Mr Krish Naidoo, to have his daughter, Charmaine Naidoo, who had been expelled from the Merebank Secondary School, re-admitted

**Anticipation**

The application was adjourned to September 3. In papers in support of the application, Mr Naidoo said Charmaine Naidoo was his daughter, aged 15, and a Standard 8A pupil of the Merebank Secondary School.

Mr Naidoo said that on

April 27, 1981, almost all the pupils of her school, remained out of classes for the whole day, 'apparently in anticipation of the Republic Festival celebration'.

On May 1, 1981, the same thing occurred.

'On May 14 certain of the pupils numbering about 300 to 350, remained out of classes on the school premises. My daughter, Charmaine, was at first not one of these. Later in the morning there was heavy rain and pupils scattered and ran around the school premises. Charmaine saw the activity and went outside where she then remained.

'On each of the three days on which pupils remained out of classes, namely on April 27, 1981, May 1 and May 14, teachers at the school took roll calls of pupils in the classrooms at almost every lesson. The record of the roll will reveal that on May 14, 1981, Charmaine was in the class during the earlier part of the day.

'Charmaine and all the other pupils who were outside the classrooms on May 14, 1981, were then ordered by the principal, Mr R Mahara, to leave the school grounds.'

Mr Naidoo said about a week after May 14, 1981, he received a letter from Mr Krog saying that Charmaine had been expelled from school and that 'she will be prohibited from attending any other school under the control of the Department of Internal Affairs, Division of Indian Education'.

On May 15, 1981, Charmaine went to school and the principal told the children, including Charmaine, that they were suspended and had to leave the school grounds.

He said his wife accompanied Charmaine to the school on May 18 but his wife was told by a secretary that the principal was not prepared to talk to any parents.

'While we waited for the letter, Charmaine went to school regularly during school hours and obtained no marks from other children.'

**Apologies**

In response to a letter from the teacher, my wife and Charmaine went to school and were told, together with a number of other parents and children, by a male secretary of the Department that each of the expelled children should sit down and write a letter to Mr Krog and that they

should say three things in the letter.

'These were that they should apologise to Mr Krog for boycotting classes, state that they would never boycott classes again and apply for re-admission. They were told that the children who did so would be sure to have their expulsions cancelled.

'Charmaine wrote such a letter and my wife signed it as she was also told to do so. We thereafter continued to wait for Mr Krog to communicate with us.

'On July 27, 1981, the schools were reopened. A certain number of those who had written the letters had their expulsions cancelled. My daughter, however, was not so fortunate.

'While it is conceded that my daughter was wrong to remain out of class, she is still a child, who was under the influence of and acting with hundreds of other children,' said Mr Naidoo.

In a supporting affidavit, Mr George Thaver, vice-chairman of the Appollo Indian High School Education Committee, said that during an interview with Mr Krog on June 9, 1981, Mr Krog had stated that he did not want to accept the children back at school because they would then regard it as a victory.

**Undermining**

'At the end of the interview, Mr Krog stated that he would take all the children back immediately the situation had returned to normal,' Mr Thaver said.

In his 32-page replying affidavit, Mr Krog said the presence of Charmaine and others might well be regarded as an undermining of the discipline of the principal of the school, the teachers and the Director of Indian Education.

'In order to teach the pupils, teachers will have to recap on all the work that has already been done to the detriment of the pupils who have attended classes both as to time and quality.'

Mr Krog said a factor which helped decide him not to lift her expulsion was her record of similar behaviour in 1980 and earlier this year to that which caused the principal to suspend her and me to expel her.

Mr H Pitman, instructed by A K Akoo and Co, appeared for Mr Krish Naidoo. Mr Mike Mitchell, SC and Mr Colin Mann, instructed by the Deputy State Attorney, appeared for Mr Krog.



# APPROACHING SAIC ELECTION SPLITS THE INDIAN COMMUNITY

## Can a 'puppet' pull the strings?

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the Government-created political institutions in which blacks are expected to satisfy their political aspirations having any useful purpose or should be totally rejected?

THIS IS the crucial question facing Africa's Indian community

The Government has asked them to go to the polls on November 4 to choose the first popularly elected SA Indian Council (SAIC) in its 17-year history

Previously members have been appointed by the Government or only partially elected. But in November 40 members will be fully elected and only 5 appointed

The authorities have claimed that 80% of the 400 000 eligible voters are registered. It has taken nearly two years to reach this figure and the drive included written warnings that people face prosecution if they do not register

At least four political parties are expected to officially nominate candidates next month and a number of independent candidates will also probably stand

But prominent community leaders are rallying support for an election boycott. They have emphasised that it is not an offence to stay away from the polls

All over the country anti-SAIC committees have been formed to urge the rejection of what they see as a "stooge puppet" body which has done little to solve the massive problems facing Indians in particular and black South Africans in general

The first public meeting of the Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee in Lenasia earlier this month attracted more than 1000 people — and the vast majority came along to cheer

### Stunned

The committee's chairman, Dr Essop Jassat said he was "stunned" by the turnout which was far better than he expected

The campaign was further boosted earlier this week when the two candidates for an Indian management committee by-election in Actonville, Benoni, withdrew from the contest two days before polling

In a joint statement they said their decision followed widespread canvassing which indicated clearly that residents of the town rejected the management committee as a useless body which had done nothing to solve the community's problems — particularly the massive housing shortage

Last week a third candidate for the by-election withdrew for similar reasons

The anti-SAIC committees are urging prospective candidates in the coming SAIC elections as well as members of existing Government-created bodies to withdraw

The campaign leaders are demanding an end to apartheid and a new democratic dispensation based on the outlawed Freedom Charter

Dr Jassat — a veteran politician and former member of the banned Transvaal Indian Congress who was himself banned for 10 years between 1964 and 1974 — has put forward a three-point argument for a boycott

● In 17 years the SAIC has accomplished nothing for the people it purports to represent and is unlikely to achieve anything in the future

● The SAIC was created to divert the

For 17 years members of the Government-created South African Indian Council have either been appointed or only partially elected. Now, for the first time, a general election for 40 of the 45 new seats is being called. But the question of whether to vote or not on November 4 has split the community. Political Reporter CHRIS FREIMOND looks at the issues involved.



Mr Patel... the channels of communication should be kept open

Dr Jassat... a vote would be a glorification of the whole unjust system.

people away from their demand for "meaningful and genuine" participation in South African decision making

● A vote in the coming election would be "tantamount to an acceptance of this grotesque edifice called apartheid, the condoning of the flagrant erosions of the Rule of Law, order and justice, the acquiescence to detentions, bannings and banishment — in fact the glorification of the whole hurtful immoral and unjust system based on race and colour"

The SAIC has been unable to solve the severe housing problems in the Indian community because the problems are caused primarily by the Group Areas Act which the council has no power to repeal, Dr Jassat said

Similarly, he believes the council has failed to secure better facilities for the community in most other fields includ-

ing education, health, sport and recreation, transport and trading rights

He rejects the two main arguments of pro-SAIC spokesmen

● That the anti-SAIC committee should participate in the election and then close down the council from within if they win

● That if all aspirant Indian leaders do not participate in the election there is a danger that unrepresentative political opportunists will be elected to the SAIC

On the first point, Dr Jassat argues that it would be ludicrous for an anti-apartheid body to participate in an election centred around the very policy it rejects, and secondly, he says the committee is not fighting to keep certain people out of the SAIC, but is opposing the broader system of Government-created cogs in the apartheid wheel

In any event, Dr Jassat believes the

true leaders of South Africa are either imprisoned on Robben Island or have been forced to flee the country

But the pro-SAIC lobby has its arguments too

They say the election is the first time in the history of the Indian community in South Africa that they will have the chance to elect their true leaders to a representative body.

The chairman of the SAIC executive, Mr J B Patel, says he too is totally opposed to apartheid and is striving for a democratic system in which his people will have direct representation in a central Parliament

But he differs with the anti-SAIC groups in the manner this should be achieved

He believes all existing Government-created "channels of communication" — including the SAIC and local management committees — should remain open and be used in the struggle for full political rights

He does not see the SAIC as the body to accommodate the ultimate aspirations of the Indian people and is already questioning its continued existence in the light of the Government's promised new dispensation for Indians and coloureds

But until the new dispensation is introduced the SAIC is a platform which must be used

He disagrees that the SAIC has achieved nothing in its 17-year existence. On a day-to-day basis it has brought about improvements in the lives of the community and has been a valuable channel for communicating problems and grievances to the Government, he says

### Challenge

He challenged the Natal Indian Congress (NIC) — whose executive members make up most of the Natal anti-SAIC committee — to say how much it had done to further the cause of full political participation in its 40-year history

Despite the obvious strong support for the anti-SAIC movement on the Witwatersrand, Mr Patel believes many people — particularly in Natal where he is based — still look to the SAIC for leadership

In certain areas the anti-SAIC committees will probably influence polling, but generally he was confident of a reasonable turnout on November 4. Much will depend on how much enthusiasm the candidates themselves can generate, he said

Another senior SAIC member, Mr I F H Mayet, has called on the anti-SAIC campaigners to change their present tactics and adopt one of two new approaches: either urge people to go to the polls — but spoil their papers, or stand for election and then close down the SAIC in the same way that the anti-apartheid coloured Labour Party destroyed the Coloured Representative Council after winning a majority in the 1975 elections

He argues that a poor turnout due to public apathy will be claimed by the anti-SAIC committees as their success. Spoilt papers on the other hand would indicate how much support they really had

But which ever way the poll goes there can be little doubt that a bitter campaign lies ahead. The Indian community is about to be polarised as never before



limited contact with them, and would have accepted franchise the oppressed races in this country, possibly because of his

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**INWERKINGTREDING VAN DIE WYSIGINGSWET OP DIE SUID-AFRIKAANSE INDIERRAAD, 1978 (WET 83 VAN 1978)**

Kragtens artikel 14 van die Wysigingswet op die Suid-Afrikaanse Indierraad, 1978 (Wet 83 van 1978), bepaal ek hierby 1 September 1981 as die datum waarop al die bepalings van genoemde Wet in werking tree

Gegee onder my Hand en die Seel van die Republiek van Suid-Afrika te Kaapstad, op hede die Vyf-en-twintigste dag van Augustus Eenduisend Negehonderd Een-en-tagtig

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Op las van die Staatspresident-in-rade:

J. C. HEUNIS.

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**DEPARTEMENT VAN BINNELANDSE AANGELEENTHEDE**

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**WET OP DIE REËLING VAN DIE TOELATING VAN PERSONE TOT DIE REPUBLIEK, 1972 (WET 59 VAN 1972)**

Die Minister van Binnelandse Aangeleenthedes het ondervermelde amptenare kragtens subartikel (2) van artikel 53 van die Wet op die Reëling van die Toelating van Persone tot die Republiek, 1972 (Wet 59 van 1972), gemagtig om bevele, lasbriewe, permitte, sertifikate of ander dokumente wat ingevolge die voormelde Wet uitgereik word, in hul hoedanigheid van Paspootbeheerbeamptes, te onderteken

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**COMMENCEMENT OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN INDIAN COUNCIL AMENDMENT ACT, 1978 (ACT 83 OF 1978)**

In accordance with section 14 of the South African Indian Council Amendment Act, 1978 (Act 83 of 1978), I hereby declare 1 September 1981 to be the date on which all the provisions of the said Act shall come into operation

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Republic of South Africa at Cape Town this Twenty-fifth day of August One thousand Nine hundred and Eighty-one

M. VILJOEN, State President.

By Order of the State President-in-Council:

J. C. HEUNIS.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES**

**DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS**

No 1826 28 August 1981

**ADMISSION OF PERSONS TO THE REPUBLIC REGULATION ACT, 1972 (ACT 59 OF 1972)**

The Minister of Internal Affairs has, in terms of subsection (2) of section 53 of the Admission of Persons to the Republic Regulation Act, 1972 (Act 59 of 1972), authorised the undermentioned officers to sign, in their capacity as Passport Control Officers orders, warrants, permits and certificates or other documents which may be issued under the Act.

102 the vote to the coloured people resident within their borders. In 1909, a greater discontent arose in the South African coloured community. The draft South African Act contained many colour-bar clauses, the most important being the prohibition on blacks to occupy seats in the Union Parliament. Many petitions were submitted by the A.P.O. and other black organisations to the National Convention, an all white group, but to no avail. In July, 1909, a deputation under the leadership of W.P. Schreiner, a former Cape Premier, with Abdurahman as a prominent member, left South Africa for Britain, to persuade the British Government to drop the colour-bar clauses in the Union constitution. This deputation achieved very little, beyond the assurance that Britain would reserve any Bill affecting the Cape franchise. 108

# The girl who isn't allowed to go back to school

S. Tunio <sup>29/1/58</sup> by ISOBEL SHEPHERD-SMITH

CHARMAINE Naidoo was one of hundreds of school children expelled during the Republic festival boycott.

Now she has been made a test case by her father, Krish Naidoo. He has sought an urgent application demanding Charmaine's re-admission to Merebank Secondary School in Durban.

If they win, the Naidoos hope Charmaine will pave the way for others to return to class.

The application was adjourned in the Maritzburg Supreme Court this week.

The judge-president, Mr Justice James, issued a rule nisi ordering the director of Indian education, Mr Gabriel Krog, to show cause by Thursday why Charmaine could not attend any other department school.

Charmaine is a bright and articulate 15-year-old. She is one of the top 10 students in her standard-eight class and wants to be a lawyer.

Her mother and father — Devani and Krish Naidoo — have pinned their hope and pride on their second-eldest child.

## Apologising

Charmaine wrote a letter to Mr Krog apologising and promising not to boycott again. Her mother also signed it, the court heard.

They were told Charmaine would be re-admitted if she wrote the letter.

But on July 27 school started — without her.

Other children who had written letters were readmitted.

Her expulsion lasts until next year when she must again apply to Merebank Secondary School.

The Naidoos took the matter to court to make sure Charmaine gets proper education.

Mr Naidoo also told the court Charmaine was not 16 and by law it was compulsory for her to attend school until the age of 16. She was missing school at an important time in her education.

He agreed Charmaine was



**GABRIEL KROG**  
Director of Indian education

wrong to miss classes. But — "she is still a child who was under the influence of, and acting together with, hundreds of other children." Charmaine was 14 then.

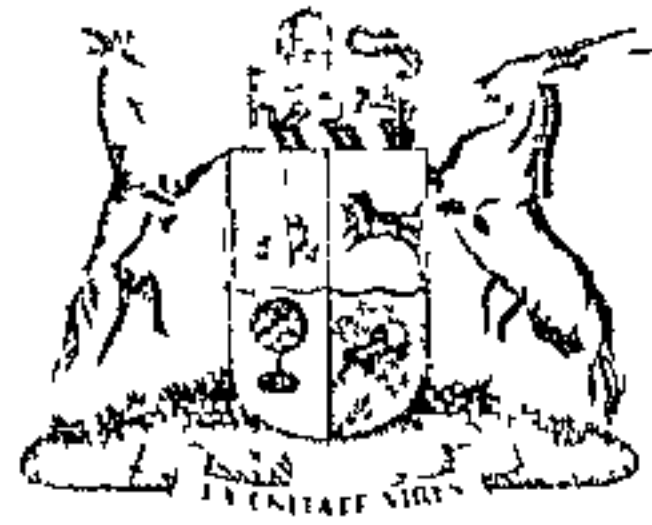
Despite her expulsion, Charmaine had returned to the school regularly during school hours and had obtained notes from the other children.

In her affidavit Charmaine said she was "in no way an exceptional case."

In an answering affidavit, Mr Krog said the presence of Charmaine and others could well undermine the discipline of the school principal, the teachers and the director of Indian education.

Mr Mike Mitchell SC assisted by Mr C Mann instructed by the deputy state attorney appeared for Mr Krog. Mr Harry Pitman SC, instructed by Mr A K Akoo, and Company appeared for the Naidoos.

Charmaine Naidoo loves school — but she is not allowed to attend lessons until next year. Picture. M S ROY



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Hierby word bekend gemaak dat die Staatspresident sy goedkeuring geheg het aan die onderstaande Wet wat hierby ter algemene inligting gepubliseer word —

It is hereby notified that the State President has assented to the following Act which is hereby published for general information —

No 69 van 1981 Tweede Wysigingswet op die Kieswet vir Indiers, 1981

No 69 of 1981 Electoral Act for Indians Second Amendment Act, 1981.

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Hierby word bekend gemaak dat die Staatspresident sy goedkeuring geheg het aan die onderstaande Wet wat hierby ter algemene inligting gepubliseer word —

No 70 van 1981 Wysigingswet op die Suid-Afrikaanse Indierraad, 1981

No 1879

1 September 1981

It is hereby notified that the State President has assented to the following Act which is hereby published for general information —

No 70 of 1981 South African Indian Council Amendment Act, 1981

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**Indians: training in trades**

169 Dr A L BORAINÉ asked the Minister of Manpower

*Hans S O C 2/93*  
*(258) (12/1) 2/9/81*

(1) What training facilities and courses are available for the training of Indian persons (a) as (i) welders, (ii) electricians, (iii) carpenters, (iv) motor mechanics and (v) blasters and (b) in other trades,

(2) how many Indian persons were enrol-

led for each such course in 1979 and 1980, respectively?

The MINISTER OF MANPOWER

(1) The training of Indian persons in trades is regulated by two Acts administered by the Department of Manpower, namely, the Training of Artisan Act, 1951 and the Apprenticeship Act, 1944. Training can also be provided outside the scope of these two Acts but statistics thereon are not available

	Training of Artisans Act, 1951	Apprenticeship Act, 1944
(a) (i) Welders	12 trainees can be accommodated annually	Unlimited Depends on the needs of industry as above
(ii) Electricians	12 trainees can be accommodated annually	as above
(iii) Carpenters	Nil	as above
(iv) Motor Mechanics	12 trainees can be accommodated annually	Nil
(v) Blasters	Nil	

The work of a Blaster is not designated as a trade in terms of the Apprenticeship Act, 1944 and the Department of Manpower is not involved in any such training and has, therefore, no statistics in this regard

(b) Training of Artisans Act, 1951  
 12 trainees can also be accommodated in each of the following trades: Fitter and Turner; and Radiotrician

Apprenticeship Act, 1944  
 Training can be provided in approximately 300 different trades

	Training of Artisans Act, 1951		Apprenticeship Act, 1944	
	1979	1980	1979	1980
(2) Welders	8	12	1	4
Electricians	8	12	20	38
Carpenters	Nil	Nil	11	41
Motor Mechanics	8	12	33	56
Blasters	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other Trades	16	24	182	332

**Krog to appear at  
expelled pupil hearing**

Mercury Reporter

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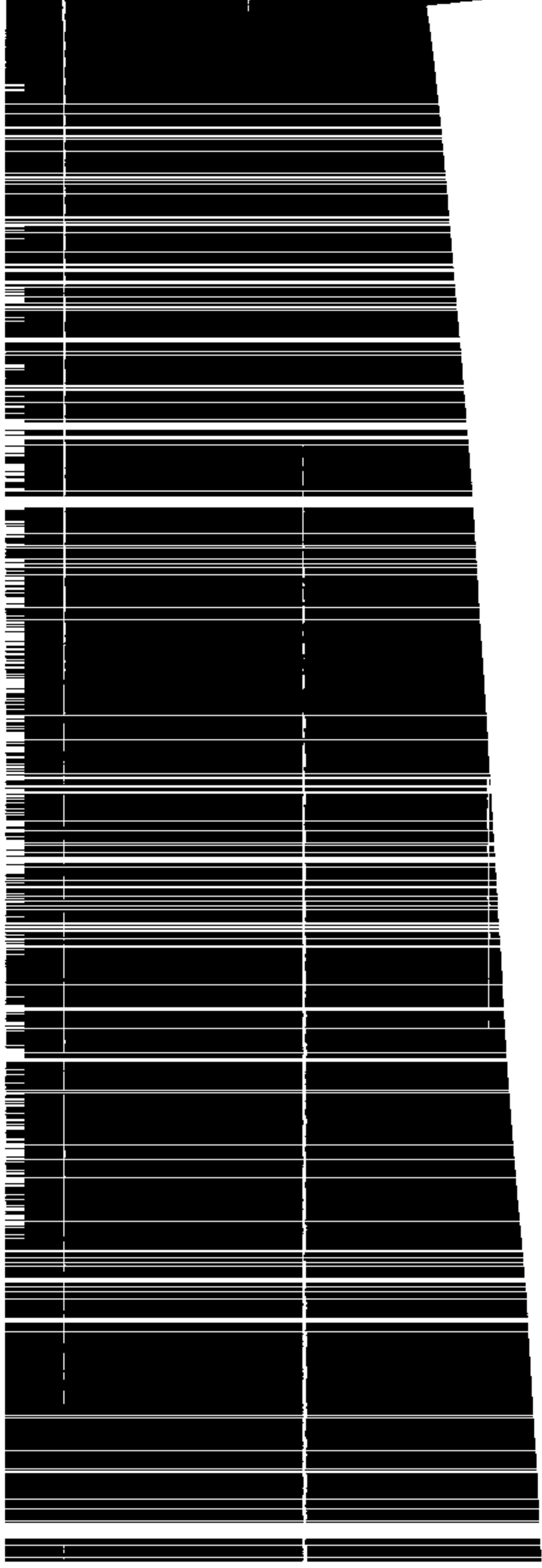
MR Gabriel Krog, the Director of Indian Education, will appear in the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg, today at a hearing to decide if an expelled Merebank pupil should be re-admitted to her school.

Mr Krish Naidoo, her father, made an urgent application to the Court last week to have his daughter, Charmaine Naidoo, who had been expelled from the Merebank Secondary School following the boycott of classes, re-admitted.

The application, which was made before the Judge President, Mr Justice James, was adjourned to today after the granting of an interim order against Mr Krog to show cause why the pupil should be prohibited from attending any other school under the control of the Department of Indian Education.

Mr Mike Mitchell, SC, and Mr Colin Mann, instructed by the Deputy State Attorney, will appear for Mr Krog. Mr Harry Pitman, instructed by A K Akoo and Co, will appear for Mr Krish Naidoo.





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CRIMINAL

THE decision by the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, to expel a Morebank high school pupil following the boycott of classes earlier this year, was yesterday set aside by Mr Justice Friedman in the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg.

The necessary legal requirements for the validity of the expulsion order on 15 year-old Charmaine Naidoo, a Standard 8 pupil of Morebank Secondary School, had not been followed by Mr Krog, Mr Justice Friedman said in his judgment.

He said he was not expressing his views on whether Charmaine's conduct had been sufficient to warrant her expulsion.

The Judge said it appeared that Mr Krog had not afforded Charmaine an opportunity of controverting the allegations.

Mr Krog in a report by the school's principal, Mr R R Maharaj, upon which Mr Krog had based his decision to expel her.

'This being so it seems to me that Mr Krog's decision to expel Charmaine was a decision without legal force and effect, conflicting with the requirements in the *audi alteram partem* principle which should have been observed. It follows from this that Mr Krog's decision must be set aside.'

The Judge said it was clear that neither Charmaine's father, Mr Krish Naidoo, nor Charmaine had been made aware of the facts on which the de-

cision to expel her had been based.

Mr Harry Pitman, who appeared for Mr Naidoo, told the Court that it was clear from answering affidavits and the supplementary answering affidavits that Mr Krog had not inquired into the circumstances and facts of Charmaine's conduct and had not applied his mind to all the relevant facts of her case before expelling her.

### Boycott

Mr Mike Mitchell SC appearing for Mr Krog, told the Court that the pupils had been aware of the charges against them, and the opportunity had existed for them at all times to have made representations to Mr Krog before they were expelled.

The pupils had been told of the consequences of their actions when they boycotted classes on the first day.

Mr Krog was ordered to pay the costs of the application.

Mr Y S Chinsamy, leader of the Reform Party, said yesterday that the party's call to the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, to replace Mr Krog following his refusal to readmit expelled pupils was justified once again by yesterday's Supreme Court decision.

'This is not the first action which Mr Krog has contested in court and lost,' said Mr Chinsamy, adding

that it was now clear that Mr Krog was not the ideal person to hold the position of Director of Indian Education.

He said he would call on Mr Heunis to consider Mr Krog's post and if he were unwilling to act against him, then it would be up to the South African Indian Council to intervene when it became a fully-elected body after November 4.

In June last year Mr Krog agreed to lift the suspension of more than 10 000 Indian schoolchildren after a Pietermaritzburg parent made an urgent application to the Supreme Court for the suspension of his daughter to be lifted.

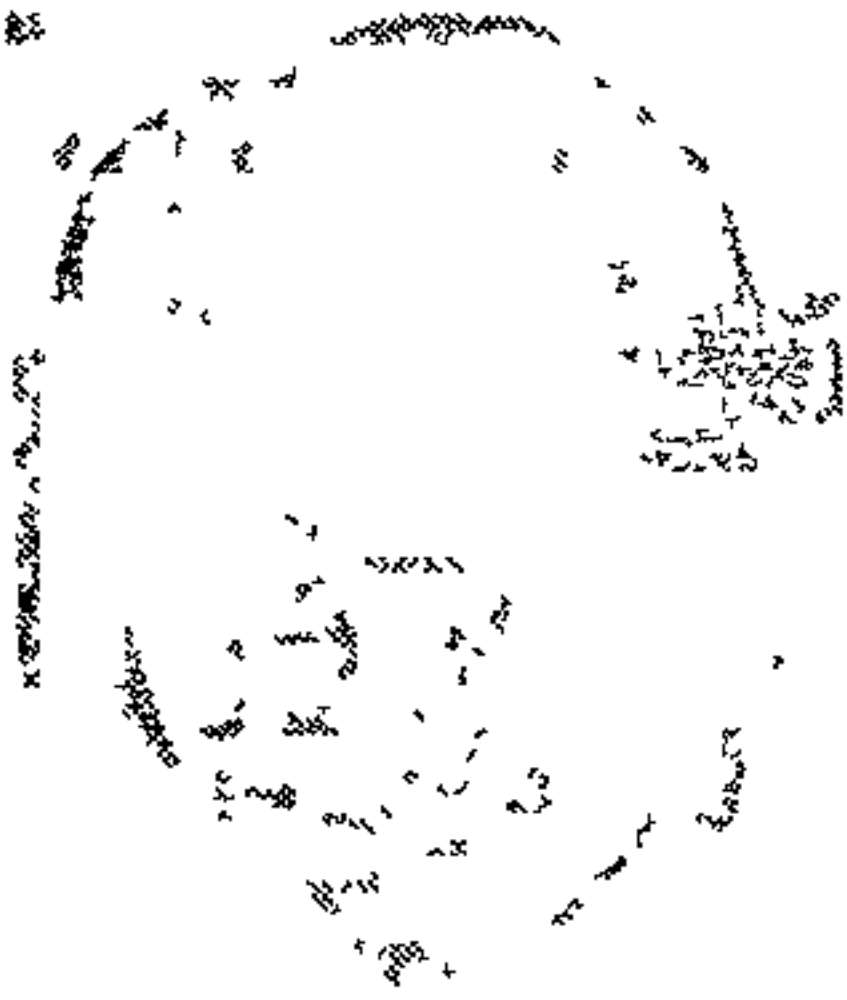
Mr George Thaver, secretary of the Reform Party, said yesterday that because Mr Krog had lost the court action he should resign.

A jubilant Mr Naidoo told the Mercury last night that he was extremely pleased at having won the case.

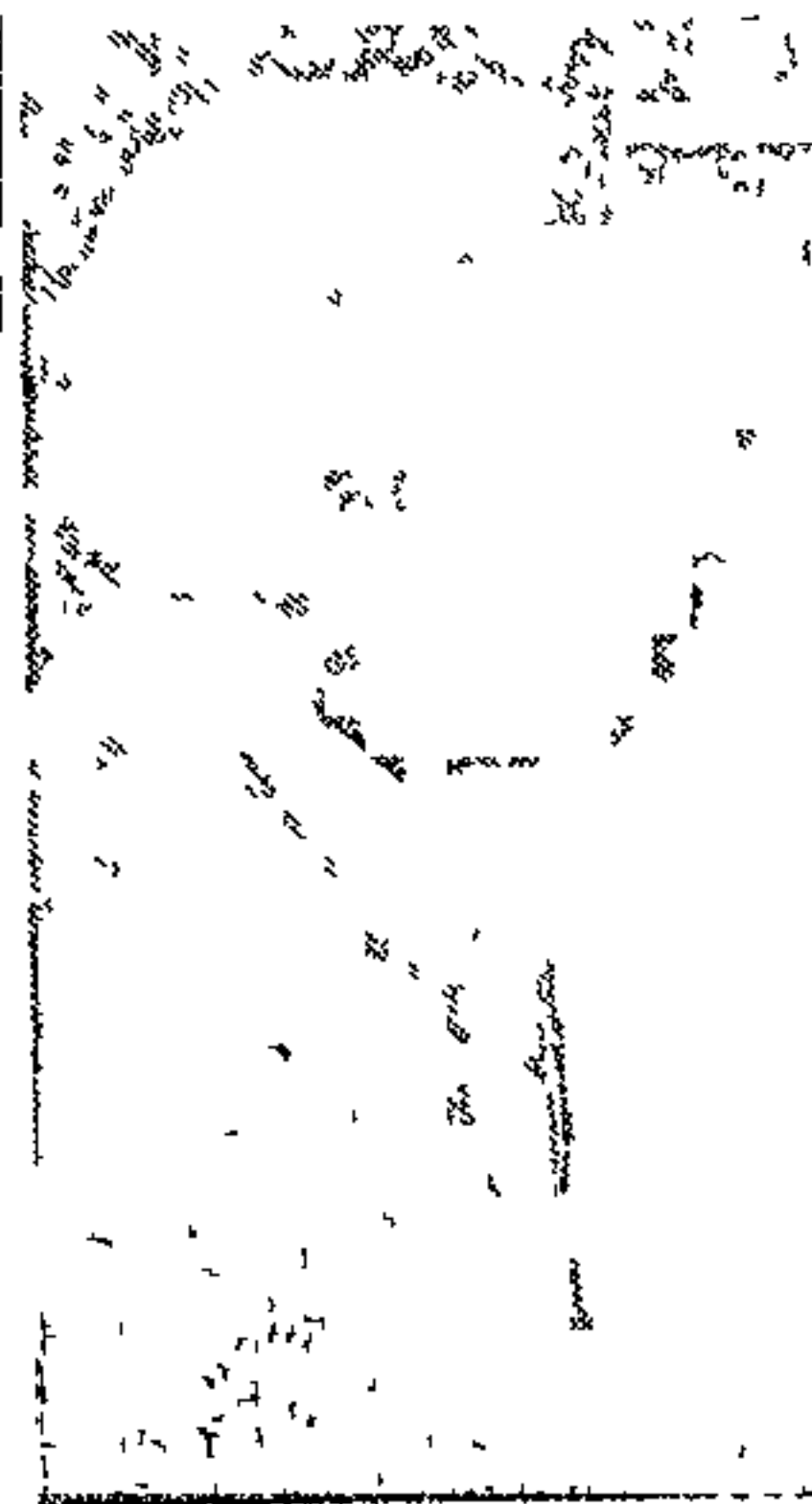
He said he hoped his daughter would now be allowed to continue her studies.

Mr Lenny Mannie of the Reform Party said last night that parents of the hundreds of other expelled pupils would be making fresh representations to Mr Krog to have their children readmitted.

Mr Krog is believed to have left for Pretoria and could not be reached for comment last night.



CHARMAINE Naidoo



MR KRISH Naidoo





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**PROKLAMASIE**

*van die Staatspresident van die Republiek van  
Suid-Afrika*

No 159, 1981

**ALGEMENE VERKIESING VAN LEDE VAN DIE  
SUID-AFRIKAANSE INDIERRAAD**

Ek, Marais Viljoen, Staatspresident van die Republiek van Suid-Afrika—

(1) bepaal hierby ingevolge die bepalings van artikel 31, gelees met artikel 30, van die Kieswet vir Indiers, 1977 (Wet 122 van 1977)—

(a) Maandag, 28 September 1981, as die dag waarop 'n nominasiehof ten opsigte van iedere kiesafdeling van die Suid-Afrikaanse Indierraad, gemeld in die eerste kolom van die Bylae hierby, sitting sal hou om nominasies van verkiesingskandidate te ontvang vir die verkiesing van 'n lid van die Suid-Afrikaanse Indierraad vir daardie kiesafdeling,

(b) dat bedoelde nominasiehof sitting sal hou op die plek in die tweede kolom van genoemde Bylae teenoor die betrokke kiesafdeling aangedui, om 10h00,

(c) dat ingeval 'n stemming nodig word in enigen van bedoelde kiesafdelings omdat meer as een persoon behoorlik genomineer is ten opsigte van so 'n kiesafdeling by die sluiting van die betrokke nominasiehof, die stemming op Woensdag, 4 November 1981, sal plaasvind, om 07h00 op bedoelde dag sal begin en om 21h00 daardie dag sal eindig, en

(2) stel hierby ingevolge bedoelde bepalings die persoon wie se naam en amp in die derde kolom van die Bylae hierby verskyn teenoor die naam van 'n kiesafdeling van die Suid-Afrikaanse Indierraad, as kiesbeampte aan by die verkiesing in daardie kiesafdeling

Gegee onder my Hand en die Seel van die Republiek van Suid-Afrika te Kaapstad, op hede die Eerste dag van September Eenduisend Negehonderd Een-en-tagtig

M VILJOEN, Staatspresident  
Op las van die Staatspresident-in-rade  
J C HEUNIS

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**PROCLAMATION**

*by the State President of the Republic of  
South Africa*

No 159, 1981

**GENERAL ELECTIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE  
SOUTH AFRICAN INDIAN COUNCIL**

I, Marais Viljoen, State President of the Republic of South Africa—

(1) hereby determine, in terms of the provisions of section 31, read with section 30, of the Electoral Act for Indians, 1977 (Act 122 of 1977)—

(a) that Monday, 28 September 1981, shall be the day on which a nomination court will sit in respect of each electoral division of the South African Indian Council, mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto, to receive nominations of candidates for election as a member of the South African Indian Council for such electoral division and,

(b) that the said nomination court shall sit at the place mentioned in the second column of the said Schedule opposite the electoral division concerned, at 10h00,

(c) that if a poll becomes necessary in any of the said electoral divisions for the reason that more than one person shall have been duly nominated in respect of such an electoral division at the close of the sitting of the nomination court in question, the poll shall be taken on Wednesday, 4 November 1981, and shall commence at 07h00 on the said day and shall close at 21h00 on that day, and

(2) hereby appoint, in terms of the said provisions, the person whose name and designation appears in the third column of the Schedule hereto opposite the name of an electoral division of the South African Indian Council, as returning officer at the election in that electoral division

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Republic of South Africa at Cape Town this First day of September, One thousand Nine hundred and Eighty-one

M VILJOEN, State President  
By Order of the State President-in-Council  
J C HEUNIS

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BARRED DESPITE COURT VICTORY, CHARMAINE RESUMES HER BATTLE FOR SCHOOLING TOMORROW

# Please Let me in

S. Tribune 6/9/81 258

TOMORROW a 15-year-old Durban schoolgirl will ask to be allowed back into the classroom she was expelled from nearly four months ago, knowing she could be turned away again despite her pleas and a Supreme Court ruling that she resumes her schooling.

Charmaine Naidoo of Merebank High and 600 other schoolchildren were first suspended then expelled for boycotting classes in protest against the Republican Day festivities.

Director of Indian Education Gabriel Krog has since allowed 246 back, but has barred the remaining children from all Government schools.

This week he issued a statement declaring Charmaine's suspension "still valid" immediately after her expulsion was set aside by Mr Justice Friedman in the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg.

Now Krog could face contempt of court proceedings and action for damages, according to George Thaver, general secretary of the Reform Party.

Charmaine's father, Krish Naidoo, said yesterday "She will go to school on Monday, and if she isn't admitted I will instruct my lawyer to take urgent court action".

Krog's statement has come as a bitter blow to the desperate parents of all the expelled children. They had hoped the success of Charmaine's case — test case financed by the Reform Party — would enable all the children to take up their schooling once more.

By Maureen Griffin

They meet today at 4 o'clock in the Dhoorga Hall, Mobern Heights, to consider further action to get their children reinstated.

Thaver says he speaks on behalf of all parents when he accuses Krog of using delaying tactics. "The longer these children are kept out of school, the more damage it does them."

Charmaine, a bright pupil who has come in the first 10 throughout her three years in high school and who wants to study law eventually, told the Sunday Tribune this week she and the other expelled children have been helped by teachers, students and other pupils to keep pace as best they can with the classes they are missing.

"But we want to go back to school. We have apologised for boycotting classes and have promised not to do it again. What more can we do?"

Charmaine's mother, Devani, said, "I am so confused I was happy when the Supreme Court ruled that she be allowed back, but now I don't know what to think."

"I took Charmaine to school on Friday, but the principal sent us away again after telephoning the Department of Education and being told she would have to wait for a letter from them before she could be reinstated."

"My eldest daughter, who was in matric when she was expelled along with the others, has already taken a job. But Charmaine is our most intelligent child, and we

don't want her to lose her education. We have high hopes for her. "We are not rich. All we can give our children is the opportunity to be educated. Now even that is being denied us."

The Supreme Court set aside the expulsion order on the grounds that Mr Krog had not complied with the necessary legal requirements to make the order valid.

According to Thaver, lawyers pointed out to him that the court in its judgment found quite clearly that of the two procedures available to Mr Krog for expulsion, Mr Krog had chosen procedure of summary expulsion.

"Pupils and parents were advised that once the director had chosen this procedure and acted in terms of it the suspension imposed in terms of the other procedure automatically fell away."

"It was pointed out by counsel and legal representatives that expulsions and suspensions could not and did not exist together simultaneously."

"It has also been pointed out that wrongfully preventing Charmaine from attending school in the circumstances might result in contempt of court proceedings and action for damages against Mr Krog," he said.

In a Press statement on Friday, Mr Krog said the suspension of all pupils, including Charmaine, was regarded as "being still valid".

"The procedures which the court said should have been employed before such suspended pupils could be expelled, will be set in motion by my Department as soon as possible, with a view to determining what further action, if any, should be taken in respect of such pupils."

Krish Naidoo: I will seek urgent court action





Mrs Devani Naidoo with daughter Charmaine ... "for the sake of all the children

Picture: M S ROY

S. Times 6/9/87

## Court-action threat if girl barred from school

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By G R NAIDOO

AN urgent Supreme Court application will be brought against Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, this week if an expelled Merebank Durban pupil Charmaine Naidoo, is not allowed to attend school tomorrow.

Charmaine's father, Mr Krish Naidoo, said that he had already taken opinion from senior counsel on the matter.

Charmaine was one of more than 350 high-school children suspended and later expelled by Mr Krog for boycotting classes as a protest against the Republic Day Festival.

This week the Maritzburg Supreme Court set aside the expulsion order on Charmaine as Mr Krog had not complied with the necessary legal requirements to make the order valid.

An excited Charmaine went to school the next day, only to be told by the principal Mr R Maharaj that he could not allow her back until he received a directive from Mr Krog.

Mr J S M Zwiendelaat acting Director of Indian Education announced on behalf of the director that the court had ruled

that the legal requirements of an expulsion order had not been complied with in respect of Charmaine, who was the subject of a test case.

"The ruling of the court will be applied by my department in the cases of other pupils expelled in similar circumstances.

"The suspension of all such pupils, including Charmaine Naidoo is regarded as being still valid.

### Ultimatum

"The procedures which the court said should have been employed before such suspended pupils could be expelled will be set in motion by my department as soon as possible with a view to determining what further action, if any, should be taken in respect of such pupils."

The statement concluded by saying that the relevant documents relating to such procedures would be sent this week to the parents of the suspended pupils.

Mr Naidoo said yesterday that lawyers acting on behalf of Charmaine will also look into the possibility of bringing a charge of contempt of court against and would possibly seek damages from, Mr Krog for preventing Charmaine from being readmitted to school.

"When I first took this line of action, it was not only for the sake of my daughter but for the sake of all the children who had found themselves in a similar situation," said Mr Naidoo.

He said that his daughter was delighted when she was told that she could return to school after the court case but was depressed when she was sent away.

Mr Y S Chinsamy, leader of the Reform Party in the Indian Council has sent a telegram to Mr Krog giving him an ultimatum to reinstate all expelled pupils or face another court action seeking to interdict him from barring the children from school.

Mr Chinsamy told the Sunday Times yesterday that his party was funding the legal action against Mr Krog.



# Urgent application to be made against Krog

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**Mercury Reporter**  
AN URGENT application is to be made to the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg, against Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, seeking to interdict him

from preventing a suspended Merebank pupil from returning to her school

Charmaine Naidoo, who was suspended and later expelled from the Merebank Secondary School, was

turned away by headmaster Mr R R Maharaj for the second time yesterday since her expulsion order was set aside by the Supreme Court last week.

Her mother, Mrs Devani

Naidoo, said Mr Maharaj told Charmaine to go back home and wait for a directive from Mr Krog

Mr George Thaver, general-secretary of the Reform Party, said yesterday that legal representatives, advocate Mr Harry Pitman and Mr Baboo Akoo, had been instructed to seek the interdict

We are extremely perturbed that Charmaine is still being prevented from returning to her classroom in spite of a Supreme Court ruling setting aside her expulsion order,' he said

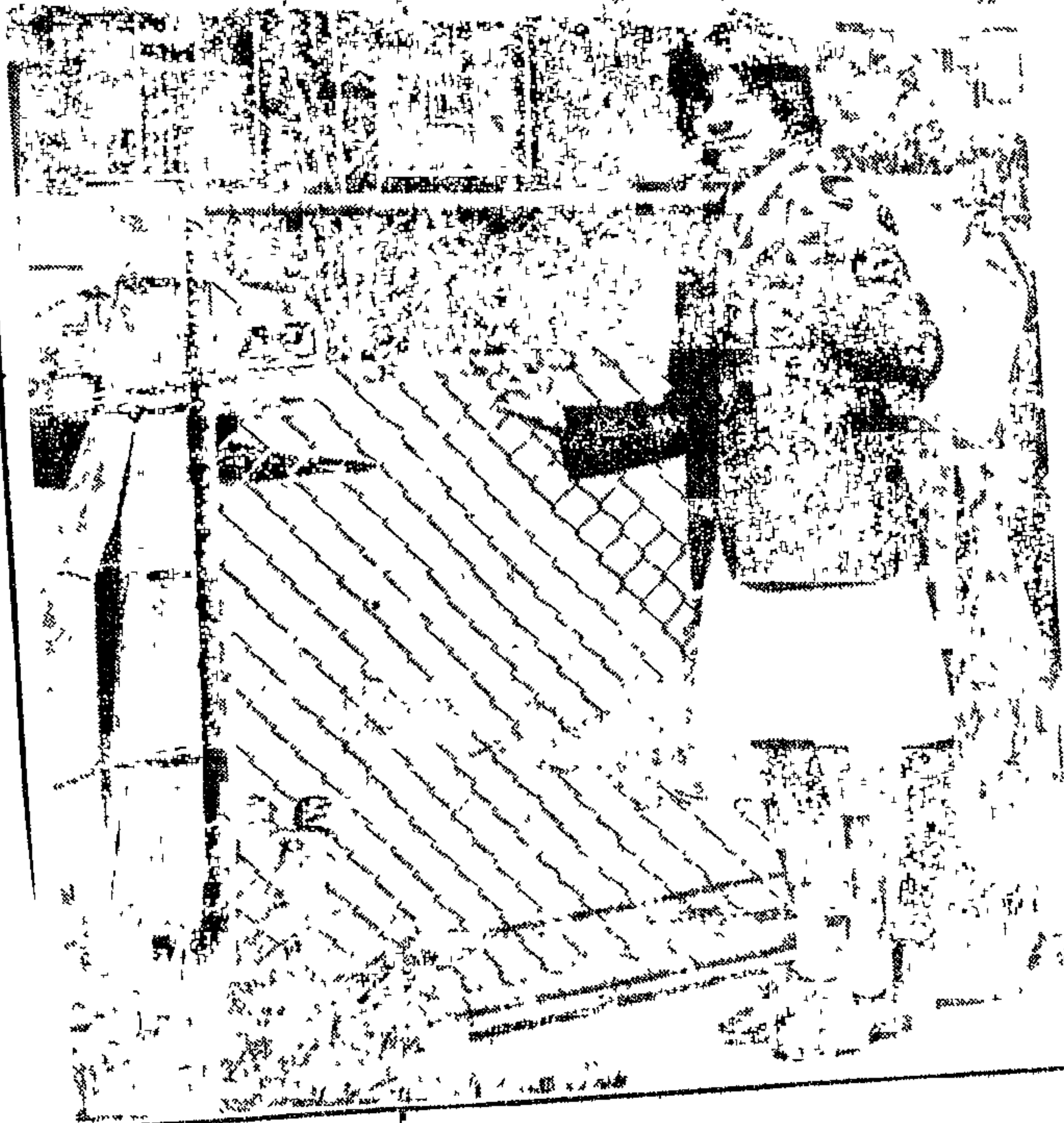
Instructing attorney Mr Akoo told the Mercury yesterday that the application would probably be made tomorrow as Mr Pitman, who is also an MP, had to attend to urgent parliamentary business in Cape Town today.

Mr Pitman is expected back in Pietermaritzburg this evening, Mr Akoo said

Meanwhile in another development yesterday, Mr G Tayoob, chairman of the Sastri College Education Committee, said the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, had informed his committee in a telegram that he was prepared to meet a deputation of parents to discuss the plight of expelled pupils after the outcome of last Thursday's court proceedings.

● **SUSPENDED** and later expelled Merebank High School pupil Charmaine Naidoo locked out of her school yesterday

Picture by  
Elijah Zondi.





# Swart's plea for the Indian

A. J. no. 70/9/87 (258) (86)

## Parliamentary Staff

MR Ray Swart (PFP Berea) appealed to the Government last night to get rid of hurtful discrimination affecting the Indian community.

Speaking in the budget debate on the Internal Affairs vote, Mr Swart put a series of questions to the Minister (Mr Heunis) on what the Government was doing about such discrimination.

Mr Swart asked

● When would the Government remove restrictions barring Indians from staying in the Free State for more than 48 hours?

● When would the Government remove restrictions on Indians in the Vryheid area where

they were working under permit

Mr Swart asked whether these areas — the Free State and Natal — were not part of the common area of South Africa to be shared by whites, coloured and Indians.

He asked why there were restrictions on South African Indian men who wanted to marry Indian women in India or Pakistan. Such men still had to get Government permission to marry.

Mr Heunis interjected angrily 'This is not so'

Mr Swart asked the Minister to explain what the position was — this was a matter of constant concern to the Indian community

# Pupils threw stinkbombs, says letter

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## Mercury Reporter

THE father of suspended Merebank Secondary School pupil Charmaine Naidoo yesterday received a letter from Mr J S M Zwiigelaar, acting Director of Indian Education, setting out the allegations against pupils during the recent boycott of classes.

But Charmaine's father, Mr Krish Naidoo, said yesterday he still could not understand why his daughter had been suspended as there was no 'concrete' evidence of any serious misconduct against Charmaine apart from absenting herself from classes without permission on April 27 and May 14.

He said, however, he had instructed his lawyers to go ahead with an application to the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg, tomorrow for an order to have his daughter immediately reinstated at her school.

In the four-page letter, delivered personally by a teacher, Mr Zwiigelaar pointed out that in terms of regulation 10 (3) of the regulations governing the admission of persons to State and State-aided schools for Indians, the Director of Indian Education is empowered to order the expulsion of a pupil or 'otherwise deal with the matter as he may think fit'.

The letter lists the dates on which she absented

herself from school without permission and it also stated that according to a report from the principal, Mr R R Maharaj, Charmaine allegedly gathered with others in groups on other parts of the school premises on both days she had absented herself from classes and did not heed the advice, pleas and instructions of the principal and teachers to return to classes.

It also alleged that she absented herself from classes without permission in 'similar fashion' during 1980.

'In addition, the principal's report indicates that on May 14, 1981, some of the pupils who were absent from classes threw stinkbombs into some classrooms, hosed water into a classroom, sang and shouted outside the classrooms and ran up and down corridors jeering at pupils in classes and thereby attempted to intimidate them.'

'The principal does not know which pupils took part in the activities, and accordingly I do not propose to take into account such activities in deciding what, if any, further action should be taken by me in terms of the regulation,' Mr Zwiigelaar said.

Mr Naidoo was invited to controvert or dispute 'within 14 days of the date of the letter' any of the allega-

tions against Charmaine and also submit in writing any statements in her favour which may be relevant to any decision over her future at school.

The letter follows a Supreme Court ruling setting aside Charmaine Naidoo's expulsion as Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, had not complied with the necessary legal requirements to make the order valid.

One of the requirements was that Charmaine or her father should have been given an opportunity of controverting the allegations levelled against her in a report by the principal to the director before she was expelled.

# Children on streets

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AN appeal for the  
Minister of Internal  
Affairs to intervene in  
encouraging the authori-  
ties to allow more than  
300 Indian children in  
Durban — suspended from  
schools — because of boy-  
cotts — to be readmitted  
was made in the Assembly  
yesterday by Mr S A  
Pitman (PFP Pinetown).

Mr Pitman's appeal was  
positively received by Mr  
Heunis.

Mr Pitman said he had  
an 'earnest and sincere'  
wish that the matter of  
the suspended scholars be  
cleared up. The children  
had been 'on the streets'  
for several months, mis-  
sing school at an import-  
ant time of their lives.



# Application to readmit pupil in court today

## Mercury Reporter

AN URGENT application for the immediate re-admission of suspended Merebank high school pupil, Charmaine Naidoo, is to be brought before the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg, today by her father

Mr Krish Naidoo is seeking the court order against Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, and Mr Ramnath Ramluckan Maharajh, headmaster of the Merebank Secondary School, after Charmaine had twice been refused re-admission to her school after a Supreme Court set aside her expulsion

Charmaine, 15, a Standard 8 pupil, was suspended from school about four months ago, together with more than 350 other pupils, and later expelled by Mr Krog following a boycott of classes earlier this year in

protest against the Republic Festival celebration

In an earlier application to the Supreme Court, Mr Justice Friedman set aside Charmaine's expulsion order as Mr Krog had not met with the necessary legal requirements to make the order valid

Following the Court's ruling Charmaine went back to school but was turned away by headmaster Mr Maharajh as, she was told, her suspension order was still in force

## Interest

Mr George Thaver, general-secretary of the Reform Party, said yesterday that parents of the 355 suspended pupils were awaiting with keen interest the outcome of today's application

Mr Brian Law, SC, assisted by advocates Mr Harry Pitman and Mr Maurice Pillemer, instructed by A K

Akoo and Co, will appear for Mr Krish Naidoo Mr Mike Mitchell, SC, and Mr Colin Mann, instructed by the Deputy State Attorney, will appear for Mr Krog and Mr Maharajh

Meanwhile, Mr G Tayoob, chairman of the Sastri College Education Committee, said yesterday that suspended matric pupils were receiving private tuition by teachers in preparation for the year-end matriculation examination which they would write as private candidates

'Some of the Standard 8 and 9 pupils have enrolled at the M L Sultan Technikon where they are continuing their study in the hope that they will be adequately equipped if allowed to go back to school this year'

He said, however, many pupils, unable to afford to enrol at the Technikon, were studying at home

# Suspended pupils may be readmitted

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY —  
 Political Staff

The 350-odd Indian school pupils who have been suspended in Natal since boycotting classes in protest against the Republic Festival will be readmitted next year if current review procedures for their readmission now fail.

This was announced yesterday by the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, who said in Parliament that certain students at the medical school had been responsible for the boycotts and warned them to 'keep their hands off' children's education.

Replying to Opposition criticisms of the suspension action, Mr Heunis said that because there was a court case pending on the matter he could not discuss the merits of the affair.

had started to commemorate student action the previous year and then developed into an anti Republic Festival protest.

He appealed to 'certain institutions and "certain students" at the medical school to keep their hands off child education.

"I want to direct a serious warning to those people who misuse child education to achieve their own radical aims," he said.

Sketching the background of attempts to end the boycott he said school principals had been asked to try to persuade the children to return to classes and when this failed letters had been sent to the parents of the students.

This finally resulted in many of the children returning, but this had received no publicity and he could only surmise that the return of

the students did not fit into what certain people in the media wanted to achieve.

Pupils who had not heeded the constant attempts to get them back to class had been suspended as a disciplinary action. The number of pupils involved amount to 0.3 percent of all pupils.

Mr Heunis said that the Director of Education had a duty to ensure that children who wanted to study were able to do so and protect them against boycotters.

The result of boycotts had been shown in coloured schools where there had been a 20 percent fall in passes.

Everything was being done to improve education facilities for the Indian community and Mr Heunis repeated previous promises by the government to have equal education 'content and facilities' for all races.

Mr Heunis said that he would not allow children to be used for ulterior motives or that discipline to be torn to shreds.

The boycotts had resulted in the suspension of 605 pupils but all were given the opportunity of applying for readmission under certain conditions.

After reconsideration 191 pupils were readmitted, 10 were permanently suspended and 46 pupils did not re-apply.

Another 358 were told they could reapply at the beginning of 1952 and 172 were given the opportunity of writing exams as private candidates.

Provision was made for them to have extra classes if any teachers could find the time and 80 pupils made use of this facility.

Mr Heunis went on to say that applications for readmission next year would be "favourably considered".





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VERKIESINGSREGULASIES

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Die Minister van Binnelandse Aangeleentede het kragtens artikel 162 van die Kieswet vir Indiërs, 1977 (Wet 122 van 1977), die regulasies in die Bylae hierby uitgevaardig

The Minister of Internal Affairs has, in terms of section 162 of the Electoral Act for Indians, 1977 (Act 122 of 1977), issued the regulations in the attached Annexure

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ANNEXURE

INDELING VAN REGULASIES

ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

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PART I

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# Heunis's pledge to boycott pupils

ORMANDE POLLOK

Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN—Indian pupils suspended in Natal since boycotting classes in May would be readmitted next year if current review procedures for their readmission failed.

The Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, said in Parliament yesterday that some students at the medical school had been responsible for boycotts and warned them to 'keep their hands off' children's education.

Replying to Opposition criticism of the suspension action, Mr Heunis said that because there was a court case pending on the matter he could not discuss the merits of the affair.

'If the current review procedures result in the suspensions continuing, I want to indicate now that the director of education will be prepared to give favourable consideration to the readmission of these pupils next year, except for 10 pupils (who have been expelled),' said Mr Heunis.

'I want to direct a serious warning to those people who misuse child education to achieve their own radical aims,' said Mr Heunis.

Mr Heunis accused the Press of suppressing the real start of the boycotts. They had started to commemorate action the previous year and then had developed into an anti-Republic Festival protest.

Sketching the back-

ground of attempts to end the boycott, he said school principals had been asked to try to persuade children to return to classes and when this had failed letters had been sent to parents.

This finally resulted in many of the children returning, but this had received no publicity and he could only surmise that the return of the pupils had not fitted into what certain people in the media wanted to achieve.

Pupils who had not heeded constant attempts to get them back to class had been suspended as a disciplinary action. The number of pupils involved amount to 0,3 percent of all pupils.

Examination results after boycotts in coloured schools had shown a 20 percent fall in the number of passes.

## Equal facilities

Everything was being done to improve education facilities for the Indian community and Mr Heunis repeated previous promises by the Government to have equal education content and facilities for all races.

Boycotts had resulted in the suspension of 605 pupils but all had been given the opportunity of applying for readmission under certain conditions.

After reconsideration, 191 pupils had been readmitted, 10 had been expelled and 46 pupils had not reapplied. Another 358 had been told they could reapply at the beginning of 1982.

One hundred and seventy-two pupils had been given the opportunity of writing examinations as private candidates.

# Heunis

# warns

# students

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Mr Chris Heunis

### Political Staff

MR CHRIS HEUNIS, Minister of Internal Affairs, has warned students at the Natal Medical School to keep their hands out of the education of children and threatened he could call for police assistance to maintain discipline at Indian schools.

Mr Heunis made the warnings when replying in Parliament to criticisms of his department's handling of the expulsions of Indian schoolchildren for boycotting classes during

the Republic Festival celebrations earlier this year.

Mr Heunis said one of the main reasons and influences behind the action of the children had its source at the medical school.

### RADICAL AIMS

'I want to seriously warn those people who are misusing children to achieve their radical aims in this country.'

He said the expulsions had taken place in the interests of discipline after a number of appeals had been made to the pupils and their parents to return to school.

'I want to emphasise that the authorities from the school to the Director of Education have a duty to protect the children who want to learn and who want to use the educational facilities against the boycotters.'

'We cannot allow discipline to disintegrate in this country. I expect officials who are duty-bound to exercise it to do so.'

### NOT FUNCTION

'If it cannot be done then my colleague the Minister of Police must do it.'

'It is not his function and he should not be placed in the position to do it.'

Mr Heunis concluded by saying that if Mr Cabriel K103, the Director of Indian Education, had not taken the steps he had taken the boycott and violence would have escalated and I am not prepared to allow this to happen in the education department for which I am responsible.'

Report by Bruce Cameron  
Pic's by Gary Hume of Argus  
City Town

# Application against Krog dismissed

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## Mercury Reporter

AN URGENT application for an order against Mr Gabriel Krog, the Director of Indian Education, to readmit immediately the suspended Merbank high school pupil Charmaine Naidoo, was yesterday dismissed with costs by Mr Justice Friedman in the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg.

The Judge criticised Regulation 10 (2) of the regulations governing the admission of persons to State and State-aided schools, in terms of which her principal, Mr Ramnath Ramluukan Maharajh, had suspended her.

He also granted leave to Charmaine's father, Mr Krish Naidoo, the applicant in yesterday's hearing, to apply to the Court for alternative relief.

Mr Harry Pitman, an advocate assisting Mr Brian Law, SC, for Mr Naidoo, told the Mercury this meant Mr Naidoo would be given a chance to challenge Mr Krog's right to expel Charmaine a second time.

He would be able to do this on papers already submitted to the Court without

incurring the cost of submitting new papers.

The Judge also allowed Mr Naidoo to file supplementary affidavits on the same papers and furnish the respondents, Mr Krog and Mr Maharajh, with 48 hours' notice of the application instead of the normal 72 hours' notice.

Describing Regulation 10 (2) as 'absolutely ludicrous', Mr Justice Friedman said it had 'an exceedingly strange provision' in that it allowed the principal to suspend a pupil if he (the principal) considered absenteeism from classes without permission as being conduct detrimental to the welfare of the school or other pupils.

## Unsatisfactory

The Judge said he could not say that in terms of the regulation a school principal could suspend a pupil, assuming he considered truancy as being conduct detrimental to the welfare of other pupils of the school.

'This Court can only interpret the regulation as it stands. It is for other authorities to consider whether or not this rather unsatisfactory regulation should

be amended,' he said in his judgment.

The regulation was also silent as to the period of the suspension order referred to in Regulation 10 (2) or as to when that suspension lapsed or ceased to have effect.

The Judge said the principal was obliged to suspend Charmaine because the conduct relied upon for the suspension was the fact that she absented herself from classes without permission.

'Obviously the principal could not suspend her if there was not a recurrence of similar conduct. It is common cause that after the warning letter was written, such similar conduct recurred.

'This being so, the principal was obliged to suspend her.'

Mr Law, SC, assisted by advocates Mr Harry Pitman and Mr Maurice Pillemer instructed by Mr Baboo Akoo, appeared for Mr Naidoo. Mr Mitchell, SC, and advocate Mr Colin Mann instructed by the State Attorney (Natal), appeared for Mr Krog and Mr Maharajh.



**Cash boost**  
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**for Natal's**  
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**Indian**

**community**

**Political  
Correspondent**

CAPE TOWN—Indian education is to be given a massive boost in Natal this year with nearly R30 million to be spent on schools and the University of Durban-Westville

Figures released by the Government yesterday also show that the cost of the controversial Westville prison complex has rocketed by R21 million to an estimated R73 million of which R4 000 000 has already been spent and R1 100 000 has been allocated this year

Nearly R6 000 000 is to be spent on improved facilities at the University of Westville, the biggest amount R2 300 000 being voted for hostel and department of engineering additions

However, the vast amount of R21 million is to be spent on primary and high schools round the province, R5 220 000 of this on new projects

A further R6 800 000 is to be spent on other Government building projects around Natal.

In Durban, R700 000 is to be spent on the police district headquarters, and at Chatsworth, R320 000 is to be spent on a training college for Indian police which will ultimately cost R1 600 000

# BOSS of Indian education digs his heels in

THE Pietermaritzburg Supreme Court has ruled in favour of Charmaine Naidoo, the expelled schoolgirl whose father asked the courts to rule on the legality of her expulsion by Indian education boss Gabriel Krog. But Charmaine is still not back at school because Mr Krog says her expulsion is 'still legal'

Her father is determined that she will go to school and said last week that if Charmaine was not admitted to school on Monday past, he would probably take urgent court action.

Charmaine of Merbank High and 600 other school-children were first suspended then expelled for boycotting classes in protest against the Republic Day festivities.

Mr Krog has since allowed 246 back, but has barred the remaining children from all Government schools.

This week he issued a statement declaring Charmaine's suspension 'still valid' immediately after her expulsion was set aside by Mr Justice Friedman in the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg.

Now Krog could face contempt of court proceedings and action for damages, according to George Thayer, general secretary of the Reform Party.

Krog's statement has come as a bitter blow to the desperate parents of

all the expelled children. They had hoped the success of Charmaine's case — a test case launched by the Reform Party — would enable all the children to take up their schooling once more.

Thayer says he speaks on behalf of all parents when he accuses Krog of using delaying tactics.

Charmaine's mother, Devani, said I am so confused I was happy when the Supreme Court ruled that she be allowed back, but now I don't know what to think.

I took Charmaine to school on Friday, but the principal sent us away again after telephoning the Department of Education and being told she would have to wait for a letter from them before she could be reinstated.

'We are not rich. All we can give our children is the opportunity to be educated. Now even that is being denied us.'

The Supreme Court set aside the expulsion order on the grounds that Mr Krog had not complied with the necessary legal requirements to make the order valid.

In a Press statement on Friday, Mr Krog said the suspension of all pupils, including Charmaine, was regarded as 'being still valid'.

'The procedures which the court said should have been employed before such suspended pupils could be expelled, will be set in motion by my Department as soon as possible, with a view to determining what further action if any, should be taken in respect of such pupils.'

# Teachers' body in plea for boycott pupils

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## Mercury Reporter

THE Teachers' Association of South Africa, mouthpiece of more than 7 000 Indian teachers, is to make fresh representations to the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, to re-admit immediately all suspended Indian schoolchildren.

Association president Mr Pat Samuels told the Mercury yesterday that his association decided on this move after 256 of the 279 coloured children, suspended from Western Cape high schools during a recent schools boycott, had been re-admitted.

'I cannot see any reason why Indian schoolchildren in Natal should be treated

differently,' he said, adding that his association would write to Mr Heunis this week.

Mr Samuels said that although coloured education was controlled by a separate division it still fell under the jurisdiction of Mr Heunis's Department of Internal Affairs.

According to a reported statement by Mr A P de V Kempen, deputy Director-General of the Department of Internal Affairs, the 256 suspended coloured school children were re-admitted to their schools after their appeals were considered. Nine pupils were expelled and 14 did not seek re-admission.

Parents of suspended Natal children said yesterday they could not understand why their children were still being barred from school in spite of written apologies and an undertaking — countersigned by parents — not to boycott classes again.

'The coloured children were, in fact, more violent than our children,' said Mrs A Naidoo, parent of a suspended Appollo High School pupil.

Meanwhile, lawyers for suspended Merebank Secondary School pupil, Charmaine Naidoo, said yesterday they were preparing a new application to the Supreme Court in yet another attempt to get her back to school. Mr Baboo Akoo, instructing attorney, said:

He said the application would probably be made later this week or early next week.

Mr J S M Zwiegelaar, acting Director of Indian Education, said yesterday letters containing allegations against pupils had already been posted to the 355 suspended pupils inviting them to controvert the allegations 'within 14 days of the date of the letter' following a recent Supreme Court ruling.

Replies were not expected until later this week, he said, adding that his department had not yet decided on the procedure to be adopted after receiving the replies.

Commenting on Mr Justice Friedman's criticism of Regulation 10 (2) of the regulations governing the admission of persons to State and State-aided schools, Mr Zwiegelaar said it would be 'a natural thing' for his department to look at the reg-

ulation with a view to amending it.

In the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg, last Friday, Mr Justice Friedman described the regulation as 'absolutely ludicrous' saying that it had an 'exceedingly strange' provision in that it allowed the principal of a school to suspend a pupil if he (the principal) considered absenteeism from classes without permission as being conduct detrimental to the welfare of the school or other pupils.

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# Secret talks on suspended pupil

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By Mariah Vengtas

A DECISION on the fate of more than 350 suspended Natal Indian schoolchildren might be made today following an offer yesterday by legal representatives of Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, for the settlement out of court of the case of Charmaine Naidoo

Mr Baboo Akoo, instructing attorney for suspended Merbank pupil, Charmaine, confirmed last night that a settlement offer had been made to her law-

yers yesterday, but declined to comment

Mr Colin Mann, one of the advocates who appeared at earlier hearings for Mr Krog expressed surprise yesterday that the information about a settlement offer had been leaked and refused to talk about it

Mr George Thaver, general secretary of the Reform Party said last night 'There are a few points still to be thrashed out We are trying to obtain as many concessions as possible for the

suspended pupils' He said he could not disclose at this stage what the terms were but, he said, he was confident they would be in the interest of pupils and parents

He said this week's planned new legal action against Mr Krog to seek readmission of Charmaine Naidoo would be dropped if the settlement offer were accepted

Mr Krog could not be reached for comment yesterday, but Mr J S M Zwiegelaar, acting Director of Indian Education, said he was not aware of any settlement offer regarding the 350 suspended pupils

'If there were such an offer it certainly did not come from my department,' he said

16/9/81  
Prices in hotels to go up

Mail Reporter

TWO major hotel groups have indicated their rates will rise in December — and a spokesman for one of the groups says the rise may be as much as 20%. This follows an announcement this week that several top hotels in Cape Town will increase their fees before Christmas. A spokesman for Holiday Inns said yesterday rates would definitely go up, but it had not yet been decided by how much. Mr Jurgen Burmeister, group marketing manager for Southern Sun, said the company's rates would also rise in December — probably by 15 to 20%. He said increased building costs, furniture costs and salaries were responsible for the increase. "Ten years ago it cost about R13 000 to build a room for a five star hotel. This has risen to about R100 000 today," he said. Mr Burmeister said hotels had to pay better wages to attract the best staff.

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is thought to be more consistent with the corporate form of  
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creditors. Accordingly, equity capital is just another  
source of funds, and it would seem just as appropriate to  
measure the cost of equity capital as it would be to measure  
the cost of debt capital, as both are supplied by outside

# Cost of trying to get back to school 'was R12 000'

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**By Mariah Vengtas**

**SUSPENDED** Merebank pupil Charmaine Naidoo's unsuccessful bid to get back to her school cost her about R12 000 in legal fees, Mr George Thaver, general secretary of the Reform Party, said yesterday.

He said the cost of the first application to the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg, at which her expulsion was set aside, totalled about R4 000 while the second application to set aside her suspension — which she lost with costs — was 'in the region of

R8 000'

Charmaine's attorneys yesterday declined to discuss it, except to say it was a matter between the lawyers and the Reform Party.

In spite of her court battle, Charmaine, a Std:8 pupil of the Merebank Secondary School, has still not been allowed to return to school.

She was among 355 pupils suspended and later expelled by Mr Gabriel Krog, director of Indian Education, following the boycott of classes in May in protest

against the Republic Festival celebration.

However, after her first application to the Supreme Court, Pietermaritzburg, a fortnight ago, her expulsion order was declared invalid by Mr Justice Friedman.

Meanwhile, there is a news blackout on the secret talks which began on Tuesday between legal representatives for Mr Krog and Charmaine for a possible settlement.

Lawyers for both parties yesterday declined to discuss the matter.



# Talks over suspended pupils go on

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Mercury Reporter

LAWYERS for Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, and a suspended Merebank High School pupil, were still engaged in negotiations yesterday for an out-of-court settlement in regard to Charmaine Naidoo, one of 355 pupils suspended following a school boycott earlier this year.

Mr George Thaver, general secretary of the Reform Party, told the Mercury yesterday that a deed of settlement, prepared by Mr Krog's attorneys was yesterday handed to Charmaine's lawyers for formal acceptance.

'However, there are a few

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fines points still to be clarified and, once these have been finalised we will be signing the document in a day or two,' he said.

The terms of the settlement offer — still a closely-guarded secret — were made to Charmaine's lawyers earlier this week while her lawyers were preparing a third application to the Supreme Court to seek an order to have her immediately readmitted to school.

At earlier Supreme Court hearings, her expulsion was set aside by Mr Justice Friedman and at a subsequent hearing — at which an application for her suspension order to be lifted was sought — Mr Justice Friedman dismissed the application.

The Judge, however, granted Charmaine's father, Mr Krish Naidoo, who made the application, leave to seek alternative relief from the Court. Mr Naidoo was also allowed to submit further affidavits in support of the application without incurring further costs.

Mr Thaver said if the settlement offer was accepted all the suspended pupils, except 10, would be readmitted next year.

'It would appear that the 10 pupils were allegedly involved in disruption of State property and therefore would be expelled.

'Another concession we hope to secure is that all suspended pupils, including Std 8 and Std 9 children who wish to write the year-end examinations this year would be allowed to do so,' he said.

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# Tasa slates expulsion of pupils

Staff Reporter

THE expulsion in May of more than 600 Indian pupils following class boycotts in protest against the Republic Day Festival celebrations was "a matter of grave concern" for the community, the Teachers' Association of South Africa (Tasa) said in its monthly bulletin, Tasa News

In spite of representations by the association, community groups and concerned parents to the Minister of In-

ternal Affairs and the Director of Indian Education, more than 300 of the pupils are still excluded from school

"The growing impatience has given way to wrath, for it is inexplicable that the punishment should be so harsh as to deny the expelled pupils the opportunity to repent," the association said

It said all the expelled pupils were required to apologize for their alleged "misdemeanour" and made to

promise not to boycott classes again when they applied for readmission. But still some were refused

The record would show that scores of careers had been destroyed because of the lack of meaningful rapport between the authorities and those whom they administer

Tasa has also sent telegrams to the Minister of Justice and the Minister of Police and Prisons calling for the immediate release of

Mr Derrick Naidoo, a Cape Town teacher, who is being held under section six of the Terrorism Act

The association said Mr Naidoo's recent fast in detention had "caused grave concern and perturbation" throughout the country

Tasa said it hoped its call would not go unheeded "We would like Mr Naidoo's immediate family to know that we stand by them and share their anxiety for the well-being of our colleague," it said

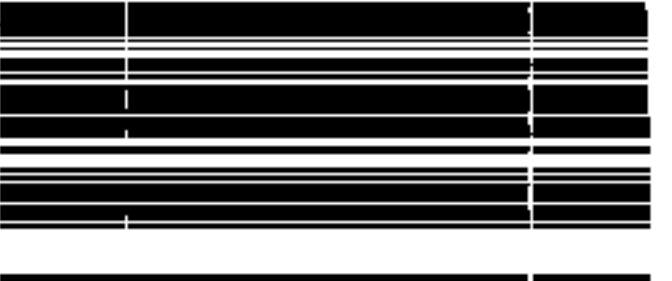
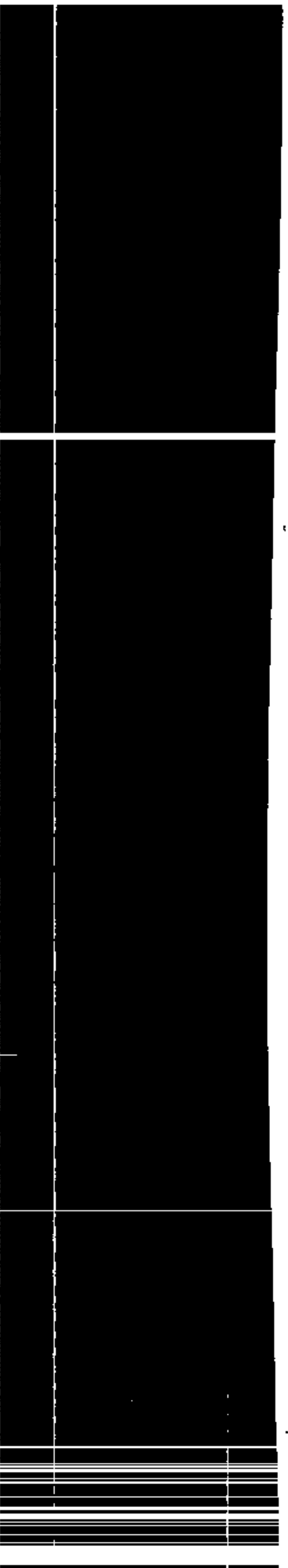
# Indianan points will be allowed back next year

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## Mercury Reporter

### MR GABRIEL Krog, Director of Indian Education, yesterday agreed to readmit 400 suspended pupils next year.

He said, however, the position of 10 pupils was still in the balance as their conduct was receiving further consideration. These children have been involved in alleged acts of vandalism,' he explained.

He said the dispute between suspended pupils and their parents and his department had now been settled after negotiations between legal representatives of the parties concerned.

Such settlement has been the result of bilateral negotiations between the parties concerned after the last Supreme Court hearing — at which suspended Merebank pupil Charmaine Naidoo had unsuccessfully sought an order to be allowed back at school — and not as a result of an approach by one side only, Mr Krog revealed.

In terms of the settlement the parties agreed that the pupils would not be readmitted to school this year and none of the suspended pupils or their parents would apply to a Court for readmission again this year.

The pupils would be readmitted next year provided that between now and the opening of schools next year, they were not guilty of any reprehensible behaviour which would, but

for their present suspension, have entitled the school principals or Mr Krog to suspend or expel them.

Suspended Standard 10 pupils had already been permitted to register for senior certificate examinations and Standard 8 and 9 suspended pupils would be allowed to write the year-end examinations during November and December at places to be determined by Mr Krog.

Senior certificate candidates who failed to obtain matric exemption would be allowed to repeat the course next year.

Mr R K Naidoo, vice-chairman of the Merebank Parents Support Committee, last night welcomed Mr Krog's decision. It was the 'best offer parents could have obtained under the circumstances'.

He said his committee would meet the legal costs of Charmaine Naidoo's two Supreme Court applications — said to be several thousand rands — and not the Reform Party.

'The Reform Party should never have interfered in this case. It seems that their sole purpose in doing so was to gain political capital in view of the forthcoming Indian Council elections,' he said.

# Suspended pupils will be allowed to write final exams

By G R NARAYAN

ABOUT 350 Indian pupils suspended from school because they boycotted classes in protest against the Republic Day celebrations, will now be allowed to write their end-of-year examinations.

They will, however, not be allowed to return to school until the new year.

The children include Charmaine Naidoo, 15, who became a test case in the dispute, which has already resulted in two Supreme Court applications and which was to have gone to the Supreme Court for the third time this week.

A settlement came about after out-of-court talks between legal representatives of Mr C Krog, Director of Indian Education, and those of Charmaine Naidoo.

## Not included

Mr Krog made it clear on Friday that the settlement did not include the cases of 10 pupils whose conduct was yet to be considered.

In the settlement the parties agreed that "The pupils will not be re-admitted to school this year, none of the suspended pupils or their parents would apply to court for such re-admission again this year; "The pupils will be re-admitted to schools next year provided that, between now and the opening of schools next year, they are not guilty of any reprehensible behaviour which would, but for their present suspension, have entitled the school principals or Mr Krog to suspend or expel such pupils."

# Charmaine and friends readmitted as Krog softens attitude

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DIRECTOR of Indian Education Gabriel Krog this week shifted from his hard-line attitude towards the 404 children he expelled from Durban high schools for boycotting classes in protest against the Republic Festival celebrations. He agreed to reinstate them next year.

Mr Krog would have been taken to court for the third time in three weeks had he not readmitted Merebank schoolgirl Charmaine Naidoo and 403 others suspended and later expelled with her.

Charmaine's four-month-old expulsion order was set aside by the Supreme Court, Pretoria, early this month in what was seen as a test case. On Friday afternoon, Mr Krog called a Press conference and disclosed that Charmaine and the others would be readmitted next year and that they would be allowed to write the final examinations in November. He also said the future of 10 other pupils accused of vandalising school property during the protest, would be considered later.

Yesterday Charmaine's father Krish Naidoo, who brought two urgent court

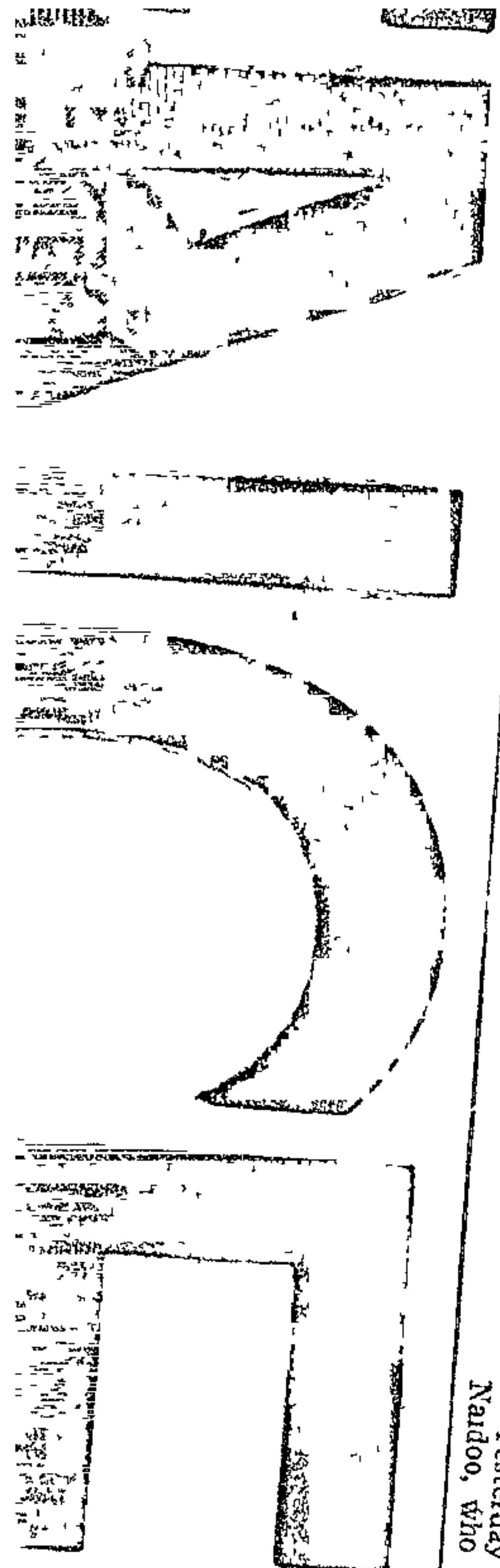
actions against Mr Krog to have his daughter reinstated, declared "I've won. My objectives have been achieved."

He said the director may have agreed to readmit his daughter and the others because he did not want to face another court action.

The good news for the 404 pupils came after weeks of negotiations between Mr Krog's legal representatives and Mr Naidoo's attorney, Mr Aboo Akoo.

In the first case against Mr Krog in the Supreme Court, Mr Justice Friedman set aside Charmaine's expulsion.

Immediately after this Mr Krog issued a statement declaring Charmaine's suspension "null and void".





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Krog to court for the second time to get his daughter reinstated.

He lost this battle, but was granted leave to apply to the court for alternative relief.

Just when Mr Naidoo was preparing for the third legal battle, Mr Krog's attorneys made a settlement offer.

In a statement issued at Friday's Press meeting, Mr Krog said it had been agreed, among other things, that

• The pupils would be readmitted to school this year.

• None of the suspended pupils or their parents would apply to court for readmission again this year.

The pupils would be readmitted on condition they were not guilty of any "reprehensible behaviour" which would, but for their present suspension, have entitled principals or him to suspend or expel them.

• Standard 8 and 9 pupils would be allowed to write the final examinations at places to be determined by him.

Charmaine, a petite 15-year-old from Merebank High School, is excited about being able to return to school.

She told the Tribune yesterday. "Now I have peace of mind I know I will be able to resume my studies and attain everything I planned to do."

A bright pupil who has come in the first 10 throughout her three years in high school and who wants to study law eventually, has accepted that she may fail her finals if she writes in November.

"I am not prepared for an exam although my friends have helped me keep pace as best they can.

"When I joined the protest, I knew what I was doing but I did not know it would take such a serious turn. I don't have any regrets. My friends who had been boycotting needed my support," she said. "Many people have sympathised with me and have always told me that one day I will be back in my class."

She does not hate Mr Krog but believes his action has been too stern.

# Sowetans to pay more to offset losses

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By Jon Qwelane

Losses in the three townships of Greater Soweto now exceeded R1,5-million a month and were caused mainly by losses on water, electricity, sewerage and refuse removal services

This was announced at a Press conference yesterday by the West Rand Administration Board in Johannesburg

The chairman, Mr John Knoetze, said "The Minister of Co-operation and Development has decided that with effect from October 1 1981 as an interim measure while the budgets of Soweto, Dobsonville and Diepmeadow are being finalised, an increase of R8 a household will become payable throughout Greater Soweto," he said

The increase was published in yesterday's Government Gazette.

"Such an increase will reduce the average loss a household from R20 a month to R12 a month and bring the overall deficit nearer to manageable proportions.

"It is important, therefore, that the increase should be paid by every household to avoid further losses"

Families unable to pay the increase because of illness or death, unemployment or any other cause beyond their control should immediately apply to the township manager, chief executive of the area or the ward councillor for exemption.

All employers in the West Rand area had been consulted and informed of the need for the increases, Mr Knoetze said

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## SA INDIAN COUNCIL

### Rejection of Purnas announced

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The moderate Republican Party (RP) has given a fillip to the anti election campaign by withdrawing from contesting the first Indians-only election, to be held in November. The result was that on nomination day this week, only one candidate announced he was standing under the RP banner.

Following the surprise turnaround by the RP, which is a member of the Inkatha-led Black Alliance and which held the majority of seats on the government-backed SA Indian Council (SATIC) until it withdrew from the RP's chairman, Nelson Chusamy, told the CP: "The Indian people want nothing to do with the election."

PM P W Botha let it be known some time ago that he would talk to only elected representatives of the Indian community. Chus-

samy, however, says that more recent remarks in Parliament about continued "white domination" led to the decision. Other contributing factors were the manner in which over 2 000 Indian school pupils

and students were summarily suspended or expelled by the Department of Internal Affairs after the Republic Day boycotts and Community Development Minister Pen Kotze's notice of more stringent action over

#### Group Areas Act offenders

Although he favoured an election to show the true representatives of the community, Chusamy said government was becoming more rigid politically.

# Indian Council election details

CT 2/18/67 Staff Reporter

ONLY two of the three seats in the Cape Province will be contested in the South African Indian Council elections to be held on November 4, according to a press release issued by the Minister of Internal Affairs yesterday

The contested seats are the North-West Cape and Rylands. In North-West Cape the candidates are Mr Osman Hassan and Mr Basil Devadasen Sagathevan, both independents

The three independent candidates who will contest the Rylands seat are Mr Cassiem Gaffoor, Mr Abdul Ganie Mohamed and Mr Has-

san Osman. Only 34 of the 40 electoral divisions in the country are being contested. In Natal, 25 of the 27 seats will be contested and in the Transvaal seven of the 10 seats

The Free State is excluded from the election as the province has no Indian residents

Sixty-three of the 87 nominated candidates are independents. The remaining 24 candidates represent three political parties, all based in Natal. Of the parties, the Democratic Party is fielding 18 candidates, the National Federal Party five and the Reform Party one candidate

# Three defy election boycott

Head 3/15/81

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THREE nominations have been accepted for the November 4 South African Indian Council (SAIC) elections as protests against the elections continue to snowball.

There were a number of shocks on Monday when the nomination court sat.

Rylands Estate businessman, Mr Mohamed MD Parker, withdrew his nomination at the last minute, and the two

sitting Cape members on the council, the Rev E J. Mamkham and Mr Gopie Munsook did not come forward for nomination.

Three Rylands Estate/Gatesville businessmen will now contest the Cape Town vacancy.

The three candidates are Mr Gaifor Cassiem, a businessman, of Good Hope Manzil, of 13 Flat Road, Rylands Estate, Mr Abdul Ganie Mohamed, a director of companies, of 87, Mabel

Road, Rylands Estate, and Hassan Osman, a salesman, of 44 Shanti Crescent, Gatesville.

Another potential candidate, Mr Allie Ganie, withdrew his nomination on Monday morning.

There are 2 664 voters on the local voters' roll. The first steps towards countering the election in the Western Cape were taken last week when representatives from various organisations

formed an anti-SAIC committee. The committee was elected at a meeting in Rylands Estate last Tuesday night and will liaise with other anti-SAIC bodies formed in Natal and Transvaal.

The protest against the elections has reached large proportions in Transvaal and Natal.

At a recent meeting in Transvaal, more than 2 000 people voiced support for a call to boycott the elections.



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# Special SAIC votes can be cast

Mercury Reporter

THE first stages of voting for the South African Indian Council election on November 4 get under way today with the acceptance of special votes.

Mr Dixon Perumal, an electoral officer, said yesterday that voters unable to go to the polls on November 4 because of illness or being engaged in essential duties such as in hospitals, police or fire-fighting services, would qualify as special voters.

State employees performing election duties and those voters who will be looking after ill voters on polling day would also qualify as special voters.

He said special votes were acceptable at the offices of returning officers, magistrates, the Department of Internal Affairs, certain postmasters and appointed presiding officers.

The closing date for special votes is November 2.

Mr Perumal said the presiding officers for special votes would also make personal visits to hospitals and old-age

homes to receive votes from the ill and the aged.

Mr J B Patel, leader of the Democratic Party, which is fielding the largest number of candidates, said yesterday that four more independents had joined his party.

They are Mr Raman Bhana, who had been returned unopposed in the Port Elizabeth constituency, Dr A M Dhoodat, also of Port Elizabeth, Mr I C Dassoo and Mr Yusuf Bellim.

Meanwhile, the Anti-SAIC Movement's campaign for a boycott of the election is gaining momentum. A two-day con-



A BALLOT box for special votes in the election was sealed yesterday by Mr A J de Villiers, returning officer for the Sydenham electoral division. Witnessing the sealing are (left) Mr A G Joosab, a candidate for the constituency, and Mr Ebrahim Joosab and Mr Ebrahim Tarmahomed, election agents.

## from today

ference will be held in Durban this weekend where speakers will deliver papers informing the public why they should stay away from the election.

The conference will be opened by Mrs Albertina Sisulu, wife of Robben Island prisoner Mr Walter Sisulu, at St John's Hall, Rippon Road, Sydenham, on Saturday at 2.30 p.m.

St Anthony's Hall in Centenary Road will be the venue for the conference session on Sunday at 10 a.m.

# Praised for leaving President's Council

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**CHIEF GATSHA BUTHELEZI is delighted that his old friend and political associate, Mr Pat Poovalingam, has resigned from the President's Council.**

The resignation of Mr Pat Poovalingam has dealt a severe blow to the Prime Minister's initiatives to improving the image of apartheid.

Leaders of the South African Black Alliance said it now behoved other Indian and coloured members of the council to follow the example set by him.

The chairman of Saba, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi said he was 'very delighted' when he heard that his 'old friend and political associate' had kept to his promise of quitting the council within a year if African representation on the body had not been forthcoming.

'Mr Poovalingam has proved that belief of honesty among certain politicians and I wish to congratulate him on his stand,' Chief Buthelezi said.

Leader of the Labour Party, Mr Alan Hendrickse, also paid tribute to Mr Poovalingam's honesty and courage in stepping down from the council.

'I wish to congratulate Mr Poovalingam for this move. I hope the other members would be honest with themselves by following his example,' Mr Hendrickse said.

In his reaction to the resignation, the leader of the Reform Party, Mr Y S Chinsamy, said the decision was a clear test of Mr Poovalingam's courage of his convictions for the remaining members to follow.

'It now behoves the Lofty Adams and the Rajabs to demonstrate their repugnance of the exclusion of Africans from the consultative body,' Mr Chinsamy said.

Mr Chinsamy added that without Africans drawn into any programmes for constitutional reform and without the council enjoying any executive powers, the body would remain a non-starter.

Mr Poovalingam's resignation, besides embarrass-

## Poovalingam's last 100 days?

**PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL** man Pat Poovalingam last week started what could be his last 100 days as a member of that council.

It was Mr Poovalingam who stated when he was nominated to the council that unless Africans were included on the council within a year, he would resign. Africans have not been appointed and it doesn't seem likely that they will be.

It will be interesting to see how the 'Poovalingam option' will come to be exercised.

**CAPE HERALD last week asked when and under what circumstances President's Council man Pat Poovalingam would resign. We didn't have long to wait for an answer.**

ing Mr Botha's programme for constitution reform, has raised the prospect of the remaining coloured and Indian members to staging a similar walk out.

But Mr M Rajab said Mr Poovalingam's resignation would not alter his own position on the council.

'I am very sorry to see Mr Poovalingam resign, although it does not impinge on my membership. I persuaded him to remain because I believed he had a meaningful contribution to make on the constitutional committee,' Mr Rajab said.

Mr Poovalingam's resignation has raised widespread speculation on who is his successor is to be and among the names being bandied around are those of Durban attorney and editor of the Graphic, Mr Ranji S Nowbath, who is presently serving on the Government's Transport Commission, Mr Joe Carrim, former executive member of the Indian Council, and Professor Badia Ranchod dean of the faculty of law at the University of Durban-Westville and himself a constitutional expert.

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**'Dummy  
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THE South African Indian Council (SAIC) was a dummy apartheid organisation which would achieve nothing for the Indian community, in 100 years, a mass meeting in Pretoria's Laundrum was told last week

More than 1000 people who attended the anti-SAIC meeting at the local civic centre unanimously resolved to boycott the SAIC elections in November after a motion was put to them

The people also resolved 'to strive for a democratic South Africa free from racialism and exploitation'

The SAIC was slammed as a body created by the Government 'to serve the interests of the white minority and to deny us our legitimate rights'

In its 17 years it had failed to resolve the problems of the Indian people



**SAIC candidates fear disruption of meetings and embarrassment**

# The door-to-door election

Mercury Reporter

CANDIDATES in the November 4 general election of the South African Indian Council, plagued by fears of disruption of public meetings by anti-SAIC supporters and public em-barrassment, have now resorted to making door-to-door calls to rally support in the election.

This became clear during an interview with candidates as the jostle for positions on the new-look 45-member council got under way

With less than three weeks to go to polling day, canvassing for votes has begun in earnest with candidates and their election agents making personal visits to families in the evenings

In the absence of public meetings, it is difficult to gauge support for a particular candidate of either of the three contesting political groupings — the Democratic Party, National Federal Party and the Reform Party

Candidates said preference had been given to house calls rather than public meetings because of the risk of 'running into hot water'

**Reform Party member resigns to join opposition**

Mercury Reporter

MR Yunus Moolia, a former senior official of the Reform Party who was returned unopposed as a member of the Indian Council, has joined the Democratic Party.

Mr Moolia said yesterday that he decided to join the opposition party because its members were willing to allow open-minded discussions and favoured direct representation

They were referring to fears that supporters of the Anti-SAIC Movement might disrupt their meetings or publicly embarrass candidates for defying the movement's call to boycott the election as a demonstration of the community's total rejection of the SAIC

Candidates are, however, hopeful that voter resistance on polling day will be minimal because many said they had received 'whole-hearted support' in their respective constituencies

An underlying fear, though, among many candidates appears to be a low percentage poll — as was the case in the recent local affairs committee elections where in one constituency the poll was low 2.5 percent

Candidates claim that many voters have moved to settle in other areas and cannot be traced

at all levels of government.

Mr Y S Chinsamy, leader of the Reform Party, however, denied that Mr Moolia had officially quit the party

Mr Moolia has not notified the party in writing, but if he has joined the Democratic Party I wish him well,' Mr Chinsamy said, adding that he would not like to have fence-sitter belonging to the Reform Party.

Mr Moolia, who is an executive member of the SAIC, said he joined the Reform Party because he had been impressed with its aims and objectives.

'Now personalities and not policy seem to dominate the party, therefore I decided to quit,' he said

Mr Moolia said participation in the SAIC hinged on party politics, and the constitu-

Leading the field of political groupings in the election battle is the Democratic Party headed by Mr Jayantlal Bhalal Patel The party is fielding 19 candidates

The National Federal Party, whose policy is little-known, is putting up five candidates while another candidate has entered the race unofficially under the banner of the Reform Party, which is officially boycotting the election.

Mr Patel said in summing up his party's main standpoint 'The Democratic Party has always been consistent with its policies and has condemned the Group Areas Act and demanded its repeal

As for the Indian Council, it believes that it should be nothing more than a stepping stone, and a very short

tion of the Reform Party was structured on that basis

'Now the constitution of the Reform Party has been changed to prevent members of the party contesting the SAIC elections, Mr Chinsamy will be well advised to join the Natal Indian Congress, an organisation, which is also opposed to the Indian Council,' Mr Moolia said

one at that, to direct representation in Parliament

'Only full participation in Parliament will see an end to the various discriminatory laws and the recognition of all black people as human beings,' he said

Discussing his party's objectives, Mr Patel pointed out that the Democratic Party would aim to maintain and encourage cordial relations with all race groups without aligning itself with any particular group

'I shall co-operate with anyone in order to achieve an equitable sharing of political power and meaningful participation in the government of the day by means of consultation and dialogue'

He said the party recognised that each man, woman and child was a touchstone of value and as such the dignity and worth of the individual must be respected

and nurtured

'To this end the community individually and collectively must strive towards the laying of a firm foundation for a united South Africa'

In order to achieve the objective of attaining peace and prosperity for each citizen in the country, it was essential that a truly democratic form of government be established on an evolutionary process by consensus

This, he pointed out, could only be achieved by holding a national convention which would lead to direct representation for all races in Parliament

'Only in this manner an acceptable solution to the diverse problems facing our country can be found.

'In this process safeguards will have to be enshrined to protect the rights of minorities and to ensure that there is no domination by any one racial group over the other

'We believe that the time has arrived for the abolition of the local affairs committee system and replacement by the extension of the municipal franchise to Indians, coloureds and blacks

'This form of direct representation shall also be extended to the second tier of Government, namely, the Provincial Council,' he added

(Report by Marah Venglas, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)



# Snubbed

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## Retired educationist overlooked for top post

By Nagoor Bissett

DEEP-ROOTED division in the Indian community about the South African Indian Council has surfaced again with the Teachers' Association of South Africa — mouth piece of more than 7 000 Indian teachers — snubbing a top retired educationist because of his SAIC connection.

The association does not recognise the Indian Council and has overlooked an SAIC member, Mr R G Pillay, for its newly created post of honorary president — a position of honour for former presidents — although Mr Pillay was president of the association's predecessor, the Natal Indian Teachers' Society, before he became an inspector, and later chief inspector, of Indian education.

Two other former presidents, Dr A D Lazarus and Mr R S Naidoo were elected to the new post.

Mr Pat Samuels, the association's president, declined to comment yesterday but admitted that teachers saw Mr Pillay's membership of the SAIC as an embarrass-

ment in the face of the association's official stand against the Indian Council.

When Mr Pillay was first appointed to the SAIC by the Government earlier this year, the association wrote to him urging he should decline the appointment. Mr Pillay who was then the association's only surviving honorary vice president for life, flatly rejected the request.

Teachers said the association then summoned a special meeting and abolished the life vice-president's post, thus stripping Mr Pillay not only of his honorary position but also his ex-officio status in the association.

Mr Pillay is not a candidate for the new SAIC's November 4 election, but has been tipped to be chosen for appointment by the State President Mr Marais Viljoen as one of five nominated members.

Mr Pillay was not available for comment. He suffered a heart attack this week and was admitted to Durban's St Aidan's Hospital where he was said yesterday to be making excellent progress.

(Report by N Bissett, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)



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THE Minister of Internal Affairs has in terms of Section  
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# Hunt for missing voters in SAIC poll

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**'A serious setback for some candidates'**

By Nagoor Bissett

THE four-year-old voters' roll for the South African Indian Council was already so outdated that tracing missing voters for the council's first elections just under three weeks away was becoming a big headache, candidates claimed yesterday.

A candidate for the large Isipingo constituency, Mr Ebrahim Nizzi (Falcon) Khan, said that so far 800 of the letters he had sent to registered voters at addresses given in voters lists had been returned by the Post Office as the voters had moved to other areas.

'This can be a serious setback for some candidates, but we have the necessary machinery and are doing everything possible to trace all missing voters,' he said.

## Problems

However, with only 20 days to go to polling the tracing task was becoming something of a headache.

Other candidates reported similar problems.

The chairman of the SAIC, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, who is fighting Chatsworth's Arena Park constituency, said his canvassing had shown that nearly 35 percent of voters in his electoral division had since settled in other divisions, making the vot-

ers' roll outdated even before its very first use.

'If polling percentages are low on November 4, it will not be because of any campaigns by the Natal Indian Congress's Anti-SAIC Committee but because of the use of voters' lists that still have to be updated.

'This really is a headache election,' he said.

A spokesman for the Department of Internal Affairs said voters who had registered were expected to inform the department of any change of address, but it was up to candidates to look for their missing voters.

## Hope

Meanwhile, Mr J B Patel, leader of the Democratic Party which is fielding the most candidates in the election, has lashed out at the Reform Party, which is boycotting the election, and which he blamed for the present election and the resulting difficulties.

'It was the Democratic Party's hope that the present SAIC should die a natural death and that the Government would head the call for a national convention which would pave the way for direct representation in Parliament for all races.

'The Reform Party instead pressed for public elections and in doing so has entrenched the concept of representation through the SAIC for another five years.'

The Reform Party also told the Prime Minister at the time that it was geared for the election and had already set up its own election machinery in each of the 40 constituencies.

## Rejected

Mr Patel said the Reform Party seemed to be inconsistent and lacked political acumen — 'and it is no wonder that the party is plagued by personality clashes and resignations'.

Mr Yellan Chinsamy, leader of the Reform Party, rejected Mr Patel's charges, saying the Democratic Party 'appears to be out of step with the realities of present-day black politics'.

Mr Chinsamy said 'I had the guts to address public meetings up and down the country and on every occasion our people made it clear that in the light of the Government's commitment to white domination it is a waste of time even to try out an elected SAIC as a temporary political expedient'.

# Forced to resign over SAIC

C. Heard 17/8/81

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**PROMINENT** Rylands Estate businessman, Mr Cassiem Gaffoor, has been forced to resign as an executive member of the Western Cape Traders' Association (WCTA) following his involvement in Indian Council elections.

He has also quit as an ordinary member. WCTA The 2 000-strong issued an ultimatum to Mr Gaffoor at the week end: That he withdraw from the controversial elections or resign from the organisation. Had he refused to do either, he would have been expelled.

The WCTA said in a statement that it had no room for people who hold views such as Mr Gaffoor's. 'We wish to make it known that we do not support any of our members participating in any Government-created bodies such as Indian Councils, Man-

agement Committees, Local Affairs Committees, Community Councils or the like, the statement read. The WCTA wants nothing to do with the Indian Council elections and nothing less than taxation with representation is the final goal of the WCTA.

Mr Gaffoor could not be contacted for comment. Meanwhile, an anti-South African Indian Council election meeting was held in Cape Town Sunday. The organisers of the meeting have refused to issue a Press statement or to talk to the Press. ● See page 3.

# Support grows in anti-SAIC fight

C. Hoard 17/10/87 (258)

WITH less than a month to go for the South African Indian Council elections, no meetings have yet been called by the candidates contesting the seats.

On the other hand the forces opposing the SAIC have been holding countrywide meetings in a concerted effort to show the Government that the institution is rejected.

At an anti-Indian council rally in Durban at the weekend delegates from 89 organisations across the country gathered in the biggest demonstration so far of passive resistance to the SAIC.

Among those spearheading the attack on the Government-created body and its candidates was Mrs

Albertina Sisulu, wife of the secretary-general of the African National Congress.

Mrs Sisulu, who received a standing ovation, said she had no doubts of the Indian community reaffirming its stand against participation in 'dummy' institutions like the SAIC.

'Those standing and supporting the SAIC are not fighting for liberty. They are defending apartheid,' Mrs Sisulu said.

The anti-SAIC Committee gave notice of its bid to rally support in metropolitan Durban and areas within 100 kilometres of the city where 80 percent of the voters are concentrated.



# SAIC to 'continue the anti-apartheid fight'

RDM 19-10-81 By GERALD REILLY

THE newly-elected South African Indian Council would not be a stooge body as it would continue the unremitting fight against the Government's apartheid policy, a member of the SAIC executive, Mr I F H Mayet, said yesterday

He was commenting on the powerful opposition to the council from the Anti-South African Indian Council Committee, and particularly from younger Indians throughout the country

The council elections will take place on November 4

Those who claimed the council would be a Government-collaborating institution — a compliant stooge body — were ignoring the record of those who would serve on it

From the platform created by the council Indian leaders would have the opportunity of highlighting the grievances of the Indian community

But if the new dispensation which was expected to emerge next year from the investigations of the President's Council, was apartheid dressed up in a different garb members of the council would have to reconsider their positions

Mr Mayet said it would be naive and foolish to ignore the fact that most young Indians were totally opposed to any Government-created institution

He appealed to the youth to wait and see what the new dispensation had to offer the Indian community before making a final judgment

## Mayet asks opponents to fight the election

Mr Mayet said the new council would have won overriding objectives — full citizenship status for Indians, with equal representation in one central parliament

The fight against discriminatory legislation such as the Group Areas Act and other legislation which entrenched the under-privileged status of all black people, would be continued without compromise and with increasing intensity

Mr Mayet appealed to the anti-SAIC groups to withdraw their opposition to the council and nominate candidates

### Protests

"Even in the old partly-elected council we registered continual protests against the apartheid policy and this will continue with greater force because we will be a representative body"

# Council takes legal opinion on 'anti' posters

By Nagoor Bissetty

DURBAN City Council is taking legal opinion on whether it is legally competent to allow posters to be put up in public places calling on Indians to boycott the first national elections next month for the controversial South African Indian Council.

This was disclosed yesterday by a senior spokesman for the City Engineer's Department after an application to the department by the Natal Indian Congress for the necessary permission to erect anti posters.

The congress claimed the department had rejected the application by the Anti-SAIC Committee for poster permission, and said the Congress had referred the matter to its own lawyers with a view to challenging the City Council.

'We are naturally angry, but we're neither disappointed nor deterred,' Mr M J Naidoo, the NIC's senior

vice-chairman, who is also chairman of the Anti SAIC Committee, said.

'This is a simple matter of SAIC candidates putting up posters calling for votes and the Anti-SAIC Committee using its posters urging voters not to vote.

While the candidates have been given permission to erect posters on municipal property, we have been denied this,' he said.

Mr Naidoo said 'We want to use the posters as a means to voice our objection, but by throwing out our application the City Council is in effect denying us an opportunity.'

Durban's Town Clerk Gordon Haggarth was not available for comment yesterday but a spokesman for the City Engineer's Department said he was surprised the NIC had already been informed of the outcome of its application, the council's legal advisers were still considering the matter.

(Report by N Bissetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

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# Bitter row over plan to close down renowned college

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A BITTER row has broken out in the Indian community over Government moves to close down one of Natal's oldest Indian educational institutions, Sastri College, at the end of the year.

Plans for the shutdown of the 50-year-old college — founded by the late Sir Strinivasa Sastri, first Agent-General in South Africa of the Government of India, — were outlined to the education committee at a special meeting yesterday convened by Mr R L Pienaar, a Department of Indian Education planner.

Parents were informed that the nearly 400 pupils would be transferred to schools nearer their homes. For children from the central Durban area a free bus service to other schools

would be provided.

Mrs Pat Pillay, a parent, said Mr Pienaar had also told them that the existing building would be renovated at a considerable cost and converted into a training centre for children and adults.

'It's a sheer waste of money. The building is still in good shape and does not need extensive renovations. All it requires is paint.'

'If the Government is finding it uneconomical to run the college with an enrolment of 400 pupils we are prepared to take over and run it as a multiracial private college,' she said.

Mr Pienaar said Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, would make a statement on the issue today.



# Council says no to anti-election posters

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## Natal Indian Congress asks for legal opinion on ruling

By NAGOOOR BISETTY

THE Natal Indian Congress campaign to discourage Indians from taking part in next month's first South African Indian Council elections suffered a setback yesterday when the Durban City Council officially refused permission to put up anti-SAIC posters in public places.

Town Clerk Gordon Haygarth said the City Engineer's Department had rejected the congress's application for permission because the department felt the Anti-SAIC Committee's posters did not meet the requirements of the relevant bylaw concerning election poster advertising.

He said legal opinion was that an election poster must have as its object the furthering of an activity — in this case voting for the Indian Council —

and because the congress's posters would not do this they could not be allowed on municipal property. The posters call on voters not to vote for the Indian Council.

Mr Yunus Mohammed, a spokesman for the congress, said it did not agree with the city council's interpretation of the bylaw and had asked its lawyers to seek counsel's opinion.

Meanwhile, with only 14 days to go for the controversial November 4 polling, canvassing by supporters of the Indian Council as well as by its opposition is livening up with more door-to-door visits to homes of registered voters and delivery of thousands of pro- and anti-election pamphlets in voters' postboxes.

Like the legendary Oliver Twist, Indians should take what they get in the

way of political gains and ask for more, says a candidate in his manifesto

In an obvious reference to the congress's stand, he says 'all or nothing' political demands are not the answer to the community's political aspirations, and Indian politicians would do well to pursue demands for equal rights and opportunities after consolidating achievements.

Another candidate says he 'firmly undertakes' to strive for the repeal of all discriminatory legislation, including the Group Areas Act, while another candidate says in his manifesto he should be voted into office because his name is a household word in the area where he lives.

'Vote for the man with the human touch,' says a candidate's manifesto

while another candidate declares that a vote for him will not only be a vote against apartheid but also for direct say in Parliament and improved living conditions.

While most candidates claim in their manifestos that they are 'dynamic personalities' and deserve to be elected, one emphasises that he is a friend of the poor and used to help parents in the early days to register their babies by post.

A young and ambitious candidate says in his manifesto that if he were elected he will not only leave no stone unturned in his desire to bring about a better South Africa but will also use his dynamism and integrity to fuel his efforts to greater heights to overcome apparently insurmountable (political) hurdles.

# Why I'm standing for the Indian Council

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SIR, — I know that my decision to stand in this election may not be very popular with a certain section of people, but this does not mean that my decision is not right. As pragmatist and realist, I believe that we should make the best possible use of every opportunity that presents itself to obtain peaceful political change in the Republic.

This is where I differ with certain elements in the total non-white political spectrum because I know that boycotts and negative confrontation will not solve any problems for anybody. People who believe otherwise must realise and admit that violence is the natural result of boycotts and confrontation. To say that you believe in boycotts and confrontation is to say that you believe in and advocate violence as the best way of achieving change. This, in turn, demands that you stop pretending and start doing that which you profess to believe. If you cannot do this, then you are a political fraud.

Change must come. I agree with this entirely. But we must concern ourselves with the shape and direction of that change. If we do not, then we would be guilty of abandoning our responsibility towards future genera-

tions. In other words, we must make optimum use of all available instruments to influence the shape and direction of political change.

This can only be done by people who are prepared to do so, by people who can view the present and the future of our people in a realistic and pragmatic manner. I am prepared to talk to the devil himself if I know and believe that I can achieve something for our sons and daughters. This can never be done by standing on the side-lines and adopting a boycott stance.

I see the SAIC as one of the steps along the road to political parity and social justice. If we do not make use of this instrument, then we are, in fact, dealing ourselves out of the political debate and abandoning our right to make a meaningful contribution towards the future well-being of this country and its people.

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I share the same ideals as the boycotters. I want the same things for my children that the negativists want for theirs. But sitting on the sidelines and boycotting will never achieve those things.

I am prepared to make use of the SAIC — with all its limitations — to try to achieve this. And I am more than willing to share the fruit of such labour with those who now condemn me.

Without the SAIC, where would we state our case? Who would speak for us? And most important of all, who would they speak to? Chief Gatsha Buthelezi said it the other day — that every opportunity that presents itself should be used to serve the interests of the people.

The real possibility is that the SAIC can be used to do just this, that it can and will be used — by people like myself — as a lever to influence the shape of change.

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# Khan's lawyers demand an apology

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MR Dawood Khan, chairman of the Western Cape Traders' Association (WCTA), has sent Rylands businessman, Mr Mohamed MD Parker, a lawyer's letter demanding an apology.

The letter refers to selection of candidates for the South African Indian Council elections on November 4.

Mr Gopie Munsook, a

former member of the SAIC, Mr Khan and Mr Parker and three candidates in the election, Mr Gafoor Cassiem, Mr Abdul Gamie Mohamed and Mr Hassan Osman have been involved in a dispute.

Mr Khan said this week that Mr Parker had suggested in statements that he (Mr Khan) attempted to influence people to cast

a vote against Mr Munsook, who is a Hindu. Mr Khan was alleged to have attended a meeting at Mr Parker's house on September 26, where the three candidates were chosen.

After reports in the weekend papers, Mr Khan said "These allegations are untruthful. My political persuasions are well

known I am against the Government and non-religious.

Mr Munsook said on Monday "If I had stood in this elections I would have won hands down. But when I heard that they were trying to use Kokanie Muslims against all others to get their candidates, I decided not to have anything to do with these elections.

"These guys with their sectarianism make the HNP look like angels. People like this divided India and I feel that religion is too sacred to be banded about to get in the SAIC."

Mr Parker said on Monday that he was studying the matter and would comment later.

Mr M (MD) Parker



# SAIC poll faces echo of 1955

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**JOHANNESBURG**  
More than 2 000 people unanimously passed a resolution at an anti-South African Indian Council meeting at Ghandi Hall last week endorsing the demands set out in the Freedom Charter

'No Government can justly claim authority unless it is based on the will of the people,' said executive member of the anti-SAIC Committee, Mr Nazeem Pahad

'And the Freedom Charter represents the aspirations of all the people of South Africa'

He described it as a 'living and dynamic document'

It was adopted in Klip-town at the congress of the people in 1955 by more than 3 000 delegates from throughout the country,' said Mr. Pahad

'Those demands still exist today and the Freedom Charter therefore still represents the aspirations of our people. We therefore call for a total rejection of the SAIC'

## BASIS

Mr Pahad said only a democratic South Africa based on the Freedom Charter was acceptable

Mr Galeb Cachalia, a member of the anti-SAIC Committee, also came out strongly in support of the Freedom Charter. 'It is the only document which has the mandate of all people irrespective of race or status,' he said

Mr Cachalia dismissed the SAIC as 'a shameful pretence at representation' and said it was nothing but an extension of apartheid

'The SAIC is unrepresentative, powerless body,' he said. 'The only alternative is true representation for everybody. We want more than crumbs'

Vice-President of the Anti-SAIC Committee, Dr. Rashid Salojee, said acceptance of the SAIC would mean 'Autonomy in chains'

'We are interested in total liberation,' said

Salojee. 'And, he argued, change would not come through the SAIC but through resistance and international pressure'

Dr Salojee said the Anti-SAIC Committee had addressed more than 12 000 people in the Eastern and Northern Transvaal. 'At each meeting people have taken a resounding decision not to support the SAIC,' he said

## NO MEETINGS

Mr Zac Jacob executive member of the Natal Anti-SAIC Committee and chairman of the Democratic Lawyers Association, said none of the SAIC candidates had yet called a public meeting

'How can they even begin to represent the people,' he asked

'You can't build a democracy on a totally undemocratic foundation'

He said for this reason the SAIC elections would be 'an utterly miserable failure'

**SOLIDARITY WITH AFRICANS SHOWS INDIANS' GRASSROOTS REJECTION OF GRAND APARTHEID**

THE boycott of the South African Indian Council election on November 4 — the first general election in the council's 17 years — has very little to do with the election itself

It has developed into a high-powered protest against apartheid in which Black protest groups, including radical trade unions, are also involved.

With a mandate based on the Kliptown Freedom Charter of 1955, the movement is drawing in anti-Government activists of all races, including many who were formerly involved in the old South African Indian Congress

This has come out clearly during the last 10 days at meetings of the Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee in the Gandhi Hall, Johannesburg, and in Actonville, Benoni

There were visible signs of Black involvement, such as frequent shouts of the solidarity (formerly the Black Power) slogan, fists waving in salute, and the singing of "Nkosi Sikelele Afrika"

At all meetings, speakers are introduced with a recital of their "sacrifices for freedom" — banning, detention, imprisonment — and references "our brothers in exile"

"There is no doubt that some of us will be banned before the election," a speaker said at one meeting, and there was a murmur of stoical sympathy through the hall

Photographs of former leaders of the protest — Chief Albert Luthuli among them — were displayed at meetings, and frequent mention was made of early Congress leaders

A meeting in Actonville was addressed by Miss Mamabel Sita, daughter of former SAIC congressman Mr Nana Sita, and by Monde Salojee, former Transvaal president of the SAIC

Speakers at packed anti-SAIC gatherings, held countrywide during the past two months, have repeatedly said the protest will not end with the election but must be seen as an ongoing fight against apartheid

And they they made it clear that although strategy was still being worked out for a long-term attack on apartheid, the lines were being drawn by involving grassroots support from all-race organisations involved in the boycott of the anti-Republic Festival earlier this year

It was also been made clear that constitutional plans evolved by the President's Council were doomed from the start as far as the anti-SAIC movement was concerned

This was made clear by the main speaker at one of the meetings, Mr Zakariah Yacoob of Durban

"Let us make clear to them that this, too, will be rejected. That we see this, too, as a ploy. That we want to participate in a Parliament elected by all the people of South Africa with an equal sharing of land, of resources, of power," he said

Signs that the protest was aimed at apartheid were plastered on the walls. Placards read "A vote for the SAIC is a vote for apartheid" "Voetsaic" ("Voetsak") "Timol died 27 10 71 — Don't

SAIC election is whirlpool of Black protest

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By JEANLE MAY Political Reporter

forget" "Don't let them SAIC (psyche) you into voting"

Black trade unionists were at several meetings to urge support for the Wilson-Rowntree boycott, while many young people in the audience wore vivid yellow stickers reading "We don't eat Wilson-Rowntree"

At the halls where meetings were held young men walked about selling cassettes with "freedom song" recordings at R5 a time

Chairing last week's meeting in the Gandhi Hall, Johannesburg, Dr Essop Jassat, chairman of the Transvaal anti-SAIC committee, cautioned people against the rumours being spread by SAIC candidates that "you can be fined R200 to R400 for not voting"

"Ignore them — the ballot will be secret, as far we know," he said

Boos and laughter were the response

There were three reasons why candidates were standing for election, he went on. They were mentally deficient (laughter), they wanted to be photographed wearing garlands with the Prime Minister and Mr Pik Botha, or they wanted the money

Mr Naseem Pahad, the movement's PRO, read the Freedom Charter adopted by the Kliptown Congress of People on June 26, 1955

The atmosphere in the hall was quiet, almost prayerful, as he added "This living and dynamic document, which some people say is simple and naive, still represents the aspirations of the people"

Mr Ghalib Cachalia — scion of a family which had been in the fore of protest for generations — is a smooth-faced, almost cherubic young man who started his speech apologetically

"Our youth has been active while many of our

elders have been silent — er, silenced," he said, and a gale of laughter acknowledged the tactful rebuke

"Those who say 'Yes' to the SAIC must remember that Africans are in a majority in this country, and that those with the longest memory are those who have been most wronged"

Mr Yacoob, who is chairman of the Democratic Lawyers' Congress and a member of the Natal Anti-SAIC Committee, gave a precise analysis of the election issues delivered with the aplomb and in the accents of an Oxford don

The SAIC was created by the Government to ensure that apartheid was perpetuated, he said

The Nationalists were well aware that the people wanted a say in the Government — "so they are giving us some sort of share and they hope we will be fooled by it"

"But by participating in it we shall be betraying our African brothers and sisters, our Coloured brothers and sisters," he said

"The Government say they are working towards a democracy — but they should first ask the people how they want to be represented"

"By participating in their election we shall be participating in a body designed to divide people instead of uniting them"

"The next clever thing for them to do, when the Indian and Coloured councils have failed, is to give us a vote in a White, Indian and Coloured Parliament"

"Let us make it clear to them that we shall reject that too"

The 700-strong audience yelled its approval, with shouts and whistles and thunderous stamping of feet

Mr Yacoob — who is blind — acknowledged the applause with a slight smile

He listened intently to the reaction of his unseen audience as if he were, at last, hearing the answer to a question he had been asking for a very long time



# Krog says school programme is proof of concern

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By Mariah Vengtas

MR Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, says that his department's accelerated school building programme is proof that it was concerned with the welfare of Indian pupils

Officially opening the East London Secondary School, he said since January last year 37 new schools had been completed as well as additions to three schools at a total cost of R22 million.

There are 36 schools under construction while additions are under way at 12 others at a cost of R39 million

By April 1982 it is expected that a start will be made with a further 56 major projects which are in an advanced stage of planning, he said, pointing out that no matter how effective the buildings might be, it was the spirit created within the walls of the school that mattered most

Mr. Krog said the task of the school was to prepare the child mentally to master the tools of learning

This is a professional and specialised task for which teachers have been specially prepared

The school, however, has another important role to fulfil. If it is to serve youth effectively it must develop the child as a whole and not only his mental aspect

In other words, it must prepare him emotionally, morally, spiritually and socially as well as to live with others in a modern and changing society and to meet the challenges of life



# Indian Council poll 'in jeopardy'

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — The government's decision not to return Pageview to the Indian community has jeopardized next month's controversial SA Indian Council elections

Already at least four candidates have withdrawn as a direct result of the decision, and others are reported to be under heavy pressure from the community to pull out

And the 140 Indian families still in Pageview say they will resist the government's decision to keep the suburb white — by not budging

About 40 residents, some representing up to three families, decided at a weekend meeting to resist forced

removal under the Group Areas Act under any circumstances

A number of candidates to the council, community leaders and executive members of the SAIC said yesterday that the government had strengthened the hand of groups campaigning for a boycott of the polls

The elections on November 4 are the first in the SAIC's 17 years history. Previously, members have been nominated by the government or only partly elected

Reaction at the weekend to the government's announcement that it would not accept a President's Council recommendation to give Pageview back to the Indians included

● Four candidates — two of them sitting members of

the SAIC — announced they wanted no part in the election. They are, Mr Ismael Mayet, a candidate for Fordsburg, Mr Ebrahim Abramjee, who was elected unopposed in Laudium on nomination day last month, Mr Abdus-Samad Abdulkader, a candidate in Lenasia East, and Mr H I Mohammed, a candidate in Isipingo, Natal

● Mr Mayet, who has been on the SAIC for 13 years, and Mr Abramjee, leader of the SAIC in the Transvaal, also announced their immediate resignations. Although it is too late for the four men to withdraw officially from the election, they intend to resign immediately if elected next month

● Mr Salem Abram-Mayet, a member of the President's Council and former executive member of the SAIC, said the government's decision might cause moderates to "give up in despair". The government had not budged an inch. All it had done was to legitimize the *de facto* situation of Fordsburg and environs which was already an Indian area

● The chairman of the SAIC, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said the government's announcement could do as much harm to the elections as he believed the "R20 diet" statement by Dr L A P A Munnik had done to the National Party just before the April General Election. But he believed the door was not closed on Pageview. Possibly, some time in the future, the Indians would still get it back

● The chairman of the SAIC executive, Mr J B Patel, said he would send a telegram to the Prime Minister today expressing the SAIC executive's disappointment at the decision

● The leader of the Indian Reform Party and former member of the SAIC executive, Mr Yellan Chinsamy, said the government had driven the final nail into the coffin of the SAIC

● Mr Abe Choonara, a member of the Lenasia management committee and a candidate for the election, said he would urge those elected to the SAIC to close it down from within

● Meanwhile, a Cape Town candidate in next month's SAIC elections, Mr Cassiem Gaffoor, yesterday announced his withdrawal from the elections

Mr Gaffoor, a director of companies, last night confirmed that he had withdrawn as a candidate, but said he would give his reasons today

# Govt decision a threat to SAIC election

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By CHRIS FREIMOND

THE Government's decision not to return Pageview to the Indian community could seriously threaten next month's controversial SA Indian Council elections.

Already at least four candidates have withdrawn as a direct result of the decision, and others are reported to be under heavy pressure from the community to pull out.

A number of candidates, community leaders and executive members of the SAIC, said yesterday, the Government had strengthened the hand of groups campaigning for a boycott of the polls.

The November 4 elections are the first in the SAIC's 17-year history.

Anti-SAIC committees have been formed in Natal and the Transvaal to urge a stayaway next month.

They are campaigning under black consciousness and anti-apartheid banners, and are attracting growing support, particularly among younger community members.

## Reaction

Reaction yesterday to the Government's announcement that it would not accept a President's Council recommendation to give Pageview back to the Indians included:

- Four candidates, two of them sitting members of the SAIC, announced they wanted no part in the election. They are, Mr Ismael Mayet, a candidate for Fordsburg, Mr Ebrahim Abramjee, who was elected unopposed in Laudium on nomination day last month, Mr Abdus-Samad Abdul-Kader, a candidate in Lenasia East, and Mr H I Mohammed, a candidate in Isipingo, Natal.
- Mr Mayet, who has been on the SAIC for 13 years, and Mr Abramjee, leader of the SAIC in the Transvaal, also announced their immediate resignations from the SAIC. Although it is too late for the four men officially to withdraw from the election, if they are elected next month they will immediately resign.
- Mr Mayet said his initial optimism in the President's Council had been shattered. Its credibility had been destroyed.

## Muslim unity

- Mr Abdul-Kader said the Pageview decision together with the mounting opposition to the elections by Muslim organisations had compelled him to withdraw for the sake of Muslim unity.

- Mr Salem Abram-Mayet, a member of the President's Council and former executive member of the SAIC, said the Government's decision might cause moderates to "give up in despair".
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# Indian council crisis: Urgent appeal to Botha

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — The fate of the SA Indian Council hung in the balance last night and could depend on the Prime Minister's response to an urgent request to reverse the government's decision on Pageview.

The SAIC executive committee (Exco) made the request in a telex to Mr P W Botha yesterday and is awaiting a reply.

It asked Mr Botha to reverse the cabinet decision not to give back Pageview and District Six to the Indian and coloured communities, and also to meet with the Exco urgently to discuss the issue.

A meeting scheduled for yesterday of nine Transvaal members of the SAIC was postponed until the government's response to the Exco request was known.

It is reliably understood

that the nine members would have been asked at the meeting to resign from the SAIC and to withdraw as election candidates.

It is possible that the wave of protest from the Indian community following the Pageview decision and the harm it is likely to do to the elections next Wednesday will be discussed at today's weekly cabinet meeting in Cape Town.

At least five candidates, two of them from Cape Town, have pulled out of the election.

Mr Cassiem Gaffoor and Mr Osman Hassan issued a joint statement in Cape Town yesterday which read "The message coming through to us is that the people are not really interested in ethnic representation, but want a share in the decision-making machinery via non-racial representation in the central

parliament."

They said the government's decision on District Six had "caused us to reconsider our stand completely and we now find that it would be morally wrong to carry on with this campaign."

"If this is the sort of reaction that we can expect from the government, then there is very little reason to hope that the SAIC can actually achieve something at grass-roots level."

"The credibility of the President's Council is already being compromised. What price the credibility of the people who serve in the SAIC?"

The two men said they were "prepared to work for meaningful change outside

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the obvious limitations of the SAIC"

At least one SAIC member, Mr Ismail Mayet, who was a candidate for Fordsburg, Johannesburg, has resigned from the council and withdrawn from the election.

Two other candidates — one in Isipingo, Natal — have also withdrawn. Mr Dennis Pillay, a member of the SAIC and a candidate for Lenasia West, gave health reasons for his decision to withdraw.

Meanwhile, the leader of the SAIC in the Transvaal, Mr Boetie Abramjee, said that while he had not resigned from the SAIC or withdrawn as the unopposed candidate in Laudium, Pretoria, the whole question of resignations and withdrawals would be debated at a meeting of SAIC members after the government's reply to the Exco telex.

The executive chairman of the SAIC, Mr J B Patel, said in the telegram to the Prime Minister that Mr Botha had had aroused great expectations and hope in many people two years ago when he had warned whites of the need for change — and also through his creation of the President's Council.



# Mohamed won't resign from PC over Dist 6

Staff Reporter

ON September 16 Dr Ghoesain Mohamed, Cape Town medical practitioner and member of the President's Council, stood up in the council to warn his 59 colleagues that the PC's recommendations on District Six and Pageview would perpetuate "the evils of the Group Areas Act"

On Friday the government rejected the bulk of the PC's recommendations for the return of District Six to the coloured citizens of Cape Town and the return of Pageview in Johannesburg to the Indian community

Today Dr Mohamed is keeping his options open as far as resigning from the body is concerned

He said yesterday that he would not resign following the government's "partial" rejection of the first set of recommendations to emanate from the PC

However, he emphasized that rejection of the proposals was a "reflection of the government's ignorance of the true aspirations of people who are not white"

## Options

"At this stage I do not think I will resign. I have threatened to resign before, but I did qualify this by saying I was keeping my options open. I am reviewing my position from time to time."

He pointed out that he opposed the PC's recommendations on District Six and Pageview on the grounds that they were couched in terms of acceptance of the principle of racially-separate residential areas — implicit in the Group Areas Act

"But that does not exclude me from being a member of the President's Council," he adds

"I do not think one should view the partial jettisoning of the council's proposals in isolation. I think one should look at the question in its totality. What are the objectives of the PC? To work out a constitutional dispensation for all the people of South Africa

"I would like to be party to drafting the final constitutional recommendations — and there is no way I can be part of it outside the council"

He pointed out that opposition MP's had not resigned from Parliament on the grounds of repeated rejection by the government of their proposals

"Why must we resign? We have a role to play in the council even though we cannot equate ourselves with the opposition. The government has the power to legislate and we on the council fulfil a purely advisory role. It is up to the government to

do what it wants with the proposals. Our hands and our consciences must be clear"

On September 16, during debate in the council, Dr Mohamed spoke out against the proposals formulated by a joint committee of the PC — on the grounds that they would perpetuate "the evils of the Group Areas Act" and would meet with rejection from most "non-racist and right-thinking South Africans"

Asked how he felt when he stood alone to voice his opposition, he said "Standing alone there facing 59 members of the council I never forget that I have 25-million people behind me. I cannot claim to speak for them, but I feel they would agree with me in calling for open residential areas. That gives me strength"

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# Future of Indians: PM holds the key

By CHRIS FREIMOND

THE fate of the SA Indian Council was hanging last night on the Prime Minister's response to an urgent request to reverse the Government's decision on Pageview

The council's executive committee made the request in a telex to Mr P W Botha yesterday and is awaiting a reply

It asked Mr Botha to reverse the Cabinet decision not return Pageview and District Six to the Indian and coloured communities and to meet the council urgently to discuss the issue

A meeting of nine council members scheduled for yesterday was postponed until the Government responded

It is reliably understood that the nine

would have been asked at the meeting to resign from the council and to withdraw as election candidates

It is possible that the wave of protest from Indians since the Pageview decision and the harm it is likely to do to the elections next Wednesday will be discussed at today's weekly Cabinet meeting in Cape Town

One SAIC member — Fordsburg, Johannesburg, candidate Mr Ismail Mayet — has resigned from the council and withdrawn from the election

Three other candidates — one in Isipingo, Natal, and two in the Cape — have also withdrawn

Another member of the SAIC and of the Lenasia Management Committee, and a candidate for Lenasia West, Mr Dennis Pillay, withdrew from the election yesterday for health reasons

Another member of the Lenasia Management Committee, Mr Said Mia, resigned from the committee in protest at the Pageview decision and other "frustrations"

SAIC leader in the Transvaal, Mr Boetie Abramjee, said he had postponed yesterday's urgent meeting of members because he understood the executive council's request was receiving attention from the Government

## Debated

Mr Abramjee said while he had not resigned from the SAIC or withdrawn as the unopposed candidate in Laudium, Pretoria, the whole question of resignations and withdrawals would be debated at a meeting of SAIC members after the Government's reply to the telex

The telex said the Prime Minister's statement two years ago that whites would have to "change or die", and the creation of the President's Council had given hope for peaceful change

But the decision on Pageview and District Six had "destroyed the faith and hope" many people had for the future

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**F**OR nearly two years the Government has pulled out all the stops to ensure next month's elections for the South African Indian Council are successful

A massive registration drive — including threats to prosecute those who did not register — netted about 80% of the 400 000 eligible voters

The authorities have done their utmost to encourage candidates and to assist them in every possible way in the face of powerful anti-SAIC committees which are urging a boycott of the polls

It is therefore ironic that a seemingly unrelated move by the Government itself has almost certainly doomed the election to failure

The decision to ignore a recommendation of the President's Council and not to return Pageview to the Indian community has achieved more than the anti-SAIC committees up to now

It has caused candidates to quit the election and a staunch supporter of the SAIC to resign from the council — and there are strong indications that more members will resign this week

The Government's decision is also likely to unite the Indian community firmly behind the anti-SAIC groups. The expected high stayaway due to apathy is now likely to be a stayaway due to awareness and support for the boycott call

The executive committee of the SAIC has sent a telex to the Prime Minister urging him to reverse the Pageview decision and requesting an urgent interview

At least one member of the SAIC executive, Mr Ismail Mayet of Johannesburg, has resigned from the council after serving for 13 years

Condemnation of the decision by Indian community leaders has been widespread and overwhelming

A number of candidates for the election on November 4 have withdrawn

## Resign

Although their names will still appear on the ballot papers, they are expected to resign immediately if they are elected

Others are reported to be seriously considering withdrawing, and some are under tremendous pressure from the community to pull out

The Prime Minister's response to the SAIC executive committee telex could be crucial if the Government wants to save the elections

The leader of the SAIC in the Transvaal, Mr Ebrahim Abramjee, has postponed a meeting of the remaining nine Transvaal SAIC members until after the Prime Minister's reply

## 'Shattered'

The meeting was scheduled for yesterday and most of the members were expected to resign

Mr Mayet, who has fought to convince Indians that the SAIC had a meaningful role to play in their affairs, said he was "shattered" by the Government's decision

His initial optimism for the President's Council had been destroyed. There was nothing left for him to do but withdraw from public life

Mr Salam Abram-Mayet, a member of the President's Council and former executive member of the SAIC, said the Government's decision may cause moderates to "give up in despair"

## 'Dumbfounded'

He was "dumbfounded" by the decision. The Government had not budged an inch, it had conceded nothing

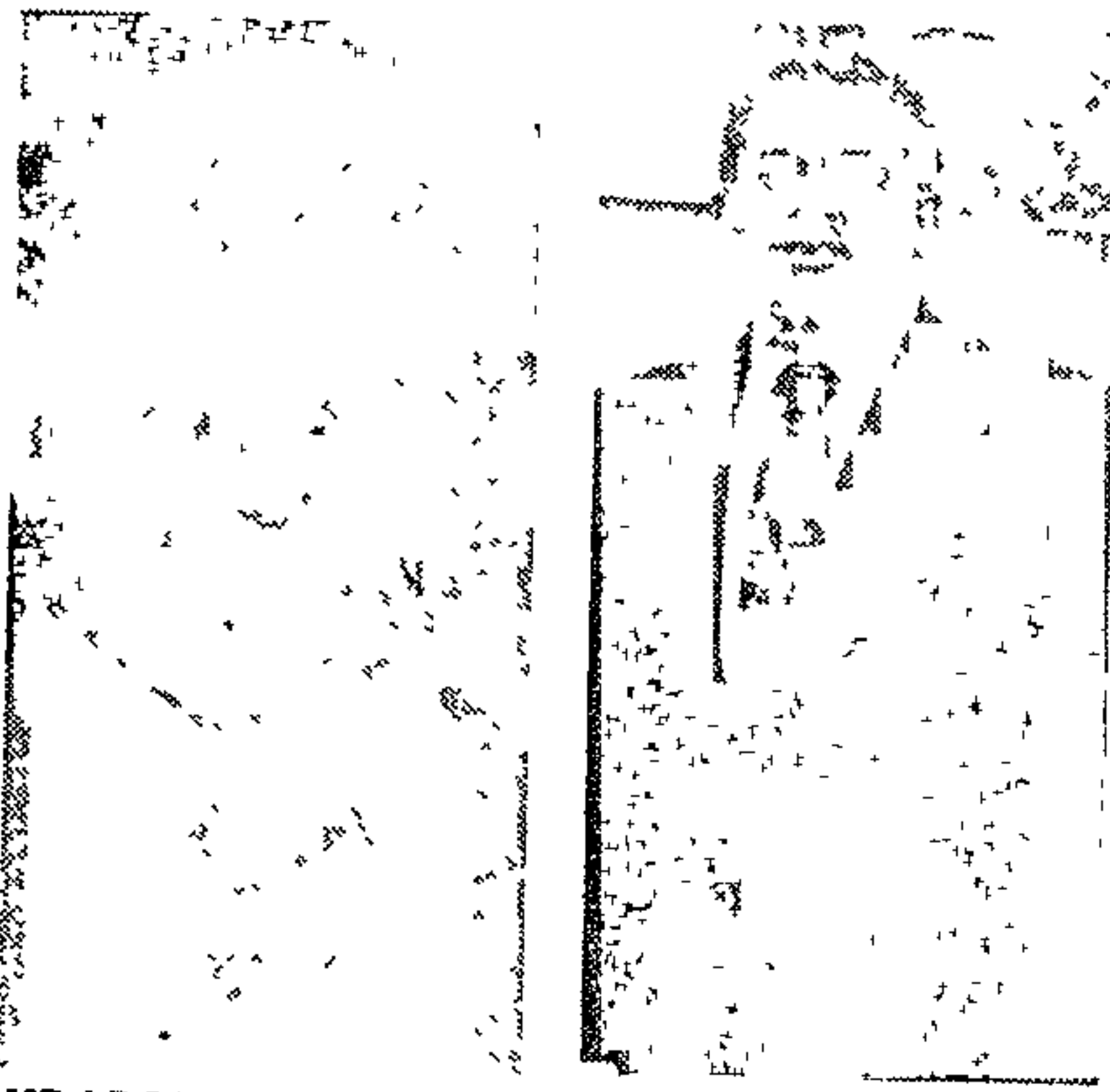
All it had done was to legitimise the de facto situation of Fordsburg and environs which was already an Indian area

Mr Abram-Mayet said he sat on the joint committee of the President's Council which investigated Pageview. The recommendation was based on thorough research and all considerations were taken into account

Pageview had a symbolic and emotional significance. It had been an Indian area from the turn of the century, if the Government had given even a portion of the area back to the Indians it would have been seen as a concessionary and reconciliatory step, he said

If the recommendations of a body like the President's Council — most of whose members had

# Pageview hangs like an axe over SAIC poll



MR J B PATEL  
SAIC executive chairman

MR ISMAIL MAYET  
resigning after 13 years

**The Government's decision not to return Pageview to the Indian community has posed the biggest threat so far to the success of next month's controversial elections for the South African Indian Council. Political Reporter CHRIS FREIMOND looks at the widespread and angry reaction to the move**

National Party leanings — on an issue of righting a wrong within the scope of the Group Areas Act could not be implemented, in toto, then there was little hope of the SAIC influencing change in South Africa, Mr Abram-Mayet said

The chairman of the SAIC, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said the Government's announcement could do as much harm to the elections as the "R20-diet" statement by Dr L A P A Munnik did to the National Party just before the April General Election

But he believed the door was not closed on Pageview. Possibly, some time in the future, the Indians would still get it back, he said

The chairman of the SAIC executive, Mr J B Patel, said the decision to virtually reject a President's Council recommendation did not augur well for the future

He had "very high hopes" that Pageview and District Six would be returned to the Indian and coloured communities, particularly as this was recommended by the President's Council

The Indian community would not accept the decision and would continue to press for the return of Pageview

## Battling

In the meantime, the move would greatly hamper the efforts of SAIC election candidates who were already battling against heavy odds, he said

The leader of the Indian Reform Party and former member of the SAIC executive, Mr Yellan

Chinsamy, said the Government had driven the final nail into the coffin of the SAIC

The decision would cause people to lose all faith in the Government

Mr Abdus-Samad Abdul-Kader, who withdrew as a candidate in the Lenasia East constituency, said the Pageview decision together with mounting opposition to the elections by Muslim organisations had compelled him to withdraw for the sake of Muslim unity

The Government's decision was an assault on the hopes and aspirations of all black South Africans, he said

Mr Abie Choonara, a member of the Lenasia management committee and a candidate for the election in the Lenasia West constituency, said he would urge those elected to the SAIC to close it down from within

He was reluctant to withdraw from the election because the Government would then merely appoint members. His opponent, Mr Dinkie Pillay, has expressed similar views

## Dismay

All over the country Indian communities have greeted the Pageview decision with disappointment and dismay

While there has been wide speculation on the real reasons for the decision not to hand Pageview back to the Indians, the Government clearly did not anticipate such a backlash

It will obviously have to move fast in the face of growing anger if it is to save the SAIC for which it has worked so hard



**PW slaps down**

**Pageview appeal**

By CHRIS FREIMOND and ANNE SACKS

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authority in South Africa.  
Furthermore, if you want an interview with the Government you can approach the responsible Minister of Internal Affairs through the correct channels.

"In conclusion, I wish to point out to you that the South African Indian community in general is living under better conditions than most other Indian communities in the world and a more positive attitude on your behalf could improve their conditions.

"It is a well-known fact that other Indian communities in Africa are urging us to open doors for them to come to South Africa.

"If conditions are so bad in this country, how do you explain this fact?"

The chairman of the SAIC Exco, Mr. J. B. Patel, said Mr Botha's comparison of Indian communities in South Africa with those elsewhere was "puerile".

Mr Ismail Mayet, who resigned from the Exco last week over the Pageview decision, said he was "sad and disappointed" by Mr Botha's response. It merely served to confirm that his decision to quit was correct.

A member of the President's Council and former SAIC Exco member, Mr Salam Abram-Mayet, said he was astonished by the statement.

## Blow

Meanwhile, the latest Pageview evictions come as a blow to the 30 families, who have so far successfully resisted removal under the Group Areas Act.

It is known that at least one family has nowhere to go.

Although the Department of Community Development is obliged to offer other accommodation before it can evict residents, the family of Mr Farouk Varachia, 29, chairman of the Save Pageview Association, has not been offered an alternative.

Mr Varachia, his two brothers and their wives, a grandmother and two student cousins live in four cottages in Pageview.

Now they face the prospect of moving on to the street.

Commenting on Mr Botha's statement, Mr Varachia said any other Indian community in the world was better off than South Africa's — because there was nothing worse than being forced out of one's home.

dashed hopes that a last-minute Government reprieve would see Pageview returned to the Indian community.

The Prime Minister rejected a call from the SA Indian Council executive committee to reverse the decision not to include Pageview in the proposed central Johannesburg Indian area.

And State officials served eviction notices on at least 30 families in Pageview. They have to get out by next Thursday.

In a terse statement, Mr Botha said the South African Indian community in general was living under better conditions than most other Indian communities in the world.

## Urgent meeting

An urgent meeting of candidates for the 10 Transvaal in next week's SAIC elections is due tonight. They may be asked to withdraw en masse from the election in protest at Mr Botha's response.

His statement was in reply to a telex from the Exco Monday that urged the Government to review its decision to ignore a President's Council recommendation to give Pageview back to the Indians.

The message also asked for an urgent meeting with Mr Botha to discuss the issue.

The full text of Mr Botha's reply reads:

"The South African Government accepted the recommendation by the President's Council to create an area for residential occupation by Indians near to the central urban area of Johannesburg, namely the area including Fordsburg, Burgersdorp and part of Newtown.

"Further redevelopment of the area could increase the present population density substantially and create accommodation for thousands more.

"I further refer you to the statement by the responsible Minister that Pageview, because of considerations of planning, could not be included.

"If you study a map of the area, these considerations will become clear to you as well as the fact that Pageview is a very limited area.

"Secondly, I wish to point out to you that I at no stage stated that every recommendation by the President's Council will necessarily be accepted by the Government. Every recommendation by the President's Council will be treated by the Government on merit.

## Astonishing

The President's Council is, inter alia, a commission of inquiry and is not ruling the country, nor does it intend to do so.

"I have the highest regard for the work done by the President's Council and it is rather astonishing that people who were belittling the President's Council until a few days ago are now suddenly propagating the President's Council as the final

# Police in hunt

# for home raiders

By CHRIS FREIMOND

LENASIA police are searching for the attackers who smashed windows at the home of Mr Dunkie Pillay, a candidate in next week's SA Indian Council elections, on Sunday

Earlier this month Mr Pillay's wife, Tiny, was stabbed in the head with a screwdriver by a man who burst into her house and demanded to see her husband

Mr Pillay believes the man and an accomplice may have meant to assassinate him because he is seeking election

He said yesterday a number of windows were smashed and roof tiles damaged by a hail of stones about 10pm on Sunday

"Large lounge windows were smashed, but we had just gone to bed and fortunately no-one was injured," he said

Mr Pillay said in spite of the continued intimidation, he was determined to press ahead with his campaign and win the Lenasia Central seat

## Search

Meanwhile police are still searching for three men believed to have been involved in the attack on Mrs Pillay

One of them may have been badly burnt when Mrs Pillay threw a pot of boiling curry over him as he lunged at her with the screwdriver

She was stabbed in the temple and suffered serious eye damage



# Promotions of Indian teachers <sup>250</sup> announced

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## Mercury Reporter

THE Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, yesterday announced the promotions of 280 Indian teachers

They are

**Principals (secondary schools)**  
Mr M G Narismulu, Chatsworth No 30, Mr G V Moodley, Daleview; Mr C Nankissor, Effingham No 1, Mr A Pillay, Isipingo No 3, Mr D Misser, Newcastle School of Industries for Boys, Mr R Thumbadoo, Phoenix No 7, Mr V Nagiah, Phoenix No 9, Mr G R Moodley, Phoenix No 13, Mr L G Powys, Port Shepstone No 2, Mr R A Naidoo, Shallcross No 2

Mr D Sankar, Sydenham No 1, Mr T Rajaruthnam, Phoenix No 10, Mr G Bennideen, Brindhavan, Mr A H A G M Banooobhai, M L Sultan, Pietermaritzburg, Mr H Ebrahim, Taxila, Mr E H Choonara, Waterval, and Mr V R Naidoo, East London Secondary

**Principals (primary schools)** Mr P Arthur, A Y S Memorial, Mrs T Pather, Chatsworth No 36, Mr S M Chetty, Chatsworth No 50, Mr K N Rajoo, Everest Heights, Mr S V Naidoo, Fairhaven Primary, Mr S P Singh, Greenheights, Mr S R Naidoo, Isipingo State aided, Mrs K D John, Isipingo No 4, Mr G V Naidoo, Mariannahill, Mr M Moodley, M Padavatan School, Mr J T Chetty, Natest, Mr V P Govender, Northdale, Mr H S Nyker, Northdale No 6; Mr K Pillay, Northdale No 9, Mr M Parmasur, Phoenix Pioneer, Mr B Rajballi, Phoenix No 20, Mrs M F M Charles, Phoenix No 28, Mr K Kisten, Phoenix No 29, Mr N Nambiar, Phoenix No 31, Mr B Ragoonanan, Sunnyvale, Mr T J Panday, Tongaat No 6, Mr E Malla, Welbedacht, Mr A I Sewambar, Willow Park, and Mr A S Munshi, Actonville

Mr J S Pillay, Greenvale, Mrs C T Augustine, Greenvale (Nominated principal St Anthony's), Mr P Pillay, Islamia School, Mr T L Gounden, M L Sultan Blackburn, Mr S D Maharaj, Nonoti, Mr Y Canniappan, Parukabad, Mr V G Gopaul, Radha, Roopsingh School, Mr S Latchmanasamy, Shakaskraal, Mr M Rughubar, Shree Gopallal, Mr S Dorasamy, Vishwaroop, Mr M M Govender, Fountain Head, Mr F H A Raiman, Glen Albyn, Mr S Sheobalak, Harding, Mr S D Maharaj, M L Sultan Krantzklouf, Mr M N Naidoo, M L Sultan Colenso, Mr D Javahir, Mohangi School

Mr M H Patel, Jinnah Park, Mr S Kanjee, M D Coovadia, Mr T Naidoo, Volksrust; Mr S Bhyat, Zeerust School, Mr M A H Manack, Weenen, Mr K Moothal, Mountain View, Mr A S I Kathrada, Waterbosch, Mr R Ramouthar, Balfour, Mr K Appasamy, Belfast, and Mr M Dhulam, Ogies Primary

**Deputy principals (secondary schools)** Mr K Pillay, Apollo, Mr E S Chetty, Asoka, Mr B P Jaglal, Chatsworth No 30; Mrs D E Bissessor, Clare Hills, Mr D Ganesh, Effingham No 1, Mr

M D Moodley, Chatsworth No 57, Mr P Pillay and Mr R Valjee, Clairwood, Mr S A C Akbar, Daleview, Mrs M Naidu and Mr V C Naidoo, Effingham No 1, Mr M I Abdool Gafoor, Ester Payne Smith, Mrs U E Packery and Mrs R J Benjamin, Isipingo No 3, Mr K Kalideen, Ganges, Mr H Jugnarayan, Mt Edgecombe, Mr H A Khan and Mr D Naidu, Newcastle School of Industries for Boys, Mr S Subramoney, Newcastle School of Industries for Girls, Mr I Dhoda and Mr V M Govender, Northdale No 2, Mr S Panday and Mr D H Maharaj, Northdale No 3.

Mr A Isaacs, Phoenix No 5, Mrs S Narainsamy, Phoenix No 7, Miss N Hurbuns, Phoenix No 9, Mr B Rangappa, Phoenix No 10; Mr P Naidoo, Phoenix No 11, Mrs Z Chohan and Mr N Bramdaw, Phoenix No 13

Mr A Samuel, Pinetown, Mr V Ebrahim, Port Shepstone, Mr M Singh and Mr I K Naidoo, Port Shepstone No 2, Mr L L Frank, Sastri College, Mr B R Kallie and Mr G H Maharaj, Sea Cow Lake No 1; Mr N Vasani, Shallcross, Mr K Maharaj and Mr M M Moodley, Shallcross No 2, Mr A K Beesham and Mr N Sokalingam, Stanger Manor; Mr R Krishnasamy and Mr C Toisi, Stanger South, Mrs P C Kistnasamy and Mrs I D Buddu, Sydenham No 1, Mr D S Naidoo, Umkomaas, Mr M C Naick and Mr S Varden, Umzinto, Mr D Moodley and Mr P Mahabaly, Witteklip, Mr D Soma, Laudium, Mr G Pillay, Lenasia, Mr A Moodley, Nirvana, Mr L Reddy, Trinity, Mr B Naidoo, William Hills, Mr N Maharaj, Roodepoorte, Mr M Nagan, East London

**Heads of Departments (primary schools)** Mr D Allopi, A Y S Memorial, Mrs P D Desmond Belvedere, Mrs M P Nair, Chatsworth No 36; Mrs S Munsamy, Chatsworth No 50, Mrs D Vadachia, Clayhaven, Mr S L Reuben, Coedmore, Mr V A Padayachee, Columbia, Mr S Deonarain, Effingham Heights, Mr A K Ramkissoo, Erica, Mr G Chinniah, Evergreen, Mr J Naidoo, Ferndale; Mr M A Khan, Isipingo Beach, Mrs J Pillay, Isipingo No 4, Mr R G Sujan, Jhugroo Primary, Mrs M G Moodley, Kenville, Mr D Moodley, Lotus, Mr D Reddy and Mrs S I Semasundram, Mariannahill, Mr S R Abraham, M L Sultan Ladysmith, Mr S Rangasamy, Naidoo Memorial, Mrs E C Govender, Natest, Mrs A D L Robert, Northdale No 9, Miss M Naidoo, Oceanview Primary, Mr C Munien, Phoenix No 14

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 Mr M M Moodley has been appointed vice-rector at Durban's Springfield College of Education  
 Other appointments at the college are (heads of department) Mr G H Suleman, Mr R K Sing, Mrs A Naidoo, and Mr P Reddy  
 New senior lecturers are Mrs V John, Mr P D Pillay, Mr H Rameshur, Mrs M Mansura and Mr R L P Gordon  
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 Appointments at the Transvaal College of Education are (heads of departments) Mr D M Moodaley and Mr G J Steenkamp Mrs M M Franklin and Mr K Naidoo have been appointed senior lecturers  
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# Campaign to wreck SAIC under way

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● In Cape Town, the remaining three candidates contesting the two Cape constituencies in the SAIC elections yesterday hit out at Mr Botha's decision not to dis-

cuss the Pageview proposal with the executive of the SAIC.

But all three candidates were cautious when asked whether they were contemplating withdrawing from the elections.

Mr Abdul Ganie Mohamed, one of the remaining two candidates standing in the Rylands constituency, yesterday described the Prime Minister's reply to Exco as "ill-timed but expected, given the present policy of the government".

Asked whether the remarks affected his standing for election, Mr Mohammed said he was approaching the matter 'cautiously' and would postpone his decision till later.

The other candidate for the Rylands seat, Mr Hassan Osman, said in a statement yesterday he had decided not to withdraw from the election because he 'still believed the Prime Minister was offering the Indian community a 'one-man one-vote opportunity' and he accepted the Prime Minister's challenge".

The sole candidate for the North West Cape, prominent businessman Mr Basil Sagathevan, said he was "perplexed by the Prime Minister's arrogant attitude", but he had not yet decided whether to withdraw — Own Correspondent, Staff Reporter



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By CHRIS FREIMOND

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They believe they could destroy the SAIC in much the same way that the coloured Labour Party wrecked the Coloured Representative Council.

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He also outlined the reasons for the Government's decision not to include Pageview in the central city Indian area.

# Prime Minister's remark 'an insult'

## Patel slams PW's 'Indians better off living in South Africa' statement

Mercury Reporter

MANY Indians saw the Prime Minister's statement that Indians were better off living in South Africa than elsewhere in the world as an insult, and regretted that he deemed fit to make it, Mr J B Patel, the South African Indian Council's executive committee chairman, said last night.

Describing Mr P W Botha's statement, reported in the Mercury yesterday, as an example of 'sheer arrogance', Mr Patel said some Indian families were so disenchanted with living

conditions in South Africa and its political situation that they moved to other countries where they were now far better off.

In the light of the thousands of Indian families who had been uprooted and resettled under provisions of the despicable Group Areas Act, can the Prime Minister honestly say that Indians are better off here?

Does Mr Botha need to be told what freedom means?"

Mr Patel said. "For far too long whites ruled this country without giving the other race groups an equal say

and we have reached the crossroads. As time is running out, whites will have to make up their minds quickly which path to choose — negotiation or conflict."

Dr Fatouk Meer, a senior Natal Indian Congress spokesman, last night rejected the Prime Minister's Indians are better off statement as 'totally irrelevant'.

He said whites in South Africa were also better off than their ancestors in Holland, England, Portugal and Italy but the Prime Minister made no public references to this.

In the light of Mr Botha's statement, candidates in next

Wednesday's Indian Council election should withdraw and let the council, a Government-created body, die a natural death, he said.

The Natal Indian Congress reacted angrily last night to statements made by Indian Council chairman Amichand Rajbansi in the SABC-TV programme *Midweek* in which he said the congress had asked for an elected council.

"This is a load of rubbish," Dr Meer said, adding that the congress had never at any time accepted the Indian Council system and had always pressed for direct representation for

all races in a common parliament.

Dr Meer said the programme was marked by 'many naked untruths' and he wondered why question master Jagadisan Deyar, an SABC Indian programmes presenter, had 'let Mr Rajbansi off the hook so often, so easily'.

The montage presentation was clearly partial and the congress was justified in refusing to take part in the first place, he said.

(Report by N Bissett, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

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200 at  
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anti-SAIC  
meeting

Staff Reporter

THE complete rejection of next week's South African Indian Council (SAIC) elections was "part of the struggle to unite all our people and build a new South Africa", a speaker told a meeting of the Thornhill Residents' Association on Wednesday night.

The meeting, which was attended by about 200 people, was held in support of the anti-SAIC election campaign in the Western Cape. An anti-SAIC Committee has been formed to co-ordinate the activities of organizations opposing the elections, which are due to take place on Wednesday next week.

Mr R Vassan said recent attempts to divide the Indian community on religious grounds was "one of the stratagems used by the oppressor to divide the people and divert them from the real struggle".

"This is a sordid attempt to break the boycott of the elections and we condemn it as a despicable tactic of divide and rule. It is our duty to face the fact that we are part and parcel of the oppressed people and to participate fully in the struggle for a united South Africa," he said.

An executive member of the Azanian Peoples' Organization (Azapo), Mrs Nombulelo Melane, said the SAIC elections were not "an Indian affair" but "the fight of black people against a dummy institution forced on them by the racist regime".



Despondency (258) 

Prime Minister P W Botha this week rejected an urgent appeal by the statutory SA Indian Council (SAIC) calling on government to reverse its decision not to return Pageview to the Indian community. The appeal by the increasingly despondent and confused body of moderates was made in the hope of getting something positive from government in order to counteract what looks like an effective campaign to boycott the SAIC election on November 4.

Botha's statement that 'the SA Indian community in general is living under better conditions than most other Indian communities in the world' has raised the hackles of council members. SAIC Transvaal executive leader, Ebrahim Abramjee, told the *FM* he "may" resign following the PM's "insult to us on the eve of the election." If the government did not wish to speak to moderates, he said, it was welcome to deal with the radicals.

At least two other council members and election candidates have resigned. Other candidates, though not all, in next week's first-ever, all-Indian poll were expected to follow suit.

Opponents of the SAIC were wondering why government did not delay the announcement on Pageview until after the election, which it presumably wants to be a success. Abramjee suggested that Botha's tough response could have been made as a sop to the National Party rightwing in the Transvaal, whose congress he is due to address.

Optimistic predictions of the percentage poll in next week's election — made prior to Botha's Pageview statement — put it at around 50% in outlying areas, but less than 15% in metropolitan areas.

# Moves against SAIC heat up as vote nears

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THE massive rejection of the SAIC should leave no doubt about the position of the Indian community on apartheid and its institutions, the secretary of the Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee, Mr I Momoniat, said in a statement yesterday

The SAIC election takes place on Wednesday amid intense anti-SAIC campaigning in the province

The anti-SAIC committee will hold a mass rally against the council at the Lenasia Civic Centre tomorrow

"The recent decision of the government to declare Pageview a white area does not surprise us," Mr Momoniat said

"We have long realised that one cannot negotiate from a position of weakness, especially when a hostile government is in power," he added

## Meeting

Meanwhile, the leader of the SAIC in the Transvaal, Mr Ebrahim Abramjee, said a special meeting of candidates planned

for last Wednesday to consider withdrawing from the elections in protest against the government's decision on Pageview was not held

"We will review the situation after the elections," Mr Abramjee said yesterday

He himself had not resigned from the council, but he would review his position after the elections

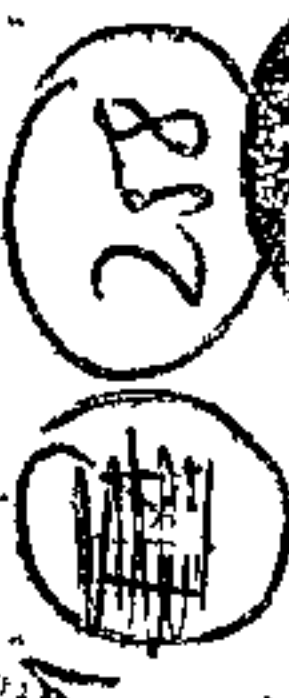
However, he said, he did not wish to be blamed for having stood in the way of any candidate who aspired for election to the council

Mr Abramjee has been returned unopposed to the SAIC for the Laudium electoral division

● Liquor stores and hotel off-sales premises situated within 30kms from polling stations will remain closed on December 4, the day of the SAIC elections in terms of the Liquor Act, according to a spokesman for the Hotel, Liquor and Catering Association of the Transvaal Sapa

# DOGS IN THE BARN

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By ANEEZ SALIE

**TWO more candidates for the South African Indian Council, Mr Kassiem Gaffoor and Mr Osman Hassan, have withdrawn in a move that could signal the collapse of the controversial poll.**

They feel it would be morally wrong to carry on with the campaign following the Government's negative reaction to a President's Council recommendation that District Six be returned to coloured and Pageview in Johannesburg to Indians.

Two other candidates have withdrawn for the same reason, and on Monday the vast majority of SAIC members would have followed suit but for a telephone call to the Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha.

Others to withdraw are Mr Abdus-Samad Abdulkadeef and Mr Yussuf Mayef, both of Johannesburg.

Sagathevan, will now be elected unopposed to the SAIC.

Mr Sagathevan could not be contacted for comment.

In Rylands the only other constituency in the Peninsula, where Mr Gaffoor would have stood, there remained two candidates, Mr Hassan Osman and Mr Abdul Ganie Mohamed.

An anti-SAIC rally will be held on Sunday, November 1 at 2.30 pm at the Athlone Civic Centre.

(News by A F Saif, 123 St George's Street, Cape Town)

## Six out

This brings to six the number of withdrawals. First to go were Mr Ahmed Ally and Mr T S Pillay, both of Natal, who withdrew because of alleged intimidation.

According to an informed source, the SAIC's Executive Committee contacted Mr Botha on Monday morning and he urged them to postpone a meeting scheduled for the same morning at which mass withdrawals would have been announced.

According to the source, the Cabinet met on Monday.

The SAIC Executive Committee was to issue a statement after hearing from the Prime Minister.

## What price?

In a joint statement issued by Mr Hassan and Mr Gaffoor on Monday morning they stated that following the Government's decision on District Six and Pageview there was little hope that the SAIC could achieve anything at grassroots level.

"The credibility of the President's Council is already being compromised — what price the credibility of the people who serve in the SAIC, they asked.

With Mr Hassan no longer in the race, his only other opponent in the North-West (Cravenby) constituency, Mr Basil



# Realism in action is only solution

(Herald 31/10/81) (208)

SIR, — Re SAIC Elections

After reading Mr C E Gaffoor's comments in a latest edition of your newspaper (24 10 81) I feel more than tempted as a member of the voiceless, voteless and oppressed people's of South Africa, to air a few of my views concerning the ensuing SAIC elections

Mr Gaffoor states that he sees the SAIC 'as one of the steps along the road to political parity and social justice' and as an instrument to be utilised by the people so as to ensure their right to make a meaningful contribution towards the future of this country and its people

Well the SAIC, since its inception by the National Party Government in 1964, has now been in existence for nearly two decades and I for one, fail to see any true, real constructive advances 'along the road to political parity and social justice' by way of the SAIC. It has been and remains to be a racist body with limited, revocable advisory status

It therefore continues to be a powerless body and an important cog in the machinery of oppression

The 'leaders' of the oppressed peoples have been negotiating and collaborating for years and it's now become evident that as long as the NP Government remains in power (and they'll remain in power for a very long time to come, unless ) our political aspirations would continually be channelled away from participation in the institutions of the dominant system (Parliament) into sub-systems, such as the CRC's and the SAIC's

The SAIC, by giving 'advice' to the Government, is most definitely

not, making any MEANINGFUL contribution to the future well-being of the peoples of this country. The body lacks credibility. Its membership is neither authentic nor representative of the people. It is essential that the leaders who are to devise a new constitutional dispensation, must be sufficiently representative of their people, to confer respectability and legitimacy on the negotiations

SAIC candidates in Rylands have not yet called a public meeting — how can they then profess to be the 'leaders' of their people when they're actually acting against the will of the majority of the peoples? It's an open secret that a nationwide anti-SAIC campaign is presently being conducted

Is this not sufficient evidence for the 'candidates' to heed the will of the people?

They're in fact, selling the people's basic human rights to true representation and accepting the 'second-class' token for their people, by encouraging the people to 'vote' for them

I would therefore say that sporting bodies, such as Sacos, trade workers' unions and the various civic and ratepayers organisations, together with many other true people's bodies, and not the CRC's or the SAIC's, are the bodies through which we can 'state our case' and let the voice of the people be heard and heeded

Let the people themselves raise their voices! Our social responsibility stems from our social consciousness and evolves into a social conscience. But the most important fact about this development is that our social responsibility, which is

universal, inevitably gives rise to social action

No doubt a total rejection by all the oppressed peoples of South Africa, of the Government's separate solutions coupled to the undisputed power of world opinion and pressure, will necessitate the NP Government to take real note of our demands and possibly try and work out a more meaningful constitutional dispensation through genuine negotiation amongst the true, authentic leaders (those accepted by the people, whether imprisoned or not) of the various peoples of South Africa at a National Convention.

This would surely be a more meaningful constitutional advance rather than the perpetuation of puppet bodies such as the SAIC.

I therefore see realism in action as the only solution for us, the oppressed, unfranchised peoples of South Africa.

We demand the universal franchise, the right of every man and woman in South Africa to elect representatives or to be elected to one Parliament in one united South Africa and I feel that people like Mr Gaffoor and company, are really retarding our struggle for our basic human rights, by their expressed willingness to 'serve on this puppet body and are hereby helping in the operation of the policy of apartheid and oppression'

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# 'Foil divide-and-rule' meeting told

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**THE Government's stated policy of divide-and-rule should not be allowed to succeed, people at a meeting in St Gabriels hall, Guguletu, were told last week.**

They were urged to ignore the forthcoming South African Indian Council (SAIC) elections on November 4, and not to recognise the imminent independence of Ciskei on December 4.

Members of the Thornhill Residents' Association told the meeting the Government wanted to compromise Indians by asking them to elect people to SAIC.

'I am not separate from all that exists, I am part

of it,' said Mrs D Omar. 'Apartheid cannot work if things us closer to disaster.'

Another member said she was a product of the Group Areas Act, having been moved from District Six to Rylands 'When we had grievances the council and the Government told us to act through our leaders in the management committees of the SAIC.'

But these people were not recognised as leaders, she explained.

'The Government's policy is unity in di-

versity, our policy is unity in the struggle,' she said.

Mrs Nombuiele Melane, executive member of the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo), which organised the meeting, told the audience they had been brought together because of their solidarity with the organisations banned in the Government crackdown of 1977.

Previous commemoration services had evolved around singing and emotion but Azapo wanted to break away from this traditional trend. The audience was urged to

talk about matters concerning them instead of listening to speakers.

Mrs Melane said that although Azapo was created out of the vacuum left by the 1977 bannings, it was not able to solve all the problems which beset blacks.

### SQUATTER ISSUE

The recent squatter issue was an example. Instead of the Government admitting that it had an urbanisation problem, it shipped people back to homelands and declared them stateless.

Comparing South Africa

to a Third World developing country, she said the Government was wrong in implementing Western solutions to Third World problems.

A member of the Students' Steering Committee warned people to be wary of the intentions of the Urban Foundation, which was doing so much to 'help' black communities. The decision to build the Uluntu Centre and the future development of a housing estate for 30-year leasehold was certain to create friction in the community.

This would result in an 'elitist' group of people prepared to collaborate with the Government and private sector in order to keep their positions in society.

(News by FARRAR Constance, 123 St George's Street, Cape Town)



# 3 000 at meeting on SAIC election boycott

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By CHRIS FREIMOND

IN A massive show of support yesterday about 3 000 people jammed Lenasia's civic centre to hear a final plea from community leaders to boycott Wednesday's election for the SA Indian Council

Yesterday's audience — believed to be the biggest ever at a political meeting in Lenasia — filled the aisles and side halls of the civic centre for four hours while speakers traced the history of racial discrimination and inequality back 300 years and urged a stayaway on Wednesday

Mr Ismail Meer of the Natal Indian Congress, said that when blacks, coloureds and Indians in South Africa demanded the right to own land wherever they wished, they were not demanding communism, but a right to share in the country's capitalism

Mr Ahmed Mundat of the Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee (TASC), called for ostracism from the Indian community of any candidate for SAIC Wednesday

## Massive

"We must throw them out of our community, we must put them in the dirtbin of history where they belong," he said

TASC leaders are confident of a massive boycott on Wednesday after their concerted effort throughout the province. They believe their campaign was given an unexpected boost last week when reaction to the Government's decision to ignore the President's Council recommendation and not give Pageview back to the Indians, united most of the Transvaal community firmly behind the boycott drive

And in another development last night prominent members of the SAIC admitted that the council did not fulfill the political aspirations of the Indian community

Speaking on the Springbok Radio programme, Top Level, the chairman of the executive committee of the SAIC and leader of the Democratic Party, Mr J B Patel, said all Indians agreed they wanted direct parliamentary representation, but differed on strategies to attain this goal

He said in support of the SAIC that the Prime Minister had called Wednesday's election because he wanted the true Indian leaders to make representations to the Government on a new political dispensation

He predicted a low percentage poll on Wednesday because "anything between 25% and 40%" of the people had moved from the constituencies where they were living when they registered. Another reason was the "antics" of the anti-SAIC committees

Dr Jerry Coovadia of the Natal Indian Congress which is opposed to the SAIC and the election, said the Government had chosen the wrong vehicle to find the true Indian leaders

## Machinery

"The majority of true leaders reject the SAIC institution. It is not a true reflection of democracy. Democracy is a government by the people. The Government has not created the SAIC for any tangible results. It is an ethnic institution. The true leaders cannot stand up and be counted in the format of this body," he said. The chairman of the SAIC, Mr Amichand Rajkabansi, said the council was the only available machinery for the Indian community to appoint their true representatives.

He agreed with the KwaZulu leader, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, that Government-created institutions could be used against Government ideology

Mr Ismail Mayet, who resigned from the SAIC last month because of the Pageview decision, urged Indian voters to support the polls on Wednesday. Credible elected leaders could then dismantle the body in protest against Government ideology

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# Poll could be low at SAIC elections on Wednesday

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## Post Reporter

THE first South African Indian Council elections are scheduled to take place on Wednesday but, judging from well-attended weekend meetings round the country opposing them the poll could be very low.

At a meeting in Pott Elizabeth yesterday a resolution was passed unanimously calling on Mr R Bhana, who has been returned unopposed to the council as the member for Malabar to stand down.

The meeting was chaired by the President of the Malabar Ratepayers Association Mr Chive Pillay who said the attendance had been "very encouraging".

But Mr Bhana said today that he would not withdraw from the election.

"I have tremendous support from the masses, whom I represent," he said.

As far as I'm concerned the Malabar Ratepayers Association is a non-existent organisation and I'm not answerable to them."

He condemned strongly the "no negotiation" attitude of the Ratepayers Association saying they were a group of

professional men who were 'completely dormant'.

Mr Pillay told the meeting that Mr Bhana had been invited to speak but had declined.

In Lenasia yesterday, about 3,000 people attended an anti-election meeting.

Speaking from Verulam in Natal, Mr V Chunsamy leader of the Reform Party said he had been at a packed anti-SAIC meeting in Durban yesterday and things had been very tense. About 800 people attended.

The Reform Party withdrew all its candidates from the elections some time ago.

"The Government should have kept their mouths shut over Pageview and District Six. People are saving go to hell with the elections and want nothing to do with them," he said.

He expected about three or four more candidates to withdraw from the election before Wednesday and said he didn't think there would be more than a 5% to 10% poll.

SAIC spokesmen on the other hand are appealing to Indians to take the chance to elect their own leaders.

# Anti-SAIC man threatened



EMOTIONS: Part of the massive crowd at the anti-SAIC rally in Lenasia yesterday.

By ELLIOTT TSHINGWALA  
AN ACTIVE member of Anti-South African Indian Council and treasurer, Mr Ahmed Moonda, has been threatened with death.

In an emotionally-charged rally culminating the Anti-SAIC campaign Mr Moenda told how the death threat has been made through a member of the committee. He was told that he would be bumped off. No reason was given.

He said all those who stood in the way of the majority will be put to trial. "We will listen to them, but they will be punished," he said and the hall roared with liberation slogans and chants.

He was obviously referring to the South African Indian Council which is going to the polls in two days.

Mrs Nohukhanya Luthuli, wife of the late African National Congress leader and Nobel Prize winner, was expected to address the meeting but "due to health reasons", she could not do so.

A young student leader, Aziz Jardine, said he congratulated the Anti-SAIC committee for the great work

they have done. He said "One of the greatest things holding back the black man in this country is education. He slammed inferior education "fed" to the

black people and the Indian Council leaders for their toothlessness.

"Where were they when the students protested against Bantu Education?" he asked.

# SAIC elections 258 moving toward H massive stayaway

DURBAN — A mass voter stayaway has been predicted for Wednesday's first elections in the 17-year history of the South African Indian Council as the campaign to boycott the elections winds up today.

While forecasts of voter turnout have been put at under 10 percent in urban constituencies with usually higher predictions in rural electoral divisions, a handful of seats is expected to exceed this figure on the basis of special votes returns.

Big factors have been voter apathy and a vigorous campaign to discredit the 'no issue' election.

Other reasons for a predicted stay-away at the polls have been a significant movement of voters, 'in obsolete voters roll' and recent pronouncements by the Government particularly on the future of Pageview.

Percentage polls ranging from 25 percent to 6 percent were a feature of the Chatsworth LAC election in southern Durban, last Wednesday and are seen as a yardstick of this week's SAIC pollings.

The majority of SAIC voters are concentrated in south Durban and most of the seats are being contested there.

In his evaluation of the Chatsworth polling pattern, the chairman of the SAIC, Mr. A. Rajbani, endorsed the view the percentage polls will be 'below 10 percent'.

Two more SA Indian Council members, Mr. Din

ky Pillay (Lenasia Central) and Mr. A. Badal (Actonville) today withdrew from Wednesday's elections, bringing the Transvaal's withdrawals so far to five out of 15.

And in another major move, more than 250 political, religious, cultural, welfare and sporting leaders and private businessmen in the Transvaal and Natal had two full-page advertisements in a national Sunday newspaper yesterday urging the Indian people not to vote and thus reject the SAIC.

Mr. Pillay said he had withdrawn from the SAIC elections because of the government's rejection of the President's Council recommendation on Pageview and District Six and De Lange study on education and the Government's decision to postpone indefinitely the investigation into a new political dispensation for South Africa.

The SAIC elections received a major setback when thousands of people resolved at the Lenasia community hall yesterday to boycott the polls.

Mr. Thamba Pillay said the objection of the Anti-SAIC Committee was to the pass laws the Group Areas Act forced removals and above all the refusal by the Government to allow people of colour to vote.

• See Pages 7 and 9

Report by Y. Nasser and J. Nasser of 47 Nasser Street Johannesburg



# TWO MORE SAIC CANDIDATES PULL OUT

By CHRIS FREIMOND

TWO more candidates for tomorrow's SA Indian Council election withdrew yesterday and there were predictions more would pull out today in the face of growing community opposition to the SAIC.

The two are Mr Dinkie Pillay of Lenasa, and Mr Angad 'Punch' Badal of Actonville near Benoni

At least six candidates are now known to have withdrawn since the Government's announcement late last month that Pageview would not be returned to the Indian community

Mr Pillay — who earlier in the campaign urged Indians to use the SAIC as a force for reform — said he had come to realise that 85% of the community was opposed to the council and he was swimming against the current

After the Pageview decision and the arrogant attitude of the Prime Minister to objections by the SAIC executive committee to the Pageview decision, he believed any recommendation by the SAIC would be ignored by the Government the way it ignored the President's Council

"I don't believe any Indian with self respect can remain a candidate," he said

But Mr Pillay urged his supporters to vote for him tomorrow to prevent his opponent winning. He will resign immediately if he is elected

## Democracy

Mr Badal said he believed his withdrawal was in the best interests of his community and the struggle for democracy in South Africa

"It is now clear that the Government, through the SAIC, only intends to further divide our people and delay the realisation of true democracy," he said

He urged the community to heed the boycott call of the anti SAIC committees

A vice-chairman of the Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee Dr Ismail Cachalia, welcomed the withdrawals and urged all other candidates to pull out. Those who did not were compromising the dignity of the community and themselves

"It is now clear that the vast majority of people have seen through the Government's fraudulent motives," he said

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## Decision on fate of suspended pupils to be made soon, says official

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A DECISION on the fate of 10 high school pupils still under suspension, and who cannot sit for the year-end exams which start today, would be made soon, Mr J S M Zwiegelaar, acting Director of Indian Education, said yesterday

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Mr Zwiegelaar said the pupils were not part of the agreement in which Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, would re-admit 400 pupils next year, and also allow them permission to write the year-end exams

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Attorneys acting for five of the 10 pupils still under suspension were told to make representations on their behalf but we have heard nothing from them. I plan to wait for another week before I decide whether to expel the five pupils or reinstate them next year, said Mr Zwiegelaar

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He said two other pupils were called upon to make representations but had not.

### Decide

The department cannot go on waiting for the pupils to controvert allegations against them. If I don't hear from them soon then I will go ahead and decide their fate in the absence of any representations, he said, adding that he and not Mr Krog would decide the fate of the pupils

However, he said none of the 10 pupils would be allowed to sit for year-end examinations starting today

Mr Satish Jaggernath, a member of the Merewent Parents' Committee, said yesterday that since it was too late to negotiate with the Department of Indian Education to allow the 10 pupils to write the year-end exams they would nevertheless continue the fight to have them reinstated at school next year even if it meant going to court again

**Boycott**

**we vote**

**SACC**

THE SOUTH African Council of Churches yesterday came out in support of the call to boycott today's South African Indian Council elections because "discriminatory bodies of this nature serve merely to exacerbate sensitive racial feelings."

In a statement the SACC's general secretary, Bishop Desmond Tutu said that peaceful change in South Africa would only come when all the inhabitants of our land believe they have a stake in her future.

We also condemn callous eviction of people from accommodation which nobody else wants purely on the grounds of race. A political ideology which treats God's children whom he has created in His own image in this heartless manner stands under the judgment of the Son of God.

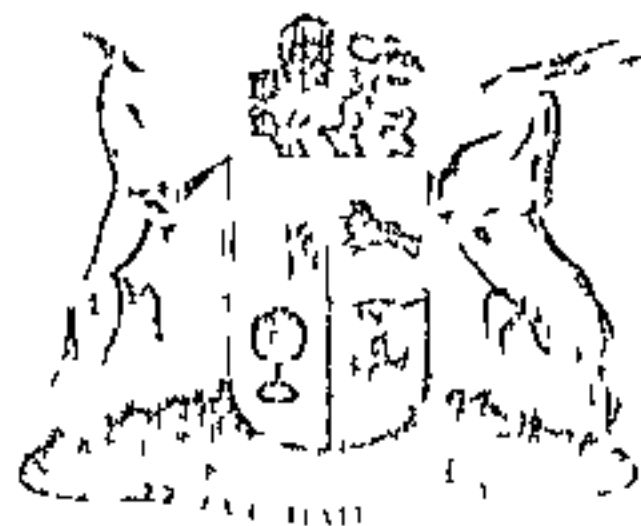
For this reason the SACC supports the call to boycott elections to the SAIC because discriminatory bodies of this nature merely serve to exacerbate sensitive racial feelings.

Meanwhile the Azanian Students' Organisation has also called on the Indian community to render the SAIC even more ineffective by not going to the polls.

Azaso also urged students not to write examinations today and to stay away from school. We know our leaders and not the Mavets and the belahis.

"The SAIC is one of those bodies imposed on us to demean our oppression. We believe that our government imposed it against the will of the people (is it not?)





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SA INDIAN ELECTION

## Apartheid rejected

Last week's effective boycott of the statutory SA Indian Council (SAIC) election has been widely interpreted as a watershed in Indian politics

Average voter turn-out in the all-Indian poll of November 4 was 10,5%. In Fordsburg's 4 000-strong constituency, 17 votes were cast. Lenasia East's 2,8% typified the response, in Johannesburg's largest Indian area, as did Merebank (2%) in Natal. The highest turn-out (40%) was confined to north-east Natal, but in south Natal 691 papers were spoiled compared to 432 valid votes

After the election, a "successful" candidate and former council member is reported to have said that the major victory belonged to the Anti-SAIC forces. "They have won the day and must be congratulated," he added.

Foremost SAIC protagonist, former chairman Amichand Rajbansi reportedly

said that in view of the low poll, the council "can only deal with ordinary, day-to-day issues". The SAIC's competence to pronounce on constitutional matters would have to be deferred to a referendum among the Indian community, he said. Rajbansi's allegations of pre-election "terror tactics" are being generally ignored.

For the government, Interior Affairs and Indian portfolio Minister Chris Heunis described the election result as disappointing, but steadfastly declared "The newly chosen SAIC, properly constituted, will be considered by the government at national level as the only representative body of this community to serve as the mouthpiece with the government."

Something of an impasse has been reached in government's search for a credible constitutional accommodation of the Indians. The anti-SAIC's slogan, "a vote for the SAIC is a vote for apartheid," indicates rejection of separate bodies.

It can therefore be asked whether Indians (or coloureds, whose majority Labour Party voted to close the Coloured Representative Council two years ago) would necessarily go along with the most adventurous verligte proposals to date: joint white, coloured and Indian representation in Parliament — either in a single or three-tier chamber.

Government certainly cannot have been pleased by the enthusiasm displayed at numerous Anti-SAIC rallies. They were multi-

racial, and the main speakers all pledged solidarity with "our true leaders on Robben Island and those in exile."

The future of the Anti-SAIC committee is unclear. Chairman Essop Jassat has, however, said that the community should now

use ratepayers' associations and welfare bodies as "vehicles for change and the voice of the people."

# 'Sack Krog's call after matric leak

**Tribune Reporters**

A CAMPAIGN to have Gabriel Krog removed from his position as Director of Indian Education in Natal is to be launched this week following the fiasco in the matriculation examinations.

The secretary of the Natal Indian Congress, Ramli Ramersar, said the congress would launch the campaign at a meeting tomorrow.

Mr Ramersar said there should be a full scale inquiry into the leaking of exam papers to students and Mr Krog should be removed from his post as director.

"We have enough ammunition to get this campaign going and we believe that we have the support of the community."

Mr Krog, who came under heavy fire for his decision earlier this year to expel pupils who boycotted classes during the Republic Festival, is now being blamed for the leaks, which have all but wrecked the matric examinations.

The police have been

## INDIAN CONGRESS TO MOUNT DRIVE

called in to find out how the question papers slipped out of the Department of Indian Affairs offices and into the hands of examination candidates.

The president of the Teachers' Association of South Africa, Pat Samuels, said the association was unhappy about the matter.

"The blame for this fiasco must lie at the door of the Department of Indian Affairs and the director as head of the department must bear the responsibility."

"A tremendous burden has been placed on the pupils as a result of the papers being leaked and it is my personal opinion that the examinations should be rewritten."

Brigadier John van der Westhuizen, who is heading the investigation into the leaking of the papers, said the papers were handled by so many people in the Department of Indian Affairs that it was impossible to say

where the leak occurred. Police were still questioning pupils about the papers and had obtained information but no arrests had been made yet.

There have been many rumours about the source of the papers since the examinations started two weeks ago.

It was suggested the papers had been leaked from the University of Durban Westville because photostat copies were being handed out on the campus. It was thought that the papers had been printed on the university printing press.

The rumour proved to be unfounded because the matric exam papers were printed at the Government Printing Office in Pretoria.

A spokesman for the university's SRC said many matric pupils used the library for studying and they also make use of the photostat machines in the SRC offices.

The original papers were drawn up by the examiners in each subject. They then passed through a typist and proof-reader before being submitted to the Government Printer.

The works manager at the printing office, Magnus Coetzee, said security was tight. "We have taken every possible precaution to prevent anything being removed from the offices."

After being printed the papers were sealed in bulk and sent to the Department of Indian Affairs in Durban.

The papers are unpacked and sorted into parcels for each school. They are sealed into envelopes and sent to the schools and opened only on the day of the examination.

The Director of Indian Education was not available for comment. The deputy director, Johan Zwegelaar, would only say that the matter had been handed over to the police.

In Cape Town there is to be an investigation into allegations that biology papers were leaked to coloured pupils.

And pupils said they were also aware of other papers that were leaked in English and Afrikaans first-language papers and the physics paper, which still has to be written.

A matric pupil at a Cape Flats school said most of the papers were around and she had been offered the physics paper for R100. Other sources said the papers were being sold for between R10 and R50.



# White priest wants to live in Malabar

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AN application for a permit from the Indian Management Committee for a white priest to live in an Indian suburb of Port Elizabeth is certain to be approved today

This was confirmed today by the chairman of the IMC, Mr Raman Bhana, who said the application had been lodged by the Reformed Church of Africa on behalf of the Rev S W Albertyn

The issue will be discussed by the IMC at its monthly meeting this afternoon. Mr Albertyn, who lives in Newton Park, wants to settle in Malabar 'for health reasons'

Other matters on the agenda include

● The refusal by the Minister of Community Development, Mr S F Kotze, to accede to the IMC's request that an Indian beach be proclaimed at St George's Strand

● A proposed meeting with the Coloured Management Committee on the municipality's summer season entertainment programme controversy

● Discussions about extending the bus service in Malabar

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Mercury 12/2/82

# SAIC member acquitted of assault charge

## Mercury Reporter

MR George Thaver, a member of the South African Indian Council, who was yesterday acquitted on a charge of assault and theft when he appeared before Mr F M Vorster in the Chatsworth Magistrate's Court, said he had instructed his attorneys to institute immediate action for damages.

His appearance arises out of an incident on the eve of the recent SAIC election in Chatsworth where it was alleged that he assaulted Mr Rabason Dhanpal Naidoo by punching and kicking him.

On the theft charge, it was alleged that Mr Thaver wrongfully stole R120 from Mr Naidoo dur-

ing the same incident.

Mr Thaver, who was represented by Mr John Catterall, of Romer Robinson and Catterall, pleaded not guilty to both allegations.

Mr Vorster, acquitting Mr Thaver, described Mr Naidoo's evidence as 'strange in the extreme, baffling and weak'. The evidence of the second State witness, Mr Mogamberry Govender, contradicted that of Mr Naidoo's in many instances.

Mr Thaver told the Mercury afterwards that he had instructed his attorneys to go ahead with an action for damages against Mr Naidoo.

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### SYNOPSIS

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# Heunis to open first meeting of 'new' SAIC

## Mercury Reporter

THE Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, will open the first meeting of the 'new-look' 45-member South African Indian Council in Durban on February 22

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, the council's executive chairman, told the Mercury last night that the highlight of the seven-day meeting would be a report back on recent executive meetings with Mr Heunis and the Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze

The agenda is said to be the longest ever with 72 motions on a wide variety of matters

The topics include constitutional development, agriculture, education, health, social welfare, housing, Group Areas Act and transport.

Exco's report is expected to feature on the future

development of Cato Manor, Government cut-back on funds for housing and the ban on residential development in the Grey Street complex

This is the first time that the council will be meeting on party political lines with the majority NPP led by Mr Rajbansi

It is believed that much discussion will centre around a proposal submitted by Mr Ismail Patel to withdraw certain powers from the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, delegated to him by the former Indian Council's executive committee

Mr Rajbansi said the leakage of matric examination papers, the school building programme, the new teacher training college and the failure of about 2 200 applicants to gain admission to teacher training colleges were among other issues to be discussed



# White official accused

# AS Lenasia row erupts

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By STAN MAKER

THE Transvaal Administrator may be asked to intervene in a row which has split the Lenasia management committee into two opposing factions, with two rival chairmen among its five members.

The split became clear yesterday, when committee chairman Mr Faiz Khan refused to stand down after having been replaced at a meeting chaired by a white Johannesburg City Council official, Mr Thys Wilsnack.

The Lenasia committee's monthly meeting on Thursday ended bitterly when Mr Khan prorogued the committee until further notice and walked out.

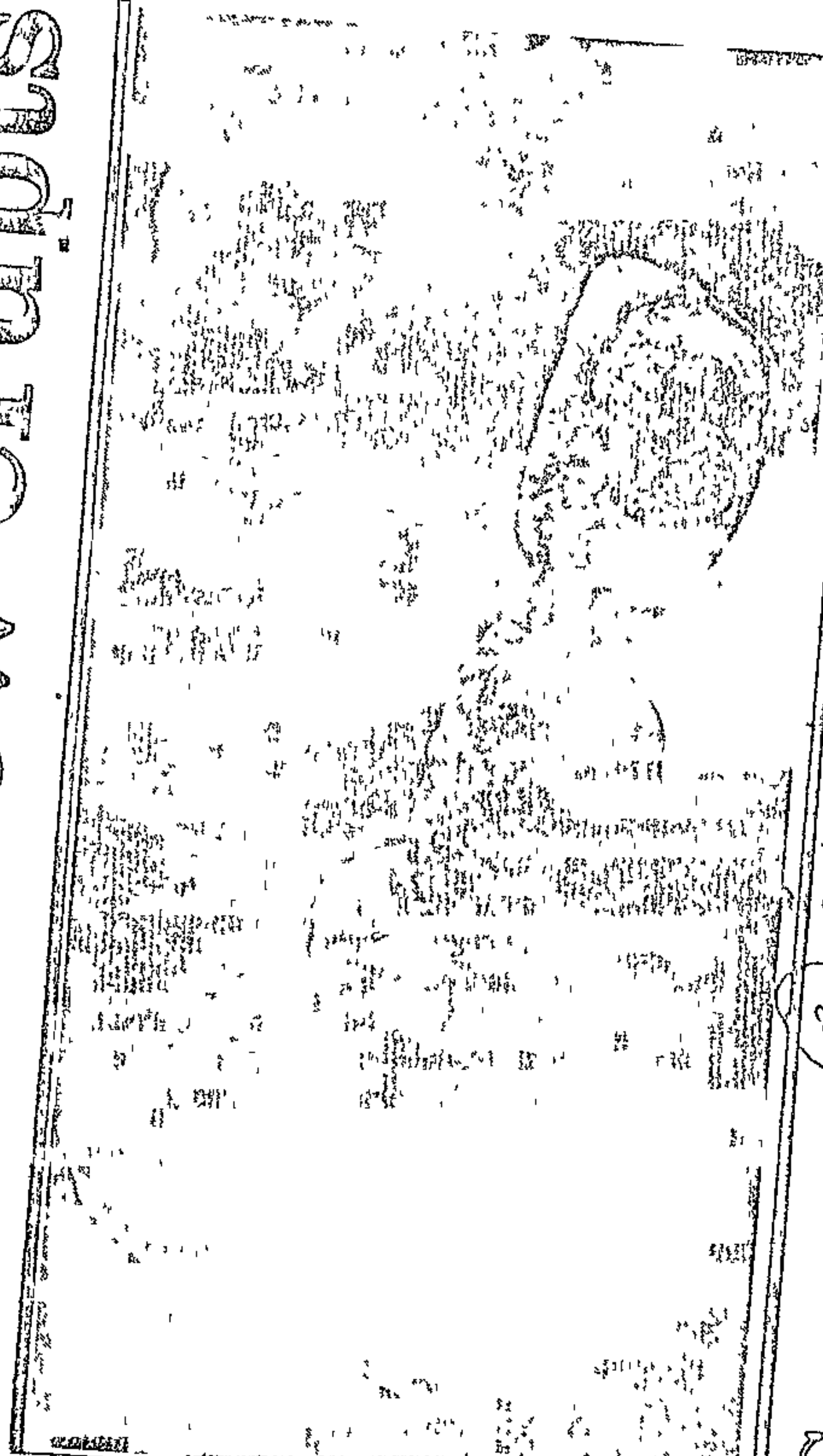
He did so in protest against recent remarks by Mr Francois Oberholzer, Johannesburg's management chief, who told the city's management committee was opposed to declaring Hillgrove and Bavel racially mixed "grey areas".

Another of the five Lenasia committee members, Mr Jaan J. J. van der Merwe, also left. But the meeting carried on under the chairmanship of Mr Wilsnack, director of the City Council's Housing Department. Mr Wilsnack called for nominations and arranged for a new chairman, Mr Dennis Pillay, to be elected.

## Right

Yesterday, Mr Khan, who is a member of the South African Indian Council, angrily refused to stand down as chairman.

"What right has a white council official like Mr Wilsnack to reopen a meeting we have closed?" he asked. "He is a..."



# Soweto's business college matches best

By SCYRUS TEMA

PACE commercial college, which was officially opened in Soweto this week, is among the best colleges where pupils could acquire a good education to prepare them for university.

That was the opinion expressed by Mr Rod Ironside, president of the American Chamber of Commerce in South Africa when he officially opened the school on Thursday.

"In very practical terms, the US to disinvest..."

up by American businessmen through the ACCSA.

Speaking at the opening, Dr Michael Samuels, international vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States warned that the South African education system was under a "world microscope".

## 'Pressure'

"American companies are under constant pressure in the US to disinvest..."

"By being in South Africa and taking a constructive view of what is necessary, American companies can be a significant factor for change."

"This college is a public symbol of such action," Dr Samuels said.

He said several SA corporations had made significant efforts in training and education. "But the total initiative to date is not enough." The first phase of the...

# Lest we forget Heino's glasses

SUPER-SINGER Heino left a lasting impression at the Civic Theatre yesterday. The tall German who is currently touring South Africa was delighted to leave an imprint of his hand and famous glasses in everlasting cement. Director of the Civic Theatre Michel Grobbelaar has honoured 78 other performing artists over the past 20 years by asking...

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doesn't live in Lenasia."

Mr Khan said he had taken legal advice and would ask the Administrator to intervene.

He said Mr Wilsnach was at the meeting only in a secretarial capacity. "The meeting is under the chairman's control, not his," he said.

But a spokesman for Mr Wilsnach's office said the remaining members of the committee — Mr Dennis Pillay, Mr Yusuf Meer and Mr Ebrahim Minty — had wanted to continue the meeting.

"Mr Khan had no right to close the meeting because his motion was opposed by the others," the spokesman said.

"He didn't even have a seconder for his decision to close the meeting," the spokesman said. "There were three members left, making a quorum, and they elected Mr Pillay chairman."

Mr Jhina, the other member who left Thursday's meeting, said: "No wonder the respect black people have for local government is at zero."

### REPORT

One of the people Mr Khan has complained to is Mr "Boetie" Abramjee, president of the Transvaal Management and Consultative Committees Association, who has called for a full report on what happened.

But Mr Abramjee blamed "personality clashes" for the row, and said the real issues lay behind these.

"They are civic leaders and should confine themselves to civic matters," he said, adding that Mr Oberholzer's remarks were "very ugly and uncalled for."

Indian and coloured leaders felt frustrated because they could do nothing for their communities, he said.

"Other management committees have delegated powers to provide housing. In Lenasia, they cannot even recommend the allocation of houses."

"Housing is a very important issue in these communities. The ex-Minister, Mr Marais Steyn, promised 3 000 houses, none of which has materialised."

"Unless the Government gives more power to these committees, nothing will be sorted out. They are powerless, and municipal officials can dictate what they can and cannot do."

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## Lawyers examine SAIC member's status

### Mercury Reporter

THE validity of the membership of a South African Indian Council member is being examined by Government lawyers.

This was confirmed yesterday by Mr Joe Pretorius, director of Citizen Services of the Department of Internal Affairs in Pretoria

He declined to discuss the matter, except to say a decision on Mr Manilal Jairam Jhina's membership was expected 'in a day or two'

According to informed sources, Mr Jhina's membership is under investigation following a disclosure that he is an employee of a State department

### Embarrassment

Government employees are not allowed to seek membership on bodies such as the Indian Council

'Mr Jhina has an option of either resigning from his State job or quitting the SAIC if he wants to save the embarrassment of a disqualification of his membership,' a source said.

Meanwhile, intensive behind-the-scenes campaigning is under way for the vacant seat on the SAIC following the death recently of a Greytown member, Mr S L Maharaj

Among those said to be strongly favoured are Stanger LAC chairman Mr R A Moodley, retired Isipingo mayor Mr Mannie Keerath and Chatsworth civic leader Mr Lennie Mannie

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Own Correspondent  
DURBAN — The newly elected South African Indian Council, dogged by the immediate resignation of one member and the death of another, was rocked today by an alleged irregularity in the election of a third

Mr. M. J. Jhina, a chemist employed by the State-run Natal-spruit Hospital, said he was summoned to Pretoria and told by officials of the Department of Internal Affairs that because of an "irregularity" in his election he could no longer continue in office as a member of the SAIC.

Mr. Jhina said the reason given for his disqualification was that he was an employee of the State. "I told the officials they could have saved me all the expense involved in my election campaign, and further embarrassment and inconvenience if they had scrutinised my nomination application in the first place," he said. The Indian Council Act stipulates that an employee of the State may not be a member of the SAIC.

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Mail Reporter

SEVEN executive members of the Transvaal Anti-South African Indian Council committee have been asked to make statements by security police at John Vorster Square this week.

The names confirmed yesterday by Colonel Heine Muller, chief of Johannesburg's security police.

Among those called were Dr Frop Tseet, Dr Temul Cahalia, Dr Rana Saloojee, Mr M I d M Patel, Mr A Mouda, and Dr Chaleh Cahalia.

Your investigation of the city's water affairs has convinced you that public attention should be drawn to the seriousness of the situation. You are particularly concerned because of the projections for water consumption over the next 20 years.

The city council has asked you to prepare a press release, highlighting the need to save water and the costs involved in ensuring future supplies.

The press release should be about 450 words in length and should follow the conventions that you have been taught.

# Indian Council to discuss call to suspend Acts

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**Weekend Post Reporter**  
WHEN the 45-member South African Indian Council meets next week, they will discuss further the unanimous proposal of the Executive Committee, calling on the Government to suspend the Group Areas Act and Population Registration Act.

Mr Raman Bana, a member of the Executive Committee of the South African Indian Council, submitted an item for urgent consideration when the committee met in Durban this week.

His motion called on the Government to suspend the Group Areas Act provisions which involve coloured women married to Indian men being reclassified as coloured when they are widowed.

Mr Bana told Weekend Post the motion was unanimously adopted and would be put before the full council for added support "because some of the members from the Transvaal and

certain parts of the Cape are not members of the Executive Committee and must be given a chance to add support to the motion before we ask to meet the Ministers for Internal Affairs and Community Development."

Mr Bana said that since the plight of Mrs Mavis Daya, who may not take ownership of the home bequeathed to her in Malabar by her late husband because she now has to be reclassified as a coloured, was reported in Weekend Post, members of the Executive Committee in Natal found there were many people affected in a similar way and that the whole principle calling on the elimination of the laws involved, was "unanimously accepted."

By putting the proposal to the full council, Mr Bana said, the executive felt more data could be forthcoming which would help motivate their case.

The council meets from Monday to March 2.



# Joint decisions 'in prospect'

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## Political Staff

THE Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, said today joint decision-making on matters of common interest was a 'prospect for all our people in our time.'

He also gave the assurance that the Government was committed to reform towards participation of individuals and groups in the decision-making processes which affect their lives.

Mr Heunis made the statements in his opening speech to the first elected South African Indian Council (SAIC) in Durban. The text of his speech was released in Cape Town.

### REASSURANCE

The major part of his speech was devoted towards reassuring the SAIC, elected last year in an exceptionally low poll, that it could play a role.

He said the Government would look upon the newly elected council and its executive committee as the only representative body of the Indian community to serve as their mouthpiece for the furthering of their interests on the national level.

### REALITIES

He could not predict the council's future, but the very fact that the members of this council are here today convinces me that they are people who grasp the realities of our situation and who were prepared to stand up and be counted as protagonists of peaceful change at a time when for them it could not have been the popular course to take.

He said the council's challenge was to gain a place in the hearts of the people it represented.

It also had to demonstrate to other groups that there was nothing to fear of each other and that each had its own skills, experiences and attributes that would make joint decision-making on matters of common concern an exciting prospect for all our people in our time.

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Jan 2: Debtor (Insurance Company) Life Policy

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# Cruywagen keeps out of Lenasia row

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Star

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The Transvaal Provincial Administrator has refused to enter a controversy that erupted in the Lenasia Management Committee over the election of its chairman.

The management committee asked the Administrator, Mr. Willem Cruywagen to resolve a deadlock in the choice of the Indian committee's chairman.

The request was made after the interim chairman of the Lenasia committee, Mr. Faiz Khan, objected to the committee's former chairman, Mr. Dennis Pillay, being voted back as chairman.

The dispute arose at a recent meeting when nominations were

called to have a new chairman installed.

Mr. Khan became temporary acting chairman in October last year when a voting deadlock was reached in the selection of a new chairman.

Last Friday the director of coloured and Asian affairs, Mr. M. P. Wilsnach chaired the Lenasia Management Committee meeting when members had to elect a new chairman.

According to Mr. Wilsnach, Mr. Khan refused to stand down as temporary acting chairman and left the meeting.

Remaining members elected Mr. Pillay as chairman.

# 'Govt will deal only with the SAIC'

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THE Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, says the Government will in future look upon the South African Indian Council (SAIC) as the only representative body of the Indian community.

Opening the first working session of the first fully elected Indian council in Durban yesterday, Mr Heunis said the biggest challenges facing the SAIC were to gain a place in the hearts of the Indian community and to persuade other groups not to resist change.

He said the deliberations and decisions taken by the SAIC would affect the constitutional development of South Africa.

The SAIC would become a significant force in the country and he asked the Cabinet, the Administrators of the provinces and members of local government to recognise and involve the SAIC in matters affecting Indians.

He said this was not the end of constitutional development for Indians, but an important milestone.

Many people in the Indian community would not be satisfied with the pace of constitutional change, but the Government had committed itself to reform.

Mr Heunis said people in South Africa would temper their expectations because the complexity of South African society meant this would be a long and complex process.

In his reply, the executive chairman of the SAIC, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said Indians had been wronged since their arrival in South Africa and the results which the council achieved would decide whether the council would fail or continue.

He said the new fully elected Indian council would not tolerate any prescriptions, but would aim for peace in South Africa through negotiation.

Mr Rajbansi criticised the Government's aid to Polish refugees while qualified Indians remained unemployed — Sapa



# SAIC hailed as 'important milestone' for the Indians

Mercury Reporter

THE Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, said in Durban yesterday that the South African Indian Council was destined to become an important milestone on the road to constitutional development

Opening the seven-day meeting of the first fully-elected Indian Council, he said he did not believe that it was the end of the constitutional development for the community

'The Government will in future look upon the SAIC as the only representative body of the Indian community,' he said, adding that he had asked his colleagues on the Cabinet, the administrators of the provinces and heads of

local government to work in consultation with the Indian Council on matters affecting the community

'Looking back on the council's past there will be some who will allege that constitutionally nothing spectacular has been gained for and by the Indian community over the past two decades

'But evolutionary constitutional development is never spectacular

'On the other hand, however, the events preceeding the constitution of this council... cannot be written off as unimportant

## Not satisfied

Those who have partaken in consultations and deliberations with the Government over the past years, will know that those important milestones are part and parcel of the process of meaningful constitutional adaptations.

It stood to reason that people in the Indian community would not be satisfied with the pace at which constitutional change was taking place.

But, he said, change solely for the sake of change would not provide a viable framework within which peaceful co-existence in South Africa would be ensured.

Certain prophets are predicting that the council will peter out in failure. I am also aware that there are those inside and outside South Africa who will leave no stone unturned to ensure that this prediction comes true.

# Rajbansi warns on future of SAIC

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Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council executive chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, yesterday warned the Government that the SAIC's future would depend on how the Government responded to its various recommendations

Speaking at the first working session of the council attended by Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Internal Affairs, he said Indians had been 'wronged' since their arrival in this country and they now looked upon the council to put an end to some of the injustices

'My people quite rightfully claim that they have been pushed around through the implementation of the Group Areas Act, subjected to moral degradation and are voiceless and voiceless

'If the Indian Council has to be the true voice of its people then it must be a worthy one and one whose voice of reasonableness can be heard. It has to be a voice that can

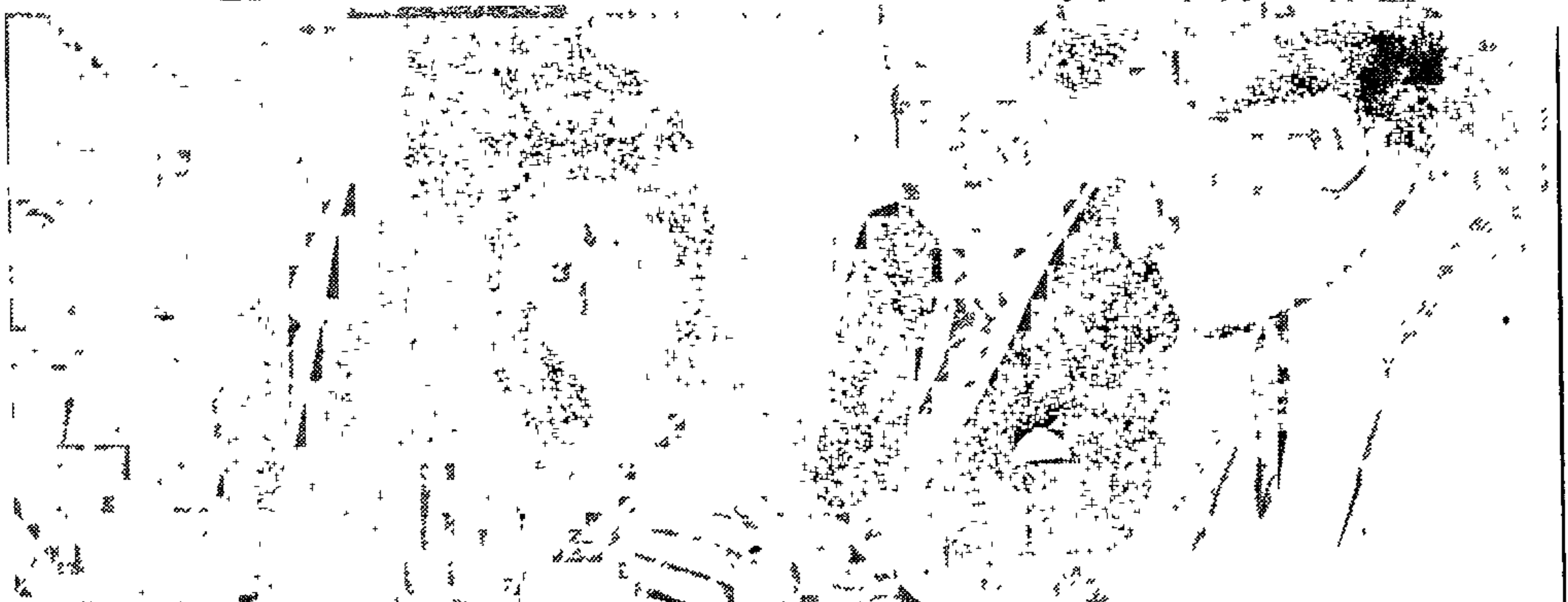
## Council 'looked to' for end to wrongs

stand up against injustice and unrighteousness

'It cannot be an effective voice if in the regular periods of stock-taking it cannot produce results. In the final analysis it will be the fruits of its labour that will determine whether it should continue to exist or not,' he said

Mr Rajbansi said that it was the responsibility of the Government to ensure that meaningful and effective changes were made in South Africa

THE South African Indian Council played host to the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, at a breyani luncheon at the Elangeni Hotel soon after he officially opened the council's first working session yesterday. With Mr Heunis are Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman, Mrs Ashadevi Rajbansi, Mr S S van der Merwe, Director-General of Internal Affairs, and Durban's Mayor, Mrs Sybil Hotz



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# 'Good news' ON Cato Manor today

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**SAIC to be told of plans for area**

Mercury Reporter

THE eagerly awaited announcement on future development plans for Cato Manor is expected today, according to Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the South African Indian Council.

The SAIC's executive recently held top-level talks with the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, and the Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze, on Cato Manor.

At the SAIC meeting yesterday Mr Rajbansi indicated that he had received 'some good news' on Cato Manor from Mr Heunis, who visited Durban this week to open the first working session of the Indian Council.

Mr Rajbansi said he would make the an-

nouncement today.

Mr Heunis told reporters later that he preferred Mr Rajbansi to make the announcement as he did not want to 'steal the thunder from Mr Rajbansi'.

At its recent meeting with the ministers the executive committee urged the Department of Community Development to take over the entire development of Cato Manor following an outcry over Durban City Council's plans to dispose of the first batch of residential sites by public competition.

The Indian Council believes that if the Department of Community Development took over development of Cato Manor it would be able to provide a low-cost housing scheme with Government funds on part of the area while

disposing of the balance of the area for development by private individuals.

Mr A G Joosab, a member of the executive committee, said an announcement in connection with residential restrictions in the Grey Street complex would also be made at the meeting.

Meanwhile, a heated clash is expected at today's meeting between the ruling National People's Party and the Democratic Party over the placing of items on the agenda.

Democratic Party leader Jayantilal Bhalal Patel issued an ultimatum to the executive committee to immediately revise and recast the agenda of the present meeting or the party would seriously consider its further participa-

tion in the meeting.  
'Motions submitted by members of the party have been placed at the tail end of the agenda while National People's Party motions received top positions,' said Mr Patel.

He said his party would also lodge objections to the National People's Party's encroachment on Democratic Party members' constituencies.

Recently the National People's Party, led by Mr Rajbansi, visited St Wendolins — the constituency of Democratic Party member Mr Ismail Patel — and met black leaders. Mr Patel was not invited or consulted although he has a motion on the SAIC agenda calling on the council to urge the Minister of Community Development not to uproot the settled black community

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**SAIC announcement 'a damp squib'**

# Little joy over Cato Manor

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**Mercury Reporter**

THE announcement by the South African Indian Council yesterday on Government plans for the development of Durban's controversial Cato Manor was a damp squib, Mr Roland Parsotham, chairman of the Cato Manor Residents' Association, said last night

He was commenting on a debate on Cato Manor at the SAIC meeting yesterday at which Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman, announced that the Government had agreed to the appointment of a State committee to look into the planning and development of Cato Manor following a public outcry over Durban City Council plans to dispose of land in the area to Indians

Mr Rajbansi told the meeting that the committee would comprise representatives of the Indian Council, the Departments of Internal Affairs and Community Development, the Durban City Council,

LACs and ratepayer bodies

Earlier this week, Mr Rajbansi said he had received 'some good news' from Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Internal Affairs, on Cato Manor and would release it during a council debate on the issue

Mr Heunis, who specially came to Durban to open the SAIC meeting this week, told reporters later that he preferred Mr Rajbansi to make the announcement because he did not want to 'steal the thunder'

**Hoping**

Mr Parsotham told the Mercury last night that the Indian community looked forward to the announcement, hoping it would end the present bitterness over council proposals to dispose of part of the area by public competition

'If the SAIC regarded the appointment of a State committee as shattering news, then I am afraid it leaves much to be desired,' said a disappointed

ed Mr Parsotham

At its meeting yesterday, the SAIC spent a major part of its deliberations tabling questions, reviewing its rules of procedure and hearing a lengthy onslaught by Opposition Democratic Party leader Jayantilal Bhailal Patel against the ruling National People's Party over the composition of the agenda

Mr Patel claimed that motions submitted by Democratic Party members were placed on the tail end of the agenda while those of the National People's Party received prominence

Mr Patel's anger was, however, defused by a suggestion by Mr Rajbansi that the Democratic Party would in future be allowed direct representation on the agenda committee. He assured the meeting that the Democratic Party motions were not deliberately placed towards the end of the agenda

The Natal Indian Congress came under heavy fire from Mr Rajbansi for 'climbing on the Cato Manor bandwagon'

He accused the congress of 'messing with' Chatsworth residents over final selling price of Durban City Council-built homes. He said the Indian Council had dedicated itself to see that justice was not only done but seen to be done in the disposing of land in Cato Manor to Indians

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# Voters' roll for IMC

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D. Dispatch

EAST LONDON — Members of the Indian Management Committee will probably be elected by the people for the first time next year

The local IMC this week accepted a recommendation that a voters' roll be compiled by the town clerk's department with a view to an election being held in 1983

The recommendation has already been through the action committee and accepted by the city council

"We have written to the Administrator asking for the necessary permission and then we will compile the voter's roll," said the deputy town clerk, Mr L Kumm

Since the IMC's estab-

lishment in 1978 members have been appointed — two by the Administrator of the Cape, two by the Department of Indian Affairs and one by city council

In other centres, this procedure only applied for two years, after which committee members were elected in a poll. But in East London because many Indians lived outside the designated Group Area, this was out of the question

With the expansion in Braelynn 4, however, the Indian Affairs department has suggested that a start be made with the voters' roll and that an election be held next year — DDR

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# Debate 'hots up' as Indian Council discusses low poll

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Mercury Reporter

THERE was lively debate in the South African Indian Council chamber yesterday when several members openly admitted that the low poll in the recent SAIC general election was a show of no confidence in them

In a postmortem on the council's first full elections — a sizeable portion of which was marked by near-clashes between the ruling National People's Party and the Democratic Party — the meeting reiterated the SAIC's ultimate goal for direct representation in Parliament

Spearheading the onslaught, opposition Democratic Party member Ismail Patel said he believed that most Indians did not support the SAIC

'This was clearly evident by the low poll registered at the first full elections of the SAIC on November 4,' he said

The party's deputy leader, Mr Yunus Moolla, said the election was the most unpopular one in the world

'One of the reasons for the low poll was it did not meet the aspirations of the community, whose message for direct representation in Parliament has been made abundantly clear'

'He said until discriminatory legislation disappeared the situation in South Africa would continue to remain 'abnormal'

Members served on the SAIC in spite of the low poll because they believed they had a duty to their country and their community to avoid a violent revolution in South Africa, he added.

In his reply, executive chairman and leader of the National People's Party, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said that in normal circumstances there would have been a higher poll. He attributed the low poll to intimidation of voters by 'anti' forces

'I am aware of some people in Unit 7, Chatsworth, who have been threatened that their throats would be cut if they went to the polls on election day

## Unnecessary

'In spite of the actions of the Natal Indian Congress to discredit the Indian Council, we regard the SAIC as a channel of communication with the Government for a transitory period. Our ultimate goal is for direct representation in Parliament'

Earlier in the debate, Mr Nizam Khan drew the attention of the chairman, Mr E V Mahomed, to unnecessary labouring by members over unimportant issues

Mr R A Govender voiced his grave disappointment, saying that the standard of debate was so low that fortunately there were not many spectators in the public gallery or they would have made a 'laughing stock of us'

He could not see the point in lengthy discussion over the low poll while there were other important items on the agenda

'This meeting to me is like a circus,' he said before resuming his seat

Mr Muthusamy Thaver said that nearly half the candidates who contested the election did not know politics — 'All they were concerned about was to get on to the SAIC to earn a salary'

Transvaal member Mr A E Abramjee said the community had lost confidence in the council because it was 'like a diarrhoea of words whose resolutions become constipated in the corridors of this chamber'

At the end of the meeting, several members of the National People's Party asked Pressmen not to report Mr Govender's reference to the SAIC as a 'circus'

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**Botha for change**

**Mercury Reporter**  
 THE Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, yesterday received the full backing of the South African Indian Council in his attempts to bring about changes in South Africa  
 At a snap debate called by Mr Nizam Khan, the ruling National People's Party and the official opposition Democratic Party in the Indian Council pledged their unqualified support for Mr Botha  
 The leader of the NPP, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said the exit of Dr Andries Treurnicht from the National Party was a good riddance, and called on all reasonable MPs to rally to the support of Mr Botha and set the machinery in motion for a genuine power-sharing by all race groups  
 He said a new dispensation must accommodate the black aspirations and white fears for there to be peaceful co-existence  
 Mr Jayantilal Bhailal Patel, leader of the Democratic Party, described the split in the National Party as a significant event in the life of South Africa, and said that the Indian community had an important role to play in shaping the future of the country

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DURBAN — The South African Indian Council yesterday called on the Prime Minister, Mr P. W. Botha, to demonstrate his sincerity to bring about changes in South Africa by scrapping the Group Areas Act.

Summing up discussions after a lengthy and lively debate — marked by deep-rooted bitterness inflicted by the application of the act — Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman, said the Indian Council had pledged its moral support to Mr Botha at "great political risk."

He said it was now Mr Botha's turn to lead the way. "A start should be made in this direction by returning Pageview, a former Indian area in Johannesburg, now zoned white, to the Indian community."

Earlier, a Transvaal member, Mr A. E. Arbee, hit out at the government for uprooting settled Indian families from Pageview.

"Indians were the slaves of draconian legislation which demoralised the community and they will never forget the bitterness of being uprooted from Pageview."

He asked the government why Indians were not shown the same degree of mercy displayed towards Polish refugees — DDC

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# Anti-SAIC to boycott Fordsburg elections

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The Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee has launched a campaign to boycott the by-election in the Fordsburg constituency of the South African Indian Council on March 31.

"A boycott of the election would once again demonstrate to those in authority that the Indian people, together with all democratic South Africans, totally reject apartheid," said the chairman, Dr Essop Jassat on Monday.

"We did the groundwork last year during our campaign to boycott the general elections of the SAIC. All we have to do is consolidate that work."

Dr Jassat said the Anti-SAIC Committee was doing house-to-house canvassing as part of its attempt to boycott the Fordsburg by-election.

### LOWEST POLL

"The people in this constituency had the lowest poll in the country last year when only 69 out of about 3 800 people voted," he said. "We would have been happy if not a single candidate had stood in this month's by-election."

Two candidates — Mr Nanubhai Desai, who received nine of the 69 votes last year, and newcomer Mr Naran Daya — have nominated to stand in the by-election.

The by-election necessitated by resignation of SAIC member Mr I F H K protest against Government's not to accept the recommendation of the President's Council to give Pageview back to the Indian community.

Mr Mayet, a member of the SAIC since 1968, said he was not involved "in any way" in the by-election.

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# SAIC: Desai hits out

By Tyrone August

Fordsburg by-election candidate Mr Nanubhai Desai has launched a scathing attack on the Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee for calling for a boycott of the South African Indian Council

"There are people in the struggle against apartheid who believe

that day-to-day problems ought to be ignored and that "we shall overcome" by mouthing lofty ideologies from soap-box platforms," he said in a Press statement

"The Anti SAIC Committee wants us to boycott the election in Fordsburg on March 31, but what alternative do they propose?

We will achieve nothing but chaos through confrontation"

He urged voters in the Fordsburg constituency to give the Government a chance to demonstrate its sincerity

"We have suffered enough because of boycotts Do not be misled again" he said in his statement

"We all regard the SAIC as part of a transitory period. There is thus no need to agitate against it"

He said those who called for a boycott of the SAIC and the President's Council were misleading the Indian community because they offered no alternative

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knives -- no two of Mr Harry Bosman's knives are the same

# Different salaries 'unfair'

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Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council will approach the Government for parity in salary between Indian and white policewomen, Mr

Amichand Rajbansi Executive Chairman of the council said yesterday

Although Indians welcomed the move by the Government to employ 16 Indian women in the South African Police Mr Rajbansi said it was unfair to discriminate in salary structure between white and Indian

He said the recruiting of Indian women for the police force was long overdue because Indian policemen had proved to be well disciplined

Mr P I Devan a retired school inspector and also an executive member of the Indian Council said that discrimination in salaries would not attract the right people to join the force

He said Indian women had been drawn into the army in India and he saw no reason why both Indian men and women should not be drafted into the South African army

The move to employ Indian women in the police force follows the employment of Indian women by the South African Airways as ground hostesses and by the Durban City Council as meter maids

However owing to a lack of accommodation only 16 women will be trained initially They will fall under the control of Lt Col Pillay commanding officer of the Wentworth police training college

Lt-Col Pillay said yesterday that the women would be accommodated at the renovated Dog Squad centre behind the Cato Manor Police Station Instructors from the Wentworth college would travel daily to train the women at Cato Manor

Training will be for five and a half months and applicants are requested to make inquiries at their nearest police station where further particulars are available

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# Urgent talks Mercury 15/3/82 wanted on homes

## Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council called at the weekend for urgent round table talks with the Department of Community Development to resolve the housing problem of pensioners from two sugar mills on the South Coast

Mr S Ramphal, a member for Umkomaas, said there were 121 widows and pensioners in addition to 286 of their dependants at the Illovo and Sezela mill barracks who required urgent resettlement

'Since the mill has a moral obligation towards the welfare of the pensioners the management had been making representations to the Department of Community Development and the Development and Ser-

vices Board to resettle the pensioners in the proposed phase three of the Craigieburn Township

However, the resettlement programme has been disrupted because of a ruling by the Craigieburn Advisory Board, which maintains that priority for housing be given to residents of Umkomaas,' he added

Mr Ramphal said the mill management had approached the Indian Council for help in persuading the all-Indian Craigieburn Advisory Board to reconsider its decision

He said there was urgent need for round table talks with the Development and Services Board, Department of Community Development, the management of the Sezela and Illovo sugar mills, Craigieburn Advisory

Board and the Indian Council to resolve the problem

Mr Naren Singh, chairman of the Craigieburn Advisory Board, told the Mercury that his board was not opposed to the housing of pensioners from Illovo and Sezela in Umkomaas

'But, preference for housing in phase three of the Craigieburn Township must be given to residents of Umkomaas. We desperately need housing for local residents

'It will be totally unfair that people from outside our area should receive priority for housing. This we are totally against and we'll fight it to the hilt.'

Mr A van der Riet, acting general manager of the C G Smith controlled sugar mill at Sezela, could not be reached for comment



# Hindu candidates for SAIC upset Gandhi followers

Two Hindu candidates who are contesting the South African Indian Council by-election in Fordsburg, Johannesburg, on Wednesday have upset disciples of Mahatma Gandhi, and of the late Nana Sita of Pretoria who chose to go to prison rather than leave his home in a white group area

Mr Ramraj Bhoolia, vice-chairman of the Gandhi centenary Committee told The Star that the Mahatma's followers were embarrassed by the two candidates — Mr Nanubhai Desai of Fordsburg, and Mr Naran Daya of Lenasia — for participating in an "apartheid election born out of racial discrimination"

And Mr Chagan Modi (55), life president of the Pageview Residents Association, who lost his business under the Group Areas Act, said: "Neither Mahatma Gandhi nor Nana Sita, who were both great opponents of racial discrimination, would have approved of any Hindu standing or voting in

this farce election"

The Indian people had been victims of the Group Areas Act "for more than two generations," he said

"It is therefore inconceivable for us to support an election which keeps us rooted to a second-class political status"

A snap survey among the Hindi-speaking community showed that some did not even know who the candidates were.

Mr Daya is standing for the Indian Progressive Party (IPP)

Mr Abe Choonara, IPP spokesman, said it was necessary to have a party man in the SAIC to fight for Indian housing in Fordsburg. Mr Daya has not (not) contacted the Star to give any comment, despite a request for this.

Mr Nanubhai said in a written statement to The Star that the "common enemy" of Indians was not the SAIC but "disunity and apartheid" among Indians themselves.



**GENERAL NEWS**

By Tyrone August

More than 1500 people turned out in support of the Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee's call for a boycott of the Fordsburg by-election tomorrow at a meeting last night

The vice-president of the Natal Indian Congress, Dr Jerry Coovadia described the South African Indian Council as "a hopeless body" and said its members were not serving the interests of the Indian people

"The SAIC is an attempt to prevent the

# Hundreds in call to boycott SAIC poll

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advent of true democracy," he said "We will have nothing to do with the sham councils of both local and national Government.

"We demand our inalienable right to control our own lives"

Bishop Desmond Tutu, general Secretary of the South African

Council of Churches, said there must be common citizenship for all in an undivided South Africa

"This is non-negotiable," said Bishop Tutu. "Apartheid is the most vicious system since nazism It is totally evil. Now there are attempts

to co-opt Indians and coloureds onto this system.

"But the only real answer is authentic power-sharing with all blacks Whites can no longer enjoy considerable privileges based largely on injustice and oppression"

Dr Ismail Mohamed

of the Detainees Parents' Support Committee, himself a former Internal Security Act detainee, said the DPSC fully supports the Anti-SAIC Committee

"We applaud their efforts to fight a struggle against a state body like the SAIC, Dr Mohamed said "The struggle they wage is the struggle of the DPSC is part of the same struggle

"Repression through beatings and detentions to stifle opposition is futile We are determined to have a share in the running of our country.

# Pope could head Anglicans

The Star Bureau

LONDON — The Pope would be head of any merging of the Anglican Church and Roman Catholic Church says a report from a high-ranking commission of both churches just published here

The study, which sums up 14 years of talks aimed at bringing the two churches together, was warmly welcomed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie

But he said yesterday the General Synod of the Church of England would not accept

"definitions of Papal jurisdiction and infallibility made in the 19th century by the first Vatican council."

### FEARS

Despite progress in merging the churches, there is concern for Pope John Paul II on his forthcoming visit to Britain

The Pope held talks yesterday with Britain's Cardinal Basil Hume after a report in Italy's leading daily that London authorities feared trouble from Protestant extremists

But after the meeting at the Vatican Palace a British prelate said "There is no question of calling off the visit or curtailing the programme Everything has been sorted out"

The controversial report on a combined Church recommends that a basis of unity between the Anglicans and Roman Catholics could be found in a "universal primacy" exercised by the Bishop of Rome (the Pope)

The universal primate should have au-

thority over the church in accordance with his role of supporting unity

The report is expected to bring strong reaction both from within the Vatican and from Anglicans over the Queen's position as head of the Church of England

And the two churches, separated for more than 400 years, are still divided on the Roman Catholic doctrine of the Pope's infallibility when pronouncing on matters of faith and morals

Members of the commission agreed in Lon-

don yesterday that they still had to deal with issues such as birth control, abortion and divorce

A second major commission to examine political, diplomatic and pastoral matters may be announced during the Pope's visit to Britain This commission is also expected to examine the position of the Queen as well

A Buckingham Palace spokesman said last night he could not comment on the proposal that the Pope would become "universal primate"

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**BED ROOMS**  
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## Unhappy

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may quit

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his party

Mercury Reporter

A MEMBER of the South African Indian Council's ruling National People's Party, Mr Ramcharitar Panday, says he may quit the party out of sheer frustration.

Mr Panday, council member for the Chatsworth Glenview constituency, said in a strongly worded letter to party chairman E. S. a Mohammed, of Pietermaritzburg, that he was angry because the party had consistently failed to recognise talent in members for party appointments to important posts.

As chairman of the Natal Association of Driving School Instructors, he had been involved in the transportation field for more than a decade and he, as well as other party members and many in his constituency, had expected himself to become not only the party's but also the SAIC's chief spokesman on transport.

### Postponed

But this had not happened because the party did not appear to care too much about merit in its appointments, he said.

Mr Panday said he had found himself in the invidious position of having to forgo an important party meeting scheduled for last Monday to attend, instead, a seminar in Johannesburg on transport, as a representative of his driving school association.

He had heard later that the meeting had been postponed to next Monday, he said.

Mr Mohammed, who is also the Speaker of the SAIC, told the Mercury yesterday the party had planned to set up special sub-committees, including one on transport, and he was sure Mr Panday would be appointed as a member, if not as chairman.

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Lenasia shoemaker Mr Naran Daya was elected to the South African Indian Council with 57 votes in yesterday's by-election in Fordsburg  
His opponent, Mr Nabhai Desai, received 34 votes. Only 14 people turned up to vote yesterday. The rest were postal votes. The percentage poll was 2,2  
It was Mr Desai's second unsuccessful attempt to be elected to

the SAIC. Last November he lost to Mr I F H Mayet in a percentage poll of 1,2 percent

Yesterday's by-election resulted from the resignation of Mr Mayet in protest against the Government's decision not to give Pageview back to the Indian community

About 200 Anti-SAIC supporters jeered and shouted "sell-outs" when the result was announced

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# Cobbler wins Indian seat in stayaway poll

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By BOETI ESHAK

FROM shoemaker to South African Indian Council member overnight. That is the story of Mr Naran Daya, who captured the controversial Fordsburg seat in a by-election on Wednesday after a massive stayaway from the polls.

Only 57 of the 4 000 eligible voters cast their ballots for him, mostly by post. Only 14 people actually cast their votes on election day.

His opponent at the polls, Mr Nanubhai Desai, received 34 votes. The percentage poll for the election was 2,2.

But cobbler Daya, 49, of Lenasia, says he is not in the least bit perturbed by the turnout at the polls.

"I could have actually got more votes, but three papers were 'spoilt' because the returning officer forgot to sign them and they all were my people."

Mr Daya says he has an answer for anyone who tries to take the muckey out of him because of his profession.



MR NARAN DAYA

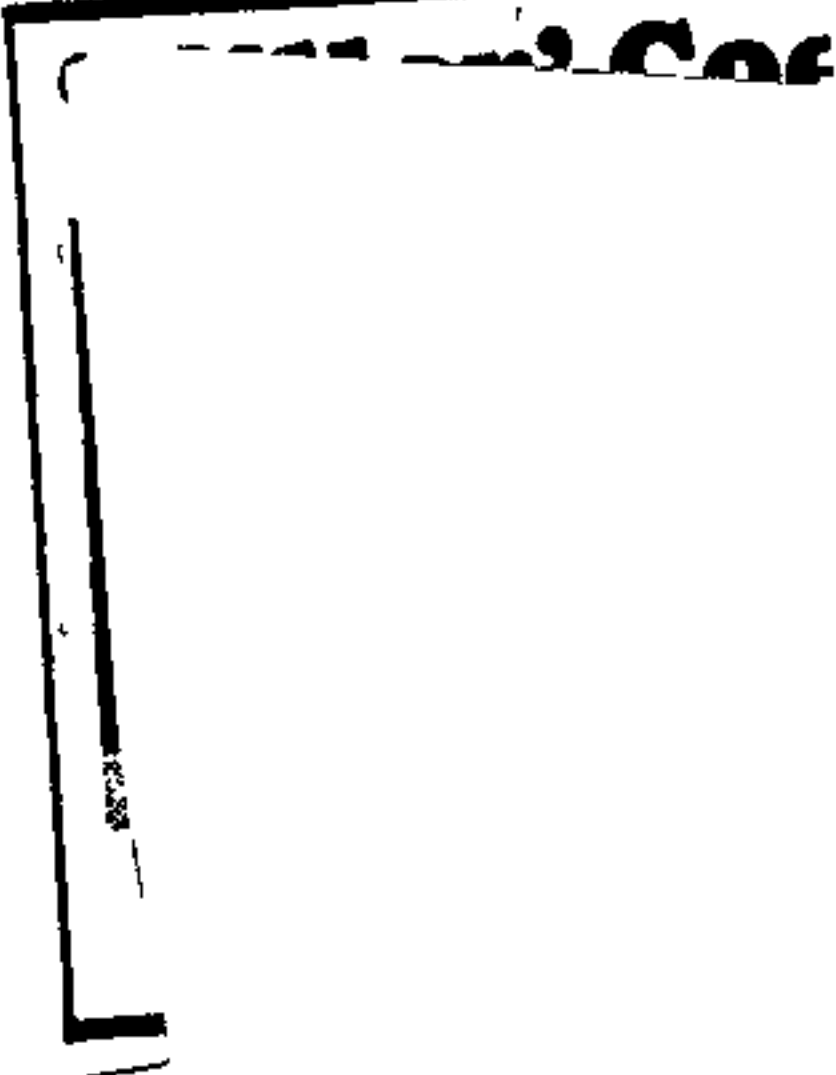
He added "I stood for election because, as an employee, I gamed first-hand and intimate experiences of residents' grievances and felt that here was a challenge I could not ignore, since I am a community-minded person."

## Challenge

"Despite the descriptions given, shoemaker, cobbler or anything, my clear conscience guarantees that I have both my feet firmly planted on the ground."

He's also quick to point out that he didn't get involved with the SAIC for the approximate R600-a-month salary he will earn as a councillor.

"I earn a lot more as a cobbler than I will as a member of the SAIC."



# Mixed voters' roll call under congress spotlight

EAST LONDON — A common municipal voters' roll and relaxation of the Group Areas Act will come under the spotlight at this year's annual congress of the Cape Province Municipal Association (CPMA)

Delegates to the congress — which opens here on Monday — will be asked to vote on a proposal by the CPMA executive calling for sweeping changes to the present system of white-only representation in city council chambers

The proposal is likely to come under strong fire from conservative elements, with at least one municipality — from Hanover in the north-eastern Cape — opposing the suggestion

The CPMA executive has already drawn up detailed proposals which will be submitted to the President's Council if the congress gives its approval

These proposals call for a larger say in municipal affairs for coloureds and Indians who own property in Cape towns and cities

They also propose

- The abolition of the management committee system for coloureds and Indians,

- The division of local authority areas into wards,

- Representation of the different race groups in city and town council structures,

- The creation of a non-racial voters' roll "with uniform voting qualifications (where) owners and occupiers, irrespective of race, be enrolled as voters"

In terms of these proposals, one vote will be given to the owner of each rateable property, and one vote to the occupier

The executive committee also warns against granting superior rights to black community councils, but reserves comment on the position of urban blacks in local government

Two further "thoughts" have also been drawn up for consideration by the President's Council, if the proposals are approved by congress. They call for a "more indulgent use" of the permit system provided for in the Group Areas Act, and an investigation into whether areas "where the provisions of the Group Areas Act may not be applied" are possible

The Hanover delegation — made up of deputy mayor Mr B A Zurnamer and the town clerk, Mr J W Viljoen — has submitted a motion rejecting the executive committee's proposals and suggested its own ideas on constitutional changes in local government

The ideas — drawn up by Mr Zurnamer — warn against creating "an artificial climate for integration at local authority level"

Mr Zurnamer said this would bring about "a climate of frustration and polarisation" and promote racial friction

Instead of integrating, Mr Zurnamer suggests the extension of the management committee system whereby these committees are given the same powers as white municipalities — but remain separate. He also pleads for the maintenance of the

Group Areas Act and calls for it to be extended to towns where it does not already apply

More than 420 delegates are expected to attend the congress to discuss the 120 proposals and motions on the agenda

After the CPMA executive meeting on Monday morning, the congress itself will be opened on Monday night by the Administrator of the Cape, Mr Eugene Louw. The Cape Corps Band from Cape Town will provide entertainment afterwards. The congress proper starts on Tuesday morning with discussion of the presidential address delivered on opening night

After-hours entertainment has been laid on for delegates. More than 700 people will attend a cocktail party in the city hall on Tuesday night and a mammoth braai on the Orient Beach on Wednesday night



# Management committee seen as flop

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EAST LONDON — Among the proposals endorsed at the Cape Province Municipal Association's congress here yesterday was the abolishment of the management committee system.

At an earlier meeting of the executive committee, the association's action committee submitted a report that with the exception of isolated cases the management committee system had failed.

The executive committee also accepted the proposed single voters roll for whites, coloureds and Indians and that the delimitation of wards be carried out in such a way that, with regard to the different racial groups, all wards have equal rateable valuations, as far as possible. The principle that representation of the different groups on a

council must be proportionate to rates paid had to be maintained.

The committee also decided that two councillors should be elected for each ward for a total term of four years by the voters whose names appear on the voters' roll of each ward — one councillor to retire every second year.

The committee upheld the right of a community, or a minority group, to become an autonomous local authority at any time when the inhabitants of an area elected to do so or where the area was geographically situated in such a manner as to promote it.

A system of primary and regional councils was vigorously opposed as the association was not in favour of fragmentation of existing local authorities. Such a

step would be uneconomic and impractical and would result in a duplication of services. The association was convinced that the existing local government system was more effective than a regional local government system would be.

The proposals were "broad principles" which would be submitted to the Presidents' Council and details would be discussed after the President's Council had given its opinion, Dr Schliebusch said.

The following "thoughts" would also be submitted to the President's Council:

- That the possibility of establishing areas where the provisions of the Group Areas Act would not be applied and where academics, professional people and businessmen could be

accommodated be investigated.

These areas would be determined in consultation with the relevant local authority.

- The more indulgent use of the permit system as provided for in the Group Areas Act

Following the endorsement of the proposals, Dr Schliebusch said it was time people realised South Africa needed to take steps in the right direction.

We can't stand in isolation from the rest of the world forever. Also, problems can't be solved with bullets — we need to sit down together and talk things out."

There would have to be concessions from all sides, he added.

Referring to the criteria governing voting rights, Dr Schliebusch

said not everyone would be eligible to vote.

"Only those who contribute to the cities' coffers will be allowed to vote."

At an earlier meeting of the action committee it was generally conceded that the system of voting which was in force prior to 1972 should be reintroduced. In terms of this system an occupier had one vote and an owner one vote, but where the owner occupied his own dwelling, his wife, or some other person nominated by him, would be considered the occupier.

In the preamble to the proposals it was pointed out that changes made to the systems of local government should not be radical but that an acceptable solution must be found which would recognise basic

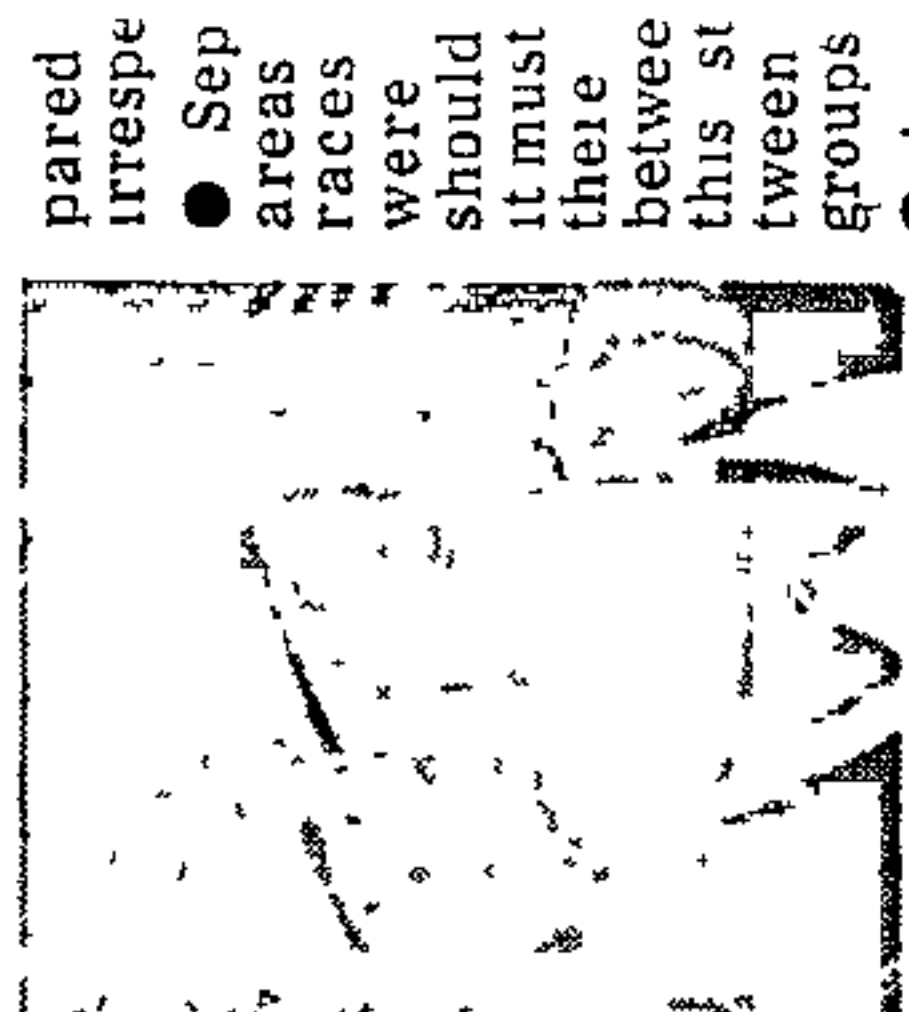
human rights and human dignity.

- Thought had been mostly centred on the differences between the racial groups, but there were "contact-points" which indicated that, in the interest or orderliness, the present system should be adjusted.

- The right of a say in local government by a person who made a contribution in the form of rates to the income of the local authority could not be ignored any longer.

The solution was therefore to be found in the principle of property ownership in the relevant local authority.

- Owners of fixed property, as direct ratepayers, guaranteed the expenditure of local authority and should therefore be entitled to a big-



DR SCHLEBUSCH

ger say than lessees of property who were indirect ratepayers. However, lessees also contributed to local authority funds and were also entitled to a say in the decision-making process by way of their voting rights.

To give recognition to this principle a difference must be made between the voting "weight" of owners com-

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**Own Correspondent**  
**DURBAN.** — The adjourned first meeting of the partially elected South African Indian Council, which will reconvene on Monday, will be dominated by 'debates' on proposals for a new constitutional dispensation, the chairman of the executive, Mr A Rajbansi, said today.

Reacting to the proposals for greater participation by Indians and coloured people in the mainstream of politics, spelt out by the Prime Minister in Oudtshoorn recently, Mr Rajbansi said they were keeping their options open until the Government responded to the President's Council recommendations for a new constitutional plan at local and national government levels.

"We will look into the pros and cons of qualified participation by Indians. We are already committed to negotiation as an instrument of change. It is now up to the Government to take a serious look at these demands for change," Mr Rajbansi said.

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**Officials:** Secretary

**Area of Operation:**

**Founded:** 1973

**Registration:** See note on FOSATU registration, p. 11

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# SAIC leader hits out over jobs

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Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council's executive chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, yesterday lashed out at the Department of Internal Affairs for allegedly by-passing the appointment of Indians to senior posts in the department's Division of Education

He told a meeting of the council in Durban yesterday that since 1976 no advancement of Indians was made beyond the level of chief inspector in the Education Division although there were a number of suitably qualified Indians.

Recently, a white deputy Director of Education was appointed acting director in place of Mr Gabriel Krog, who is away overseas

'The highest-qualified Indian in the department was conveniently transferred to another section, obviously to side-step being appointed as acting director,' he said

## Warned

'Such action casts an unfair reflection on the Indian community,' he said, adding that while he did not advocate the appointment of Indians for the sake of doing so, he believed that merit alone should be the criterion

He said the coloured community had a coloured as rector of a college and director of education, and warned that discrimination would not be tolerated

The SAIC would make representations to the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, to give instructions for the Indian Council to be consulted in future appointments in the Department of Internal Affairs

He told reporters afterwards that in the recent appointment of a deputy director, an Indian with five degrees had been overlooked for a white applicant

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**'Leper'  
statute  
shames  
Indians**

6/6/62  
By TICKS CHETTY

A PROHIBITIVE immigration law which lumps Indians with lepers and prostitutes is still on South Africa's statute books — 69 years after it was promulgated and more than 100 years after large-scale Indian immigration to South Africa stopped.

The restriction applies to all Asians and arises from a "deeming order" made in 1913 by the then Minister of the Interior, General Jan Smuts, under the provisions of the Immigrants Regulations Act of that same year.

Legal men and politicians pointed out this week that the proposals to frame a new constitution for South Africa became totally meaningless when such laws which branded Asians as undesirables were still on the statute books.

The Immigrants Regulations Act of 1913 consolidated the immigration laws existing before the formation of the Union and the provinces of Natal, Transvaal, Orange Free State and the Cape.

The law remains in force under a later name — the Admission of Persons to the Republic Regulations Act, number 59 of 1972.

### Undesirable

The statute specifically prohibits such "undesirables" as prostitutes, insane people and lepers, but the administrative decree of the minister has included all Asians irrespective of their status.

Although General Smuts' 1913 deeming order says "I hereby deem every Asiatic person to be unsuited on economic grounds", legal men point out that Asians were still included in the same list of prohibited immigrants, which includes prostitutes, lepers and convicted criminals.

Mr R. Ramesar, acting chairman of the Natal Indian Congress, said this week that there was an urgent need for the order to be repealed.

"As long as restrictions remain on Indians on racial grounds, the Government's attempt to create a better image of itself internationally will be an exercise in futility.

"It is the same order which makes Indian South Africans foreigners in the country of their birth by prohibiting them free entry into the Orange Free State and within Natal in the magisterial districts of Babanango, Paulpietersburg and Vryheid.

"This restriction also militates against Indians when their children are born outside South Africa. Their domicile rights and citizenship are placed in jeopardy.

### Meaningless

"While the Natal Indian Congress has rejected the President's Council, even those supporting it must realise that a new constitutional formula is completely meaningless when Indians are denied free movement within their own country and when they are lumped with lepers and prostitutes," Mr Ramesar said.

Mr Mike Govindsamy, secretary of the Democratic Lawyers' Association, said that "although it is now more than 60 years since the order was made, it has still not been repealed".

"It is nothing but an order of shame," he said.

The prohibitive order against Asians was challenged in 1914 in the Supreme Court in Natal and in 1917 in the Cape and the Transvaal.

In 1923 the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court confirmed the validity of the prohibition against Indians in a majority decision.



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740 Mr R A F SWART asked the  
Minister of Internal Affairs

- (a) What amounts are paid to members of the South African Indian Council by way of (i) remuneration (ii) allowances and (iii) other benefits and (b) what is the nature of such other benefits?

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The MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

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# Indians upset about land issue

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THE South African Indian Council, at its meeting later this month, is expected to condemn the lack of consultation which preceded the Government's efforts arbitrarily to cede a chunk of KwaZulu to Swaziland, some council members said yesterday.

And the chairman of the council's executive, Mr A Rajbansi, said from Durban that he would introduce a special debate on the Ingwavuma give-away issue at the full session of the council in Durban on July 26.

Mr Rajbansi said he did not want to anticipate the

council's debate on the issue but he stressed that throughout history people had been prepared to fight and die to protect their land rights.

The problem was aggravated if efforts were made to cede land to another country without proper consultation and negotiation with the local population.

Mr Rajbansi said the Prime Minister had made it clear on a number of occasions that his policy was self-determination.

"To ignore this principle and to ignore the large number of people involved in the Ingwavuma issue is a recipe for trouble," Mr Rajbansi said.

He added that if the Government was determined to press the issue and to cede Ingwavuma to Swaziland, the fairest way of approaching the problem was a referendum.

Meanwhile strong condemnation of the Government's actions in Ingwavuma and KaNgwane is also expected at a special meeting of the Labour Party scheduled for the end of the month in Cape Town.

Although the party has made no official comment the leadership is known to be "seriously disturbed" at the potential for unrest created by the arbitrary action of the Government.

# Indians 'distrust' council

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14/7/82

By Tyrone August  
 The Transvaal Anti-SAIC Committee, whose boycott campaign hampered the South African Indian Council elections last November, has launched an attack on the President's Council in its newsletter this month, the committee said: "We regard the President's Council as the biggest suspicion and distrust among the people on the PC are not the elected representatives of the community. The PC was created in the same way as the SAIC — undemocratically, without consulting the article dismissed people".

## New drive to boycott election

14/7/82

The Transvaal Anti South African Indian Council Committee has launched a new drive to boycott the SAIC by-election in Lenasia West on July 28. It is distributing 30 000 copies of its latest newsletter in a door-to-door campaign to boycott the by-election. The newsletter has a front-page article calling for a stay away.

"The Transvaal Anti SAIC Committee calls on the people of Lenasia to demonstrate once and for all that we reject the SAIC," it says. "We demand direct representation at all levels of decision-making and not through advisory and ineffective organs like the SAIC and the President's Council."

"What happened to all the promises of the SAIC? We still have an acute housing shortage in Lenasia and the SAIC recently failed to secure an adequate sum from the Government to overcome this".

The by-election was necessitated by the resignation of Mr Manilal Jheena because he is a State employee. Mr Salejee Laher and Mr Endedall Beharie are contesting the seat.

do offer a few minor concessions, but these fall short of the needs and aspirations of the oppressed people".

The article also argues that because the PC's proposals make provision for an executive president who stands above Parliament, political power will be removed from Parliament.

"This makes the inclusion of Indians and coloured people meaningless," it continues.

The PC also recommends that each area has its own local councils.

"This means that although we never had a say in the kind of areas we live in we will have to solve the problems in these areas".

The Anti-SAIC Committee says it regards a national convention as the only way in which organisations which truly represent the majority of people can be consulted.

# Keeping up the Joneses

The Star Bureau — LONDON — Twenty-two of the original 70 "Jones boys" — the Welsh Choir which visited South Africa despite strong UK disapproval — will return on a 17-concert visit early next year.

The choir, all of whose members assumed the surname Jones to avoid blacklisting by anti-apartheid movements on their return, will tour with the Cape Corps Band.

The nucleus of the original choir, chosen for solo talents, will perform in the UK in preparation for the second South African tour.

Tenor soloist Geraint Dodd, who features on the LP of the South African tour, has won a major award at the Liangollen International Elsteddfod

# HÄGAR the Horrible



# By Dik Browne



# Cancer victim Terry

## - a symbol of hope

Own Correspondent  
 VANCOUVER — Canada has remembered and honoured the

Terry Fox, a mop-haired, 22-year-old amputee who had lost his right leg to cancer,

His aim was to dip the leg into Vancouver Harbour in British Columbia and his resolve

# Undertaker look gets Eton swipe

LONDON — The top hats and tails worn by schoolboys at Eton



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SAIC calls on PW to  
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'reconsider' land swop

Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council yesterday called on the Prime Minister to reconsider urgently the Government's standpoint on the proposed cession of Ingwavuma and KaNgwane to Swaziland

The decision followed a fiery attack on the Government by Transvaal member, Mr Ahmed Arbee, during a lively debate which at times threatened to end in uproar when the chairman, Mr E V Mahomed, unsuccessfully tried to curtail discussion of the issue

Condemning the Government's handling of the proposed land deal, Mr Arbee said it could not be construed as promoting the concept of meaningful dialogue

'The Prime Minister

gave an assurance in the recent parliamentary session that the Government would proceed with the move to 'unite nations that belonged together only if the people wanted it of their own free will'

'Barely two months later the Government announced its intention to carve up KwaZulu and chop KaNgwane completely off the map all by a simple decree

'We are entering a dangerous era in our history of prescriptive politics

'The Government must take full responsibility for becoming the sole agent of destroying moderate leadership,' he said, charging the Government with 'creating an atmosphere of antagonism by kindling the fires of hate and violence'

# SAIC fighting to end dwindling credibility

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**By Mariah Vengtas**

THE South African Indian Council is waging a bitter battle with the Government in a desperate bid to salvage its dwindling credibility

This emerged at the council's week-long deliberations in Durban which ended last week on yet another note of discord over the lack of meaningful response from the Government to its many recommendations

As was the case in previous meetings, members expressed grave dissatisfaction at the slow response to council resolutions, saying their credibility was being endangered.

Executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi admitted that since June last year there had been no positive reaction from the Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze, on matters raised by the council

Among these were a re-

quest for the lifting of restriction on residential development in Durban's multi-million Grey Street complex, a call for the Government to take over the entire development of Cato Manor and the provision additional housing for Indians in Johannesburg

## Constipated

In the words of one of its outspoken Transvaal members, Mr Ahmed Arbee, an Indian Council meeting could aptly be regarded as a 'diahorrea of words' and a forum 'whose resolutions become constipated within the corridors of this chamber'

He added 'But this time the constipation appears to be so severe that we now need an atom bomb to clear it'

In a bid to salvage its credibility, the council wants to take over powers dealing with the appointment of public servants

This follows Mr Raj-

bansi's disclosure that besides having to counter 'anti-SAIC elements in the community, the council also has to put up with certain Government officials who appear to adopt a similar stance against the SAIC'

## Hurdles

The council believes that if it had a say in the appointment of public servants, especially in the Department of Internal Affairs and the Division of Indian Education, it could easily overcome its 'internal problem'

In spite of the hurdles facing the SAIC, Mr Rajbansi yesterday declared 'We have been setting the stage and preparing the infrastructure for a better next six months where we will be able to give a positive report on the fruits of our labours'

A further meeting with Mr Kotze has been arranged in Durban on August 12 to iron out some of the more serious prob-

lems confronting the community

Summing up the deliberations, Mr Rajbansi said 'On the whole I am pleased with the all-round work done by the council. The 200-page agenda together with the reports are proof of the council's efforts to improve the conditions of our people'

On education matters, he announced the transfer of ministerial control in respect of Indian education and social welfare to the executive committee of the Indian Council.

He also disclosed the withdrawal of certain powers from Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, and vested directly in the executive committee.

Two of these powers have already been withdrawn and affect matters relating to teachers' associations and the appointment of personnel at the Apprentice School at Sastri College



# Indian Council plans protest on SP visits

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**Own Correspondent**

DURBAN — The South African Indian Council would seek ministerial intervention over recent Security Police visits to members of the council, the chairman of the executive, Mr A Rajbansi, said today.

A member of the SAIC, Mr Hassim Cassim of Dundee, was quizzed by Security Police a fortnight ago about his alleged involvement with Palestine Liberation Organisation sympathisers.

Last week the member for Isipingo, Mr Nizam Khan, was approached by two senior police officers who reportedly asked him about the council's plans to withdraw certain administrative powers from the Indian education directorate.

**CONCERN**

Mr Rajbansi said he would lodge a strong protest with the Minister of Internal Affairs and other State departments.

"I am deeply concerned at this new turn in events. I would like to

know how recommendations for improvements to the administration of education constitute a threat to State security," Mr Rajbansi said.

"Such interference by the police in the affairs of this statutory body could jeopardise our relations with the Government over constitutional reform and other related matters."

Mr Cassim said his questioning by two security policemen two weeks ago followed a similar visit a month earlier. "They asked me about my involvement with the PLO," he said.

Mr Cassim said he was not aware of any PLO following in South Africa, except to the extent that Muslims, bound by their common Islamic faith, sympathised with the plight of their brethren in Lebanon.

"The policemen said they had heard I was a strong critic of the Government and its policies. I told them I was often outspoken on several issues," he said.

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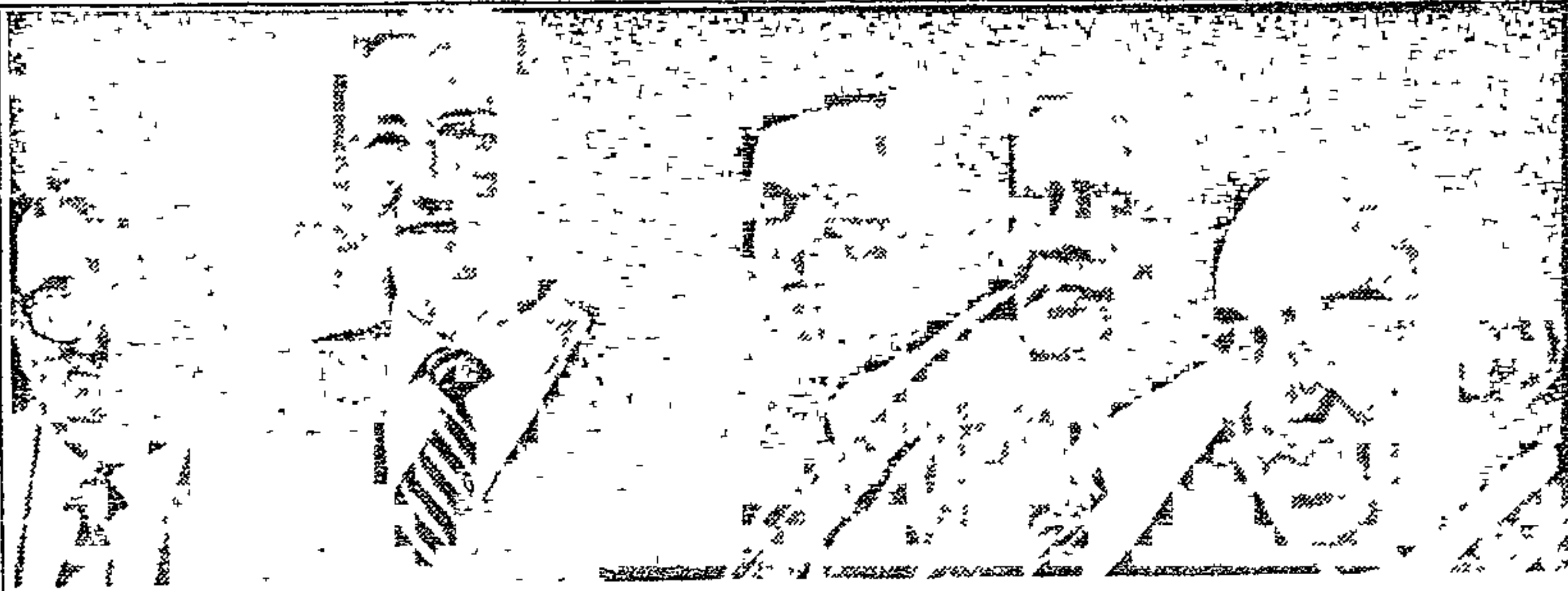
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MR PEN KOTZE, with executive members of the South African Indian Council — Mr A G Joosab (left), chairman Amichand Rajbansi, Mr P I Deven and Mr Raman Bhana

# Drastic spending cut-back on Indians and coloureds

Mercury Reporter

**THE** Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze, yesterday announced a drastic cut-back in Government spending on Indian and coloured housing and warned those falling within the 'economic income group' not to rely on Government funds for housing

Addressing a meeting of the South African Indian Council's executive committee in Durban yesterday, he said people falling within the 'economic income group' would to a large extent have to depend on financial institutions and other resources to finance their housing needs because Government funds would not be available in the foreseeable future

Regarding the provision of community facilities, he said the Government would provide only limited funds and the Indian and coloured communities would have to take note of the fact that only bare-essential facilities could be provided

He said that in terms of a new approach by his department regarding the utilisation of available State funds for housing, preference in future would be given only to the following

- The creation of the necessary infrastructure to ensure that there will always be enough serviced building stands for persons who wish to erect their own homes, or

for anybody who wishes to make a concrete contribution in the field of housing.

- The provision of welfare housing with the assistance of local authorities religious and welfare organisations and other interested private organisations,

- Within the limits of available State funds, a real contribution to the provision of housing for the very poor with an income of about R150 a month, and

- Giving active support for controlled self-build projects and to those who wish to help themselves

Mr Kotze said as far as housing for the poor was concerned, his department would still consider making funds available for housing projects for persons earning less than R150 a month

'It will unfortunately not be possible to provide housing for the other income groups in accordance with the present basis and to assist those falling in the income groups below R250 a month it is anticipated that a special amount will be made available to local authorities as from the 1983/1984 financial year

\*From this loans can be made available for the purchase of building materials for self-building purposes

\*As far as business undertakings were concerned, Mr Kotze emphasised that such undertakings were not the responsibility of the authorities, but it was accepted policy that they be left to private enterprise.

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# People will <sup>758</sup> ignore boycott <sup>30/8/82</sup> call — Bhana

By RAYMOND HILL

THE Indian community would ignore the call for a boycott of the Port Elizabeth Indian Management Committee elections, its chairman, Mr Raman Bhana, said

He was reacting to statements made at an anti-IMC meeting held by the Malabar Ratepayers Association in the Aulayam Hall, Malabar, yesterday

Speakers, including a Durban professional man, Mr Z Yacoob, urged the crowd to reject the IMC

The IMC elections will be on Thursday

The Anti-IMC committee has issued pamphlets urging a boycott because management committees have no decision-making powers

Mr Bhana became the chairman two years ago and his term expires tomorrow

He criticised the Malabar Ratepayers Association for entering the field of politics

The MRA, he said, had neglected its duties as a civic body — something to the detriment of the community it was formed to serve — and it was wasting its time by calling for a boycott

Mr Bhana said that by inviting "reinforcements" to the meeting, the association had proved that it did not have the community's interests at heart

According to him, 95% of the crowd had no "direct" interest in the elections

"What do organisations like Sâcos and Pebco have to do with management committee elections?" he asked

Mr Bhana said the Malabar Ratepayers Association was gradually "fading out" and he was confident that the community would ignore its boycott call

The IMC, he said, had worked towards direct representation since its inception

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# SAIC lashes Govt for housing mess

By Yussuf Nazeer  
The Transvaal spokesman for the South African Indian Council today accused the Department of Community Development and the Group Areas Act of creating a chaotic housing shortage and a soaring waiting list among Indians

SAIC spokesman Mr Abe Choonara said his council would tell the

Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze that, the Government's separate development policy rooted in the Group Areas Act had failed miserably on housing

"There are about 10 000 Indians in the Johannesburg area, including those in white areas plus Fordsburg, Pageview and Lenasia, who badly need homes," Mr Choonara said

"Now, the department tells us it has stopped all future homebuilding projects for Indians and other races because it no longer has funds after the State's R500 million cutback on building plans earlier this year

"Does this mean the Department of Community Development is bankrupt? If this is so, we must conclude that the Group Areas Act is bankrupt. Liquidated firms must close shop"

The department said in October last year that it would build 837 homes this year in Lenasia Extension, South It had also planned a further 2 100 stands in this new extension

Now there would be neither homes nor stands, Mr Choonara said

The department also told The Star that its earlier plans for cutting up and selling about 1 000 stands in Lenasia South to people who wanted to build their own homes were a long way off

Services have been laid in the area but it is not known when it will be declared a township

Mr Kotze said earlier this year that the department would no longer build homes for Indians and coloured people because of the lack of funds

He said stands would be sold to applicants, who had to build their own homes. But the SAIC said no stands were forthcoming and the waiting list continued to soar

The National Housing Commission, in a circular to all local authorities and administration boards, said that because of the shortage of funds and rising building costs, homes built in future for people earning less than R150 a month would be without ceilings, flooring, interior painting, fencing or electricity



Site for  
industry  
set aside

By Yussuf Nazeer

The Government has agreed to create an industrial growth point for Indians and coloured people between Lenasia and Ennerdale.

Earlier this year the South African Indian Council in a memorandum to the Government, expressed fears that decentralisation of urban-based industries to homeland borders would leave thousands of Indian and coloured factory workers jobless.

Now the Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze, has told the SAIC that a site for more than 1 000 factories has been set aside.

More than 100 000 workers could be drawn from both areas, according to spokesmen there. Ennerdale is expected to become the largest coloured settlement in the Transvaal and Lenasia the largest Indian one.

Transvaal SAIC spokesman Mr Abe Choonara said the SAIC would ask the Minister next week to move all Indian and white factories in Fordsburg to the Lenasia-Ennerdale area.

"This will leave Fordsburg with ample space for redevelopment into a residential area," said Mr Choonara.

The Central Business District Association has recommended that Fordsburg become an urban residential area for Indians. But Mr Choonara and other Indian leaders want it turned into a multiracial residential area.

The Government has said that Fordsburg will replace Pageview.

# Voters 'chose to work within system'

Post Reporter

THE high percentage poll in the Indian Management Committee elections yesterday showed that Malabar residents chose to work within the system, Mr Raman Bhana, chairman of the committee, said today

Mr Bhana's "team" defeated the three independent candidates — Dr Adam Dhoordhat, who polled 316 votes, Mr Hassen Noorshib (302 votes) and Mr Lawrence Hutton (303 votes) — who stood in yesterday's election

Mr Bhana, who has been on the IMC since its inception, polled 565 votes, Mr Peter O'Brien, a sitting member, polled 488 and Mr Jay Kathan, a member for the IMC for the past four years, polled 446. The two new candidates, Mr Kesu Padayachy and Mr Jusus Jogee, polled 426 and 422 respectively

Mr Bhana estimated the average percentage poll was 58%

"The people who stayed away either knew we were going to win or were apathetic because they are content with their lot. If 5% of the people boycotted the election it was a lot," he said

"We had a higher poll than the recent Port Elizabeth City Council elections and also had one of the highest polls in the country for this type of election"

His committee had decided to work for change within the given system, said Mr Bhana

"Our first objective will be to get full representation on the City Council," he added

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The executive committee of the South African Indian Council will hold discussions with community leaders in the Transvaal today to examine problems and the housing crisis in Lenasia.

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, chairman of the executive committee said the meeting with the community leaders was to prepare for a meeting with the Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze.

Transvaal community leaders are concerned about overcrowding and the serious shortage of homes. The clampdown by the Government on funds has worsened the situation, they say.

"We want to see the situation for ourselves and then put our demands to the Minister," said Mr Rajbansi.

He added that while in the Transvaal they would also examine the prospect of identifying a new area for the Indian community in central Johannesburg.



# Worrall meets SAIC for talks

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## Mercury Reporter

**THERE** would have been much more Indian support for the South African Indian Council had the election been held 17 years ago, Dr Dennis Worrall, South Africa's new Ambassador to Australia, was told yesterday.

The SAIC's apparent lack of support from the

community was defended by executive members when they held informal talks with Dr Worrall, former chairman of the Constitutional Committee on the President's Council, in the Indian Council Chamber in Durban yesterday.

An executive member, Mr P I Devan, told the Mercury afterwards that the meeting had been at the re-

quest of Dr Worrall and discussions focused on the history of Indian settlement in South Africa

'We also touched on a number of political issues, including the Group Areas Act, education and the creation of statutory bodies such as the LACs and the SAIC.

'We told Mr Worrall that had the Government paved

the way for the Indian Council to be a fully elected body much earlier, and not 17 years after its formation, the measure of support from the community would have been far greater.

'The Indian Council was established in 1964 and the first full elections only took place last year — 17 years later.'

# Indian Council fears job may end abruptly

By Nagoor Bissetty

THE Government's eagerness to get its constitutional proposals off the ground as soon as possible is bringing cold comfort for some of the South African Indian Council's R1 000-a-month members.

Some are privately hoping that the 12-month-old council will run its full five-year term of office.

Fears that the SAIC may come to an abrupt end were raised this week after a statement by Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Constitutional Development, that the Government wished to see chambers for Indians and coloureds in its proposed three-tier Parliament elected next year or early in 1984.

The minister's statement underlines the fact that the SAIC's days may be numbered, a member said yesterday. Another said that instead of holding new elections for an Indian Chamber, the Government should enhance the status of the SAIC to enable it to continue in office to serve as the new chamber.

## Welcomed

Apart from saying he was aware of the minister's statement, executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi — he has been tipped to become the first 'Indian prime minister' in a new dispensation — declined to comment.

Meanwhile, some Local Affairs Committees in Natal have welcomed a new amendment to the Province's LAC regulations made by the Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, to enable LACs to skip elections this year or in 1983 and continue in office until the Government's constitutional proposals are finalised.

A Provincial spokesman said the amendment makes it legally possible to extend the term of office of retiring LAC members should the LAC accept adoption of the amendment and also the principle involved in the proposals.

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# SAIC has township proposal

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## Metropolitan Editor

THE South African Indian Council executive is to propose two additional townships in the Johannesburg area for Indian occupation

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, chairman of the South African Indian Council executive said yesterday he had requested a meeting with the Minister of Community Development Mr Pen Kotze to discuss the proposal

He declined, however, to give the exact location of the two townships, except to say that one was near the city centre and the other "between Eldorado Park and Johannesburg"

It is believed the central city area could be a part of Mayfair, currently a white suburb, and would form part of the Fordsburg-Newtown-Pageview area

Mr Rajbansi said Mr Kotze had already agreed in principle to meet his executive

He would also request that the Minister hear the views of Indian leaders outside of the SAIC

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# SAIC to meet on proposals

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THE Indian community is divided on whether to accept the Government's new constitutional proposals for Indians and coloureds, according to Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the South African Indian Council

He said the SAIC's constitutional sub-committee would be meeting in Durban on Thursday to have a full discussion on the issue

The matter would be further debated at the council's week-long deliberations in Durban starting on November 8 and

would culminate in a meeting with the Minister of Constitutional Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, on November 12

Mr Rajbansi said the SAIC would hold meetings with the leaders of all race groups, including KwaZulu's Chief Minister, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, for an exchange of views on the new constitutional proposals

"The Indian community appears to be divided on the new deal. There has to be a lot of discussion with the Government and I believe that there will be a programme of deliberations after the Cape congress of the ruling party"



Lewis (left) sales manager of the domestic aluminium Wispeco with Mr Gary du Toit and Miss Amanda Barker. The Star awards made to his stand in the background

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and Exploration Company gave land for a new church

The Abraham Kriel Kinderhuis, founded in 1902 under the auspices of the Langlaagte congregation to accommodate orphans of the Anglo-Boer War, is today the home of 662 children.

# Scrapping of election stirs row in SAIC

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By Eugene Saldanha

A row over the extension of the Lenasia Management Committee's term of office is threatening to split the South African Indian Council

Elections which were to have been held on October 27 have been postponed to October 1984 by the Administrator of the Transvaal, Mr Willem Cruwagen, at the request of the SAIC's executive committee

The chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said the request was made because Indian management committees would soon be scrapped to make way for the new constitutional machinery in local government

"The Government has already decided that it will put the new constitutional proposals into effect. Holding an election at this stage will be an exercise in futility because the LMC will be scrapped in the near future," Mr Rajbansi said

"For this reason the executive requested a moratorium on the election for Indian management committees throughout South Africa"

### OPPOSITION

But four Transvaal SAIC members, including the leader, Mr Abe Choonara, and the chairman of the Association of Consultative

and Management Committees Mr Boetie Abramjee opposed postponement of the election in Lenasia

Mr Abramjee said: "The Lenasia Management Committee has been in office for seven years without holding an election"

"This is the second time elections for this committee are being postponed. The LMC cannot claim to be representative"

The two other SAIC members opposed to the postponement are Mr Naran Dava of Fordsburg and Mr Faiz Khan who is also a member of the LMC

Another LMC member, Mr Jason Jhina, has also indicated his disagreement with the extension

### PROPOSALS

The present LMC was elected by default in 1977 after Dr R A M Saloojee's People's Candidates Party withdrew in protest over the death in detention of black consciousness leader Steve Biko. When the LMC's term expired in 1979, it was extended by three years

The chairman of the LMC, Mr Dennis Pillay, said his committee had agreed to postpone the elections only until the new proposals on local government were outlined to the committee.

"Once the proposals are outlined, the committee will hold an election," Mr Pillay said.

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# Indian school survey

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THE Division of Indian Education is conducting a survey to determine the attitude of parents to the proposed introduction of Indian languages as teaching subjects in primary schools from next year

Circulars have been issued to all Indian schools under the control of the Department of Internal Affairs. Initially it is proposed to start in Standards 2 to 5.

For the purpose of the survey, Arabic is included in the group of Indian languages. The other languages to be taught at schools include Gujarati, Hindi, Tamil, Telugu and Urdu.

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# Parents challenge SAIC to get children reinstated



THREE of the six pupils who have been suspended from school because they refused to shave off their beards for religious reasons... (from left) Ayoub Ally, Riaz Yaseen and Ahmed Mansoor.

# Further ban on pupils

Mercury Reporter

AN UMZINTO schoolmaster, who suspended several bearded Muslim pupils, has imposed a further ban restricting them from 'mixing' with other pupils or teachers when they return to write their final examinations next week.

The six pupils of the Umzinto Secondary School suspended from school last week because they refused to shave off their beards for religious reasons were yesterday informed by their headmaster, Mr Subramony Ponnem,

that they had to report directly to his office on the morning of their examinations.

The pupils, who are still out of school, have been warned not to talk to other pupils or teachers.

Parents of the barred pupils reacted with anger yesterday, saying that the rules were 'too harsh' and it added insult to injury.

Mr Ponnem could not be reached for comment yesterday.

Meanwhile, the South African Indian Council was yesterday challenged by parents to test its influence on Indian education by getting the suspended pupils re-instated

Mr Abdol Ally, a spokesman for the parents, said as final examinations were 'just around the corner' parents were worried about their children's performance at this 'crucial stage' of their studies

'My son, who is in Std 9, hopes to take up medicine or law and if he does not do well in his examinations this year it could cause a serious setback for studies

### Debate

'As the Indian Council now claims to have some control over Indian Education we challenge the SAIC to test its strength by instructing Mr Gabriel Krog, Director of Indian Education, to have all the pupils readmitted to their classrooms without further delay,' he said.

The ban on pupils growing beards is expected to come up for heated debate at the next working session of the SAIC in Durban, starting on November 8

Mr Nizam Khan, the member for Isipingo, said yesterday he would ask the council to make a policy decision allowing Muslim children to have beards while at school.

But several non-Muslim members of the council yesterday warned that they would 'fight tooth and nail' any 'special treatment' for Muslim pupils

One councillor said pupils, irrespective of their religion, should be compelled to abide by school rules.

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# Indian teachers and SAIC drifting apart

Mercury Reporter

THE Teachers Association of South Africa, mouthpiece of more than 6 000 Indian teachers, and the South African Indian Council, are drifting further apart.

The association has again rejected the council as a 'Government instrument to perpetuate separate development,' and says it also sees the SAIC as being at cross purposes with the struggle for true liberation in terms of democratic principles

Says Mr Pat Samuels, the association's president: 'It is a great tragedy that the SAIC can make a clear distinction between a cage made

of gold and a cage made of pig-iron and give a place of honour to being in a cage of gold.

'What is more tragic is that it decided for itself its station in life.'

Mr Samuels says that in an assessment of the political progress of Indian South Africans, a distinction has to be made between appearance and reality

'It would appear that the so-called Indian South Africans are being given ever-increasing opportunities to make decisions relating to amelioration of their political, social and economic circumstances in this country

'Such an appearance is intended to create an image of need for fulfilment in terms of aspirations of these peoples

'It would also appear that the SAIC is the vehicle for the achievement of aspirations of a community it supposedly represents'

## Trivial

The association, he says, sees the Indian Council 'as a system to propagate and strengthen the policy of divide-and-rule which has as its basic aim, the retention of political and economic power in the hands of a white minority'

It is shameful, he says, that a group of politicians who can hardly lay claim to being representative of South Africans of Indian origin can take pride in making trivial decisions which could and would have been made by one or more State departments, even if the SAIC disappeared from the face of the earth

'It has never been among the aspirations of Indians in this country to "echo his masters voice,"' he says.

Mr Samuels says there are many South Africans, including members of his association, who have opened their eyes to what he says is the meaningless role-play of the Indian Council

# Rajbansi 'embarrassing teachers'

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THE South African Indian Council's executive chairman's handling of Indian education was embarrassing teachers and even inspectors, Mr Pat Samuels, president of the Teachers Association of South Africa, said yesterday

He said the SAIC, with powers delegated to it by the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, should confine itself to policy matters.

It should leave professional aspects of education, including promotions and appointments, to professionals in the department of education such as inspectors and the director of education who were best suited to evaluate an applicant's worth and offer fair judgement

If confidence in these professionals was lost, 'irreparable harm' could be done to Indian education, he said

He said there were many misgivings about Mr Amichand Rajbansi's move to appoint his 'so-called' three-man panel of experts — Prof

S R Maharaj, Mr Mannie Keerath and Prof R G Macmillan — outside the education department to advise him on plum appointments.

'You can't judge a teacher's worth sitting at a table in Stanger Street,' he said, referring to current interviews the panel is conducting with applicants for posts of rectors of colleges of education in Durban and Johannesburg.

Mr Samuels confirmed yesterday that the teachers' association had asked its lawyers to comment on the SAIC's latest assumption of powers under the Indian Education Act



## SAIC meeting to be attended by 3 ministers

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Mercury Reporter

THREE Cabinet Ministers are to attend the final day sitting of the South African Indian Council's week-long session starting in Durban today.

The ministers, Mr F W de Klerk, Internal Affairs, Mr Chris Heunis, Constitutional Development and Planning, and Mr Pen Kotze, Community Development, will attend on Friday, according to Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman.

Three directors-general from Internal Affairs, Community Development and the Prime Minister's department would also be attending, he said.

The council will have before it 12 notices of motion from members, ranging from constitutional development proposals to education control.

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Panday, member for Glenview, has served notice that he will ask the executive committee to make representations to relevant authorities to arrange for council members to visit the operational area.

In support of his motion, he says that although there are no Indian youths on the border, there are Indian policemen on border duty. 'We want to see the conditions under which these men work and whether they are equal to those of their white counterparts,' he says.

Mr A Baker-Ismail, a nominated member, has given notice that he intends asking the council to get the Government to explore ways and means of keeping down building costs.

He says consideration should also be given to increasing the number of building suppliers with a view to reducing potentially monopolistic conditions in the building trade.

Mr George Thaver, member for Chatsworth Central, wants representations to be made to the Department of Justice for appointment of Indians as deputy sheriffs in Indian areas.

**No guns,  
SAIC**

**members  
warned**

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Mercury Reporter  
MEMBERS of the South African Indian Council were warned yesterday not to carry guns into the council's debating chamber in the Stanger Street Government Buildings.

The ban was imposed by Chairman Essa Mahomed at the opening of the council meeting yesterday which is to culminate with a visit by at least three Cabinet ministers.

Mr Mahomed told the meeting that all guns had to be handed to the clerk of the council for safe-keeping.

He said later he had drawn this to the attention of members after a security official had informed him that some carried guns.

# Indians outraged over scrapping of plaza plans

Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council yesterday called on the Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, to intervene following the Government's decision to scrap plans for Durban's proposed multi-million-rand Oriental Plaza

Executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi said at the opening of the council's week-long session in Durban yesterday that the Government was morally and legally bound to honour its undertaking to build the plaza to house

traders who were displaced when the Indian Market was gutted by fire in 1973

## SAIC calls for talks on posts for Indians

Mercury Reporter  
THE slow pace of promotion of Indians in the Division of Education came under heavy fire at a meeting of the South African Indian Council in Durban yesterday

And in a move to pave the way for an upward climb, the Council directed its executive to hold urgent talks with the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, or the Director-General of Internal Affairs, Mr S S van der Merwe, to immediately create posts for two additional co-deputy Directors of Indian Education and an additional Chief Inspector

### Little headway

Motivating a case for the creation of the additional posts, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman, told the meeting that unlike coloureds, Indians had made very little headway in being appointed to the top positions

'Although there are many suitably qualified Indians to fill key positions they have not advanced to the extent we would have wanted them to. If this is not rectified immediately Indian promotions in the department will remain stagnant for the next five or 10 years

'Mr van der Merwe is willing to assist in putting matters right and we should hold an immediate investigation starting from the lowest position to check every case.'

He emphasised, however, that merit alone would be the determining factor in the appointment of Indians to top posts.

He said the Government appointed a special body, the Van Eyssen Committee, at the time to select a suitable site and be in charge of the planning of the project. 'To suddenly back out of its moral obligation is most distressing.'

He said the Indian Council would tell the Prime Minister that failure on the part of the Government to honour its obligation would make any future Government or ministerial undertaking to the Indian community meaningless

'But by hook or by crook we are going to see that the Government carries out its promise to build the plaza,' he said.

### Clashed

Calling for the opening of trading areas to all race groups, Mr J B Patel said he disagreed with some members that whites should be prevented from opening businesses in Indian areas until Indians were allowed to trade freely in white areas

Earlier, Mr Rajbansi and Mr Thulkanna Palan, who is also chairman of the Southern Durban Indian Local Affairs Committee, clashed over current moves to allow whites to open supermarkets in Chatsworth

Mr Palan denied that his LAC had supported the Durban City Council in its bid to get the Government to allow trading sites in Chatsworth to be sold to whites. He said his LAC wanted the two sites to be sold to members of any race group

The meeting decided to approach the Government to amend the Group Areas Act during the next Parliamentary session to allow trading areas throughout the country to be opened to all race groups as recommended by the Rieker Commission



# 'Open farm land to all' SAIC appeals

Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council meeting in Durban yesterday called for the removal of Group Area restrictions on agricultural land

The council wants all agricultural as well as commercial and industrial, land to be freed from any restrictions in respect of ownership, occupation and development

Mr Sewsunker Ramphal, a member for the South Coast, said that the Indian community had lost thousands of hectares of prime agricultural land because of the Group Areas Act.

'In spite of numerous representations to the Government the farming community has not been adequately compensated for the land they lost to make way for residential expansion and development of roads'

Mr Madanlall Mohanlall said the Government had allocated 'millions of hectares' of agricultural land to the coloured community while Indians who were essentially a farming community had been deprived of farmland

The council's executive committee, in a memorandum to the technical committee investigating the Act, called for the opening of agricultural land to all race groups

'It has become clear to the SAIC that the authorities have failed in their efforts to find more agricultural land for Indians

'The only acceptable and just solution to the problem is a system of negotiation between a "willing buyer" and a "willing seller", the committee said in the memorandum tabled at yesterday's meeting

# Landlords 'exploited' by 'low-rental' tenants

Mercury Reporter

A CLAIM that landlords were exploiting tenants by charging them exorbitant rents was rejected at a meeting of the South African Indian Council in Durban yesterday

Mr A G Joosab, executive member of the council, told the meeting that in many cases tenants were 'exploiting' landlords by paying 'low' rents

During a lively debate on the proposed moves for the introduction of rent control on all commercial and residential buildings Mr

Joosab said he owned many blocks of flats in the Sydenham area and was in fact subsidising the rents of most of his tenants

'For a one-bedroom flat I charge R80 a month. If I took into account the increases in bond rates, water and electricity charges I would have to increase that rent to R180 a month

'But I have limited the increase to R100 because it will be unfair to burden the tenants. In fact I decided to meet the short-fall,' he said, pointing out that he was not opposed to

rent control

Calling for the compulsory imposition of rent control on all commercial and residential buildings throughout the Republic Mr Muthusamy Thaver, the member for Chatsworth, said thousands of tenants were being forced to pay high rents because landlords had a free hand in increasing them

The meeting accepted a recommendation by executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi to support rent control on condition that landlords would be permitted to get a fair return on their investments

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# Teachers' head accused at meeting of the SAIC

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THE head of the 6 000-strong Teachers' Association of South Africa, Mr Pat Samuels, was yesterday 'rapped over the knuckles' for refusing to co-operate with the South African Indian Council on matters concerning Indian education

Unleashing the SAIC onslaught, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, chairman of the council's executive committee, accused Mr Samuels of adopting 'double standards'

He said he could not understand why Mr Samuels was still retaining his position as president of a racial body when he was so conscious of racialism

'If Mr Pat Samuels and Tasa want to have no dealings with the Indian Council because we are working within the system why he is prepared to talk to Cabinet ministers who are also part of the system?'

'We are still prepared to co-operate with Tasa and we will go down to them in noble condescension for the welfare of education,' he said

## Attack

Mr Rajbansi, however, sounded a veiled warning to Tasa that the Indian Council would not rule out the possibility of the Government withdrawing Tasa's stop-order facilities

He said if this were done the organisation's more than 6 000 members would have to find some other way of paying their subscription fees

The SAIC attack followed grave dissension in the teachers' body over the SAIC's executive committee taking over partial control of Indian education

It was felt that the Indian Council, as a political body, was not competent to handle matters concerning education

Mr Rajbansi said every effort was being made to have promotions finalised by Monday

\* He said 1 827 teachers had applied for 242 vacant posts in the division

## Three ministers to meet Indians

Mercury Reporter  
THE Government's constitutional proposals for Indians are expected to be spelled out by the Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Chris Heunis, when he meets the South African Indian Council in Durban tomorrow

Mr Heunis is one of three Cabinet ministers

expected to attend the meeting

The others are Mr F W de Klerk, Minister of Internal Affairs, and Mr Pen Kotze, Minister of Community Development.

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman, said it would be the first time that three Cabinet Ministers would attend the council's meeting

## Call for equal pensions

Mercury Reporter  
THE South African Indian Council yesterday called on the Government for equality in pensions to all race groups

Mr Baldeo Dookie, an executive member, told the meeting that the Government's proposals for constitutional reform would be meaningless unless racial discrimination were removed

The gap between pensions paid to whites,

coloureds, Indians and blacks should be bridged

Earlier, Mr Madanlall Mohanlall, who is also chairman of the Durban Indian Benevolent Society, said increased costs were having a serious effect on low wage earners and pensioners

The meeting was told that white pensioners were paid R137 per month, while Indians and coloureds received R87 and blacks R49 a month

## Guns surrendered

Mercury Reporter

SECURITY officials at the headquarters of the South African Indian Council in Durban took possession of six firearms from five members and a journalist attending the Indian Council meeting yesterday.

Mr Jack Webb, the chief security officer at the Stanger Street Government Building, yesterday confirmed that guns were surrendered before the owners were allowed into the debating chamber

However, all the guns were returned after the meeting.

The clampdown on firearms in the council chamber followed a ruling by the chairman, Mr Essa Mahommed, earlier this week.



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**Mercury Reporter**

THE widening rift between the South African Indian Council, which now controls education, and the 6 000-strong Teachers' Association of South Africa was bringing Indian education into disrepute, Mr R S Naidoo, president of the South African Federation of Teachers' Associations, warned last night

He said the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, should call leaders of the SAIC and Tasa to a round table and 'hammer out a new structure through close consultation and investigation' to ensure that education was not undermined in any way

Mr Naidoo, who retires next month as headmaster of Durban's Burnwood High School, after 40 years in teaching, said that in the meantime the status quo should be maintained

Welcoming the call for a joint meeting, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the SAIC, said last night he would support it wholeheartedly 'By getting together I know we can work wonders for our education,' he said

**Promised**

Mr Naidoo said there was a need for the Minister to reassure Indian teachers in the light of promises made, and assurances given since 1964 when the former Department of Indian Affairs was created

He and Dr A D Lazarus, who represented teachers at top-level talks with the Government nearly 20 years ago when the takeover of Indian education from the Natal Provincial Administration was planned, were promised that an advisory council on education would be created to enable consultation to take place with parents and the community. But this had still not been done, he said

'There is much that is still not good enough in Indian education, but there is also much that has been achieved

'I make a special appeal to all concerned to stop sniping at one another. When this takes place, it means there is no effective communication'

# 'Joint structures,' not one man, one vote, says Heunis

Mercury Reporter

THE Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, told the South African Indian Council in Durban yesterday that one man, one vote was not workable in Africa

Addressing a meeting of the council, he said the greater majority of African States had discarded this formula and it was fallacious to contend that this particular form of popular sovereignty was the only form of democracy

He said there were no less than three military dictatorships, 11 one-party totalitarian states and 22 one-party 'participatory democracies' on the continent that now had 55 states

'Some people may now contend that we in South Africa are not seeking the commonwealth. This is not true

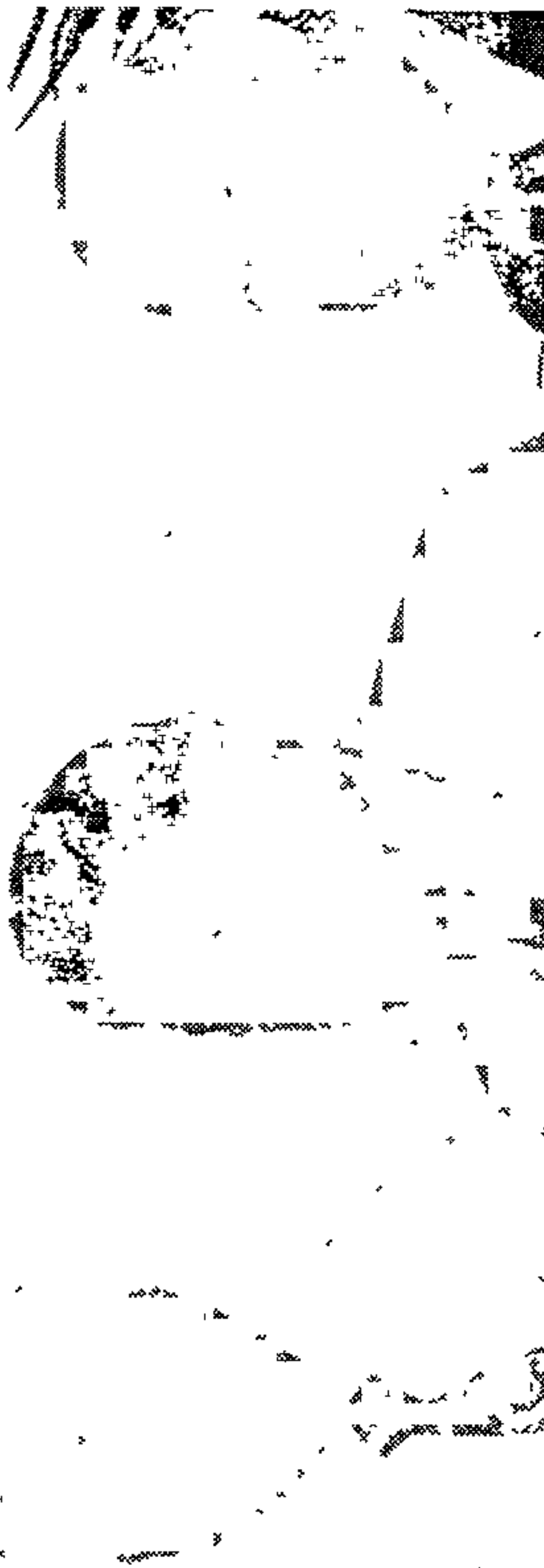
'We are seeking it through the multitude of joint structures that have already been set up, that will further increase in future and that are engaged in the political business of consultation and dialogue'

Mr Heunis said it was imperative that a positive attitude towards constitutional reforms on the one hand and peaceful co-existence on the other be developed rapidly

No progress could be made on the basis of prejudice, feeling of superiority and confrontation, he said, adding that reform processes could only be launched successfully through a genuine application of the principle of joint consultation and negotiation

## Consensus

He said changes generated emotions and each step in such a process should therefore, both in terms of the nature and the timing of changes, be far in the



MR Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the council, with Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, and Mr F W de Klerk, Minister of Internal Affairs, in Durban yesterday.

## Ministers told about discrimination 'bitterness'

Mercury Reporter  
NO amount of goodwill on the part of the Government would win the hearts of the masses as long as discriminatory legislation still existed on the statute book, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the South African Indian Council, said yesterday. He was addressing the Indian Council meeting in Durban attended by Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Constitutional Develop-

ment and Planning, Mr F W de Klerk, Minister of Internal Affairs, and the Administrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha  
Mr Rajbansi said in spite of the successes in regard to the day-to-day problems, deep-rooted bitterness still remained in the hearts of many people over discriminatory legislation.  
'While we are being offered seats in the legislature and the executive of

this country, we are still aliens in the Free State and certain districts of northern Natal and there is no evidence in spite of our repeated calls to amend the Acts so that my people can move towards attaining full citizenship rights.  
'In order to enable the moderate leaders to consider trying out genuine reforms it is imperative for the Government to dismantle apartheid or declare an

intent to dismantle apartheid,' he said.

Listing some of the achievements of the Indian Council, Mr F W de Klerk, said the Executive Committee was recently placed in control of Indian education.

He said under the Indians Education Act the executive had control over primary, secondary, vocational and special education, and teacher training and education planning.

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It therefore followed that successful adaptations could not be implemented without a degree of consensus as regards values and norms, he said  
'The sovereignty of states in southern Africa should be protected, democratic principles should be maintained and human dignity respected and violence should be rejected as an instrument of change,' said Mr Heunis

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PRETORIA—Independence negotiations on South West-Africa were not deadlocked and were continuing by agreement of all concerned

This was said by the U S Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, Dr Chester Crocker, here yesterday

Dr Crocker had a five-hour meeting in a South African Government guest house in Pretoria with the Foreign Minister, Mr Pik Botha, and the Defence Minister, Gen Magnus Malan, about the agenda of Mr Botha's meetings with the U S Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, in Washington next week.

The agenda is expected to cover the independence conflict in South West Africa and other southern African issues

'I do not see a deadlock,' said Dr Crocker, who broke away from the African tour of the U S Vice-President, Mr George Bush, to visit South Africa 'The negotiations are continuing Everybody sees in this effort the possibility of a brighter future for southern Africa Nobody wants us to stop'

## Cubans

Some black African nations have complained the talks were deadlocked because the United States has insisted on the withdrawal of an estimated 12 000 to 15 000 Cuban troops from Angola

Dr Crocker declined to draw hopeful conclusions for the South West Africa independence process from the successful exchange in Lusaka on Tuesday of American, Soviet, Cuban and Angolan prisoners held by various parties in the conflict.

## Dispute over 'torn up' will

CAPE TOWN—A Uitenhage farmer who died in 1979, had told his sons after his wife's funeral in 1972 that he had 'torn up' their joint will, it was claimed in the Cape Supreme Court yesterday Mr Clifford Barnard, the farmer's son, was giving evidence in a civil action which he and his nephews, Mr Adam Barnard and Mr Dawid Barnard have brought against respondents

They have claimed that Mr Adam Barnard had wrongfully persuaded their children to believe their mother, Mrs Rosa Barnard, did not have a will when she died

## Inherit

Believing she was intestate, the widow had, with Mr Barnard senior, drawn up an agreement for the distribution of the family's seven farms In terms of this agreement Mr Clifford Barnard received a 50 per cent share

In terms of his parents' joint will, drawn up in 1965, he would have inher-

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## member

Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council's ruling National Peoples' Party is to meet on Sunday to choose a new member for the council's executive committee to replace Mr P I Deven, who has resigned because of differences with his executive colleagues on Indian school promotions

'We are not losing sleep over what Mr Deven says or does,' Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman, said, adding he was taking full control of education matters which were previously held by Mr Deven.

Mr S V Naicker, council member for North East Natal, who is a businessman and school grantee, has been elected to the vacant executive seat

Mr Rajbansi said his conscience was clear on school promotions made this week by his executive committee, including the appointment to the 'key' Springfield College of Education rector's post.

## Merit

Commenting on a claim yesterday by his former executive colleague, Mr Alan Deven, that the executive had blundered by by-passing Springfield College's present acting rector he said it was unethical to appoint an individual applicant to a public post

However, the community can rest assured that merit is the only criterion in appointments,' he said

Mr Deven said he found it hard to accept that this was the case in some promotions, including the rector's posts

The president of the Teachers' Association of South Africa, Mr Pat Samuels, said he did not wish to comment.

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**By Nagoor Bissetty**

THE South African Indian Council is appointing a committee of experts on education to undertake a scientific investigation into methods used by the Department of Indian Education for promotions of teachers, a sore point in Indian education for many years

This was disclosed yesterday by the council's executive chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, who said his executive was at present discussing this with Mr S S van der Merwe, director-general of the Department of Internal Affairs

'I trust the Teachers' Association of South Africa and the Indian teaching fraternity in general will play an important role in this effort,' he said

The committee will consist of Indian and white educationists and scientists outside the Department of Indian Education

Mr Rajbansi said 'I wish to reassure the community that in all our decisions on education, including promotions, my executive has been guided by sound professional advice, a principle which we pledge to adhere to very strictly

'My executive has been vested with control of education in terms of the Indians Education Act and the administration of education is left in the hands of professionals. But levels of decision-making have to be adjusted

**Challenge**

'In the present period of transition, the present "shake-up" in our school promotions was necessary and justified, and I am pleased my executive has the courage to take bold decisions

'I will not hesitate to rock the proverbial boat and again if it is go-

ing to be in the interests of Indian education,' he said

Mr Rajbansi said teachers had challenged the SAIC to act on statements contained in the book, *Super Afrikaners*, to the effect that the Broederbond wanted Indian education to be in the hands of the organisation or by 'right-minded Indians' willing to toe the line

'My executive has accepted the challenge and I trust our forthcoming investigation will help us to get to grips with the matter, more particularly in the light of our experience that some of our best brains have been bypassed for promotions in the past.

'Some have even left South Africa in disgust and frustration'

Mr Rajbansi said there was need to investigate ratings by inspectors of applicants for promotion posts, the manner in which 'promotion points' were allocated and the 'subjective element' when different inspectors assessed different candidates for the same post.

'We have found that a very big problem is the question of "suitability" as a yardstick for promotions used by the department,' he said

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## SAIC to probe promotions

Mali Correspondent

DURBAN. — The South African Indian Council is to appoint a committee of education experts to investigate methods used by the Department of Indian Education for promotions of teachers — a point of controversy in Indian education for many years

This was disclosed yesterday by the council's executive chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, who said his executive was discussing the issue with the Director-General of the Department of Internal Affairs, Mr S S van der Merwe

**NIC leads  
move to  
get SAIC  
scrapped**

**Mercury Reporter**

A COMMITTEE representing 14 organisations, spearheaded by the Natal Indian Congress, has been formed in Durban to press the Government to scrap the South African Indian Council.

Dr Farouk Meer, acting chairman of the NIC and the committee's convenor, said yesterday the NIC had written to the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, expressing 'grave concern' at the SAIC's continued existence in the face of its rejection by the community at the polls last November.

The community was concerned that the SAIC, a body which it did not want, now controlled the education of its children, he said.

Dismissing the NIC move, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, the SAIC's executive chairman, said. 'This is a recurring antic that will fail as the NIC's other antics have failed before.'

Mr Rajbansi said he wondered how the Teachers' Association of South Africa was represented on the new committee by its president and secretary, because many teachers had personally praised his executive committee.

'I find it hard to believe that Tasa's officers have a mandate from its rank and file to act against us.'



# Indian protest looms

By Eugene Saldanha

The Transvaal Anti-South African Indian Council committee will meet this week to consider lending its support to the Teachers' Association of South Africa's national campaign to fight the takeover of Indian education by the South African Indian Council.

The looming confrontation between the 6500-strong Tasa and the SAIC follows the takeover by the council of powers which were previously vested in The Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog and his staff.

In Natal, an ad hoc "Committee of Concern" representing 14 community groups and Tasa, was formed last

## New education moves arouse national anger

week to fight the takeover, which comes at a time when the SAIC is also gearing itself to take charge of Indian welfare services.

The nationwide campaign against the SAIC's takeover of education includes

- Letters from community groups to the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk protesting at the takeover

- Putting protest advertisement in newspapers

- A protest petition

which will be handed to Mr de Klerk

The SAIC's executive committee exercised its new powers for the first time two weeks ago when it appointed the rector and vice rector of the Springfield College of Education in Durban and the Transvaal College of Education in Pretoria.

The appointments came under severe criticism from leading Indian educationists, who said only trained and qualified professionals should be entrusted

with the administration of education

This is the first time Tasa has publicly aligned itself to groups opposed to SAIC — a move which is seen as an indication of how seriously it views the recent developments in education.

Two weeks ago, the chairman of the SAIC's executive committee, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, warned Tasa against "flirting with political pressure groups," and said such an alliance "would only do it a great deal of harm."

Mr Rajbansi has also said the SAIC had not misused its power and had made its decisions "without fear or favour."

Anger  
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Mercury Reporter

THE Natal Indian Congress said in a letter to the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, yesterday that recent developments in Indian education, particularly with regard to promotions of teachers handled by the South African Indian Council, had caused 'widespread concern' in the community and in the teaching fraternity

It said 'We wish to register to you as the responsible minister, the strongest possible protest at your Government's creation of a situation in which it has now become possible for the promotion of teachers to be handled by a group of politicians whose qualifications, ability and impartial assessment to exercise this function leaves much to be desired

'The reaction of the community and the teaching fraternity to the latest published list of promotions is one of shock, dismay and deep concern for the future of Indian education

The letter was signed by the NIC's acting chairman, Dr Farouk Meer.

# SAIC seeks asylum for refugee

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## Tribune Reporter

A MOZAMBIQUE refugee has turned himself over to the South African authorities in a bid to get political asylum after escaping from "communist suppression" in his own country

Bombay University graduate, Dilp Kumar Mangal, 25, is being held at the Barberton prison until his fate is decided by the Department of Internal Affairs

His plight has been brought to the attention of the South African Indian Council who have made an application for asylum on his behalf

Barberton's member of the SAIC, Ahmad Arbee, said the Council's executive had directed a plea to the director-general of the Department of Internal Affairs for the case to be reviewed in the same light as the issue of the Polish fishermen who were granted asylum in 1973

"Mr Mangal wanted to get away from a communist-dominated government. He gave himself up at Komati-poort four weeks ago. As an illegal immigrant, the fact that he handed himself over to the authorities might be to his advantage

"The only difference is that he did not arrive in a jet; he walked," said Mr Arbee

"Although he is a Mozambique citizen, he has a B Comm degree from the University of Bombay and we feel he will be an asset and not a liability to the country"

A Barberton resident, Claude Padayachee, has already offered the awaiting-trial prisoner assistance and accommodation in anticipation of his release, and is providing him with food while in jail

Inquiries to the relevant Government departments were re-directed to the South African Prisons Service where a spokesman said "It is confirmed that an awaiting-trial prisoner by the name of Dilp Kumar Mangal, aged 25, is at present incarcerated in the Barberton prison

"It is not the policy of the Prison Service to comment on personal matters regarding individual prisoners"



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# SAIC to hear P W before deciding on Govt proposals

## Mercury Reporter

THE Prime Minister is to address a meeting of the South African Indian Council in Durban next month before it decides on its response to the Government's constitutional proposals

Executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi said yesterday a meeting of his full council, due this month, had been delayed until March to fit in with the Prime Minister's schedule.

Mr Rajbansi, who is also leader of his National People's Party — the majority group in the SAIC — said the party would hold its first 'national congress' also next month when its response to the constitutional proposals would be decided

'We will set a date for

our congress as soon as the Constitution Amendment Bill is published

'If the Bill shows inequality in respect of the proposed three parliaments for whites, coloureds and Indians, my party will certainly reject the proposals,' he said, adding that the party's majority in the council would eventually determine the SAIC's response to the proposals

Mr Rajbansi also said Mr Pen Kotze, the Minister of Community Development, had informed his executive that the Government was still awaiting a report from the Group Areas Board on its recent inquiry into the 'desirability or otherwise' of removing existing restrictions on residential development in Durban's Grey Street complex

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# Indian social welfare heads worried by plan

Natal Mercury Reporter

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HEADS of Indian social welfare agencies have told the Government they are perturbed at its plans to place control of welfare in the hands of the South African Indian Council's executive committee

At a meeting in Durban the agencies appointed a special committee, consisting of Mr Pat Poovalingam, of the Friends of the Sick Association, Mr Cassim Bassa, chairman of the Natal Indian Blind and Deaf Society, and Dr Korshad Ginwala, president of the Durban Indian Child Welfare Society, to

approach the Government to have the plan changed

Mr Bassa said yesterday the committee would ask the Government to arrange for a single Government department to handle all welfare agency matters for all races.

The committee felt the SAIC was not a competent body to handle welfare work.

SAIC executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi said. 'We had this sort of thing before when we took control of education, but we have shown by our actions that we are capable of running our affairs.'

# **Paton slams ban on teacher talks**

By Marlan Padayachee

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THE decision by the rector of the Springfield College of Education, to ban yesterday's top-level education conference in Durban was disgraceful, said Dr Alan Paton, who was to have delivered a keynote address.

Dr Paton was reacting to the last minute lock-out of the conference organisers, the Teachers Association of South Africa (Tasa) by Dr Ganesh Nair, the college's new rector.

Tasa officials believe political pressure on the Education Department, now controlled by the Indian Council, led to objections against Durban advocate, Zac Yacoob, as one of the speakers on the panel.

The programme, which was to have examined the education system in relation to a changing society, featured other speakers who are known to be sympathetic to the SAIC.

Mr Yacoob, an outspoken critic of the Government and the SAIC, said last night the move was aimed at weakening and discrediting opponents of the Government.

Dr Paton criticised the rector's decision.

"I am told the SAIC objected to the presence of advocate Zac Yacoob and it is unacceptable to me that the rector should consult with the education authorities on this matter. Surely the rector should have some authority," he said.

"The SAIC has control over Indian education and that to me is what I call interference by politicians."

"And it is distressing when politicians, including white politicians, involve themselves in educational matters. Some of us have long urged that a national department control education for all races."

"I am disturbed that the Indian community and others, including the Afrikaners, are deeply divided and this is typical of a country which is far away from realising any kind of unity," he said.

Dr Paton, a former leader of the disbanded Liberal Party, had prepared a paper on the Role Of The School In A Changing Society.

The symposium, which is likely to be held either on March 12 or 19 — the two dates Dr Paton has agreed to be available — was organised three months in advance, but had to be called off late this week after Dr Nair had informed Tasa that it could not use the college auditorium.

The **SUNDAY TRIBUNE** has established that the department was not in favour of giving Mr Yacoob — who challenged Director of Indian Education Gabriel Krog in court over the expulsion of hundreds of boycotting pupils — a platform.

Dr Nair confirmed he had sent two letters to Tasa informing the organisation of the decision to stop the symposium from taking place on his premises.

"I had contacted the Director of Indian Education to seek his approval of the programme and a decision was taken in consultation with Mr Krog that the meeting could not be held because timeous arrangements were not made with the college."

Dr Nair also confirmed that he did not receive a "personal" invitation.

However, the organising committee said it had sent invitations, together with a full programme, to 1,000 people, including Dr Nair.

Pat Samuels, president of Tasa, said his organisation was concerned with the sudden change of attitude to Tasa by the college's new administration under Dr Nair.

He said previously Tasa had no difficulty hiring the auditorium.

Neither Mr Krog nor his deputy could be contacted for comment yesterday.



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# Indian council denies involvement in conference ban

## Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council's executive chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, last night denied that the council had anything to do with the ban of the weekend education conference at the Springfield College of Education

The conference, organised by the Teachers' Association of South Africa, and which was to have been addressed by Dr Alan Paton, was prevented from taking place at the college by Dr G K Nair, the college's new rector.

Mr Zac Yacoob, a Durban advocate, was also one of the members of a panel discussion at the conference regarding

education in relation to a changing society.

Mr Rajbansi said the SAIC did not involve itself in administrative matters as they were the responsibility of Mr Gabriel Krog, the Director of Indian Education

He said that from his investigations he had found that the teachers' association had been at fault in not discussing the conference programme with the rector in spite of him having asked for the programme in advance.

Mr Rajbansi rejected alleged claims by Dr Paton that the SAIC had been involved in the matter.

'If any politician had interfered then the SAIC would take strong action,' said Mr Rajbansi

# Police arrest

## 14 Indian

## pupils

## at school

Natal 21/2/83

Mercury Reporter

POLICE arrested 14 Chatsworth children who had been playing cricket on a school field after school hours, but trespass charges against them were withdrawn yesterday

The children had been taken to the local police station on Monday afternoon from Meadowlands High School and had been charged with trespass

Pupils claimed yesterday that the police who had arrested them had been aggressive

### Complaints

The pupils appeared in the Chatsworth Magistrate's Court yesterday. The Magistrate, Mr Steven Mundhree, withdrew the charges.

A spokesman said police had acted on complaints from the school, and had been requested to act against anyone who did not have permission to remain on school premises after school hours

At the start of the hearing, the school principal, Mr T S Mahara, asked the Court to withdraw the charges but agreed the pupils had been playing at the school without his knowledge, although they had been unable to seek permission to use the field because he had left the school early

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the South African Indian Council, described the police action as unnecessary

# Confusion over hiring of halls

S Times 27/2/83

By NORMAN WEST

**CONFUSION** reigns on the question of whether Indians may hire halls in coloured areas or only attend functions in them as spectators

On the one hand, the Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze, has informed them, in his "viewpoint" they may not, while the Director-General of Community Development, on the other hand, has said they may use the halls in coloured areas without having to apply for permits

"This effectively puts us between the devil and the deep blue sea," said the Rev Edward Manikkam, chairman of the Rylands Estate Management Committee (Remancom) this week.

## Racial peace

"The Minister says 'no', yet his Director-General says 'yes' while the Prime Minister appears not prepared to commit himself on a definite 'yes or no'

"The Prime Minister must, in the interest of his oft-proclaimed policy of promoting racial peace, remove this confusion," Mr Manikkam said

Remancom earlier sought the direct intervention of the Prime Minister in a letter dated

October 18 last year

The Prime Minister never replied but, apparently, referred the letter to Mr Pen Kotze whom he wrote back saying he "wished to confirm my viewpoint that I am not convinced of the need and desirability of the unrestricted opening of all public facilities to all population groups"

This reply evoked heated discussions at the monthly meeting of the Remancom this week.

"We want the Prime Minister's viewpoint, not Mr Pen Kotze's. Is this how Mr Botha wants to win over people to support his constitutional proposals?" Mr Manikkam asked

The Association of Management Committees (Asomac), to which all management committees in the Cape Province belong, has declared its opposition to separate facilities

Many white local authorities, notably the Cape Town City Council, have also publicly declared themselves opposed to government control over facilities under their jurisdiction

According to Mr Manikkam, government policy has created a situation where Indians, in spite of living cheek by jowl with coloured people in areas like Rylands Estate and

Athlone, may not hire halls in coloured areas. They may only attend as "spectators".

There are no Indian halls for them to hire

The Rylands Estate Management Committee (Remancom) wanted the city council to have the sole authority to open all facilities under its control, to all races, Mr Manikkam said

## 'Happy to share'

This is also the city council's policy, but it clashes with central government policy

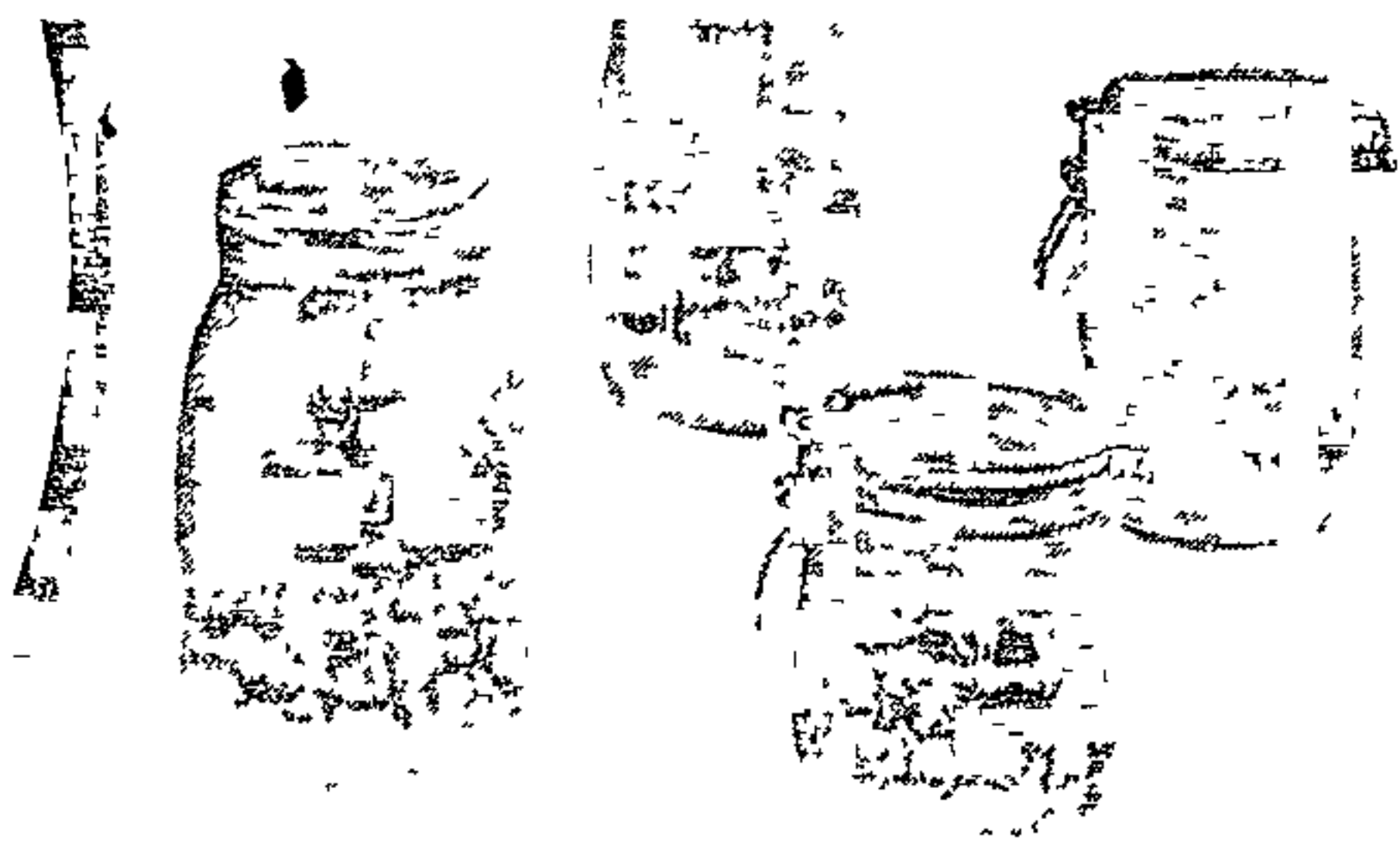
Mr Manikkam said Indians did not want "separate" facilities, they were happy to share facilities in "coloured" areas but were not allowed to do so without a permit.

Another member of the Remancom, who is also a member of the S A Indian Council for the Rylands constituency, Mr Hassan Osman said:

"It's a disgrace. The nearest available civic centre is the Athlone Civic centre and this is overlooked because it can seat only 500 people. It is almost never available over the weekend

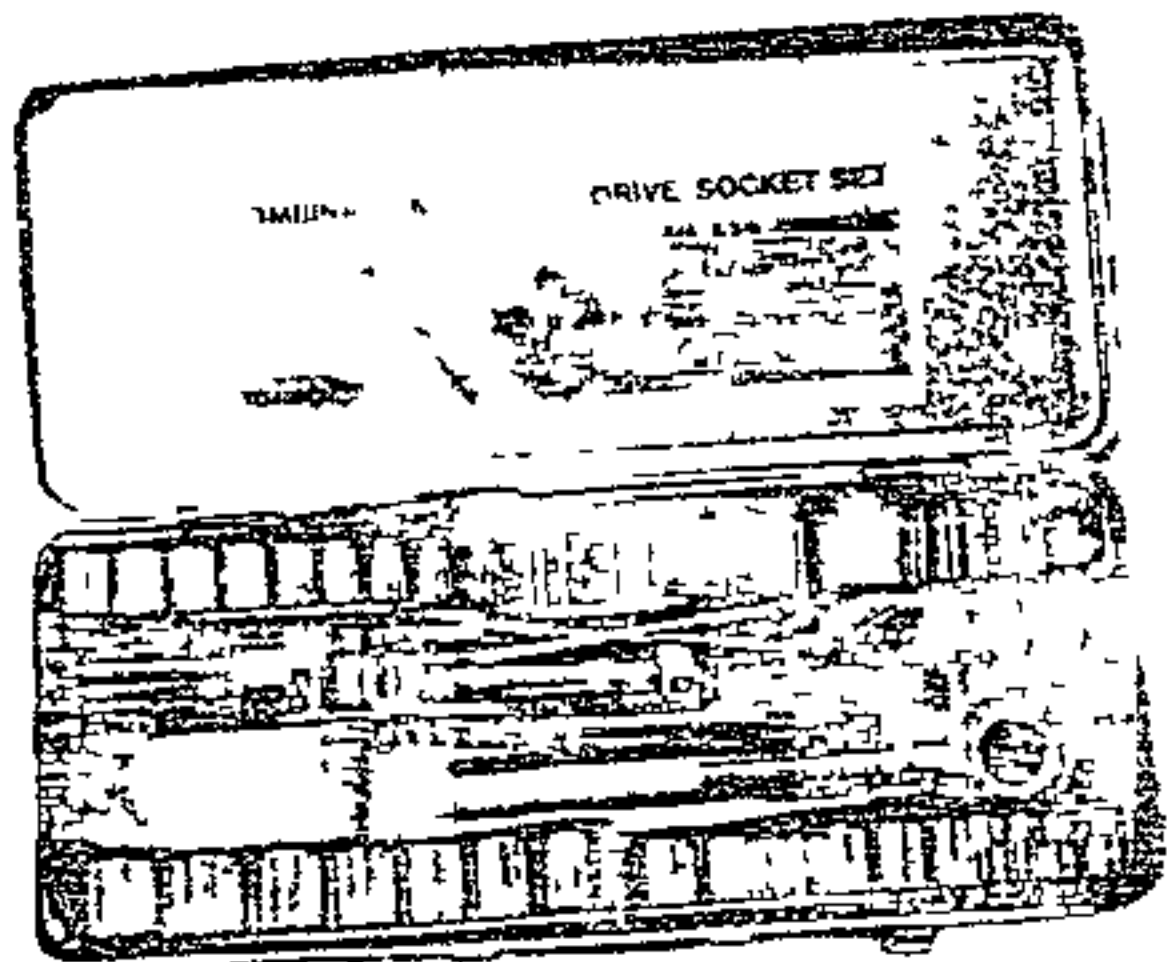
The committee resolved to send another strongly worded letter to the Prime Minister demanding that he end confusion on the issue





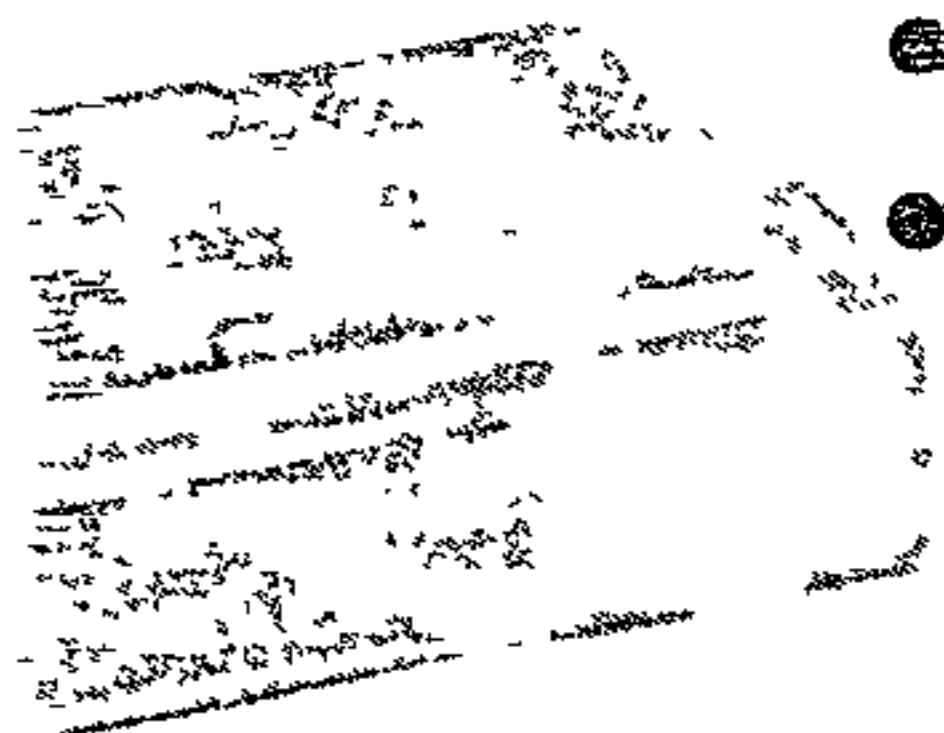
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## Homeland plan for Indians slammed

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By Leslie Abrahams  
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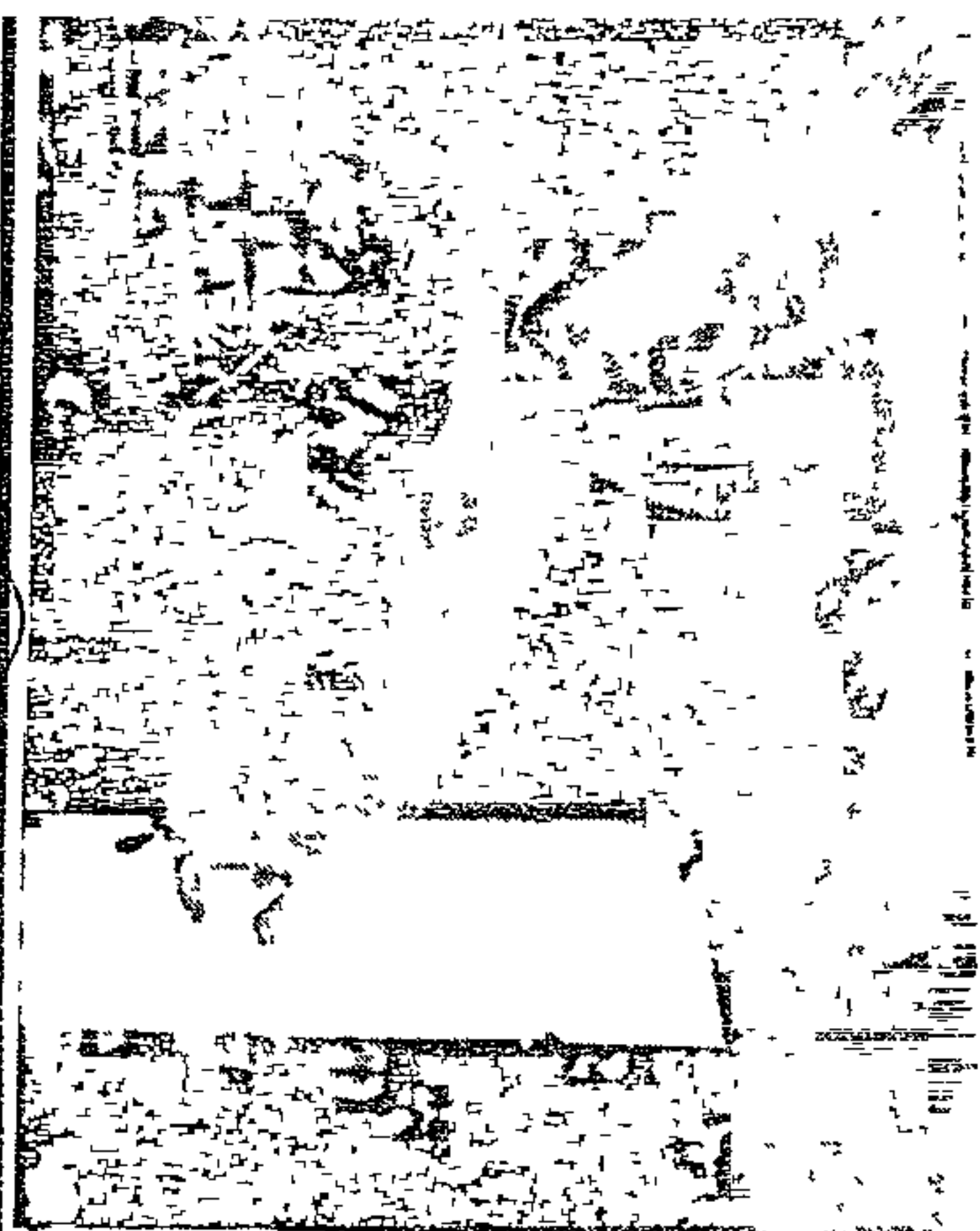
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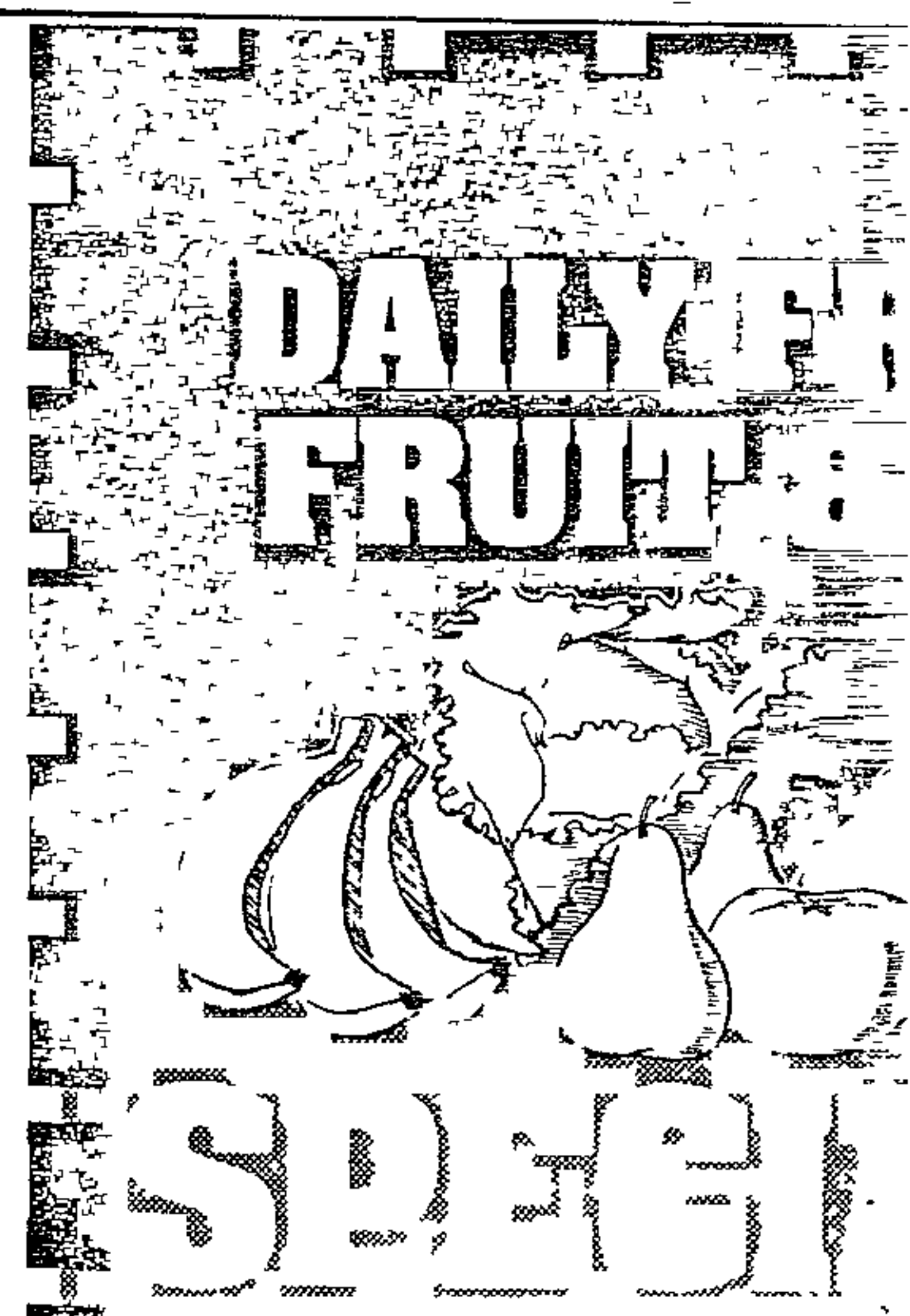
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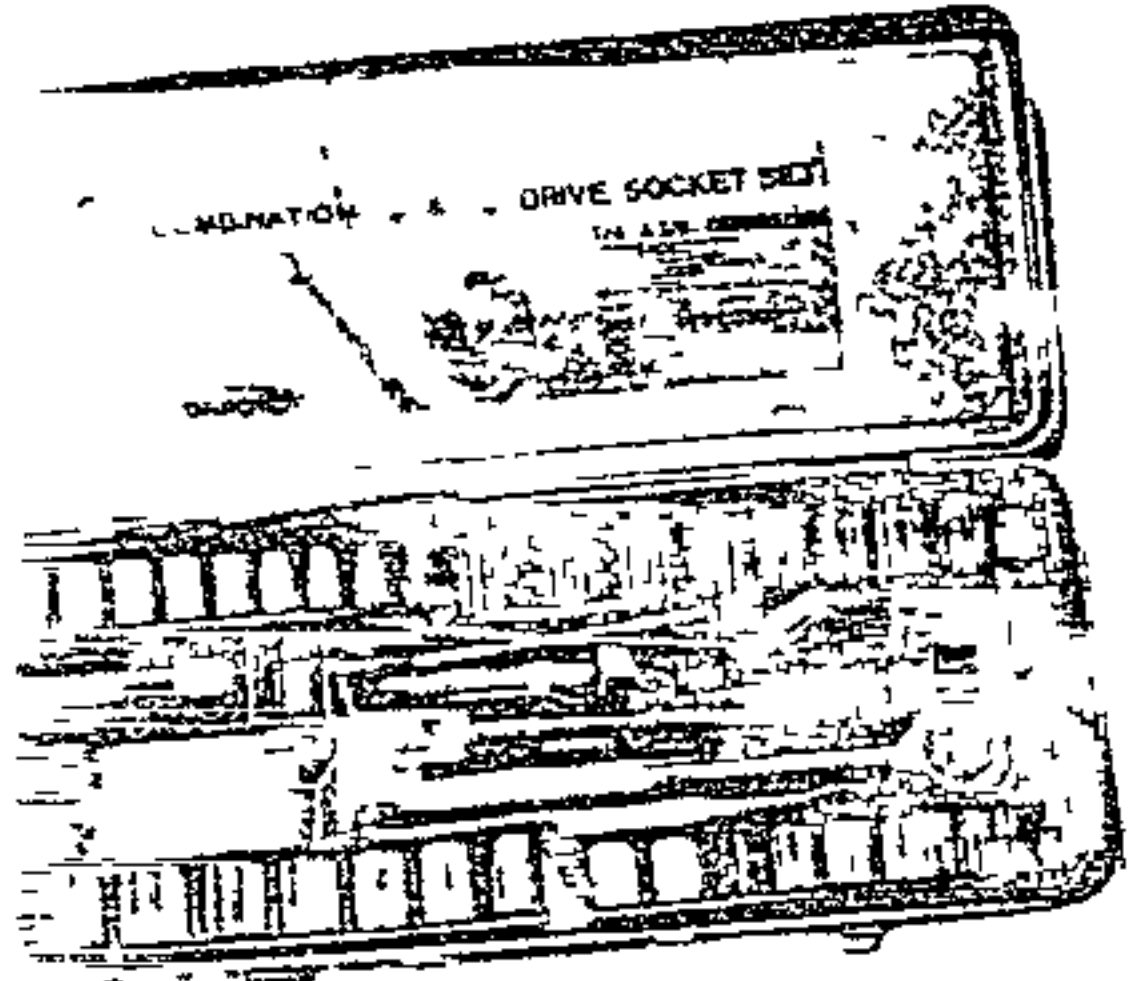
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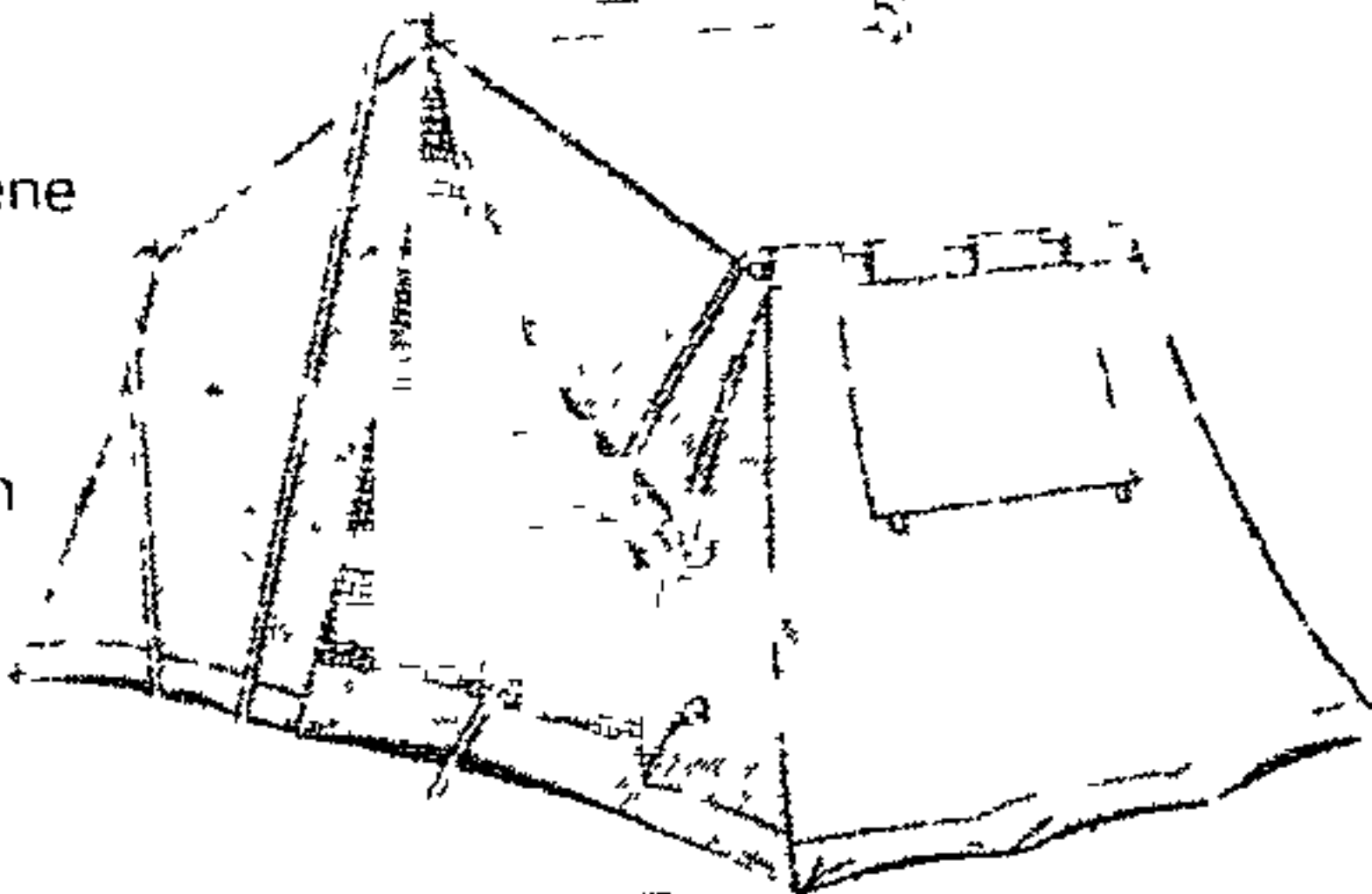
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KwaZulu would not accept such a foolish "thing"

### MAJOR

The leaders of the two major parties who are represented in the South African Indian Council could not be reached for comment last week

The Reform Party does not take part in the proceedings of the Indian Council but is said to have substantial support from the masses

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# Mayfair:

## Actstop will

## aid all races

By Yussuf Nazeer

Actstop, the body which defends Indian and coloured people from being evicted from white areas under the Group Areas Act, will also defend whites who may be evicted from part of Mayfair which could become an Indian area

Actstop's chairman, Mr Cassim Saloojee, said Actstop could not accept a situation where white and coloured people would have to leave the area under the Group Areas Act

The area which the Government is considering giving to Indians is the portion east of Princess Street up to the border of Fordsburg

Indians have already bought property there. Some have given their Indian, coloured and white tenants notice through white nominees

Mr Saloojee said "We cannot deviate from Actstop's principles of opposing the Group Areas Act. To accept Mayfair as an Indian area would be to subscribe to double standards

"Whites, coloured and Indian people have been living harmoniously in Mayfair now for quite some time, and that is how we want it to remain. Anyone must be allowed to live wherever they wish," said Mr Saloojee

At a meeting of coloured and Indian tenants yesterday Actstop decided it would defend all tenants, including whites, who were forced out of Mayfair

White tenants are drawing up a petition against losing their rented homes in Mayfair

They said they did not want to leave Mayfair and live in Pageview. Many said they could not afford to buy a home, or pay high rents in Pageview

A South African Indian Council member from Lenasia, Mr Faiz Khan, said whites should not complain about being pushed out of Mayfair under the "Act which they voted for"



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Mercury Reporter

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# Teachers consider response to SAIC

## Mercury Reporter

THE National Council of the Teachers' Association of South Africa meets in Durban today to decide Tasa's response to controversial South African Indian Council moves on Indian education.

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the SAIC, has invited the association to assist with his proposed investigations into aspects of education and to serve on his planned councils for colleges of education in Durban and Pretoria

The association does not recognise the SAIC — which now has *de facto* control over education — but teachers said yesterday they feared Mr Rajbansi would enlist the services of teachers outside the association to get his plans off the ground if Tasa refused to co-operate

"This man has clearly placed Tasa in a tight spot," teachers said, adding that many teachers — estimated at about 30

percent — were not members of the association

They said there now was a 'real danger' of a splinter teachers' body being formed — and recognised by the Indian Council.

In registered letters to the association, Mr Rajbansi announced his intention to establish an education advisory council, appoint a committee to undertake a scientific investigation into methods of promotions for teachers, and to create councils and senates for the Springfield and Laudium colleges of education

Describing these as 'vital issues affecting the rank and file of teachers and future generations of children', teachers said it was imperative that the association should be fully represented

A senior teacher said "The association is still opposed to the SAIC, which we regard as a creation of the dreaded apartheid system, but it will have to make up its mind if it will be in its in-

terests to stand on the sidelines

'Our future in education is at stake and the issue now goes far beyond a confrontation between two people — Mr Rajbansi and Mr Pat Samuels, president of the association'

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# Rajbansi's 'olive branch' not accepted

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## Mercury Reporter

THE Teachers' Association of South Africa has rejected outright requests from the South African Indian Council's executive chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, for talks on proposed education projects — and reiterated its stand that the SAIC was irrelevant and unacceptable.

At its meeting in Durban at the weekend, Tasa's national council took strong exception to Mr Rajbansi's prior release of correspondence to the association to schools and accused him of breach of etiquette.

The meeting authorised Mr Pat Samuels, Tasa's president, to write a strongly worded letter to Mr F W de Klerk Minister of Internal Affairs, for delegating education con-

trol to a body which it said was largely rejected by the Indian community at the polls.

Before the meeting was a written request from Mr Rajbansi for co-operation for his plans for an education advisory council, scientific investigation into methods of promotions for teachers and councils and senates for the Springfield and Laudium Colleges of Education.

Tasa said it had always been actively engaged on all aspects of education through departmental committees and the Director of Indian Education — and saw Mr Rajbansi's request as a move to gain the recognition and support of an important and influential professional body.

Mr Rajbansi said yester-

day he felt 'neither angry nor bitter' about Tasa's rejection and he would continue sending the association 'olive branches' with the hope that he would persuade it to 'play its rightful role in determining the direction of our education'.

Commenting on the 'breach' allegations, he said he had made a 'general release' of the letter in question 'after satisfying myself that not all teachers were acquainted with details in respect of the three proposed projects'.

He said he expected that any communication by Tasa to the minister on powers delegated to his executive committee 'will ultimately land on the desk of those holding the delegated power'.



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# Secret meeting exposed

A **SECRET** meeting to which only selected people have been invited is to be held in Lenasia next week and will be addressed by Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, to explain the Government's proposed constitutional guidelines.

The meeting will be held at the Lenasia Civic Centre on March 24 at

7.30pm and will also be addressed by Mr Amchand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the South African Indian Council (SAIC)

Invitations have, according to reliable sources, been sent mostly to civil servants and a copy of the invitation in The SOWETAN's possession indicates that guests have until today to respond to the invitation

It is also indicated in the invitation that guests should "present this invitation at the door for introduction purposes" And questions to the two speakers will be al-

lowed only if they are in writing.

Since the Labour Party (LP) led by the Rev Allan Hendrickse accepted the Government's constitutional proposals, meetings at which the LP tried to explain its acceptance of the proposals have been chaotic and sometimes marred by violence

The proposals have been rejected by the majority of coloureds and Indians and by blacks who have been excluded from the new constitutional dispensation

A spokesman for the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) said

Mr Heunis and "arch-collaborator" Mr Rajbansi were trying to force down the throats of black people, what had already been rejected

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# SAIC chief accused of harassing teachers' body

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## Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council's executive chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, was harassing the Teachers' Association of South Africa, its president, Mr Pat Samuels, claimed yesterday

He told a Press conference that political control of education in other education departments in South Africa and in 'most parts of the civilised world' did not involve harassment of an organised profession which negotiated freely with professional administrators

He accused the SAIC of attempting to get the teaching force and the public to view in poor light action of Tasa leaders, including its national council, for rejecting SAIC requests for assistance on three education projects

Tasa, he said, was a private organisation

It considered it a breach of ethical conduct on the part of the SAIC to make copies of letters sent by Mr Rajbansi to Tasa available to the media and to all teachers, both members and non-members, neither with the knowledge nor with the consent of the association

They were not 'open'

letters, he said

Mr Samuels said he did not rule out the possibility that Mr Rajbansi would encourage a splinter teachers' body to be formed to co-operate with the SAIC

But he believed that only an organised professional association would lend credibility

Accusing the SAIC of approaching Tasa with ulterior motives, Mr Samuels said that Tasa was a 'well-oiled machine whose conduct was exemplary and whose actions were at most times newsworthy'

## Image

A positive interaction between the two bodies would lend the SAIC a positive public image which could lead to a wide acceptance of it by the community

And such interaction would make so much easier an SAIC decision to accept the Government's proposed tricameral system of Parliament, he said

Mr Samuels said Tasa would then be seen as giving support to whatever the SAIC did

Mr Rajbansi said he would be calling a Press conference to answer Tasa's allegations

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# SAIC unhappy about decision on zoning

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I refer to the article published in The Star of March 3 under the heading "Wealthy Indians kicking out Mayfair poor" Mr Cassim Salojee and Dr Essop Jassat accuse the South African Indian Council of creating a false impression that concessions had been given to the Indians in general

Are Mr C Salojee and Dr E Jassat wearing blinkers? Have they not seen our views published in more than one newspaper that we are unhappy with the recent group areas zoning of Fordsburg and Burghersdorp because they are not fair replacement for what the Indian community has been robbed of by the Group Areas Act in Johannesburg?

If they were so much interested in the welfare of the people why were they absent from the recent group areas investigation? If they

justify their absence on ideological grounds then they should cease issuing Press statements on ideological grounds also.

I suggest Mr C Salojee and Dr E Jassat go back to the areas where they were before the November 4, 1981 SAIC elections. They have promised people in Nigel, Middelburg, Kinross, Laudium, etc that they will return and help them to solve their day-to-day problems

The SAIC has travelled the length and the breadth of the Transvaal and can show records of positive service to the cause of the upliftment of the lot of the people. On the other hand Dr E Jassat and his coterie in the Anti-SAIC Committee address public meetings and issue Press statements only

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# Circular is an invasion of parents' privacy say

By NORMAN WEST

PARENTS of Indian pupils in Cape Town are up in arms over a circular they have received from the Department of Internal Affairs (Indian Education).

And, the Director General of the Department of Internal Affairs, Dr S S van der Merwe, said yesterday that "the

introduction of the scheme was under reconsideration following a request from the executive of the SAIC".

The circular calls for private financial details so the Department can

decide what bussing fees to charge pupils

At present, Std 9 and 10 children in Cravenby Estate have to attend school in Rylands Estate 25 kms away as there are no facilities for them in

The children get to school by school bus, laid on by the department, free of charge

Parents have complained to the Rylands Estate representative of the South African Indian Council (SAIC), Mr Hassan Osman, and are demanding the circular be withdrawn

Circulars have been sent to parents in other centres as well

were "incensed" by the "audacity" of the Department

Mr P who lives in Cravenby and has a daughter attending Std 10 at Rylands, said "I can afford to pay, but what for? As a matter of principle, I shall not disclose my income and personal details to the Department or anybody else, for that matter"

Another, also a businessman, said "The circular also requires me to sign an undertaking that I shall inform the director of the department or the principal of the school immediately of any change in my income or financial status"

## Intrusion

"I regard this as an intrusion on my privacy, quite apart from the fact that it is morally wrong to expect the victimised to pay for their own inconvenience caused by the application of the Group Areas Act," he said

Under the heading, "Particulars of parent of guardian", answers are required to questions like

- Identity number
- Salary, wage, including cost of living allowance (wage certificates must be attached)
- Name and address of employer

## Vowed

Parents have vowed to tear up the circular and refuse to contribute to the bussing of their children

Mr Osman said "Indians never asked to be placed in ethnic townships like Cravenby and Rylands Estate. They were forced to move there"

"There are no Std nine or 10 classes at Cravenby Senior Secondary School, through no fault of the people living there"

"Pupils are forced to travel by school bus to Rylands Estate, to attend the Rylands State Senior Secondary School"

"I am taking the matter up with the SAIC executive and will demand a withdrawal and explanation at the highest level," he said

Parents, who would not be identified, said they

The parents must also make a declaration "that no information, whatsoever, has been withheld in regard to my circumstances and that all information furnished in this application form is true and correct I accept that should it at any stage be ascertained that the information furnished by me, be incorrect, such privilege (presumably to travel free by school bus) will be cancelled"

"I further undertake to inform either the principal of the school or the director of Indian education immediately of any change in my financial circumstances or my home address"

Another parent said "If I fill in the form today and receive a raise next week, it means I must rush to the principal to tell him of my private financial affairs, otherwise my child will be thrown off the bus"

"This matter has serious implications and the authorities would be wise to drop it," he said

The Rev Edward Manikam, chairman of the Reform Church in Africa Synodical Commission and who has a church in Cravenby, said "As a concerned member of the community I am totally outraged by the circular

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# 'Don't participate' Natal Indian Congress warns

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THE Natal Indian Congress (NIC) has sounded a firm warning to the South African Indian Council (SAIC) not to participate in the government's constitutional proposals.

The SAIC was expected to make known their attitude towards the proposals last week.

In a statement released on Tuesday by the vice-president of the NIC, Dr Farouk Meer, said the SAIC was warned that participation would entail

- The 'alienation of Indians' from the African majority, thereby creating conditions of increased tension and strife.

### BORDER

- The SAIC being held responsible for Indians losing their lives on the border in defence of apartheid.

- The SAIC being party to future racist and repressive legislation directed against blacks.

The statement expressed fears that the SAIC would participate in the new dispensation in spite of assurances that it would study the proposals carefully and critically.

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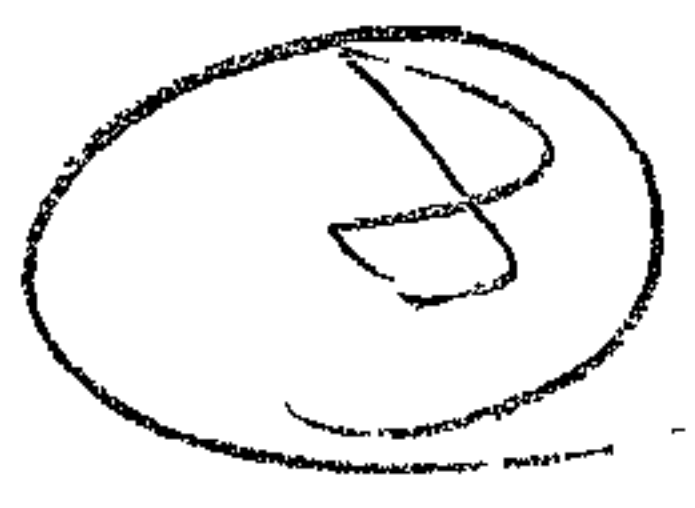
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# SAIC 'wait and see' on OFS issue

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By PATRICK LAURENCE  
Political Editor

THE chairman of the South African Indian Council, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said last night he was "not too despondent" about a statement by Mr F W de Klerk, Minister of Internal Affairs, that abolition or revision of the law preventing Indians from living or working in the Free State was not under consideration.

Mr De Klerk made his statement after a report in the Sunday Express quoted the Administrator of the Free State, Mr Louis Botha, as saying the Free State was prepared to consider scrapping these laws.

Mr Botha said "The Free State will not be a stumbling block in the search for an ideal constitutional system for this country."

The South African Indian Council has already made abolition of the law — which even prohibits Indians from being physically in the Free State for longer than 72 hours without special permission — a pre-condition for its endorsement of the proposed new three-chamber Parliament.

Noting that Mr De Klerk's statement was qualified by the phrase "at this stage", Mr Rajbansi said "I think it contains a measure of hope I am

not too despondent"

He declined to comment, however, on the view that Mr De Klerk's statement was prompted by a desire not to embarrass National Party candidates in the mini-election next month.

Mr Rajbansi said of the proposed "new deal" constitution "If you want to accommodate coloureds and Indians in the same Parliament as whites, the same deal must percolate down to the man in the street. You cannot prevent Indians from residing in any of the provinces of their country."

The chairman of the Anti-South African Indian Council Committee, Dr Essop Jassat, said "It might mean F W de Klerk is cautious about antagonising the Free Staters. We will have to wait and see until after the elections."

But, he added, even if the law were altered to allow Indians to remain in the Free State for longer than 72 hours it would be meaningless unless special areas were either set aside for Indians under the Group Areas Act or the Group Areas Act was abolished altogether.

Without these changes Indians would be allowed to remain in the Free State for longer than 72 hours but would not be allowed to live there permanently.

(Report by P. Laurence 171 Main Street, Johannesburg)

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# Brides ban eases

THE Government has decided to relax its total ban on foreign Indian brides coming to settle in South Africa — but the law remains on the statute book

Indications are that South African Indian grooms may now be allowed to bring their foreign brides into the country more freely — but, they will still have to apply to the Department of Internal Affairs

Their applications will, as in the past, be considered "on merit"

This change in the Government's attitude was announced this week by the chairman of the executive of South African Indian Council, Mr Amichand Rajbansi

Evidence of a more sympathetic attitude on this issue, is that within the last two months seven out of eight applications from Indian men, who wanted to bring their foreign-born brides to South Africa, had been successful

# SAIC slams council for plan to rezone Clairwood

Mercury Reporter

DURBAN City Council proposals to rezone Clairwood for industry came under heavy fire at a meeting of the South African Indian Council in Durban yesterday.

Spearheading the attack, Mr Amichand Rajbans, executive chairman of the SAIC, said at one stage Clairwood accommodated an Indian population of more than 40 000 but many people had been forced to move out after their properties had been either expropriated or declared slums.

'The city council created the slum conditions by not providing the services and preventing ratepayers from developing their properties. If Indians wanted to build factories there was always a hue and cry.'

He accused the council of adopting a 'process of slow torture' to force Indians out of the area. Rates were increased as property owners were charged industrial rates, although they still had their homes there.

**Records**

'We are not opposed to the creation of industries, but what we are concerned about is for how long are we going to sit back and allow Indian-owned land to be expropriated for industrial use. Records show that 95 percent of land which was required for industrial use were expropriated from Indians.'

The SAIC's executive committee would be holding talks with the Administrator of Natal, Mr Stoffel Botha, in Pietermaritzburg on Thursday on the future of Clairwood.

A plea would also be made to the Administrator to consult Clairwood ratepayers before accepting any rezoning proposals for the area.

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DURBAN — Afrikaner dignitaries at a get-together at Raj Bhavan, South African Indian Council Cairman Mr Amichand Rajbansi's Chatsworth home, "rather liked" the intimate, informal Rajbansi hospitality

Natal's Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, and the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, said so in short, crisp after biryani speeches

They said there were similarities in the way of life of Afrikaners and Indians — and there were also differences. It was this aspect of life that

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made it necessary for different people to co-exist separately, they said

More than 250 Indians and whites, and a few coloureds, rubbed shoulders in an atmosphere of immense gaiety under a large crowded marquee in Mr Rajbansi's backyard on Friday night

Among the 200 invited

guests were the director-general of the Prime Minister's Department, Dr J P Roux, a Natal MEC, Mr Dering Stainbank, Durban's management committee chairman, Mr Neil MacLennan, and representatives of the diplomatic corps

Security branch policemen who had come to protect the VIPs were also lavished with

food in a far recess of Mr Rajbansi's front lawn behind his Hindu religious flag poles

Mr De Klerk said he had attended "quite a few functions" at Indian homes before, but nothing like the glamour of the Rajbansi get-together. He said he regarded the party as an "induction" into the Indian community and had

enjoyed every minute of it. He took the microphone spontaneously and announced he would consider increasing his department's Indian cultural grant, to the obvious delight of other guests

Mr Rajbansi explained that one of his main purposes of his party was to enable "ordinary" Indians from a cross-section of the community to mingle with the top brass who decide their destinies

"The success of the experiment is very exciting," he said

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# SAIC to tackle Transkei over minister's 'anti-Indian' jibe

*Natal Mercury*  
Mercury Reporter 16/5/83

THE South African Indian Council is to lodge a strong protest with the President of Transkei, Chief Kaizer Matanzima, over anti-Indian remarks allegedly made after a wrestling match at a hotel on the Wild Coast recently.

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, the SAIC's executive chairman, told the Mercury yesterday he was 'extremely upset' at 'the insults and abuse' hurled at Indians by Transkei's Foreign Minister Mtshulezi Lujabe soon after the fight between Tiger Singh and Wayne Bridges.

The tournament, attended mainly by Indians, turned into a free-for-all when bottles and other objects were hurled on to the stage and fans grappled with each other hurt-

ing abuse at wrestling officials

It was at this stage that the Foreign Minister got angry and threatened to have the Indians ordered out of the homeland

Mr Lujabe could not be reached for comment yesterday, but he has been reported as saying that he was disgusted with the behaviour of the Indian spectators at the tournament

'As wrestling is supposed to be a top notch affair with fighters of international repute it is my duty to express my disapproval of their unuly behaviour,' he was quoted as saying

### Unprintable

Mr Rajbansi said yesterday 'Mr Lujabe appeared to be in a trance. His arrogant behaviour and anti-Indian feeling gave me the impression that he does not know what happens at a wrestling match

I did indicate to him that I do not condone throwing bottles into a wrestling ring, but his insult to the Indian community has upset many fans

'He suggested that all Indians must be sent across the border into Natal. Quite a lot of what he uttered is unprintable. A foreign minister is supposed to be a diplomat and not allow his anger to take the better of him.

'Long after the wrestling match he continued his anti-Indian stance at the hotel which was quite embarrassing to the Indians who are its chief patrons'

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new deal

**Mercury Reporter**

THE South African Indian Council, meeting in special session in Durban yesterday, deferred taking a decision on the constitutional proposals

It directed its executive to arrange for its constitutional committee to appear before the Parliamentary Select Committee investigating the Constitution Amendment Bill to seek changes to make it acceptable

The meeting set June 6 as the deadline for members to put their views on the proposals in writing to the clerk of the council to enable the constitutional committee to decide on a course of action at its meeting on June 10

At executive chairman Mr Amichand Rajbansi's request, the meeting decided to make it compulsory for every member to state his view in writing



# SAIC on horns of a dilemma

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By Nagoor Bisetty

THE South African Indian Council was clearly on the horns of a dilemma at its special session this week in Durban, where it discussed what was expected to be its final response to the Government's plan for a new constitution for the country.

After more than four hours of deliberations the council refrained from taking a firm decision. It was obviously looking to see which way the wind was blowing as far as the Indian community was concerned.

Then council boss Amichand Rajbansi moved — and everyone agreed — that members must submit to the Clerk of the Council in writing, not later than June 6, their thoughts on the matter.

## Own case

The council's own constitutional committee would meet on June 10 to prepare a case to put before the Parliamentary Select Committee investigating the South African Constitution Amendment Bill.

Mr Rajbansi wanted this committee to have a better picture of the direction in which members would want the SAIC to go — hence the demand for written opinion from every member.

To accept or not to accept the constitutional plan. That certainly was the dilemma.

Then Mr Ram Bangtoo, member for Verulam, put the proverbial cat among the pigeons. He had the names, he said, of quite a few well-known Indians who were knocking on the Government's door to get into the proposed Parliament's Indian chamber. In the light of this the SAIC should stop dilly dallying.

Mr Ahmed Arbee, member of Barberton, reminded the House that a 'sort of revolution' was also knocking on doors and nobody in his right frame of mind would want to see a repetition of the recent Pretoria city centre horror blast. If the Government was sincere, he said, it would first create the climate for acceptance of its reform plan — by scrap-

ping discriminatory legislation.

Mr Hassim Cassim, nominated member from Dundee, mentioned many things in the new deal which, he said, were not right. Even the very choice of name for the Indian section of the proposed tricameral parliament was a source of worry.

He saw no sense in having a Chamber of Deputies for Indians while whites would get a House of Assembly and Coloureds a House of Representatives. Why, indeed, couldn't there be just one sovereign Parliament for all South Africans? he asked.

Mr Cassim warned that the new Parliament's Indian members would run the risk of being labelled by opponents as merely deputising for 'real' Indian leaders.

Mr Yunus Moolla, member for Stanger, said he saw many pitfalls in the proposed constitution, but he was confident the SAIC's constitutional committee would secure concessions by appearing before the Parliamentary Select Committee.

Mr Palanisami Deven, member for Cavendish, said he wondered if there would be any harm at all in giving the new deal a try, say for five years.

## A warning

That was before executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi sounded a stern warning that members would risk making fools of themselves if they accepted the plan now and found out later that whites had rejected it in a referendum.

A nominated member from Chatsworth, Mr Thulkana Palan, turned to Shakespeare for inspiration and quoted Hamlet's famous *To be, or not to be* soliloquy to highlight the SAIC's own dilemma.

But unlike Hamlet, who decided to be, Mr Palan still was not certain what course of action he and the council should take.

Many of the 44 members present did not speak in the debate.

A snap poll afterwards among the 'silent majority' showed that if the constitutional proposals were put to a vote in the council, many would have voted for them.

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**'Survey findings not reliable'**  
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**says NIC**

**Mercury Reporter**

THE Natal Indian Congress yesterday reacted angrily to survey findings which showed them trailing badly behind the South African Indian Council in a Chatsworth poll of political groups.

The sample survey by Prof Lawrence Schlemmer, head of the Centre for Applied Social Sciences at the University of Natal, also rated SAIC executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi as 'highly regarded'.

It showed that 29 percent of 449 Chatsworth residents interviewed backed the SAIC, 21 percent liked the Southern Durban LAC, 17 percent preferred the NIC and only 3 percent had accepted the Reform Party.

Dr Farouk Meer, acting chairman of the NIC, said: 'As they do not tally with the kind of responses we are getting in the community, we cannot accept them as scientific or reliable'.

**No real leader**

What is more, Prof Schlemmer puts the SAIC on top when in fact it was widely rejected in its first elections, he said.

The survey found that 35 percent of the people interviewed backed Mr Rajbansi, only 2 percent preferred Mr J N Reddy, former SAIC executive chairman, who also lived in Chatsworth, and 14 percent said the Indian community had no real leader.

Emphasising that the estimates applied only to sprawling Chatsworth, Prof Schlemmer said many of the more prominent NIC leaders lived outside Chatsworth.

It was very difficult to infer the relative strengths of the SAIC and the NIC from the results as many people would not say which political group they felt was best for Indians in Durban.

# 'We will fight SAIC over education' vow Indian doctors

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By Nagoor Bissetty

NATAL'S Indian doctors and the South African Indian Council are poised for a showdown on the council's control of Indian education

Armed with legal advice that their signatures to a Press advertisement did not constitute a breach of the medical code, members of doctors' guilds in Natal decided at meetings yesterday to prepare for war with the council

Earlier this year 49 doctors signed a full-page advertisement in a Sunday newspaper attacking the SAIC and its take-over of education control, and called on the Government to place education in the hands of professionals not politicians

SAIC executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi reported the doctors to the Medical and Dental Council

The council has written to the 47 doctors asking for comment before the end of the month, on Mr Rajbansi's allegation that their signatures were tantamount to advertising

Dr R M Bux, chairman of the South Durban Doctors Guild, said yesterday it had been decided at a meeting that its members who signed the advert would respond to the letters

'We are of the view that Mr Rajbansi's allegations are nonsensical and calculated to give him political mileage. We suspect he intends to deflect us from opposing his council's take-over of educa-

tion and social welfare

'We unanimously reiterate our determination to fight the SAIC in every conceivable way,' Dr Bux said

Support for the 49 doctors also came yesterday from the North Coast Doctors' Guild which said it was amazed at Mr Rajbansi's taking issue with the doctors who protested through the advertisement

## Appreciate

A statement said the guild stood firmly behind the 49 doctors who had been reported, and wanted to make it clear that it stood committed to its opposition to the take-over of education by the Indian Council

Last night Mr Rajbansi said he was certain the Indian community would 'sooner or later' appreciate what he was trying to achieve for Indian education



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# Top U.S. finance men told of ANC 'duping'

By TICKS CHETTY

MANY Western leaders were being "duped" into regarding the African National Congress as the only authentic organisation fighting for liberation in South Africa, influential American financiers were told this week

The group of about 40 bankers and investors were brought to South Africa by a New York broking firm

President's Council member Mr Mamoo Rajab told the group at a closed-door meeting that the ANC "led by the South African Communist Party" planned "a totalitarian regime - based on the Russian model" in this country

"The ANC leadership therefore aims to bring this country into the orbit of Soviet influence," Mr Rajab said

He added that if the West shut its eyes to peaceful change in South Africa and neglected those striving for such a change, "it does so at its own peril"

## Struggle

Rejecting calls for disinvestment, Mr Rajab said overseas investors should not ignore the political struggle taking place in South Africa "for the hearts and minds of the African population"

Referring to Prime Minister Mr P W Botha's constitutional reform initiative, he said "I believe this cannot be a government effort alone

"The South African and the international private sector must play a decisive role in this effort."

He said while he appreciated efforts to bring about change, he stressed that "any attempt to exclude Africans from the new political dispensation must lead to conflict in the long term"

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# SAIC 'cannot alter terms of teachers' service'

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Mercury Reporter

THE Teachers Association of South Africa last night rejected an Indian Council claim that it had powers to amend conditions of service for teachers employed by the Division of Indian Education

Mr Pat Samuels, president of the association, told the Mercury in a statement that the SAIC had no 'real power' to change the conditions of service

'They can only give effect to changes made by high-level Government bodies, such as the Commission for Administration or the Interdepartmental Committee of heads, by amending regulation No R1 288,' he said

Mr Samuels was reacting to an earlier statement made to the Mercury by Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the SAIC, that regulations relating to conditions of service could 'only be amended by the SAIC'

'It is our policy to consider the views of the organised teaching profession before taking a decision in this matter,' Mr Rajbansi said, adding his executive committee was undertaking a revision of service condition regulations

Mr Rajbansi urged the association to work with his committee, in spite of, what he called, its president's 'negative attitude' towards the SAIC

In his statement, Mr Samuels said that as president of the association he made statements on its behalf and these were sanctioned or ratified by the association's national council

### Powers

'Mr Rajbansi must not be jealous of my ability to give good leadership to an intellectual task force, operating for the benefit of the Indian community,' he said

The SAIC's executive committee, through powers delegated to it by the Minister of Internal Affairs, could make amendments to the wording or rewording of clauses because the regulations were prescribed for teachers in the Division of Indian Education over which the Minister had political control

'The amendments made are generally based on an acceptance by the minister of changes to actual conditions of service made by the Commission for Administration or sometimes by the Interdepartmental Committee of Heads

'The SAIC may present motivations to the commission or committee for changes to be made, but this is no different from what the association and other teacher organisations have been allowed to do in the past,' he said



Three pretty girls preparing for the Mayor's Ball in Durban City Hall tonight. A record number of tickets have been sold and it promises to be one of the most glittering affairs on Durban's social calendar. Already R10 000 has been raised for charity. Yesterday Tattoo queen Adele Olivier, flanked by her two princesses, Corrine de Marigny and Sonya Barmantloo, made a last-minute delivery of some of the prizes, among which is a cruise for two to Cape Town. The mayor's secretary said last night there were still a few tickets left. They are R60 a couple and include food and drinks.

## Thieves took stores to the cleaners

**Crime Reporter**  
THE audacity of shoplifters who walked out of stores with a bulky washing machine-spin drier combination, two vacuum cleaners, a heavy generator and 60 pairs of shoes has astounded Durban detectives.

The goods were picked up, carried out openly, loaded on to a hired bakkie in broad daylight and driven away.

The washing machine, the two vacuum cleaners and the 60 pairs of shoes were stolen in Pinetown and the generator in Amanzimtoti.

It was only after police arrested two black men and a coloured man in Durban yesterday that the owners were traced. Except for the owner of the shoes, the others had not been aware that their goods had been stolen.

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and was by the Port Natal Administration Board and the corporation.

He said Mr Dube had told residents it was Mr Gaza who was responsible for the Lamontville rent hikes and increased bus fares.

Mr Gaza said he had suffered as a result. His house was often stoned and he was assaulted by residents.

Two men who owned taxi services in the township, Mr Mahlaba and Mr Ebenezer Mapamulo Mngadi, the second accused, had approached him with complaints about Mr Dube.

They said he had organised taxi operators from Umlazi to run services in Lamontville. It was alleged Mr Dube demanded R5 for each passenger from the Umlazi operators.

The Lamontville operators had complained to Mr Dube of losses to themselves because of the influx of new taxis. Their appeals had been ignored.

Mr Gaza, Mr Mahlaba and Mr Mngadi agreed to get rid of Mr Dube, the Court heard.

### Telephoned

Mr Gaza said although this decision had been made the method, time and place for the killing was not discussed.

He said he had been telephoned some days later and told of Mr Dube's death.

Mr Mngadi, 59, told the Court how he had sent a Mr Mbawula 'Mpondo' to Bizana to find killers.

The third and fourth accused, Mr Vakutheghwa Yalo, 30, and Mr Julius Juva Ndodana, 70, were brought to Durban.

On three occasions the two men were taken to secluded spots and taught to handle a gun.

One evening they were driven to Lamontville and shown the house where 'the unwanted person' lived.

Mr Yalo told the Court he had not known why he was taken to Durban.

### Police

He said he was unhappy when he learned of the plan to kill this 'unwanted person'. He said he had told Mr Mngadi if he had had the money he would have returned home.

Mr Yalo said he was told not to worry as the police knew of the plan and white municipal authorities would pay them for the killing.

Mr Mngadi told the Court he was awakened

## Kotze agrees to Mercury township takeover

**Mercury Reporter**

THE executive chairman of the South African Indian Council, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said last night the Government would take over the Umkumbaan section of Durban's Cato Manor to speed up release of residential plots for development by Indians.

He said the Umkumbaan section had been a sore point for many years because Indians would not accept selling prices suggested by the Durban City Council — ranging from R13 000 to R21 000 — as they were beyond the reach of average families.

'At a meeting in Durban yesterday between my executive committee and Mr Pen Kotze, Minister of Community Development, we underlined these problems.'

### Traders

'We asked for Umkumbaan to be taken over by his department from the Durban City Council, and we are pleased that the Minister has agreed to do this,' he said.

'We are also pleased that Mr Kotze has agreed to our request that his department should look into the question of a programme of "self-help housing" for Cato Manor.'

Mr Rajbansi said Mr Kotze was prepared to consider resettling traders who had been displaced anywhere in the country in shops owned by his department.

The Minister had stipulated that applications from such traders must be lodged with the department's regional offices before July 31, he said.

## Escom confident of avoiding winter power cuts

**Mercury Reporter**

ESCOM had coped with the cold bite of winter without power shedding

to help conserve water.

He added that several other plants which had been out for maintenance would be phased

keep people leaving the base while on security duty. Unauthorised civilians in the aircraft area, the failure of guards to challenge people entering the area and of a duty officer failing to record movements into and out of the area.

Air Cdre Pile, who is the last of the six accused officers to give evidence, said he had reported the duty officer at Thornhill at the time of the sabotage of a Li Movo to the police because he had been off the base for one and a half hours on the night before the early morning sabotage and had taken two civilians into the aircraft area. He also felt Li Movo should have been court-martialled.

### Information

He said the board had also intended to recommend the court-martial of the Thornhill security officer, Lt Barrington Lloyd — one of the six accused officers — for dereliction of his duties. There had been no evidence that he had been party to sabotage, however.

He rejected as impossible the State case that the board had been rigged to draw attention away from air force personnel. It had been appointed by the then commander, Air Marshal Norman Walsh, and included a senior army observer as well as four air force officers.

He said it had been his firm belief that the saboteurs had obtained in depth information about the base which had enabled them to enter through a hole in the security fence some distance from the aircraft vet to direct their attack at the most strategic targets. The information might have come from inside sources.

He said the view of probable internal collusion had been expressed in the board's preliminary finding but a final finding could not be made because of the arrest of board members including himself.



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# Rajbansi replies to Meer

Mercury 25/6/83

SIR — I refer to the letter from Dr F M Meer under the heading 'Rajbansi's leadership challenged' in the Natal Mercury on June 13, 1983. This is nothing new from Dr Meer and what Chief Gatsha Buthelezi has correctly described as a small coterie of band-wagons in the Natal Indian Congress.

When a person, especially of the calibre of Dr Meer indulges in vituperation and personality attacks, he shows how bankrupt his dwindling Natal Indian Congress is for sound arguments against the constructive work of the South African Indian Council.

Democracy requires that each one should respect the efforts of others without insulting others' efforts. Dr Meer's Natal Indian Congress is a very pale reflection of what it was two decades ago.

## Weaknesses

Perhaps a series of personal attacks against me is designed to divert the attention of the masses away from the weaknesses of people like Dr Meer who have no record of any worthwhile contribution for the public except to wake up and react to events, make public statements and hold meetings in front of self-created audiences, etc.

Perhaps he is envious of the growing popularity of the South African Indian Council and the National People's Party. The poor attendances at his recent meetings at Shalcross, Port Elizabeth, and Moorton (Chats-

worth) must be causing him sleepless nights, while the National People's Party has been drawing huge crowds.

The South African Indian Council, since it took control of Indian education on January 2, 1976, has put Indian education on a great course forward. It achieved in two weeks recently what the Natal Indian Congress, with its negative tactics, failed to achieve in its lifetime.

In spite of the negative statements uttered about the SAIC by Dr Meer at the time, I could not have been more fair than to offer to meet him face to face at a Press conference so that I could highlight the growth of Indian education during the last seven years of SAIC control, and so he could be given an opportunity to prove his allegations against the SAIC. He failed to respond because he knew quite well that he and his poorly supported NIC could not face the moment of truth.

## Favoured

A further blow to him was the result of the Schlemmer poll which showed that the Indian people favoured the SAIC more than the NIC. Even the LAC fared better than the NIC. Being a man of science he disagreed with a scientific survey conducted by a distinguished and well-respected scholar.

Dr Meer appears to be so naive as to pretend that the National People's Party has not expressed an attitude

towards the constitutional proposals. In January this year I issued the following policy statement on behalf of the National People's Party on the constitutional reforms -

1) That the constitutional proposals are worthy of a fair trial provided we are given a mandate to participate by the people in a referendum.

2) That we negotiate the following with the Government -

- The removal of statutory discriminatory legislation and practices or alternatively a declaration of intention to do so.

- The removal of legislation that restricts the free movement of Indians in Orange Free State and certain districts of Northern Natal.

- The inclusion of blacks.

- The inclusion of a Bill of Rights in the new constitution.

At a recent meeting of the South African Black Alliance Chief Gatsha Buthelezi publicly praised my stand and the mature approach of the South African Indian Council towards the proposals. We are not boycott politicians. We have made it very clear that no-one had the mandate to commit the community either way, either 'yes' or 'no'. We have decided that on this very grave issue it is the will of the people that must be the determining factor and not any imposed leadership of elites.

## Oblivion

Dr Meer's NIC's rejection of the proposed referendum is the expression of fear of the demise of self-appointed leaders and placing into oblivion the forced leadership of elites which the poor Indian masses have been subjected to in this country for 100 years.

The South African Indian Council and the National People's Party is to place valuable evidence before the select committee of Parliament to consider on the constitutional future of South Africa. Has Dr Meer or his dwindling congress any alternative proposals

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to their boycott politics or how they intend realising their goals? They have offered no solutions. On May 22, 1983 in spite of restricting our branches to 10 delegates each, the National People's Party had an attendance of 500 delegates and well-wishers at a party conference while on the same day the congress leaders had a pitiful turnout at a meeting in Moorton, Chatsworth.

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# Tasa threatens SAIC with civil court action

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By Eugene Saldanha

The 9 000-strong Teachers' Association of South Africa (Tasa) has threatened to take the South African Indian Council (SAIC) to court for alleged "political interference" in education matters

The association has also called on the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, to try to resolve the deadlock

The confrontation between the two organisations follows the severing of ties between the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, and Tasa

Mr Krog told Tasa to direct all future requests on educational matters to the executive committee of the SAIC

The SAIC executive committee chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, has also told Tasa to direct all future communications to the council in writing

Explaining the directive to Tasa — described

as "politically motivated and arbitrary" by angry teachers — Mr Rajbansi said "The SAIC has been criticised by Tasa since 1976, when the council was vested with powers under the Indian Education Act, because the council was not popularly elected

"But the SAIC has now become a fully-elected body, so we can only see Tasa's criticisms as politically motivated

"This is a very mild move. We can take stronger action against the association, but we want them to know that the council is trying to avoid confrontation," he said

Mr Rajbansi said Tasa's president, Mr Pat Samuels, had "come under the influence of certain members in the Natal Indian Congress (NIC) and other political groups"

Confirming Tasa's request to the Minister of Internal Affairs, a senior

Tasa official said a letter had been sent to Mr de Klerk condemning the breakdown in communication

"We have requested Ministerial intervention to prevent the SAIC from making a mockery of Indian education

"We are already discussing the possibility of legal action against the SAIC because that organisation is not qualified to deal with education," the official said

Mr Samuels told Tasa's annual conference in Durban at the weekend that the SAIC was trying to "interfere" with Indian education so, if could show people it was an "effective representative"

"Tasa will not give credibility to an organisation not recognised by the people

"Tasa has a meaningful role to play in the liberation struggle, and we will not allow the SAIC to use education for its own narrow political ends," Mr Samuels said



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# SAIC's evidence heard by committee

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CAPE TOWN — The Parliamentary Select Committee on Constitutional Affairs today continued its deliberations after hearing evidence from various organisations

The Minister of Constitutional Development and chairman of the committee, Mr Chris Heunis, said today that no decision had yet been taken on the hearing of any more evidence.

The Minister declined to comment on the committee's activities so far

The latest to give evidence was a delegation from the South African Indian Council led by its chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi.

The delegation flew from Durban to Cape Town yesterday to testify at the House of Assembly.

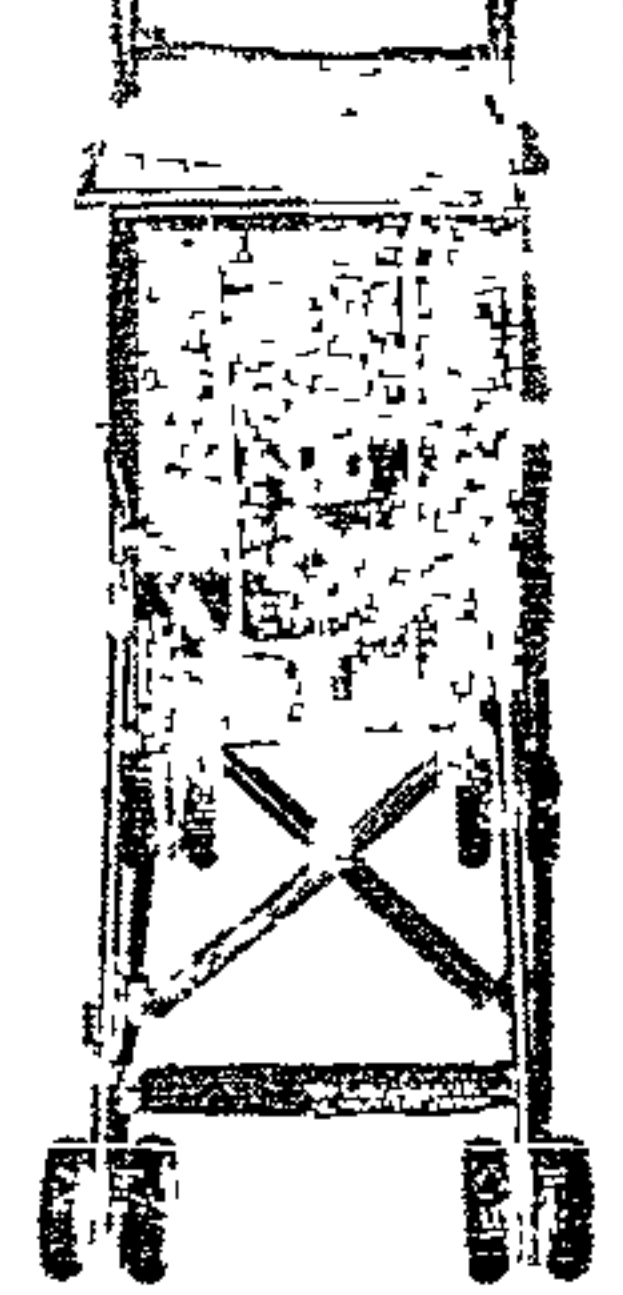
Last week Assocom, the Labour Party and the Association of Cape Management Committees gave evidence based on memoranda they had submitted

From this week the committee is expected to devote most of its deliberations to considering written submissions from individuals and organisations



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# Teachers, SAIC clash looms

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**ANGRY**

Explaining the directive to Tasa — described as "politically motivated and arbitrary" by angry teachers — Mr Rajbansi said "The SAIC has been criticised by Tasa since 1976, when the council was vested with powers under the Indian Education Act, because the council was not popularly elected.

"But the SAIC has now become a fully-elected body, so we can only see Tasa's criticisms as politically motivated.

"This is a very mild move. We can take stronger action against the association, but we want them to know that the council is trying to avoid confrontation", he said.

Mr Rajbansi said Tasa's president, Mr Pat Samuels, had come under the influence of certain members in the Natal Indian Congress (NIC) and other political groups.

**BREAKDOWN**

Confirming Tasa's request to the Minister of Internal Affairs, a senior Tasa official said a letter

had been sent to Mr de Klerk condemning the breakdown in communication.

"We have requested ministerial intervention to prevent the SAIC from making a mockery of Indian education.

"We are already discussing the possibility of legal action against the SAIC because that organisation is not qualified to deal with education," the official said.

Mr Samuels told Tasa's annual conference in Durban last week that

the SAIC was trying to interfere with Indian education so that it could show people that it was an effective representative body.

**CREDIBILITY**

"Tasa will not give credibility to an organisation which is not recognised by the people.

"Tasa has a meaningful role to play in the liberation struggle and we will not allow the SAIC to use education for its own narrow political ends," Mr Samuels said.

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# NIC leaders to lead protest

Mercury Reporter

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THE recently unbanned leaders of the Natal Indian Congress will be the main speakers at a meeting in Durban tonight, called to protest against the South African Indian Council's take-over of Indian Education

The meeting, which will be held in the St Augustine's Hall at 7 30 p m, is being convened jointly by 15 organisations

Many Indian doctors, mainly members of the Durban South Doctors' Guild of which Dr R M Bux is chairman, have already lodged their pro-

test by supporting a newspaper advertisement condemning the SAIC move. This resulted in Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the SAIC, lodging a complaint against the doctors with the Registrar of the South African Medical and Dental Council

Mr Rajbansi told the Mercury yesterday that his invitation to Mr Pat Samuels, president of the Teachers Association of South Africa, and Dr Bux for a face-to-face meeting in the presence of the Press on the SAIC and Indian education was still open.

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# Referendum before

## support for new deal

Mercury Reporter

9/8/83

THE South African Indian Council will not support the new constitutional proposals if the Government refuses to hold a referendum among Indians to test the community's support.

This was said by Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the SAIC, at the start of the council's four-day meeting in Durban yesterday

Reporting back on the executive committee's recommendations to the parliamentary select committee on constitution, Mr Rajbansi said 'We must get a very firm commitment from the Government that it will abide by the decision of the community in the referendum

'The wishes of the community must be respected. If they say no then Indians should be excluded from participation in the three-tier government,' he said

Turning to the recommendations made to the select committee, he said strong opposition was made to the separate Education Act for whites, Indians, coloureds and blacks 'We believe in one education system for all peoples of South Africa'

He said the SAIC's goal was for a unitary parlia-

### 'Disappointment' over Cato Manor land

Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council expressed 'bitter disappointment' over the delay in the development of Cato Manor for Indians at its meeting in Durban yesterday.

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, the executive chairman, said the price of land was expected to be raised further because of the delay — pricing the land beyond the reach of the man-in-the-street

'Interest was adding up at the rate of R1 000 a day on cost for services al-

ready provided by the Durban City Council in Umkumbaan,' he said.

The uncertainty over the siting of the new R150 million training hospital in Cato Manor was the main reason for the delay in releasing land.

Mr Ashwin Mohanlall urged the Government to earmark a large portion of the area for low-cost housing for Indians. He suggested that all costs incurred in the development of Umkumbaan be absorbed by the Government

ment representing all racial groups but 'being practical we know we will not get it'

Strong recommendations were also made for the creation of a separate chamber for blacks

Mr J B Patel, leader of the opposition Democratic Party, said there was

lack of protection of the rights of the minorities — the Indians and coloureds — in the constitutional proposals

'There is absolute majority in the white chamber and if any issues are raised either by the Indian or the coloured chamber they will be out-voted by the white chamber'



# We don't back Govt's proposals, says SAIC

Tribune Reporter

THE Indian Council this week urged participation in a referendum to test the attitude to the Government's plan for power-sharing.

But the council emphasised at its plenary meeting in Durban this week that its call for participation did not imply endorsement of the constitutional proposals.

The SAIC will go along with the majority decision of Indians participating in the referendum.

Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the SAIC, told the Sunday Tribune. "Every Indian should vote, negatively or positively, at a referendum. There should be no boycott of the referendum.

"If the Indian people reject the proposals at a referendum, we would accept that decision," he said.

Yesterday, several members of the official opposition in the council, the Democratic Party, denied newspaper reports

during the week that the constitutional proposals had won the qualified backing of the SAIC.

Jayantilal Bhailal Patel, leader of the DP said his party had not accepted the proposals because the preconditions it laid down before it could accept the proposals had not been met by the Government.

"Until all discriminatory legislation is repealed, Africans are included in power-sharing plans, and a referendum is held, the DP will continue to oppose the proposals," Mr Patel said.

Mr Rajbansi denied the SAIC gave qualified support for the Government's new deal.

"Certain deliberations at the session were reported out of context.

"We are prepared to accept the proposals with its separate chambers only as an interim measure, but provided Africans are included."

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# Warnings on black aspirations

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THE question of political rights for Indians and coloureds was a secondary matter and the Government must first come to terms with the black majority, Mr Jayantilal Patel, leader of the South African Indian Council's opposition Democratic Party, said yesterday

And an advocate, Mr T K Skweyiya, has warned that Indians accepting the constitutional proposals would land the Indian community as a party to the oppression of blacks'

Mr Patel said the exclusion of blacks in the planned new dispensation was one of the 'most sensitive issues' causing considerable concern to all South Africans

The argument of the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, that blacks have their own institutions is not valid, and we have suggested the creation of a fourth chamber in Parliament for blacks as an interim measure

## Reform

We urge the Government to review its policy and negotiate with blacks to find a solution to their aspirations to avoid polarisation'

Mr Patel said that to gain Indian support for the constitutional plan the Government would have to repeal all discriminatory laws, including the Group Areas Act, include blacks in the process of constitutional reform and hold a referendum among Indians to determine their views

Mr Skweyiya told a meeting of the Durban Indian Child Welfare Society at the weekend that blacks saw the new proposals as further entrenching ethnic divisions' and also the National Party's overall position of power

The tragedy is that the Indian community at large may well accept and endorse the proposals in the same way that the coloured people have done'

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SAIC will  
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Mercury Reporter

A BUSLOAD of South African Indian Council members will travel to Ulundi on Friday for urgent talks with Zulu leaders on the council's dilemma on the Government's constitutional proposals

Executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi said from his Chatsworth home after returning from Cape Town at the weekend that his executive had had more talks with Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Constitutional Development, last Friday

These would be followed by talks with Chief Gatsha Buthelezi

Mr Rajbansi said the SAIC would decide its final attitude to the new constitution after meeting the chief.

Mr Rajbansi said it was still not clear if the Government would hold a referendum also among Indians early in the New Year to test the community's feelings on the planned constitution or hold an election for the Indian Chamber in the new dispensation



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Mercury Reporter

THE Reform Party, Indian wing of the South African Black Alliance, has said it sees the talks planned for Friday between the South African Indian Council and the KwaZulu leader, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, on the Government's constitutional proposals as a step in the right direction.

But party leader Yellan Chinsamy warned that by accepting the new constitution without black participation Indians would be courting disaster

Most of the SAIC's 45 members will be making the trip to Ulundi to meet Chief Buthelezi

Executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi said his council had opposed the proposals, and now that the Constitution Bill had been passed by Parliament it was necessary for the council to decide on a strategy

Inkatha, of which Chief Buthelezi was president, was one of the most powerful organisations in the country and consultation with it was essential

SAIC Democratic Party leader Jayantilal Patel said he would be attending Friday's talks, and his party would support the new constitution only if several pre-conditions were accepted, including full black participation

# Education grown under SAIC

In his article on Indian education "My View," August 15), Marimuthu Subramoney has displayed gross ignorance of the following

(1) The SAIC has controlled Indian Education from January 2 1976. It is an untruth for him to write that control of Indian education has been transferred to the SAIC 18 years after the Government's takeover of Indian education in 1965

For the past eight years Indian education has improved and grown tremendously under the SAIC's control, and we have a proud record of handling the ministerial powers entrusted upon us with the greatest measure of discipline and responsibility at our disposal

All our decisions have been taken without fear or favour and on sound professional advice

(2) Mr Subramoney talks of "returning control of education to the professional control of the Director"

I have indicated on numerous occasions that professional control of education is always in the hands of the professional section headed by the Director

This had been the case when there was a white minister and has remained unaltered ever since Indian education came under the political control of the SAIC

(3) Indian education has always had a political head who always happened to be a White

Now it has an Indian political head

Our usage of the SAIC to attain our ideals is a strategy, a change in tactic and not necessarily a change in outlook

Indian education has advanced tremendously under the control of the SAIC. Now the NIC members have propped up a "Committee of Concern"

Where was the concern when white politicians who were not elected by the Indian people, handled Indian education?

Where was the concern when only whites were appointed to every senior position in Indian education?

Many able and well-qualified Indian educationists became frustrated. Some resigned while others left the country

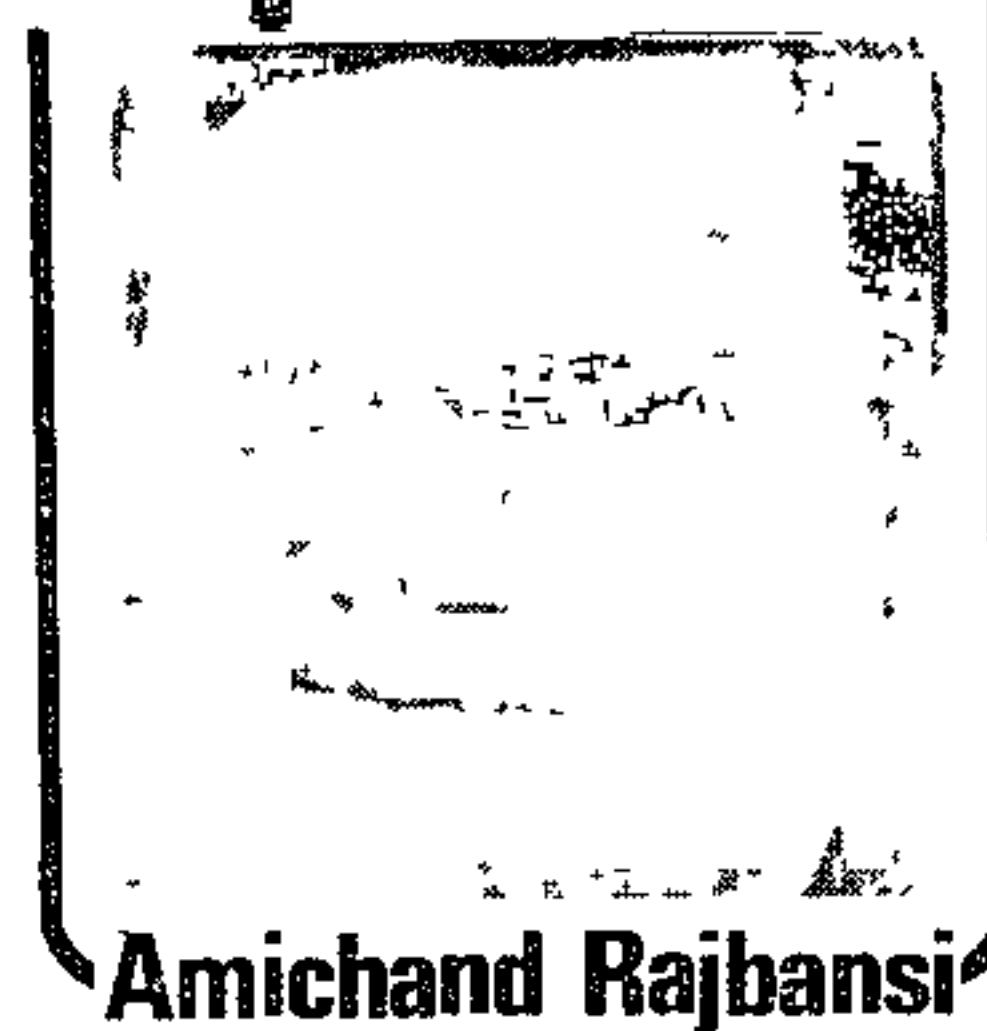
Where was the "concern" of Mr Subramoney, the Natal Indian Congress or TASA?

The SAIC has come to the rescue. We have placed Indian educationists on merit in their rightful place

The SAIC has offered TASA the chance to play a meaningful role in education — which was never offered to them before — as follows

(1) A place in the proposed Council and Senate at our teacher training colleges at Ladismith and Durban as we intend placing our institutions on par with whites, (2) A place on the committee to undertake a scientific investigation into promotion methods, (3) A role in the improvement of the conditions

## My view



of service of our teachers TASA has spurned all these and other offers

TASA, as well as the Congress, adopted a negative attitude to the SAIC's decision to introduce Indian languages in Indian schools with effect from January 1984. We decided to carry out a survey among the parents, whom we considered to be most relevant, and 85 percent voted "yes"

Congress members are distributing pamphlets with the slogan "Our Children's Education in Danger". The truth of the matter is that Indian education has made great strides under the SAIC since January 2 1976. Some of the strides are as follows

(1) From 1975 to 1982 the percentage of matriculants qualifying for exemptions increased

from 39 percent to 57 percent

(2) Matric candidates from 1975 to 1982 increased from 4 327 to 6 492

(3) The "platoon system" eliminated which was much hated

(4) Pre-primary education being gradually brought on par with whites

(5) In addition to primary and secondary education a massive boost for special education

(6) The SAIC has taken the decision to build technical secondary and pre-vocational (career) secondary schools over a five-year period from 1982 to 1987, costing R40 million at Lenasia (with hostel), Pietermaritzburg, Stanger, Phoenix and Chatsworth to train our youths for South Africa's manpower needs. The country needs 23 000 skilled workers and 10 000 technicians to be trained annually

(7) A modern teacher training college in Cato Manor (Durban) is being planned costing R40 million

(8) Indian languages to be introduced in our primary schools with effect from January 1984

Indian education is a fact in South Africa. It is also a law in South Africa (The Indians Education Act No 61 of 1965) and as long as Indian education exists the Indian community must have control. The alternative is a White politician

● Mr Amichand Rajbansi is chairman of the Executive Committee of the South African Indian Council

# SAIC leader 'feels cornered' in a room

21/9/83

Political Editor

THE chairman of the South African Indian Council, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, "feels cornered" by political forces pressing him to agree to participate in the new tri-cameral parliament, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, Chief Minister of KwaZulu and president of Inkatha, said yesterday. Chief Buthelezi was giving his interpretation of an address made to the KwaZulu Cabinet last Friday by Mr Rajbansi, who has yet to declare whether he and the majority party in the Indian Council, the National People's Party (NPP), will participate in the new constitution.

In his address Mr Rajbansi lauded Chief Buthelezi as the "most important person in the struggle" and pleaded for reciprocal understanding between the different forces in the "struggle to end apartheid".

Mr Rajbansi said "We have decided not to accept or reject the proposals at this stage. Our strategy is to await an official response to our request for a referendum."

The Government, he added, was considering three alternative methods of testing Indian opinion on whether to participate or not.

- A referendum in the orthodox sense of the word.
- A referendum-cum-general election for the Indian House of Delegates in the tri-racial parliament, in which parties opposed to participation could field reactionary candidates.
- A "scientific" attitude survey.

Mr Rajbansi went on to quote Professor H-W Vilakazi on the question of when and under what conditions to participate in "reactionary institutions".

He concluded: "We place a very high value on our friendship with you. An enormous task faces us to choose the correct strategy and tactics."

At the end of the address, Chief Buthelezi recalled yesterday, Dr Oscar Dromo, general secretary of Inkatha, had challenged Mr Rajbansi to state where he stood unequivocally. But Mr Rajbansi could not or would not give a clear-cut answer, Chief Buthelezi added.

"Afterwards he spoke to me alone. He told me Mr (Y.S) Chinsamy of the Reform Party lost a lot of members when he came out against participation. I could see he felt cornered. Mr Rajbansi could not be contacted yesterday."



# No SAIC split over Govt plan (258) (Rajbansi)

## Mail Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH — The executive chairman of the South African Indian Council (SAIC), Mr Amichand Rajbansi, denied yesterday a split was imminent in the council or that the council had changed its stance towards the Government's constitutional proposals.

He said the SAIC consisted of the majority National People's Party (NPP), of which he was the national leader, and the Democratic Party (DP) of Mr J B Patel.

The DP had already rejected

the new proposals which independent groups were expected to throw in their lot with the NPP which had, in fact, not yet decided what to say to the proposals, said Mr Rajbansi.

As the DP had already said "No" to the proposals, a split in the SAIC would occur only along party lines and depend on what the NPP finally decided, he said.

Giving a hint as to how the SAIC, dominated by the NPP, would eventually react to the proposals, Mr Rajbansi said "I believe if you say 'Yes' to

the proposals it would mean you are accepting separate racial representation.

"What you should really be saying is that you are using the system or giving it a trial. We will possibly say we will use the system or give it a fair trial."

The Constitution Bill still has to be approved in the November 2 referendum.

"So, what is there now to say yes or no to? The thing isn't even on the table yet and we haven't accepted or rejected it yet," said Mr Rajbansi.

"We will announce our de-

cision, based on strategy, tactics, and final action after November 3 only."

He said much pressure was being put on the SAIC to give the proposals a "fair trial" because it did not necessarily mean the Indian community was accepting separate racial representation.

Mr Rajbansi denied he had been swayed by KwaZulu leader, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, to reject the proposals. "We only participated in a thought-sharing exercise, but I want to reiterate the SAIC's

final decision will be based on strategy, tactics, and finally, action," he said.

Mr Rajbansi said the NPP executive committee of himself, Mr M Dookie, Mr R Bhana, Mr S Naicker, and Mr A Joosab had met yesterday and reconfirmed the decision to postpone the full session of the SAIC on October 17.

He said Mr Raman Bhana, of Port Elizabeth, would stand in as acting chairman of the SAIC while he was on a visit to West Germany.

(Report by B Jongbloed 19 Baakens Street Port Elizabeth)

# Natal Indian politics poised on knife edge

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By JOHANN POTGIETER  
Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Natal Indian politics is poised on a knife-edge and the outcome of the intricate manoeuvrings now in progress there could have far-reaching implications for the political practicability of the constitution scheme

In fact, the changes now under way — much of it hinging on the internal dynamics of the United Democratic Front-Natal Indian Congress (UDF-NIC) — have overtaken in overall significance the war of words among whites

The Government's patronage of the South African Indian Council (SAIC) appears to have peaked too soon, and observers agree that executive chairman Mr Amichand Rajbansi is now facing immense political pressures

These pressures come from four directions the UDF-NIC, Kwazulu's Chief Minister, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi (with whom Mr Rajbansi was allied during his days in the Reform Party), inside the SAIC itself, and the Government

Chief Buthelezi's entry into the process this week has already profoundly changed the tenor of the

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Dr SLABBERT  
joined forces with  
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Chief BUTHELEZI  
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The major divisions now in the Indian community are firstly between the SAIC group of parties on the one hand and the UDF-NIC on the other, and, secondly, inside the SAIC, where pro-constitution members of Mr Rajbansi's ruling National Peoples Party (NPP) appear to be getting restless over his new reluctance to support the scheme

This has raised the prospect of a rupture in the NPP, and followed Mr Rajbansi's statement this week after talks with Chief

Buthelezi that for historical reasons he placed "very high value" on the friendship of the Zulu leader and that the chances of SAIC support for the Government's scheme were now "very remote"

Opposition leader Dr F van Zyl Slabbert's Progressive Federal Party and Chief Buthelezi's Inkatha movement have now joined forces in working for a "No" vote, to the unconcealed horror of the Nationalist Press and the Government

"simultaneous equation" — is the UDF-NIC, a broad non-racial coalition

Dr Jeff McCarthy, a Natal University political geographer, this week said the relative strength of this grouping was now "greatly underestimated"

Surveys last year suggested high levels of support for the Government's scheme

"Since then the UDF-NIC have made considerable gains in popular support"

So far the movement is committed to boycotting "undemocratic structures" and in line with this it campaigned successfully for a

stay-away in the management committee elections

If the movement were to do the same in a referendum, low percentage polls could be registered — possibly as low as 20%, according to Mr Pierre Crouge, the PFP's MP for Greytown

"But if they were to work for a 'No' vote my guess is that they could mobilise 80% of the support"

At the same time as this new strength of the UDF-NIC, however, there is now, according to Dr McCarthy, a "great ambivalence" in the community about the SAIC

"For long the SAIC was unable to deliver any goods, and now it appears it can deliver just about anything," Dr McCarthy said

"The crucial question is whether the Government can effectively keep up the supply of benefits through the SAIC, and I don't think they can"

"They have run into serious trouble over the Buthelezi issue, and I think Rajbansi is quite honestly confused at the moment"

The UDF-NIC, Dr McCarthy said, would thus be watching Mr Rajbansi very closely, since his attitude would affect theirs

(Report by J G Potgieter 77, Burg Street, Cape Town)



# SAIC call for Govt reform plan

Mail Correspondent  
DURBAN. — It was an "open secret" the South African Indian Council would accept the Government's constitutional proposals, Mr Baldeo Dookie, the council's executive member in charge of housing, said yesterday. He said what the SAIC was now waiting for was a Yes vote by whites on November 2.

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Mr Dookie said many members of the National Peoples Party, which is the ruling group in the SAIC, were also accepting the new constitution.

Asked if acceptance of the proposals by the SAIC would not annoy KwaZulu leader Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, who had urged a No vote, Mr Dookie said he did not think so. "In the light of a statement made recently in Parliament by Mr Chris Heunis, the Minister of Constitutional Planning and Development, I cannot see how our participation can upset anyone."

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(Report by Nagoor Beauty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)



# SAIC's yes <sup>(278)</sup> said to be ~~304A~~ 'open secret' <sup>26/9/83 Mercury</sup>

## Mercury Reporter

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'We must first get in and then work for more changes from within,' he said

(Report by Nagoor Bissetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

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# Indian leader warns: don't commit council

DURBAN — Opposing groups in the South African Indian Council are heading for a clash on the government's constitutional proposals

Mr J B Patel, leader of the opposition Democratic Party, yesterday warned the National People's Party (NPP), majority group in the council, against moves to commit the SAIC to accepting the proposals

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Mr Patel said the SAIC had given the KwaZulu leader, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, an assurance at last week's Ulundi talks that no decision had been taken on the new constitution

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NPP members spoken to yesterday said there was now no question of the party as well as the SAIC not accepting the proposals

Meanwhile, in West Germany, the SAIC's executive chairman, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, told a conference yesterday his council may decide to give the constitutional proposals a try "as a matter of strategy"

The Indian community was divided on the proposals, some seeing flaws while others regarding them as a starting point, he told the South Africa 1983 international conference in Hamburg

In his speech, released by his Durban office, he said a non-boycott tactic would be the correct approach and Indians would try to use the new political deal for the good of all South Africans

He said his council was pragmatic enough to use "negotiation politics" as a strategy for success — DDC

(News by Nagoor Bissetty, 12 Devonshire Place Durban)

# SAIC groups 'head' <sup>258</sup> for <sup>Mercury</sup> clash' <sup>29/9/83</sup>

Mercury Reporter

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## Assurance

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(Report by N Bissett, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)



# Coloured boycott put Nats in power — now what do we do?

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## Pat Poovalingam, a Durban attorney and former member of the President's Council, examines the dilemma facing Indians over the new constitution

from the United Party would have gone to Smuts. And if that had happened Dr D F Malan would not have become Prime Minister.

Boycott by the coloured people played no small part in letting the Nationalists take control of South African politics.

In 1944, in terms of the Pretoria Agreement made by A I Kajeer and P R Pather with Smuts, the Indian community was to have been given three representatives in Parliament. This was opposed by both the rightwing whites and leftwing Indians and D E Mitchell, using Indian opposition, sabotaged this. Indians have had no offers until now.

On March 11, 1942, Mr Winston Churchill announced in the House of Commons that the British Government was sending Sir Stafford Cripps to India to negotiate for India's independence.

Sir Stafford took this offer, which was for Dominion status, and would have put India on par with Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, to the leaders of the Indian independence movement. The provincial legislatures in India would elect a constituent assembly which would devise a Constitution to be effective immediately after the war.

"It is thought," says Percival Spear, the Cambridge historian, in his book *A History of India* "that a majority of Congress leaders favoured a deal." But this was torpedoed by Mahatma Gandhi, who rather picturesquely, if somewhat grandiloquently, dismissed the offer by Cripps as a "post-dated cheque drawn on a failing bank."

This was a monumental error. Says Percival Spear "By rejecting the Cripps offer (Congress) had both lost the opportunity of entrenching themselves in the seats of power and also the chance of smothering the Muslim League before it was too late. The price of these errors was Partition."

History seldom repeats itself precisely. But there are lessons to be drawn from history, which often shed some light upon present paths available

Whatever the future might hold, it is the whites who for the past three decades have had, and still wield, sole political control over South Africa.

Exceptions are, of course, the four independent national states of Transkei, Ciskei, Venda and Bophuthatswana. And also to a lesser degree the "homelands" of kwaZulu, Gazankulu, Lebowa and so on.

Each of these homelands is semi-autonomous. Each has all the paraphernalia of state except for defence and foreign relations. Each has a government controlled by the ruling party (in some cases the only party) which party then benefits from all the perks and the patronage that that government has at its disposal.

No such privileges are enjoyed by the coloured and the Indian groups.

Until 1913, the franchise rights of the black, Indian and coloured peoples varied between the four provinces. In Natal, the Indians had the parliamentary franchise until, in 1896 the English colonial legislature, by chicanery, eliminated this. In Natal also, the Indians had the municipal franchise until it was, once again by devious and deceitful stratagem, taken away from them in 1924, once again by Natal's English.

In Natal, the OFS and the Transvaal, black people had no franchise at all, but they did have this right in the Cape Province until, in 1913, by the combined efforts of both British and Boer, this right was taken away.

The coloured people exercised the parliamentary, provincial as well as the municipal franchise, until, when the Nationalists attained power in 1948, one of the first things they did was set about stealing this. The theft was perfected four years later.

Why the indecent haste? It is facile to lay this also at the door of ideology gone mad. But, of course, the Nationalists had a practical political reason for this. They knew the coloured vote would in the next elections go to the opposition.

For they knew that, but for the boycott by the Cape western coloured people of the 1948 elections in opposition to the Coloured Affairs Department created by Smuts, three key seats which they would

exceptions, Helen Suzman among them, resign their seats.

If, on November 2, the white electorate (and it is noteworthy that the PFP does not reject the referendum on the count that it is confined to whites only and therefore it is an apartheid one) votes "no," it will mean that Indian and coloured opinion is purely academic. But if, as appears probable at current showing, the answer is "yes," these two groups which will be offered some political rights, whereas they at present have none.

Of course, if the Nationalists were to do the sensible thing and to agree to full democracy in South Africa there would be no problem. But not even the vast majority of PFP supporters are ready for that yet. If the vote goes "yes," South Africa would seem to be set fair on a course in which a series of compromises take place on a step-by-step basis.

If, after November 2, whites are prepared to take those first few faltering steps that might lead towards reconciliation (and meanwhile isolate in some measure those bent on violent revolution) and provided the highpowered Cabinet Committee by then comes up with a promising plan for black participation at the central level, can South African Indians sensibly boycott?

Surely, at that stage, it will behoove them to make use of such opportunities as are made available while seeking the main goal — the eventual emergence of a non-racial society.



Pat Poovalingam... lessons from the past

Some leaders in the Indian community are given to grandiloquence. And they tend sometimes to get so carried away by their own clichés and catch-phrases that they fail to recognise reality.

The Progressive Federal Party strongly urges a "no" vote on November 2. The PFP has rejected the Constitution Bill. But if the vote is a "yes" and if the tricameral parliament follows, most, if not all the present PFP MPs, will take their seats in the all-white chamber. They will not, with one or two possible



From left, clockwise: Mr S V. Naicker (member of the executive council SA Indian Council), Mrs Elsabe Kemp (MPC and holder of the housing portfolio), Mr R Bhana (acting chairman of the SAIC executive), Mr P Pather (clerk of the SAIC), Mr H L Parbhoo (PRO of Indian suburbs); Mr M Boucher (representative of CDC), Mr M Williams (acting chairman of the IMC), Mr M Moodaly (IMC), Mrs P H Morar (IMC); Mr K. Martinsen (director of housing)

EAST LONDON — A group of members of the South African Indian Council executive visited East London yesterday to speak to community leaders and look specifically at the housing situation in the area

The acting chairman of the executive, Mr R Bhana, said his mem-

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## SAIC executive tour Braelynn

bers were most impressed with the Braelynn Heights residential area which they were shown and

also with the relations between the local IMC and the city council which were "extraordinarily good"

"We have a policy of visiting the various Indian communities on a regular basis so that we can keep in touch with problems at grassroots level and take these problems to the highest authority if it should be necessary," Mr Bhana said

The group will visit Port Elizabeth today — DDR



# Protest over SAIC education move

THE Teachers Association of South Africa has launched a petition to protest against the Government's handing over of Indian education to the South African Indian Council (SAIC)

Tasa's Cape Peninsula branch chairman, Mr Kashief Ernest, said the teachers' body would hand the petition to the Minister of Internal Affairs towards the end of this month

The decision to petition the Minister was made at Tasa's annual congress in July this year after they were informed that they would no longer be able to deal directly with the Director of Indian Education, and they would have to work through the SAIC

Tasa president Mr Pat Samuels is quoted on the petition as saying they were "not prepared to give credibility to an organisation which is not recognised by the people"

"Tasa has a meaningful role to play in the liberation struggle and we will not allow the SAIC to use education for their own narrow political ends," Mr Samuels said

The petition states that

● "politicians are meddling in the day to day matters of Indian education,

● "the SAIC has cut off direct links between Tasa and the education department,

● "no other education department is subjected to this treatment,

● "this interference could lead to a breakdown in discipline at all levels

● "the interference is detrimental to our children's education".

Tasa called on people to protect their children's education by signing the petition and lodging objections with school principals

They said that education should be left to professionals

The campaign against the SAIC has been fought mostly in Durban up to now where Tasa is the strongest Tasa has 34 branches throughout the country

Several community organisations in Durban have given their support for the Tasa campaign in Durban



# SAIC man backs teachers' appeal

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A MEMBER of the South African Indian Council, Mr Yanus Moolla, has signed a petition circulated by the Teachers' Association of South Africa calling on the Government to strip the SAIC's executive of its powers on education.

Mr Moolla, of Stanger, said yesterday control of education should be in the hands of professionals and not politicians, and urged the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, to take back the powers he delegated to the executive under Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman.

Many teachers have asked me where I stood on the question of education control and I have made my feelings known to them by readily signing their petition, he said.

Teachers said Mr Moolla's signature had added a lot of weight to the petition and at least three other SAIC members were considering signing, they said.

More than 30 000 had signed the petition so far, teachers said.

## No way

Meanwhile, Tasa president Pat Samuels said at the annual meeting of the Merebank Ratepayers' Association at the weekend that the community should take a closer look at the roles of education committees, revamp interest in them and use them to negotiate better educational deals for itself as a part solution.

Mr Samuels said there was no way the Government would allow anyone but whites to play a meaningful role in local and national affairs.

These 'politically deprived persons' would be able to do 'freely' what they were allowed to do and not necessarily what they wanted to do.

The proposed tri-cameral parliament system which might allow for education to be an 'own affairs thing', would not, as long as whites had overall control, make community education a reality, he said.

(Report by N Bissetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

## The November 2 referendum

# Rajbansi under attack

# Separate 'ballot' for Left-wing 'No'

Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council's executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi yesterday came under fire from the opposition Democratic Party and Natal Indian Congress for saying the community would accept the Government's constitutional proposals with a qualification

Senior Democratic Party spokesman, Mr Ismail Patel, described Mr Rajbansi's qualified 'Yes' to the proposals as an 'act of political arrogance'

The SAIC, he said, was committed to calling on the Government to hold a referendum to test Indian opinion, and he expected Mr Rajbansi's ruling National Peoples' Party to ensure that one would be held

'It was Mr Rajbansi himself who had seconded the referendum resolution in a council session,' he said, adding the Democratic Party would push for a referendum among Indians if whites voted 'Yes' on November 2, Mr Patel said

He said neither Mr Rajbansi nor anyone else could accurately predict

the outcome of a referendum among Indians and, therefore, no one had the right 'at this stage' to commit the community, one way or the other

Mr Rajbansi confirmed yesterday that he had told leading Natal campaigner for a 'Yes' vote in next month's referendum, Mr Frank Martin, MEC, that if whites said 'Yes,' the feedback he had had from SAIC constituents was that the Indian community would also say 'Yes' 'in an atmosphere uncharged with emotion', to giving the proposals a fair trial

### Amusing

'This is what I told Mr Martin and I stand by it'

Mr Patel also dismissed as 'very amusing' Mr Martin's call to Indians to publicly declare their acceptance to help doubting white voters to make up their mind

'Just as the white community is divided on the proposals, Indians are also divided and they must also be given a proper chance to accept or reject in a referendum

'We have minds of our

own and we will make our own independent decisions without being guided by whites as Mr Rajbansi suggests we ought to be,' he said

The Democratic Party had rejected the proposals, he said. There were also 'strong indications' that certain independents in the SAIC, as well as some National Peoples' Party members, were also going to reject them

NPP members, spoken to yesterday, again rallied support for Mr Rajbansi. They said that through its majority of members in the council the NPP was in a position to rescind the SAIC's referendum resolution without a problem

Mr George Sewpersadh, president of the Natal Indian Congress, said in a statement released yesterday that it was certain the community would not accept the proposals

The NIC regarded the new constitution as an offshoot of apartheid, he said

(Report by N Bissetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

Ormande Pollok  
Political Correspondent

VOTERS who do not want to be associated with a Right-wing 'No' in the referendum will be able to sign a separate but totally unofficial 'ballot' before they go into the polling booth

The 'ballot', in the form of a declaration, has been drawn up by the Progressive Federal Party in response to calls by voters who want to say 'No' on November 2 but do not want to be counted with the Conservative or Herstigste Nasionale Party

Declaration forms will be available at information tables which the PFP will mount near all polling stations on referendum day

Dr Alex Boraine, chairman of the PFP's federal executive, said in an interview yesterday that the party wanted to give its supporters the opportunity of saying 'No' while at the same time giving them the chance of ex-

pressing an 'enlightened' view

'We asked the Prime Minister to have more than one question on the ballot paper so that we could isolate the Right-wing,' he said

'However, he did not do this and we have been asked by our voters to find some way in which they can express their reasons for voting against the proposals without simply being lumped together with the CP and HNP'

He believed a large number of the electorate wanted to register their desire for real reform and their opposition to the exclusion of blacks from the constitution and the entrenchment of apartheid in it

The official ballot paper did not give them the opportunity to say all these things which was why the PFP had decided on the declaration in response to appeals from many voters

(Report by O Pollok, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

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# 'Let us look elsewhere for solutions'

The Indian community of South Africa is in the throes of consternation over the proposed constitution. Some view it as the dawn of a new utopian society. Others are in a quandary over its ultimate success, and then there are those who say the constitutional plan is nothing but the entrenchment of the existing system of white domination and the perpetuation of the policy of separate development.

The end result, it is feared, will be the irrevocable acceptance of all adverse legislation. Laws such as the Group Areas Act will become irreversible, to stand out as a monument to apartheid.

Hope for change was raised high when the Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, told the Transvaal congress of his party four years ago. "We have lived for more than 300 years and until recently we did not have separate facilities. How did we manage without them? How illogical can we be?"

Again, when he launched the Constellation of Southern African States, he said. "South Africa had to learn to supplant hate and prejudice with love."

Those were courageous words and full of optimism. At the Transvaal congress in Pretoria in 1979, he said. "There are higher things in life than to stare the whole day at the colour of a man's skin."

These dauntless words also gave us tremendous hope, and our friends overseas believed South Africa was now heading for complete change and for a phenomenal revitalisation of her economic and social pattern.

The hitherto practised policy of separate development will not change the irksome life of non-whites with the introduction of the new dispensation and the attitude in the world forum will become more vociferous.

Mr Harry Oppenheimer, a leader with tremendous foresight and sagacity, when commenting on the new proposals said. "If they are adopted in their present form they will prove a serious step backwards for South Africa."

It has been accepted that the black man of the urban areas is not and can never be a temporary sojourner to be exported to the national States, but is a permanent part and cohesive member of the South African society and its labour force, contributing with might to the national domestic gross product of the country. Without him, the

MR H E JOOSUB, former chairman of the South African Indian Council, says there are other ways of trying to solve the country's problems.



Mr Joosub

wheels of our commerce and industry will come to a standstill.

Some feel that the proposed new plan is a step forward towards the envisaged change, and, that Indians will be able to ventilate their grievances, directly. This may be true, but it also is true that they will always be in the minority of any legislation, whether in their favour or against. They will *ipso facto* be party to any law passed by Parliament.

Indians have always been classified as also being members of the non-white group and even after the promulgation of the new dispensation there is no guarantee that they will share existing facilities with the privileged group.

Though new facilities were to be made available to them, it will be tantamount to committing sacrilege using these without black participation. It will be selfish and amoral to alienate the goodwill built over the years.

Being in the minority, Indians will always be subjugated by the White House of Assembly for their needs and in consequence will be powerless and frustrated in the pursuance of the attainment of their desired goal.

It is feared by many, that opting for the tricameral Parliament will spell the rejection of fellow black citizens, the acceptance of the different racial compartments and also the acceptance of all prevailing discriminatory laws. The new constitution as seen in perspective by someone is "merely enough change to prevent reform."

The pertinent question often

arises "If you are unable to support this constitution what is the alternative?" There are numerous answers. Not only is there the holding of a National Convention but a start has to be made somewhere in the first place.

This may take time. It will be less pernicious than the adoption of the proposed constitution and possible precipitation of polarisation.

The creation of a favourable climate that will add semblance in a realistic manner to engender goodwill and confidence among all groups is

(1) To stay the prosecution under Pass Laws, Influx Control and the Group Areas Act

(2) To make more housing and agricultural land available to restrictive groups

(3) To add real meaning to the system of free enterprise.

(4) To await the report from the appointed special Cabinet Select Committee on future Black role

(5) To implement De Lange commission's report on education

(6) To work out detailed blueprint for the phasing out of statutory discrimination and give a clear picture as to how South Africa will look, say in another five years.

If we can accomplish the aforesaid, momentum will be added to solutions for South Africa's problems.



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Mercury Reporter

SOUTH African Indian Council member Ashwin Mohanlal said last night he hoped whites would return an overwhelming 'Yes' vote in tomorrow's referendum to enable the Prime Minister to get on with his promised reform

The Government's constitutional proposals deserved wide support as they could become the starting point for meaningful reform, he said

'I personally conveyed this to the Prime Minister when I met him at his Pietermaritzburg meeting,' he said, adding that he had also told Mr Botha that he believed many Indians would be prepared to give his new constitution a try once it had been accepted by whites

'I believe that after years of dogmatic politics change can only come gradually

'Once the three chambers of whites, Indians and coloureds get down to business, I believe a plan can still be worked out to resolve the burning question of accommodating blacks in the new dispensation,' he said

(Report by N Bissetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

**Thaver  
sees move  
to oust  
LAC chief**

Mercury Reporter

A MOVE to oust Yunus Moolla from his post of president of the Natal Association of LACs was being made, Mr George Thaver, a member of the Southern Durban LAC, said yesterday

Mr Moolla, of Stanger, was alleged to have master-minded a resolution passed by the association's national executive rejecting the Government's constitutional proposals

Mr Thaver said many members now felt a change in leadership was necessary. He was certain Mr Moolla's days as president were numbered and he would ensure that a new president would be elected at the annual conference in November

**'Possibles'**

A Southern Durban LAC member, Mr Naran Sewchurran, and the Durban Coloured LAC's chairman, Mr Albie Stowman, were mentioned yesterday as possibles for the position

(Report by N Bissetty, 12 Devonshire Place, Durban)

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# Indians quarrel over PW's offer

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THE South African Indian Council was certain to prefer an election instead of a referendum to test Indian opinion on the Government's constitutional proposals, members of the National Peoples Party, the ruling group in the SAIC, said yesterday.

But the Natal Indian Congress described this as politically dishonest, pointing out that the SAIC was on record as calling for a referendum.

Senior NIC spokesman Dr Farouk Meer said the congress kept its options open about a referendum, but it had not at any

time claimed it would boycott one.

The NIC, he said, planned to intensify the community's campaign against the SAIC before the SAIC's meeting with the Prime Minister on Monday.

AIC members, Mr Nizam Khan and Mr Ashwin Mohanlall, said although a referendum among Indians was desirable, there were many difficulties as not all Indians were in possession of the necessary books of life.

There were no proper political parties in the Indian community, but only

pressure and interest groups, and therefore the lack of proper organisation would make it extremely difficult for a referendum to be practical and meaningful.

Mr Mohanlall said: "As it would be impossible in the time available to iron out all the many administrative difficulties, the question of a referendum would remain in doubt."

**Soon**

But as the Prime Minister is keen on getting the new dispensation off the ground as soon as possible, an election should be held as soon as possible.

However, the Prime Minister's weekend offer of a so-called third choice to Indians to join KwaZulu if they did not want to decide in favour of the new constitution or against it has upset many members, and Mr Khan described it as being 'in poor taste'.

Party leader Mr Amichand Rajbansia, who is also the SAIC's executive chairman, said the Indian community was faced with a ballot, or bullet, choice, and it would be in its interests to choose the ballot box in its struggle against apartheid.

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# PW talks to Indians

## PW 'pragmatic, honest and down-to-earth'

By Mariah Vengtas

**Rajbansi**

**ready**

**'to give**

**it a try'**

**Mercury Reporter**

THE Prime Minister was yesterday hailed by many Indians who heard him in the City Hall as a 'pragmatic, honest and down-to-earth' leader, but some also said they regarded his reference to problems experienced by Indians in other parts of Africa as unwarranted

**Mercury Reporter**

Durban businessman Chotu Bhoola said Mr Botha's address would have been more palatable had he not dragged in old and forgotten experiences of Indians outside South Africa

After underlining Indian achievements in various fields, including education, employment and housing, the Prime Minister said no one could pretend that the position of South African Indians had up to now been without difficulties and frustrations

'But it must also be stressed in all fairness that these problems were shared to an equal or greater degree by all Indian communities who had left their fatherland

## 3 000 Indians are told of their options

**Lorraine Tullock Political Reporter**

THE Prime Minister yesterday spelled out political options facing Indians and called on them to accept responsibility

He told more than 3 000 packed into Durban City Hall that nowhere outside of India had any Indian community reached the constitutional recognition offered since November 2 when the white electorate voted by a two-thirds majority to share power

It was a far cry from the policy of repatriation which existed in South Africa until 1961, when he had successfully persuaded Dr Hendrik Verwoerd

to recognise Indians as a permanent community

They could accept the constitution in the conviction that the Government and white electorate were sincere in offering coloureds and Indians control of their own affairs, with joint responsibility in common matters

This did not mean 'a gangling up' against other people in southern Africa nor did it eliminate constitutional development for other people

He believed in advancing and developing the constitutional position of all the people of South Africa, including blacks, and advocated a southern African confederation

He would not tell the Indian community whether to opt for constitutional development or conflict politics. They could have a referendum, or a general election or both, or even a scientific opinion poll if they wanted. The new constitution provided for religious freedom, which was essential if South Africa was to move forward.

There were hundreds of thousands of people in the Defence Force, from more than 100 religious denominations.

Referring to claims that the new constitution would mean compulsory national service for Indians and coloureds, Mr

eration of states, co-operating with each other in economic fields and signing defence and mutual peace pacts to keep out terrorism. The second option facing the Indian people was to endure the constitution, treating it as a foot in the door.

**Status quo**

Thirdly, they could reject it and maintain the status quo with all its problems and frustrations or go even further and align themselves with a black state. He had been attacked for saying this, but the idea had originated well left of himself.

The fifth option was to reject the new dispensation and opt for radicalism, which would lead to conflict, bloodshed and violence.

Botha said "That has got nothing to do with the new dispensation because under the present Defence Act parliament has already got that right."

'We do not want to be accused of saying "No" to peaceful change now,' he said to rousing applause. For far too long, he said, the Indian community had been represented by 'self-appointed leaders' who objected to anything, including elections, for their own selfish motives.

They knew full well that if they did not 'sabotage' such projects then their leadership would be at stake and they would be knocked into oblivion, he said.

Referring to the SAIC's arch enemies, Natal Indian Congress leaders as 'soda-water politicians', he said he was surprised to what extent the NIC was going to distribute 100 000 handbills with the slogan 'Stop this Rajbansi'.

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THE South African Indian Council would be asked at its meeting later this month to give the Government's new constitution a try, executive chairman Amichand Rajbansi told the meeting yesterday.

He said he would do this even at the risk of being labelled as a stooge or sellout, because Gandhi, Nehru, Rajagopalachari and other distinguished leaders in India in the days of British rule had also been prepared to use Government-created platforms.

But nobody would dare label them as stooges or sellouts, he said.

Mr Rajbansi said sharing a common platform did not mean people could not differ, but at the same time he would not give posterity the opportunity to criticise the present generation of Indians for failing to give peaceful reforms a trial.



**FORTY-FOUR** demonstrators, including leading officials of the Natal Indian Congress, who picketed the Prime Minister's meeting outside the Durban City Hall yesterday were arrested by police and charged under the Internal Security Act

However, some of them were released last night after paying bail of R200 each

Among those arrested were NIC president George Sewpersadh, executive members M J Naidoo, Mewa Ramgobind, Dr Farouk Meer, Zac Yacoob, Mrs Fatima Meer, Mrs Ela Ramgobind, Rabi Bugwandeem, Ramlall Ramesar, R D Pillay and Pravin Gordhan

A police spokesman last night confirmed that the demonstrators were being charged under Section 47 of the Act, which deals with illegal gatherings

The placard demonstration against the constitution was broken up by police soon before the Prime Minister arrived at the Durban City Hall to address a selected Indian audience

### Clapping

The picket line — which initially included about 30 members of the NIC — on the steps of the City Gardens was swelled to more than 150 by a multiracial gathering of lunch-time workers and curious on-lookers, many of whom supported the demonstrators by clapping and cheering the NIC

The placards stated 'Equal rights for all,' 'Indians will never accept apartheid,' 'Botha's deal has No appeal,' 'Indians, Africans and coloureds stand united,' 'Stooges will not lead us,' 'Rajbansi will divide us,' and 'SAIC — apartheid stooges'

They assembled in front of the main entrance and refused to leave in spite of an order by a uniformed police officer to disperse as the police had received, a 'bomb scare'

However, the crowd dispersed when police with dogs were called

Mr Devan was later allowed into the City Hall after a heated confrontation with the police

A Durban journalist, Miss Carmel Rickard, was forced out of the meeting by two security policemen soon after she had taken her seat at the Press table

The Natal Witness and Capital Radio reporter said afterwards that she had been forced out in spite of her protest and producing her invitation to the meeting

### Filmed

Before the police arrested them a uniformed policeman filmed the demonstration while another police officer, speaking through a loud hailer, ordered onlookers to move on

The NIC members, singing black freedom songs, were then led into two police vans and taken to C R Swart Square. The crowd which gathered in Church Street and in the City Gardens were dispersed by police with dogs

There was more drama afterwards when more than 200 invited guests — some of whom had travelled about 300 km — reacted with anger as they were turned away by police because of a lack of seats

Among them was a member of the South African Indian Council, Mr P I Devan, who had just returned from an tour abroad

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# Botha lays out options to SAIC members

**DURBAN** - If the Indian community rejected the proposed new constitution in favour of radicalism, then it would steer its future into a cul-de-sac, the Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, warned yesterday.

The Prime Minister was addressing about 5 000 invited Indians in the Durban City Hall.

Despite a "Stop Rajbansi" campaign many were turned away from the "by invitation only" meeting.

Forty-four Natal Indian Congress placard protesters, including Mr Mewa Ramgobin, leader of the protest, were taken into custody in terms of a City by-law 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the meeting.

Welcoming Mr Botha, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, chairman of the South African Indian Council, said the Indian community had "its own script for South Africa's future".

He was loudly cheered when he said the audience proved that the Prime Minister had more pull than his main Indian opposition, and Natal Indian Congress, and the United Democratic Front put together.

Mr Rajbansi, the Minister of Internal Affairs and Transvaal leader of the National Party, Mr F W De Klerk, and the Natal Administrator, Mr Stoffel Botha, were all applauded during short speeches preceding the Prime Minister's address.

Mr Botha claimed that support for the new deal would not exclude other peoples from constitutional development.

"Such a choice does not mean a ganging up against other peoples in South Africa,"

or a limitation on constitutional development," he maintained.

Such allegations were false and "this gossip was the method of people who suffered from inferiority complexes".

South African Indians faced five options, he said.

"Firstly, to accept the new constitution out of conviction and a belief in the sincerity of the Government and the white electorate to create a dispensation for whites, coloureds and Indians, where they remain in control of their own affairs, but who have joint responsibility in common matters to give coloureds and Indians a constitutional place they never had before.

"Secondly, to endure the

new constitutional dispensation out of expediency in order to destroy it.

"Thirdly, to reject the new constitution in favour of maintaining the status quo with all its problems and frustrations.

"Fourthly, to reject the constitution in favour of one in which you (the Indians) will become aligned with a black nation such as the Zulus, or, to reject the new constitution for radicalism.

"Then," Mr Botha warned, "you will be facing yourself and your children on a road to a cul-de-sac.

"Nowhere in Africa or in the rest of the world outside India, did any Indian community manage to reach this kind of constitutional recognition," Mr Botha said.

He added it was not easy to stand against people who were near to him because he believed he was right and he would pursue this constitutional course because he believed it to be in the interests of South Africa.

The Prime Minister said he did not want to pretend that the history and the position of South Africa's Indians had been without difficulties and frustrations.

He also did not wish to prescribe to the Indian community as to what their decision should be regarding the new constitution.

"I can only ask that you carefully consider the alternatives and acquaint yourselves with the facts.

"Do not let opportunists play with your convictions

He said.

Mr Rajbansi concluded there could be no doubt that the Indian community was committed to a non-violent, peaceful, constitutional and pragmatic approach.

"That is why in accordance with Gandhian tradition, we receive you, Mr Prime Minister, with an open and clear mind," he asserted.

when the Government wished to see the new system in operation.

Mr Marais said coloureds were not consulted when South Africa became a republic in 1961 and he did not want to see the same mistake made again.

However Mr Heunis had raised the problem of finance to fight a referendum campaign and then immediately afterwards an election, and he had to agree that the parties could not afford it, Mr Marais said.

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# Progs want OFS ban lifted

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Ormand Pollock  
Political Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—The Progressive Federal Party has called on the Government to lift prohibition of Indians staying in the Orange Free State for more than three days without a permit.

Dating back to the old Free State Republic the law was described as 'grotesque', 'highly offensive' and 'outdated' by delegates to the party's national congress.

The congress agreed unanimously that the Government should be petitioned to scrap the measure.

Mrs Marlene Webber, of Bloemfontein argued that the original reasons for introducing the measure — that Indians were not interested in local affairs and that they could be a threat to local businessmen — were invalid.

Mr A Pressley said people could only be 'horrified' that the measure was still on the statute book.

'It should be repealed because it is highly offensive and a grotesque piece of legislation.'

The congress also unanimously agreed that the Government should repeal the Prohibition of Political Interference Act.



# Rajbansi, Hendrickse opposed to call-up

Mercury Reporter

THE leaders of the coloured Labour Party and the South African Indian Council — two vital components in the new tri-cameral parliament — are strongly opposed to the conscription of Indians and coloureds into the defence force until all South Africans, including blacks, enjoyed full citizenship rights.

Labour Party leader the Rev Allan Hendrickse, and the SAIC's executive chairman, Amichand Rajbansi, were replying to claims by the Natal Indian Congress that acceptance of the new dispensation would mean acceptance of conscription.

Mr Hendrickse told the Mercury that his party was emphatic in its opposition to conscription 'under present conditions'.

'Unfortunately, some people in some quarters, including the United Democratic Front and the NIC, are equating participation in the new dispensation with conscription.'

'The question of conscription is in no way associated with the question of participation,' he emphasised.

Mr Rajbansi, who is also leader of the National Peoples Party — the ruling group in the SAIC — said his party and the SAIC had decided that until all South Africans were full participants in a South African society there could be no enforced drafting of Indians into the defence force.

## Conflict

Opponents of the Government's new system warned that it was doomed to failure because of the potential for conflict over conscription of Indians and coloureds into the defence force.

In terms of the proposed constitution, if one chamber rejects a Bill a conflict can be declared and the Bill referred to the President's Council for adjudication.

Mr Hendrickse said coloured conscription was 'non-negotiable' until all South Africans were full participants in South African society.

Mr Mewa Ramgobind, a spokesman for the Natal Indian Congress, said that 'whatever Mr Rajbansi says, conscription or drafting of Indians and coloureds into the defence force is one of the prime motivations behind the new constitutional dispensation.'

'On behalf of the NIC I urge the Indian community to be very circumspect about statements made by Mr Rajbansi and the Government in respect of conscription,' he added.

# Bid to oust Moolla fails, Khan jeered

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## Mercury Reporter

A BID to oust South African Indian Council member Mr Yunus Moolla from his post as president of the Natal Association of Local Affairs Committees failed at the association's annual conference in Stanger at the weekend.

Mr Moolla was re-elected president by a 23-vote majority after defeating the only other contender, Mr Albie Stowman, in an election by secret ballot. Mr Stowman polled 11

votes. Mr Leslie van Wyk was unanimously re-elected vice-president.

The re-election of Mr Moolla was seen as a defeat for some members of the association who wanted him removed for allegedly piloting the association's rejection of the Government's constitutional proposals — preventing Indians and coloureds accepting self-rule for their areas.

Afterwards as Mr Abdulla Khan, a delegate representing the North-

ern Durban Indian LAC, was jeered and called a 'stooge' and 'sell-out' when he told the meeting that he would participate in the new tri-cameral parliament in spite of the association's decision.

Mr Moolla said the association still rejected the constitutional proposals, but its affiliates could decide whether or not to abide by the decision.

The new dispensation did not bring any radical change to the present system. It still entrenched racial segregation and retained the Group Areas Act.

However, the community should decide whether it accepted or rejected the constitution by way of a referendum.

# Rajbansi at helm as SAIC agrees to new parliament

Mercury Reporter

THE South African Indian Council yesterday decided by an overwhelming majority to participate in the new tricameral parliament, although it felt the country's new constitution was far from ideal

Council chairman Amichand Rajbansi, who piloted the move to participate, dominated the day-long proceedings and his motion was approved by 30 votes to four, with eight members absent

The motion to participate was seconded by Mr George Thaver, the secretary of the ruling National Peoples' Party

With solid support from the NPP — of which he is also the leader — Mr Rajbansi lashed out at anti-SAIC

groups, the Natal Indian Congress and the Teachers' Association of South Africa, and sounded warnings both to the NIC and teachers

He said he had evidence that certain teachers — he did not identify them — had misused their position at school by 'intimidating' parents against accepting the new constitution

He denounced the NIC and said he believed that without the support of the Teachers' Association of South Africa the NIC was finished. If trouble was what the NIC wanted he would give it to them

The debate on Mr Rajbansi's motion calling for participation in the new deal was marked by heated exchanges between Mr Rajbansi and opposition spokesmen Mr J B Patel, leader of the Democratic Party, and Mr Yunus Moolla, an independent member, who is also president of the Natal Association of LACs which has

## Indians in top education posts

Mercury Reporter

THE appointments to five senior posts in Indian education were announced yesterday by Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the South African Indian Council, at its meeting yesterday

During the afternoon tea break he called on the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, to hand letters of appointment to Mr A Gibello, new deputy director (administration), Mr M Pillay and Mr B Panday, new chief inspectors of education, and Mr E Osman and

Mr A K Singh, new chief education planners

Mr Rajbansi said the appointments, effective from today, had been made by the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, in consultation with his executive committee

rejected the constitution

A trip by the SAIC to Ulundi earlier this year to sound out KwaZulu leader Chief Gatsha Buthelezi on the new constitution also featured prominently in debate

After the Ulundi meeting he had again met the Chief privately. Neither he nor the NPP had been criticised by Chief Buthelezi.

'By agreeing to take part in the new political deal, the SAIC is neither abandoning friends nor alienating the support of our black brothers,' Mr Rajbansi said

### Angry

The president of the Teachers' Association of South Africa, Mr Pat Samuels, last night reacted angrily to allegations about Tasa's association with the Natal Indian Congress

'It is time Mr Rajbansi stopped his vendetta against my association,' he said, adding that Tasa would take legal advice on allegations about Tasa's links with the NIC

'Tasa is an independent teacher organisation. We will not hold ourselves responsible if any other body decides to follow our lead.'

The president of the NIC, Mr George Sewpersadh, said the NIC would reject Mr Rajbansi's statements with contempt



# Fireworks at debate on education

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**Mercury Reporter**  
TEMPERS flared in the South African Indian Council during its education debate yesterday as relations between executive chairman Mr Amichand Rajbansi and the Teachers Association of South Africa, his arch-critics, came into sharp focus

Also coming under the spotlight was the Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, former SAIC, executive member Mr P I Devan who, Mr Rajbansi alleged, was Mr

Krog's eyes and ears, and Mr Yunus Moolla

Mr Krog was present throughout the two-hour debate which was marked by many heated exchanges between members and repeated calls for order from the chairman, Mr E V Mohamed

While he was still employed by the education department Mr Devan had received rapid promotions. Mr Rajbansi claimed, adding that even later as an SAIC executive member he had been seen frequently in the di-

rector's office

Mr Devan denied this

He asked Mr Rajbansi if his executive had made any changes in the recent school promotions to those recommended by the education department, but Mr Rajbansi declined to reply, saying these were staff matters

More sparks flew as member Mr T Palan criticised Mr Krog for a remark he had made earlier this week when he handed appointment letters to five senior education officials who had been newly promoted

Mr Palan said the director's remark that the posts were demanding and that he would keep an eye on those appointed was in bad taste and deeply resented by members

Mr Devan said he was certain the remark was made in jest and not intended to be derogatory. He was supported by Mr Yunus Moolla, who also lashed out at Mr Rajbansi, accusing him of over-reacting and showing antagonism towards those whom he disliked

## Rival

Mr Rajbansi 'In the name of the SAIC, don't I have to correct lies?'

The executive chairman had earlier lashed out at the Teachers Association and its president Mr Pat Samuels, and accused them of being 'grossly involved' with the Natal Indian Congress

He said if teachers formed a rival teacher body and restricted their activities to furthering the interests of teachers, the SAIC would give it official recognition.

Defending the association, Mr Devan said he had been assured by its executive members that it would co-operate with the SAIC if Mr Rajbansi gave up running education and left it in the hands of professionals

# PUBLIC SECTOR - GOVT. - ASIAN AFFAIRS

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- Footnotes Retail Meat (Witwatersrand)
1. Cashier/ Clerk Full title is cashier and invoice clerk. previously "cashier and bookkeeper".
  2. Labourer Grade I Until May 1981 called preparation assistant.
  3. Labourer Gr II Until May 1981 called butchers' assistant.
  4. Lab Gr III M Full title is labourer grade III male. Until April 1975 qualifying period 2 years.
  5. Manager Until May 1981 called supervisor. Managers may be required to work an additional 10 hrs without overtime.
  6. Mas-MS & Pricer Refers to mass-measurer and/or pricer. Until April 1975 qualifying period 4 years.
  7. Meat Tech Gr I, eat Tech Gr II Refers respectively to meat cutting technician grades I and II. Until April 1975 called a blockman.
  8. Meat Tech Horse Refers to meat cutting technician in horse meat establishment.
  9. Shop Controller Until May 1981 called head blockman. Includes Supervisor.
  10. Tr Meat Tech Refers to trainee meat cutting technician.
  11. Tr Shop Controller Refers to trainee shop controller.
  12. Wrapper & Packer Refers to wrapper and/or packer. Until April 1975 qualifying period 2 years.

Parties	Employer Organisation:	Area
Butchers' Association	Witwatersrand Retail Master	Magisterial Districts of Alberton, Benoni, Boksburg, Krugersdorp*, Rodepoort, Springs, Delmas*, Heidelberg*, Koster*, Randburg*, Randfontein* and Westonaria*.
Trade Union: Transvaal Retail Meat Employees' Union		

RETAIL MEAT TRADE (WITWATERSRAND)

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# IMC on action body: positive reply ?

EAST LONDON — The Indian Management Committee is still waiting for the Provincial Administration to agree to the IMC having direct representation at City Council action committee meetings

The acting chairman of the IMC, Mr Mike Williams, said "The matter is being dealt with but nothing definite has so far been done about it"

Late last year, the town clerk, Mr J. J. Human, told an IMC meeting that he would inform the Administrator of the IMC's willingness to participate in action committee meetings

Mr Williams said in the light of the acceptance of the new constitution, he was expecting positive feed-back on the issue in the near future

He said direct IMC representation on action committee and city council meetings would create more efficiency in the local government structure here

"Instead of duplicating issues, it will save time And there will be

no need to jump from one body to another," he said

At present, a shortage of IMC members is hampering their efficiency

The IMC now only has three members, following former chairman Mr Harilal Parbhoo's decision to quit the organisation, and the transfer of teacher member Mr C. A Pillay to Pretoria

"It's difficult to handle the situation at the moment," said Mr Williams "We are trying to get more members before the IMC elections, which will be held shortly"

At an IMC meeting this week, confidential reports on the redevelopment of North End and the rehousing of people in "frozen" areas were discussed

Approached after the meeting, Mr Williams said the reports were not immediately available for publication, as they had not been properly discussed and passed by the IMC yet

"We will finalise these issues in the near fu-

ture," said Mr Williams

He said the rehousing of people in frozen areas concerned an IMC plan to temporarily house people in North End homes that became vacant

"We are going to ask the government for permission to house people there This will help solve the housing shortage here for the moment"

A progress chart of IMC projects was attached to the meeting's agenda

The chart showed that the city engineer's department had tenders for the proposed construction of the road over rail bridge near St John's and St Peter's Roads

These tenders have to be screened and then approved by the City Council before the development can commence

Mr Williams said the bridge would create a more efficient traffic flow to North End, injecting interest into business and the Oriental Plaza there The chart also showed that

tenders are still to be called for the establishment of a day care centre in Braelynn's Extension Two, the building of a recreational hall in the suburb's extension four and the building of a swimming pool and sports facilities in the area

Mr Williams said the IMC would have a special meeting next week to discuss when work on these projects would begin

"They have started clearing the bush for the swimming pool already," he said — DDR



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**Cape LAC  
elections  
postponed**

By Gary van Staden,  
Political Reporter

Management and Local Affairs Committees (LAC) elections for Indian areas in the Cape have been postponed indefinitely because voters rolls were not up to date.

The Minister for Local Government, Housing and Agriculture of the Administration of Indian Own Affairs, Mr. B. Dookie, said Cape LACs requested the postponement so that they could get local voters rolls in order.

Mr Dookie told Transvaal and Natal LACs who had made similar requests for postponements that this would not be possible in their provinces because the nomination and election dates had already been set.

10% cut  
in IMC  
salaries  
likely

Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — Port Elizabeth's Indian Management Committee (IMC) is to propose a 10% reduction in its salaries this afternoon and will call on the City Council and the Coloured Management Committee (CMC) to do the same.

The IMC's chairman, Mr Raman Bhana, MP for Malabar and chairman of the House of Delegates, told the Evening Post he would suggest this to the IMC at its 2.30pm meeting today, and he was sure it would be unanimously accepted.

"We will take the lead in heeding the guidance of the State President," Mr Bhana said.

President P. W. Botha recently announced that top public representatives were taking a 3% cut in their salaries.

"In the light of the State President's call and the economic conditions, we feel we can also play a small role," Mr Bhana said.

# Open residential areas call rejected

DISPATCH

Dispatch Reporter  
EAST LONDON — A motion submitted by the Indian Management Committee (IMC) to open residential areas to all races has been rejected by the city council's action committee

The chairman of the action committee, Mr Donald Card, said last night that the request to take up the matter with the administrator of the Cape had been "narrowly" rejected

Mr Card said that he was sorry that the committee had rejected the application because, had it been passed, the government would have had an indication of how the people of East London felt about the issue

Mr Card said the government had already agreed to the opening of central business districts nationwide and that council was just waiting for the official go-ahead

The chairman of the IMC, Mr Mike Williams, said yesterday that there was a critical housing shortage in East London's Indian areas

He said the need was great for adequate housing for all communities

He said that it did not seem right that foreigners, such as cricket players, were granted permission to stay in white residential areas while South Africans were denied that right



# Chatsworth 'neglect' disappoints Dookie

Mercury Reporter

THE Minister of Local Government, Housing and Agriculture in the House of Delegates, Mr Baldeo Dookie, accompanied officials of the Durban City Council on an inspection tour of Merebank and Chatsworth yesterday to look at community facilities

Speaking at a luncheon after the tour, he said he was disappointed with the development of Chatsworth

'It is not up to expectations. More funds will have to be made avail-

able to improve community facilities in the area'

'He said the neglect of the area could trigger off unrest and dissatisfaction among the community and could create ill-feeling between the community and the Durban City Council

'When one gets out of one's house and sees all the bush in the surrounding council-owned land, one will naturally get frustrated and build a hatred towards the City Council,' he said, adding that some of the council-owned land had been ly-

ing idle for more than 20 years

Mr Monty Limalia, chairman of the Southern Durban Indian Local Affairs Committee, who organised the tour, said a number of issues concerning the Indian community remained unresolved and needed the attention of the minister.

'For years we have been asking the council to develop Treasure Beach for the residents of Merebank, but our pleas have fallen on deaf ears

'We also pointed out to the minister the vast

tracts of vacant land in parts of Chatsworth which could be developed to help ease the big housing shortage for the community

'We hope that Mr Dookie will intervene and speed up the development of these areas'

Mr RA Padayachee, vice-chairman of the LAC, pointed out what he described as an illegal bus depot at the plush Mobeni Heights suburb. He said council officials had previously promised to have the buses removed

## 25 percent increase for some shopworkers

Finance Editor

MINIMUM wage scales for shopworkers are to rise on average by 25 percent on December 1 from the previous scales laid down in November 1983, and a further 10 percent rise is due on December 1, 1986

This does not mean that all shopworkers will get the same rise, as their

present rate may be above the minimums laid down

Another change is that the wage determination does not apply to employers with less than five workers and does not apply for the first year of establishment of any employer. In the second year for these employers the determination minimums

may be cut by up to 10 percent.

The determination provides for a slightly lower wage for general assistants in the first six months of their employ

Increases have been made in transport, subsistence, waterproof clothing, laundry and 'overtime' meal allowances, and the ceiling for over-

time has been lifted

Commenting on the changes, the Durban Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce said the changes seemed designed to give relief to small businessmen and to those opening new businesses during the initial stages when overheads and capital expenditure were high



Force is part of the four percent in- in the number of immigrants volunteered to do so this year.

young trainees who reported at ar Force Gymnasium in Valhalla -day started arriving early in morning, mostly accompanied by ts girlfriends and grannies

ere were tears, final embraces kisses, fathers and brothers shook with the young servicemen and them on the back, wishing them

men the young men were she- ded away and into smaller man- eble squads — and the long haul ough registration, medical check- and the fitting of kit This prom- to continue throughout the week- at most camps around the coun-

man for the Southern African Catholic Bishops Conference said

The Reverend Austin Massey of the Methodist church, said his church was not in favour of abortions although there were certain circum- stances, such as incest, where it would be consid- ered

"The time limit would not matter Once concep- tion has taken place, life has been started," he said

Ned Geref Kerk (NGK) theologian Professor Johan Heyns said that while the NGK was also opposed to abortion in principle, and regarded any form of the termina- tion of pregnancy as

# Indians move on call for poll

By Yussuf Nazeer

Seven Transvaal SA Indian Council members will at- tempt next Tuesday to stop the ruling National Peo- ple's Party in the SAIC from rescinding the council's earlier call for a referendum to test Indian opinion on the new tricameral Parliament

The seven will be led by Mr Faiz Khan, Mr Aboo Khan and Mr Ahmed Lambat They said today that the SAIC had no mandate from the people to accept the new dispen- sation through an elec- tion

They said only a mi- nority 10 percent of the Indian people had voted the SAIC into power as an advisory body with no legislative powers

"I believe it would be a serious breach of faith on the part of any person to try and sneak into the House of Delegates as spokesman for the Indian people without a clear mandate from them," Mr Khan said

He called on the Indian people to "cry out" against the National Peo- ple's Party under Mr Amichand Rajbansi Mr Khan said these party members were "plotting" through an election to enter the House of Dele- gates "by means of the back door"

The Minister of Consti- tutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, has said the SAIC was the mouthpiece of the Indian people, and that if the SAIC decided on an election its wishes would be accepted

## Monk to give peace of mind

By Yussuf Nazeer

A woman monk from India, Swami Amritanan- da Saraswatiand, who first visited South Africa nine years ago and who has learnt to give up the "transient material illu- sions of life to find pro- found peace of mind" has returned for a three- month lecture tour to teach "worldly stress- strung" people her secret in life

She is has never been to a cinema in her life, but was "quite amazed", according to her chelas (disciples), by a video film she encountered for the first time in a Lena- sia home where she is living

She is here as guest of the Hindu Seva Samaj and the Lenasia Satyan- anda School of Yoga

She will be appearing at the Ramakrishna Hall tonight at 8 pm in Lena- sia

## ts worshippers

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cessive noise", the more than 400 domestic work- ers now have to travel to Alexandra,

This has caused great inconvenience for church members and an over- load of work for the local Alexandra minister, the Reverend Abel Molekeli

plaints by Norwood of called "ex-

The minister of the church in Norwood, the

Reverend Rodney Bau- meister, said he has fought for four years for the black congregation to be able to continue meet- ing in Norwood

"It is sad and distress- ing that members of the congregation now have to go so far to attend a ser- vice because two local residents cannot adjust to the situation," he said

Mr Baumeister ex- plained that while the Methodist Church was fully integrated, domestic workers were unable to attend normal morning and evening services due to their working-hours This left them no choice other than to meet during 2 pm and 4 pm

Members of the con- gregation are continuing to use the Norwood church hall for choir practice and women's meetings which take place during the week

## eral's sacking

mander in Europe Mr Woerner insisted he was duty bound to sack General Kiessling

The ruling Christian Democratic Party agreed to the convening of a spe- cial parliamentary committee next Thursday It will have full powers to call witnesses and demand documents

General Kiessling was fired last month on suspicion of compromising security by frequenting bars used by homosexuals and criminal elements

He has initiated law suits to clear his name — Sapa-Reuter.

the PFP now faces an uphill battle to hold Mr Sewell's ward 11. He won the seat in a cliff- hanger in the March 1982 elections by only seven votes from the NP's Mr Thys Sutherland. The rebels intend to resign from the PFP but have no immediate intention of resigning their council seats. Mr Dent said politics in council and his gradual loss of faith in the PFP were

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This week's shock resignations have left the ruling Progressive Federal Party in Randburg desperately fighting to retain power, its future at the mercy of the two new independents. Disillusioned with the PFP and

Shirley Woodgate

# in Randburg to retain power



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# SAIC will opt for elections over a referendum

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By NORMAN WEST  
and TICKS CHETTY

THE South African Indian Council (SAIC) has convened a special meeting in Durban for Tuesday to discuss a motion calling for an election instead of a referendum

If the motion is carried, as is widely predicted by informed sources, it would be the final pointer to the pending announcement by the Government of elections for the coloured House of Representatives and the Indian House of Delegates

The meeting was called following a special request by 23 members of the SAIC

As there are only three members of the Democratic Party and 10 Independent members against the National Peoples' Party's 30 in the SAIC, there is no chance of the motion not being accepted by the majority, say observers

Two independent SAIC members, Mr K P Desai and Mr N Naidoo, have died during the past four months

Elections for Indians and coloureds will probably take place simultaneously in September, after the Muslim holy fasting month of Ramadan, say informed sources

A significant number of coloured and Indian voters and aspirant candidates are Muslims

The Government has said it would be guided by the wishes of the Indian and coloured people on whether they would want a referendum on participation in the tri-cameral parliament, or elections

So far all three recognised coloured political parties, the



MR PAT POOVALINGHAM  
Wants an election

Freedom Party, the People's Congress Party and the largest coloured political party, the Labour Party, have indicated they would be in favour of elections

The newly formed Indian party, Solidarity, led by Durban attorney and journalist, Mr Pat Poovalingam, has already indicated its preference for an election

The emergence of Solidarity on the Indian political scene has heightened the scramble for seats in the new parliament. The men behind Solidarity's formation no doubt scored a significant coup when they got Mr J N Reddy to join them

The talk among Indian politicians is no longer whether or not they should demand a referendum on participation but the number of seats they could get on a party basis in the Indian House



MR J N REDDY  
A significant coup

of Representatives

The reason most leading Indian politicians wanting to distance themselves from the referendum issue is that they are caught between Afrikaners and blacks

If they opt for a referendum and get a Yes vote in favour of the new dispensation they will alienate blacks, yet, if the result of the referendum is No and the new dispensation is rejected, they will alienate Afrikaners and the Government

## Pressure

The entry of Solidarity into the parliamentary seat tussle also appears to have caused a re-think among Y S Chinsamy's Reform Party, the Indian wing of the South African Black Alliance headed by Chief Gatsha Buthelezi.

Mr Chinsamy, whose party publicly rejected the Government's new constitution because of the exclusion of blacks, admitted in an interview with the Sunday Times two weeks ago that there was "strong pressure" from some party members and people outside it for them to give the new parliament "a try".

"Some party members and others feel that we should not be spectators but active par-

ticipants in the new constitution," he said.

In a later statement Mr Chinsamy said that on an issue as important as the constitution, the Reform Party could not decide alone

All interested parties, he said, should meet to discuss the "deficiencies" of the constitution before coming to a decision

Mr J B Patel's Democratic Party, the Indian Council's opposition group which rejected the constitution for the same reason as the Reform Party, has yet to say what their stand would be when an election is held for the Indian House

There is no doubt that when elections are held the major battle will be between Solidarity, Mr Rajbansi's NPP and the Reform Party — that's if they also decide to go in

The possibility of a merger between the Reform Party and Solidarity has not been discounted although Mr Chinsamy has said that he does not intend having the identity of the Reform Party lost by "political marriages"

The policies of all the parties keen on getting into the new parliament don't differ. They all believe in non-violence, peaceful progress and the establishment of a just and truly democratic society through negotiation

The most important question now is whether any of these parties will be able to win the hearts and minds of Indians

Since these parties have yet to test their strength, the only guide is the last Indian Council elections when only 10 percent of Indians went to the polls

This low turn-out was attributed to the campaign mounted by the Anti-South African Indian Council Committee, of which the Natal Indian Congress was a major member, against candidates in that elections



SAIC chief  
promises a  
bombshell on  
election issue

By Yussuf Nazeer

The South African Indian Council's emergency meeting today to decide whether to opt for an Indian referendum or an election will end in a "surprise decision", says the SAIC executive chairman and leader of the National People's Party (NPP), Mr Amichand Rajbansi.

Before the meeting today, Mr Rajbansi said he would "drop a bombshell" into the laps of the newly formed political opposition party Solidarity and the Transvaal and Natal Indian councils, vehement critics of the NPP.

Mr Rajbansi accused them of "dragging the NPP's name through the mud by making political capital out of the fact that we want to sidestep a referendum for Indians to test their feelings about the new constitution"

#### REFERENDUM

Asked why he had first called for a referendum and then announced that the SAIC's referendum resolution was to be rescinded at today's meeting, Mr Rajbansi said "Changing events controlled our day-to-day decisions"

He said his party had decided against the referendum when it became apparent that the United Democratic Front (UDF) and the TIC were "plotting" to disrupt a referendum, preventing a true reflection of Indian opinion.

#### PROTEST CAMPAIGN

● The Transvaal Indian Congress (TIC) is to launch a protest campaign against the SAIC's acceptance of the tricameral constitution, the TIC's secretary-general said today.

Mr Ismail Momoniat said it would be similar to the TIC's countrywide protest against the SAIC elections launched last year.

The TIC plans to assemble its own leaders and spokesmen of organisations such as the United Democratic Front and the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) to call on the Indian people to reject both the referendum elections.

# SAIC poll ~~357~~ move called 'cunning' ~~258~~

By Yussuf Nazeer *Staw*

The South African Indian Council's decision yesterday to stick to its initial call for a referendum on the constitution was described as a "cunning move" today

The Solidarity Party also said the decision had been made to prolong the SAIC's stay in power

The move by the SAIC's ruling National People's Party, under Mr Amichand Rajbansi, which had been calling for an election, took the SP by surprise

SP chairman Mr Pat Poovalingum said opposition against the NPP "is prophesying the end of this sellout group"

"Their days as spokesmen for the people are finished"

Mr Rajbansi said he decided on a referendum to put "nails in the SP coffin"

## NIC calls for 'no' vote in referendum

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — The Natal Indian Congress would demand an emphatic "no" vote from the Indian community in a referendum on the new constitution, Mr George Sewpershad, an executive member of the NIC, said today

Speaking at a Press conference at which the NIC spelt out its policy, Mr Sewpershad it was confident that the Indian community would reject the Government's new deal of a tricameral Parliament

He said the new constitution was formulated by a white minority without the participation of the other peoples of South Africa. It was designed to maintain apartheid, albeit with a new face, and to break the unity of Indian, coloured and black people

The NIC, he said, viewed the constitution as a strong challenge to the Indian community

"This community is being asked to become a junior partner in the crimes of apartheid against the African majority."

The NIC challenged the Government to refrain from the use of all forms of intimidation and harassment in a referendum

"There must be total freedom of speech, meetings must not be banned, open-air meetings must be allowed; the Security Police must stop all harassment. Without these guarantees, any referendum will be a farce"

# Heunis hints Indians could be left in cold

Political Staff

CAPE TOWN — A member of the President's Council, Mr S Abram-Mayet, has disclosed that a group of Indian community leaders were told by the Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Chris Heunis, that if the Indian community rejected the new constitution at a referendum "the status quo in respect of this community will probably be maintained"

Mr Abram-Mayet, who led the delegation, claimed in a statement today that Press reports saying the Minister had warned the delegation that the Government would go it alone with the coloured community if the Indian community rejected the plan, were "not absolutely correct"

His statement said "In consequence of various house meetings held in the Transvaal regarding the new constitution, many problem areas were identified. A group of Indian community leaders then sought a meeting with Mr Heunis

"In fairness to the Minister, Press reports to the effect that he had warned the delegation that the Government would go it alone with the coloureds, were not absolutely true

"What the Minister in fact said was that should the constitution be rejected by the Indian people at a referendum, the status quo in respect of this community will probably be maintained

"No member of the delegation was to issue any statement. But one member did and the matter was reported out of context"

(Report by H S Robertson, 122 St George's Street, Cape Town)

## A warning by Rajbansi

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — If the majority of the Indian community gave a resounding "no" vote to the Government's new deal, then Indian leaders should not take part in the new tricameral Parliament, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the South African Indian Council, said today

Mr Rajbansi said he was glad that the Natal Indian Congress had decided to take part. It will advocate a "no" vote

"However, the National People's Party will urge the community to vote 'yes' because we believe that by participating we can create a better South Africa for all its people" he said

Jan. 1984



# Rajbansi

foil

## Govt plan

Star 26/1/84  
By Yusuf N. Geer

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The decision of the South African Indian Council to opt for a referendum on the constitution has proved to be a major embarrassment to the Government.

It has been learnt that the Government wanted to call general elections for all three groups in the tricameral Parliament in the first half of the year.

But the change of heart by Mr Amichand Rajbansi's National People's Party, which has joined anti-election groups in the SAIC, has upset the Government's plans.

After the white referendum, Mr Rajbansi's NPP in the SAIC called for an Indian referendum. Under pressure that the referendum would be disrupted, he then switched to favouring an election. This would have suited the Government.

But on Tuesday Mr Rajbansi surprised everyone by again opting for a referendum.

Political sources said today that the Government was unhappy about the referendum decision because it was to announce the tricameral elections shortly.

Sources disclosed that SAIC members were called in yesterday by the office of the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning and reprimanded for their stance.

It is believed that pressure is now being put on Mr Rajbansi to change his mind about the referendum.

● See Pages 3 and 11, World section.

Pressure

forced

SAIC to

back off

Political Reporter

THE South African Indian Council's surprise decision to continue to call for an Indian referendum is believed to be the result of increasing political pressures facing the ruling National People's Party.

In recent weeks Mr Rajbansi appeared to have laid the ground for the SAIC to change its stand and call for an election rather than a referendum.

He issued a challenge to the United Democratic Front to commit itself to participating in a referendum, saying there would be no point in a referendum if the UDF called for a boycott.

When the UDF ignored the challenge, he called a special meeting of the SAIC to consider a motion, proposed by the secretary of his party, rejecting a referendum.

But SAIC sources said the formation of the new political party, Solidarity, and indications that the Natal Indian Congress was going to call for a referendum, put pressure on Mr Rajbansi.

Mr Rajbansi yesterday denied this, saying the NPP had always supported a referendum. He called the special session of the SAIC only to give members a chance to reconsider their views, he said.

Mr Pat Poovalingham, the interim leader of Solidarity, said Mr Rajbansi had been telling SAIC members that to go straight into an election would make the campaign easier for Solidarity.

The real reason, Mr Poovalingham said, was that Mr Rajbansi knew he would lose power.

Mr Rajbansi said the NPP would participate in the new constitution even if there was no referendum.

If there was a referendum and the Indian community voted against it, he would expect the Prime Minister to officially exclude the Indians from the constitution, he said.

# Pressure mounts on Indian referendum

By ANTON HARBER  
Political Reporter

PRESSURE for a referendum in the Indian community mounted sharply yesterday with the Transvaal Indian Congress (TIC) adding its voice to the call for a referendum and the Natal Indian Congress (NIC) expected to do so today.

This follows the surprise decision by the SA Indian Council (SAIC) on Tuesday to stand by their call for a referendum to test Indian opinion on the new constitution.

The NIC announcement will mean that the only Indian political organisation that has not called for a referendum will be Solidarity, the new political party due to be launched in Durban this weekend.

The Prime Minister, Mr P

W Botha, indicated last year that referendums for Indians and coloureds would be held if these communities requested them.

But Government sources indicated yesterday that a decision would not be made until Solidarity had announced its viewpoint.

The source also said the Government was most unlikely to make different decisions for Indians and coloureds.

Mr Pat Poovalingham, the interim leader of Solidarity, said yesterday his party would only decide its viewpoint at its first congress in March.

He felt a referendum was not necessary, but the decision would be up to the congress, he said.

If referendums are held, the Government will find it extremely difficult to implement the new constitution by

mid-1984 as planned.

There would have to be a break of at least three or four months between a referendum and an election. To add to the difficulties, the Government has been asked to avoid an election in June, the Muslim holy month of Ramadan.

One possible solution that may be considered, according to the Government source, is the holding of referendums and elections on the same day. This would mean two ballots for each of the communities, with those who voted "yes" in the referendums then going on to vote for candidates.

The Minister of Constitutional Affairs and Development, Mr Chris Heunis, yesterday declined to comment until he had received official notification of the SAIC decision.

The TIC and NIC decision came after last weekend's meeting of the national executive committee of the United Democratic Front, to which both TIC and NIC are affiliated.

In a statement yesterday, the UDF executive called for the holding of a nonracial referendum "in which the majority of South Africans may clearly state their opposition to the so-called new dispensation".

But the executive also called on its affiliates to "mobilise and organise the people to oppose the new constitution on the basis determined by local conditions and in accordance with the aims, objects and principles of the UDF".

This was seen by observers as a compromise decision, allowing affiliates to choose separate tactics according to "local conditions".



# SAIC warned on opinion poll call

*C. Herald 26/1/84*  
By Political Editor Warren Ludski

THE Natal Indian Congress has called on the South African Indian Council to give a firm undertaking that it will not take part in the Government's new deal if the call for a referendum is refused — or if Indians reject the New Deal in the event of a referendum.

"If such an undertaking is not given, then

their call for a referendum is merely empty rhetoric," Mr George Sewpershad, the president of the NIC, said this week

He was reacting to the Indian Council's decision to ask the Government for a referendum to test Indian opinion on the new constitution

## ELECTIONS

It has been generally expected that the SAIC would ask the government to hold elections for the House of Delegates (Indians) in the three-chamber parliament

This was the line taken by the Labour Party, Freedom Party and Congress of the People (Cope) when they had to indicate to the Government whether they wanted to a referendum or an election for the House of Representatives (coloureds)

The SAIC called a special meeting this week to debate the issue. The executive chairman and leader of the National People's Party in the council, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said that they would go back to their original decision of asking for a referendum, and would be guided by the will of the people

## ACCUSED

But now the newly-formed Solidarity Party has accused Mr Rajbansi and his party of trying to prolong the SAIC and then stay in power.

Mr Pat Poovalingum, a former Presidents Council member and chairman of the Solidarity Party, said that Mr Rajbansi's party knew that they wouldn't win an election because the Indian community had rejected them and the SAIC

the VOISKAS

# NIC sets out conditions for Indian referendum

By ANTON HARBERT  
Political Reporter

THE Natal Indian Congress (NIC) yesterday demanded a referendum to test Indian opinion on the new constitution, but set preconditions on participation in such a vote.

According to Mr Mewa Ramgobin, an NIC executive member, the NIC had demanded guarantees that there would be freedom of speech, meetings would not be banned, open-air meetings would be allowed, and the Security Police would stop harassing NIC members.

"Without this guarantee, any referendum would be a farce," the NIC said in a statement.

The NIC also said there must be careful and vigilant monitoring of the referendum in all its stages and impartiality must be ensured.

Asked what would happen

if these conditions were not met, NIC president Mr George Sewpersadh said last night the NIC would consider its position on participation if and when the terms of a referendum were announced.

The NIC would demand an emphatic and resounding "no" vote, he said.

This announcement means that Solidarity, the political party due to be launched this weekend in Durban, is the only Indian political organisation that has not called for a referendum.

The Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, has said he would hold referendums for Indians and coloureds if requested.

No announcement is expected, however, until Solidarity holds its first congress in early March.

Meanwhile the chairman of the SA Indian Council, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said he

would meet the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr F W de Klerk, to discuss the need for many Indians to get Books of Life in time for a referendum.

The NIC statement said it was the inalienable right of all South Africans to decide on the constitution of the country. The NIC endorsed the United Democratic Front's call for a national non-racial referendum.

Indians were being asked to become junior partners in apartheid, to send its youth to the borders to defend apartheid, to forget the ravages of the Group Areas Act, and to accept its existence today; it said.

"Congress therefore demands a referendum in which the community will be asked to give an emphatic 'no' to apartheid and its constitution."

# New Solidarity hits out at SAIC

(258) S. Times 27/1/84

SOLIDARITY, a new political party which hopes to lead South Africa's Indian community into the new tricameral parliament, was launched yesterday with an attack on the South African Indian Council

By TICKS CHETTY, BRIAN POTTINGER and NORMAN WEST

Its leadership said a boycott of the new constitution would be "sterile, unproductive and useless"

About 200 from the Transvaal, Eastern Cape and Natal met at the Teachers' Centre in Durban to launch the party

They confirmed the party's steering committee, with attorney Mr Pat Poovalingham as chairman and President's Councillors Mr Mamoo Rajab and Ismail Kathrada as secretary and treasurer

Solidarity's leader will be elected at a congress in March

The party already has more than 600 members. By the end of February it hopes to have at least 5 000

"The 1983 constitution," said Mr Poovalingham, "is most certainly not the best possible. But it is the best available."

He said participation in it did not imply acceptance or support.

"To strive for better things is precisely what Solidarity intends to do." He expected frequent conflict with the National Party

Meanwhile, the SA Indian Council's surprise decision to call for a referendum could hold up the Government's plan for speedy and relatively painless implementation of the new constitution

The decision — the result of unprecedented political tumult within the community — has seen a parallel response from the United Democratic Front on the referendum-election issue

Initially the Government planned joint coloured and Indian elections for the new parliament by early May, before the beginning of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan

A short session would then be called to establish the new parliament

But the SAIC call for a referendum and the UDF affiliates' decision to participate threatens to delay the process and, in the event of a No vote, to seriously cripple it

Privately, government figures have been counselling Indian politicians to opt for an election

Indications are that the

majority National People's Party in the SAIC was in favour of elections but some members said they became convinced that the Government was trying to swing support to Solidarity to neutralise the NPP and Mr Rajbansi, chairman of the Indian council

Solidarity favours elections although it has not taken an official stand

There is speculation that the Government intends doing everything it can to ensure that a referendum is not held. One tactic might be to build up an "election-front party" and then claim it has sufficient popular support to warrant cancelling the SAIC's referendum call

There have been no formal contacts between Mr Chris Heunis, Minister of Constitutional Development, and Solidarity

So far Mr Heunis has declined comment on the SAIC's referendum call

Some members of the NPP, meanwhile, appear to be privately counting on government rejection of their demand (they are not themselves convinced a Yes vote would win) so that they can then take part in elections without being tarred with an "undemocratic" brush

A key element is the UDF. It supports the idea of a "non-racial" referendum for all South Africans, but has left the door open for affiliates to adopt their own tactics

This has allowed the Transvaal and Natal Indian Congresses to agree to participate in the referendum on a No ticket, but they will not take part in the new parliament in the event of a Yes majority



# The Tricameral system is in jeopardy

By David Braun,  
Political Reporter

## Indian call for referendum tests dispensation

Indians and coloured people are at odds about their approach to the Government's new political dispensation. This could leave the National Party with a major headache as it tries to forge an alliance between these groups and the country's whites.

The coloured parties favour elections — without a referendum — and this would seem to fit in with the Government's plans. But last week it became clear that most Indians want a referendum first, and that could delay implementation of the new dispensation.

When the whites voted overwhelmingly in their referendum to give the dispensation a try, and the three coloured political parties declared they were in favour of the system and wanted to proceed directly to elections, the general feeling was that the Indians too would opt for elections without a preceding referendum.

From the Government's point of view, the major problem was how to stimulate enough interest in the coloured and Indian elections to make the participation by these groups as legitimate as possible.

Three out of every four white voters took part in their referendum and, of those, two in every three were in favour of the new system. That meant at least half of all white voters wanted to give the proposals a good try. If similar percentages could be achieved in the "brown" elections, the Government could argue at home and abroad that the new system was desired by a clear majority of the three groups, tested in truly democratic polls.

The major risk in holding elections was that poor interest, and possible intimidation of voters by opponents of the new constitution so that the percentage polls would be very low, would rob the participation of the Indians and coloured people of much of its legitimacy.

The danger in holding referendums was that the forces ranged for a "no" vote would

so outweigh those prepared publicly to campaign for a "yes" that the outcome could not be interpreted as anything other than total rejection of the new system.

In that event the National Party's constitutional initiative would be crippled while its standing with right-wing white

tees, commissions and councils can assist in achieving its goals and constant objectives. Its leaders can also continue on the road of negotiation with the government of the day.

So the stage is set for a three-cornered contest between the three coloured political parties, all of which have opted

reached fever pitch in the SA Indian Council, which in November called for an election.

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, chairman of the council's executive committee and leader of the National People's Party, said early last year that his party would participate in the constitution only after Indian opinion had been tested in a referendum.

Then, after the LP decision to opt for elections and because of a certain amount of lobbying by the Government, Mr Rajbansi announced that the SAIC would probably rescind its decision and also go for an election.

But last week he again surprised everyone by reverting to the original decision and the SAIC confirmed its call for a referendum.

Mr Rajbansi has since announced that his party will fight for a "yes" vote in the referendum because his party believes that by participating it can create a better South Africa for all its people.

The SAIC opposition Reform Party, a member of the SA Black Alliance, has said it will not take part in any poll to do with the new system. It is not clear if it will change this view if a referendum is announced.

But should the majority of Indians vote "no" if the referendum goes ahead, the new dispensation will lose much of its impetus.



The Rev Allan Hendrickse

voters would plummet. The Conservative Party and the Herstigte Nasionale Party would love to be able to say that after all the NP put the white electorate through to get its constitutional plans off the ground (even causing the split which led to the formation of the CP), it was not acceptable to the Indian and coloured people.

Labour Party leader the Rev Allan Hendrickse has said that his party opted to co-operate in the system because it believes that participation within the tricameral arrangement and consequent standing commit-



Mr Amichand Rajbansi

to fight elections for the new tricameral parliament.

Analysts expect the LP to win the majority of the 80 seats in the House of Representatives, leaving only a handful to the traditionally poorly supported Freedom Party and People's Congress Party.

The Indian outcome is not nearly as predictable. The big debate is not whether there should be an election or a referendum, but whether the various parties should take part or boycott any poll.

During recent months the debate over participation in the constitutional proposals

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Mr D J N MALCOMESS Mr Speaker, arising out of the reply of the hon the Minister, can we assume from his reply that the Department of Mineral and Energy Affairs nor the State Oil Fund nor Police or asked for any investigation of this matter?

The MINISTER Mr Speaker, the hon member's question only asks whether the South African Police made an investigation, hence the reply which I gave the hon member I am aware of other investigations that were made I cannot say whether these include all the organizations to which the hon member is referring, but there are investigations that are being made by certain bodies or persons at Government level I am not personally aware of the extent thereof I only know about them, but I cannot inform the hon member about them because they do not fall within my field

Mr D J N MALCOMESS Mr Speaker, further arising out of the reply of hon the Minister can he inform the House whether, had any body or organization laid a charge or asked the Police to investigate, the answer to my question would have been

The MINISTER Mr Speaker, if any prejudiced person lays any charge with the South African Police which suggests that a crime of any kind has been committed, such charge will be duly investigated

*Handwritten:* 258, 259, 258, 259, 60, 45, 3/2/84, Indian voters, Hems and, Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Internal Affairs †

(1) How many Indians are registered as voters at present,

(\*) whether his Department envisages attaining a higher registration figure, if not why not, if so, (a) what steps are contemplated in this regard and (b) when will the steps be taken?

The MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

(1) 295 482 on 31 December 1983

(2) (a) and (b) This is a matter in which political parties normally take the initiative and the indications are that there is considerable interest to register as voters

Mr R SIVE Mr Speaker, arising out of the reply of the hon the Minister, I should like to know whether he is going to utilize the population register as a basis for registering Asian voters

The MINISTER Mr Speaker, consideration is at present being given to this, and I plan to introduce legislation quite early in the session At that stage we shall be able to debate the issue fully At the moment it does not look as if we shall be able to use the population register in the same way as we have been able to use it for the purpose of the referendum We shall therefore in all probability rely solely on registration and the act of registration

Population register

\*16 Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Internal Affairs †

How many (a) Coloured persons and (b) Indians over the age of 18 years are included in the population register at present?

The MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

(a) and (b) On 31 January 1984 1 013 490 and 335 671 respectively

Indian community referendum

\*17 Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning †

Whether his Department received any representations from institutions and organizations in the Indian community regarding the holding of a referendum on



which are to be declared as such

(2) (a) None

(b) 11

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*Detainees 3/2/84*

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*51 Mrs H SUZMAN asked the Minister of Law and Order*

(1) How many persons are detained at present under section 29(1) of the Internal Security Act, No 74 of 1982,

(2) whether any such persons have been detained for longer than three months, if so, (a) how many and (b) for what period in each case?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER

(1) 21 persons as on 31 January 1984

(2) No

58 Dr M S BARNARD asked the Minister of Law and Order

(1) Whether any detainees are hospitalized at present, if so, (a) how many and (b) for what reasons,

(2) whether hospitalized detainees may be visited by their relatives, if not why not, if so, how often?

The MINISTER OF LAW AND ORDER

(1) No

(2) Falls away

Police salaries

57 Mi D J N MALCOMESS asked the Minister of Law and Order

Whether he will reconsider his decision regarding questions on police salaries, if not, why not, if so, what are the rates of pay for (a) White, (b) Coloured, (c) Asian

(a) 299 208 tonnes of anchovy and pilchards

(b) 77 307 tonnes other pelagic fish

*May I add for the information of hon members that the season started on 15 January, and the information to date is that good catches of non-quota species are being recorded*

Drakensberg prospecting/mining operations

\*20 Mr R R HULLEY asked the Minister of Environment Affairs and Fisheries

(1) Whether he or his Department has received an application from (a) a person and/or (b) a company to conduct (i) prospecting and (ii) mining operations in the Drakensberg mountain range in Natal, if so, (aa) from which person and/or company and (bb) within which area,

(2) whether the application has been accepted to,

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

The MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES

(1) (a) No

(b) Yes

(i), (ii), (aa) and (bb) Fall away

(i) Yes, but not prospecting in the true sense of the word

(aa) Southern Sphere Mining and Development Company (Pty) Ltd

(bb) Cathedral Peak, Mont's Cowl, Highmoor, Mkhomazi Cobham and Garden Castle State forests, parts of which have already been declared wilderness areas or nature reserves of

the proposed constitutional dispensation, if so, (a) from which institutions and/or organizations and (b) what was (i) the purpose of, and (ii) his reaction to, each of these representations?

The MINISTER OF CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Yes

(a) Various Indian persons, organizations and bodies

(b) (i) and (ii) I am still engaged in negotiations in this regard and consequently not in a position at this stage to express an opinion or take a standpoint regarding the matter

National parks

\*18 Mr R R HULLEY asked the Minister of Environment Affairs and Fisheries

Whether any additional areas of land were set aside for national parks in 1983, if so, (a) where and (b) what is the extent of each of these areas?

The MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES

Yes

(1) The Karoo National Park near Beaufort West

(b) 8 200 hectares

*Fishing Pelagic fish*

*Handwritten Q 601 47*

*3/2/84*

\*19 Mr R R HULLEY asked the Minister of Environment Affairs and Fisheries

How many tonnes of (a) anchovy and pilchard and (b) non-quota pelagic fish were landed during the 1983 fishing season at during the latest specified period of 12 months for which figures are available?

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES

Particulars in respect of the two fishing seasons during 1983 are as follows



# Heunis lobbies for Indian elections

By JEAN LE MAY  
Political Correspondent

THE Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Chris Heunis, had top-level talks in Cape Town this week with representatives of two Indian political groups — the National People's Party (NPP) and the newly-formed Solidarity group.

Mr Heunis has declined to comment, but Indian political sources say the government is lobbying for a general election in preference to a referendum on the new tricameral system.

Mr Heunis also met a delegation of the SA Indian Council, the government-created body chaired by Mr Amichand Rajbansi, on Friday afternoon.

Mr Rajbansi, who is also leader of the NPP, and Mr Pat Poovalingam, leader of Solidarity, confirmed that the meetings had taken place.

Solidarity was represented by its secretary, Mr Mendum Rajab. Sources close to the leadership said the talks hinged on the question of whether the Indian community should decide by referendum whether to participate in the new tricameral system or whether there should be a general election.

The caucus of the NPP recently decided by a narrow margin — said to be 16 to 13 — to opt for a referendum, while the executive of Solidarity came out in favour of an election.

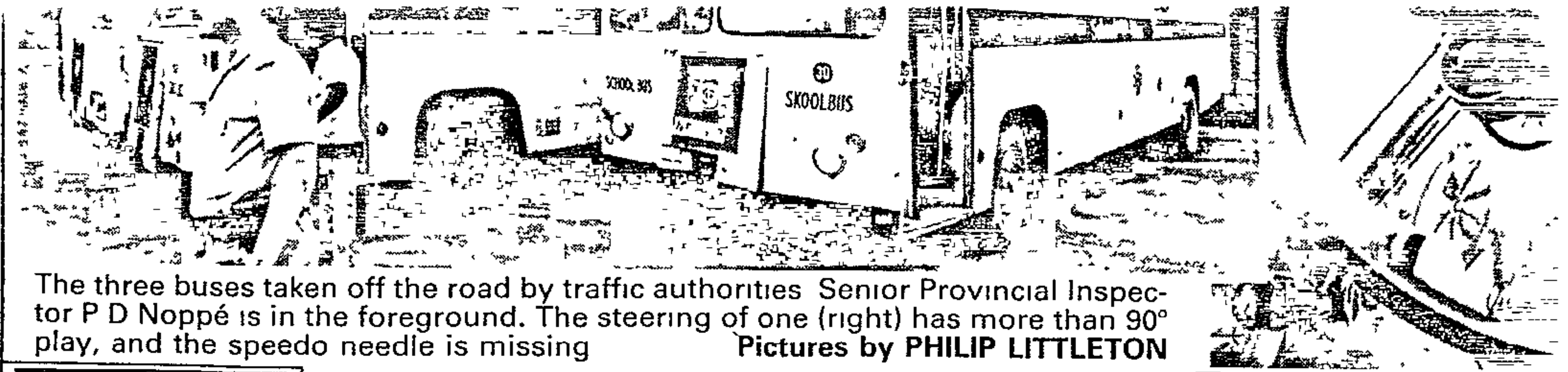
Both parties will place the issue before their congresses in March. The Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, said last year the Indian community should decide for itself whether to choose a referendum or a general election.

However Mr Heunis — although he has refused to be drawn on the issue — is said to be anxious to avoid a referendum because all the indications are that the result will be a resounding 'no'.

This could mean a stalemate as far as Indian participation is concerned. But an election would entail participation, however low the poll.

Mr Rajbansi, asked to comment on the SAIC meeting with Mr Heunis, said "We discussed the undertaking given by the Prime Minister to consult the community as a whole whether to hold a referendum or an election. We stressed the view that the Prime Minister must be guided by political considerations arising both inside and outside the SAIC."

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The three buses taken off the road by traffic authorities Senior Provincial Inspector P D Noppé is in the foreground. The steering of one (right) has more than 90° play, and the speedo needle is missing

Pictures by PHILIP LITTLETON

# School buses found to be unroadworthy

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By Don Bayley

**THREE** buses, used to transport hundreds of children to and from school, have been taken off the road by traffic authorities because they were found to be unroadworthy.

School Bus Services, a Stanger company contracted to the Department of Indian Affairs to transport pupils in the town, owned the vehicles.

Parents allege the service was inefficient, often leaving hundreds of children stranded, delivering them to school hours late, and sometimes returning them home after dark.

Mr Eddie Elson, deputy chief of provincial traffic control, said three buses had been banned yesterday after being found 'unroadworthy and unfit for transporting school-children'.

Another two had been taken off the road on Tuesday after it had been found their certificates of fitness had expired.

'All the buses' documentation is also being checked,' he said.

Detectives at Greytown and the Department of In-

ternal Affairs are investigating the matter.

The Mercury inspected the banned buses yesterday and found that two had badly cracked wind-screens, one had more than 90° play in the steering, at least one other had almost no brakes, the engine in one had spewed large amounts of diesel fuel into the passenger section, and none had working speedometers.

None had stamped-on engine numbers, according to traffic officials.

One of the company's bus drivers, said drivers had repeatedly complained that 'the brakes don't work and the steering is defective'. But their pleas, he claimed, had been ignored by the company management.

'I've got to feed my wife and kids, so I carry on driving,' he said.

## Jealousy

Mr Haniff Manjoo, a parents' committee member, said children had been asked to walk up hills when buses did not have the power to take their weight.

I congratulate the traffic authorities'.

Yesterday afternoon about 600 pupils were stranded for several hours, apparently because the suspension of the unroadworthy buses had reduced the company's fleet to fewer than 10.

School parents committees arranged to ferry the children home in pri-

vate vehicles and in another company's buses.

Mr Dan Pillay, a school committee head, said buses were often overloaded, unsafe and unreliable.

'The service is deplorable. Things were much better before this company was awarded the contract about two years ago, and the position has deteriorated rapidly in the past few months'.

Mr David Masher, owner of School Bus Services, said from Johannesburg, where he has other business interests, that he felt the attention now focused on his service was because of the jealousy of other bus operators.

'They want to get their routes back. Another operator complained to the NPA about a bad set of tyres or something'.

He admitted that buses had been taken off the road on Tuesday after their certificates of fitness had expired because of negligence.

When told of the defects found in the buses suspended yesterday, he conceded that those charged with routine maintenance 'must have failed in their task'.

But he pointed out that there was no garage in Stanger which worked on diesel engines.

Mr Masher claimed that a cartel of other bus operators had been formed against him and he could only hire buses from one other company when he needed them.

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## Bus companies help out on school route

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THE assistant director of Indian Education, Mr J A C Reinecke, the NPA's deputy road traffic chief, Mr Eddie Elson, and school committee heads converged on Stanger's vehicle testing grounds yesterday to seek a solution to the area's school bus problem

Earlier yesterday, yet another three buses run by School Bus Services, a company accused of providing a grossly inefficient yet State-funded service, were impounded as unroadworthy by traffic authorities

This brings the total banned since late last week to eight

Other bus companies have been called in to assist 'semi-permanently'

Mr Mohamed Asmal, head of the union of Stanger school parents' committees, said an urgent meeting had been held with Mr Reinecke in Durban yesterday morning

'Such was the gravity of the situation, Mr Reinecke decided to make an *in loco* inspection immediately,' Mr Asmal said

After the inspection Mr Reinecke said he had 'seen the immediate problem and applied temporary relief measures' These were to supplement the service using other companies' buses on the school routes yesterday afternoon, and in the short term

### Concerned

It is reported from Stanger that yesterday afternoon's pick-up from schools went off almost without a hitch In the morning, however, scores of children were stranded in outlying areas such as Shakaskraal

Mr Reinecke added 'The investigation is still under way The department is concerned to get the pupils back and forth timeously and safely, but there is an enormous logistical problem'

He agreed yesterday's busing had been 'a vast improvement' and confirmed he would meet Mr David Masher, owner of School Bus Services, today.



# Outcry and school bus contract is cancelled

Mercury Reporter

THE Department of Indian Education has cancelled its contract with School Bus Services, the company which has provided a State-funded service in Stanger

This comes after an outcry against the company by Stanger parents, who alleged the service was grossly inefficient and that buses were unroad-worthy and dangerous

Fifty employees are now jobless, according to the owner of the company, Mr David Masher

Mr J A C Reinecke, assistant director of Indian Education, confirmed that the contract — held by School Bus Services for two years — had been cancelled and fresh tenders were being invited

'Interim arrangements have been made to get pupils to and from school until new contractors are appointed,' he said

Mr Les Farrant, Natal's traffic chief, said an investigation was expected to lead to a number of charges against School Bus Services

Two company employees would appear in court today. Mr Eddie Elson, assistant traffic chief confirmed yesterday

More than 12 buses were taken off the road within a week after traffic authorities conducted investigations

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# Two appear in court ~~257~~ over unroadworthy buses

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TWO senior employees of School Bus Services, contracted to the Department of Indian Education to transport pupils in the Stanger area, made a brief appearance in the Stanger Magistrate's Court yesterday, in connection with unroadworthy buses

Andreas Albertus Botha and Bharath Baldeo (no ages given) appeared before Mr H Swarts. No evidence was led and they were asked to appear again on May 15

The prosecutor, Mr K Moon, asked for the matter to be postponed because he said, charges against the men were still being formulated

The appearance of the men in court arose from last week's crackdown on school buses in Stanger by the Provincial Traffic Police

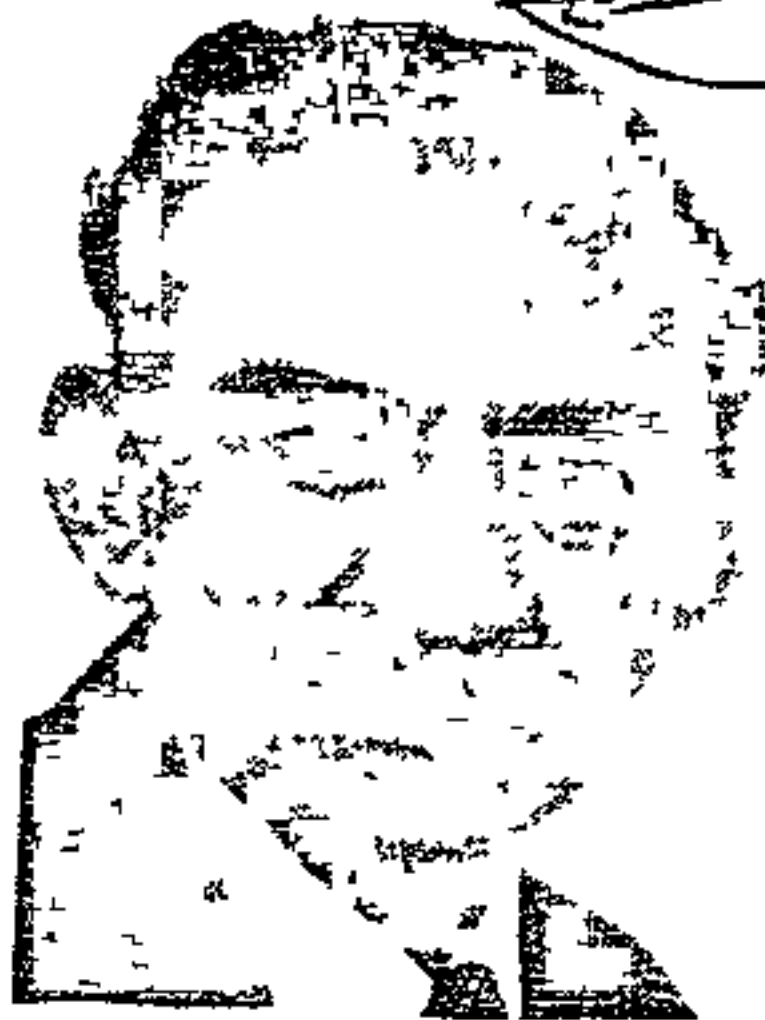
Twenty buses were taken off the road, resulting in the Department of Indian Education cancelling its contract with the bus company

# Coloured poll boycott call is backed by Indian leader

By Yussuf Nazeer  
A Transvaal spokesman of the South African Indian Council (SAIC) has added his voice to that of a member of the Johannesburg coloured management committee

They have warned the Government that the thousands of coloured people without homes would not vote for further Government-created structures

SAIC member Mr Faiz Khan agreed with management committee member Mr Ralph Peffer who said this week that frustrated homeless people, tired of being on the long waiting list as well as being discriminated against in education and other areas, would not



Mr Faiz Khan

participate in the election scheduled for August 22 for their parliamentary chamber

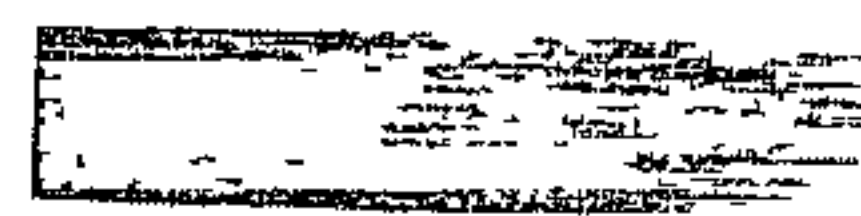
Mr Khan has accused the Minister of Community Development, Mr Pen Kotze, of "dangling a political carrot" in front of

the Indian community with his announcement last year that 2 000 flats would be built in Fordsburg and 5 000 stands sold to them in Lenasia South

Mr Khan doubted whether the flats would be built or the stands made available this year

He said the chronic problem of Indian housing was to be dropped in the lap of the Indian chamber which would have neither the money to solve it nor, in view of the Group Areas Act, an effective strategy

"The Government would have to first solve this problem before it can expect people to vote for its Indian partners in the tricameral parliament



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## Protection for pool builders

Members of the National Swimming Pool Institute of South Africa (NSPI) have created a R100 000 fund which will cover prospective pool owners if pool builders belonging to the institute go insolvent or build a defective pool

The fund will be called the "Peace of Mind Fund"

On signing a swimming pool contract, pool owners will have to pay an additional R35 to be eligible to benefit from the fund. On payment, they will be covered by the institute for five years if their pool shell cracks or if the builder fails to complete the job

Swimming pool pumps, motors, filters and paving will be under guarantee for a period of six months

More than 400 swimming pool companies have gone insolvent over the past few years

## Storm over gift for Cape Administrator

Own Correspondent

KIMBERLEY — A storm has broken out in Kimberley over municipal spending — including the expenditure of R500 on a gift for the Administrator of the Cape. Mr Gene Louw, who is to open the new municipal library next month

Ratepayers have organised a petition which in less than two days has accumulated 100 signatures

They are concerned about city council approval for the building of a new municipal office

block at a cost of R2,4 million, and the proposal to send a delegation overseas to study tourism promotion

The petitioners feel that a public meeting should be called to discuss "the ever-increasing level of municipal rates" as well as the new office block and the overseas trip

A newspaper survey revealed that eight of the 12 city councillors would be prepared to contribute from their own pockets towards a gift for Mr Louw

## Special prayer night

The United Progressive Jewish Congregation will be saying special prayers at Shabbat services tonight

These prayers will be offered at all services at the Temple Israel, the Temple Shalom, the Temple Emanuel and Temple David at 6pm

The special prayers

arise out of the call by the Prime Minister, Mr P W Botha, for a day of prayer, atonement and intercession for peace, rain and stability. At the normal daily services on Wednesday, when the rest of the country went to prayer, special prayers were also offered

## Relief agencies appeal for aid

World Vision, a Christian aid organisation, is to ferry food and building material to people stranded on the Pongola flood plain in kwaZulu

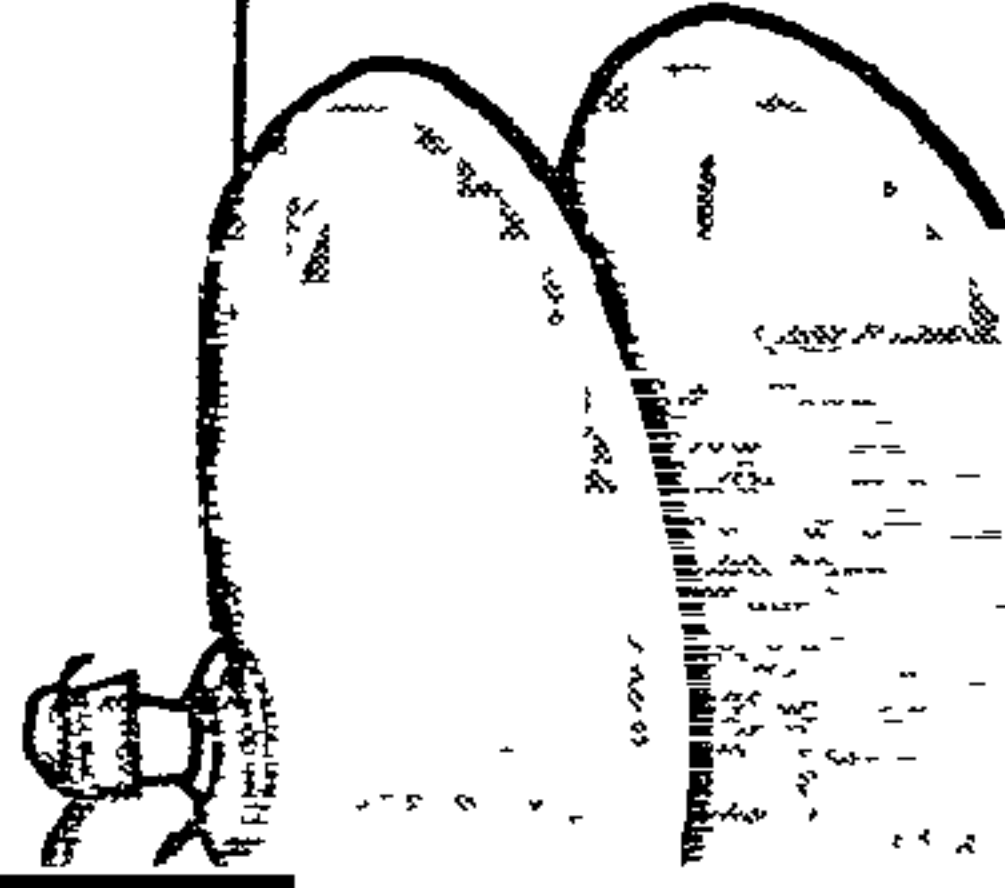
Mr David Cuthbert, spokesman for World Vision said a boat had been obtained and would begin carrying stock-

relief will be provided to needy families in Swaziland and northern kwaZulu over the next two to three months until effective work programmes can be established and new crops harvested

He asked people to give freely to help the relief work in the

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# Blacklist probe to be behind closed doors

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**Mercury Reporter**  
THE alleged blacklisting of Indian teachers was being investigated departmentally by the Department of Internal Affairs without public sittings, a senior spokes-

man in Cape Town said yesterday

He said a report would later be made to Mr F W de Klerk, Minister of Internal Affairs

Allegations that 62 newly qualified teachers

from Durban's Springfield College of Education had been posted to schools away from their homes because of their political views aroused controversy in the community and the Teachers'

Association of South Africa and other organisations demanded a full investigation

Mr Pat Poovalingam, chairman of Solidarity, said. 'A closed-door inquiry is so secret that it does not meet the legitimate demands of the community and the reasonable request for an open investigation made by the Teachers' Association

It is disappointing that the minister should arrange what many people will regard as a hush hush affair,' he said

The Department of Indian Education yesterday declined to comment on allegations by Mr Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the South African Indian Council, that whites were behind the blacklist

## Intrigue

The Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, was not available for comment, and his deputy, Mr Dawie Botha, said he would not comment on the allegations which he described as 'astounding'

The official of the Department of Internal Affairs in Cape Town said he had no doubt Mr Rajbansi's latest allegations would also be looked into

In his statement yesterday Mr Rajbansi said 'The saga of the blacklist should not hide the fact that certain senior white Government officials are involved in intrigue, plots and victimisation tactics against some Indian educationists.

'These are those who believe that our best Indians must be under their white overlordship, and it is unfortunate that certain Indians allow themselves to be manipulated by whites whose aim is to show that Indians are incapable'



# Govt gets month to restore home

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Mercury Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG—A Rand Supreme Court judge yesterday gave the Department of Community Development a month to restore an Indian family's home which it had partly demolished.

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The department was also ordered to return the Pageview house to the Cassim family, the legal occupants, and to pay costs of the two-week trial.

Officials of the Community Development Board evicted Mr A M Cassim, 67, and his family without notice on May 7 this year and started breaking down his house

Mr Justice D J Curlewis said the board's actions had been deplorable

'I am shocked that a Government body could act in such a way. Their actions are a preposterous contravention of common law'

He ordered the board to restore the house to its original condition within a month.

'An official of the Community Development Board said in court he was under the impression that Mr Cassim had cancelled his lease,' the Judge said

## Tittle-tattle

'The lease was never cancelled. If it was, there would be documents to prove it. Mr Cassim is the legal holder of the premises'

'The board's actions were entirely unlawful. It was taking the law into its own hands in the true sense of the phrase'

When an individual made a mistake, the decent thing to do is to apologise'

But the development board decided to brazen it out by justifying its actions upon what the Judge described as the tittle-tattle of nosey neighbours who had an interest in seeing the Cassims' home demolished

'It seems a monstrous way of going about things. It wasn't as if the home appeared desolate, unoc-

cupied and when officials arrived there to break it down and throw people out

'It is common cause that there was wall-to-wall carpeting in the rooms, that beds were made up and that there was furniture and crockery in the kitchen. No matter how sparsely furnished the place was, it was nevertheless furnished'

Mr Justice Curlewis said Mr Cassim had testified that he spent weekends away from home

'But possession is not lost if a person moves out of his home for a weekend. Mr Cassim was in lawful possession by means of a lease, and he can only lose that possession by abandoning the premises or by giving someone else the right of occupancy'

'Mr Cassim did neither, and gave conclusive evidence of it. He paid his rent in the first week of every month, including May; and this fact was not disputed at all'

'I am at a loss to say how someone can abandon his place when he continues to pay rent. The Community Development Board has lamentably failed to prove breach of lease'

'Evidence by officials that Mr Cassim had abandoned his home and illegally sublet it is unimpressive and grossly exaggerated'

Mr Cassim, who moved to Pageview after being evicted from Sophiatown in 1960, had been at his Fordsburg shop on May 7 when he had heard his home was being demolished

He had gone home to find his semi-detached house being bashed down and two officials throwing out his belongings on to the pavement



# SAIC boss calls it quits

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THE NATIONAL Peoples' Party has been given a devastating blow in the run-up to the House of Delegates elections by the resignation of SA Indian Council chairman E V Mahommed.

Mr Mahommed, a Maritzburg civic and political leader, was one of the leading

figures in the NPP and had already been named as the party's candidate in the Allandale constituency.

It is not certain what Mr Mahommed intends doing now that he has resigned from the NPP, but he has indicated that he would remain active

in politics.

It is rumoured he may join Solidarity

In a telex sent to NPP leader Amichand Rajbansi this week, Mr Mahommed said he and some colleagues had formed the NPP when the Indian community had to make a decision about taking part in

the SAIC elections

Now that the life of the SAIC had come to an end, he felt the work of the NPP had been done and accordingly tendered his resignation.

The loss of Mr Mahommed is a severe setback for the NPP.

Political comment in this issue by P Selwyn-Smith and P Qoboza, newsbills by P Selwyn-Smith, and headlines and sub-editing by D Niddrie, all of 62 Eloff St Ext, JHB.

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# Krog must stop meddling in our affairs — Pillay

By Gary van Staden, Political Staff

The Director of Indian Education, Mr Gabriel Krog, is playing a very dangerous game meddling in the "own affairs" of the House of Delegates and must "lay-off", Fordsburg High School principal Mr Dinkie Pillay said today

Mr Pillay, a Solidarity Party candidate in this month's elections to the House of Delegates, said that any decision about the future of the Fordsburg Indian High School was a matter for the House to decide

"Mr Krog must stand back from the whole question of schools and Indian education. The matter is enshrined in the constitution as an own affair

"For a white man to have the nerve to interfere in such a sensitive area just weeks before the election is to hold a match

under a powder keg," Mr Pillay said

He said that Mr Krog and his department were pre-empting the right of the House of Delegates to decide what to do about schools and education

"In this case I agree with the TIC (Transvaal Indian Congress) and the UDF (United Democratic Front) that Mr Krog and the Department of Indian Affairs must take their hands off of our schools"

Mr Pillay said he found it "disgusting" that children had to be shoved around for the sake of a political ideology

"The interference by the white man in this matter is tantamount to dictatorship"

Mr Pillay added that while he had great respect for Mr Krog and what he has done for Indians in the past, this was the wrong time to interfere



Mr Cassim Saloojee

# Anti-election rally for Laudium

Political Staff

The Transvaal Indian Congress will hold a mass rally against the new tricameral Parliament elections in the Pretoria township of Laudium tomorrow night

The meeting, in the Seva Samja Hall, will be addressed by Mr Cassim Saloojee of the TIC, Mr Zac Jacob and Mr M J Naidoo of the Natal Indian Congress, and Mr Popo Molefe of the United Democratic Front

The meeting starts at 8 pm.

# Election 'reminders' condemned

Political Staff

The posting of "election reminders" to all registered coloured and Indian voters by the Department of Internal Affairs has been described by the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) as "intimidation" and a "huge canvassing exercise"

The organisation's publicity secretary, Mr Muntu Myeza, today said that no such "reminders" had ever been sent out to white voters

The "reminders" are official notices sent out by the Department of Internal Affairs

Mr Myeza said that during the registration campaign voters were told that it was a crime not to vote and although this was not the case many people believed it

# Bop-TV will not suppress banned view — Mangope

By David Braam, Political Staff

Bophuthatswana's President Lucas Mangope said last night he would be prepared to meet any liberation leader and would allow his country's television station to broadcast the views of any person banned in South Africa, if there were a purpose for these actions

He was addressing a news conference broadcast on Bop-TV

President Mangope, answering questions fired at him by a panel of three journalists, said he would not meet leaders of liberation movements "just to prove that I am available"

"But if there is a purpose to be achieved, then I am prepared to meet with anybody"

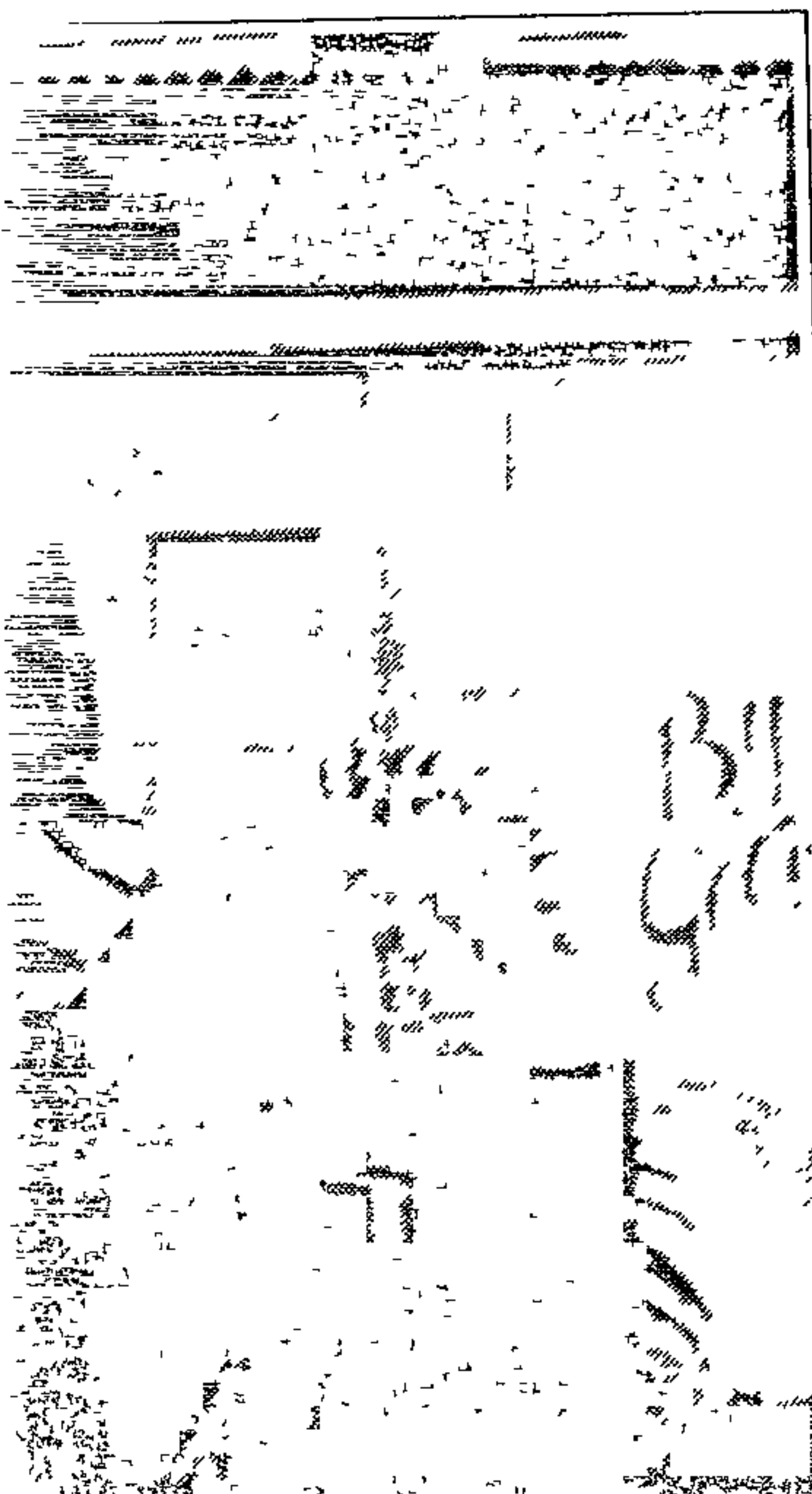
TV, the President said South Africa's complaint had not perturbed him

The station would continue to be allowed to broadcast the views of people banned in South Africa as long as they were in context and newsworthy, he said

On the subject of the land consolidation of his country, President Mangope said Bophuthatswana had added more land to its territory in the seven years since its independence than in the previous 70 years

His Government would not set up border posts while the country was unconsolidated, he said

On international recognition, the President said Bophuthatswana's economic achievements had done more than the establishment of Bop-TV or



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**Vryheid talks focus on Indians**

THE admission of Indians to the Vryheid, Utrecht, Paulpietersburg, Ngotshe, and Babanango districts will be discussed at Vryheid on September 25.

About 85 representatives of local authorities — which include 23 farmers' associations, three town councils and a health committee — will attend the meeting, held under the auspices of the National Party.

After last week's nearly-unanimous vote during the Free State National Party's congress in Bloemfontein to admit Asians to the province, Vryheid's MP Jurie Mentz invited the NP leader in Natal, Minister of Internal Affairs Stoffel Botha, to visit the region, and

address the issue with community leaders

Asians may live in the mentioned areas only with a permit, according to a 1927 law that prohibited their settling in Natal's northern districts.

Other bodies that will attend include the Vryheid Afrikaanse Sakekamer, the Vryheid Chamber of Commerce, the North-Eastern Natal division of the Natal Chamber of Industries, and the North-Eastern Natal Regional Development Association.

MP for Umfolozi Willy Heine and MPC Neels Volsoo have also been invited to the meeting, as Ngotshe falls under their district — Sapa



# Four education depts to remain

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By DIRK VAN ZYL  
Political Correspondent

FOUR education departments for whites, coloureds, Indians and blacks would remain

This was said from Pretoria today by the Deputy Director-General of National Education, Dr Bernhard Louw, in an interview with the Evening Post

Dr Louw was asked to clarify Press and radio reports that the Minister of National Education, Mr F W de Klerk, had announced a multiracial Department of National Education at a Press conference

This appeared to observers to be in conflict with existing Govern-

ment policy

Dr Louw pointed out today that four existing executive education departments would remain, but would have to work within the framework of general policy guidelines

Mr De Klerk said yesterday the Government was not "dragging its feet" on the implementation of its 1983 White Paper proposing equal education opportunities for all

He announced the names of the 26 members of the multiracial South African Council for Education (SACE) which would give advice on general education policy

Mr De Klerk said an im-

portant development last year had been the approval of the National Policy for General Education Affairs Act, in which the Government defined four spheres in which the Minister responsible could determine the general policy to be applied to formal, informal and non-formal education for all population groups

The four areas were norms and standards for the financing of running and capital costs of education for all races, salaries and conditions of employment, professional registration of teachers, and norms and standards for syllabuses

and examination and for certification

Dr Louw pointed out today that white, coloured and Indian education would broadly remain, as far as the executive administration was concerned, under the respective parliamentary Ministers' Councils, and black education under the homeland governments or the Department of (black) Education

The Government would be advised on general education policy by SACE, the Committee of University Principals and the Committee of Technikon Principals

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# Exam time for coloured and Indian matrices

Dispatch Reporter

EAST LONDON — Coloured and Indian Senior Certificate pupils begin their final exams next week.

Coloured pupils start their practical exams on Wednesday with typing, and Indian pupils on Friday, also with typing.

Joint Matriculation Board and Department of Education and Training candidates started their exams yesterday

The principal of East London High School, Mr V R Naidoo, said yesterday he did not expect there would be any problems with pupils attending the exams and said all 54 matrices at his school would write

Cape Senior Certificate pupils wrote shorthand yesterday and will start their theory exams on Monday with Afrikaans setwork

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# Rajbansi bids for UDW dental faculty

Mercury Reporter

THE House of Delegates is determined to establish a multiracial dental faculty at the University of Durban-Westville

Chairman of the Ministers' Council in the House of Delegates, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, has had talks with the chairmen of the other Ministers' Councils regarding a faculty at the Indian university

'The House of Delegates decided that a dental faculty be established at UDW and I am determined to get Government approval,' he said

Mr Rajbansi said following an arrangement with the former Department of Health the facilities for a dental faculty at UDW had been provided

'When it was expected that the last allocation for a dental faculty would be given to the Indian university it was surprisingly offered to the University of the Western Cape,' he said

This was done in spite of the fact that the Cape university had no facilities, lecturers or students at the time, he said

'The University of Stellenbosch provided it with all its needs and Indian lecturers and students virtually started off the faculty,' Mr Rajbansi said

He said a dental faculty would be ideal at the UDW to accommodate Indian students who were attracted to dentistry

Rajbansi refused annual



# NPP seeks interview on firing of minister

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## Mercury Reporter

A TWO-MAN delegation, headed by Mr Amichand Rajbansi, leader of the National People's Party in the House of Delegates, is to seek an interview with President Botha to discuss the summary dismissal of Mr Boetie Abramjee as Own Affairs Minister of the Budget

Mr V S Naicker, national chairman of the party, is the other member of the delegation appointed at the NPP caucus in Chatsworth yesterday

A statement released after the meeting stated that 'the caucus of the

NPP expresses its deep regret that the State President did not accede to the request by Mr Abramjee for an interview before deciding to terminate his membership of the Ministers' Council of the House of Delegates

## Grave issue

'This is in accordance with the *audi ad alteram partem*. The caucus has irrefutable evidence that various newspapers in South Africa had detailed knowledge of the oil exploration in the Eastern Cape

'The NPP is of the view that the manner in which

Mr Abramjee's membership of the Ministers' Council was terminated is a very grave political and constitutional issue'

At the NPP's regional congress, attended by about 500 invited guests in Chatsworth yesterday, Mr Abramjee, MP for Laudium, Pretoria, was given a standing ovation when introduced by Mr Naicker

Addressing the meeting in the Bayview Community Hall, Mr Rajbansi denied reports of a split in the NPP 'The NPP will never collapse. In fact it is growing from strength to strength and it has received widespread sup-

port at report-back meetings throughout the country'

He said he would announce his party's new political direction at the party's federal congress in Durban this weekend

## Multiracial

He also said that the party would amend its constitution at the congress to become a multiracial party

Mr Rajbansi, who is also Minister without Portfolio in President Botha's Cabinet, said 'I cannot divulge our performance in the Cabinet, but I hope that someday we will and the country

will be very proud of our first years in Parliament'

Reaffirming his party's commitment to fight racial discrimination, he said the NPP's priority was to work towards the removal of the Group Areas Act and other legislation which discriminated against Indians

He attacked the Progressive Federal Party for its 'double standards', saying that the PFP had advocated a No vote in the referendum and was yet a part of the tricameral Parliament

'The NPP beat the PFP in rejecting 19 items of legislation in Parliament last year,' he said

# Call to drop Indian school race bars

Mercury Reporter

MR Kassie Ramduth, Minister of Education and Culture in the House of Delegates, said that to upgrade the quality of education offered to certain sectors of the South Afri-

can community Indian schools should be conditionally opened to all races

If the schools were opened unconditionally, there was a likelihood of Indian children being out of school, he said

There was certainly a desire for a common ministry of education that could ensure equality of educational opportunities equal standards of education, conditions of service and common curricula and examinations

Mr Ramduth said the Ministers' Council in the House of Delegates was geared to take over as many Indian State-aided schools as possible and was also looking at the possibility of other races being trained in Indian colleges of education

Mr S V Naicker deputy Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism said the Government should heed the urgings of business industrial and spiritual leaders for dialogue with all groups

# Rajbansi's fears on open trade

**Mercury Reporter**  
THE chairman of the Ministers' Council in the House of Delegates, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, said yesterday he favoured the opening of all trading areas to every race group if a protective measure was designed to stop white financial giants exploiting Indian areas.

He said apartheid had prevented Indians from developing and if Indian areas were opened unconditionally then financial giants, mainly whites, would spread to such an extent that they would be able to grab all opportunities.

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tension, therefore protective measures must be introduced to help developing communities, he said, adding that had it not been for apartheid, Indians would have been in the same position as the white financial giants in the country.

He said protective measures should be introduced during a period of transition until such time as equalisation was reached.

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Mr Rajbansi said he was not opposed to whites trading in Indian areas because he had encouraged some of them, particularly those in the furniture business, to trade in such areas.

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**Mercury Reporter**

DURBAN was to get a R50 million college of education to train Indian teachers. Mr Amichand Rajbansi, chairman of the Indian Ministers Council and acting Minister of the Budget, announced at the weekend.

Speaking at a diploma presentation ceremony at the Springfield College of Education, he said the planning and construction of the college was expected to be the largest single project undertaken by the House of Delegates.

Mr Rajbansi said the final design had been completed and sketch plans approved. The project was expected to go for tender in August.

'In the meantime tender documents for civil works were released by the consultants and tenders close on January

15 next year,' he said, adding that the anticipated occupation date was January, 1990.

An administrative department, 15 departments in the academic campus, a students' centre, auditorium, recreational and sporting facilities and a residential campus would all be included.

Mr Rajbansi said the new college was being built to replace the Springfield College of Education to meet a long overdue need to modernise teacher education facilities.

The department had found itself with an embarrassingly high number of applicants for teacher training.

This year 420 of 3 206 applicants had been admitted to teacher training institutions and the total intake for next year and probably up to 1990 would be 250 students each year.

'Should it be decided that teachers, regardless of race, will be used for the education of all the people of South Africa, then the large number of Indian students who are turned away each year from the Indian colleges of education could begin to alleviate the serious shortage of teachers in this country,' he added.

# Rylands term ends in gloom

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Education Reporter

TEACHERS at Rylands Senior Secondary School ended the school year under a cloud of gloom yesterday following action against half the staff, who were either dismissed or transferred on Monday.

Although teachers had tried to keep their spirits up following the severe action by the Indian Department of Education and Culture, there was "a cloud of gloom" at the school and the usual end-of-year function did not take place, one of the teachers said.

The school's PTSA, given additional muscle when members of the department's own education committee at the school resigned and joined it, yesterday drew up a petition aimed at collecting 10 000 signatures to be sent to the department in protest.

## 'All that it takes'

And today the 11 sacked and 11 transferred teachers will meet the chairman of the 7 000-member Teachers' Association of South Africa, Mr Pat Samuels, to decide on further action.

The PTSA warned that "until the department comes to its senses and capitulates, we will fight with all that it takes".

"The department's inhumanity is evidenced by the wilful splitting up of husband and wife and the transfer of teachers to remote areas.

"These teachers are respected as true educationists who are essential in making major contributions to the growth of the community".

The "cowardly" attack on teachers was an attack on true education and therefore an attack on the community, the PTSA said in demanding unconditional and immediate reinstatement of teachers.

## Pupils plan harassment

The school's education committee said in a statement that any further communication between the community and the department would have to be through the PTSA.

Another teacher said pupils had told him that teachers intending to take up the posts of the ousted teachers would be "victimized and harassed from the first day they set foot at the school".

● The Federation of Cape Civic Associations has also condemned the sackings and transferrals.

"We deplore the continued intimidation of teachers and students by the so-called education authorities. The demand for exams in March 1986 and other sentiments expressed in the open letter of 155 organizations ring loud and clear".

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# Head of teacher union flies to Cape city for talks

**Education Reporter**  
THE president of the 7 000 strong Teachers' Association of South Africa (Tasa), Mr Pat Samuels, flew to Cape Town today for talks with 22 teachers sacked or transferred from Rylands Senior Secondary School

The services of 11 temporary teachers were terminated and 11 were transferred to posts in the Transvaal and Natal by the Department of Education, House of Representatives, this week in a move which teacher, parent, youth and community organisations have pledged to fight

A petition protesting against the action and demanding the teachers' reinstatement was launched today and would be sent to the department once "as many signatures as possible" had been collected, a spokesman for the Rylands Parent, Teacher, Student Association (PTSA) said

## Irresponsible act

"We regard this as a most irresponsible act on the part of the education department and another indication of the oppressive measures used to retard our community by removing teachers who have committed themselves to the education and guidance of our children," the petition says

"This community has been responsible for housing teachers and encouraging them to remain a part of our educational life Now we are told they are being uprooted and flung to the far corners of the Republic

## Shocked and dismayed

"We are shocked and dismayed at being totally ignored in this matter and protest at the crude manner in which these dismissals and transfers have taken place"

The Athlone Students' Action Committee (Asac), which represents 15 schools, said it refused to see the department "use our teachers as chess pieces to be moved wherever they see fit" and the action showed the extent of the lack of control education authorities had over the situation

The Western Cape Teachers Union (Wectu) said the Government needed reminding that it alone would be responsible "for the state of affairs in the schools in 1986" There was no possibility of any return to normality next year while teachers were being suspended, transferred and detained

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# School committee resigns in protest

**GAYE DAVIS**  
Education Reporter

THE school committee of a Gatesville primary school has resigned in protest at action by Indian education authorities which resulted in the transfer of the principal and a senior teacher.

The furore centres on the regrading of Bellmore Primary School by the Department of Education and Culture in the House of Delegates.

It affects a community already in uproar over the department's axing of more than half the staff of Rylands Senior Secondary School, where 11 teachers were sacked and 11 transferred last week.

The primary school, which has 210 pupils, was regraded from PII (250 to 299 pupils) to PIII (less than 250 pupils) and the principal and a department head were told they would be transferred.

The school committee felt the regrading was unjustified as it expected enrolment to be boosted by families moving into the area.

A petition signed by 95 per cent of parents is to be sent to the authorities and legal action is being considered.

Committee chairman Mr A C Rahim said the 10 members resigned over the department's "shabby treatment of the community".

It did not consult with the committee before acting and letters sent to the department had not been replied to.

The principal, Mr A J Davids, had been posted to Nonoti in Zululand and department head Mr K Ernest had yet to learn where he was to go, Mr Rahim said.

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# Primary school committee quits

## Education Reporter

THE education committee of the Bellmore Primary School in Rylands Estate has resigned in protest against the action of Indian education authorities who downgraded the school and transferred the principal and a senior teacher

The resignation last week is similar to the recent action by the education committee of the Rylands Senior Secondary School after the sacking of 11 temporary teachers and the transfer of 11 senior staff members

The high school's education committee has joined forces with the democratically-elected PTSA, whose meetings have been banned by the government

The 210-pupil primary school has been downgraded, with effect from January 1, 1986, from its PII status (250 to 299 pupils) to a PIII status (fewer than 250 pupils)

The principal, Mr A J David was told he would be transferred to Nantoli in Zululand, and a department head, Mr K Ernest, was also told he would be transferred though he has not been told where

In a letter dated November 20 to the department, the education committee said that an extension to Bellmore Park, adjacent to the school, would be

ready by mid-December this year

"The extension will cause an influx of about 150 families into the area and we estimate there will be at least 100 new admissions and transfers to the primary school," the letter said

"Considering this, we cannot see any justification for the regrading of the school"

The committee said Mr David was a well-liked and dedicated teacher and his summary removal would prove "traumatic to the little ones"

The committee requested the director-general of administration in the House of Delegates, Dr James Gilliland, to reconsider the decision

A committee spokesman said that although copies of the letter were widely distributed within the department, no reply was received

He said a petition on the matter had received 95 percent support from parents and that legal action was now being considered

Dr Gilliland has declined to comment on the issue

● The 22 teachers who were either sacked or transferred from the Rylands Senior Secondary School met lawyers and the chairman of the Teachers' Association of South Africa, Mr Pat Samuels, last Thursday and intend to take further action

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# Tricameral system is 'just empty promises'

By Gary van Staden,  
Political Reporter

The tricameral system was fast showing itself to be no more effective than the old South African Indian Council and election promises were starting to sound hollow, a National People's Party official said yesterday

Mr Kassim Isman, a member of the NPP's local executive in Germiston, said in an interview more and more people were becoming disenchanted with the tricameral system

"If the elections were held again tomorrow I believe the percentage poll would be less than half of what we got last time. The people are starting to believe they were misled," Mr Isman said

"I think too many people went into the system to look after themselves only. Not enough is

being done for the people and promises won't help any more — we need action

"I am not a radical person. I am not about to go off and join the United Democratic Front, but I can say many people who voted last August have done just that already," he added.

"I will stay in the party because we have worked hard to make the system work, and I will continue to try and make it work, but something must be done soon to make something real of all the promises," Mr Isman said

## Not listening

He said that especially at local level the tricameral system of consensus politics was not working

"The ministers and MPs are all hiding behind the fact that they have only had one year, but they are not working, they are

not delivering the goods

"The tricameral system is giving us the same problems as the old South African Indian Council (SAIC), they are just not listening to us," he added

"We who serve on the advisory committees are finding the power still firmly in the hands of white city councillors and white Government departments

"For example, take the new township at Palmridge being built for the Indians of Germiston. There is no school, no shopping facilities, there are no medical facilities — they have just started putting up a clinic but at night there is no-one, the place has nothing," Mr Isman said

"In addition, the rentals are much higher than we are paying now. We did not expect to pay only R10, as we do now, but what happened to all the promises at election time, that rents would be pegged at 25 percent of

income?

"There are families there now who pay almost all their wages in rent, excluding lights and water

"We have asked the ministers and MPs to look at rents, at medical facilities and sporting facilities with a view to helping the people, but nothing happens

"Those of us acting as an advisory committee on the allocation of houses in the new township, suddenly found the Germiston City Council had formed its own housing committee," he said

"Where is the consensus in that? We are back to whites telling us what to do

## Back to baasskap

"If this is going to be the attitude, whether in the first year of the tricameral system or after five years, the system is never going to work. We are right back to baasskap

"We are dismayed. What happened to all the promises we heard at the time of the elections? Now many people are very unhappy," Mr Isman said

"We worked hard during the elections last year to convince people to give the system a chance. We convinced many people to vote on the strength of the new deal we had been promised. It has all come to nothing — nothing but empty promises"



## Sacos official in row over sacking of teachers

AR 18/12/82 Education Reporter

AN official of the South African Council on Sport (Sacos) is at the centre of a row over his role in an Education Department investigation which was followed by the axing of 11 Rylands Senior Secondary School teachers

The Sacos umbrella body, the Tennis Association of South Africa (Tasa), has been asked to investigate the actions of Mr Ebrahim Osman, a chief education planner in the Department of Education and Culture of the House of Delegates and president of the Southern Natal Tennis Association, a Sacos affiliate

Mr Osman said yesterday he had no hand in the decision on the teachers and would not comment further

According to teachers Mr Osman and two other department officials questioned teachers individually at Rylands Senior Secondary in Athlone just before 11 teachers were sacked and another 11 were transferred to posts in the Transvaal and Natal

The school effectively lost more than half its teaching staff in what teachers described as a punitive action by Indian education authorities

The issue is to be discussed at Tasa's annual meeting on December 30

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# Bomb discovered

DURBAN — Police yesterday removed a bomb from the Durban headquarters of the House of Delegates

At least two Ministers and about 500 House of Delegates employees and officials were in the building at the time

The building, Malgate House, was evacuated as police removed the device from the eighth floor

Sapa was told the bomb was timed to go off at 3 30pm but was spotted by a clerk early in the afternoon. Police in the building were alerted and the bomb was removed

A police liaison officer in Pretoria could not confirm the report last night — Sapa

# Coalition in House seen as difficult

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DURBAN — A coalition between Solidarity, the official Opposition in the House of Delegates, and the ruling National Peoples' Party (NPP) — to be explored at top-level talks today — would be hard to achieve because of fundamental differences, a senior Opposition MP, Mr Pat Poovalingam, said in Durban at the weekend.

The move which is said to have received the blessings of Mr Chris Heums, Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, will be discussed between delegations from the two parties at a meeting in Cape Town.

Mr Poovalingam said differences between the two parties concerned fundamental principles and not "artificial" considerations as Solidarity's new national chairman and President's Council member Mr Ismail Omar had been reported at the weekend as saying

"I do not believe Mr Omar had been quoted correctly," he said. There were at least three glaring differences which, on their own, would militate against a coalition or any form of working arrangement.

He said they were

- Solidarity opposed the Regional Services Councils Bill because it entrenched apartheid, whereas the NPP "not only supported the Government on this, but also applied the guillotine and muzzled the Opposition in the House of Delegates"
- Solidarity was completely opposed to troops being used in townships during unrest, whereas the NPP leader, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, had supported the Government's stand on this
- Solidarity demanded the repeal of the Group Areas Act in toto, whereas the NPP's representatives on the President's Council "were going along with the Government's idea of replacing the Act with similar legislation under a different name" — Sapa



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# 11 fired: 2 000 sign PTSA petition

Education Reporter

THE Parent Teacher Student Association of Rylands Senior Secondary School has collected more than 2 000 signatures for a petition opposing the firing of 11 teachers and the transfer of 11 more from the school

The former chairman of the school's teachers' committee, Mr Moegsien Cloete, said the petition would be handed to the teachers' legal counsel as an affidavit from the community expressing its opposition to the suspension.

Rylands Senior Secondary School is one of the only two Indian high schools in the Western Cape, the other being Cravenby Senior Secondary

● The secretary of the Federation of Cape Civic Associations, Mr David Kapp, said the organization supported the actions of the education committee at Belmor Primary School and Rylands High School in joining the PTSAs "in the battle against the victimization of teachers"

"The acts of spiteful-

ness and intimidation by the education authorities are part of the continued debasement of the gutter education system"

● The Athlone Students Action Committee has also strongly condemned the "arbitrary and unfair" dismissal and transfer of Rylands high school teachers and the suspensions of many others at various schools in the Western Cape

"We note the use of our teachers as pawns by the department. These high-handed actions indicate a situation completely out of their control and will only serve to strengthen the unity already forged among teachers, students and the community at large"

● The Minister of Education and Culture in the House of Representatives, Mr Carter Ebrahim, has announced that from January 1, Mr D L Leukes, at present serving as Inspector of Education at Vredendal, will be transferred to Mitchells Plain, while Mr S P Japtha has been appointed Inspector of Education at Port Elizabeth

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# Rylands teachers to stay

NOTICES transferring 11 teachers at Rylands Senior Secondary School have been withdrawn and the teachers have been reinstated by the Department of Education and Culture (House of Delegates).

The attorney acting for the teachers, Mr Ramesh Vassen, confirmed this from Durban last night and said the department had agreed to pay costs. The matter had been settled in the judges chambers

Mr Vassen said he had sent telexes to the Minister of Education and Culture (House of Delegates) and the Executive Director asking for reasons for the sackings and transfers

Papers were served on the department and the executive director last Thursday. Mr Vassen was told the judge wanted to hear the matter yesterday.

Mr Vassen said the department had briefed senior counsel from Pretoria but on their arrival at court, his advocate, Mr P A M Magid, had been told the department was prepared to withdraw the transfer notices.

The hearing in which another 11 dismissed teachers are contesting the department's action has been postponed to February 19 and set down for a full day's hearing in the Durban and Coastal Division of the Supreme Court.

A spokesman for the school's PTSA last night questioned the reasoning behind the department's reinstatement of the transferred teachers but not those sacked

CAPE TOWN — The ruling National People's Party in the House of Delegates and the opposition Solidarity Party moved closer to a merger at a meeting in Cape Town yesterday. An agenda for future co-operation was drafted and party leaders agreed to meet again on Monday for further discussions.

In a joint statement after the meeting, the NPP leader, Mr Amichand Rajbansi, and Solidarity leader, Dr J N Reddy, said they had met "with a view to explore possible co-operation between them".

"The meeting took place in pursuance of decisions of the respective caucuses, mandating

## Solidarity, NPP move toward merger

their leadership to explore possible areas of co-operation."

Political observers have speculated on the possibility of a merger between the two parties and Mr Rajbansi was quoted last week as saying his party's doors were "always open" to Solidarity.

The two delegations "discussed the level, institutions and

mechanisms for co-operating so as to ensure that the interests of the community and of the country could best be served.

"The meeting drafted an agenda covering the various aspects of possible future co-operation and further agreed to meet on Monday, December 30, to draft proposals to be submitted to the respective caucuses," they said.

They described yesterday's discussions as "fruitful, cordial" and that there had been an opportunity for the leadership of both parties to "discuss the future role of the House of Delegates in the Parliamentary system" — Sapa.



# New bid to end parties' differences

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DURBAN — Solidarity of Delegates, and the ruling People's Party were scheduled to hold a second round of talks today, said to be aimed at a possible coalition before the start of the new parliamentary session at the end of next month. Delegations from the two parties met in Cape Town last Monday and had agreed to meet again in Durban to explore

common grounds on which the two groups could work together. Party spokesmen said that if agreement was reached at the talks, a third meeting would be held in January "to tie up loose ends".

The two parties, which were at each other's throats during this year's parliamentary session, are said to have been brought together by the Minister of Constitutional Development

and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis. Solidarity's national chairman, Mr Ismail Omar, has, however, denied that the current talks are aimed at a merger of the two parties.

"The purpose of the meetings is to establish whether common ground can be found to give a more meaningful role to the strategy of participation in the House of Delegates," said Mr Omar.

# Solidarity and NPP are finding 'unity' elusive

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DURBAN — Policy differences between Solidarity, the official Opposition in the House of Delegates, and the ruling National People's Party, appeared to be insurmountable at the resumed "unity" talks between party delegations in Durban yesterday.

"The talks have taken longer than anticipated, and are inconclusive," Mr Ismail Omar, Solidarity's national chairman and its representative on the President's Council, said after the meeting.

Mr Amichand Rajbansi, NPP leader and chairman of the Minister's Council in the House of

Delegates, said he "still saw hope of the two parties getting together".

He said he and Solidarity leader Dr Jayaram Reddy would meet "within a day or two" to see if certain party differences could be ironed out.

Neither Mr Rajbansi nor Mr Omar would say what the differences were.

The initial talks, held in Cape Town a week ago, were said to have been "prompted" by Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning Mr Chris Heunis — Sapa